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COUNTY TEACHERS HOLD SESSION

Prominent Educators Address Meeting.

The mid-winter meeting of the county school faculty and the teachers association of Prince William County was held last Saturday, Mar. 14, after having been postponed several weeks on account of the extremely bad weather.

Prof. R. C. Haydon, division superintendent, presided at the morning session. Dr. Jarvie of George Washington University gave an enlightening talk on guidance in school life and Miss Eunice Hall, supervisor at William and Mary, spoke on the "Evaluation in Terms of New Technique." Both talks were more or less built up around the idea of teaching the scholar to live in school so that he would be better fitted to live in life after his school days are over.

A series of group meetings was held at this time. Miss Vaughan of Occoquan took the discussion on Mathematics; Prof. Peters, Social Science; Prof. Lynn of Haymarket, Language and Arts, and Prof. Bittle, Nokesville, Natural Science. All of the discussions were very interesting.

At the same time the grades held group meetings. Miss Eunice Hall presiding over the seventh grade; Miss Virginia Speiden over the music group and Miss Sue Ayres over the group that discussed the Elementary Record Sheets. Miss Hutchins, representative of the commercial printing firm, presided over the primary group.

At the noon hour the home economics department, under the direction of Miss Veta Draper, served a delightful luncheon. The principals' conference was also held during the noon hour with Prof. Haydon, presiding.

The afternoon was turned over to the county teachers' association, with Prof. R. W. Peters presiding.

The minutes and the treasurer's reports were given by Miss Edith Mae Thomasson, who is secretary and treasurer.

A number of standing committees made splendid reports, especially the educational committee on which Miss Sue Ayres reported. Her discussion was on the revised cumulative record and report cards.

Miss Abbye Lutes gave a talk on the growth of the national educational association in the county.

There were series of special reports on doings at Richmond. The meeting in the educational association was reported on by Prof. Lynn of the high school unit; Miss Bozarth of the grammar grade section; Miss Massey of the primary section.

The work of the legislature was reviewed by Prof. Peters showing that the reestablishment of the full benefits of the teachers' pension fund was about the only direct legislation secured.

Prof. Bittle gave a talk on benefits resulting from teachers' insurance.

The Junior League rally was reported on by Miss Ayres.

After the sessions were over, Prof. Carl G. Griswold, athletic advisor, called a meeting of the interested members of the special committee and arranged a schedule for 1936 which will be released next week.

MANASSAS CHAPTER U.D.C. SPONSORS SILVER TEA

Members of the Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, were hostesses at a beautifully appointed silver tea, at the hospitable home of Mrs. T. E. Didlake yesterday afternoon. Guests were received by Mrs. T. J. Ashford, a past president, and Miss Virginia N. Speiden, the present president of the chapter. Mrs. Margaret Lewis and Miss Nolie Nelson presided at the tea table which was beautifully decorated with red and white roses and candles. Mrs. Dennis Baker rendered a delightful program of piano music during the afternoon.

LEGIONNAIRES TO AID BATTLE CELEBRATION

Prince William Post, 158, will hold their regular monthly meeting in the town hall, Thursday evening, March 27.

Several issues regarding the 75th memorial celebration to be held this year will be brought before the meeting at this time, and which are expected to be highly indorsed by the local Post.

Commander Paul Scott Williams requests that all members be present.

RED CROSS SEEKS AID

President Roosevelt has issued a proclamation asking for donations to the Red Cross for the relief of flood sufferers in eastern part of the United States.

Anyone who cares to make donations to this cause will please do so, leaving the same with Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, president of the local chapter, or Mr. O. D. Waters, treasurer of same.

PARK BUREAU HOLDS SESSION

Will Map Plans for Shenandoah Dedication and Tours.

The State Conservation and Development Commission held a three-day session in Richmond this week with details concerning the opening and operation of Virginia's six State parks as the chief business for consideration. Plans for the dedication of the Shenandoah National Park will also be discussed, although the Federal Government has not fixed a date for the ceremony.

The recent General Assembly appropriated \$5,000 for use by the commission in connection with the National Park dedication.

Meanwhile, commission officials said plans are being made to take some of the leading travel agency executives on a tour of the State from April 12 to 17 to give them a first-hand acquaintance with a number of the notable historic and scenic attractions of the Commonwealth. This tour, it was said, will be the first of a series to be given travel organizations that have much to do with routing tourists through the country.

The move is backed by and will have the full co-operation of the State Chamber of Commerce, local Chamber of Commerce, city and resort hotels. The itinerary of the first tour will include mountain and seashore stops and several of the more famous historic shrines.

Cities and towns on the schedule include Richmond, Williamsburg, Alexandria, Luray, Staunton, Harrisonburg, Hot Springs, Charlottesville, Natural Bridge, Lynchburg, Fredericksburg and Petersburg.

SENATOR RUST EXPLAINS LEGISLATION

State Senator John W. Rust was the honor guest and speaker at the Kiwanis Club last Friday evening, coming as the guest of Arthur Boatwright.

John made a lengthy explanation of the legislative setup in the last Assembly, stating that the main objective to maintain a balanced budget had been virtually obtained.

He also explained a number of bills which were passed and the cause of failure of others. All in all, his talk was quite instructive and very much appreciated by the club.

Charlie Dowd and Bill Smith, of the Washington club, were unexpected but welcome visitors.

Prior to Senator Rust's speech, mountain music was furnished by Bobby and Thomas Lion, Garland Boatwright.

Announcement was made that Fred was winding up his final arrangements for the ladies' night celebration on the 27th.

SPECIAL MEETING OF COMMERCE GROUP

President C. C. Cloe of the Prince William Chamber of Commerce has sent out a notice to his members this week to attend a special meeting next Wednesday afternoon at the town hall for the express purpose of making a close study of the proposed county budget for 1937. President Cloe has indicated that anyone would be welcome.

BACK FROM FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Baker, who have been in Florida since early in January, returned last Friday. The warm Spring breezes were colder to George than anything he had felt for the previous several weeks. George brought back several lemons and grapefruit most as big as himself. One of the exhibits is still at the Journal office where it may be viewed for a few days. This lemon is 16 1-2 inches in diameter and weighs 2 3-4 pounds. George had the time of his life and he certainly looks well.

Messrs. E. R. Conner, C. C. Cloe, W. F. Coeke and A. S. Boatwright are in Richmond today in the interest of the Bull Run Battle celebration.

That Settles It! The Big "Boom" Will Be Here Any Day, Now!



BENNETT LEAGUE REPORT MANY ACTIVITIES

The Bennett School Patrons League held its regular meeting Monday afternoon at the school with Mrs. R. L. Sudd, president, presiding.

All committees made good reports especially the education, health, and ways and means.

The education committee reported having bought and placed in the library twenty new books; a parent study group organized which will hold its meeting at 2:15 the same day of the league meeting each month. All parents are requested to take advantage of this meeting.

The ways and means committee jointly with the same committee of the high school reported having bought china to equip our dining room.

The health committee in co-operation with the Kiwanis Club is working hard and fast to get as many dental corrections completed as possible between now and the time school closes. All parents are urged to co-operate in this project as we are anxious to have 100 per cent for our school this year.

These meetings are most helpful to parents and the teachers appreciate our interest. It is hoped that a larger group will be present at those for April and May.

Mrs. Hite urged parents to pay strict attention to report cards for the past six weeks and make appointments with teachers promptly in case explanations are necessary.

Regular meeting day, third Monday at 3 p.m.

O.E.S. OFFICERS ENTERTAIN ASSISTANTS AT PARTY

Mr. Robert Hutchison, worthy patron, and Mrs. Margaret Broadbuss, worthy matron, entertained their officers of Wimodausis Chapter, O.E.S., and the past matrons and patrons at a St. Patrick's party on Monday night in the recreation room of the Masonic Temple.

The decorations were in keeping with the occasion as were the games and contests which all present took part in.

A delicious salad course was served.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Broadbuss, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Broadbuss, Mrs. J. H. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hurst, Miss Christine Meetze, Mrs. Sedric Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bushong, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Sigman, Mrs. Margaret Lewis, Mrs. Robert Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Proffitt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cooksey, Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stauff, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Davis, Mrs. R. C. Haydon, Mrs. Mae Smith, and Mrs. Evelyn Browning.

GARDEN CLUB TO MEET WITH MRS. MARSTELLER

The Manassas Garden Club will meet at the home of Mrs. E. H. Marsteller, Tuesday, March 31, at 2:30 p.m.

Members of the club are please asked to note the change of date which was occasioned by unavoidable circumstances.

Mrs. Frances Carter, former president of the Alexandria club, will address the meeting.

A full attendance is desired.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS TO GO TO OCCOQUAN

In line with its policy of rotating meetings about the county, the Young Democratic Club of Prince William expects to be the guests of Occoquan at their next regular meeting, which is to be held on Wednesday, April 8. Tentative plans call for the high school as a meeting place, but this will be announced definitely later.

The members of the club met with such splendid response when recent meetings were held at Haymarket and Nokesville that they are looking forward with eagerness to the Occoquan meeting.

Plans are under way to have several national prominent speakers on the program, and also some entertainment features.

The club wants to call attention to the fact that poll taxes must be paid within the next seven weeks; otherwise the taxpayer will be ineligible to vote in the general election this fall.

The co-operation of all the Democrats in the county is earnestly solicited in having voters check up on their poll taxes and also to encourage eligible non-voters to pay their taxes and register before it is too late.

COMMITTEE TO RECOMMEND FARM POLICY

Following up the discussion meetings held during the past few weeks over the county, community and district agricultural committees will meet at the Manassas Post Office, Saturday afternoon, March 21, at 1:30 o'clock, to prepare recommendations to submit to the Department of Agriculture.

Questions which have been asked of all counties as one of the first steps in developing a permanent agricultural program will be answered.

The county committeemen are:

Haymarket — R. B. Gosson, T. O. Latham and R. H. Florence.

Independent Hill — E. L. Herring, Ray Wood, J. M. Taylor, Michael Oleyar and T. M. Russell.

Brentsville district — M. S. Kerlin, L. W. Huff, C. B. Fitzwater, Clifford Bear and Ivan Fountain.

Manassas district — W. M. Johnson, T. R. Hurst, C. F. M. Lewis, J. J. Conner, W. M. Kline, C. C. Lynn, A. H. Roseberry and N. A. Wheeler.

Occoquan district — E. W. Thompson, G. C. Russell, C. R. Yates and Edward Russell.

Catharpin — C. R. McDonald, J. W. Alvey, F. L. Hoffman, L. J. Patie, W. H. Robertson and W. S. Brower.

MISS MARSTELLER TO ENTERTAIN CHAPTER

The Children of the Confederacy will meet Friday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Marsteller. Miss Nancy Marsteller, hostess.

All members of the chapters are urged to be present.

SPRING RECITAL

Mrs. Eloise Compton Trimmer will present her pupils in a recital at the Manassas High School auditorium, March 25, at 8 p.m. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

CHARITY BALL PLANS

Final plans are being made for the Easter Charity Ball to be staged on the evening of April 13.

General Chairman, Miss Margaret Lynch, has an active committee headed by Mrs. Paul Arrington, working on the decorations which will be quite attractive.

An eight-piece orchestra has been engaged with added features to play and entertain the large crowd which is expected.

REORGANIZATION OF A A A BEGINS

To Be Divided into 5 Regional Sections, Says Wallace.

Reorganization of the invalidated AAA into five regional sections for all 48 states to administer the new \$500,000,000 soil conservation program was announced this week by Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace.

Each of the five areas will be under a regional director, the same men who were in charge of the commodity programs under the old AAA. Supervising the work of the directors will be acting AAA Administrator Howard R. Trolley, Wallace said.

The five divisions: Southern—including South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma. Regional director, Cully A. Cobb, director of the cotton program under AAA.

East central—including Tennessee, Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Delaware. John B. Hutson, director of the AAA division of miscellaneous crops, is regional director.

Northeast—including Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island. Hutson also will serve as director for this region.

FRANK W. GUE

Frank W. Gue, Jr., who has been a resident of Manassas for the past fifteen years, died very suddenly at his late residence on Center street Sunday afternoon. While the deceased had been ailing somewhat, there was no intimation of the seriousness of his affliction.

Mr. Gue was born, August 29, 1877, at York, Minn. In 1897 he married Miss Lois A. Chandler, of Iowa, from which union 2 sons were born, F. J. and Ferris W. Gue. He affiliated with the Presbyterian church at an early age and had been a member for many years. He was also a Mason of many years' standing.

Shortly after Mr. Gue came to Manassas and engaged in plumbing business here, his ability was recognized to such an extent that he was given control of the town plant and virtually acted as town manager for several years. After the new form of town government was taken over, Mr. Gue entered the employ of the Virginia Public Service and represented it in Prince William County.

His bright and cheerful personality won many friends for him and his quiet adaptability to his new surroundings in Manassas gave him a circle of friends who genuinely regret his untimely departure. His conduct in business and his relations in public and private life marked a degree of integrity and love for all that indicated both an honorable and a very sweet tempered nature.

The funeral services were held from the residence Tuesday morning, Rev. John M. DeChant officiating, with interment in Valley View cemetery. It was generally attended by many of the prominent citizens of Manassas.

The pall bearers were Messrs. Goldthorpe, of Warrenton; Mr. Howard, of Alexandria; George D. Baker, J. L. Bushong, Joe Hale and Dr. Geo. B. Coeke, all of Manassas.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Lois A. Gue, two sons, Ferris W. and Fred J. Gue and little grandson, Billy, Mr. Gue leaves an aged mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Gue, sr., of Riceville, Iowa, and two brothers, Guy Gue of Riceville, and Howard Gue of Washington State.

To these as well as to his immediate family, the Journal extends its sincerest condolences.

CATHOLIC WOMAN'S CLUB TO HOLD FOOD SALE

The Catholic Woman's Club will hold a food sale in the show room of the Manassas Motor Company, Saturday, March 21.

All kinds of pies, cakes, candies and good things to eat will be on sale.

SMITH BILL IS REPORTED

Act to Control Lobbyists Reaches Floor.

The House Judiciary committee Wednesday reported favorably the Smith anti-lobbying bill, after disclosures by the Senate lobby committee revealed congressmen attended social functions given by railroad and utility lobbyists.

The bill was drafted by Howard W. Smith, after the sensational House investigation of utility lobbying by the rules committee last year.

The Smith bill provides for quarterly registration of all persons employed to influence Federal legislation under which lobbyists must disclose their names, addresses, affiliations and payments including expense accounts to the clerk of the House.

Penalties for violation include a maximum \$1,000 fine or one year's imprisonment or both.

SOCIAL SERVICE WORK EXPLAINED

The March meeting of the Bethlehem Club was held at the home of Mrs. William Pierson, with Mrs. Wheatley Johnson assistant hostess, on the afternoon of March 18. The attendance was small, due to a rainy afternoon.

Half of the amount voted last month to the library fund was reported paid.

The sick committee was requested to send baskets to the members that are sick.

Mrs. Broadbuss brought before the club a request from Miss Pitts for sewing machines to be sent to the sewing machine clinic. There were six machines to be sent in through members of the club.

Mrs. Viola Proffitt was welcomed as a new member.

Mrs. Marion Lewis outlined the relief given in the county since 1933 and explained the setup of a Board of Public Welfare. A motion was passed requesting this to be published in the account of the meeting, which was as follows:

"When conditions in 1933 became critical and the need for aid of some kind was found necessary, R. F. C. funds were made available and were used by local interested citizens in granting public employment to those out of work.

"Then CWA or Civil Works which made possible work on a larger scale was introduced and many were employed, this did not prove entirely satisfactory as many men were put to work and in some instances 3 and 4 were found to be working from the same family. A plan whereby a complete investigation by a social service worker was established and out of this grew the Emergency Relief which lasted two years. Under this plan:

"1. One member of a family only was granted employment;

"2. The amount of work granted was limited to the budgetary needs of the family according to their standard of living.

"If the wage rate was below their needs the family was granted surplus food, which was sent to the localities from Richmond after having been bought from farmers to help them in their time of need.

"Later in 1935 when all of the employables had been classified and were working on the roads, schools, women's sewing rooms, etc., the relief office was closed and the work absorbed into the WPA which provides work projects for those made eligible by proper investigation.

(To be continued)

O.E.S. ELECTS OFFICERS

At the regular business meeting of Wimodausis Chapter, O.E.S., Tuesday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Worthy matron, Mrs. Lillian Burke; worthy patron, Mr. C. Wade-Dalton; associate matron, Mrs. Norma Cooksey; associate patron, Mr. R. C. Haydon; conductress, Mrs. Viola Proffitt; associate conductress, Mrs. Verda Parrish; secretary, Mrs. Ida Mae Newman; treasurer, Mrs. Gladys Bushong; organist, Mrs. Margaret Broadbuss; chaplain, Mrs. Isabelle Sigman; marshal, Mrs. Lula Broadbuss; Adah, Mrs. Ruth Woodyard; Ruth, Mrs. Frances Saunders; Esther, Mrs. Meaker Hurst; Martha, Mrs. Nina Dalton; Electa, Mrs. Margaret Lewis.

The installation of officers will take place Monday evening in the Masonic Temple and Miss Minnie Keyes, grand secretary of the General Grand Chapter, and Mrs. Cosden, past grand matron, will assist.