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MANASSAS, VIRGINIA THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1929.

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SERIOUS FIRE IS CHECKED

Fire Department Shows Efficiency of the Highest Type

About four o'clock last Friday morning Sergeant Thomas H. Marshall discovered the rear of Atlee Wood's store in a bright blaze. Mr. Marshall turned in an alarm in double quick time, and then proceeded to get the family out. This took some little difficulty, and the shock was keen. It is stated that Mrs. Wood fell down the entire flight of steps. This is the second shock that Mrs. Wood has sustained in a few weeks. The other being an auto wreck which took place last month. Town Manager Cooke reported at 4:22 and found the engine and three lines working. By 4:30, the blaze was well under control. Chief Albert Speiden and practically the entire force helped in the battle which threatened the whole business center of Manassas.

The evenness with which matters passed off is certainly a credit to the way in which the department is drilled, of a hitch took place, and no unnecessary damage was inflicted on the premises.

The rear of Thomas Jordan's cleaning establishment was burned into, but his machinery was only slightly harmed.

Atlee, as he is familiarly known, promises to get under way in the next few days, according to his advertisement on another page.

HONOR ROLL FOR MANASSAS HIGH SCHOOL

Senior Room—Mazyck Wood and Chester Harley. Second Honor Roll—Frances K. Bushong, Laura Beachley, Dorothy Beachley.

Commercial Room—Reba Crawford, Marie Jasper, Christine Meetez, Beulah Sowers, Alice Wilson, Eva Lunsford.

Virginia Collier has written two fifteen minute tests perfectly. Elizabeth Hibbs has written a fifteen minute test perfectly.

Junior Room—Hattie May Partlow. Sophomore Room—Second honor roll—Edith Jasper.

First Year Room—Jane Lynn, Emyln Marsteller.

M. H. S. NEWS

The school had the honor of being addressed by Doctor Cotterman, head of the department of Agricultural University of Maryland at Assembly on March 10. Doctor Cotterman gave a resume of the various and profitable fields to students of agriculture.

On Friday March 13, the student body was addressed by a former graduate of M. H. S., at present a Senior at University of Maryland, Mr. Sidney Lawler, who is studying Agriculture. Mr. Lawler stressed the importance of Vocational Agriculture in an excellent and well delivered speech. He also told something of his college life, and advised the future college students to make the best of their opportunities while in high school. We would appreciate more of these talks by the graduates of the school.

OFFICERS OF WINODAUISIS CHAPTER 106, O. E. S.

Mrs. Mae L. Smith, worthy matron; Mr. J. L. Bushong, worthy patron; Mrs. Daisy Baker, associate matron; Mr. A. S. Wilfong, associate patron; Mrs. Gladys Bushong, secretary; Mrs. Viola Proffitt, treasurer; Mrs. Irene Haydon, conductress; Mrs. Beas Wenrich, associate conductress; Mrs. Ade Sigman, Adah; Mrs. Margaret Broadus, Ruth; Mrs. Evelyn Brown, Esther; Mrs. Beulah Stauff, Martha; Mrs. Bettie Hutchison, Electa; Mrs. Ida Mae Newman, organist; Mrs. Ella Bibb, warder; Mr. George Baker, sentinel.

These officers will be installed March 26.

ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. S. Clarkson, formerly of Haymarket, announce the marriage of their daughter, Helen Meredith to Mr. Merrill Phillip Barber at Stuart, Florida, on February 3, 1931.

HONOR ROLLS

The honor rolls of the County have come in so irregularly this time, that we are holding all for publication at one time next week.

HOUSE SERVICE MEETING

The Civilian Home Service Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 25, at 2 p. m. in the office of the County nurse.

XMAS SEAL SALE RETURNS

Total Sale	\$480.18
Brentsville District	32.00
Mrs. Benj. Brown, Chairman	
Coles District	9.25
Miss Bessie Cornwell, Chairman	
Dumfries District	193.23
Mrs. J. F. McInteer, Chairman	
Gainesville District	18.00
Miss Dora Davis, Chairman	
Manassas District	198.65
Mrs. Eli Swavely, Chairman	
Occoquan District	29.05
Mrs. C. C. Caldwell, Chairman	
Total	\$480.18

FIREMEN FROLIC WITH KIWANIS

Rousing Meeting Held Last Week

Just a few hours after extinguishing a serious fire, the Fire Department marched on masse into Masonic Hall where the Kiwanis Club through the agency of the high school folks had prepared a jucious repast.

The atmosphere of celebration was in vogue and passers by might have wondered if another fire had broken out upstairs. The dignified business men and social lights of the town showed 'em how to do it. The fire boys hesitated just about three seconds and then they cut loose too.

A. J. Bargagni, assistant drill master of the District of Columbia Fire Department, and Lieut. H. Tilden Davis, of Company No. 21, were the honor guests. Mr. Bargagni spoke very entertainingly of his work and generously offered to increase the efficiency of the local department by expert advice on their drill work. Both Chief Speiden and Asst. Chief Bruce Hynson quickly responded to their invitation, and stated that they would take the department to Washington in the coming season.

Incidentally, Ed Conner called attention to the fact that Mr. Davis is a Prince William boy himself.

On the evening of March 27, a special delegation from the Washington Kiwanis Club is expected to be present.

IN MEMORIAM

"Death loves a shining mark" was never more fully exemplified than in the passing of dear little "Puggy" Law. It is hard to associate death or even use the term with one so full of life as this little child.

All who knew and loved her felt as if a ray of sunshine had been sent to brighten a dull day when they looked into her radiant little face. Unusually original and quick at repartee, she often made conversation for her elders. Few children have been more popular, for young and old vied with each other to get a cheery greeting wherever she went.

Her love of nature (the birds and flowers were her constant friends) and sunny disposition endeared her to all.

With aching heart and empty arms it is hard to say "It is best" but she is now away from earth's sorrows in "God's sunshine" which was an expression she so often used.

The last bright beams of the setting sun seemed to add a benediction as we left the little flower covered mound knowing she is transplanted into the garden of "God's sunshine" where the flowers never cease to bloom. "A bud on earth, a blossom in heaven."

The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family.

One Who Loved Her.

UNION SIGNAL DAY MEETING

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold their annual Union Signal Day meeting Wednesday March 25, at 3 p. m. at the home of Miss Maggie Smith. Remember this is the day when all renewals and new subscriptions for our national paper, The Union Signal, are taken. So please come prepared, or send your dollar to Mrs. G. D. Baker at once as all subscriptions must be sent in during March to get the prizes offered.

MANASSAS TO HAVE NEW POST-OFFICE



AIRPLANE VIEW OF MANASSAS SHOWING LOCATION OF NEW POST OFFICE

1. New Post Office lot 2. People's Bank 3. Journal Office.

Judge Smith Acts to Speed Project Long Delayed

On Monday of this week Hon. Howard W. Smith, Congressman from the Eighth District, announced that he has started the necessary routine which will culminate in the letting of bids by the Treasury Department for the construction of the new Manassas Post Office.

Visiting the Treasury Department within ten days after taking office, Congressman Smith expedited the project initiated more than twelve years ago and secured assurances both from the Treasury Department and the Post Office Department that bids would be called for with a period of three to five months for the construction of a handsome new federal building at Manassas. "The building program of the government covers a five-year period," Judge Smith stated, "but I was told that the work would start very shortly."

The government already owns a lot purchased for this purpose when Hon. C. C. Carlin represented the Eighth District in Congress.

MRS. NEWMAN ENTERTAINS

Hostess to Eastern Star Officers

On Friday evening last retiring Worthy Matron, Ida Mae Newman, entertained twenty-five guests including officers and past matrons and patrons of the local Eastern Star chapter.

Mrs. Newman, who is at all times a charming hostess, gave an old-fashioned party to her guests which was declared by all present the prettiest and most enjoyable they had attended in years.

Games, contests, and a spelling bee were the order of the evening and very beautiful prizes awarded. Much fun was occasioned by clever and humorous plays on the names of the guests.

The house was tastefully decorated and the refreshments delightfully and beautifully served.

4-H CLUB NOTES

A special meeting of Hayfield 4-H club is being called for 9 o'clock Monday, March 23 at school house to plan for garden work. Anne Shuttlock is conducting the demonstration garden in that community and most of the meetings will be held at her garden.

Quantico 4-H clothing club will meet Monday March 23, at 2:30 o'clock at the school building.

Dumfries 4-H Clothing Club will meet Monday, March 23, at 12 o'clock at the school building.

Section I of Bennett 4-H Club will meet Tuesday, March 24, at 3 o'clock Section II will meet at the same hour on Wednesday.

An Honor Roll of Clubs having completed Year Book will be published in the Journal on April 16.

HOME DEMONSTRATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETS

A meeting of the Home Demonstration Advisory Board is being called for 1:30 o'clock Friday, March 27, at the County Agent's office to discuss matters relative to the plan of work for the next few months. Miss R. Belle Burke District Agent, and Mr. B. L. Hummel, Rural Sociologist, will be present for the meeting.

GREATLY REDUCED WEEK END FARES ANNOUNCED BY THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY SYSTEM

Reduction in Week End Excursion Fares will be inaugurated by the Southern Railway beginning March 27, and continuing until October 25.

The new Week End will apply to any point south of the Potomac and Ohio Rivers and east of the Mississippi River. The tickets will be sold for all trains on Friday and Saturday and Sunday forenoon trains, limited to return to reach original starting point prior to midnight of Tuesday following date of sale. The fares will be on basis of one fare plus one-fifth fare for the round-trip. This will make a rate of approximately 20 per cent and it is expected this marked reduction will be very popular and used extensively.

ENTERTAINED AT CLOVER HILL

On Saturday evening Mrs. Richard Haydon and Miss Emily Johnson entertained the faculties of the two schools at Clover Hill Farm. Additional guests were Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson, Mrs. Templeton Hodge, Mrs. Marshall Haydon, Miss Pitt and Mr. Cox. Old fashioned games and bountiful good things to eat made the party one of the most enjoyable given in Manassas this winter.

MORE BASKETBALL VICTORIES FOR MANASSAS

Marshall High School invaded Manassas High Friday, March 18, but was repulsed in two decisive battles. Manassas repulsed the first attack of the girls' team by a score of 13 to 8, while the boys routed Marshall's quintet by a score of 31 to 13.

The Manassas girls won the first game by bringing into play their splendid teamwork, which overcame the stiff resistance offered by Marshall.

The second game was easily won by the Manassas boys after holding in check the Marshall team for the first half, rallied in the last half to pile up a large lead. Vetter and Smith of Manassas and Ball H. of Marshall each had nine points to their credit.

M. H. S. GRADUATE RECEIVES DEGREE

The Class of 1926 adds to its laurel this week, another college graduate whom Manassas High School sent out along with twenty-three other boys and girls to uphold the tradition of the school. At that time, the Class of '26 was the largest group ever to be graduate in the history of M. H. S., and at the present time claims the honor of having a large percentage of degree students on its roll.

Miss Audrey Steele is the latest addition to our college graduates. She attended Randolph Macon Woman's College one year, then transferred to the Fredericksburg State Teachers' College where she has studied Commercial Education for the past three years, and taken an active part in the social and extra-curriculum activities of the school. Miss Steele received the degree of Bachelor of Science at the culmination of the second semester of the school term this week, and is returning to her home here on Friday. It will not be long before the Class of '26 will write degrees beside the names of more of the students on her register, for the coming of June will bring something besides roses—more laurels for M. H. S.

GREENWICH HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB MEETS

The Greenwich Home Demonstration Club will meet Thursday, March 26, at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Will Mayhugh. A demonstration in Milk and Egg reliques as Emergency Foods will be given.

SPELLING BEE AND CAKE WALK

School League Will Provide Unusual Combination of Education and Entertainment

An old fashioned Spelling Bee and Cake Walk will be held in the Manassas High School auditorium on the night of March 27 at 8 o'clock. This entertainment is sponsored by the Bennett School Community League, the funds to be used in the present years projects.

Individuals, as well as organizations, throughout the County are eligible to these contests. Five dollars in gold will be awarded the winner of the Spelling Bee, and a gorgeous cake will be won by the couple wearing the most striking costumes, and displaying originality and skill in this rag time March. No rehearsing being necessary the more pep and fun the greater is the chance of the couple to win.

Already much interest is being shown and many prominent citizens will compete in these events. The following have entered teams for the Spelling Bee: Kiwanis Club, Swavely School, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Postal Clerks' Wives, Men's Social Club of Manassas, Eastern Star, Patriotic Sons of America, Manassas High School, Manassas High School Alumni Association, Bethlehem Good Housekeepers' Club and Manassas High School Community League, Manassas Fire Department and the Bull Run Grange at Haymarket. Other organizations and individuals are expected to come into the contest.

Organizations entering teams are allowed 3 members each.

OCCOQUAN

Mrs. J. W. Ayres of Washington and Mrs. W. R. Ersfeld of Wilmington, Del., were recent guests of their sister, Mrs. W. P. Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gosson and Master Philip Thornhill of Waterfall visited Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wayland on Friday.

Miss Ruby Holliday of Greenwich has returned home after spending some time with Mrs. Willie Burdette.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Selecman visited Mr. and Mrs. L. Ledman of Manassas.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntorf are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Mrs. W. P. Clarke spent Sunday with relatives in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wayland and daughter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sinclair of Virginia Highlands.

Miss Elizabeth Waddell of Del Ray visited her sister Mrs. Willie Burdette last week.

MUSIC CLUB

The Music Club will meet on Monday, March 23 at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. A. A. Hooff with Mrs. C. W. Dalton assistant hostess. The program will be in charge of Mrs. Fred R. Hynson assisted by Mrs. Chloe Hodge and Mrs. Stewart Pattee.

ADEN

The Aden Community League engaged in a little spelling bee on Friday evening. Mrs. Howard Marshall proved to be the winner.

Miss Storry from Winchester is spending some time visiting her friends and colleague Mrs. Eva Corder.

Mr. and Mrs. Menefee and Miss Cleo Robertson all of Washington were recent visitors at the home of Mr. Everett Marshall.

Mumps usually a child's disease has attained a dignity sufficient for grown ups. Mr. S. G. Whetzel being a present victim.

Preaching at Asbury on the fifth Sunday at 3 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Aubrey have a nice little baby girl.

SARAH JANE WELLS

Mrs. Sarah Jane Wells, widow of the late Samuel Wells died suddenly on Tuesday afternoon and was buried Thursday morning in the Episcopal cemetery at Centreville. Reverend V. H. Council, pastor of the Clifton Baptist Church to which she belonged officiated.

The little Episcopal church was filled to overflowing, despite the mean drizzle which had been falling all morning.

The handsome floral tributes covered the Confederate battle flag, placed there in evidence that Samuel Wells was a member of the Eighth Virginia, C. S. A. Thrift Camp, Sons of Veterans, detailed a guard of honor.

Mrs. Wells' parents were Mr. and Mrs. John Buckley, who lived on the place now owned by Mrs. Cora Buckley. She was born August 20, 1843. Shortly after the War Between the States, she married Samuel Wells, and eight children came from this union: Thomas (now dead), Cecilia (now dead), Robert (living near Vienna), Samuel, Claiborne and Luther, all living at Centreville, Sabina (now dead), and Mrs. Emma Shaw of Manassas.

There are twenty seven grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren.

Mrs. Wells' old home at Neverlet burned on February 27, and she never survived the shock, gradually becoming weaker, until in this condition, she was an easy victim of pneumonia.

She was devoted mother, keeping house for her two sons, Sam and Luther up to the time of her last illness.

A quiet, friendly neighbor, she will be greatly missed in her community.