

We are approaching the worst forest fire season! Watch where you throw cigarettes! Be careful about setting fires where they may get beyond control!

The Manassas Journal

Now is the time to make the home neat and attractive for the summer. Home improvement will help relieve unemployment. Help yourself and the other fellow!

SENATOR SMITH TELLS OF ISSUES

Would Abolish Poll Tax and Cut Out Overlapping Activities.

Hon. W. Worth Smith, State Senator from Louisa County and candidate for Governor of Virginia, today issued the following statement as Section 2 and 3 of his campaign platform.

The statement is as follows:

School Teachers

"FIRST: There is one class of public servants in our State who are outstanding for the services rendered by them to the most people and for the most good, and these public servants are those who are charged with the education of the children of the State. I shall recommend to the General Assembly a fair compensation for these employees, based upon the services they render and the splendid results they have and will continue to obtain.

The Fee System.

"SECOND: One of the political issues that has been kept alive in Virginia for political purposes and directly in the teeth of good government is the fee system. I shall submit to the General Assembly a plan that will totally abolish the fee system without a loop-hole or a single instance of it remaining as a nucleus upon which the system might be rebuilt. I believe that every fee collected should be turned in to the State Treasury, free of strings and red tape, and that every officer of the State now embarrassed by the fee system should be placed upon a fair salary basis and that such salaries should be fixed by the local Boards of Supervisors in the counties and by the joint action of the Board of Aldermen and Councilmen in the cities, and that the compensation of such fee officers should be commensurate with the salaries of other people doing similar work.

Poll Tax.

"FIRST: I favor the abolition of the poll tax so far as a prerequisite to vote is concerned. The real test of the privilege to vote is the educational qualifications of the voter. Thousands of votes are thrown out at every election because the voter does not know how to mark his or her ticket. This old poll tax requirement is antiquated and as useless for good government as a pig's tail is for good pork. The poll tax rush, which takes place annually about the first of May, and is looked after, in many instances by the politicians, has reached the point where it has become a disgrace to our State, and the sooner we get rid of it the better chance the average man will have to enter the political field.

Absentee Ballot.

"SECOND: I favor repeal of the law that permits promiscuous voting by letter. The purpose of this law is good. The intention of the Legislature was honorable, but the abuse of the law is detestable, and this abuse should be corrected by repealing the absentee voters law. I will consent to a law permitting voting by mail:

"(a) where the voter is sick in bed and furnishes a doctor's certificate;

"(b) Where the voter is employed out of the state;

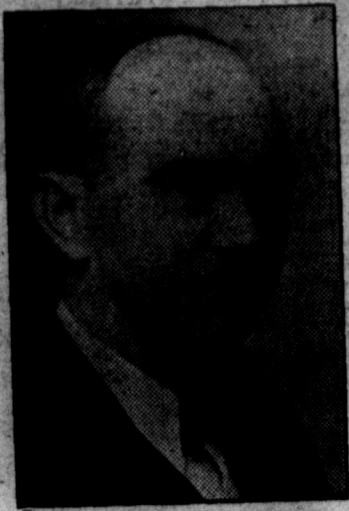
"(c) Where the voter is located seventy-five miles or more distant from his precinct;

Provided, however, that in the case of "a" and "b" the affidavit be taken by the postmaster at the point of mailing seventy-five miles or more distant from the precinct so that the ballot may be secret and the elements of fraud eliminated. It is almost apparent upon its face that those who want the law for other purposes should justify their position.

"THIRD: I am convinced that the duplication of offices in the state of Virginia has reached the maximum, and that the taxpayer has become weary of paying salaries. I point out specifically that we have a sheriff, a game warden, a fire warden and the white fleet, the latter under control of the Motor Vehicle Department. By a consolidation of these offices the sheriffs of the counties, with additional compensation, could well fill the office of all four and possibly loaf half the time but if the people insist upon being taxed for these unnecessary offices it is their privilege, and they have no one to blame except themselves. If this be treason, and some will think so, I am guilty.

"Pay your poll tax and vote.

"W. WORTH SMITH, Jr."



HON. W. WORTH SMITH, State Senator from Louisa and Democratic Candidate for Governor of Virginia.

GOLDEN WEDDING A GLAD EVENT

Large Group Surprises Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Murphey.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Murphey, Manassas, presented a gay and festive scene on Sunday, April 23, where many relatives and friends gathered to help them celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Aunt Mattie and Uncle John, as they are lovingly called by many folks, attended church as usual Sunday morning, and preparations for the celebration, which was in the form of a surprise, went on in their absence.

Upon their return from church they were met by their guests and showered with good wishes and congratulations, and I heard a mocking bird singing in a tree nearby. I think he was singing "Here comes the bride." The happy pair were escorted to the parlor which was beautifully decorated with ferns, and pink and golden hued flowers. Nearby stood a table covered with wedding gifts.

After a short while, Mr. and Mrs. Murphey led the way into the dining room where a table loaded with delicious refreshments awaited them. In the center of the table reposed a beautifully decorated wedding cake with a lovely bride and groom in miniature standing near.

Sweet peas were the dining room flowers. After dinner there came for them the pleasant task of opening their presents. Gold money seems to be "out of the running" but the gifts of "green backs" and silver which amounted to \$55.00 was justly as gladly received as well as many other valuable and useful gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphey also received telegrams, cards and letters from friends unable to be there.

Mr. Chris Meetze was called upon to make a speech and in a short but touching address he voiced the sentiments of Mr. and Mrs. Murphey's friends. They are filled with loving kindness and usefulness. They have the spirit of youth, and to look upon them is to lose the fear of growing old, and feel that every cloud has a silver lining.

The sun contributed his share of gold by smiling down all day, and little tots played about in golden colored frocks which fitted them and the occasion too. Quite a number of pictures were taken out on the lawn by Miss Ruth Lynn, Dr. H. L. Colvin and Mr. Jackson.

The following guests were present: Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Colvin, Dr. and Mrs. Lynn Colvin and son, Mr. and Mrs. Lacer and children, Ann and Norman, Miss Ruth Lynn, Miss Nan Colvin, Mrs. J. S. Lunsford, Misses Elsie and Hazel Lunsford, Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Colvin, Dr. and Mrs. E. Milburn Colvin, Messrs. Charles, John and Gordon Lunsford, Mrs. Laura Murphey, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lynn and children, Jean, Mary Ann and Bruce; Mrs. Wilson Lynn, Miss Anna and Mrs. A. T. Sides, Messrs. Donald and Albert Sides, Mrs. Amanda Staples, Miss Helen Patterson, Miss Ruth Luck, Miss Doris Staples, Master Jimmie Gorman, Miss Dorothy Beachley and Mr. Chris Meetze.

All days must come to an end and this seemed a perfect one to live on in the memories of the guests as they bid their host and hostess farewell and departed to their homes.

PAY YOUR POLL TAX BY MAY 6.

SMITH ACTS QUICKLY ON INSULT TO STATE

THE AMERICAN FLAG

The following questions, which are answered on the back page of this edition, complete the set of questions furnished by Prince William Post No. 158 of the American Legion of Manassas in a campaign of education on The American Flag.

Contest Rules

Any boy or girl enrolled in the high schools at Manassas, Nokesville, Occoquan, and Haymarket may compete in this contest.

The answers as printed in the paper will be considered as the scoring basis.

The examination will be held in each of the four high schools mentioned above on May 5.

The usual rules governing school examinations will be observed.

Papers will score on accuracy, neatness and legibility.

The winning paper as selected by the principal of each high school or his assistant shall be sent to R. C. Haydon, division superintendent, at Manassas.

Prince William Post No. 158 will place the winning papers in the hands of a committee of competent judges whose selection shall be final.

A prize of an American Flag will be presented by the Prince William Post of the American Legion to the winning high school, and a medal to the winning boy or girl representing the school.

38. Was The Flag of the United States flown over front line-troops during the World War? Over what

occupied territory was it flown after the Armistice?

39. What should be done by all spectators while The Flag of the United States is being hoisted or lowered?

40. How is a Flag correctly displayed on an automobile?

41. When a Flag is displayed flat against a wall, what should be the position of the union?

42. Should The Flag be lowered into a grave?

43. Since the passage of the national flag resolve, what presidents have issued executive orders affecting the proportions of The Flag?

44. What is the correct position for the mounted Flag on a speaker's platform?

45. When was the first National Flag Conference called? By what organization? Who was the first speaker?

46. Is it proper to drape or festoon The Flag?

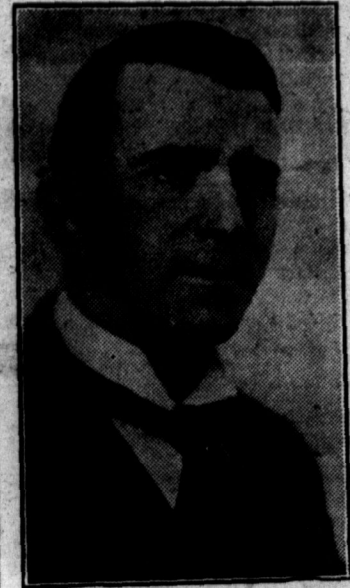
47. Should portions of the air of The Star-Spangled Banner be interpolated in any melody?

48. When was The Flag of the United States first borne into a major engagement by the American Army?

49. Is it correct to place any object or emblem on or above The Flag of the United States?

50. What authority is there for the use of a yellow fringe on The Flag?

(Turn to the back page to find the answers).



HON. HOWARD W. SMITH, Representing the Eighth District of Virginia in the National Congress.

SCHOOL PATROL WORK STARTED

Inauguration Exercises Held Monday Morning.

The organization of the first school boy patrol unit in Prince William County was completed at the Manassas School on April 19 when Richard M. Ham, representative of the District of Columbia Division of the American Automobile from Washington, gave the twelve boys who were selected for this duty their final instructions.

At the request of the safety committee of the local American Legion Post No. 158, the A.A.A. agreed to organize and equip the patrol with the standard equipment furnished by the various units of this national motoring organization to more than 250,000 boys performing similar duty throughout the country. Mr. J. H. Stauff, of George D. Baker & Sons, is the chairman of the Legion's safety committee and along with Edgar Parrish, of the Manassas Ice and Fuel Co., a member of the committee and Herbert Carpenter, the Post commander, took an active interest in the establishment of the patrol.

Also actively supporting the movement were Mr. R. C. Haydon, superintendent of schools of Prince William County, Miss Osbourne, the principal of the school, and Constable Wallace. The active-direction of the work of the patrol will be carried on by this group.

On Monday, April 24, the boys received the rain ponchos and hats, furnished by the A.A.A. and several pictures of the group were taken.

In a statement made in connection with the organization of the patrol, Mr. Ham complimented the Prince William Legion Post for its interest and activity in helping to bring about the organization of a patrol unit at the local school.

"As a result of the school boy patrol work throughout the nation," Mr. Ham pointed out, "the number of children injured and killed as a result of traffic accidents has actually been reduced during the past three years while the number of adults injured and killed has steadily increased.

"The local patrol unit," he explained, "has two primary functions. The first of these is to afford protection to children going to and from school and thus to prevent any traffic injuries or deaths to children attending their school.

"Its secondary function is to impress the children of the Manassas school daily with the importance of exercising care not only in going to and from school, but also in any other activities in which they may engage."

The Manassas patrol unit is starting out with the objective of preventing any traffic accidents to children attending school, not only for the present school term, but also for a period of years, for the patrol organization will be continued from year to year and reorganized at the beginning of each school term.

Don't forget The Journal when you are paying a few important bills.

Impeachment of Boston Judge Ordered by Congress.

Governor Pollard Will Send Attorney-General to Appeal.

Insult to Virginia Arouses National Resentment.

Yesterday the United States Congress, by a vote of 209 to 150, passed the resolution introduced by Representative Howard W. Smith, of Virginia, calling for impeachment of Federal Judge James A. Lowell, of Boston, who released George Crawford on grounds that he could not be legally convicted of murder in Virginia because colored persons are not called for jury service.

In response to a nation-wide demand for the facts, Representative Smith addressed the country last night on a nation-wide radio hook-up. Speaking as a jurist of experience, the address, although brief, was so firm in character and complete in details, as to leave no doubt in the minds of the unseen audience, that Judge Smith, with the expressed backing of Congress, will push this impeachment to its logical conclusion.

After describing the murder of two women in their beds near Middleburg, Judge Smith pointed out that conclusive evidence indicated the guilt of the negro, who finally confessed to the double murder. After his arrest in Boston, he repudiated his confession under guidance of a Society for Advancement of the Colored Race. The Governor of Massachusetts finally signed his extradition to Virginia for trial, but upon appeal, the Federal Judge released him, stating among other remarkable comments, "that I don't have to keep on good terms with the Chief Justice of Virginia, because I don't have to see him. I'd rather be wrong on my law than give my sanction to legal nonsense."

Colored citizens are scarcely less agitated about the Crawford case than their white friends. Many colored residents of Loudoun County contributed to the reward offered for the arrest of Crawford. They point out that there is no disposition among the colored folks to serve on juries. They are not barred by any law in Virginia. They just have not been called, and if they were called for such service, the rights of both the defendants and plaintiffs to individual challenge would make it impossible to insure their service unless it were specifically required by law that negroes must serve, which would constitute a racial discrimination.

With Representative Howard Smith vigorously pushing impeachment of this Federal Judge, and Representative Woodrum seeking to cut off his salary from the appropriations it is likely that his experiment in stirring up racial unfriendliness may prove embarrassing to him. Judge Lowell, according to the resolution announced by Representative Smith, "has displayed a venom and prejudice unparalleled in the judicial history of this or any other country and has arrogated to himself the powers of dictatorship and ruthlessly trampled upon the laws of the Nation."

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS

James Angell, of Triangle, given license to sell soft drinks.

J. H. Stauff appointed trustee for Manassas Presbyterian church vice F. R. Saunders whose term had expired.

Paul Woodyard was sentenced to eight years for highway robbery after entering a plea of guilty.

The case of Gerard Maloney against the Virginia Electric and Power Company for \$15,000 arising from damages sustained last August is still before the jury, the arguments being closed late this afternoon.

MARRIAGE RECORD

April 25 — Robert Reynolds Shepard of Woodbridge and Margaret Lee Seelman of Occoquan.

(This is the first marriage license issued to natives of the county since Feb. 18).

AUTO TAGS DIE SUNDAY

At midnight, Sunday, April 26, 1932 Virginia auto tags will die in order of the Commonwealth. New tags will be required on Monday.

CHICHESTER BEING URGED TO RUN

A concerted effort is being made here to persuade Hon. Dan M. Chichester to enter the contest for the House of Delegates. It is stated that a delegation of prominent Prince William County citizens journeyed to Stafford early this week and urged Mr. Chichester to be a candidate.

As the representative of Stafford and Prince William counties in the legislature during the sessions of 1928 and 1930 Mr. Chichester made a splendid record. He was one of the most active members of the committee on roads and internal navigation, and it was largely through his efforts that the Manassas-Dumfries road was taken into the state highway system and the walk-way built on the Falmouth bridge.

Mr. Chichester owns the "Glencairne" estate in Stafford, where he operates a large dairy and breeds registered Guernsey cattle. He is vice-president of the Virginia State Dairymen's Association. He is also a vice-president of the People's Bank of Stafford. During the presidential campaign last year he took a leading

part for the Democratic ticket, being the president of the Young Democratic Club of Stafford and chairman of the Veterans' Democratic League.

Hon. Geo. W. Herring of Woodbridge is the present representative in the House of Delegates, and it is understood he will be a candidate for re-election. Mr. Chichester defeated Mr. Herring for the legislature in 1927 by nearly a thousand majority. In 1929 he was re-elected without opposition, but declined to run in 1931, whereupon Mr. Herring was elected to the House over Arthur S. Boatwright. Mr. Chichester is very popular in both counties and his friends claim that if he enters the race he will poll a majority vote. It is said that while Mr. Chichester is noncommittal, there is reason to believe that he can be persuaded to become a candidate.

FLOWER AND PLANT SALE

The Garden Club will hold a flower and plant sale Saturday afternoon at Dr. Dowell's in Manassas. Many attractive species will be on sale, especially for the lawn and for porch boxes.

Manassas School Boy Patrol and the Gentlemen Who Inspired the Movement.



Front row (left to right)—Douglas Morris, Bobby Adamson, Maury Wells, Harris Collins, Nelson Lynn (shaking hands with Professor R. C. Haydon, division superintendent), Harold Cane, Paul Cooksey. Back row—Charles Lynn, Paul Sivak, H. S. Carpenter, Vincent Fogle, Richard Ham, Harry Davis, Carroll Fox.



Another View of Captain Lynn, Professor Haydon and the Group Which Instituted the Patrol.