

# Pauline Spangler Maclin



Pauline Spangler Maclin is honored for her outstanding work that help to establish West Virginia's 4-H Program on the basis of four-fold development of individuals boys and girls, which makes it unique and sets it apart from other 4-H programs in the United States.

A native of Peterstown, in Monroe County, and a 1923 graduate of West Virginia University, where she was elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa and other honorary associations, Pauline "Polly" Maclin was truly one of the pioneers who helped to lay the foundation for much of the present cooperative extension program. Her 25 years of Professional service as a Home Demonstration Agent, District Home Demonstration Agent, and State 4-H Girls Club Agent were characterized especially by her love for and help to young people.

Mrs. Maclin established the State 4-H Girls Camp, the Volunteer Leader's Camp. The Farm Women's Camp, as well as county 4-H camps, and other leadership programs. She also organized the College 4-H Club for club members attending West Virginia University. She also served with grace and distinction as "First Lady" at New River State College at Montgomery, West Virginia, during her husband's (E.S. Maclin) tenure as President of that institution.

Pauline Maclin was an active member of many professional and civic organizations and the recipient of many honors. In 1928, the "Polly" Maclin Scholarship Fund was established by the West Virginia Home Demonstration Council. Under the program, a 4-H girl from each of the State's 55 counties is sent to Girls 4-H camp each year, a fitting memorial to a talented pioneer leader who was always ready to help in a friendly, positive, totally unselfish way.