

MILK CONVENTION AT HARRISONBURG

Annual Meet of State Dairymen's Association On January 17 and 18.

MANY COUNTY HERDS TO BE REPRESENTED

Nine Local Herds To Get the National Dairy Diplomas For 1928.

Many Prince William dairymen will journey to Harrisonburg to attend the twenty-second annual convention of the Virginia State Dairymen's Association, which will be held there January 17 and 18.

The Dairymen's convention, which is held each year at some point in the state for those who are interested in dairying has come to be one of the most important annual gatherings of the year. Many things of interest are taken up at the convention, instructive papers are read and discussions are led by some of the best authorities on dairying in the country.

Dairymen in the state whose herds have averaged more than 300 pounds of fat for the year just ended will be presented with National Dairy Diplomas. Hard owners in Prince William County who will receive the National Dairy Diploma are: Harley & Kline, with an average of 420.93; J. E. Barrett, 371.08; J. F. Miller, 341.19; Clover Hill Farm, 335.14; P. A. Lewis, 322.14; J. H. Iden, 303.27; W. H. Swank, 301.87; C. N. Rhodes, 309.13, and C. F. M. Lewis, 304.59.

The prizes and certificates to the winners in the 1929 State Quality Cream Contest will be presented by Mr. A. E. Howard, president of the Virginia Dairy Products Association, Second Day's Program.

The annual convention will be given over to addresses on the success of co-operating marketing of milk in Maryland and Virginia. Mr. John R. Hutcheson, director of V. P. I. extension service, will talk on "What It Means to Co-Operate". I. W. Heaps, secretary-treasurer of the Maryland State Dairymen's Association, will tell about the "Success of Co-operative Marketing of Milk in Maryland", while F. S. Walker, president of the Maryland-Virginia Milk Producers Association, will discuss "Our Success as a Co-operative Association."

IMPORTANT NOTICE

All members of the Fire Department of Manassas are asked to meet with Chief Jesse Crosby and the town manager, at the latter's office in the Fire House, on Friday, January 18, at 7:30 p. m.

Important matters are to come up for discussion affecting a reorganization of the Department, and the purchase of new and modern fire fighting equipment.

EPISCOPAL AUXILIARY MEETING

The Ladies Auxiliary of Trinity Church will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. M. Larkin, on West Street.

TRINITY GUILD MEETING.

The Trinity Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, February 5, at 2:30 p. m.

WOODBINE TEACHER DIES WHILE ON VACATION

Miss Evelyn O'Brine, of Appomattox, Died in Lynchburg Hospital.

Miss Evelyn O'Brine, of Appomattox, Va., who was teaching in the Woodbine School, near Canova, died at the Virginia Baptist Hospital of Lynchburg, Sunday morning, January 6, according to word received by Mr. J. M. Russell, trustee of Cole's District.

Miss O'Brine had returned home for the holidays and while there was stricken with the "flu", followed by an attack of appendicitis, which resulted in her death. The community in and around Canova had become devoted to Miss O'Brine, and she was popular, not only as a teacher, but as a friend who was genuinely interested in all of the community activities. Her friends in the community will miss her, and their sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.

R. S. HYNSON NAMED PRESIDENT

R. S. Hynson Re-elected President of the County Branch Md.-Va. Association.

The annual meeting of the Prince William County branch of the Maryland-Virginia Milk Producers Association was held yesterday afternoon in the council chambers at the Town Hall.

John McGill, Jr., presented the annual report in which he outlined the splendid growth of the association last year. Figures showed that the twelve months had been a profitable one for dairymen within the association, and that the earnings had been sufficient to justify the setting aside of a very satisfactory surplus. Many improvements beneficial to the milk dealers were brought about during the year, among them being improved shipping facilities.

Richard S. Hynson, who has guided the destinies of the Prince William branch for several years, was re-elected president; T. B. Flickinger, of Nokesville, was named vice president, while P. A. Lewis, of Manassas, was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Mr. Hynson was also re-elected as director from the County branch to the Maryland-Virginia Milk Producers Association.

Following the meeting it was announced that the annual banquet of all dairymen shipping milk to Washington would be held in that city in the near future, the fixed date to be announced later.

PUBLIC WELFARE LINKS UP WORK

Reorganization Program of 1927 Increases Duties of State Welfare Department.

The reorganization program of 1927 greatly increased the duties and responsibilities of the Department of Public Welfare of Virginia. Four hospitals for the insane, two colonies for the epileptic and feeble-minded, the State Penitentiary, the State Farm, State Farm for Defective Misdemeanants, the convict road camps, the four State industrial schools, the Commission for the Blind, all public child-caring work of the State, all educational, statistical and organization service in the public welfare field, all State service with disabled World War veterans, were grouped in this department, thus bringing about coordination and cooperation impossible under the elaborate and loosely connected system which had been in effect since 1902.

On March 1st the Commissioner of Public Welfare took over all duties and responsibilities of the State Hospital Commissioner. Since that time much work has been done toward developing a constructive mental hygiene program for Virginia.

Additional Units Established. Additional public welfare units have been established in Norfolk and Tazewell counties. Goochland county has also set up a public welfare organization. Surveys have been made for the development of welfare units in Alleghany and Smyth counties and in the cities of Bristol and Hampton, and special studies of almshouses, poor relief and local prison administration have been conducted in many localities.

Institutions on High Plane. Few realize the enormous burden of dependents, defectives and delinquents in the State. More than twice as many separate and distinct individuals in State hospitals for the insane as there are beds in all the hospitals for physical diseases in this Commonwealth; nearly 3,000 persons confined in the penitentiary system of Virginia; an additional 2,000 in the local jails; and more than 600 delinquent children in the State industrial schools at a given time—these startling figures indicate that if Virginia is to make substantial progress she must develop an intelligent, constructive, preventive program in order to relieve to some extent the ever-increasing burden of economic loss and human misery occasioned by insanity, mental defect, pauperism and crime.

She's To Be Congratulated. Sioux City Tribune—Passing of another leap year means nothing to a maiden lady who credits her single blessedness to extra shrewdness.

JAILER PREVENTS PRISONER'S ESCAPE

Hacksaw Is Taken From Mother of Prisoner When Calling On Her Son.

Plans for the attempted escape from jail of Lester Weaver, who is serving a six months' sentence for vagrancy, were frustrated on Monday, when Mrs. Jarmans, wife of the jailer, took a hacksaw from Mrs. Weaver, mother of the boy, who was visiting her son, and brought it into the jail, concealed in a bag of apples and bananas.

Since the recent escape of a desperate criminal from the jail those in charge there have been doubly vigilant and when Mrs. Weaver, who hails from near Bristow, arrived with the bag her actions led Mrs. Jarmans to believe that all was not right. An examination of the bag and its contents revealed the hacksaw.

Mrs. Jarmans at once notified Constable M. A. Lynch, who went to Bristow and placed Mrs. Weaver under arrest, as well as Frank, a son, who was charged with being an accomplice in the effort to free jail prisoners. Mrs. Weaver was tried and given a sentence of 12 months and a fine of \$25, while the son was found guilty and sentenced to three months' imprisonment with a fine of \$25.00.

WOMAN'S CLUB HOLDS INTERESTING MEETING

Mrs. Branch, State Chairman of Junior Clubs, Is Guest of Honor.

Mrs. L. C. Branch, of Newport News, State chairman of Junior Clubs, was the guest speaker at yesterday's meeting of the Woman's Club of Manassas. Mrs. Branch outlined the program being carried on by the Junior Clubs throughout the State, the clubs being auxiliaries of the Senior Clubs, explaining the scheme of organization and urged that such a club be started here.

Following the meeting Mrs. E. Swavely, president, announced that the Woman's Club had decided to give a Charity Ball for the benefit of the Crippled Children's Hospital, Richmond, Va., which will be held on April 1. Committees will be appointed and complete announcement of plans will be made shortly.

After adjournment tea was poured and refreshments served by the following ladies of the club: Mrs. R. J. Adamson, Mrs. J. E. Bradford, Mrs. W. Hill Brown, Mrs. Guy Allen and Mrs. Stuart Bevans.

BEATRICE S. CROSS OPENS GENERAL STORE

Mrs. Beatrice S. Cross has opened a grocery and general merchandise store, in the old Athey store in Atheyville, between Lee avenue and Center street extended, which she will operate on a cash-and-carry basis.

POPULAR CITIZEN DIES SUDDENLY

P. A. Lipscomb, Who Died Suddenly Last Week, Will Be Missed In Community.

The body of Mr. P. A. Lipscomb, who died suddenly on December 30, was taken from the Lipscomb Mausoleum on Monday and was interred in the family lot in Manassas Cemetery, with Rev. George Hasel, pastor of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of which Mr. Lipscomb's mother was a charter member, reading the burial service. The funeral service was previously conducted from the Methodist Church, and was largely attended by the host of friends of the deceased from Prince William County.

Mr. Lipscomb was born in June, 1873, the son of Judge William E. and Henrietta Holland Lipscomb, of Manassas. He was unmarried. "Phil" Lipscomb, as he was best known to a large group of friends, will be very much missed in the community, and his sunny disposition and the numerous kindly deeds which he performed during his life will linger long in the memories of his friends.

Surviving Mr. Lipscomb are two sisters, Mrs. Ella Weedon and Mrs. Nettie Garrison, of Denver, Colo., and a brother, Mr. Charles E. Lipscomb, of New York.

CAMPAIGN OPENS FOR SCHOOL FUNDS

The Manassas Industrial School For Colored Youth Launches \$5,000 Campaign.

The Manassas Industrial School for Colored Youth is greatly in need of funds at this time for its continued operation, and as a means of raising the money a \$5,000 campaign has been launched. Under the plan individuals are asked to give at least \$1.00 toward the fund.

The school was founded in 1894 by Jennie Dean, of Catharpin, having had its origin in a Sunday School, and since, has grown steadily in the confidence of the public, and has built up a reputation as a school of influence and usefulness in the community in the educational training of colored youth.

"During the life of the school," said the president yesterday, "it has had many staunch friends who have given generously of their means for the support of the work, but in their passing, we feel keenly the need of new friends to take their places."

While many of the citizens of Prince William County will be solicited by mail and others in person, it is hoped that none will wait until they are approached to send in their contribution. While it is believed that many will contribute substantially there is no limit either up or down to the amount which may be sent in.

MARY A. HAYTH DIES, BURIED AT SPRINGWOOD

Mrs. Hayth Had Host of Friends in Prince William County.

Mrs. Mary A. Hayth died on December 29 at Springwood, Fauquier County, Va., at the age of 54 years, after a long illness. She was buried on Sunday, December 30, with one of the largest gatherings seen in this vicinity in many years.

Mrs. Hayth was born near Nokesville, Prince William County, on October 8, 1874, and was the eldest daughter of the late Newton and Annie Sayres, of Nokesville. She was married to George C. Hayth, of Springwood, Va., in 1896. She united with the church in girlhood and was an active worker, Sunday School teacher and organist for 32 years in the Baptist Church at Springwood.

She was dearly loved by the Hayth family, especially by her husband's brothers, and a host of friends in both Botetout and Prince William Counties.

She is survived by the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. J. P. Kerlin, Nokesville; Mrs. Minnie Baggett, Alexandria, Va.; Mrs. G. B. Beach and Mrs. Rebecca Herbert, Baltimore, Md.; B. J. Sayres, Akron, Ohio, and R. L. Sayres, Richmond, Va.

STATE ROUTE NO. 18, WILL CLOSE SATURDAY NIGHT

The Virginia State Route No. 18, between Amherst Courthouse and Lovingson will be closed between 10 p. m., Saturday, January 12, and 6 p. m., Sunday, January 13, for all through traffic while a new bridge is being installed over Buffalo, according to announcement on Monday by J. C. Albright, district engineer. This will necessitate all through traffic between Lynchburg and Charlottesville, and Lynchburg and Afton detouring by the way of Natural Bridge, Lexington and Staunton.

GEORGE G. TYLER BACK AT COURT HOUSE

Popular Clerk of Circuit Court of Prince William County Much Improved.

George G. Tyler, clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince William County, who underwent a serious operation in the Takoma Park Sanitarium, remaining there for several weeks during convalescence, and who since his return has been recuperating at his home at Haymarket, returned to his duties at the Court House Tuesday.

Mr. Tyler has a wide circle of friends who are rejoicing over his recovery and return to the Court House, while those whose business is largely linked with the Court House were loud in their expressions of gratification over the return of the popular Clerk of the Court.

THOMAS H. LION HEADS LOCAL BANK

Is Elected President of National Bank of Manassas. Other Banks Reelect Officers.

Thomas H. Lion, was elected president of the National Bank of Manassas at the organization meeting of the board of directors following the annual stockholders meeting on Tuesday. Westwood Hutchison, was re-elected vice president and Harry P. Davis, whose able management of the affairs of the institution since 1915, have placed it in the forefront of Virginia financial institutions, was re-elected cashier.

The board of directors is composed of the officers and E. R. Conner, H. W. Herring, R. A. Hutchison, O. C. Hutchison, R. S. Hynson, T. O. Latham, A. S. Robertson, Chas. R. McDonald, C. E. Nash, O. E. Newman and W. Holmes Robertson.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Peoples National Bank was held on Tuesday morning, followed by the organization meeting of the directors. The following officers were re-elected: G. M. Ratcliffe, president; C. A. Sinclair, vice president; G. Raymond Ratcliffe, Cashier.

The directors for the ensuing year are G. Raymond Ratcliffe, E. H. Hibbs, A. A. Hoof, Ira E. Cannon, G. M. Ratcliffe, C. A. Sinclair, George D. Baker, and J. J. Conner.

The annual report showed the institution to have enjoyed a year of splendid prosperity under the guidance of G. R. Ratcliffe, cashier, with an increase in deposits, earnings and surplus.

SAM O'SULLIVAN GETS IMPORTANT POST

Will Today To Become County Agent of Fauquier County To Be At Warrenton.

Sam O'Sullivan, the popular assistant agent in Prince William County, has been honored by Fauquier County with an appointment to the office of County Agent, with headquarters in Warrenton.

Mr. O'Sullivan left today to take up his new duties in the adjoining county. Since coming to Prince William he has been active in the work connected with the agricultural, live stock, poultry and dairy interests, as well as in the fast growing boy's club or 4-H work, and his personality as well as his efficiency in matters coming under his sphere of endeavor have made him many friends in the county who, while sorry to see him go, are rejoicing in his being chosen for the more responsible position in our neighboring county.

MISSIONARY MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will meet with Mrs. M. Bruce Whitmore, Friday, at 2:30 p. m., according to announcement yesterday.

CARTER BUILDING LOST BY FIRE

An Early Morning Blaze On Saturday Results In Almost Total Loss of Building.

Fire in the building on Main Street, owned by Thomas Carter, which was discovered at 2:15 a. m., resulted in the almost total destruction of the building and its contents before it was finally subdued.

The terrifying call of the siren broke out on the air at this early hour bringing the volunteer fire department to the scene of quick order where they found a number of willing workers already on the job, doing what they could to save the structure. While the force worked valiantly they were unable to check the blaze before the almost complete destruction of the contents of the upper floor and the serious damage to goods in the store occupied by R. L. Pearson on the first floor.

The building in which the fire occurred is of frame construction and fell an easy prey to the flames which were whipped by a high wind, causing the firefighters to devote most of their energies to the protection of properties nearby.

TOWN COUNCIL HAS A BUSY SESSION

Manager of Virginia Public Service Corporation Addresses Body.

H. ELMER METZ ENTERS PROTEST ON WIRING

Town Automobile Tags Ready For Distribution. Must Be On Feb. 1.

One of the most interesting meetings held by the Town Council in some time was held on Monday night when many matters of interest to the community were discussed and much business transacted. Mayor Harry P. Davis presided.

M. J. O'Connell, general manager of the northern division of the Virginia Public Service, who was introduced to the Council by C. A. Sinclair, explained why his company had not submitted a bid to furnish current to the town in response to its recent invitation to a number of companies to do so. The chief reason advanced by Mr. O'Connell was that his company was not interested in selling its power to concerns or municipalities for redistribution, but was wholly concerned in the retailing of current to individual consumers. He outlined the system which the company was using in its distribution of electricity in other cities and towns and briefly told of what he believed his company would do should it ever acquire the right to do business within the town limits. While no promise was made that it would be done, it was intimated that the completion of Blandford would be quickly accomplished during which time more than \$250,000 would be spent in Prince William, most of which would find circulation here.

Jesse Crosby, chief of the Fire Department, submitted plans and specifications for the installation of modern fire apparatus, all of which was left with the council for study.

H. Elmer Metz, took up with the Council the matter of interference which exists in connection with radios in Manassas and which is jeopardizing the investment of approximately \$50,000 in equipment by citizens of the town. He offered to assist in running down the causes for the serious condition in radio reception and promised to present a report at the next meeting pointing out where it was believed the causes were located.

A survey of conditions is now being made, and the Virginia Public Service Corporation has placed an expert at the disposal of the town with a view of helping in every way to find the cause of trouble.

The time fixed for the purchase of town automobile tags was fixed at not later than February 1, but they may be procured before that date by application to R. L. Byrd, Town Treasurer.

PROHIBITION BIRTHDAY WILL BE CELEBRATED

The ninth birthday of country wide prohibition, which falls on January 16, will be given due recognition in Manassas, if the plans of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union discussed at yesterday's meeting are carried through.

Under the celebration plan ministers of the local churches will be asked to preach anniversary sermons on Sunday, January 13, while they will also be asked that the bells of all churches be rung for nine minutes beginning at noon Wednesday, January 16.

MR. JAMES A. GOODWIN BURIED LAST WEEK

Died At Home of Mrs. R. J. Prescott And Buried In Manassas Cemetery.

Mr. James A. Goodwin, who had been ill at the home of his sister, Mrs. R. J. Prescott, died on December 31, 1928, and was buried on Sunday, January 2, the service being conducted by the Rev. Lawson, while interment was in the Manassas Cemetery. He was born in 1854, and was the son of the late William E. and Anne F. Goodwin.

Mr. Goodwin is survived by two sisters, Mrs. M. V. Conner and Mrs. R. J. Prescott, of Manassas, and five sons, Howard, of West Virginia; Everett, of Chicago; Ashby, Earl and Wilbur, all of West Virginia.