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FESTIVAL DRAWS LARGE CROWD

Bazaar Extravaganza Declared the Best Ever

Beyond question and without a dissenting voice, the decorations and general arrangement of the booths at the Spring Carnival was the prettiest ever seen at a public function around Manassas. To describe it would be to detract from a proper appreciation of how pretty it really was.

Although the day was rather chilly a large crowd attended and well over \$250 was realized by the Woman's Club for its charity work.

Promptly at 3 p. m. the three trumpeters Marshall Johnson, Howard Cooksey and Warren Bauserman sounded a flourish and Francis Compton, the Post Herald, announced the approach of the Queen of the May and her court.

The Musketeers (Douglas Morris, Samuel Hottle and Robert Whetzel) led the parade. They were followed by:

Butterflies—Josephine Gillum, Molly Leachman, Althea Hooff, Virginia Pullen, Carol Illingworth, Cora Lee Cockrell; May Pole Dancers—Betty Beane, Lucy Morris, Lucy Johnson, Harriet Lewis, Mildred Akers, June Pickeral, William Knox, William Miller, Garland Boatwright, Lee Roy Shifflet, Frank Browning, jr., Harry Parrish; Fairies—Mary White, Nancy Leachman, Lelia Montague Dowell, Marie Bauserman.

Others in parade were: Rosa La Fever, Vilas Albrite, Betty Hatcher, Margaret Blakemore, Shirley Hyndon, June Hatcher, Lucille Herndon, Jessie Mae Ritter, Evelyn Crabbill, Thelma Moore, Annie Lee Brown, Dicky Haydon, Frank Parrish, Pearl Corum, Elizabeth Davies, Jessie Mae Conner, Janet Newman, Sara M. Harley, Pete Charles Lynn, Billie Jamison, Virginia Boley, Louise Wallace, Evelyn Payne, Emily Lynch, Edith LaFever, Elizabeth Miller, Frances Miller, Frances Hatcher, Emma L. Alexander, Mildred Merchant, Thelma Robinson, Joe Lyon, Caton Mercham, Robert Wilt, Virginia McCuen, Buddie Corum and Catherine Fincham.

John Broadbudd, jr., and Marion Gillum, the policemen brought up the rear and kept excellent order.

Following the procession came Mary Mason Davis bearing the crowns for Robin Hood and the Queen. Francis Compton, the Post Herald, crowned Robin Hood (Thomas Kite) who in turn crowned the Queen Miss Ellen Bisson.

The Queen attendants were Misses Ann Bradford, Barbara Oneil, Margaret Hottle, Mary Elizabeth Lewis, Francis Bushong and Christine Meetze.

Following the coronation the May Pole Dancers executed their figures very prettily and the procession marched out. Miss Virginia Spelden, director of music in the local schools, officiated at the piano.

In part a contribution from "The Scribe" tells what he thought of the whole outfit.

"The crowd was stilled and tensed in the M. H. S. Gym Saturday afternoon about three o'clock. Suddenly there was a flourish of trumpets, the ringing voice of the Poet delivering the welcome address of the day, and the parade of the courtiers. Last but not least by any means, the beautiful queen and her attendants. The Annual Spring Festival of the Woman's Club of Manassas was on!

After the coronation, in which Thomas Kite played the role of the dashing Robin Hood, (and very handsome he was, too), the side shows opened up. Of these, the Wild Man, played ably by Stewart McBryde, jr., and the free Photo Gallery, operated by Lacey Compton, received the most attention. In fact, the Photo Gallery was quite a shock to some.

Promptly at seven o'clock, the floor shows started. The first on the program was Miss Spelden's Radio Act. This was rendered very well and received much applause. The artists on the program were: Clem Fisher Jr., Charles Bauserman, Miss Eleanor May Cline, Miss Margaret Hottle, and Miss Helen Lloyd. The announcer was lousy and was properly given the raspberry. Incidentally, the announcer in this act was the barker for the side show, and how he got his job, I can't see.

At eight o'clock, "Auto Trouble" was rendered. This was carried off with great success by Clem Fisher, Nelson Lynn, Mary Faunterloy Cooke, Mary Cannon, and Billy Ramey.

When the latter concluded, dancing

MANASSAS' BIENNIAL REPORT

The first published report of the governmental activities of the Town of Manassas is off the press and ready for distribution.

This report is for the biennial (two year period) beginning September 1, 1928 and ending August 31, 1930. In reading it, it must be remembered that some months have elapsed since the closing date, August 31, 1930, and that some of the recommendations made by the Manager have since then been put into effect.

To those who take enough interest in the Town to discuss its problems with their neighbors, this pamphlet will be of special interest and it will furnish authentic information on many points of discussion.

The official records of the Treasurer Clerk, from which this report is compiled are open to the public business hours of the business day. However, very few citizens are willing or able to take the time from their own affairs to delve into these records for themselves.

Special attention is called to Tables III, V, VII and VIII which refer to Streets, Water and Finance.

This report was printed by the Manassas Journal and we feel that the town can send it out to other municipalities without fear that their home publishing house will suffer in the comparison of this piece of work with others of like nature from State municipal source.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Pursuant to call of the Secretary of the Democratic County Executive Committee, a meeting was held at the Court House at Manassas, Virginia, April 28, 1931.

All Districts being represented by the following members:

D. E. Earhart, J. A. Hooker, J. M. Keys, J. P. Kerlin, C. R. Earhart, T. M. Russell, C. A. Barbee, H. Ewing Wall, E. P. Davis, J. L. Dawson, M. G. White, E. N. Pattie, A. A. Hooff, D. J. Arrington, A. S. Robertson and Thos. H. Lion.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, D. E. Earhart.

Upon motion John Leary was elected a member of the Committee from Occoquan District in the room and stead of S. T. Cornwell, deceased.

It was further ordered that all candidates announcing their candidacy for several officers for which nominations are to be made at the August primary, 1931, be required to pay to the County Treasurer, on or before June 3, 1931, as follows:

County Treasurer \$100.00
Commissioner of Revenue 75.00
Attorney for the Commonwealth 35.00
Sheriff 30.00
Supervisor 1.00
Justice of the Peace 1.00
Constable 1.00
Overseer of the Poor 1.00

It was further resolved that in the event there should be only one candidate for any office no rebate of above assessments would be made to the candidate announced, or declared the nominee, for that office, and the sums so paid shall be retained and applied toward expenses of the Primary Election.

Ordered that candidates for Supervisors, Justices of the Peace, Constables and Overseers of the Poor be not required to file a petition of electors, as shall be done by all other candidates, but each candidate, county or district, shall file his declaration of candidacy as required by law.

The Secretary of the Committee was directed to file with the Electoral Committee the names of each member of this Committee for re-election in order that their names may be printed on the official primary ballot for their respective districts.

Upon motion it was ordered that the Chairman and Secretary of this Committee, be and they were authorized and directed, when only one declaration of intention was filed for an office to be filled, to declare such person the party nominee for that particular office, and his name shall not be certified to the Electoral Committee to be printed on the official primary ballot.

D. E. EARHART, Chairman.
D. J. ARRINGTON, Secretary

started, music being furnished by the Swavely Orchestra, or, as we know them better, "The Swavely Cavaliers" With the numerous booths, such as the fortune teller, candy counter, "Tony's cart", cafeteria counter, and fish pond, the Festival was a great success, the proceeds amounting to well over two hundred and fifty dollars. I, for one, vote that the Woman's Club make this event an annual happening, and if they will be as good as this one, make it semi-annually."

IMPORTANT

The citizens of Prince William County who desire to participate in the Democratic Primary in August are advised that the Virginia election laws require payment of poll taxes ninety days before the Primary May 3 is the actual dead line, but to avoid any last minute complications, all voters are urged to attend to this important detail by May 2.

Most of the county elective offices will be voted upon at the Democratic Primary on August 4. In addition, a selection of State Senator will also be made. Nomination in the Democratic Primary this year is widely believed to be equivalent to election as in former days.

COUNTY FINALS HERE ON FRIDAY

District School Tests Bring Out Much Interest

On Friday, April 24, Brentsville District Contest was held at Nokesville High School. The winners were the following:

First Grade Reading, Ray Neff, Aden School; Second Grade Reading, Elizabeth McMichael, Nokesville; Third Grade Reading, Philip Gray, Nokesville; Fourth Grade, Elzora Allen, Nokesville; Fifth Grade, Letha Foster, Nokesville; Sixth Grade Reading, Arline McMichael, Nokesville.

Primary Story Telling, Gertrude Shirky, Nokesville; Grammar Grade Story Telling, Margaret Horn, Nokesville; Spelling, Hazel Owens, Nokesville.

The last contest was held at Haymarket High School in Gainesville District on Monday, April 27. The following were winners:

First Grade Reading, Betty Brower, Catharpin School; Second Grade Reading, Evelyn Smith, Haymarket; Third Grade Reading, Lucille Gardner Hickory Grove School; Fourth Grade Reading, Frances Smith, Haymarket; Fifth Grade Reading, Anne Piercey, Haymarket; Sixth Grade Reading, Brice Tulloss, Haymarket.

Primary Story Telling, Edith Dye, Haymarket School; Grammar Grade Telling, Mary Beach, Haymarket School; Spelling, no contestant.

The final County Contest will be held on Friday, May 8, beginning promptly at 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

VIVID EAST IS PICTURED

Famous War Correspondent on the Air This Week and Next Week

Vivid pictures of the great Smyrna conflagration; of the ugliness and sordidness of erstwhile romantic Near East cities, and of flies in countless myriads will be painted by Frazier Hunt, noted world traveler and war correspondent, during the weekly "Chevrolet Chronicles" hour over WMAL on Saturday, May 2, at 7:30 p. m.

Hunt is recognized as the dean of America's war correspondents. For 20 years he has gone up and down the earth and around it searching for wars and to be on the ground when matters of historic moment would occur. He has lived a life of glamor single career more thrills than ordinary adventure and packed into a diary come to a half dozen men.

"Up to Angora" is the thrilling personal experience Hunt will relate in his next appearance before the microphone. It is a graphic story of Greek and Turkish warfare, of reeking Eastern villages upon which reekness had been suddenly thrust; Mustapha Kemal, the great Turkish patriot, and overing all—war, villages alike—in dense layers, unbelievable numbers of flies that stripped the last vestiges of romance from the East of tale and fable.

Hunt will speak again on the evening of May 9, on conditions in Russia after the revolution.

BANKERS FORM TRI-COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Welcome United Daughters of the Confederacy

No body of women ever labored as faithfully to preserve the memories of their heroes and perpetuate valor as the women of the South. Through their untiring efforts Southern history has been taught to the youth of our land truthfully and clearly. The justice and glory of the Southern Cause has been heralded to the world largely by their splendid work.

The South owes her greatness to the men and women of the Confederacy. Too much cannot be said in their praise. Too much appreciation cannot be offered them. But the South also owes a great debt to the Daughters of the Confederacy for educating Southern youth and immortalizing the true history of the South from Sixty-one to the close of that infamous period known as the reconstruction.

C & P EDITOR ADDRESSES CLUB

Gives Kiwanians Interesting Facts on Growth of Means of Communication

Invention of the telephone was probably the greatest single event that has ever taken place in the history of communication, James Oliver Martin, Washington, D. C., editor of The Transmitter, employee's magazine of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Companies, told the Manassas Kiwanis Club, Friday, April 10 in talking on the subject, "Ancient and Modern Message Bearers."

While people have always found some way to communicate with one another even in the most unfavorable circumstances, the speaker stated, it was not until within the past fifty-five years—within the memory of many people yet living—that there was any method for direct voice to voice communication over greater distances than the unaided human voice could carry.

"Indeed," Mr. Martin said, "it is well within the bounds of truth to say that within the past 100 years greater advances have been made in the art of communication than in all the thousands of years that have previously passed into eternity since the beginning of time."

In leading up to his subject, the speaker briefly traced back to the very beginning of human affairs of which there is record, the methods of communication—period by period and century by century. Messages in the days of the Pharaohs were inscribed on papyrus and only important people, like kings and queens received written communications. Usually whole delegations accompanied such a message.

Then messages were written on bricks and stones. Next, rays of light came into use as signals. As early as the Battle of the Marathon, highly polished shields were used to reflect rays of light as signals. Trained runners, who covered many miles during the day were used by the Greeks. Fast couriers on horseback were used by the Romans as a favorite method of communication.

In the Middle Ages, although messages and beacons were still in use, the carrier pigeon was introduced and soon became a popular method of communication.

If there was time, the speaker said, it would be interesting to consider in detail some of these ancient methods of communication, but since he was expected to stay within the confines of his subject, which had to do with communication in Virginia, it was necessary to treat only of such methods as were used by the Indians and the Americans who came after them.

White people came to Virginia as early as 1607. Mr. Martin said, and by that time several systems of messenger service as well as visual and audible signals had been developed in the civilized world, but there is no means of knowing how many of these systems were used by the colonists in their communication.

Tench Tilghman, a Marylander, he stated, was an early horseback courier. This man rode horseback in carrying from Yorktown to Philadelphia the message that Cornwallis had been defeated.

Still another method of communication used by Virginians in both the Army and the Navy in the Revolution and the War of 1812, was flag signaling. This method of communication came into use in Europe soon after the invention of the telescope in 1608. King James the Second of England is said to have devised the first complete flag code, according to Mr. Martin.

Napoleon created in France what is now known as the semaphore.

MRS. JOHNSON REPORTS ON DROUGHT RELIEF

At the regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club last week, Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson in charge of local drought relief work made a report on the work during the past winter.

She stated that a complete survey as requested had been slow and difficult to obtain. She highly commended those who had cooperated in the several districts.

Mrs. Johnson stated there was still available for relief work about \$170. Briefly she summed up the work as follows:

Number cases registered 93
Number cases closed 64
Number cases now receiving aid 29
Balance in chapter treasury \$ 77.16
Received from National Red Cross 926.00

Total \$1003.16

Expenditures—
Food \$448.58
Clothing 57.42
Feed 61.30
Household Goods 1.00
Other Expenses 1.50
Number of cases given food 81
Number of cases given clothing 16
Number of cases given feed 14
Number of Household Goods 2
Number of cases Seed Potatoes 1
Number of cases Other Expenses 1

The accountant for the National organization has checked over and verified this report.

GARDEN CLUB

The May meeting of the Garden Club will be held at the home of Mrs. Betty Leachman at Bristow on Monday, May 4, at 2:30 p. m. The subject will be "Porch Boxes and their Care." Mrs. Mae Lyon will be the leader.

KITCHEN CONVENIENCE CAMPAIGN ENROLLMENTS

Due to the fact that a large number of enrollment cards have not come in the Kitchen Convenience Campaign enrollment period will be extended over another week. Those wishing to enroll in the campaign please send in enrollment cards as early as possible. Extra supply of cards may be secured from the Home Demonstration Agent's office.

Bethel: Mrs. Wesley Marshall, Mrs. Eva K. Garner, Mrs. E. S. Davis.
Nokesville: Mrs. G. C. Godfrey, Mrs. J. O. Bittle, Mrs. Margaret V. Owens.

Greenwich: Mrs. Raymond Ellis, Mrs. Josie Mayhugh.
Manassas: Mrs. Chas. M. Lewis.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LAYS LEVIES

The main action of the Board on Tuesday was to set the tax levies for 1931. These are grouped in another column.

In handling the school appropriation, the Board appropriated a flat \$59,000, one-half to be available on December 1, 1931 and the balance on March 1, 1932. This replaces the uncertain income from the revenue obtained from delinquents, penalties, capitation taxes, etc.

The report of the viewers in re J. D. Crenshaw road closing application filed as was also the application of Angie Runaldue for road closing.

C. E. Tiffany of Warrenton Elected President; G. Raymond McIntosh, Manassas, Secretary-Treasurer

Representatives from thirteen out of the sixteen banks in Fauquier, Loudoun, and Prince William Counties met in Leesburg, Tuesday, April 28, 1931, at 7:30 p. m. and organized a Tri-County Association of Banks under the leadership of V. Nelson, Vaughn, chairman of Committee on County Organization of The Virginia Bankers Association.

The following officers were elected. C. E. Tiffany, president of the Fauquier National Bank, Warrenton, president; P. W. Anderson, cashier of The Marshall National Bank & Trust Co., Marshall, vice president; Bruce McIntosh, president of the Peoples National Bank, Leesburg, vice-president, (Loudoun); H. Ewing Wall, cashier of The First National Bank, Quantico, vice-president, (Prince William); G. Raymond Ratcliffe, vice-president and cashier of The Peoples National Bank, Manassas, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Advisory Committee is composed of representatives from each of the three counties, namely:

D. Turner Day, cashier of The Peoples National Bank, Warrenton, (Fauquier); C. L. Robey, president of The Purcellville National Bank, Purcellville, (Loudoun); Harry P. Davis, cashier of The National Bank, Manassas, (Prince William).

The meeting adjourned to meet at Warrenton, Tuesday, May 5, 1931, to complete the organization.

Interesting and instructive addresses were made by R. G. Williams president of The Shenandoah National Bank, Winchester; E. E. Garrett, president of The Loudoun National Bank, Leesburg, and Harry P. Davis chairman of Group III, Virginia Bankers Association.

SPIRITED RACE IN GAINESVILLE

Third Announcement Comes this Week

With the announcement of Supervisor Robertson that he will be a candidate for re-election Gainesville now has three aspirants for the position.

Mr. Jett Pattie, of Catharpin, was the first to break the ice. He was followed closely by C. B. Roland, a business man of Haymarket. Both men refrain from any attack on Mr. Robertson in their campaign, and personal popularity will largely solve the problem of the voters.

Mr. Robertson made the following statement while attending the regular meeting of the Board on Tuesday.

"I have always had the best interests of Prince William County as a whole and Gainesville District in particularly at heart. I have done all in my power to further projects presented for county and civic betterment. I hope that my services have been satisfactory, and I wish to thank the voters for loyalty and support throughout the past eight years, and to assure them of mine should they see fit to re-elect me."

GOOD WORK

One of the improvements made possible by the efforts of the Garden Club last week was to have the larger corner lot at Lee and Grant Avenue cleaned off rubbish and briars and put in a more sightly condition. We hope this will be an incentive to the folks nearby to help keep this lot as well as the many others vacant lots free from waste and rubbish.

NEW CANDIDATE

Mr. Walter H. Ellicott is announcing his candidacy as member of Board of Supervisors for Coles District.

He is a farmer of the Goldridge neighborhood and has lived there most of his life. He is, therefore, well known in his District which he now aspires to represent.

1931 LEVIES

	Brentsville	Coles	Dumfries	Gainesville	Manassas	Occoquan
County Levy	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55	\$1.55
School Levy	5	5	10	5	5	5
Road Levy	25	35	30	20	25	10
School Bond	25	0	0	0	20	30
Totals	\$2.10	\$1.95	\$1.95	\$1.80	\$2.05	\$2.00

Capital in Business—80 cents on invested Capital.
All levies on the \$100.00 of assessed valuation.