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FLOWER SHOW AT WOODBRIDGE

Mrs. Egbert Thompson Wins Sweepstakes.

The Bethel-Woodbridge flower show arranged by the Bethel Home Demonstration Club was held in the Sunday school rooms of the Woodbridge Baptist Church on Tuesday, May 28.

The display of spring flowers made a pretty show and reflected credit on the participants. Exhibits of irises, roses and peonies were especially good. An interesting display of antiques brought together the heirs-ooms of the community.

Sweepstakes was won by Mrs. Egbert W. Thompson whose delphinium exhibit was also named the outstanding exhibit of the show.

Mrs. T. Powell Davis entertained the flower show committee, and the judges, Mrs. Margaret Lewis and Mrs. Paul Cooksey, at a delightful luncheon in her lovely new home.

The afternoon program included a talk, "The Back Door Yard" by Mrs. Paul Cooksey, in which she gave inspirational suggestions for building and maintaining an outdoor living area. Mrs. Lewis gave helpful suggestions for the preparation of flowers for exhibit.

Mrs. T. Powell Davis assisted by Mesdames Dawson, DeNicola, and Schwab, served tea to the afternoon guests.

Awards were made as follows:
Red rose: Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Thompson, Miss E. Davis.
Pink rose: Mrs. Kidwell, Mrs. Hedges, Mrs. Thompson.
Yellow rose: Mrs. Hedges, Mrs. Hedges, Miss E. Davis.
White rose: Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Thompson.
Climbing spray: Mrs. Thompson.
Collection of roses: Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Thompson.
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Pink iris: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. T. P. Davis, Mrs. Schaffer.
Purple iris: Mrs. W. L. Dawson, Mrs. T. P. Davis, Mrs. Schaffer.
Yellow iris: Mrs. T. P. Davis, Mrs. Jellison, Mrs. Hedges.
Bi-color iris: Mrs. Jellison, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Hedges.
Collection of irises: Mrs. T. P. Davis, Mrs. Jellison, Mrs. Thompson.
Red peony: Mrs. Thompson.
Pink peony: Mrs. R. Clark, Mrs. Hedges.
White peony: Mrs. Hedges.
Collection of peonies: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Hedges, Mrs. Arnold.
Columbine: Mrs. Fairbanks; poppies: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Bourne, Mrs. Davis; lilies, Mrs. Davis; gailardia, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Hedges; pansies: Mrs. Thompson; sweet william, Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Jellison, Mrs. Fairbanks; garden pinks: Mrs. Fairbanks, Mrs. Kidwell; pyrethrum: Mrs. Thompson; delphinium: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Thompson; bleeding heart: Miss A. Cheshire, Mrs. Hedges; corn flowers: Mrs. Fairbanks, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Jellison; phlox: Mrs. Fairbanks; collection of garden flowers: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Hedges, Mrs. W. L. Dawson;
Collection of wild flowers: Bobby Tyrrell, Ellen Thompson, John Dawson; potted plants: Mrs. Schaffer, Mrs. Schaeffer, Mrs. Schaffer; potted fern: Mrs. Arnold; flowering shrub: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Schaffer; table decoration: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Fairbanks; lupins: Mrs. Davis; snapdragons: Miss E. Davis, Mrs. Thompson; wild forget-me-nots: Mrs. Hedges; sweepstakes: Mrs. Thompson.

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There were no children. Besides her husband she is survived by a number of brothers and sisters as follows: Mrs. W. H. Maisel, Mrs. Raymond Coleman, Miss Laura Vetter of Baltimore, Mrs. J. H. Langyher, Washington; Mrs. J. J. Lam, Clarendon; Mrs. Frank Beeton, Alexandria; Mr. John Vetter, Franklin Park; Mr. Jake Vetter, Washington; Mr. J. A. Vetter and Charlie Vetter of Manassas.

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The County Federation of Leagues will hold its meeting in the high school auditorium, Thursday, June 13, at 2 p.m.

All leagues are requested to send representatives as a 100 per cent attendance is desired.

SOUTHERN CAUSE IS REMEMBERED

Loyal Virginians Celebrate Davis Birthday.

The Memorial exercises held June 3, Memorial Day, under the auspices of the Manassas Memorial Association and the Daughters of the Confederacy, were attended by a large and appreciative audience. The program, was one of unusual interest.

The music rendered by Mr. Knox of Falls Church and Mr. C. A. Sinclair was exceptionally fine and met with much applause.

Mr. Robert A. Hutchison introduced the speaker, Hon. Charles H. Brought, ex-governor of Arkansas. Gov. Brough is an orator of note and his address was replete with interest and was enthusiastically received and applauded.

Two memorial prizes were announced, one given by Miss Speiden as a memorial to her mother, Mrs. Effie Nelson Speiden, was won by Miss Adelaire Blevins, and the Sinclair Memorial to Mrs. Ella Armistead Sinclair was won by Miss Mattie Cannon.

Memorials to Mrs. Westwood Hutchison, one devoted to the Confederate cause, and Mr. John T. Coleman, a gallant Confederate soldier, which were to have been delivered by Mr. George G. Tyler, who found it impossible to be present, were feelingly referred to by the master of ceremonies, Mr. C. A. Sinclair.

The others who aided in making the program a success were Dr. T. D. D. Clarke, whose reading and singing always enjoyed and without whom a Manassas memorial program is never complete; Rev. Stuart A. Gibson, Rev. Murray Taylor and Rev. W. N. Compton.

The attendance of a number of Washington friends of the South was highly appreciated.

SHOWER GIVEN BRIDE-TO-BE

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MANASSAS CHAPTER U.D.C. ENTERTAINED BY MRS. ALLEN GREEN

The Manassas Chapter, U. D. C., met Wednesday, June 5, at the hospitable home of Mrs. Allen Green and received a royal welcome from her and the other hostesses, Mrs. Duff Green, Mrs. Celeste Brown, and Mrs. Harriet Davies.

A large number of members were present, among the visitors were Miss Frazier, Mrs. Shepherd, Miss Nancy Waters, Mrs. May Dogan and Mrs. Charles Lynn, the two latter being members of the Bull Run Chapter.

A letter of appreciation of the work of the chapter was read from one of its members, Mrs. Christine Moser Keith, of Rock Hill, S. C. The president, Mrs. Lonas, and the chapter were delighted at the presence of Mrs. Chloe Hodge who had been absent so long on account of illness. Mrs. Jacobson was warmly welcomed as a new member. The names of Miss Nancy Waters and Miss Hall, of North Carolina, were presented for membership. Mrs. Byrd reported the sad news of the death of a recent applicant for membership, Mrs. Lillian Hammill Weir, a relative of hers. The historian, Mrs. Newman, reported the annual U. D. C. prize, given by Hon. C. A. Sinclair as a memorial to his mother, Mrs. Eloise Armistead Sinclair, had been awarded to Miss Mattie Cannon. The topic for the contest was "Lee as a Citizen."

Mrs. Guthrie thanked the chapter for the beautiful flowers sent her sister, Mrs. Davis, after her accident. Mrs. Ashford called attention to the fact that the Jefferson Davis Historical

Foundation was designed to establish the truth of Southern history, and urged the true facts be presented to our youth.

Mrs. Byrd read a gracious resolution, expressing the appreciation of this chapter for the delightful entertainment extended its large delegation by the Fairfax chapter, at the recent district convention. The resolution was heartily endorsed. Mrs. Hutchison, chairman of the 4th district, read a part of the splendid report she had received from the Turner Ashby Chapter at Winchester, Va., since the meeting at Fairfax. They reported having secured an advertisement for the Va. number of The Southern Magazine, had ordered one dozen Stratford plates, and a gross of regulation battle flags for their Memorial Day. Mrs. Hutchison also read an invitation to the dedication of Confederate Memorial Hall, on the campus of the George Peabody College in Tennessee, for Teachers, Saturday, June 1.

Mrs. Lonas gave a very excellent report of the district meeting at Fairfax and was given a hearty vote of thanks.

Mrs. Newman, historian, paid tributes to Davis, Lee and Lanier and gave extracts from a Washington paper telling of the interest of Hon. Wilbur Hall, Mr. Eckenrode and others in the development of the Manassas Battlefield Memorial Park.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses assisted by Misses Mary Celestine Greene and Leila Montague Dowell.

COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Plans are under way now to hold the Prince William County Sunday School Convention at Aden, Sunday, July 21. There are to be two sessions afternoon and night, the former promptly at 2, the latter at 8 p.m. Both sessions are to be held in the new United Brethren Church.

The program is to be based on an outline submitted by the State Council of Religious Education, of which this county's organization is a part. The main theme is "Education for Character."

Prominent speakers from Washington and important county leaders are being invited to have a part. Rev. Minor C. Miller, state secretary, is expected to be there. The music of the convention should be of a character to make it alone as a reason for attendance. All Sunday school workers throughout the county are invited to attend.

As we go to press we are shocked to hear of the unexpected death of the president of the county council, Mr. R. L. Sadd, who has been spending several months in New York State. He had large plans to increase

Macs Defeat Arlington By Score of 7 to 4 to Keep Pace with Ballston Nine

Extra Base Hits by Buckner and Dreifus Account for Majority of Mac Scores.

Manassas finished the first round in the Northern Virginia League schedule by defeating Arlington in an exhibition of good, bad and indifferent baseball by a 7 to 4 score. Long distance clouting featured the offense of both clubs, each being credited with a triple and home run, the Macs also collecting a pair of doubles.

Each team filled the bases in the first inning without scoring but Buckner sent the Macs into the lead in the second inning with a home run over the left fielder's head scoring Wurdemann ahead of him. Arlington tied the score in the fourth on a triple by Cooper, a fielder's choice, an error by Buckner and McPherson's single into right field. The Macs, however, came back in the following inning to score a pair of runs on a single hit; bunched three more hits in the next inning for another pair of runs and scored again in the final inning on a double by Via and a single by Woodard. Arlington picked up a run in the fifth when Heflin walked, stole second when Vetter dropped Buckner's throw and scored as Burch slapped a single into center field. They scored their final tally in the eighth off Adair when McPherson's drive rolled under a car in center field for a home run.

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As we go to press we are advised by Mr. Ham Newhouse, of Culpeper, that Senator Rust Holt, of West Virginia, will visit the Young Democratic Club of Culpeper County on the evening of June 13.

He will make an address in the municipal Building which adjoins the Court House in that town.

The announcement will be of interest to all young Democrats in northern Virginia.

PRINCE WILLIAM ROADS IN GOOD CONDITION

One evening last week the Journal reporter was treated to an inspection of the secondary roads in the southern part of the county.

He found the bridge at Woodyard's Ford well under way under the supervision of Mr. R. B. Gosson, a graduate civil engineer. The central pier is about completed and work on the abutments will start in June. The placing of the 107-foot steel spans will probably not be done until in August at which time the road on the Prince William side will be straightened out and graded, reducing the present gradient about 50 per cent.

This bridge has been rendered an absolute necessity since the operations of the two power companies above and below its site.

Continuing on the inspection tour it was shown where a short piece of road had been drawn into the Jefferson-Davis Highway eliminating a three-quarter mile stretch and a rather dangerous entry near Dumfries. The old Mine road has been reconstructed in part and further to the west a bridge has been placed eliminating one of the old crossings.

Still further to the west one finds more new location which has eliminated grades and made drainage possible, in fact it may be said that there are roads travelable now that had never permitted similar improvement before.

Skimming along one of the earth roads, one notices at a point rather hard to be identified geographically by the passerby, a short spanned wood bridge which is on the point of a curve and askew to the stream. In addition to this it is probably the only bridge of its type in Virginia to also be built on a ramp, following the general style in which a railroad curve or a race track is banked. It is really unique both in design and construction.

Coming north from Brentsville one finds the old ford by the Welfey Farm has been eliminated and the beautiful pastoral scene is made even more so by this neat and economical structure from which one may get an unobstructed view of the stream and meadows.

Space does not permit a detailed description of all the roads passed over except to state that they appeared to be in excellent condition and the workmen on the job seem to be taking a real interest in maintaining them.

At regular intervals the foremen and operators from the eleven crews have service meetings where engineering problems are discussed in the simplest and most practical manner, so that the men are really receiving an education in road work.

Last winter was a most trying one on any rural road system and it is remarkable that even this late in the season they present such a pleasing condition.

HOME FOR SUMMER VACATION

The following have returned home from their scholastic duties and are now at their homes in the town: Eleanor Gibson, Converse College, S. C.; Nina Dalton, Fredericksburg State Teachers College; Hattie Mae Partlow, East Radford State Teachers College; Arthur Sinclair, Washington and Lee; James Knox and William Trusler, William and Mary; Chester Harley, Claudia Thomasson and Orville Holler, Bridgewater; William Bowers and Martin Wetherall, V. P. I.; Thomas Kite, Shenandoah Military Academy.

MARRIAGE RECORD

June 1: David Mayne, of Cherrydale, and Eleanor Howe, of Manassas.

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June 5: Michael Samen, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Virginia Finisoy, of Baltimore, Md.

NOTICE

Mr. Byrd, the town clerk, asks the Journal to announce that the biennial election for councilmen will be held Tuesday, June 11.

URGES NAME OF OSBOURN SCHOOL

Banquet Speaker Feels Tribute Is Due.

The graduating class of the Manassas High School had the unusual honor of tendering the farewell banquet to their retiring principal.

This occasion was celebrated last Thursday evening at the Parish Hall. The students and their visitors were seated at three tables and the junior girls served the banquet which had been served by the Guild ladies. The room was attractively decorated and the stage banked with greens and flowers.

As sponsor for the class of 1935 Miss Lulu Metz acted as toastmistress of the evening.

She first introduced Dr. William R. Smitley of the University of Virginia. Dr. Smitley briefly reviewed the course of the school, as closely associated with the life of the principal, Miss Osbourn.

He recalled how her older sister first came here in 1892 and how Miss Eugenia was shortly thereafter called to assist her. In referring to the time at which the State took over the school in 1906 and made it a public high school, he stated that they "were proud to take it over lock, stock and barrel." The speaker claimed "this school has always been accredited and in 1908 it was chosen a Congressional high school. It came here and remained such until 1918."

The speaker also showed how the school had installed its commercial department as far back as 1916 and two years prior to that the school had been accepted into the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges.

"One of the fine things this school has to remember Miss Osbourn by, is her love and devotion and I would be so bold as to make the suggestion that this high school be made the Osbourn High School and that by so doing that she would be the first lady of Virginia to be so honored."

Addressing Miss Eugenia personally he said, "I bring to you the affection and the respect of the people of Virginia and I can only wish for this school to carry on the same high ideals as you have installed into its curriculum."

The speaker closed his remarks with the regular apostolic benediction.

Following this address Professor Alonzo Hagar, of Occoquan, gave two solos, with Miss Speiden as accompanist.

The next speaker to be introduced by Miss Metz was Dr. W. J. Young of the State Teachers College at Fredericksburg.

Dr. Young declared that he had been struck by the policies of the school before he had ever come to know its principal.

"The first thing I became immediately aware of on my first visit here was the fact that here was a high school. . . . Twenty years before the demand for high schools had arisen in the state, Miss Osbourn and her sister had been giving standard college entrance examinations. All that the state did was merely to enlarge somewhat on the work of these two ladies when they took over the school."

"It was not long, however, before the tradition of this little town began to spread abroad by word of mouth over the state of Virginia. I heard it mentioned here and there as I travelled about over the state. But through all of its free advertising, the work of the school pursued its placid way, like the sea-seeking force of a river, unfluffed by the good esteem from without."

"Still keen in vision and with health not impairing her vigor, Miss Osbourn now comes to the day of retirement. That retirement is voluntary on her part and that she may not sever her relations too abruptly, she remains with her life's love still to assist her boys and girls in the search for knowledge as librarian of her school."

"I have called it HER school. If ever by right an individual by a life well-lived could call a public concern HERS, Eugenia Osbourn has earned that right in the affections and the esteem of the citizens of Manassas.

"My friends, in being one of you to do her honor tonight, I am being singularly honored; nor deceive yourselves that I am insensitive to that honor.

"The good of a life, like the good of the life of Jesus, stirs something noble within us and that good lives after us when the evils of our day are interred with our bones.

"Far be it from me to try to tell you good people of Manassas any- (Continued on back page)