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**OUTSIDE HELP NOT ACCEPTED**

**Democratic Candidates State Financial Assistance Will Not Be Accepted.**

Complete financial independence of the national Democratic committee has been declared in a statement issued by John Garland Pollard, Democratic nominee for Governor, James H. Price, Democratic nominee for attorney-general, J. Murray Hooker, chairman of the State Democratic Central Committee; Mrs. Robert C. Watts, Democratic National Committeewoman, and Harry F. Byrd, Democratic National Committeeman from Virginia.

"In behalf of the Democratic party, we state that no money has been or will be accepted from or through the National Democratic Committee or any of its officers outside of Virginia", the statement said. "The Republican party must determine its own policy in this respect."

This expression from all of the leading officers of the Democratic party in Virginia re-states a long-standing Virginia policy and disposes of newspaper reports that the national Democratic Committee or individual members thereof will share in the expense of the 1929 Virginia campaign.

**State Issues Only.**

"The only issues in this campaign are state issues," says the statement. "We are called to elect state officers only and national issues are not involved. Virginians are to determine whether they prefer to continue the progress that has been made or to risk that progress in the hands of those who assail the laws which have promoted it."

The statement in full follows:  
Next November the people of Virginia will elect a governor, a lieutenant-governor and an attorney-general. The Democratic party in a free and open primary in which all Democrats were privileged to participate has nominated men pledged to give this state good government.

"The Democratic party justifies confidence in its promise to give good government by its long record of clean and capable administration and it asks a renewed expression of confidence from the people to enable the party to strengthen and continue the remarkable progress which has been made under successive Democratic administrations.

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**No Outside Money Accepted.**

"In all state campaigns in the past the Democratic party of Virginia has financed and conducted its campaigns within the state. In the very beginning of the campaign the people of Virginia have the right to know to what extent the newspaper publications are accurate in stating that the national organizations of the Republican and Democratic parties will finance and conduct the present state campaign in Virginia.

"In behalf of the Democratic party, we state that no money has been or will be accepted from or through the national Democratic committee or any of its officers outside of Virginia. The Republican party of Virginia must determine its own policy in this respect.

"Virginia Democrats are ready and willing to make contributions for the legitimate purposes necessary to present to Virginians the clear and compelling arguments for the continuation of the Democratic administration. The victory which we confidently expect will be a triumph for good government in Virginia and will determine neither the control of the Democratic party in the nation nor the decision of national issues."

**G. W. WILT DIES.**

G. W. Wilt, of Manassas, who was struck by a south bound train at the Main Street crossing as he jumped from a north bound freight which he was riding, died in the Alexandria Hospital early this morning.

The body was brought to Manassas this morning, and announcement of funeral arrangements will be made later.

**LABOR DAY PICNIC AT DUMFRIES MONDAY**

Games, Amusements and Dancing Planned With Picnic Starting At 1 O'Clock.

A Labor Day picnic will be given at Dumfries on Monday, September 2, beginning at 1 p. m. The outing is given for the building fund of the I. O. O. F., and members of the order and their families are preparing a program of exceptional interest. There will be games of various kinds, many amusements and a dance will be held in the evening.

A cordial invitation is issued to the people of Prince William County to come and enjoy themselves, according to D. W. Crawford, secretary of the R. E. Lee Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Dumfries.

**HENRY FORD BUYS MINE IN ORANGE**

**Vaucluse Property Once Richest Known Gold Deposit in America.**

Fredericksburg, Va., August 28.—Henry Ford has purchased the Vaucluse gold mines in Orange County, said to have been worked profitably before the Civil War but abandoned since that time. The deed for the 200-acre tract, purchased from Judge Alvin T. Embry, of Fredericksburg, was returned in the Orange County Courthouse yesterday.

The abandoned mine is 20 miles west of Fredericksburg and citizens here were interested in plans Mr. Ford might have. No announcement has been made by the purchaser as to whether the mine will be reopened.

The mines in Orange County are in the northeast corner near the Rapidan river. The first gold mining company incorporated in Virginia was the Virginia Mining Company of New York, operating from 1831 to 1894 near the St. Just pastoffice.

The Vaucluse mine, discovered and opened in 1832, was probably the best known of the Orange County mines. In 1843 its plant was valued at \$70,000.

Originally Orange mines were very profitable, but on reaching the water level the gold was found to contain foreign substances and the expense of separating the gold was found to be prohibitive. Numerous attempts have been made in recent years to resume active operations, but none of them has been successful.

Nothing is known here as to Mr. Ford's intentions regarding the property. The sale was completed with H. B. English, a Washington attorney, acting for Mr. Ford in the transaction with Judge Embry. While the deed does not state the purchase price, it is understood to be \$10,000.

There was considerable speculation in Fredericksburg today as to whether the Detroit automobile manufacturer planned to restore the mines to active operation through use of modern machinery. A number of persons thought it more likely that the mine property was purchased because of its historic associations. A battle was fought there in the Civil War during the general engagement of the Wilderness, the fight being practically a drawn battle.

The Vaucluse tract is a part of the original grant of land from the King of England to Alexander Spotswood, first governor of Virginia, and chief of the famous Knights of the Golden Horseshoe. Spottsylvania County takes its name from Governor Spotswood who instituted the iron mining industry in the United States and developed several important colonial iron mines on the Rapidan River not far from the site of the Ford purchase.

**WILLIAM MOSELY BROWN HERE SEPTEMBER 7TH**

Dr. William Mosely Brown, anti-Smith Democratic candidate for Governor of Virginia, as well as the candidate of the Republican party, will make his first campaign speech in Prince William County on Saturday, September 7, at 3 p. m.

**U. D. C. MEETING.**

An important meeting of the Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held at the residence of Mrs. Fred Dowell, Grant Avenue, on Wednesday, September 4, at 3 p. m.

**CARNIVAL MAKES HIT IN MANASSAS**

Friday And Saturday Will Be Biggest Days In Week's Festivities.

That a tidy sum will be realized for the Volunteer Fire Department of Manassas through the carnival which the United Exposition Shows is giving here this week seemed more than assured today.

The carnival has increased in popularity each night and with the added attractions booked for Friday night and all day Saturday crowds from all sections of the county are expected to pour into Manassas to enjoy the latest wrinkles in amusement devices.

**Fire Apparatus Here.**

The new piece of modern fire apparatus arrived here last night and was exhibited for a time at the carnival grounds. While it's late arrival prevented exhibiting it each night, as scheduled, the spick and span equipment will be at the grounds each night throughout the carnival, and it is planned to give a practical demonstration of the manner of working it on Saturday afternoon. Members of the Volunteer Fire Department will be on hand and will put the engine through its paces for the entertainment of the host of visitors.

**Crowds Are Appreciative.**

The committee in charge of the carnival has left no stone unturned to make the event the biggest and best ever held in this section, and the response of the public to their invitation to come out and enjoy themselves as well as assist the Fire Department in raising needed funds, indicates a full measure of appreciation of the volunteer fire ladders.

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.**

Read the full page advertisement on page 8 of this issue. This advertisement is sponsored by public spirited merchants of Manassas who are helping to promote progress in Prince William County. They deserve your support because they are wholeheartedly supporting Manassas and the county. The following progressive business firms are represented:

J. H. Steele & Co., Conner & Kinchloe, C. E. Fisher & Son, National Bank of Manassas, Newman-Truesler Hardware Co., Jenkins & Jenkins, Peoples Garage, Hibbs & Giddings, L. E. Beachley,

Cornwell Supply Co., Brown & Hooff, W. Atlee Wood, Metz's Inn, Coker Pharmacy, Manassas Milling Corporation, Peoples National Bank, The Manassas Journal, Metz's Radio Service, Manassas Motor Company, Inc.

**STATE TAKES OVER ADDED MILEAGE**

Completes State Maintained Road From Manassas to Dumfries and Richmond Highway.

Cheering news comes to Prince William County from H. G. Shirley, State Highway Commissioner, with his announcement that the State will take over for maintenance two and a half more miles of what is known as the "Cross County Road", by September 1.

This addition to the highway system is made by the Commission under the authority granted it by an act of the Legislature, and will give the people of Manassas and Prince William County an all-the-year-around outlet to the Richmond-Washington Highway.

**Extension to Route 709.**

The recent allocation is designated as "an extension of Route 709 to a point (Dumfries) on Route 31, Richmond-Washington Highway." Eight miles of the "Cross County Road" from Manassas to Independent Hill was taken over by the State last October, eight miles more from Independent Hill in the direction of Dumfries was added to the state system on last April 1, so that this latest allocation will complete the road to Dumfries.

Dan M. Chichester, representative for Prince William and Stafford counties in the House of Delegates, is a member of the Roads Committee, and has been active in highway legislation, and this highway connecting Prince William with the Richmond-Washington Highway, through Dumfries, has been largely due to his untiring efforts on behalf of the county.

**HOMEMAKERS WILL MEET AT HAYMARKET**

Miss Ella G. Gardner, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Will Be Principal Speaker.

The next regular meeting of the Prince William Branch of the Virginia Homemakers' Association will be held on Friday, September 6, at the residence of Miss Mamie Heinekin, near Haymarket.

Miss Ella G. Gardner, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, will be the honor guest and as part of the program will discuss music and games in the home at the same time giving practical demonstrations of methods employed.

Other interesting features will be on the program and all farm women are invited to attend the meeting of the Homemakers, which has for its chief objective the making of better homes, churches, schools and communities.

**SURPLUS PROPERTY SALE AT NOKESVILLE**

Brentsville District Agricultural Committee to Conduct Big Sale September 7.

The sale of surplus property conducted several months ago by the agricultural committee of the Brentsville District proved of such benefit to the community that the committee has been prompted to sponsor a similar sale. On Saturday, September 7, another sale will be held for the benefit of anyone wishing to dispose of accumulated surplus stocks of machinery, vegetables, household and kitchen furnishings.

Many people of the community have already listed property to be sold among them being several good horses, heifers of all ages, sheep, dairy supplies, hay, hogs, cows, farm machinery, poultry, corn, weanling colts, good cows, soon to freshen, and a vast array of other articles.

The sale on Saturday, September 7, will be held at Nokesville, and for the convenience of those who come to buy or sell the committee has arranged for the serving of lunch.

The committee having the sale in charge has M. J. Shepherd, as chairman, and the following members: J. S. Huff, F. M. Swartz, G. A. Wood, John Ellis and F. H. May.

**VIRGINIA SHOWS DAIRYING GROWTH**

State Fast Reaching Important Place in Country's Dairying Field.

Richmond, August 29.—Dairying has been showing a gradual growth in Virginia for many years, and the rate of increase has been more rapid during the past few years, according to statistics compiled by the United States and State Departments of Agriculture.

Creamery butter production during 1928 was nearly twice the amount produced in 1923; cheese production increased nearly 400 per cent since 1922; the production of condensed and evaporated milk nearly doubled, and there was an increase of 30 per cent in the production of ice cream. During 1928 there were 41 creameries operating, 8 cheese factories and 8 condenseries and evaporated milk plants. In addition to the butter produced within the State, last year approximately 650,000 pounds were made in other States from cream shipped from Virginia. The production of milk for consumption in town and cities has also increased considerably. In all parts of the State more farmers have been selling milk and cream each year, but during the past year Southwest Virginia made a tremendous increase in dairying, and this section promises to become one of the most important dairying districts in the East. In the Shenandoah Valley dairying has always been an important source of farm income and this section has shown an increase in recent years.

**Milk Production Increases.**

The production of milk has increased more rapidly than the number of cows, due to the fact that farmers have improved both their methods of feeding and the type of dairy cow. Reports from dairy manufacturing firms for the first half of 1929 indicate a considerable increase in the production of dairy products as compared with 1928. Butter production during this period was approximately 20 per cent larger than last year; cheese production nearly 400 per cent; ice cream 5 per cent, and evaporated and condensed milk 32 per cent.

While excellent pastures have been the cause of some of the increase, there are more dairy cows on farms than in 1928. The following statistics show the great increase that has been made since 1922: Creamery butter production in 1928 was 6,051,000 pounds, compared with 3,306,000 pounds in 1922; cheese 507,000 pounds, compared with 128,000 pounds; condensed and evaporated milk 4,500,000 pounds, compared with 2,600,000 pounds and ice cream 2,900,000 gallons, compared with 2,500,000 gallons.

Officials of the State Department of Agriculture and Agricultural College believe that within a few years Virginia will be one of the most important dairy States in the East, as climatic, soil and market conditions in this State are unusually favorable for dairying.

**SUPERVISORS MET ON LAST TUESDAY**

Transact Routine Business And Authorize Payments.

**DR. E. N. LILLARD SUCCEEDS LATE DR. GRAY**

County Gets \$1,602.60 From July 1 1/2 Cent Gas Tax Collected By State.

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Prince William County was held on Tuesday, August 27, with all members of the Board present, and Chairman James R. Larkin, presiding.

Certain accounts were examined and allowed and warrants ordered drawn on the county Treasurer in payment.

**District Road Funds Paid.**

Bills for work on county roads in the various districts were presented and ordered paid out of the road funds of the districts effected as follows:

Coles District—\$400.46. Dumfries District—\$584.00. Gainesville District—\$289.52. Manassas District—\$99.85. Occoquan District—\$66.00.

**Funds Transferred.**

Payments made from the Dog Tax Fund amounted to \$140.25, while the board authorized the transfer or loan of \$2,000 from this fund to the county fund so as to meet current expenses in anticipation of taxes to be collected, the fund to be reimbursed when fund will permit repayment. A similar sum was authorized transferred from the 1 cent tax fund under the same conditions.

Authorization was made for payment by the Treasurer of \$1,000 to the National Bank of Manassas, for retiring bond in connection with the Occoquan District Road Bond Issue Fund, and the payment of \$200 in interest due.

**Citizens Ask Road.**

A petition from the citizens interested in the highway from George Wood's Corner to Ernest Reid's Corner, in the Brentsville District prayed that the road be made passable. H. L. Tubbs, County Road Superintendent, was instructed to make an inspection of the road and make a report to the supervisors.

James R. Larkin and L. Ledman, the committee appointed by the Board of Supervisors, upon request of the County Treasurer, for an audit of his accounts, reported completion of the audit and presented their report.

**Nokesville-Catlett Road.**

It having been found necessary to alter the location of the road opposite lands of John Anderson, in connection with the improvement of the Nokesville to Catlett Road, and because of inability to come to terms for the land with Anderson, H. L. Tubbs was instructed to examine into and report the expediency of the change in location and what damages, if any, would accrue to Anderson's property by reason of the change.

Dr. E. N. Lillard was appointed physician to the poor for the Brentville District, succeeding the late Dr. Gray.

**MRS. LUCY M. HALL DIED ON MONDAY**

Funeral Rites Held Here On Wednesday With Interment in Warrenton Cemetery.

Mrs. Lucy Mildred Hall, wife of Mr. S. T. Hall, died on Monday at her home here, and funeral services were conducted on Wednesday.

Mrs. Hall was born on February 25, 1862, at Jefferson, Va., but had been a resident of Prince William County for the last 39 years.

The deceased was loved by all who knew her, and her sweet christian character had been an influence for good in the community not alone in church work, in which she was active up to the time of her illness, but in all matters pertaining to the advancement of the town in which she lived for so many years.

Funeral rites were conducted by Rev. Murray Taylor, assisted by Rev. T. D. Clark and interment was in the cemetery at Warrenton. The pallbearers were: Mr. Albert H. Roseberry, James Payne, Eugene Davis, T. J. Broadus, John H. Burke and D. J. Arrington.

Surviving are the husband, Mr. S. T. Hall; two daughters, Mrs. Roy Hedrick, Del Ray, and Mrs. R. A. Arrington, Rosemont, and two sons, Hugh R. Hall, Los Angeles, and W. C. Hall, Charleston, W. Va.

**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY SCHOOLS Session 1929 and 1930**

**CALENDAR**

- Wednesday, September 4—Annual Teachers Institute.
- Thursday, September 5—Opening date, all white and colored schools.
- Tuesday, October 15—End of first six weeks of instruction.
- Tuesday, October 22—Reports to pupils in all schools.
- Tuesday, November 26—End of second six weeks of instruction.
- Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29—Thanksgiving Holiday in all schools.
- Tuesday, December 3—Reports to pupils in all schools.
- Friday, December 20—All schools close for Christmas holidays.
- Thursday, January 2—Schools resume work after Christmas Holidays.
- Tuesday, January 21—End of third six weeks and of first semester.
- Tuesday, January 28—Reports to pupils in all schools.
- Tuesday, March 4—End of fourth six weeks of instruction.
- Tuesday, March 11—Reports to pupils in all schools.
- Tuesday, April 1—Closing date seven-month schools. Final pupil reports.
- Tuesday, April 15—End of fifth six weeks.
- Friday, April 18 and Monday, April, 21—Easter Holiday observed in all schools.
- Tuesday, April 22—Reports to pupils in all schools.
- Thursday, May 1—Closing date eight-month schools. Final pupil reports.
- Friday, May 16—County Graded School Athletic Day.
- Wednesday, May 28—Closing Exercises, Occoquan District High School.
- Thursday, May 29—Closing Exercises, Haymarket High School.
- Thursday, May 29—Closing date, nine-month schools. Final pupil reports.
- Friday, May 30—Closing Exercises, Manassas High School.
- Saturday, May 31—Closing Exercises, Nokesville High School.