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## CLUB PLANS MANY ACTIVITIES

### Woman's Club Hears Interesting Reports.

The October meeting of the Woman's Club of Manassas met at the high school on Wednesday of this week. Interesting reports of the section meetings were given, each section chairman reporting increases in membership and attendance.

The Music section chairman, Miss Virginia Speiden, announced that the Music Section was sponsoring a plan for taking a certain group of students to the National Children's Symphony Concerts to be held in Washington this winter. This proved a very worthwhile and interesting project last year.

The Legislative chairman, Mrs. F. R. Hynson, gave a splendid resume of the recent program in that section.

The Garden Section report by Mrs. J. P. Lyon included an announcement of a tour of that group to the Skyline Drive later this month.

Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, president of the club, told of plans for the Fourth District Meeting to be held in Orange, Va., on Tuesday, October 23, at 10:30 a. m. and urged as many members as possible to attend.

The following were appointed official delegates: Mrs. C. C. Lynn, Mrs. Paul Cooksey, Mrs. Thomas Howard, and Mrs. J. P. Lyon.

Members of the club wishing to attend, are asked to notify the club secretary, Mrs. C. Wade-Dalton, at once.

The social hour and refreshments which were in charge of Mrs. A. B. Bisson, assisted by Mrs. E. C. Bowers, Mrs. William Coker, Mrs. W. M. Compton and Mrs. Paul Cooksey, followed in the usual order and another very pleasant meeting adjourned to meet again in November 11 when a special Armistice program will be featured.

### 4-H CLUBS HOLD ACHIEVEMENT DAY

The Prince William 4-H Achievement day was held October 10 at the Manassas gymnasium with 250 in attendance. The program began with the club members bringing exhibits of their project work, then parading to the movie house where they were guests of Mr. Hibbs. After the club members had seen the exhibits brunkewick stew was served for supper. The club members donated the materials for the stew, much of the materials were prepared or grown by club members.

The clipper program was carried out as planned.

The prize winner were:

Canned vegetables—Dorothy Allen, Betty Brower and Ellen Thompson.

Canned fruit—Dorothy Brown, Ellen Thompson and Evelyn Dean.

Kerr exhibit—Charlotte Thompson.

Ball exhibit—Ellen Thompson and Betty Brower.

Dresser scarf—Margaret Blakemore, Mary Hampton and Jennett Briggs.

Hand towel—Dorothy Brown.

Laundry bag—Margaret Burdette, Jennett Briggs, Violet Gallahan.

Shoe bag—Margaret Burdette.

Garden exhibit—Lucy Johnson and John Russell.

Hobby—Catherine Sinclair, Edward Payne and Evelyn Dean.

Pillow case and dresser scarf set—Alice Swank.

Club book—Ellen Thompson, Jennett Briggs, and Mary Petellat.

Home Improvement year work—Margaret Burdette, Margaret Blakemore and Mary Petellat.

Productive project—Gardening—Louise and Evelyn Cumberland.

Girls Live stock project—Dorothy Allen, Ann Cebula and Lucy Johnson.

Project record book—Ann Cebula, Dorothy Allen and Lucy Johnson.

Eggs—William and Margaret Blakemore.

Project record book (boy)—John Russell, Clifford Bear and Conway Owens.

Corn—Gorden Ellis and Floyd Lunsford.

County banner—Manassas.

Club exhibit—Woodbine.

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### CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS

True bills were returned against the following at the present term of court. (D. H. Herndon, foreman of jury.)

Phillip D. Butler, Robert Jarman, Arthur Gheen and Cecil Clingempeel, Willie Walter, James Anderson, George Jones, Eddie Washington, Ruben and Dolly Rines.

By order of President R. S. Hynson, there will be a meeting of all directors, officers and persons interested in the Piedmont Dairy Festival, in the Town Hall at Manassas, Va., Wednesday night next, October 21, at 7:30 p. m.

Re-organization and election of officers and directors for the year 1937 will take place and as this is a most important meeting, please remember the date and time of meeting and by your attendance, make it a real success.

Geo. B. Coker, Sec.

## DEMOCRACY IS APPLAUDED HERE

### Highlights in Gov. Peery's Address Last Saturday

The banking crisis left upon his doorstep by Mr. Hoover was so desperate that it called for first-aid, and the first official act of the new President was to declare a bank holiday and close all of the banks until they could furnish assurance that their condition was such as to entitle them to the confidence of the people and to their continuance in the banking business.

This action on the part of the President, with rare exceptions, was acclaimed from ocean to ocean by Republicans and Democrats alike as one of wise and courageous leadership. Well do I remember a momentous meeting called by Governor Pollard and attended by representatives of all the leading banks of the city as to the banking emergency that confronted us in Virginia. It was at first thought by the bankers that they could withstand the storm but later heavy cash withdrawals were made for the purpose of paying payrolls of some of the large corporations in other cities where the banks had closed, and Governor Pollard's action in declaring the banking holiday in Virginia from March 6th to March 14th, inclusive, was generally approved by Virginia banks.

I read a report of a speech made by Colonel Henry W. Anderson, prominent Virginia Republican, in Richmond on October 6th, in which it was said that he (Colonel Anderson) criticized Roosevelt's action in closing the banks at the start of his administration as one of the "greatest crimes" ever committed in this country. That is in strange contrast with statements made by the press and by leading bankers at the time of this emergency. The Chicago Tribune, a Republican newspaper, writing of the President's inauguration address, said that "it strikes the dominant note of courageous confidence." The New York Herald Tribune, another Republican paper, said that the new Executive speaks "like a true leader who realizes the difficulties before him and faces them unafraid."

More than 6,000 banks in all had failed during the Hoover administration, and the bankers themselves were in a state of panic and collapse. That this action on the part of the President saved the country from financial disaster, there can be no substantial doubt. In May, 1933, two months after his inauguration, it was said of him:

"The President has moved with almost bewildering speed attempting to revive business and industry, get 15,000,000 idle back to work and raise farm prices. He has tackled the depression from every angle with the support of a willing Congress and an enthusiastic public hungry for action."

And now, after three and a half years, we witness a strange hatred—one of the strangest, in all history. Many of those, who would then have given half of their wealth to be assured that they could keep the other half, and who then acclaimed the President as the financial savior of the nation, now, with either short or ungrateful memories, are berating him and singing their song of hate against the President. They were perfectly willing to be saved from financial drowning then, but now they bitterly complain that they suffered some bruises in the rescue.

What else has the Roosevelt administration done to safeguard the future from a similar catastrophe?

It passed the Emergency Banking Act, under which the banking system was reorganized.

It passed the Banking Act of 1936, sponsored by the Senior Senator from Virginia, Carter Glass. These acts put a stop to dangerous speculation on the part of the banks and limit them to safe and legitimate banking functions. Many of us remember very well how some of the larger banks of the country during the hey-day of

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# STATE CAMPAIGN OPENS AT MANASSAS



Left to right: Arthur Boatwright, Congressman Bland, Melvin Hazen, Governor Peery, Leslie Garnett, Thos. H. Lion, Mrs. Janie Abel and George Tyler.

### EDITORIAL

That Governor Peery should open the State Campaign in Manassas is a source of pride to the citizens of Prince William. He came in response to the invitation of our Congressman, Judge Smith, and, like Judge Smith, he came without ostentation and greeted with sincere friendship the men and women who gathered especially to hear him and see him. He created a popularity for himself that will last. Everybody who met him wants him to come again.

### AN APPRECIATION

Special praise is due Mr. C. C. Cloc of Triangle whom our staff photographer chased with his camera all day, but somehow Charlie dodged. He worked like a Trojan to make our Barbecue a success.

### Governor Peery Given Ovation Here

#### CONGRESSMEN SMITH AND BLAND PRAISE ROOSEVELT

#### Barbecue and Speaking Evidence Democratic Confidence in Prince William

Selecting Good Old Prince William as the opening point of attack in the Virginia Presidential Campaign, State leaders attended the Democratic Rally and Barbecue at Manassas last Saturday, hitting straight from the shoulder and landing squarely and effectively on the Republican effort, State and national, to discredit the achievements of the Roosevelt administration.

Graced by the presence of the Governor of Virginia and by two of our most distinguished members of Congress, as well as by many other prominent Democrats, the rally and barbecue imparted itself indelibly upon the political history of our County and not only evidenced the genuine affection in which the Governor and our own distinguished Congressmen are held by all classes of our citizens, but also constituted a visible demonstration of the high esteem in which the Democracy of Prince William County is held by those who guide the political course of Virginia.

That Governor Peery should select Manassas to open the State presidential campaign was the occasion of much gratification locally and the tremendous ovation accorded the Governor was not only a tribute of affection to a most likable gentleman but a mark of respect for his high office and an expression of deep appreciation that this locality should be honored by his genial and gracious presence.

Under threat of cloudy skies a goodly assembly congregated in the spacious auditorium of the new high school. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Hawes Davies who presented Hon. Howard W. Smith, Congressman of the Eighth District. Mr. Smith presided over the meeting and introduced the various speakers in the intimate and informal way so characteristic of Hon. T. Otis Bland, Congressman from the First District was the first speaker and he gave an appreciative audience a genuine thrill as they listened to a type of oratory and vigor reminiscent of the days of John Warwick Daniel. In good old-time fiery language Mr. Bland hit straight from the shoulder, revealing achievements of President Roosevelt, and the empty arguments of his opposition.

On the platform with Governor Peery were, in addition to Congressmen Bland and Smith, Melvin Hazen, Commissioner of the District of Columbia; Leslie Garnett, District Attorney in the National Capital; George Herring, former representative of Prince William and Stafford Counties in the General Assembly; Frank Moncure, the present Delegate; E. R. Conner, W. P. Meredith, son of the late Congressman Meredith; Hawes Davies, sr., and Arthur Boatwright.

Congressman Bland paid a very high tribute to the fine personality and the wide influence in Congress of Judge Smith whose power on the important rules committee and distinguished service to the State and Nation "made him a worthy successor of the many illustrious Representatives who have reflected lustre on the untarnished pages of Virginia history." His tribute to Judge Smith was the occasion of a prolonged applause, as the Judge is very popular.

Congressman Bland struck a smashing blow at the self styled "Jeffersonian Democrats," maintaining that the precious heritage left by Jefferson remained the property of all, and could not be appropriated by a limited group and shaped to their purposes. He outlined the great Jeffersonian principles and demonstrated how the present occupant of the White House had been the true friend of the masses. He explained how the present evils had accumulated since the War between the States and how every great plan advanced by William Jennings Bryan had at last been written into law. Three achievements of the Roosevelt administration alone, not counting the hundreds of other accomplishments, he said, would justify the reelection of President Roosevelt. These were held to be the bank deposit guarantee, the control of speculation and the establishment of the C. C. C. Camps.

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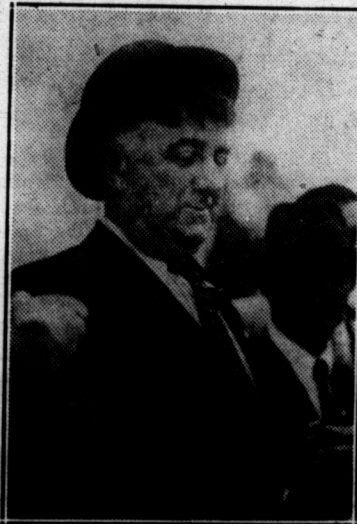
Mrs. Fred T. Shepherd and Mrs. L. J. Bowman attended the Home-Makers' party held at the Ambassador Hotel in Washington on Wednesday.

### THE 1936 DEMOCRATIC BARBECUE—THE DINNER PAIL WAS FULL



Mr. Auth directs his corps of Chefs.

### "Senator" Ed Looks happy



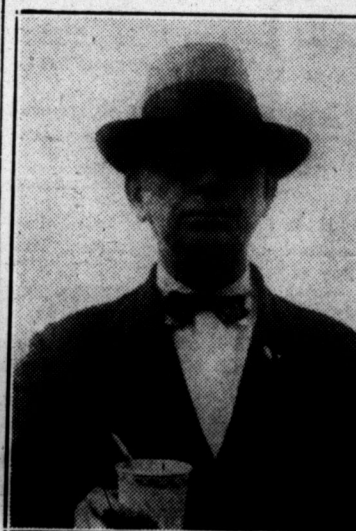
E. R. CONNER, Manassas Business man and farmer.

### A SERIOUS MOMENT— RED HOT COFFEE



JUDGE SMITH AND MR. BLAND

### Did "Rat" burn his mouth?



G. R. RATCLIFFE, Manassas Banker

## PARADE CUP IS PRESENTED

### Kiwanis Entertain distinguished Guests

By virtue of the fact that most everybody forgot to sign the register Friday night before last, the Club decided to disregard the meeting entirely as there had actually been no meeting anyway. Ovarations were accorded Hon. Melvin C. Hazen and his niece and also the newly-wed, Mrs. Stewart Slaybaugh.

The guests of the evening were Dr. George B. Coker, president of the Manassas Volunteer Fire Department and J. A. Vetter, Fire Chief.

Dr. Coker in his talk stressed the question which has been frequently raised in the past year and that is of additional light equipment for use over secondary roads and in bad weather when the heavy equipment of the town cannot be used.

The speaker declared that it was often an embarrassing situation to decide whether to answer a call in the country or not, and that it would be a great calamity if the equipment were withdrawn and a serious fire should break out in town with the apparatus unavailable.

Yielding to popular demand, Mr. Hazen gave a bright little talk, reciting some of the humorous instances

### BENNETT SCHOOL LEAGUE

The monthly meeting of the Bennett School Community League will be held on Monday, October 19, at 2:15 o'clock. This period will be used for the reorganization of the study group with Mrs. Noel Lynn, jr., president.

The purpose of this group is to discuss informally the problems of child rearing and to exchange helpful suggestions for general improvement.

The regular business session of the League will be taken up at three o'clock with Mrs. Percival Lewis presiding.

The Health Committee has asked Miss Neal, County Nurse, to make a talk on "Health" which should be most helpful.

This meeting promises to be one of special interest and all patrons and friends of the school are urgently requested to be present.

that have taken place since he had become chairman of the Board of Commissioners in Washington. Ed Conner wound up the evening by inviting everybody to attend the Barbecue on the day following.

Fred Hynson presented the Club with the cup won by the Kiwanis float at the Dairy Festival.

Ralph Sharrett was a welcome visitor and the club hopes to have him as a permanent addition in the near future.

## HOME ECONOMICS WORK DEVELOPING

### Increased Demands Registered at Last School Board Meeting

The School Board met last Wednesday with all members present.

Miss Munsey, commercial teacher at Occoquan, filed her resignation. The Board filled her position temporarily.

Mr. Free, school trustee for Brentsville, reported an enrollment at Brentsville as insufficient and the closing of the school was duly authorized.

The sale of the Bradley school to Mrs. O'Callaghan was reported.

Four libraries were ordered purchased; two for Bennett and two for Quantico.

At the request of Mrs. Kerr, the Board has taken under consideration the proposition to establish a home economics department at Haymarket High School and a study will be made.

A committee was appointed to immediately investigate the practicability of the erection of a home economics cottage at Nokesville.

Lights were authorized installed in the old Brentsville court house. A large volume of miscellaneous business including the payment of bills, busied the board for the balance of the day.