

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY IN MADDUX MURDER

TOWN COUNCIL IS GIVEN BIG VOTE

Tuesday's Election Developed No Great Opposition To Ticket.

ALL FIVE PRESENT MEMBERS ARE REELECTED

Harry P. Davis, Now Mayor of Manassas, Likely To Be Continued As Such.

Indicative of their confidence in the administration of Mayor Harry P. Davis, and members of the town council, voters of Manassas on Tuesday rolled up a handsome majority for the present members, returning them to office for another two years.

While the members of the council just reelected were the only candidates who filed their names with the clerk of the court for certification to the county electoral board and whose names therefore were the only ones to appear upon the official ballot, a mild contest developed at the last minute and many names were written into the ballot at the poles.

It was generally understood several weeks back that a group of citizens opposed to the present council would organize and place the names of candidates in the field to supplant councilmen whose names appeared on the ballot, but no such organization was perfected and few voters knew that there was any plan to overthrow any of the present council members, nor were there any active candidates in the field.

"The vote on Tuesday should hearten the council members in their effort to give the town a business administration," said a citizen yesterday, "and it is believed will inspire them to carry forward a progressive policy during the next two years."

How They Voted. The vote on Tuesday was tabulated as follows, the first five names being the "regular" ticket, and the only ones printed on the ballot, while all other names were written in and printed names scratched.

James E. Bradford, 129; Edgar G. Parrish, 193; Harry P. Davis, 182; Bruce Whitcomb, 165; D. J. Arrington, 175.

E. R. Conner, 56; C. E. Nash, 38; J. H. Burke, 46; W. E. Trusler, 10; A. A. Hooff, 1; T. E. Diddle, 8; C. E. Fisher, 2; R. M. Jenkins, 3; O. E. Newman, 2; C. R. C. Johnson, 3; J. C. Parrish, 2; G. Walker Merchant, 1; J. H. Steele, 1; Harvey Garrett, 1; Richard S. Hynson, 1; W. F. Hibbs, 1; George B. MacDonald, 1.

J. L. GORRELL DIES SUDDENLY

Funeral Here Yesterday And Interment In Catlett Cemetery.

J. L. Gorrell died suddenly on Tuesday at his home here. Mr. Gorrell was born in Harford County, Md., in 1842, and had been in Prince William County for many years, coming to Manassas about 9 years ago.

The deceased was a well known Confederate soldier and during the war was one of General Lee's body guards. The funeral rites were conducted yesterday, services being held at the home with Rev. George Hasel, Rev. Westwood Hutchison and Rev. Lawson, conducting, while interment was in the cemetery at Catlett where Reverends Marsh, Mark and Burgess, three old friends of the deceased, officiated.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Phoebe T. Gorrell; four daughters and one son, Marion, Monroe, Va.; Mrs. Jennie Funkhouser, Belle Meade, N. J.; Mrs. Ella Edmondson, Washington; Mrs. Bertha Modena, Washington; and Henry Gorrell, Plainfield, N. J., and twelve grand children and ten great grand children.

IMPORTANT FIRE MEETING.

There will be an important meeting of the Fire Department of Manassas on Monday, June 17, at 8 p. m., in the council chambers. Members are urged to attend.

TORNADO RELIEF FUND CONTINUES TO GROW

Week's Advance Is Small, But Hope Is Expressed That Week Will Show Big Gain.

The relief fund for the storm sufferers in Nokesville and vicinity is nearing the \$1,000 mark, according to announcement yesterday by G. Raymond Ratcliffe, treasurer of the tornado relief fund of Prince William Chapter, American Red Cross, who advised that contributions continue to come in.

The goal set by the American Red Cross and announced by Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, president of the Prince William Chapter, was \$3,000, so that it behooves those who have in mind doing something toward raising this amount to send in their subscriptions at once.

"There never has been a more worthy cause or one that should make a greater appeal to the people of Prince William," said a Red Cross worker yesterday. "These people who need temporary assistance in getting on their feet in the restoration of their homes and getting together the utensils necessary for keeping the home going from day to day, are our friends and neighbors. Don't put off sending in your contribution another minute."

Table listing donors and amounts for the Tornado Relief Fund, including Mrs. L. E. Beachley (1.00), Cash (5.00), W. F. Cocks (1.00), Marie W. Hall (13.00), etc.

D. M. CHICHESTER IS UNOPPOSED

No Other Candidate Files For Democratic Primary. Opposition Expected In Fall.

There will be no contest for the nomination of a Democratic candidate for House of Delegates from the district composed of Prince William and Stafford counties in the August primary election this year. The time limit for entry into primary expired last Thursday night and Dan M. Chichester, who represented the district in the last session of the General Assembly was the only Democrat to file declaration of candidacy. He will therefore be declared the Democratic nominee without opposition.

Opposition Expected In Fall. There are strong rumors that the Republican party may nominate a candidate to oppose him in the fall election, and according to local Republican leaders, it is considered almost certain that E. E. Fisher, chairman of the Stafford County Republican Committee, will be their choice.

Under his leadership the G. O. P. has made considerable gains in Stafford, and it is generally thought that he would make the strongest candidate that the Republicans could select. Chichester Gains In Favor.

It is the consensus of opinion that Chichester will be a hard man to beat, regardless of who may oppose him in the November election. He will undoubtedly have the solid support of the Democrats of Prince William as he is popular with both the regular and Anti-Smith wings of the party. Two years ago he piled up a remarkable majority in this county, and in Stafford he received one of the largest votes ever given a Democrat. He is better known and more popular now than then, and the work accomplished by him at the last session of the legislature will make him a stronger candidate than before, according to party leaders.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM SWAVELEY SCHOOL.

THURSDAY, JUNE 13
8:00 P. M. Track Meet.
8:00 P. M. Baccalaureate Sermon.
FRIDAY, JUNE 14
9:00 A. M. Tennis Finals.
10:00 A. M. Prize Speaking Contest.
12 M. Alumni Luncheon.
3:00 P. M. Swaveley Players. Twelfth Night.
5:00 P. M. Reception by the President and Mrs. Swaveley.
8:00 P. M. Senior Ball.
SATURDAY, JUNE 15
10:00 A. M. Commencement Exercises.

MANASSAS BOYS WIN MORE HONORS

C. R. Larkin, Gets Ph.D. At University of Virginia.

Charles Rozier Larkin, of this town, who previously received both the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees at the University of Virginia, won further honors this year and at the graduating exercises on Tuesday the degree of Doctor of Philosophy was conferred upon him. The work required for the degree was in Physics and his dissertation was on "Electric Reretringence of Liquids."

FRESH AIR PLAN IS MAKING PROGRESS

Homes For Tenement Children Are Being Procured. Meeting Held.

A meeting of the committee of the Tribune Fresh Air fund for this county was held in the director's room of the National Bank of Manassas last week, with Mrs. T. J. Broadus, chairman, presiding.

Many of the preliminary plans for caring for the tenement children of New York for two weeks during the summer were discussed and active efforts to procure homes for a number of these children were started. Several residents of the county have already made application to Mrs. Broadus for children and it is believed that many more than were cared for last year will be able to come to Prince William homes.

For information regarding the plan of the Fresh Air Fund communicate at once with Mrs. T. J. Broadus, chairman, or any of the following members of the committee: Mrs. J. P. Leachman, Rev. A. Stuart Gibson, Mrs. E. Swaveley, Mrs. Raymond J. Davis, Miss Loretta McGill, Mrs. Walter L. Saunders, Mr. O. D. Waters and Maj. F. W. Patterson.

SOCIAL AT DUMFRIES.

The Dumfries Methodist Episcopal Sunday School will hold a lawn party and social on the church lawn on Tuesday night, June 18. The proceeds will go towards the annual Fourth of July picnic.

BETHLEHEM CLUB WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY

The Bethlehem Club will hold the June meeting at the home of Mrs. Spies, Battle Street, Manassas, on Wednesday, June 19, at 2 p. m.

A program is being prepared and all members are urged to be present.

THE NIFTY SHOP MAKES WHOOPEE

M. H. S. Glee Club Gives Operetta Under Auspices of Manassas Kiwanis Club.

Despite the threatening weather a good crowd of Kiwanians and their friends turned out on Wednesday night to witness the performance of the Manassas Glee Club in a two-part entertainment given in the school auditorium for the benefit of the underprivileged child fund of Manassas Kiwanis.

While "The Nifty Shop", a one-act operetta, directed by Miss Catherine Weir, was the main offering of the evening, part one, which consisted of "Child's Idea of Mamma and Papa", in dialogue, done by "Dib and Dab", and an ensemble chorus of charming girls singing popular airs, contributed a large share to the evening's enjoyment.

"The Nifty Shop", as done by the members of the cast, is one of the finest things produced around these parts by a local organization, and not only reflects great credit on the cast for their earnest work in preparation for production, but upon the direction of the operetta by Miss Weir. Mrs. Compton was the accompanist for part one and was splendidly assisted by the Manassas High School orchestra, while director Weir was at the piano for the rendition of the operetta.

Nifty Shop Cast. A One-Act Operetta

Directed by Miss Catherine Weir. Scene: Exclusive Shop for Women. CHARACTERS: Madame Lazare: (Proprietress of Exclusive Shop for Women) Eloise Compton. Mrs. Goldore: In search of the latest Gowns: Rena Bevans. Bess Goldore: Snobbish and Hard to Please: Hilda Moser. Jackie Goldore: Gushing and Sentimental: Ester Warren Pattie. Olga: Chore Girl (late from Sweden): Rose Ratcliffe. Rosemary: Walsler Conner. Janet: Claudia Pattie. (French Maids)

GRANT AVENUE TO BE PAVED SOON

Council Votes For Paving of Section of This Attractive Avenue.

At a meeting of the Town Council on Monday night it was voted to pave Grant Avenue on both sides from Lee Avenue to just beyond the Robert Smith place, work to begin at the earliest possible moment.

In authorizing this paving work it is understood that residents on either side of Grant Avenue will contribute one-half of the cost of the construction of the street and work will begin immediately after one-third of the sum pledged has been placed in the hands of the town treasurer.

The work will be done under the direction of W. F. Cocks, town manager, who has already prepared and submitted a survey with estimated cost of the work, and according to that office, construction will begin within a couple of weeks.

The proposed improvement is one of the most badly needed in the corporate limits of the town, but without the 100 per cent cooperation of the residents along the right of way it could not have been done for several years. It is the general opinion that the paving should have begun at Center Street and continued through, but the response of property holders in that block, which is sparsely settled, was not spontaneous.

It has been proposed that while this work on Grant Avenue is being done it would be well to carry it on the block on Lee Avenue between Grant and West street and down the latter street as far as Porter avenue. It is believed that West street residents are ready to pledge 50 per cent of the cost of work on that street and plans are on foot to interest the residents on Lee street in the project.

COUNTY FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY LEAGUE MET

Mrs. J. F. McIner Named President. Reports Show Good Year's Work.

The annual meeting of the County Federation of Community Leagues was held in Manassas High School on Monday, June 10.

The chairmen of the various activities gave splendid reports of the work accomplished during the year. One of the outstanding things reported was the health work among the school children. Miss Ryman reported that during the year about 500 school children had teeth examinations made; 350 underweight children were brought up to weight; 100 children had throat examinations made, and 67 were fitted to glasses.

JURY ACQUITTAL IN MURDER CASE

Willie Davis and Richard Davis, Exonerated of Blame In Maddux Death.

OTHER INDICTMENTS ARE NOLLE PROSSED. Jury Returned With Acquittal Verdict After Deliberating 45 Minutes.

With the acquittal yesterday of Willie Davis and Richard Davis, under trial for the murder in January of William Maddux, near Joplin, this county, a case which has held the attention of the public since April, at which time the men were indicted, came to an end.

Indicted with the two men acquitted yesterday were Coleman and John Davis, and Caton Carney, but the cases against them were nolle prossed following the acquittal yesterday of the other two men.

At the time of the death of William Maddux in January a doctor's certificate was given showing that death resulted from natural causes. Neighbors of the dead man sisted that the death was the result of a fight or general mix up following a drinking party in which Maddux and the five men accused took part. Witnesses appearing before the grand jury in April told of the fight and an indictment resulted.

Confusion among the witnesses and inability of the state to prove that either of the two men on trial had been involved in a fight, despite the testimony in April before the grand jury, led to an acquittal for the jury had deliberated on the case for but 45 minutes. Commonwealth's Attorney Thomas H. Lion, the prosecutor, while Charles Henry Smith, of Alexandria, represented the accused.

The jury bringing in the acquittal verdict was composed of the following men: A. R. Rust, foreman; H. C. Teel, A. C. Hart, J. T. Bean, R. A. Pearson, E. P. Davis, Charles H. Keyser, A. H. Breeden, George H. Ayres, R. T. Ellis, O. W. Hedrick, and J. E. Marshall.

STUDENT CAST IN SHAKESPEARE

Out Door Setting To Feature Final Production.

As their final presentation for the current year, the Swaveley Players will produce Shakespeare's comedy, "Twelfth Night", on Friday night, according to the Swaveley Sentinel. The production will introduce a new form of dramatics at the school—the open air plan. The stage will be set in Mrs. Swaveley's spacious garden.

Casting has been extremely apt—indeed, unusually so. All the characters, while now familiar, are exceptionally capable. Leroy Bowers as Sir Toby Belch, a tremendous inebriate, and John Lindsey Ritchey as Sir Andrew Aguecheek, a long lean fop, promise to furnish real comedy. Wit will be assured by John Allen, as Feste, the jester, and by Edward Baggs, as the sharp tongued little maid Maria. The complete cast is as follows:

Feste: John Allen. Maria: Edward Baggs. Olivia: Francis Cunningham. Malvolio: Charles Garrison. Sir Toby Belch: J. Leroy Bowers. Sir Andrew Aguecheek: John Ritchey. Rabian: Daniel Carr.

BENEFIT DANCE AT CENTERVILLE WEDNESDAY

There will be a benefit dance at the school house, Centerville, on Wednesday night, June 19. The funds will be used for work in connection with St. John's Episcopal Church. Miss Vivian Rector and Mrs. A. J. Robey, are the committee in charge of arrangements.

YOUNG WOMEN'S AUXILIARY.

The Young Women's Auxiliary of Manassas Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. John W. Lyons, on Monday, June 17, at 8 p. m.