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FREDERICKSBURG TAKES R. E. HALL

Chamber of Commerce Secretary Elected to Larger Position.

Mr. R. E. Hall, secretary of the Manassas - Prince William County Chamber of Commerce, has been elected secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of Fredericksburg. During his brief term of office in Manassas Mr. Hall has made many friends who will regret his departure but who will please to note his professional advancement. Mr. Hall will succeed James A. Payne who goes from the Fredericksburg position to Staunton to become secretary of the Staunton-Augusta County Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. C. C. Cloe, president of the Manassas - Prince William County Chamber of Commerce, has called a meeting of the Board of Directors to be held in the Town Hall at Manassas, Friday afternoon, at 2:30 p.m., to select a new secretary.

Mr. Hall, who has served as sec'y of the local Chamber since September 1, was at one time connected with the Richmond (Virginia) Times-Dispatch and later with the Hopewell (Virginia) News, coming here from Hopewell. Mr. Hall stated that he would take over his new duties on January 15 but would not move his family to Fredericksburg until February 1.

Mr. Hall, who is 32 years of age, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hall, of Richmond. He will bring with him to Fredericksburg his wife, Mrs. Cecil Britton Hall, and their ten-month-old daughter, Betty Jane. A native of Botetourt County, Mr. Hall received his early education in the schools of that county, later graduating from John Marshall High School in Richmond and from the Virginia Mechanics Institute in Commercial Law.

From 1925 until 1934 Mr. Hall was engaged in newspaper work in Richmond and Hopewell and since September 1 of last year he has been the secretary of the Manassas-Prince William County Chamber of Commerce. He is active in Kiwanis circles in Manassas and is a member of the Methodist church.

ACTIVITIES OF MANASSAS WOMAN'S CLUB

The meeting of the executive board of the Woman's Club will be held at the home of the president at 2:00 p.m. next Monday. Please notice the change in the hour.

Mrs. Paul Cooksey will also entertain the members of the Garden Section on Monday at 3:00 p.m.

The January meeting of the Woman's Club will be held at the high school next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 p.m.

The Art program will be divided into three sections, taking up the art in literature, art in music and art in painting as we have it in this age. The hostesses are Mrs. C. M. Larkin, Mrs. Margaret Lewis, Mrs. Marion Lewis, Mrs. Chas. Linton and Mrs. C. C. Lynn.

CHRISTMAS DANCE A BIG SUCCESS

The annual Christmas Assembly Ball of the Woman's Club held in the high school gymnasium last Friday night was one of the most outstanding ones ever given.

The gym was beautifully decorated with many colored lights and a setting of evergreens.

The music was furnished by a popular orchestra from Clarendon. The "younger set" home from college and their visitors turned out en masse and friendly greetings seemed almost as much in evidence as the rhythm of dancing feet.

The occasion also featured several delightful parties including a buffet supper given by the Misses Cocke before the dance and intermission parties both at Swavelly School and the home of Miss Mary Lynch.

BOARD WILL ORGANIZE

The County Board of Supervisors will hold its organization meeting at the court house at 10:00 o'clock Thursday morning. The first order of business will be the election of a chairman after which appointment of committees will be in order and routine business will be exposed of.

CUPID STEPS UP A PACE

In 1935, Deputy Clerk Ledman reports, 104 marriage licenses were issued in comparison to 101 in 1934.

IMPORTANT MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Manassas - Prince William County Chamber of Commerce will be held in the Town Hall at Manassas on Thursday evening, January 9, at 8:00 p.m. C. C. Cloe, president of the local Chamber, stated that matters of great importance will be discussed at this time and urges that every member attend.

SEED SHOW AT WARRENTON

State Event to Feature Interesting Program.

The State Seed Show is held in a different part of Virginia each year in order that over a period of years as many people as possible may have the opportunity to see this large collection of quality grain, potatoes and other farm seeds. We are fortunate this year in that it will be held at Warrenton on January 30 and 31.

Not only are the exhibits, which come from this and other states, of educational value but the accompanying program is built around strong agricultural leaders and speakers.

Director John R. Hutcheson of the extension division will appear on the program with a subject yet to be determined. T. B. Hutcheson will discuss the adjusting of farm operations to present day conditions from a farm management standpoint. S. S. Obenshain who has been doing soil survey work for many years will discuss the value of soil survey and testing work to the farmer. "The Effects of Our Liming and Underliming" will be shown by H. L. Dunton. Lyman Carrier will speak on "Soil Erosion and Its Control." A talk on "The Value of Certified Seed in Profitable Dairy Farming" by C. W. Holdaway is scheduled. D. J. Howard, acting supervisor of Agricultural Education in Virginia, will discuss "The Future Farmers and Their Responsibility to the Crop Improvement Program." This discussion will be of special interest to the numbers of vocational agricultural students and 4-H club members who will attend the show. W. H. Byrne will answer the question "Why Use Certified Seed?"

The annual banquet will be held on the evening of January 30 from 6:30 to 9:00.

JACKSON BANQUET IS PLANNED

Reservations Must Be Made At Once.

Acting on advice from John A. Currie of Richmond, it has been tentatively decided to hold a Jackson Day banquet in Prince William County, January 15.

The matter is contingent upon the number of reservations which are made by next Wednesday. The covers will be \$1.50 each, the profits from which will be sent to the National Democratic Organization as a war chest fund for the campaign this year.

Final announcement will be made in the Journal next week if the plan seems advisable. Further information may be secured from this office where reservations may be listed, or from Trial Judge W. H. Brown, jr.

Check should accompany the reservation and such will be returned promptly in case not enough applications are received. The date has been selected so as not to interfere with many other affairs being held on the 8th.

Anyone interested should not delay in taking some action, for the reaction must be spontaneous or the dinner will not be a success.

Details of a floor show are being arranged but are not in shape for announcement this week.

MARRIAGE RECORD

Dec. 23: Jacob Jones and Bertha Woolfrey, both of Manassas.

Dec. 24: Odie Warren and Kathleen Posey, both of Manassas.

Dec. 28: Stanley Albert Owens and Janet Rebecca Trusler, both of Manassas.

Dec. 31: James Ben Owen, of The Plains, and Margaret Campbell, of Haymarket.

Jan. 2: Earl Cronkite and Annie May Simms, both of Hoadly.

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Dec. 23: Harry Lee Hogan and Ayleene Winston, both of Haymarket.

Dec. 30: Andrew Thomas and Nannie Lansdown, both of Waterfall.

"CONSERVATION OF VIRGINIA'S RESOURCES"

Address of Wilbur C. Hall, Chairman of the Virginia State Commission on Conservation and Development before the State Teachers College, at Harrisonburg, Va., November 13, 1935, at 11:00 o'clock A. M.

Much of the lands in these parks was donated by public-spirited citizens and some was acquired by purchase. The total area of the State Parks is now approximately 18,000 acres, of which more than two-thirds was given to the State through the activities of the State Commission on Conservation and Development. Chesterfield Park, when added to the system, will probably contain an additional 7,600 acres.

The parks have been carefully chosen in regard to their natural attractions, accessibility, and suitability for rest and recreation. Two of the parks—Seashore and Westmoreland—front on unsurpassed natural bodies of water. Lovely lakes will be developed in Douthat, Fairystone, and Hungry Mother Parks, due to the splendid services of young men in the CCC camps. Douthat and Hungry Mother parks are not far from main-traveled State highways yet are in the midst of bold mountains. With the exception of seven or eight counties, some State Park is within 50 miles of every resident. Ample recreational facilities, trails, camp sites, cabins, and other structures are being constructed in the parks. All of these activities are under the supervision of the Park Division of the Commission.

In the well-ordered conservation of these natural resources for the benefit of this and of future generations, many young men through the CCC camps are being conserved and given valuable new contacts with Nature.

In many ways this conservation and rehabilitation of our young men will aid also in the prompt conservation of natural resources. The educational values of that work are apparent.

Our forests are one of our most perishable resources. The Commission through the Virginia Forest Service is constantly on the alert to safeguard them as much as is possible. A most important activity is the prevention of forest fires and the rapid suppression of fires before they cause great losses. In co-operation with 61 counties a group of 1,600 part-time forest wardens and fire-fighting crews of 3,000 men have been established. Nevertheless, carelessness by brush burners, hunters, campers, and others annually result in large losses to individual property owners and to the State. Many miles of trails and roads have been made and scores of look-out towers erected. The Forest Service has a fine nursery at Charlottesville, from which young trees for reforestation are distributed in quantity at a nominal cost. The steady work done by this Division adds not only directly to the wealth of the State but also adds much indirectly in the control of floods, water supplies and soil erosion and in providing areas for wild life to propagate. The recreational and aesthetic values of our forests are priceless.

The work of the Geological Survey is primarily to investigate and inventory all of the mineral resources of the State and to publish the results in the form of bulletins and maps. Developed mineral resources have become more and more a vital necessary of our mode of living. Most of our daily activities depend in some way upon the development of very old mineral deposits. Even the most common minerals are not found in stock to be ordered as needed, but they have been stored in the rocks by geologic processes for millions of years. The Geological Survey applies the known principles of mineral occurrence and distribution in making its surveys of various parts of the State. It has published 43 bulletins and numerous maps. A few of the publications, like "Caverns of Virginia," have been written for use in schools and by the general public.

Much assistance is given also to property owners in the determination of mineral deposits on their lands and in advising them as to their commercial possibilities.

One of the projects of the Geological Survey of wide general importance is the making of a topographic map of the State. Such topographic maps show all of the surface features of the mapped area; that is, the contour of the land, the drainage features, and all of the structures built by man, even the trails and individual houses. Hence they are indispensable for many projects. This work is being done, section by section, in co-operation with the Federal Government. In view of the prime importance of these maps, the work is progressing too slowly.

The water resources of the State have always played an integral part in the civic and industrial development of the State. It is sometimes overlooked that the routes of migration across the State were largely controlled by water supplies, whether used for transportation, mill sites, or the daily occupations of the settlers. The Water Resources and Power Division is making daily measurements, by means of gaging stations on the principal rivers, of stream volumes. These data are vital to industry and to towns and cities depending upon a minimum flow. Thus the power resources of our streams are being accurately determined. Unfortunately, these investigations did not start until 1925, and it is imperative that the data cover as long a term of years as possible. This Division also studies the springs of the State. It has published bulletins on them as well as on stream measurements. Included in its recent work has been the survey and location of adequate water supplies on top of the Blue Ridge in the Shenandoah National Park area.

The results of some of the work of the Division of History and Archaeology are evident along all of our primary highways. It is a relatively small matter, though not an inexpensive one, to have a history marker made and erected. Each of those succinct inscriptions, which brings history forcefully to the motorist as he travels, has required long and patient research to make it accurate. Some 1,200 markers have been placed and other historic spots are yet to be marked. They are the wonder and delight of history-minded tourists and the lead of Virginia in this work has been copied by several other states.

The Division is constantly searching out old records, in the libraries and in the field, in order to catch up numerous priceless threads of Virginia history before they are lost forever. It has been making a photographic survey of the old Colonial houses in the State, that these types of architecture may be preserved for future generations. The State Historian has prepared an outline of Virginia, for use in schools and by the general public when funds are available for its publication.

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MEETING OF DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY

The January meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held next Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 2:30 p.m., at the Prince William Hotel. The hostesses are Mrs. James R. Dorrell, Mrs. R. S. Hynson and Mrs. Howard Jameson.

KIWANIS BEGINS ANOTHER YEAR

Continued Civic Work Expected.

The Kiwanis Club rang down its 1935 curtain at the meeting on Friday evening.

From every angle, President Hutton closed a successful year. He and his cohorts have gathered several new members and the orthopedic work conducted in co-operation with Dr. Marsteller has been an outstanding achievement, not to mention the Christmas Club activities, Dairy Festival float and other usual performances marked the twelve-month period just closed.

President Dick, who takes charge tomorrow night, has already demonstrated the fact that business management of high quality is expected during 1936.

Due to the activities of Ray Ratcliffe a section of the young carolers led the club in a number of good old hymns and Christmas carols.

One of the pretty scenes of the evening was the presentation of Christmas gifts to the sponsors of the club, Bish Gibson officiating as master of ceremonies.

Franklin H. Kean, of Washington, was present on the special visitation and gave the club a rousing talk on Kiwanis ideals in which he congratulated them of their past and present deeds.

POPULAR COUPLE MARRIED HERE

Owens-Trusler Wedding Attended by Many Distinguished Guests.

In a ceremony of beauty and charming simplicity, Miss Janet Rebecca Trusler and Stanley Albert Owens were wed, Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, December 28, at Trinity Episcopal Church. Reverend C. Byron Jones, assisted by Reverend T. D. D. Clark, performed the nuptial rites.

The beautiful chancel, artistically decorated with Southern smilax, ferns, baskets of white chrysanthemums, and a myriad of cathedral candles, furnished a lovely setting for the bridal party.

A program of nuptial music was beautifully rendered by Miss Virginia Nelson Speiden. She played "Tranmere" by Shumann; "Salut d'Amour" by Elgar; "To an Evening Star" by Wagner. Mr. Weston Knox, baritone soloist of Washington, accompanied by Miss Speiden, sang "O Promise Me" and "I Love You Truly." The Wedding March from "Lohengrin" was rendered for the professional and Mendelssohn's March for the recessional.

Entering first was Mrs. D. L. Barnes of Royston, Ga., sister of Mr. Owens, wearing an afternoon gown of black chiffon velvet with matching turban. She wore a shoulder corsage of gardenias.

Preceding the bridal party, Mrs. W. E. Trusler, the attractive mother of the bride, entered, wearing an afternoon gown of black chiffon velvet with hat and accessories to match. She wore an orchid.

The groomsmen were Messrs. Robert Ridgway of Madison, Ga., William Newman Trusler of Manassas, Jack Holt Merchant of Manassas, Denean Stafford of Baxley, Ga., Jackson Ratcliffe and Judge William Hill Brown of Manassas.

Entering the church singly down the aisle were the senior bridesmaids, Misses Margaret Plummer of Gaithersburg, Md., Connie Fowler of Houston, Tex., Wilberta Buswell of Mt. Holly, N. J., and Walsler Conner of Manassas, Va.

Their gowns were of pale pink velvet fashioned with fitted jackets, puffed sleeves, and skirts falling in slight trains. They wore turbans of silver and velvet, silver slippers and carried quaint velvet muffs with old-fashioned shower sprays of talisman roses.

The junior bridesmaids, Misses Janet and Virginia Newman, were attractive in opaline rose velvet dresses, wearing silver sprays in their hair and carrying muffs similar in effect.

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VIRGINIA DOES WELL IN 1935

Richmond Editor Predicts Healthy Democratic Majorities.

Throughout the depression, Virginia has had less unemployment and less acute suffering than any of the States with perhaps three exceptions, Dr. Douglas S. Freeman asserted in his contribution to a Review of Editors' symposium in which six editors reported the South is still solid for Roosevelt.

Virginia's fortunate position, Dr. Freeman wrote, "has been due primarily to the diversification of her agriculture and to the nature of her urban industries."

"Federal crop control undoubtedly has been a third factor in relieving the depression in Virginia. The basic theories of AAA have not been accepted without reservation by a majority of Virginia farmers, who are essentially individualistic and have never made a success in the past of any long-continued and large-scale system of co-operative marketing. They may doubt the wisdom of AAA now, but they gratefully cash its checks."

"Fiscal conservatism has contributed to relief. Most Virginia counties and cities have cut their tax-rates. The State government has lived within its revenues and probably will end the fiscal year without a deficit."

"Behind these four factors have been a fifth—the memory of old adversity. If it be true, as many visitors affirm, that Virginians have accepted hard times with stoicism, it must be in part because they realize that their woes are less than those of their fathers in the years after the War between the State."

"Virginia is recovering fast. Barring some new world-calamity, there is no reason to doubt the emergence of Virginia from her distresses."

"Most of the political leaders of the State, as well as the industrialists, regard the President as radical and extravagant; but the business men have no candidate to offer against him; and the politicians, were they bold enough to oppose him openly, would consider a denunciation of the New Deal a repudiation of the Democratic Party."

"A popular Republican candidate for the presidency will receive a good vote for the conservative, well-to-do element, but Mr. Roosevelt will carry the State."

CONFEDERATE YOUNGSTERS HAVE SOCIAL SESSION

On Friday, December 20, Roger Cross, assisted by his mother, Mrs. Roger Cross, entertained the Children of the Confederacy at their December meeting.

This was more of a social than a business meeting, but some small business matters were transacted.

The organization, at the suggestion of Nancy Marsteller, voted to send some sort of a remembrance to Mrs. Bob Weir, whom they are sorry to know is ill.

At some future date, probably St. Patrick's Day, the club has decided to have an entertainment to raise funds.

The program under the direction of the historian, was a most interesting one. A very entertaining article was read by Mildred Parrish, about Joel Chandler Harris' writings, and a poem, "Christmas Night in '62" was also read by Margaret Blakemore. The girls sang two Christmas carols, "Silent Night" and "Joy to the World" accompanied by Molly Leachman and Elizabeth Davies on the violin.

Two guests of honor were present at this meeting, Mrs. Robert Hutchison and her granddaughter, Mary Louise Wine.

After the business meeting, many interesting games were played. Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Cross which were immensely enjoyed.

Decorations for the occasion were quite charming in the nature of Christmas greens, candles and Confederate flags.

FEED THE BIRDS

We urge all who can to remember that while the ground is covered with snow and ice the birds suffer and die in great numbers. Some small grain or even bread crumbs placed in accessible places will be greatly appreciated by our lovely little feathered friends.

"I will pay my subscription," is a good New Year Resolution.