

The Manassas Journal

MR. F. A. LEWIS STILL IN LEAD

Has Won This Distinction for Three Consecutive Times in Cow Testing Association.

(H. W. Sanders, Secretary)
During the month of December, 23 herds numbering 509 cows were tested in the Prince William County Cow Testing Association. Of this number, 59 produced over 40 pounds of butterfat and 19 attained the honor roll. A grade Jersey owned by S. C. Harley made the best individual record, producing 1338 pounds of milk and 74.93 pounds of butterfat. The honor of having the best herd record for the month again goes to Mr. F. A. Lewis, who has won this distinction for the third consecutive time. The average yield of milk in this herd of 20 cows was 1103.3 pounds, and the average fat yield 39.39 pounds. The average milk production of all the cows in the association was 768.73 pounds and the average fat production 29.19.

Following is a list of the honor cows and their production:

S. C. Harley, Manassas—Shoemaker, G. J. 1338 lbs milk; 74.93 lbs butterfat.

S. C. Harley, Manassas—Fiona De Kol, H. 1457 lbs milk; 67.11 lbs butterfat.

W. T. Thomasson, Manassas—Niecey No. 1, G. H. 1775 lbs milk; 63.90 lbs butterfat.

W. T. Thomasson, Manassas—Molly No. 1, G. H. 1677 lbs milk; 62.04 lbs butterfat.

Clover Hill Farm, Manassas—Ayredale St., 994 lbs milk; 57.65 lb butterfat.

Clover Hill Farm, Manassas—Mawes' Rosaire, J. 994 lbs milk; 57.55 lbs butterfat.

J. B. Manuel, Nokesville—Tilly, G. H. 1399 lbs milk; 57.35 lbs butterfat.

J. B. Manuel, Nokesville—Blaze, G. H. 1348 lbs milk; 55.26 lbs butterfat.

C. C. Lynn, Manassas—Wine, G. H. 1586 lbs milk; 53.92 lbs butterfat.

F. A. Lewis, Manassas—Leo, G. H. 1778 lbs milk; 53.34 lbs butterfat.

W. T. Thomasson, Manassas—Best Blue, G. H. 1662 lbs milk; 53.18 lbs butterfat.

F. A. Lewis, Manassas—Daisy, G. H. 1305 lbs milk; 52.20 butterfat.

S. Hynson, Manassas—No. 31, G. H. 1622 lbs milk; 51.90 butterfat.

J. M. Kline, Manassas—Piny, Grade 1296 lbs milk; 51.84 lbs butterfat.

W. T. Thomasson, Manassas—White Face No. 3, G. H. 1174 lbs milk; 51.66 lbs butterfat.

F. A. Lewis, Manassas—Eloise, G. H. 1714 lbs milk; 51.42 lbs butterfat.

F. A. Lewis, Manassas—Bryant, G. H. 1351 lbs milk; 51.33 lbs butterfat.

W. T. Thomasson, Manassas—White Face No. 1, G. H. 1439 lbs milk; 50.36 lbs butterfat.

M. Seese, Nokesville—Poole, G. H. 1479 lbs milk; 50.28 lbs butterfat.

M. J. Shepherd, Nokesville—Gold, G. H. 808 lbs milk; 50.09 lbs butterfat.

For the purpose of giving publicity to the records made by cows in Virginia Cow Testing Association; encouraging better breeding, feeding and care of dairy animals; increasing the purchase and sale of cows and purebred bulls on the basis of the yearly production of their dams; emphasizing the necessity of judging a dairy bull according to the work of his daughter, and establishing recognized yearly records for purebred and grade cows when these cows would otherwise be without a record, the Virginia Register of Production has been established by the Dairy Extension Division at Blacksburg.

Animals producing 300 pounds of fat in ten months or 305 days are eligible for registration whether they be grades or purebreds. Cows must be entered not less than four days nor more than 60 days after freshening. Application blanks may be secured from the tester or secretary of the association, and further details will be given if desired. The Register of Production will mean much to the breeders of grade cattle and it is hoped that a large number of the cows in this association will be entered for B. O. P. testing.

BEST FICTION AND FEATURES

The best fiction and features always appear in the Magazine of The Washington Sunday Star. The leading writers of the world are contributors. The big fiction story on Sunday, January 7, will be "The Diamond," by Melville Davidson Post—a thrilling detective story. Order your copy of next Sunday's Washington Star from your newsdealer today.

ALVIN W. HARRIS AGAIN REPRIEVED

Board Asks for Thirty Days in Order to Make a More Thorough Investigation.

Commonwealth's Attorney Thos. H. Lion has been advised by the Governor's office that Alvin W. Harris, murderer of Thos. S. Meredith, has been granted another thirty days reprieve. The second reprieve was granted by the Chief Executive on the recommendation of the Governor's Advisory Board on Mental Hygiene. In the letter to the Governor recommending a further respite the Board, through its secretary, states that it has not yet completed its investigation and concludes: "While if asked to express an opinion at this time, we would suggest that he (Harris) is not insane, yet we unanimously suggest that your Excellency respite the said Alvin W. Harris for thirty days, in order that we may make a more complete and thorough investigation."

Mr. Lion has requested Governor Trinkle to have the Board complete its investigation as quickly as possible in order that the public may know its final decision. Harris cannot, however, be electrocuted, if adjudged sane, until the expiration of the second reprieve.

TOWN COUNCIL IN MONTHLY SESSION

Resolution Adopted Requiring Southern to Give 24 Hour Watchman Service.

The town council held a regular adjourned meeting on Tuesday night of this week, there having been no quorum at the time required for the monthly meeting in December. The council transacted a great deal of business, among the most important of which was an ordinance or resolution requiring the Southern Railway Company to maintain 24 hour watchman service at the five railway crossings in town, such service to commence February 3, next. The Superintendent of the Southern Railway has been notified of the resolution as is required by general law.

A special power rate was refused to Mr. B. Lynn Robertson, the P. U. Committee having reported that in their opinion he should take the same rate for power as other consumers. In this connection the council passed a resolution stating that it was the sense of the body that the town is now under no obligation to furnish any power to Mr. Robertson at his mill owing to the fact that he had previously ordered his milling plant discontinued from the town power line.

A resolution was passed by the council thanking Mr. J. C. Albright, resident State Highway engineer, on behalf of the corporate authorities and citizens of the town for the work and services performed by him in connection with the laying of the new streets.

On motion it was ordered that the Public Safety Committee request the Fire Underwriters to send a representative to Manassas for the purpose of ascertaining whether the oil tank put in by Mr. B. Lynn Robertson at his mill has been properly installed.

It was ordered that Supt. Gue be authorized to purchase a generator from the General Electric Co., for use in connection with the new unit to be installed at the power house.

The council being of the opinion that the collection of dog license taxes was not profitable to the town, it was ordered that the corporation discontinue the collection of this tax and request the county treasurer to collect the license tax on dogs owned by persons in the corporate limits.

A bill presented by Mr. Oscar Portner for the value of turkeys destroyed by dogs was laid over for further consideration.

BROWNING ENDORSED

The Farmers' Union of Prince William county in convention assembled on December 27, 1922, unanimously passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, That we do hereby heartily endorse the extension work in this county of County Agent, W. L. Browning, and do express to the state authorities and to all others concerned our earnest desire that he be retained as our county agent for 1923."

IT ISN'T THE TOWN—IT'S YOU

If you want to live in the kind of a town Like the kind of a town you like, You needn't slip your clothes in a grip, And start on a long, long hike, For you'll only find what you left behind, There's nothing that's really new, It's a knock at yourself, when you knock your town; It isn't the town—it's you.

Real towns are not made by men afraid Lest some one else get ahead, If everyone works and nobody shirks, You can raise any town from the dead. And, if while you make your personal stake, Your neighbor can make his too, Our town will be what you want to see, Let's try it—both I and you.

PERRY SENT TO PENITENTIARY

Former Vice-President of Alexandria National Bank, To Serve Five Years.

J. Lawrence Perry, former vice-president of the Alexandria National Bank, at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon entered a plea of guilty to an indictment charging him with abstracting, misapplying and embezzling funds of the Alexandria National Bank and he was sentenced by Judge D. Lawrence Groner to serve a term of five years in the penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. The grand jury that indicted Perry only a few minutes before he entered his plea returned a true bill to the indictment against him which contained a total of twenty-two counts. A few minutes afterwards Perry accompanied by his attorney Albert V. Bryan appeared in court and Perry pleaded guilty to the indictment and thereupon was sentenced. Perry at once was taken in-custody by United States Marshal Clarence Smithers and will be shortly sent to the penitentiary to begin his term.

Before sentence was pronounced by the court District Attorney Paul Kerr was asked by the court what his recommendation in the case was and he suggested that the accused be given five to six years in the penitentiary. The preliminary hearing of the case which was scheduled to have been held yesterday afternoon before U.S. Commissioner Phillips was canceled, the district attorney having told the commissioner the entire matter would be presented to the grand jury today. A formal announcement of the shortage of Perry was made December 11, by the board of directors of the bank. Up to November 29 last Perry was in charge of the savings department of the bank and also was vice-president of that institution. He had been connected with the bank since its organization in 1904 and for a number of years was cashier of that institution. As a result of the embezzlement the bank will lose very little money. Perry being bonded in the sum of \$15,000.—Alexandria Gazette, January 3.

Judge C. E. Nicol has been the president of the Alexandria National Bank since its organization.

BIG MOVIE PRODUCTION

Work on the Production Will Start in a Few Weeks' Time.

Mr. Gross of the Community local pictures is now in Manassas making arrangements to have a big movie production made of our town and the people here will have a chance to see themselves and the entire city before their eyes on the silver sheet. This picture will be given to the town free of charge after it has been shown for several days at the Dixie theatre.

The pictures will show all the school children that attend the schools, the girls college, and, in fact every thing from one end of the town to the other.

Then there will be a little fun attached to the motion pictures by way of a contrast. Two silver loving cups will be given away. One of them is to go to the best looking young lady in the town and the other one will be given to the homeliest looking man. Work on the production will start in a few weeks time.

VIRGINIA GOOD ROADS MEETING

To Be Held in Roanoke January 29, 30 and 31—All Phases to Be Ably Discussed.

Richmond, December 30.—The annual convention of the Virginia Good Roads Association will be held in Roanoke, January 29, 30 and 31, according to an announcement made yesterday from the Association's headquarters. In view of the special session called by Governor Trinkle to provide road funds February 28, the annual convention of the Virginia Good Roads Association promises to be the largest gathering of its kind ever held in the State. Organizations of road builders and engineers will hold their convention in Roanoke at the same time. The headquarters of the Association will be at the Hotel Roanoke.

The program for the convention is now in preparation. It is stated that the three days meeting will give good roads advocates of the State an opportunity to head all phases of the road development discussed by the leading authorities of Virginia and other states. A feature of the program will be a session devoted to the interest of the women of the State in highway building.

At the convention the final plans will be made to carry through to a successful conclusion, the fight the Association is making for the passage of the \$12,000,000 bond issue financed by a gasoline tax of one cent per gallon.

DR. CHESTER AMOS WEDS

Former Manassas Boy Marries Miss Mary Elizabeth Lee of Alexandria, Va.

A quiet and pretty wedding was solemnized at the First Baptist Church Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when Miss Mary Elizabeth Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee, became the bride of Dr. Chester Amos, of Alexandria and Washington, Doctor E. B. Jackson officiating.

The bride, a semi-brunette was beautifully attired in a traveling costume of dark brown panne velveteen with hat to match. Her corsage bouquet was of Ophelia roses. Her only attendant, Miss Mary Harlowe, of this city, was gowned in French blue Canton crepe and wore a blue fox fur and a large geranium duvetyne hat. Her corsage bouquet was of sweet peas.

Dr. Amos had as his best man, the bride's brother-in-law, Mr. Frank A. Wade, of this city.

Preceding the ceremony Miss Martha Lee, sister of the bride, sang very effectively, "I Love You Truly," and "At Dawning," which were accompanied by Miss Lillian Amos, sister of the groom.

Owing to the illness of the bride's sister, Mrs. Wade, there was no reception, and the happy married couple left immediately for points North.

They will be at home after January 10th at 21 Cedar street, Rosemont.—Alexandria Gazette.

PASTOR ACCEPTS CALL

Dr. Charles A. Walker accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Dover, Del., coming to the church after a pastorate of more than nine years with Olivet Church, West Chester, Pa. Dr. Walker takes up the work laid down by the late Rev. O. Gray Hutchison, whose sudden death early last summer greatly bereaved the church and community. He was a noble son of a noble Virginian, Rev. Westwood Hutchison, of Manassas.

A brother of the late pastor, J. L. B. Hutchison, is an honored deacon of the church.—Watchman (N. Y.) Examiner.

ADAMS—SAFFER

Miss Nannie Meade Saffer, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Saffer, and Mr. Charles Woods Adams, son of Mr. Charles F. Adams, of Clifton and Manassas, were quietly married in Washington on Saturday. Cards announcing the marriage have been received by friends of Mr. and Mrs. Adams here.

The couple will make their home in Washington where Mr. Adams is employed by the Washington Terminal Company.

MAINTENANCE OF STATE HIGHWAYS

Entire System as Now Laid Out Consisting of 4,000 Miles Taken Over January 1.

The entire State Highway System, as now laid out, consisting of about 4000 miles, will be taken over for maintenance January first, 1923. It will be the policy of the Department to first maintain in a good, if not better, condition the 1200 miles of improved roads heretofore maintained. The next to receive special attention will be those roads that were constructed and surfaced but have greatly deteriorated in many places, due to the lack of maintenance; these will be restored, generally shaped up and oil treated where necessary, thereby preserving the investment heretofore made.

The remaining, being principally earth roads, will be divided into two classes, first—roads that will carry considerable volume of traffic, and secondly—those of minor importance and carrying a very small volume of traffic. Those in the first class will be shaped up and made as smooth and as sealable as possible for earth roads, enabling them to give fair service, except during long rainy spells and the early spring months. The second class will be maintained in about the same condition as they have been in the past, or a little better.

In taking over the entire system for maintenance on January 1st, it is hoped that the traveling public will realize that not very much work can be done towards maintaining many of these highways economically until spring, due principally to weather conditions.

A maintenance plan and an organization have been worked out whereby operations can be speedily started, just as soon as weather conditions will permit. A most careful study has been made by the heads of the various engineering departments and a plan worked out whereby the patrol system will be used where it will be the most efficient; likewise the gang system where conditions are favorable for the working of such a system and in other localities a combination of the two will be used when found most feasible. Especially should it be borne in mind that many miles of the unimproved roads placed under maintenance on January 1st, will not be the final location of such routes when improved, for it will be necessary to straighten and relocate a large percentage of this mileage taken over, and that the maintenance of such sections must not be constructed as an adoption of these routes.

After the organization has had an opportunity to operate for several months the Department will be pleased to have constructive criticism of its efficiency and asks the public's cooperation at the very least cost. STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION, H. G. SHIRLEY, Chairman.

SHORT COURSE IN DAIRYING

Senior Class of High School Will Be Given Special Four Weeks' Course

As a part of the regular course in Agriculture in the High School, the senior class will be given a special four weeks' course in advanced dairying. This work will begin Tuesday, January 9, and classes will be held daily, except Saturday, from 9:40 to 11 a. m. An invitation is extended to dairymen and farm boys interested in dairying to attend the class for the entire four weeks or on any days that may be convenient to them. Especial emphasis will be placed on the principles of breeding dairy cattle and herd improvement. Feeding, care and management and laboratory work in the testing of dairy products will also be included in the course. The schedule of topics will be furnished on application to the agricultural department of the high school. Reference to this schedule will enable prospective members of the class to select topics in which they are most interested and attend on the days they are presented.

Mayor Harry P. Davis has stated his intention of rigidly enforcing Sec. 49 of Chapter 30 of the Town Ordinances. This section prohibits minors under 18 years of age being on the streets after 9 o'clock p. m., unless they are accompanied by their parent or guardian, or unless they are upon some lawful errand. The Mayor had several boys before him recently for violation of the ordinance.