

COMMISSION WILL STUDY STATE LAWS

By Concurrence of Senate And House Commission Will Be Created.

GAS TAX DISTRIBUTION TO COME UP WEDNESDAY

House Clears Many Bills Quickly From Calendar As New Legislation Pours In.

Richmond, January 29.—By concurrence of the Senate in a House joint resolution, the General Assembly yesterday took the final step in creating a commission of six members to study the laws of the State and report in 1932 as to useless statutes.

Two members are to be appointed by the lieutenant-governor and two by the speaker of the House, with the addition of the assistant attorney general in charge of the legislative drafting division and the clerk of the House. The resolution was introduced by Delegate John W. McCauley of Roanoke. In his final message to the General Assembly Gov. Harry F. Byrd recommended such a commission, and Senator Hill Montague told the Senate today that Governor Pollard also favors it.

Expected fireworks over proposed plans for distribution of the gasoline tax to counties failed to develop in a joint meeting of the two roads committees this afternoon. After a brief session the matter was carried over until February 5. At that time all suggested methods of distribution are to be considered.

College Location Proposal.

A fourth proposed location of a liberal arts college for women was brought before the General Assembly today in a bill introduced by Senator Ward Swank of Harrisonburg, naming Harrisonburg as the site. The institution would be called the Virginia College for Women, under the control of the board of visitors of the University and co-ordinate with the University College of Arts and Science.

Differing from a bill with a similar purpose introduced yesterday, a measure was presented by Senator John W. Chalkley of Big Stone Gap to retire Circuit Court judges on half pay at the age of 70. Among others introduced in the Senate during a brief session were bills authorizing boards of supervisors to regulate the construction of buildings and regulating pensions.

The House quickly cleared 11 bills from its calendar, 9 of them local, and received a new workmen's compensation bill sponsored by Delegate J. P. Jones of Richmond, which would increase compensation and lower the waiting period, but by smaller amounts than under the Gary bill presented last week. Without contest the House passed the Gary bill fixing a taxing scale for credit unions and the Page bill authorizing substitution of trustees in cases of bankrupt corporations. Local bills passed included amendments to the charter of Lynchburg, a measure to validate bond issues of Waynesboro, and another to authorize boards of supervisors of supervisors of Highland, Rockbridge and Bath Counties to prohibit fishing on Sunday.

HONOR ROLL PUPILS

KETTLE RUN SCHOOL

First Grade—Bertha Lee, Butler, Elizabeth Nickens, and Bessie Skinner. Second Grade—Mark Thomas, Allene Skinner, and Amanda Blackwell.

Third Grade—Corabell Champ. Fifth Grade—Edward Sheppard, Louise Blackwell. Sixth Grade—Ernest Harris, and Charles Champ. Seventh Grade—Floyd Champ.

GREENWICH SCHOOL

LISTS FIVE POINTERS

Greenwich School in listing its Five Point health pupils for the term just ended, announces that a marked increase in the number is anticipated after the arrival of Dr. Devin, of the State Health Department, who will hold a dental clinic.

The present Five Point pupils are: Jean Leach, Dorothy Leach, Lena Godfrey, Francis Ellis, Raymond Spittle, Lorean Hefflin, and Douglas Russell.

BRENTSVILLE DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Meeting Called For Tuesday Night In High School At Nokesville.

The Brentsville District Community Association will hold its regular monthly meeting at the High School, Nokesville, on Tuesday, February 4, at 7:45 p. m.

In addition to the business which will come up for discussion a program will be presented by the Brentsville school under the direction of Miss Bradley, while the Nokesville Orchestra, under the direction of Mrs. V. W. Zirkle, will entertain with a number of selections. Miss Geraldine Shepherd will read a paper on current events, Worth Storke will give readings, and an agricultural outlook report by Davis Nolley will conclude the program for the evening.

DEVOGEL CONCERT HERE TONIGHT

Madame Catherine deVogel Appearing Under Auspices of Music Section of Woman's Club.

Tonight will mark the culmination of the plans of the music section of the Manassas Woman's Club to raise a fund to be turned over to the Board of Education for the purpose of introducing music to all of the public school children in Manassas, when they will present Miss Catherine deVogel in a program of folk songs at the High School Auditorium at 8:15 p. m.

Madame deVogel, who is making her second tour of the United States in concert, is a great favorite, this present visit being in response to urgent demands for a reappearance in this country. She was born in Java, but when still a baby her parents took her to Holland where her musical talent drew attention, and bearing her sing, at the age of ten, in chorus of 300 children, Peter Benoit, the Flemish composer, advised that she be given a musical education. As an artist she has given concerts all over Europe and other countries, and has sung in operas and operettas with immense success.

The program announced for tonight will consist of four folk songs of Holland, of the 17th and 18th centuries; two folk songs of Germany, also of the 17th and 18th centuries; two folk songs of England, and four folk songs of France.

Members of the music section of the Woman's Club in charge of the sale of tickets are: Mrs. Robert Illingworth, Mrs. M. M. Washington, Mrs. F. R. Hynson, Mrs. H. T. Grill, Mrs. C. Wade Dalton, Mrs. T. J. Broadus, Mrs. A. A. Hooff, Mrs. R. L. Larkin, and Mrs. Robert H. Smith.

DR. S. M. JOHNSON WILL SPEAK HERE

Will Tell Kiwanis Club of Plans To Move Prince William From Mudland to Motorland.

Dr. S. M. Johnson, general director of the Lee Highway Association, through whose efforts plans are being prepared for a model road system for Prince William County, will be the guest speaker at Manassas Kiwanis on Friday, January 31. Dr. Johnson will report on the progress of the work up to the present and will also outline the plans he has up his sleeve as to how he proposes to "move Prince William from Mudland to Motorland."

Last week's program was most interesting and William C. Green, international vice president of Kiwanis, who was the honor guest for the night, gave his interpretation of the club ideals, interspersed with anecdotes, and both the talk on ideals as well as the clever little anecdotes were well received by the large gathering.

Wimodausis Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, have arranged to furnish the Friday night dinner each Friday during February, and Mrs. Robert H. Smith, is chairman of the O. E. S. committee having it in charge. The ladies of the Methodist Church who have been serving the dinners for several weeks, have set a fast food pace for others to follow, but this should work to the gastronomic advantage of Kiwanians. Here's hoping.

MILK PRODUCERS HOLD BIG MEETING

R. S. Hynson, is Reelected President of Prince William Branch of Maryland-Virginia Milk Producers Association.

The Prince William County branch of the Maryland-Virginia Milk Producers Association held its annual meeting in Manassas on Tuesday with more than forty dairymen in attendance.

I. W. Heaps, manager of the Eastern States Milk Producers Association, was the principal speaker, while John McGhee, Jr., manager of the Maryland-Virginia Milk Producers Association reported on the activities of the association during the past year.

Mr. Heaps, lauded the work of the Prince William branch and pointed to the remarkable results being accomplished by milk producers in other states where they are banded together in associations and fighting out their problems along systematic and business-like lines.

Hynson Is President.

The election of officers of the Prince William branch resulted in the reelection of R. S. Hynson, to the presidency; F. M. Swartz, of Nokesville, was elected vice president, while Wheatly Johnson was chosen as secretary for the ensuing year.

Mr. Hynson was also reelected director of the Prince William branch to represent the organization on the board of the Maryland-Virginia Milk Producers Association. He is also second vice president of the latter organization.

The county branch of milk producers has made great strides over the past few years, and now numbers among its membership the majority of dairymen in this section. It was freely predicted at the meeting that 1930 would be a banner year in the history of the organization.

LUTHERAN SYNOD HOLDS SESSIONS

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia Now Meeting in Roanoke.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia is holding sessions through Friday, in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Roanoke. Rev. Luther F. Miller, pastor of Bethel Evangelical Church, Manassas, and of the Nokesville church, is in attendance.

The Virginia Synod consists of 77 parishes and 174 congregations, having a membership of 18,936. Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., of Richmond, is president; Rev. C. W. Cassell, of Luray, secretary, and Dr. A. B. Greiner, of Rural Retreat, treasurer.

The Synod includes in its activities Roanoke College for men at Salem and Marion Junior College for women at Marion; the Lutheran Orphanage of the South at Salem, while a training school for workers is conducted at Massanetta Springs each August.

MANASSAS HIGH SCHOOL SIX WEEKS HONOR ROLL

The following pupils have been listed on the Honor Roll of Manassas High School for the six weeks ended January 21, according to announcement yesterday by Miss Lulu D. Metz, acting principal.

Commercial Class—Ethel Ritenour, Senior Class—Bobby Waters. Junior Class—Barbara Neill and Marie King. Freshman Class—Edith Jasper. Eighth Grade—Emlyn Marsteller.

For Term: Senior Class—Bobby Waters, Junior Class—Barbara Neill. Freshman Class—Edith Jasper.

Provisional Honor Roll. The following students would have been on the Honor Roll had they not been tardy more than twice: Commercial Class—Lucretia Larkin, Alice Wilson, Lora Bell, and Bertha Luck.

COUNTY SCHOOLS CLOSE.

Schools of the County closed today at 1 p. m., by order of R. C. Haydon, superintendent, who announced that the continued fall of snow made bus traffic difficult. The schools will reopen on Monday if county roads are safe for school bus traffic.

STATE ASSEMBLY DOWN TO BUSINESS

Many Measures Introduced Covering Wide Field. Some Are Controversial.

Richmond, Jan. 27.—With the opening up of this week the general assembly began the serious business of its present session. Committee work has not been pushed rapidly, which has resulted in comparatively clean calendars in both house and senate. Bills, however, have been presented in volume, and at the close of last week's business it was found that 120 measures had been introduced in the senate and 114 in the house.

Proposed legislation covers a wide field, ranging from sea-food regulatory laws to statutes affecting education. Governor Pollard will transmit a special message to the assembly dealing with the subject of sea-food protection, and it is thought this will be the signal for the introduction of a sheaf of bills by Tidewater members all bearing on this subject.

Important Bills Introduced.

Among important bills already introduced are three dealing with the proposed higher arts college for women. Three separate measures have each suggested a separate location for this institution—Charlottesville, Fredericksburg and Lynchburg. Certain advocates of this college desire the co-ordinate educational feature. Bills are expected to be presented this week naming Roanoke and Harrisonburg as two additional proposed sites for this institution.

The bill to lower state income taxes, which is favored by Governor Pollard, has been introduced by Fuller, of Richmond, in the senate. Under this measure, according to its patron, taxpayers would be saved \$225,000 annually.

Railroad Investigation.

A commission to be composed of fifteen members to investigate railroad consolidations proposed by the Interstate Commerce Commission is provided for in a resolution presented in the senate by Staples, of Roanoke. A commission to study antiquated laws and to recommend improvements along this line has been created under the McCauley resolution offered in the house by the Roanoke member.

Bills adding 1,500 miles to the highway system are before both houses. A bill proposing appointment of a Potomac River commission to protect Virginia's water power interests has been approved by committees in both houses. It was introduced by Senator Ball.

This week witnessed the first of the series of meetings between the Senate Finance Committee and the House Appropriations Committee to consider budget bills carrying an appropriation of \$46,708,986.27. Consideration of this subject will probably extend over several weeks.

A measure providing a new plan for distribution of the gas tax is expected to be introduced in the house by Bryant, of Pittsylvania; Delegate Allman, of Franklin, will be named as co-patron of this bill. The bill would distribute the counties 1 1/2 share of the gasoline tax on a basis of one-third by area and two-thirds by the last Federal census. Delegate Bryant is of opinion that, operated on this basis, sixty counties will register a gain over present figures, six remain approximately the same, and thirty-four lose. This is a measure of state-wide interest and will probably cause much debate.

GOVERNOR POLLARD PAYS TRIBUTE TO MISS METZ

Miss Lulu D. Metz, Acting Principal of Manassas High School Reappointed to Board of William & Mary.

Miss Lulu D. Metz, acting principal of the Manassas High School, has been reappointed as a member of the Board of Visitors of the College of William and Mary, Governor John Garland Pollard making the announcement this week.

Miss Metz was first appointed to the board by Governor E. Lee Trinkle, to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Kate Waller Barrett, of Alexandria who died in office. She next received the appointment from Governor Harry Byrd, and the appointment just made by Governor Pollard starts her on a third term and in service under a third governor of the state.

STRATFORD HALL FUND INCREASED THIS WEEK

Committee Will Continue Campaign For Another Week. Every Citizen In County Should Respond.

The Prince William County campaign for contributions to a fund which the Robert E. Lee Memorial Foundation is raising to complete the purchase of Stratford Hall, the birthplace of General Lee, will continue through next week. Mrs. C. M. Larkin, chairman of the local committee is hopeful that the closing week will find many contributors coming forward to make possible a generous contribution to this plan to perpetuate the memory of this famous Virginian.

The fund reported last week totaled \$37.00, while contributions received this week total \$17.25.

Summary.

Reported last week	\$37.00
Mrs. Douglas M. Low, Haymarket	1.00
William Hill Brown	1.00
Andrew Robertson	1.00
John T. Coleman	1.00
W. L. Compton	1.00
T. F. Coleman	1.00
L. B. Williams	1.00
B. F. Knox	1.00
O. O. Holler	1.00
L. L. Lonas	1.00
Mrs. Lelia Fitzwater	.50
M. L. Byrd	.50
Miss Pearl Evans	.25
Miss Minnie Keys, Washington	1.00
Greenwich Home Demonstration Club	5.00
Total to date	\$54.25

CHILDREN'S HOME HONORS MAYBEE

Governor Pollard Attends 30th Anniversary of Children's Home Society And Lands Superintendent.

Richmond, Jan. 30.—The celebration of the 30th Anniversary of the Incorporation of the Children's Home Society held today at the Richmond Hotel, marked the retirement of Rev. William J. Maybee, who after 29 years of service as State Superintendent, retired from active duty to become Superintendent emeritus. The duties which Mr. Maybee formerly performed have been divided between Frank Davis Preston, General Secretary, and Miss Julia E. Hatch, Case Supervisor.

Governor Pollard Present.

Governor John Garland Pollard, who was president of the Children's Home Society, for the first twenty years, and who has served continuously on the Board of Directors presided and in a few well chosen words, expressed the gratitude of the people of Virginia to Mr. Maybee who responded briefly. Those at the speakers' table included S. S. P. Patteson, who drafted the original incorporation papers and has been general counsel since the formation of the society; Mr. E. Raab, an incorporator and Mr. C. P. Walford, an incorporator and secretary for 23 years.

MANASSAS CHAPTER, U. D. C. WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY

The Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet on Wednesday, February 5, at 2 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Walter Newman with Mrs. Norvell Larkin as assistant hostess.

Contributions promised to the U. D. C. Stratford fund may be paid at this meeting.

COURT WILL OPEN HERE ON MONDAY MORNING

The February term of the Circuit Court for Prince William County will begin on Monday, February 3, with Judge Howard W. Smith on the bench. The docket was pretty well cleaned up at the last term of court and the present calendar is not heavy so that it is not expected that this term will last beyond a week.

GRACE CHURCH AID MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY

The Ladies' Aid Society of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Manassas, will meet with Mrs. L. M. Kite on Thursday, February 6, at 3 p. m.

P. A. LEWIS LEADS COUNTY DAIRYMEN

January Report of Prince William County Dairy Herd Improvement Association Shows Big Honor Roll.

P. A. Lewis, of Manassas, member of the Prince William Dairy Herd Improvement Association, distinguished himself in the January test conducted by Arthur J. Brady, tester, and not only recorded the high herd in the association for the month, but also had the high cow both in averages of milk and fat. His herd of 30 grade and pure bred Holsteins had a January average of 1,204.7 lbs. of milk; 39.71 lbs. of fat; Bettie with 2,136 lbs. of milk and 81.2 lbs. of fat proved the high individual cow.

There were 631 cows on test in January, 559 milking, and 72 standing dry. The association average for the 631 cows was 756.6 lbs. milk and 28.26 lbs. of fat. Of the 631 cows, 100 went over 40 lbs. of fat each, while of the total, 36 went over 50 lbs. of fat. Twelve cows were culled from the herds and sold for beef.

Honor Roll.

Francis M. Lewis, Manassas, grade Holstein, Spot, 1,621 milk, 51.9 fat. J. E. Barrett, Manassas, purebred Holstein, Elemine, 1,448 milk, 55.0 fat; grade Holstein, Rose, 1,572 milk, 55.0 fat; grade Holstein, Nancy, 995 milk, 51.7 fat; grade Guernsey, Nellie, 1,038 milk; 59.2 fat. E. R. Conner, Manassas, grade Holstein, No. 8, 1,054 milk, 53.8 fat.

P. A. Lewis, Manassas, grade Holstein, Bettie, 2,136 milk, 81.2 fat; purebred Holstein, Texas, 1,960 milk, 66.6 fat; grade Holstein, Tillie, 2,151 milk, 68.3 fat. C. C. Lynn, Manassas, purebred Holstein, No. 12, 1,693 milk, 64.1 fat; grade Holstein, No. 21, 1,720 milk, 61.6 fat; grade Holstein, No. 27, 1,534 milk, 52.1 fat; grade Holstein, Jane, 1,470 milk, 57.3 fat; grade Holstein, Kangy, 1,500 milk, 53.5 fat; purebred Holstein, No. 5, 1,466 milk, 52.8 fat; grade Holstein, Jiggs, 1,463 milk, 52.6 fat; purebred Holstein, No. 7, 1,078 milk, 51.7 fat; purebred Holstein, No. 9, 1,649 milk, 52.8 fat.

J. F. Miller, Nokesville, grade Holstein, Mike, 1,702 milk, 66.4 fat; grade Holstein, Pauline 2nd, 1,904 milk, 59.5 fat; grade Holstein, Check, 2,040 milk, 71.4 fat. Clover Hill Farm, Manassas, purebred Jersey, Keebs, 1,038 milk, 60.2 fat. Harley & Kline, Manassas, grade Holstein, No. 4, 1,779 milk, 67.6 fat; grade Holstein, No. 21, 1,479 milk, 52.4 fat.

R. S. Hynson, Manassas, grade Guernsey, No. 1, 995 milk, 57.7 fat; purebred Guernsey, No. 21, 1,333 milk, 60.0 fat; grade Holstein, No. 4, 1,445 milk, 50.6 fat; grade Holstein, No. 35, 1,231 milk, 60.3 fat. Dr. John Iden, grade Holstein, No. 4, 1,516 milk, 50.0 fat. Dr. B. F. Iden, Manassas, grade Holstein, No. 3, 1,854 milk, 61.2 fat; grade Holstein, No. 8, 1,500 milk, 55.5 fat; grade Holstein, No. 9, 1,376 milk, 50.9 fat; grade Holstein, No. 18, 1,537 milk, 79.9 fat. Wheeler & Adams, Wellington, grade Holstein, Pansy, 1,327 milk; 50.4 fat. C. F. M. Lewis, Manassas, grade Holstein, No. 3, 1,559 milk, 62.4 fat.

WINCHESTER CORN GROWER WINS EDUCATIONAL TOUR

Washington, Jan. 30.—Virginia will be represented at a South-wide meeting and on a 10-day educational tour which has been planned for the 1929 cotton and corn-growing champions in recognition of their outstanding accomplishments in economic crop production.

Winners of the state-wide crop-growing contests in Virginia, Mississippi, Arkansas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Tennessee, Texas, and Alabama will assemble at Jackson, Miss., February 6, to start an extended tour under the auspices of the Chilean Nitrate of Soda Educational Bureau, through Mississippi, Louisiana, and Florida.

Virginia will be represented by Carroll Campbell, of Winchester. Carroll won first place in the state-wide vocational agricultural corn-growing contest, producing an average of 126 bushels per acre on a three-acre plot.

DeVOGEL CONCERT POSTPONED.

As we go to press announcement comes of the postponement of the Woman's Club Concert tonight. It will be given Friday night at the same time stated.