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\$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

WOULD BUILD POST OFFICE

Bill Introduced in Congress Provides for Construction of Building Here.

A bill appropriating \$50,000 for the construction of a post office building here on property purchased for this purpose by the government, and situated at the corner of Church and West Streets, has been reintroduced in Congress by Representative R. Walton Moore of this district. The bill has been referred to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

A similar bill was introduced at the last session of Congress, but failed to be enacted. It is expected, however, that the bill will be favorably acted on at the present session.

In his message to Congress, President Coolidge directed attention to the failure to provide necessary public buildings throughout the country, and recommended the construction of such additional buildings as had been made necessary by the increase in government business.

Congress is expected to be more liberal in appropriations for public buildings at this session than for the past several sessions, and it is believed that the chances for the passage of the bill authorizing construction of the building here are good.

HIGH SCHOOL LOSES

The Manassas high school basketball team lost its first game of the season Saturday night at Marshall, when the high school team of that place defeated the local school by the score of 19 to 9.

BANKS CLOSE DEC. 25 AND 26

Governor Declares Saturday Holiday—Post Office to Close Christmas.

Because Christmas comes on Friday, and at the request of the President of the Virginia Bankers' Association, Governor E. Lee Trinkle, by official proclamation, has declared Saturday, December 26, a legal holiday in Virginia, and local banks will therefore be closed from Thursday evening of next week until the following Monday morning.

Local stores are expected to close Christmas day as usual, but they will reopen Saturday morning. The local post office will be closed Christmas day, and there will be no rural delivery that day.

The proclamation issued by Governor Trinkle reads as follows:

"Whereas, Saturday, December 26, of the present year falls between Christmas Day and a Sabbath, and, whereas, under our present customs all Saturdays are observed as half holidays by the State and municipal governments and by the banks throughout the Commonwealth, and, whereas, personal appeal has been made to my office by the President of the Virginia Bankers' Association that, in the interests of the common good I designate Saturday, December 26, of this year, as a day set apart for a continuance of holiday observance, and,

"Whereas, under Section 5753 of the Code the Governor is vested with authority to designate as a holiday for purposes of prayer and of thanksgiving by the people any date which to him may seem appropriate for the purposes named, now,

"Therefore, I, E. Lee Trinkle, Governor of Virginia, do hereby designate the said Saturday, December 26, 1925, as a holiday, to be set aside as a period in which to continue actively and in spirit that performance of thanksgiving and of prayer customary among Christian people during the Christmas holidays.

"Given under my hand and under the lesser Seal of the Commonwealth, at Richmond, this fourteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and in the one hundred and fiftieth year of the Commonwealth."

TRAINS RUNNING LATE

Owing to the heavy passenger and express traffic many local Southern Railway trains have been running late during the past few days.

SUPERVISORS MEET MONDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held at 10 o'clock Monday morning, instead of Tuesday as usual. The date for the December meeting was changed because of the approaching holidays.

REID—MAYHUGH

Shirley M. Reid, 25 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Reid, and Miss Lessie Lucille Mayhugh, 21 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Mayhugh, both of Greenwich, were issued a marriage license at the clerk's office here Tuesday.

JARMANS NOW TOWN OFFICER

County Jailer Elected as Additional Officer by Town Council Monday.

Robert Jarmans, county jailer, was elected to the police force at a special meeting of the Town Council held on Monday night for the purpose of considering the question of putting on another officer. Jarmans was immediately assigned to duty, and under instructions from the Mayor went on duty Tuesday morning. Town Sergeant W. H. Jeffries was assigned to night duty.

The increase in the police force is expected to be permanent, although the matter of placing the additional officer on duty was probably hastened by requests from merchants and others for better protection during the holidays.

Mr. Jarmans has been a deputy sheriff and county jailer for several years, and has on numerous occasions during that period, been placed on duty as a special town officer.

Other applications for the position had been filed with the Council but the election of Mr. Jarmans followed a decision of the applicants.

26 DRY LAW CONVICTIONS

Over Seven Thousand Gallons of Mash Destroyed According to Officer's Report.

Seven thousand, four hundred and fifty-eight gallons of mash, ninety-nine stills taken, and twenty-six persons whom he arrested were convicted for violations of the state prohibition law, according to a report of Special County Officer R. H. Duval, covering the period from February 21, this year, when he was appointed, to December 10.

The jail sentences of persons whom he arrested for violations of the state prohibition law totaled thirty-three months and ten days. Three automobiles were seized, as well as a wagon, buggy and harness and horse. Total fines imposed on persons whom he arrested amounted to \$1,890.

In addition to the twenty-six convictions for violation of the state prohibition law, nine persons were arrested and later convicted for violating the state highway laws and similar misdemeanors.

Two cases in which Duval was the arresting officer are now pending in the Circuit court, according to the report.

CIRCUIT COURT SESSION ENDS

Several Criminal and Civil Cases Disposed of at December Term Last Week.

After disposing of several small civil cases Friday the December term of Prince William county circuit court was adjourned that afternoon by Judge Samuel G. Brent. A number of civil and criminal cases went over to the February term of court.

During the five days that court was in session many criminal and civil cases were disposed of. One robbery case and three prohibition cases resulted in convictions.

An automobile and a horse and buggy taken in prohibition cases were ordered sold by the court.

COUNTY DELEGATION RETURNS FROM ROAD HEARING MUCH ENCOURAGED OVER PROSPECTS

Believe Highway Commission Will Agree to Complete Milford Road as Result of Open Hearing Yesterday.

A delegation of over twenty representative citizens from Manassas and Prince William county returned from Charlottesville last night after appearing before the State Highway Commission yesterday in the interest of the completion of the Manassas-Warrenton road, much encouraged over the prospects for the completion of this road next year and the possibility of having the state take over for maintenance a road connecting the Richmond-Washington and Lee and Jackson highways. The Highway Commission held its open hearing on the allocation of road funds and the two and one-half per cent mileage addition to the state highway system in the courthouse at Charlottesville. Commonwealth's Attorney Thos. H. Lion, B. Lynn Robertson, R. S. Hynson and James R. Larkin addressed the commission in behalf of the delegation from this county.

Mr. Lion opened the discussion before the commission by stating the purpose of the attendance of the delegation from this county. He spoke of the advisability of taking over a highway through this county which would connect all of the main North and South highways leading out of Washington to the South and Southwest, and then introduced B. Lynn Robertson.

Mr. Robertson discussed the historic value of a highway passing through the Manassas battlefields and, of its present military value in offering an outlet to the West for the marine base at Quantico. He read to the commission a letter written by the commandant of the marine corps commending the effort to build a road from near Quantico on the Richmond-Washington highway, through Manassas to the Stone House where it would cross the Lee Highway and thence West, crossing the Jackson Highway in Loudoun county.

R. S. Hynson brought to the attention of the Commission the fact that citizens of Prince William county had contributed \$12,000 towards the construction of a road from Manassas to Warrenton under an agreement with the state to build the road, but that the road had never been completed.

James R. Larkin, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, discussed the advantages of completing the Manassas-Warrenton road as a detour for the Lee Highway, while that road is under construction.

The following were among those from Manassas who attended the meeting: Thos. H. Lion, James R. Larkin, A. S. Boatwright, J. C. Parrish, T. T.

SHAMROCK WINS OPENING GAME

Local Athletic Club Basket Ball Team Defeat Team From Alexandria.

The Shamrock Athletic Club won its opening game of the season here Tuesday night, when it defeated the St. Mary's Celtics, of Alexandria, on the high school gymnasium court by the score of 33 to 29. The game was fast throughout the four periods and was featured by long shots which Lynn made twice in succession from the center of the floor. Lynn was easily the star of the game, caging no less than eleven field goals.

The Shamrocks will play Warrenton Athletic Club, at Warrenton, Tuesday night, December 22.

The line-up of the teams follows:

Muddiman	fg	Allen
Myers	lg	Latham
Curtis	c	Meade
Baker	lf	Moore
Lynn	rf	Wingfield

Substitutions: Manassas—Sealey for Baker. St. Mary's Celtics, Pierpont for Allen, Brenner for Latham, Cronin for Meade, Gorman for Moore and Zimmerman for Wingfield.

The Shamrocks made six personal fouls and the Celtics two personal fouls.

WOMAN INJURED BY TRAIN HERE

Buggy in Which Colored Woman Was Riding Struck By Passenger Train.

Alice A. Taylor, colored, wife of W. C. Taylor, principal of the Manassas Industrial School for colored youth, was thrown several feet and seriously injured when a buggy in which she was riding was struck and completely demolished by Southern southbound passenger train No. 15, due here at 6:18 o'clock last night, as the woman was attempting to drive across the tracks at the West street crossing, near the local passenger station. A freight train, northbound, had just passed the crossing when the woman started to drive across the tracks from the passenger station towards Centre street. She is reported to have said that she did not see the approaching passenger train, which was already slowing down for the station when it struck her.

The horse which the woman was driving had cleared the main line tracks, and only the rear wheels of the buggy were across the tracks when the engine of the passenger train struck it, smashing it to pieces and throwing the woman several feet.

Former Senator John S. Chapman, of Greene, urged that work on the Spotswood trail be continued as far as Standardville.

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FAUQUIER FARMER DIES

Charlie Daniell, a well-known Fauquier county horseman, died at his home near Warrenton Tuesday afternoon. Dr. F. A. Georger was immediately summoned but death had been instantaneous.

Mr. Daniell was 72 years old. He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Anne Hooe. His second wife was Miss Elizabeth Payne, who survives him as does an only daughter, Mrs. William Alexander Sergeant, of Roanoke, and one brother, Ray W. Daniell, of Warrenton. Mr. Daniell served as a major in the British army in the Boer war.

DONATE \$810 TO PARK DRIVE

Portner Realty Company Makes Large Contribution Towards Shenandoah Park.

The Portner Realty Company has contributed \$810 for the purchase of 135 acres in the Blue Ridge mountains as its part of the Prince William county quota in the drive for funds for the Shenandoah National Park, according to an announcement made by B. Lynn Robertson, county chairman. A check for \$135 has been forwarded Mr. Robertson as the first payment on the subscription, the balance to be paid if the National Park is located in Virginia.

The Prince William county quota is 1,333 acres, or \$7,998. Approximately 1,100 acres have been purchased in this county, leaving 225 acres still to be sold in order to complete the county quota.

An effort will be made to complete the county quota either before or during Shenandoah National Park Week, the date for which will be fixed in the near future. During that week a state-wide campaign will be launched to complete the entire state's quota of \$2,500,000 for the park.

CAPTURES TWO LARGE STILLS

Prohibition Officer R. H. Duval Raids Big Distilleries Near Black Hills.

Two large distilling outfits, one of eighty gallons and the other of forty gallons capacity, each of them complete in every detail including large fermentors, were captured Tuesday by Special County Officer R. H. Duval, near Black Hills, this county. Duval was accompanied on the raids by a federal prohibition officer.

The eighty-gallon capacity still was equipped with steam boiler, 50-gallon doubler, flake stand, condensing box, four 500-gallon fermentors, mash vat and many tools used around the still. Fifteen hundred gallons of mash and four gallons of liquor were destroyed and two bags of meal confiscated.

The forty-gallon capacity still was complete with copper cap and coil, doubler, flake stand, cooling vat, stone jars, tubs and other utensils. Two hundred gallons of mash was destroyed. Fourteen barrels were used as fermentors.

No persons were found at the stills, and no arrests have been made in connection with the raids.

KIWANIS PLAN YEAR'S WORK

Local Club to be Represented at Meeting in Charlottesville on Saturday.

The Manassas Kiwanis Club will be represented at a meeting of Capital District officers and committees to be held in Charlottesville Saturday for the purpose of framing a program of work to be undertaken by the clubs during the ensuing year. The meeting will be held at 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

In addition to the Capital District officers, the officers of the various clubs are expected to attend. The local club will be represented by President G. Raymond Ratcliffe, and possibly other members of the Manassas club.

The local club will hold its regular weekly meeting tomorrow night.

KIWANIS HEAR HAYMARKET MEN

Gainesville District Citizens Agree to Present United Front Before Commission.

A resolution proposing that citizens from throughout the county should present a united front in appealing to the State Highway Commission to take into the state highway system a road connecting the Richmond-Washington highway and the Lee and Jackson highways was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kiwanis Club held at the National Bank of Manassas Friday afternoon. The meeting was attended by Holmes Robertson, Rolfe Robertson, W. M. Jordan, F. H. Sanders, Charles K. McDonald and Moffett Spilman, all of Gainesville district, who represented that district at the conference. The resolution proposing that the citizens leave the question of the route open until a decision has been reached by the Highway Commission was introduced by Mr. Spilman.

Under the resolution, citizens of this county will ask that a road connecting the three highways be taken into the state highway system, with the route to be fixed by the commission.

The regular weekly meeting of the Kiwanis Club followed the meeting of the Board of Directors, and was held in the Masonic building. Plans for securing a large attendance at the meeting of the Highway Commission in Charlottesville yesterday were discussed and preparations made to present the county's claims for road construction. The usual chorus singing was indulged in, led by the club sponsors.

TO HOLD CHILD HEALTH CLINIC

Community League Will Co-operate With Board of Health in Nutrition Clinic.

At a special meeting of the Community League on Thursday afternoon, December 10, it agreed to promote the work among the seriously underweight children in the school which had been proposed for the winter months by the Bureau of Tuberculosis Education of the State Board of Health. The work was explained by Miss Agnes D. Randolph, Director of the Bureau, and was discussed in some detail by various members of the league. Miss Randolph will return to Manassas in January and will bring with her Miss Ella Whitten, field nurse for the bureau, who will have charge of the work here. Miss Whitten will remain in Manassas for three months and will work in close co-operation with Miss Eugenia Osbourne, principal of the schools, and the local physicians.

The state has had nutrition work in the schools for only two or three years, and the work will be conducted in only four towns this year. Miss Randolph stated that the five chief causes of serious underweight were: physical defects, such as tonsils and bad teeth; lack of home control about early bed hours; sweets between meals; too long hours of work and play; bad food habits, either as to quantity, quality or method of eating; and improper health habits, such as sleeping with closed windows, and so on. The local physicians have pledged their co-operation, and will make physical examinations for those children whose parents are willing to undertake the work. The children who agree to aid the work will be asked to keep diet books, and to learn simple facts about regulating diet in healthy living.

The league appointed Mrs. J. L. Bushong chairman of a committee to assist in the work. Miss Mamie Lynch, Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson and Mrs. E. H. Marsteller will serve on the committee.

PRESENTED WITH SHOWER

The Radiant Bible Class of the Presbyterian Church, in appreciation of the interest of the Rev. J. Halpenny in the work of the class, presented him with a shower at his home last night. Several members of the Presbyterian congregation called to express their appreciation of his work.

Mrs. J. B. T. Thornton Paid to June 1 1925