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BEST LETTERS IN SAFETY CONTEST

More Student Themes Produced Herewith

If one obeys traffic or other kinds of laws or rules one will never do any harm. You should know how to drive a car before going out on a highway. In driving a car one should always obey traffic laws carefully. Please watch road signs, for they tell you where there is a curve or hill and other dangerous places along the road. When driving in a big city, please obey the traffic lights, for the sake of yourself and the pedestrian. If you drive at night, be sure your lights are good and are on. When there is a car coming from the direction which you are going, call for dim lights so there won't be a wreck. Watch for pedestrians who may be walking along the road. When you are going to pass a car in front of you, blow your horn to let him know you are going to pass him. In rainy weather always have your windshield wiper in correct order and have it going, then you can see clearly out of the window in front of you. In the winter when there is snow, be sure you have chains on your tires, for then you won't slip and slide. Have your car inspected at least twice a year so you can see if there is anything loose in it. One important thing about your car is to have good brakes every day by going a block can stop at corners. Test your brakes every day by giving a block and putting on your brakes. If your car does not stop instantly, go right away to a service station and have them fixed. If you do these few things which I have written about you will be saving the life of many persons. So do obey all laws in driving a car, and you will be a good law-keeper. Help save lives of others.

June Mays

Osbourne High School
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OSBOURN HIGH SCHOOL RECEIVES COMMENDATION

Mr. R. C. Haydon, Superintendent of schools in Prince William County, is in receipt of the following letter from Mr. J. L. B. Buck, Acting Secretary of the Virginia Committee of the Southern Association:

Richmond, Virginia,
April 16, 1940.

Supt. R. C. Haydon,
Manassas, Virginia.
Dear Mr. Haydon:

I take pleasure in notifying you that the Osbourne High School was one of thirteen of the schools presented for membership to the Southern Association which showed no deficiencies so far as the Southern Association standards are concerned. I want to congratulate you because it has been necessary to call deficiencies to the attention of many of our member schools. I hope this clean slate can be continued.

Sincerely yours,

J. L. B. Buck,

Acting Secretary Virginia Committee Southern Association.

There are approximately one hundred secondary schools in the state of Virginia holding membership in the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges.

HAYMARKET HIGH TO HAVE SENIOR PLAY FRIDAY

On Friday evening, April 19, 1940, at 8:00, the Senior Class of Haymarket High School will present its play "June Time," in the school auditorium.

MUSIC FESTIVAL AT HAYMARKET APRIL 24th

The Glee Clubs of the Haymarket Schools will present their music festival on Wednesday evening, April 24th, at 8:00, in the school auditorium. No admission will be charged.

TRINITY GUILD TO HAVE RUMMAGE SALE

Trinity Guild will hold a rummage sale in the Parish Hall on May 4th, between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 2:00 P. M.

FIREMEN'S BALL TO BE HELD NEXT FRIDAY

The Manassas Volunteer Fire Department will have its annual ball on Friday evening, April 26th, in the Manassas High School Gymnasium. Hours 10 to 2. Music by a popular orchestra.

GOVERNOR PRICE VISITS MANASSAS COURT



Left to right: The Governor; Sheriff Kerlin; Leamon Ledman, Clerk of the Court; Harry P. Davis, Mayor of Manassas; C. A. Sinclair, Treasurer of Prince William County; D. J. Arrington, Chairman of County School Board; Rev. J. Murray Taylor, Chairman, Board of Supervisors; E. R. Conner, Delegate to the General Assembly; C. Lacey Compton, Trial Justice; Arthur W. Sinclair, Attorney.

STOLEN RECORD RETURNED HERE

Judge McCarthy Presides At Informal Ceremonies

In the midst of an April snow storm Governor James H. Price journeyed to the Court House here last Friday afternoon to formally present to Judge Walter McCarthy, of the Circuit Court, an old record book entitled "Land Causes," most of whose records are considerably more than 100 years old. The volume represented loot taken by the Federal Army during the War between the States and which has just been finally recovered.

Following his introduction by Judge Walter McCarthy, Governor Price explained how the volume had been recovered. He stated further that it was always his great pleasure to visit Prince William and its county seat whenever had an opportunity.

The Governor explained something of the doings of the recent General Assembly, stating that he was "pledged to three point program." He paid a high compliment to the teaching corps of the State and emphasized his interest in securing more financial recognition for their labors.

He spoke briefly of other things done by the Assembly and defended his position in the matter of alleged salary increases, declaring that he had only made an increase of 4 per cent whereas in the preceding biennium the budget, which was not prepared by him, had carried a relative increase several times that much.

He was very complimentary of the conduct of the county's affairs and also of its representatives in the General Assembly.

Practically every official in the county was present. A charming cluster of forsythia decorated the table, giving a sharp contrast to the snow storm which was going on outside at the time. After his speech everyone in the audience went up to meet him, being presented in turn by Delegate E. R. Conner.

FRENCH PLAY FOR KIWANIS ENTERTAINMENT

A French play in three acts was charmingly portrayed by local students at the regular meeting of the Kiwanis club on Friday evening.

It was an odd little romance, featuring two designing dads, with a charming wedding scene and an entr'act of music with Miss Alene Miller, soloist, all of which was loudly applauded. Miss Miller got several encores and a curtain call. The two dads gave some amusing set-to's.

Miss Lulu Metz directed the little play and Kiwanian John Kerlin was the chairman of the entertainment committee for the evening.

O. D. Waters repeated his plea for assistance (financially) by members of the club and several donations were made for O. D.'s project, a local playground.

See announcement of Young Democratic Meeting on Page 2.



Left to right: Judge Walter T. McCarthy receiving Court records from Governor James H. Price. (Photos by W. H. Lamb)

STUDENT MEETING AT WARRENTON

High School Program Is Directed By Mr. Peters

Forty-nine pupils and teachers from Manassas schools attended the Northern Virginia Student Cooperative Association meeting in Warrenton on Wednesday, April 17.

This meeting is an annual affair and was this year attended by thirteen hundred and eight students and teachers. There were two sections of the program: one for the elementary schools under the direction of Mr. Harry M. Pearson, of Warrenton and the High School program under the direction of Mr. R. Worth Peters, of Manassas.

Among participants from Manassas were a group of elementary pupils dancing the minuet, Bobby DeChant making the response to the address of welcome, Kite Roseberry, Vice President of the High School group, Mr. R. C. Haydon making a talk on "The Meaning of Courtesy," William Grady, member of panel discussion group on "Work Habits," Guy Bowers, members of panel discussion group on "Dependability," and Miss Laurine Billings directing the music of the elementary section.

The complete list of students and teachers attending the conference follows:

High School Group:
Guy Bowers, William Grady, William Knox, Kite Roseberry, Peggy Tipton, Lelia Dowell, Leonard Lonas, Edward Jasper, Dicky Haydon, Jane Rennoe, Nancy Parrish, Miss Pauline Smith, Miss Nancy Waters, Mr. R. Worth Peters, Miss Sue Ayres and Mr. R. C. Haydon.

Elementary Group:
Mrs. Winnie Breeden, Miss Laurine Billings, Bobby DeChant, Bo Williams, Betty Gore Didlake, Junior Conner, Marjorie Sloper, Betty Anne Ritter, Bonnie Lynn, Worth Peters, Marjorie Callis, Fern Swank, Katherine Graham, Colleen Harder, Phyllis Thomason, Sophie Slusher, Peggy Ann Whitmore, Anna Hottle, Kitty Jean Blakemore, Helen Mae Breeden, Stewart Vetter, Preston Beckner, Jean Hurst, Jimmy Rice, Carroll Conner and Gary Woods.

OLD TIME PARTY THRILLS GUESTS

Pages Of Time Rolled Back By Gay Young Actors

The Parish Hall was gayly bedecked with spring flowers for the Gay Nineties Party given jointly by the Woman's Club and the Junior Woman's Club on Friday night. It was a very lovely party although the weather permitted only a small number to attend.

A group of six young beauties from the Manassas Female Institute furnished the evening's entertainment singing very lustily several old songs and using shy gestures coupled with proud and haughty airs, depicting very cleverly the gentile young lady of the period.

The costumes, all frilly with bows and embroidery, were very lovely and becoming. The group composed of Miss Walsler Conner, Mrs. C. H. Harris, Miss Mary D. Lynch, Mrs. Paul Arrington, Mrs. Sedic Saunders and Mrs. Connie Kincheloe were introduced by Mrs. Jack Ratcliffe and accompanied on the piano by Mr. Cleveland Fisher. Mrs. Ratcliffe and Mr. Fisher were also very becomingly garbed in costumes of the period.

Some of the guests had on very charming costumes especially the three gentlemen quite gay in striped socks and mustaches, though alas, they stayed on with great difficulty the mustaches!

Amid much hilarity over the songs and costumes refreshments were served, Mrs. Hawes Davies, Jr., and Miss Marion Lynn presiding very graciously over the punch bowl, both ladies in very charming dresses.

CHEST CLINIC TO BE HELD

The annual tuberculin and x-ray clinic will be held in the clinic room at the Health Office in The National Bank Building from April 29th to May 3rd. All those desiring examinations are urged to get their request slips from their family physicians or some member of the Health Department. Examinations are made by appointments only. The clinic as usual will be conducted by Dr. Randolph.

NOTICE TO WORKERS

From time to time inquiries are made of the Chamber of Commerce to know the available supply of reliable workers in the County, and since no regular surveys are made of this kind, no reliable information can be given.

It is therefore being requested that all persons interested in registering with the Chamber of Commerce, so it can be reliably informed in this respect, please mail at once the following information to the Chamber of Commerce, Manassas, Va.:

Name: _____
Age: _____ Male or Female _____
Address: _____
Are you married: _____
Color _____ Number of dependents _____
Are you at present employed: _____
Extent of education: _____

PARENT-SON FETE AT HAYMARKET

Future Farmers Render Enjoyable Program

On Thursday, March 28, 1940, at 7:30 p. m., in the Haymarket gymnasium, the Manassas and Haymarket F. F. A. Chapters held their annual Parent-Son Banquet.

The president of the Haymarket Chapter opened the program by announcing dinner. The invocation was given by Reverend Carpenter of the Episcopal Church of Haymarket. The very delicious dinner, served by the Haymarket Home Economics girls, under the supervision of Miss Trueheart, was served. It consisted of baked chicken, dressing, gravy, green beans, sweet potatoes and dessert of ice cream and cookies. The members then introduced their parents and guests to the audience. Earl Fife of Manassas and John Carter, Jr., of Haymarket entertained on the piano accordion and harmonica respectively, followed by the introduction of the Junior Farmers by Ralph Rollins. Mr. Percival Lewis thanked the members on behalf of the parents and guests. Buddy and Walter Merchant sang two selections accompanied by Walter on the piano. The ten points of the F. F. A. were then given by William Rust. Mr. Eutsler introduced the teachers of Haymarket followed by the introduction of the Manassas teachers by Mr. Litwin. The Creed of the F. F. A. was then recited by John Wood of Haymarket. Mr. Haydon was the speaker of the evening. In conclusion Mr. Shutes exhibited his ability in felt drawing, reading, and singing, accompanying himself on the piano accordion. He also played several accordion solos. The meeting was formally closed and the 155 attendants departed for their homes much wiser as to the good of the F. F. A. and intensively satisfied.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ELECTS OFFICERS

The Prince William County Chamber of Commerce met in the Town Hall at Manassas Tuesday night with 20 members in attendance.

Mr. C. C. Cloe, of Triangle, was re-elected president; Mr. Harry P. Davis was re-elected vice president, representing Manassas Magisterial District and Mr. E. R. Conner and Mr. C. W. Alpaugh were elected Directors for this District. Mr. Stanley A. Owens was elected Executive Secretary.

The prevailing sense was that a Chamber of Commerce could be made an useful instrumentality if sufficient interest in and support of the Chamber exists.

It was proposed that a survey be conducted to ascertain whether a group of business men would be interested in meeting each week at luncheon, both for reasons of fellowship and for discussion of problems and opportunities of mutual interest.

All persons interested in this proposed plan, please get in touch with the Executive Secretary at Manassas.

FOOD SALE SATURDAY
Don't forget the U. D. S. Food Sale in Dr. Dowell's Drug Store on Saturday, April 20th. All kinds of good things to eat will be on sale.

NOTICE

The Manassas Town of baseball team will start a practice at High School Diamond on Sunday at 1:00 p. m.

See announcement of Young Democratic Meeting on Page 2.

BETHLEHEM CLUB HOLDS MEETING

History Of Prince William Is Being Prepared

Mrs. G. C. Round and Mrs. P. A. Lewis were hostesses to the Bethlehem Club on Wednesday afternoon. There were three guests, Mrs. May Dogan, Mrs. C. C. Lynn, and Mrs. Paul Cooksey in addition to most of the members.

Many helpful household hints were given in response to roll call, and some unusual recipes and humorous references to house cleaning were offered.

The Civic Committee, in giving the report of activities, told of the generous donation from the Town of Manassas toward the publishing of the County History, being sponsored by this club. In this connection, the following excerpt from a recent article in the "Commonwealth" was read:

"A book on Prince William County, sponsored by the Bethlehem Good Housekeeping Club with the cooperation of the Board of Supervisors, is one of our pet undertakings. The publication will run to book length. The history of the county, full as it is of amusing anecdotes, will be given in several chapters. Other sections will deal with churches, schools, recreation, and industry. Tours have been plotted that will connect the county roads with the great highways that pass through Prince William. Mileage has been checked to approximately 150 points of interest. Nothing quite like the Prince William Book has ever been written about a Virginia county." (This article was written by Mrs. Eudora Ramsey Richardson, State Supervisor of Virginia Writers' Project.)

The club expressed hearty approval of the proposed establishment of a Community Playground and voted an appropriation for this purpose.

The name of Jane Adams, famous American woman, and founder of Hull House, was chosen for discussion at the May meeting.

Mrs. J. F. Burks, chairman of the Program Committee, introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Paul Cooksey, who chose as the theme of her most interesting and instructive talk, "Gardens in General." During her talk she told something of various lovely Southern gardens, the "International Peace Garden," which is located on the border between the United States and Canada, the garden which was recently dedicated to the memory of Joyce Kilmer, and many others. She spoke in an appreciative manner of the splendid Conway Robinson Memorial Park and told of the many varieties of native Virginia trees growing naturally there and of the lovely wild flowers to be found in this nearby Park.

At the close of this talk the hostesses served delicious refreshments.

BINGO PARTY IN HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM FRIDAY

The 7th and 8th grades of Osbourne High School will sponsor a bingo party on Friday, April 19, 1940, which will be held in the High School gymnasium.

This year will find many prizes waiting to be carried home by some lucky persons. So bring your nickels with you so you will be able to take home your prizes. (Be sure to bring your car to carry your gifts away.) At our refreshment stand you will be able to find cakes, pies, hot dogs, popcorn, and soft drinks to keep you pepped up for the bingo games.

Mr. R. Worth Peters, Mr. Raymond Davis, and Mr. Harry Jarmans will be calling the numbers, so won't you come out and be on the receiving end of these lucky numbers?

We will be expecting you at our bingo party on Friday night, so don't let us down. Come on out and enjoy yourselves for an evening for a few nickels.

MUSIC FESTIVAL AT OCCOQUAN HIGH

The Music Festival of Occoquan Districts on Friday, April 26th, at 8:00 High School, at 8:00 Occoquan, Dumfries, and Quantico Schools will have dances of the public attend.

