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4-H CLUB COUNCIL MET SATURDAY

Reports of 1931 Work—Plans Laid for 1932.

At 10 o'clock Saturday morning, March 5, a group of the 4-H club members, officers and leaders assembled in the Parish Hall, Manassas, to hold the regular Prince William 4-H Council meeting.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Janet Russell, and opened by the singing of a spirited club song and the repeating of the club pledge, led by Hazel Bowman, song leader.

The clubs responded to the roll call by Wilda Bourne, secretary. The reports brought out facts which proved that club work is progressing and we all think it very necessary to the further development of our county.

Miss Sarah Pitts, home demonstration agent, discussed a "Measuring Rod" for 4-H clubs in the county. This plan was laid out by the agent's conference in December at Blacksburg. The plan had to deal with year books, contests, community projects, club notes, junior leaders and other phases that make better clubs.

After a discussion of the Measuring Rod it was adopted as the county plan of work for 1932 and reads as follows:

1. Have a leader and junior leader for each club.
2. Each club have a written plan of work for the year.
3. Have 12 meetings per year.
4. A 4-H club year book containing the programs in detail for each meeting, made at first of year.
5. Have each club give demonstrations on projects conducted.
6. Each club conduct contests outlined in county program and have representatives in those county contests to which they are eligible.
7. Participate in county club contest day, if held, and county achievement day in the fall.
8. Each club conduct a community project.
9. Have news notes from clubs in county paper at least once a month.
10. Have active officers and committees.

The morning session then closed for the noon hour. A picnic lunch was served the first half hour and the rest of the hour was spent in playing games, led by Hazel Bowman.

Everyone enjoyed themselves and after some fun were ready to settle down at 1 o'clock for the afternoon session.

Miss Virginia Speiden, director of music in the schools of Manassas, gave us some points and facts about songs and song leaders. She then taught us the song entitled "The Four Leaf Clover." I am sure we all learned something that we didn't know before about song leadership.

After we learned to sing, Professor R. C. Haydon, superintendent of schools, gave a talk to club secretaries. He stated that the person serving as secretary should be neat in appearance and should be reliable. They should have a good character, have personality, be thorough, be prompt and have a fair knowledge of the organization, its laws, attend to the correspondence, keep records, make reports and serve as a source of reference. He gave us a chance to ask questions on the subject. This cleared our minds as to the duties and responsibilities of secretaries.

Since we all have to make reports some time or rather we learned from Mr. Lamb, editor of The Manassas Journal, that the most important points in a newspaper report are the date, who, where and why, that names must be correct and we must be accurate. I think we will send in better reports.

We appreciated these talks and the interests these people show in club work.

The council discussed a county contest day for summer. Plans were discussed and committees appointed as follows:

Committee on contest day plans: Wilda Bourne, chairman, Stuart McMichael, Nelson Lynn and Anne Piercey.

Committee on prizes for contest day: Mrs. Eva Garner, Mrs. John Carter and Mrs. W. R. Free.

Achievement day was discussed and further plans will be made later. Achievement day will be held on a separate day from the dairy festival.

September 30 has been set for the dairy festival and the council decided to sell programs and put a float in the parade.

Then came the election of officers.

NEW DATE FOR MINSTREL SHOW

Monday, March 21, is the new date of the minstrel show at Manassas high. Full details will be given in next week's Journal by the director of the play.

WOMAN'S COLLEGE BILL KILLED

Governor's Veto Ends Co-educational Plan.

The Governor has vetoed the bill to establish a woman's college at Fredericksburg. He had opposed the measure from the outset, believing that no unusual expenditure should be undertaken at the present time. The General Assembly had passed a bill making provisions on paper for the organization of the school, leaving appropriation of funds for the next legislature.

In vetoing the bill the Governor said, "I cannot join in an effort to do indirectly what cannot be done directly, to-wit, in effect bind a subsequent assembly to make an appropriation which it otherwise might not make in view of the then existing other demands on the treasury."

MANASSAS HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

A vote of thanks was given at the assembly last week by both students and faculty to the patrons of Manassas high school who have so generously given their time and efforts to serving hot lunches at noon all through the winter months. This serving of lunches has formerly been done by the home economics classes but they are no longer permitted to do this by the new state rules, except for limited times and for special purposes of the department.

A number of the school patrons, however, came generously to the rescue, and have not only done this valuable service of serving healthful, inviting and inexpensive lunches to the students, but have also raised in this way the usual considerable sum given every year by the Patrons League for the upkeep of the library.

The Glee Club sponsored the serving of the lunches for one week for the purpose of raising money to buy new song books for the school. Due to the co-operation of the student body and a few of the patrons their generous contribution of food a little over twenty dollars was realized.

The annual Easter charity ball will be held at the high school gymnasium on Monday evening, April 28.

Committees on arrangements are already enthusiastically at work and a most successful and enjoyable event it anticipated.

The following chairmen of committees have been appointed by Mrs. Edith Saunders, president of the Woman's Club: reception committee, Mrs. Eli Swavely; music committee, Mrs. Robert Smith; refreshment committee, Mrs. R. S. Hynson, decorating committee, Mrs. Kline, and publicity committee, Mrs. Stewart Pattie.

After many suggestions, the following were chosen to serve as council officers:

President, Doris Bubb; vice-presidents, Hazel Bowman, Jane Lynn, Dorothy Day; secretary, Geraldine E. Shepherd; reporter, Wilda Bourne; song leader, Mary Currell Pattie, and cheer leader, Stanley Reid.

The short course caused some debate; the vote was a tie and we do not know as yet whether we will have a county or district short course.

Mr. E. C. Eleon, state boys club agent of Blacksburg, was with us for the entire day and gave us much encouragement and help with our meeting. He gave us a "pep" talk at the close of the meeting. We hope he can be with us at our next council meeting.

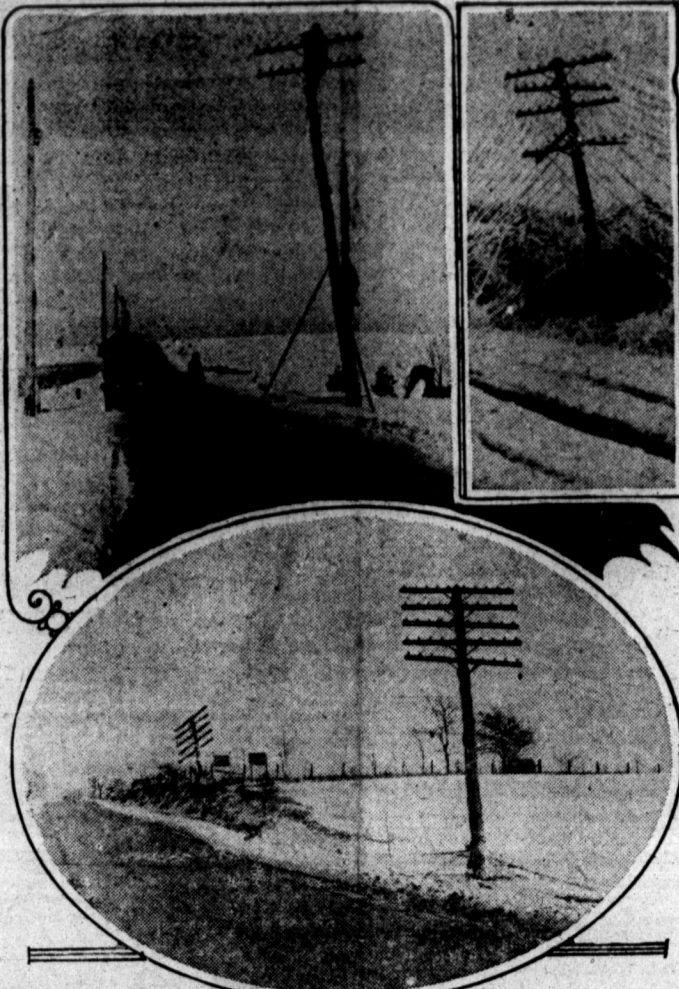
Mr. F. D. Cox, county agent, gave out sample year books and explained their use. We think that our year books are a great help and hope that more of them will be used to a better advantage this year.

The meeting then adjourned until our next regular meeting.

Geraldine E. Shepherd,
Council Reporter.

A CORRECTION

In the account of last week's school play, the name of one of the players who had a rather difficult role was omitted. Florence Raymond played the part of elderly lady with much grace, ease and dignity—oftimes very hard for youngsters to assume.



STORM DESTROYS TELEPHONE LINES IN PRINCE WILLIAM

INITIATION POSTPONED

Bull Run Council on Tuesday night elected J. N. Muddiman as its representative in the Grand Council for the next two years, with George D. Baker, as representative for one year. Ashby March was elected alternate to Mr. Muddiman and A. A. Muddiman as alternate for Mr. Baker. Owing to the bad condition of the roads, Vienna drill team did not appear but the thirty some members of the council and their guests were treated to refreshments before disbanding.

No date has been set for the initiation which was in order on that evening.

MANASSAS 4-H CLUB NEWS

The Manassas boys 4-H club will meet at the agricultural building, Wednesday afternoon, March 16, at 2:30 o'clock. A report of the County 4-H Club Council meeting held at the Parish Hall Saturday will be made and work started on the 1932 year book.

R. G. Connelly, dairy specialist, V. P. I., will discuss principles of breeding livestock with the boys after the regular program.

Officers of the club consisting of twenty-seven members are Billy Jamison, president; Sammy Moss, vice-president, and Nelson Lynn, secretary.

ENGLISH CLASS TO PRESENT PROGRAM

A Washington Bicentennial program will be presented by the second year English class of Manassas high school at the meeting of the high school community league next Thursday, March 17, at 2:30 o'clock. The league will also plant a Washington elm in honor of the Bicentennial year.

CIRCUIT COURT CONCLUDED

Judge McCarthy scrambled through snow and ice Tuesday morning and held court for the one day.

Soft drinks licenses were granted A. B. Persons (Triangle), Charles Dewey (Woodbridge), J. A. Porter (Manassas), and Mrs. W. B. Fosse (Dumfries).

James Watson entered a plea of guilty to charge of possession, was fined \$50 and given a suspended sentence of thirty days.

The cases of Lewis Payne and H. E. Hooe continued to April.

TYLER-ROBERTSON

Mr. Edward Tyler and Miss May Robertson were quietly married at the Manse Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. W. A. Hall performing the ceremony. The young couple will live near Manassas. Their many friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

TEA POSTPONED

The silver tea to be given by the Young Ladies' Sunday School of the Methodist church on Saturday afternoon, March 12, has been postponed until Saturday afternoon, March 19.

LADIES TO BE KIWANIS GUESTS

Commander Fred Hynson has prepared an elaborate program for Ladies Night which will be given at the Southern Methodist church tomorrow evening. (Shades of George Hasel). Fred says there are some novelty features for both young and old.

Last meeting would have been flat but for the poet laureate, Ed Conner, who told in perfect rhythm how he got pinched in Maryland for believing what he heard and not what he saw. Ed got such a hand on that that he broke forth into song on the county budget and gave his hearers an earful.

Looks like Nokesville was going to have a new recruit. Good luck, Doc. Glad to have you with us.

BI-CENTENNIAL PROGRAM AT NOKESVILLE

In honor of the Bi-centennial celebration a program will be given by grammar grades and high school pupils of Brentsville district high school at the auditorium March 18, beginning at 8 p.m.

This pageant presents the most outstanding events of Washington's life in the following periods: the boyhood of Washington, as rendered by primary grades, presents the boy Washington at home and with the younger companions at school; Washington, the young man, presented by intermediate grades, shows the critical period when Washington as young man chooses his career; his mother outstandingly influences his life; a colonial garden party, given by the seventh grade pupils, shows in an interesting and picturesque way the customs and scenes of social life at Mt. Vernon. Martha and George Washington entertain many influential friends at a garden party.

The pageant of inauguration presents the scenes in which Washington considers, decides and finally takes the oath of office as First President of the United States. The true colonial costumes used in this pageant should make these scenes more effective and real patriotic and stirring events of 1776 should be brought more vividly to our minds. Such a program will be well worth while and a spirit of real patriotism should urge everyone to be present.

EDWARD CROSS AT FAIRFAX

Magic Performance for Benefit of School.

On March 18 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of the Fairfax school, Edward Cross of Centreville will give an entertainment for the benefit of the school consisting of magic and sleight of hand tricks. Mr. Cross has become recognized as one of the leading young magicians of the country and his performances are very popular. He is a graduate of the Herndon high school.

HOME DEMONSTRATION GROUPS PLAN SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH EXTENSION SPECIALIST

Home demonstration groups plan to direct their interest and attention to vegetable gardening during the month of March. Mr. L. B. Dietrich, V. P. I. Extension specialist, will be in the county to speak at a series of meetings on March 18 and 19. All groups extend a cordial invitation to men and to other women not attending group meetings regularly.

The schedule of meetings follows: Greenwich home demonstration group at the home of Mrs. N. K. Middlethorpe at 10 o'clock Friday, March 18.

Nokesville home demonstration group at the community room at 1:30 o'clock, Friday, March 18.

Woodbine School League at Woodbine school building at 8 o'clock Friday evening, March 18.

Bethel home demonstration group at Bethel school building at 1:30 o'clock on Saturday, March 19.

Haymarket home demonstration group at 8 o'clock on Saturday evening, March 19.

COUNTY RULE PASSES

The House Bill providing for optional forms of county government passed yesterday by vote of 64 to 22.

BYRD ROAD BILL PASSES SENATE

Amended to Require 25 Per Cent of Voters to Petition for Election.

The Byrd Road Bill, which has already passed the House, was approved by the Senate yesterday with only an amendment affecting the number of signers necessary to petition for special election on the question of withdrawing from its provisions. The House Bill required 15 per cent. The Senate, at first, inclined toward no referendum, finally accepted an amendment permitting a special election upon petition of 25 per cent of the qualified voters. The vote in the Senate was overwhelmingly in favor of the proposition which will relieve the farmer of such a large proportion of local taxation. The vote was 33 to 4. The bill now goes to conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS HOLD CONFERENCE

Prince William Has Only 30 Per Cent Church Membership.

Prince William Sabbath School workers held an adult conference in the Cannon Branch church Saturday evening, March 5.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. John Kline, jr. Several selections of music were rendered and prayer offered by Rev. Blough.

Rev. Minor C. Miller, state secretary, was present and gave an interesting lecture, using as his subject "The Maintenance of Coming Christianity," laying special stress on the importance of co-operation of different denominations. The subjects of leadership training classes, organizing of a county council, increasing attendance, and organizing of districts were discussed and plans were made for some future work.

Do you know that only 46 per cent of the white population in Virginia is enrolled in the membership of the churches and that in Prince William county, where we have a population of over ten thousand people, only three and one-half thousand are church members, and twenty per cent in Sabbath school? The success of a church program in any area is determined to a large extent by the per cent of the total population it is able to enroll in its membership. Other factors considered, it would seem that a church which enrolls 80 per cent of the possible membership is more efficient than the church which only enrolls 40 per cent of its possible membership.

The fact that such a small per cent in our county is in Sabbath school ought to serve as a constant reminder that much yet remains to be done before it can be said that the church has reasonably well attained its goal. As we undertake our task for this year, let us rejoice for our privilege and opportunity.

4-H CLOTHING LEADERS TO MEET

Miss Cymbel Taylor, V. P. I. Extension Division specialist in clothing, will meet with the leaders of 4-H clothing project groups on Thursday, March 17. The meeting will be held in the home demonstration agent's office, beginning at 10 and closing at 3 o'clock. The topics to be taken up at this meeting by Miss Taylor are problems of garment construction, including short cuts in sewing and finishes for dresses, use of the sewing machine, and health standards.

The following 4-H clothing project groups will be represented: Haymarket, Mrs. John Carter; Greenwich, Mrs. Baldwin Cook; Woodlawn, Mrs. Robert Nelson; Nokesville, Mrs. W. R. Free and Miss Geraldine Shepherd; Aden, Mrs. Amos Corder; Bennett, Miss Mary Fountleroy Coker; Hayfield, Miss Thesa Copen; Dumfries, Mrs. Ralph Corden; Quantico, Mrs. T. J. Fick; Occoquan, Mrs. Elbert Thompson and Miss Wilda Bourne; Bethel, Mrs. Eva Kidwell Garner.

C. & P. COMPANY RIGHT ON JOB

More than 400 linemen and helpers are engaged in restoring service to storm-damaged local and long distance lines of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Virginia caused by the snow and wind of last Sunday.

Latest Photo of Lindbergh Baby



Photograph of Charles Augustus Lindbergh, Jr., made public by the family after the kidnaping to assist in the search for the child.

The Lindbergh baby has not been heard from as we go to press.