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CLUB PRAISES RETIRING HEAD

Loving Cup Presented to Mr. Hooff.

Manassas Kiwanians ushered in the New Year very, very pleasantly last Friday evening while they were also inducting Dick Hynson into the president's chair. The truth of the matter was that Al Hooff had made such a good executive that the club just had to blow off about it.

For the entire year, right from the first night, President Al had been right on the job, with so much energy and enthusiasm that it rapidly became very contagious. Al is correspondingly modest, so much so that it was about the hardest night he had in his whole career as president of the Manassas Kiwanis Club.

Frank Sigman read what Bob Hutchison termed "the best report of its kind that he had ever heard." In part we reprint it herewith:

"The Achievement Committee notified President Hooff some time ago that it intended to put the Manassas Kiwanis Club in the CAPITAL DISTRICT Achievement Contest. However, I do not know whether the accompanying report is in accord with the rules of International Kiwanis or not.

"A noteworthy thing as evidence of efficiency is the harmony that exists within the organization and in talking to President Al recently, he expressed himself as deeply and feelingly appreciative of this harmony. So deeply does he feel it that, reluctant as he was in undertaking the presidency, he is almost as reluctant in relinquishing it. He is deeply grateful, too, for the high average attendance of the members. There are very few men who did not embrace every opportunity to be present. Indeed they made every effort to do so. He feels this particularly because he is chairman of the attendance committee of the Capital District and wants Manassas to set a good example to other clubs.

"Another good sign is that in spite of the times, the club has lost very few members, and instead has added three good members. However, it is possible that the treasurer has difficulty in meeting the club's obligations.

"It has seemed the policy of the club to meet only at its regular meeting place. When it has varied from this rule, it has been for a good reason and has secured good results.

"The club has not seemed a club by itself alone, but has kept in touch with its neighboring clubs—Alexandria, Fredericksburg and Washington. President Ed Hill has seemed almost as much a member of this club as of his own and did not usually come unaccompanied, but used his resources for our advantage and pleasure.

"It is hard to see how the plan that is put forward by the program committee—that of dividing the responsibility for the entertainment and instruction of the club among several members each month—can be improved upon. Each little committee feels proud of its work and the little sense of rivalry between the committees and even among the members helps to make the club more efficient. I do not have in mind all the good programs put on, but there were several notable ones and we didn't always have to go outside to get them either. Fire Marshal Lauber of Washington with an almost national reputation spoke on the causes of fires and on the psychology in connection with fires. Dorsey W. Hyde, secretary of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, told us of 'Washington, Your Neighbor City.' He gave us much to think about concerning our national capital. Lieut. Bibby of the USN gave an interesting and historical talk on diving. Edwin F. Hill addressed us concerning the telephone. Being information director of the C. & P. Telephone Company, he knew what he was talking about. His subject was 'Ancient and Modern Methods of Communication.' Harry P. Davis gave us valuable information concerning the 'Trial Justice Plan' of administering justice; members of the faculty of the Swavely School, the president himself, Mr. Gill, Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Leinbach all brought forward valuable and entertaining ideas. Mr. Cocks gave us a talk on civic improvement for our community.

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HAYMARKET GROUP TO MEET WITH MRS. GILLIS

The Haymarket Home Demonstration Group will meet Wednesday, January 18, at 1:30 o'clock at the

NOMINATES SENATOR WORTH SMITH FOR GOVERNOR

NOW WORSHIPFUL MASTER



W. N. WENRICH, Who will wield the gavel in Manassah Lodge during 1933.

HOOVER CAMP FOR VIRGINIA

President Deeds Rapidan Site to Carson as Trustee.

The gift of President Hoover's Rapidan summer camp to the State of Virginia, ultimately to be incorporated in the Shenandoah National Park, was announced yesterday by Chairman William E. Carson, of the State Commission on Conservation and Development.

The President enclosed with his letter of conveyance a deed to the property situated in Madison County near Luray.

The deed was drawn in Carson's name as trustee to be transferred to the Federal Government as soon as the state is prepared to deliver the park as a whole to the United States.

The Hoover property embraces 208 acres, including the tract where the President's cottages were built and the site of the Hoover mountain school, as well as the 164 acres of fishing preserve.

Receipt by Chairman Carson of the President's deed to the mountain estate made famous by the visit of many high national and world figures marks the culmination of a purpose announced several months ago by Mr. Hoover and previously hinted by him as early as 1929 when he was criticized for using marines from Quantico for certain construction projects on the place.

The summer camp will be incorporated in the Shenandoah National Park and will add another attraction to what bids fair to be the nation's greatest scenic playground.

DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY MEET

Mrs. Gillum, assisted by Mrs. Margaret Lewis and daughter, Miss Katherine, delightfully entertained the Daughters of the Confederacy Wednesday, Jan. 3.

The president, Mrs. Robert Hutchison, presided and twenty-eight Daughters and two visitors, Mrs. Ryland and Mrs. Lawman of Roanoke, were present. The exercises were opened with the Lord's Prayer, followed by a prayer by Mrs. C. E. Hodges.

After the minutes were approved and the reports of standing committees heard, Miss Nelson reported having sent eight Christmas baskets to veterans and their wives.

Among the letters received, the most valued was one from a Daughter in her ninety-second year, Miss Lou Moxley, a real daughter of the sixties and one of, if not the most loyal daughter of Manassas Chapter.

The important business of the chapter was arranging plans for Jan. 19, Mrs. Richard Hynson being appointed chairman, after which Mrs. Humphrey Hibbs, historian, presented her program, consisting of papers on Lee and Jackson, read by Mrs. Robert Hutchison and one on Jackson prepared by Mrs. Brown and read by Mrs. Fred Dowell.

As usual refreshments were served which were refreshments by all. The meeting adjourned to be the guests of Mrs. Robert Smith in February.

home of Mrs. C. J. Gillis. The demonstration on "Wholesome Fruit Dishes" will be given by Mrs. John Sweeney and Mrs. Nimrod Lightner, leaders for the foods project. All women of the community are invited to attend the meeting.

LOCAL ATTORNEY WINS TWO CASES

Both of State-Wide Interest.

This morning R. A. Hutchison, local attorney, received two telegrams from H. Stewart Jones, clerk of the Supreme Court of Virginia, stating that two cases in which he was attorney had been decided in his favor.

The first is a matter of interest to all court clerks throughout the State. Up to last year, clerks had always been paid a fee of ten cents for each name recorded from the list of delinquent land sales which had been verified by the Circuit Court.

Last year, this was refused on a ruling by the Comptroller that the State was not liable inasmuch as there was no longer any state land tax.

The clerks association of the State accepted this ruling and none had filed claims this January. In the meantime, Mr. Hutchison filed a mandamus last September to force the State to pay Mr. Tyler his 1932 claim. This matter was finally passed on this morning, and hereafter all circuit court clerks will be paid directly from the State treasury for such services.

The other matter in which Mr. Hutchison was successful grew out of a suit which he and Mr. Dillake filed in behalf of S. W. Whetzel, administrator of Grant Whetzel, one of the four boys killed by a Southern railroad train on the afternoon of March 10, 1929. The opposing counsel were Messrs. John S. Barbour, F. S. McCandlish, Hawes Davies and W. Hill Brown, jr.

The amount involved in this case was \$5,000. It first came to a hearing in June, 1930, but was declared a mistrial after nearly a week's hearing, owing to statements made by one of the jurors.

In October 1930, the circuit court awarded the amount asked for, and Judge McCarthy refused to set aside the verdict of the jury. The matter then went to the Supreme Court where it was heard in March of 1932 before five judges. This court later decided to have a rehearing before the entire bench. This took place in November.

The decision came over wire this morning, and both of the plaintiffs' attorneys are busy accepting congratulations on their hard-won victory.

SALLIE DILLARD LARKIN

A telegram received in Manassas Monday announced the death of Mrs. Sallie Dillard Larkin, widow of W. W. Larkin, a prominent attorney of Lynchburg.

Mrs. Larkin was the daughter of Gen. Terry Dillard of Amherst and a sister of Judge William Dillard.

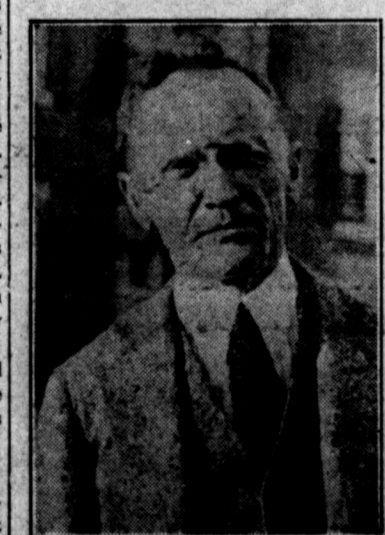
She is survived by two sons and two daughters, W. W. and Thomas D. of Washington and Misses Dillard and Maude Spotswood of Lynchburg. Her many friends and relatives here where she has often visited will regret to hear of her demise.

R. F. C. ESTABLISHES OFFICE

Mr. Wallace Whitmore, secretary to the county R. F. C. Board, has established offices in the Town Hall at Manassas.

Applicants for work under the R. F. C. Relief plan, may go to any member of the committee or to Mr. Whitmore and secure registration cards.

New and Retiring Presidents of Manassas Kiwanis Club



R. S. HYNSON, Manassas business man, who will guide destinies of Kiwanis Club in 1933.

BYRD FOR SENATE CAMPAIGN STARTED

According to Richmond news dispatches, an organized effort to persuade former Governor Harry F. Byrd to become an active candidate for the United States Senate is taking shape in the state.

Meanwhile, the dispatch said, the possibility of Senator Carter Glass being offered the portfolio of Secretary of Treasury appeared to increase, but there remained also the strong possibility that Mr. Glass will choose to remain in the Senate.

Supporters of the Byrd-for-the-Senate movement, the papers said, in all parts of the state are urging the former-governor to announce his candidacy now for 1934 when Senator Claude A. Swanson's term expires.

The dispatch states that Senator Swanson may be offered a cabinet post and if so, there is more probability that he will accept than that Mr. Glass or Mr. Byrd would accept a similar offer.

LEE AND JACKSON BIRTHDAY EXERCISES

Opening hymn, "How Firm a Foundation" Audience (Lee's favorite hymn)
Invocation Rev. C. P. Ryland U. D. C. Ritual

led by Rev. A. S. Gibson
Reading, "An Old Suit of Gray" Mrs. L. L. Lonas

Solo Mrs. Logan
Reading, Essay on "Stonewall Jackson" Miss Virginia Conner
Music

Address Rev. W. M. Compton
"Dixie" Audience

Benediction Rev. A. S. Gibson
Public cordially invited.

Grace M. E. Church.
January 19 (Thursday), 7:30 p.m.

VIRGINIA AUTO TAGS FOR 1933 ON SALE MARCH 15

Virginia 1933 automobile license tags are not on sale and can not under the act of 1932 be placed on sale until March 15, T. McCall Frazier, director of the division of motor vehicles, said.

Mr. Frazier added that the public apparently is well posted upon the fact that the 1932 license period was extended until April 1, and that there have been only a few applications for 1933 licenses. New cars in Virginia are being issued 1932 licenses, the fee being one-fourth the annual fee for the remainder of the period.

Police and motor vehicle authorities of other states have been officially notified that Virginia tags are good until April 1.

Commenting upon the troubles into which some of the citizens of North Carolina found themselves in Virginia and Maryland when their 1932 tags expired while they were away for the holidays, Director Frazier said that no official complaint came from the Carolina authorities on whose information the cars were stopped and temporarily impounded according to law. He said that his records show no evidence that any Carolinians were fined.

After the arrests the Carolina authorities extended their license period from Dec. 31 to Jan. 10.

DOG TAGS

February 1 is the dead line for purchasing dog tags. After that there is a penalty.



HON. W. WORTH SMITH, State Senator from Louisa County.

ENDOWMENT FOR FORESTRY SCHOOL

Seward Estate of \$250,000 Goes to University of Virginia.

By terms of the will of the late Dr. Walter M. Seward, of Brunswick County, Va., his entire estate, valued at \$250,000, goes to the Forestry School of the University of Virginia at Charlottesville.

Dr. Seward was a graduate of the Medical School of the University of Virginia. Under terms of his will his entire timberland holdings become available for scientific and demonstration purposes in advancing the science of forestry in Virginia, where so far very little progress has been made.

The Forestry School at the University of Virginia was founded in 1920, but for eight years only offered one course, not largely attended. One term, only six students enrolled for the course. In 1928 a full time professor was secured for the work permitting enlargement of the forestry work to three courses—silva culture, forest management and forest policy. The present bequest will permit Professor Alfred Akerman to greatly enlarge the usefulness of his forestry school.

4-H CLUB NOTES

Saturday, January 28, has been set as the date for the 4-H Club Council meeting.

The study of patterns, remodeling and cutting of church dresses will be taken up in each of the 4-H club meetings of next week.

Woodlawn 4-H Club will meet Monday, January 16, at 9 o'clock.

Greenwich 4-H Club will meet Monday, January 16, at 2:30 o'clock.

Hayfield 4-H Club will meet Tuesday, January 17, at 9:30 o'clock.

Manassas 4-H Club will meet Tuesday, January 17, at 2:30 o'clock.

Haymarket 4-H Club will meet Wednesday, January 18, at 11:30 o'clock.

Bethel 4-H Club will meet Thursday, January 19, at 10 o'clock.

Nokesville 4-H Club will meet Saturday, January 21, at 1:30 o'clock.

W. C. T. U. PROHIBITION DAY PROGRAM

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will give a Prohibition day program in the large Sunday school room of the Methodist church Monday evening, January 16, at 7:30.

Mr. C. J. Meetze will be the principal speaker. Everyone knows what an interesting and inspiring speaker Mr. Meetze is and he will bring us much information on important subjects of the times.

So do not forget the date Jan. 16, 7:30 p.m. and place, Methodist church.

Our programs are educational so we invite both young and old. Everybody welcome. Will the ministers please announce this meeting in the churches? All members bring your last Va. Call the songs are in that, also the Union Signal for Dec. 17.

MARRIAGE RECORD

Jan. 10 — Elden Hale and Roxie Breeding.

Hon. James Heflin Urges Candidacy of Senator from Louisa.

Forceful Radio Address Last Night Indicates Growing Demand for Worth Smith.

Over the radio from Richmond last night came a forceful address by Hon. James O. Heflin, of Hopewell, nominating State Senator W. Worth Smith, of Louisa, for Governor. Facts were presented and figures quoted indicating a growing demand for him to become the standard bearer of the great masses of the people of Virginia and to announce his candidacy for Governor.

The address contained so much matter of peculiar interest to the overburdened taxpayer and unemployed citizen, that it is here reproduced in full:

There is an old saying, worthy of full faith and credit, that the power to tax is the power to destroy. The destruction incident to the power to tax is in full progress in Virginia today, and is meeting with but scant recognition. This condition applies with special force and with necessarily disastrous consequences to the tax on real property in the state.

Under the tax segregation system in Virginia all real estate has been segregated or set aside for local tax purposes only, and under the same system other classes of property, which were more easily assessable and more assured of profitable returns were segregated to the state. The state has thus been able to collect its taxes from railroads, franchises, insurance companies, banks, stocks and bonds, money and income, and other like classes, and at the same time demand of the localities that they make a substantial assessment of the valuation of real estate and levy a substantial tax thereon in order to meet local needs and to meet the state's requirements for public school purposes, with the result, partly brought about by hard times, that the localities find themselves in the position of not being able to meet the obligations thus imposed because of non-payment of taxes, with the consequent threat of closed schools. In this connection it is to be borne in mind that the last quinquennial assessment was made before the tremendous decrease in values was experienced in Virginia. I do not wish to be understood as criticizing the so-called segregation system of taxation. In theory it is sound and just. The fault lies in the distortion of its true spirit and intent in its application by the central government in saying to the localities in one breath that it surrenders all real estate for tax purposes to the localities, and in the next breath indirectly laying down the ground rules by which real estate shall be assessed and the tax thereon levied.

Any threatened curtailment of education facilities properly meets with instant opposition of all our people. Illiteracy is to be deplored and avoided almost at any cost. With a complete recognition of this fact and a full realization of its unhappy consequences it is suggested that existing conditions, if allowed to go unchecked, and indeed, in the absence of a prompt and efficient remedy, are pregnant with a danger to our governmental structure far more grave than illiteracy. This latter danger lies in the loss of the homes, real estate holdings and real estate investments of our people through an inequitable and unjust tax burden. The farmer cannot pay his taxes. The real estate owner in our cities and towns is in little better plight.

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MRS. DeNICOLA TO ENTER TAIN BETHEL GROUP

The January meeting of Bethel Home Demonstration Group will be held on Thursday, January 19, at 1:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. M. M. deNicola. Mrs. T. Powell Davis and Mrs. B. A. Shaeffer, foods project leaders, will have charge of the demonstration on "Wholesome Fruit Dishes." An interesting recreational program is being planned by Mrs. Jellison and Mrs. Wallace Dawson. All women of the community who are interested in the landscape gardening program are urged to be present to learn details of that program.