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## HOMEMAKERS ELECT MRS. LLOYD

### Rev. DeChant Addresses Group on Citizenship.

Sunshine and somewhat improved roads favored the County Homemakers for their quarterly meeting, held at Haymarket on Thursday, March 15. The Rev. John DeChant, in speaking on "What It Means To Be a Good Citizen," complimented the group on its aims and activities and assured it by such is good citizenship developed.

The goals submitted and accepted for the year are:

1. 4-H Clubs. That we as groups and individuals promote and encourage and increased interest in enrollment of our boys and girls in the 4-H club program.

2. Health. That we work for better health by promoting and sponsoring clinics, pre-school check-ups, and serving hot lunches in every school for 1934-35 session. Give assistance to nurse in locating children in need of corrections, and assist by transporting and giving financial assistance when needed if possible.

3. Beautification. That we make a special effort as homemakers to beautify our homes, schools, churches and other public buildings by planting and cleaning-up campaigns. Participating in State-wide planting of dogwood.

4. Citizenship. That we give some time in our group meetings to the study of our Government—County, State and National, and arrange to have at least one speaker during year to speak on Citizenship in local school. Every woman register and participate in local elections.

5. Thrift. That we promote thrift by encouraging home baking of breads, home sewing including remodeling, magazine distribution. (Each woman find some other woman in her community who is in need of this information and instruction and assist her with her individual problems.)

Mrs. Eli Swavely of Manassas made a plea for the county-wide roadside beautification with the use of dogwood.

Officers elected for the year are: Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, president; Mrs. M. J. Shepherd, secretary; Mrs. M. J. Shepherd; Mrs. T. Powell Davis, treasurer; Mrs. Esther Terrell, vice-president, Gainesville district; Mrs. Margaret Lewis, vice-president, Manassas district; Mrs. N. N. Free, vice-president, Brentsville district; Mrs. Wallace Dawson, vice-president, Occoquan district.

## SENATOR STAPLES SUCCEEDS SAUNDERS

### Long Prominent in Civic Life of Staunton.

Abram Penn Staples, State senator from Roanoke and for many years a practicing attorney there, was appointed attorney-general of Virginia last night by Governor Peery. He is 48 years old and received his academic and legal training at Washington and Lee University, where his father, the late Abram Penn Staples, was professor of law.

The new Attorney-General was born in Martinsville, September 18, 1885, the son of Abram Penn and Sallie Hunt Staples, and five years later the family moved to Roanoke. He was graduated from Roanoke high school and then moved to Lexington, where his father was at that time teaching. Both his A.B. and L.B.B. degrees were received at W. & L., where he was a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity, Phi Delta Phi law fraternity and ribbon societies.

He is a nephew of the late Judge Waller R. Staples of the Corporation Court of Roanoke and a great nephew of the elder Judge Waller R. Staples of the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, shortly after the War Between the States.

Senator Staples was president of the Roanoke Bar Association in 1923-24 and received the unanimous indorsement of the Roanoke bar for judge of the Supreme Court in January, 1924, and received twenty-four votes in the Democratic caucus.

Four years later he was elected to the State Senate and soon obtained a place on such prominent committees as Steering, Finance, Roads, Privileges and Elections, Counties, Cities and Towns and General Laws.

### ATTENDING A CONFERENCE

Mr. Hinton Tiffany is in Washington today attending a conference on the Milling Code.



Jack Ratcliffe, son of the widely known and very popular banker, G. R. Ratcliffe, has joined the ranks of the young men who are doing things in the old home town. He has gone in partnership in the insurance business with his father and his office will be in the Peoples Bank building, Manassas.

Jack needs no introduction to the people of the county which his people have served for generations. The Journal predicts a successful future for him.

## CAPITOL HEAD VISITS KIWANIS

### Carruthers Wants Active Campaign to Help Young People.

With 100 per cent of its membership present as well as delegations from Charlottesville, Alexandria and both the governor, E. I. Carruthers, of the University of Virginia, and the lieutenant-governor, Irvin Diener, a leading legal light of old Belle Haven, the Kiwanis Club celebrated royally last Friday night. To top things they gave the musical numbers in the minstrel show for the benefit of their guests who sat it out patiently.

Carruthers, who has under his care over 2,000 of young people at the University, is urging a campaign stressing assistance through the vocational guidance work and assistance of this type. He made a very forceful talk citing similar campaigns being put on in other Virginia towns by the Kiwanis and hoped to see something crystallize here very shortly.

Bob Hutchison made the address of welcome, especially to Harry Kennedy's whiskers.

### LUDWELL LEE

Ludwell Lee, son of the late William Fairfax Lee and Caroline Higginson of Chantilly, Fairfax County, died at the residence of his niece, Mrs. W. A. Henry, near Manassas, Saturday night, March 17.

Mr. Lee was born at the old Lee home near Chantilly November 9, 1855 and resided there until his marriage to Mary H. Carter in 1883. His wife died 12 years ago and a daughter, Sarah Carter Lee, died when only 11 years of age.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at 2 o'clock from the Chantilly Church by Elder Lefferts, pastor of the "Old Frying Pan" Baptist Church of which he had been a consistent member for a number of years. Interment was by the side of his wife in Chantilly Churchyard.

Mr. Lee who belonged to the distinguished Lee family of Virginia was beloved for his genial disposition, bearing his last illness and troubles of life, which were many, with great patience. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Lizzie Lee Reed of Round Hill, the last of a family of ten, and a number of nieces and nephews.

### IMPROVE JUNIOR HALL

Grover Evans and I. R. Wolverton this week donated their services in constructing a girder at the Junior Hall which allowed the removal of a strut which had formerly been quite bothersome.

### FAREWELL DINNER

The C.C.C. boys will hold their farewell dinner at the Camp next Sunday, March 25. The menu will include chicken soup, roast chicken, with stuffing, mashed potatoes, giblet gravy, creamed corn, creamed peas, celery, olives, pie a-la-mode and coffee.

### KIWANIS MINSTREL SHOW April 13 and 14

## A REGRETTABLE INCIDENT

A few days ago we were apprized that the merchants of Manassas were being boycotted by the C.C.C. Camp. We phoned the camp and received a letter and a very pleasant call from the Captain.

We believe that if a boycott were proposed by the men because of alleged indifference to their social activities by the ladies of Manassas, the good sense and patriotic appreciation of the object of these camps will stop any such silly antagonism.

Knowing that social overtures on the part of the camp, which aroused this discussion, were offered in the spirit of courtesy, we refrain from criticism. But on the part of the men of Manassas, we are presuming to offer them a little friendly advice.

Manassas and Prince William County represent some of Virginia's best families and that carries a sentiment of the true and loyal ideals of the South. To the Southern man womanhood is a sacred trust. He does not carry the ladies of his family into his business deals and trade them for dollars. He escorts his wife and daughters and enters into their social life—he does not permit them to go to dances that he may sell produce. A little cogitation on the part of the C.C.C. men will result in kindlier feeling.

We entertain the most cordial regard for the officers and men of the camp and believe that when the misunderstanding evaporates they will heartily endorse Manassas and resume their business with us.

"There's something about a soldier that's fine, fine, fine!"

### TOWN BALL TEAM IS RE-ORGANIZED

An enthusiastic group met Tuesday night in the Town Hall to discuss plans for organization of a baseball team for the coming season. Mayor Harry P. Davis acted as temporary chairman, and the following permanent officers were elected: president, F. R. Hynson; secretary-treasurer, J. Jenkyn Davies.

On Tuesday, March 28, another meeting will be held in the same place at which time the election of a manager-coach will take place. The majority of those present expressed the opinion that it was undesirable to have two teams in town working in opposition to each other, and that the best solution would be to have all ball players under the same management.

It is hoped that all in this community interested will turn out for the meeting next Tuesday.

### UNION SIGNAL DAY

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at the home of Mrs. T. R. Bywaters Wednesday, March 28, at 3 p.m. There will be a "Union Signal Day" program and as this is a public meeting everyone is welcome. Members will please come prepared to give a short reading from the "Signal" of their own selection. Come prepared to renew your subscription, and ask others to subscribe for this valuable paper. Will members also bring all papers that have in them "Signal Day" songs.

## ON CAPITOL HILL

Direct from the Press Gallery.

Virginia is one of the eight States in the Union in which no problem has yet arisen in connection with the payment of teachers' salaries, according to a survey just completed by a subcommittee of the House Banking and Currency Committee.

The survey was made following the introduction of a Bill providing for handling of teachers' warrants by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation as a form of emergency aid.

In addition to Virginia, the other States are Maryland, Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and New York.

The survey, however, shows that the other States owe the teachers in back salaries approximately \$57,000,000 and that the teachers are holding warrants or certificates of indebtedness that cannot be handled in the normal manner amounting to \$50,000,000.

The subcommittee, in considering the Bill, has been faced with two separate and distinct problems: (1) Refinancing school district indebtedness when the Reconstruction Finance Corporation feels that the Government would not jeopardize its funds by such refinancing; and (2), the meeting of teachers' salaries during the emergency.

### Boundary Settlement Near

Settlement of the century old boundary dispute between Virginia and the District of Columbia is virtually assured as the result of the action of Congress in passing the Smith Bill to create a special commission for this purpose.

The measure, sponsored by Representative Howard W. Smith, Democrat of Virginia, went through the House about three weeks ago, and the Senate recently passed it without opposition. All it needs now to become effective is the signature of

### ATTORNEY GENERAL DIES AT SALUDA

### John R. Saunders Was Picturesque Politician.

The death of Col. John R. Saunders, Attorney General of Virginia, on March 17 was the occasion of much sorrow through the State, and in this county, where he had many friends.

Serving the people for sixteen years as their Attorney General, John Saunders had become a landmark in State jurisprudence and politics. Of distinguished and pleasing personality, he occupied a difficult office through a long and trying period and his rulings, many of them most ingenious and original, stood the test of legal battle to a remarkable extent and his ideals made an imprint upon the public life of the State which will be felt for many years to come.

Col. Saunders was born in King and Queen County on Dec. 19, 1869, and descended from a distinguished line of English and Virginia ancestors. He was educated in the public schools of that county and at Stevensville Academy. Previous to his entrance into politics, he taught school successfully and then was elected to the State Senate. Upon being selected for the position of Attorney General of Virginia he continued to fill that position with distinction.

The funeral at Saluda on last Sunday was attended by Governor Peery and a large assemblage of distinguished mourners.

Report of Mrs. Marion Lewis, Relief Aide, Prince William County, For Week Ending March 20

Total case load for Pr. Wm. Co. 216  
No. lbs. surplus Government meat distributed 540

No. lbs. surplus Government butter distributed 230

Now that weather conditions are beginning to improve, the number of persons seeking aid in the way of food and clothing has decreased slightly, and some are beginning to find work.

Due to the large amount of work and the number of cases that must be investigated immediately, it has been necessary to employ two new workers, Evelyn H. Cocke, assistant relief aide, and Virginia Conner, stenographer.

## CHARITY BALL PLANS COMPLETE

Final plans and arrangements for the annual Charity Ball, to be given by the Manassas Woman's Club on Easter Monday, April 2, in the high school gymnasium, are being completed this week, according to announcement made by Mrs. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, general chairman.

Music will be furnished by a well-known Washington orchestra and promises to be a real treat for those attending. This is one of Washington's newest and most popular orchestras, and the music committee feels pleased in having been able to obtain them for this gala occasion.

Special decorations in keeping with the season also are being arranged for and put in place by an efficient committee under the direction of Mrs. A. A. Hooff.

Invitations are being mailed to all sections of northern Virginia and requests for information show an unusual interest among "out-of-towners." Large delegations are expected from all the near-by towns.

Refreshments will be sold for the benefit of the club and comfortable and convenient arrangements made for all who wish to attend either as spectators or for dancing.

The hours are from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m., the place Manassas High School gymnasium, and the purpose, to raise funds to carry on the charitable work of the club.

Make your plans now to be among those present, for your entertainment and enjoyment, and to give comfort and relief to the underprivileged child by your contribution.

## LEISURE CLASS STUDIES PIES

### Find Home Products Are O. K.

Pies were the main objective of the last meeting of the Leisure Hour class supervised by Miss Draper. Lemon and chocolate pies were made with different brands and quality of ingredients. Our home product, White Rose flour, and a well-known western brand was used but there was no detectable difference in the pastry which proved to be flaky and tender in texture.

The lemon pie fillings were quite a success and although the chocolate filling has not quite been perfected they all made an attractive appearance.

The meringue proved to be just the splendid results with which anyone would like to top off an afternoon's work.

Next week the class will devote their time to tarts, perfection of fillings and different recipes for pastry using hot water and cream pastry. Perfection of pastries is hoped for in the coming meeting.

### CONVICT C.W.A. WORKERS

Several C.W.A. workers at Fort Humphreys were convicted in Judge Brown's court last week at Fairfax because they were carrying district licenses on their cars.

They plead guilty and received the minimum fine. Several cases were quashed by Judge Brown.

### TEACHERS MEET

There will be a teachers' meeting for all teachers in the county at the Manassas High School Saturday morning.

There will be several speakers on the new curriculum. D. W. Peters and Miss Ruth Henderson of the State Board are expected to address the group.

There will also be a general discussion.

## EASTERN STAR NAMES OFFICERS

### Installation Tomorrow Night.

Wimodausis Chapter, O. E. S., met in the Masonic Temple on Tuesday evening with a large attendance. This was the last regular meeting of the year, and the new officers were chosen at this session for the year of 1934-35. The chapter has closed a most successful year. It has added new members to its roll, its charitable work has surpassed other years, and the finances are in a splendid condition.

The officers elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Nina Wade-Dalton, worthy matron; Mr. Paul Cooksey, worthy patron; Mrs. Margaret Broadus, associate matron; Mrs. W. N. Wenrich, associate patron; Mrs. Lillian Burke, conductress; Mrs. Norma Cooksey, associate conductress; Mrs. Robert Newman, secretary; Mrs. Viola Proffitt, treasurer; Mrs. Robert Smith, organist; Mrs. Frank Browning, marshal; Mrs. Thomas Broadus, Chaplain. Star points: Mrs. Robt. Hutchison, Adah; Mrs. Margaret Lewis, Ruth; Mrs. Frank Sigman, Esther; Mrs. R. C. Haydon, Martha; Mrs. Walker Merchant, Electa; Mrs. Melva McDonald, warden; Mr. C. Wade-Dalton, sentinel.

These officers will be installed on Friday evening in the Masonic Temple at 8:00 p.m. by Mrs. Minnie E. Keyes, the right worthy grand secretary, of Washington, D. C., assisted by Mrs. Bushong, of the local chapter. A number of visitors are expected from nearby places, and plans are being made for quite an elaborate evening.

After the regular business session last Tuesday evening an entertainment was held on the second floor, after which delightful refreshments were served.

## LIQUOR BOARD IS SELECTED

### Tyler, Frazier and Bullington Will Administer Liquor Sale.

Last Friday afternoon Governor Peery announced his appointments to the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, and early reaction indicates widespread satisfaction.

S. Heth Tyler will be chairman. He is the son of a former Governor of Virginia and has been mayor of Norfolk, and is a prominent attorney of that city.

T. McCall Frazier, director of the Division of Motor Vehicles, has been placed on the Commission and his place will be filled by John Q. Rhodes, of Louisa County, who will now become Motor Vehicle Director.

The third member of the Commission will be R. Mc. Bullington, a prominent business man of Richmond, and a former president of the State Chamber of Commerce.

### PRINCE WM. DAIRYMEN

### ENROLL BULLS IN PROJECT

20 dairy bulls have been entered in the Virginia Dairy Bull Improvement Registry Project by the following members of the Prince William County Dairy Herd Improvement Association:

J. J. Miller, Nokesville; John N. House, Greenwich; J. I. Payne, Nokesville; T. R. Hurst and Son, Manassas; O. R. Hersch, Manassas; Wilmer Kline, Manassas; Johnson Bros., Clover Hill Farm, Manassas; R. S. Hynson, Manassas; District of Columbia Workhouse Dairy, Occoquan; E. W. Thompson, Woodbridge; P. A. Lewis, Manassas; and W. G. Covington, Manassas.

This project has been planned as a practical means whereby dairymen may develop, through the use of proved bulls in their breeding programs, cows having a greater actual as well as inherent ability to produce milk and butterfat. The fundamental purpose is to develop and encourage the use of more proved dairy bulls, to the end that these herds may become more efficient producers of milk and butterfat and also that these herds may become more dependable sources of breeding stock.

Each bull has been rated for type by V. P. I. Dairy Specialists and from testing records of dams and daughters the ability of the bulls to hand down milk producing ability in their daughters will be determined.