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RIVER DISASTER GETS LOCAL AID

\$400 County Goal for Flood Relief.

The Prince William County Chapter Virginia is opening a state-wide drive an appeal to the citizens of the county for contributions to raise the Chapter's quota of \$400.00 for the relief of the flood sufferers in the Ohio and Mississippi valleys.

A recent message from the National Chairman, Admiral Cary T. Grayson, says, "Flood suffering has already reached unprecedented proportions with relief needs steadily mounting. Under these conditions impossible to now name final goal for funds, only limit of Red Cross assistance must be maximum generosity of American People. Largest possible amount needed."

Reports from district chairmen are most encouraging, but everyone is urged to give and give generously. Miss Lobeta McGill, reporting for the Gainesville District, says, "the response has been most gratifying," and "approximately \$100.00 has been raised there to date."

Mrs. Ernest Spitzer, in charge of collection in the Nokesville area, also reports progress, one of her largest contributions being \$48.00 from the Brentsville High School student body, with other contributions coming in hourly.

Mrs. Janie Abel assisted by a committee composed of Mrs. Alto Persons, Mrs. Kirby, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Wesley Abel, made a canvass of the Dumfries-Quantico area, reporting \$112.00 in contributions there to date.

In Manassas town and district a committee, headed by the Chapter Chairman, Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, assisted by the pastors of the local churches, has been pushing the drive daily. To date a very substantial sum has been raised and special collections will be taken in all churches, Sunday, January 31.

Mrs. E. E. Blough is heading up the Cannon Branch area; Mr. W. Y. Elliott, at Woodbine for Coles District; Mrs. Harvey Janney in Occoquan; Mrs. Wallace Dawson, Woodbridge; Rev. J. Royal Cooke, Greenwich, and Mrs. T. E. H. Dickens at Bristow, also assisting.

Your contributions may be given to any of the above workers or sent directly to the Chapter Treasurer, Mrs. O. D. Waters, Manassas, Va.

Daily reports are being made to American Red Cross headquarters in Washington, D. C., and funds are being forwarded as rapidly as they are sent in to the treasurer. Everyone is urged to make a contribution to help in this, the greatest disaster since the World War.

The Chapter planned to published a list of contributions but as a number have been sent in through schools, churches, etc., it is impossible to furnish a complete list of individual contributions, therefore the Chapter would like to take this means of saying, "your contribution is appreciated and we are happy to act as your agent, in the relief of suffering in this great disaster."

As yet National Headquarters has not called on the local Chapter for clothing. Clothing that is donated now will be held in Miss Neal's office until called for by National Headquarters.

PITTS TO BUILD NEW THEATRE AT CULPEPER

Ben Pitts, popular theatre operator and owner of a large chain of moving picture theatres in Virginia, has just announced that a new \$70,000 theatre building will be erected in Culpeper.

Mr. T. I. Martin, district manager for Mr. Pitts, was in Manassas this morning and stated that this new theatre was one of five new theatres which are to be constructed in the very near future.

The Pitts Theatre in Manassas is one of the latest and most appreciated improvements in Prince William County, and is increasing weekly in popularity.

DOOR PRIZES WILL BE FEATURE OF CARD PARTY

The Ways and Means Committee of the Wimodausis Chapter, O. E. S. are rapidly completing plans for their annual card party which will be held in the Masonic Hall Tuesday evening, February 9.

To make the occasion most attractive several lovely door prizes will be awarded that evening.

Everyone is cordially invited to make arrangements with the committee for a table.



HON. W. W. SMITH

of Louisa County and Richmond has announced his candidacy for Attorney General. Mr. Smith is well-known in Prince William where he has many friends and relatives. When he ran for governor, he carried this county more than three to one.

COUPLE OBSERVES 60th ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Powell of Stone House Receive Many

Romance still reigns upon the Bull Run battlefield.

Seventy-six years ago, a tiny lad stood in mute astonishment and saw a war pass over his head, beginning with the terrible struggle at First Manassas which he watched, as well as a similar combat a twelve month later. His father was not with him, having joined the famous Mosby Rangers, and being one of the twenty-nine horsemen who raided Fairfax to capture Stoughton and a hundred of his regiment.

The feeling of that day survives in the romantic old chap who may be seen most any day wheeling his little gray coupe somewhere between the battlefield and Manassas. He has been caretaker for the battlefield group now for about fifteen years, and has piloted many thousands of sight-seers about this memorable stretch of green known as Henry Hill.

He has come up with the years hanging lightly upon his brow and may have many more of service to the Lost Cause. History is indelibly imprinted upon his mind, and he can entertain you delightful for hours.

Last Sunday a new honor fell to him and his faithful helpmeet, who had then been constantly at his side for sixty years.

Many guests came to the little cottage to pass the day and to congratulate both of the fine old people. Incidentally, Mr. Powell wants it known that his wife is not only quite active but is just as good a cook as ever.

The Journal secured in part the following list of those who were there on this wonderful anniversary; They are as follows: Mrs. Maggie Hundley, also of Stone House, who noted the day as her own birthday; Mr. and Mrs. James Riley and daughter; Mrs. Lillie Graff, Mrs. Nina Evans, Miss Lulu Reeves, Mrs. Belle Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Newman and son, all of Washington; Mrs. Julia Smith, of Brentwood, Wd.; Mr. and Mrs. Austin Grisby, Mrs. Thomson and daughter, and Mrs. Fanetta Rawlings, and daughter, all of Alexandria; Mrs. Lynn Byrnes and daughter, of Centreville; Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Reeves and their son-in-law; Mr. C. H. Ehardt and son and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ehardt and daughter; and Mrs. Frederick Spencer, all of Manassas, and Mrs. Masie Colbert, of Colmar, Md.

It is needless to add that these guests had a most delightful time and the day passed only too quickly.

TRINITY CARD PARTY POSTPONED

Owing to the death of Dr. W. A. Newman, the benefit card party which was to have been given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lyon on Wednesday evening, January 27 has been postponed until Saturday night, January 30 at the same place.

We hope all of our friends will come and help make it a success.

Don't Forget! Passion Play Friday night in Manassas High School. It is a motion picture, sponsored by Prince William County Council of Religious Education, and is for the benefit of Week Day Religious Education.

Picking Birthday Colors



Mrs. James Roosevelt selects the colors for the celebration of her son's birthday, January 30. She is assisted in selecting flag red, flag blue and white from a silken standard by three debutantes. Left to right: Donna Marina Torlonia, daughter of the Princess Torlonia and sister of the son-in-law of Ex-King Alfonso of Spain; Miss Helen Roosevelt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph M. Roosevelt, and Miss Anne Delafield Finch, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Edward Ridley Finch.

The President's Birthday Ball in Manassas will be held in the High School Gymnasium on Friday, January 29, beginning at 10 p. m. Door and other prizes will be awarded.

BEVERLY FRANCIS ADAMS

Beverly Francis Adams, age 77, died at his home on the Centreville road Tuesday of this week after an illness of several weeks.

The deceased was born December 3, 1859, in Aldie, Loudoun County, the son of Francis and Martha Adams of that community, and was the youngest of four children. His early life was spent in lower Loudoun and upper Fauquier Counties.

On December 9, 1884, he married Gertrude Sarah Lynn, the daughter of Nancy Diggs Currell and John Lynn, later moving to Philadelphia where they resided for fourteen years, returning to Prince William County in about 1915.

The couple were blessed with nine children, seven of whom survive. They are Mrs. Harry P. Davis and Mr. John E. Adams of Manassas, Beverly T., Frank H., J. Taylor and F. Mason Adams and Mrs. Ernest Kelley, all of Philadelphia, Pa. He is also survived by fifteen grand children and six great grand children; two nieces, Mrs. Ludwell Hutchison of Aldie, Va., and one nephew, Mr. Francis Turner of Aldie.

Mr. Adams was engaged in the coal business in Philadelphia, remaining in active business life until coming to Prince William where he settled on a small farm. He was an active church worker, having been a member of the Little River Baptist Church since early manhood. Mr. Adams was also an active fraternal worker, being a member of a branch of the Odd Fellows Lodge in Philadelphia.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the Episcopal church. Rev. A. Gibson and Rev. T. D. Clarke officiating. Interment followed in the Manassas Cemetery.

The pallbearers were Messrs Noel Lynn, Wallace Lynn, Charles Lynn, Paul Adams, Ludwell Hutchison and Francis Turner.

The popularity of the deceased was attested by the presence of many of the leading citizens of the town and the large number of very lovely floral pieces which banked the bier and the grave. Mr. Adams, although quiet and retiring in disposition, was well known and much beloved.

NEW MINISTER COMES TO BAPTIST CHURCH

At a called meeting of the congregation of the Manassas Baptist Church held last evening at the church it was decided by a majority vote to extend a call to the Rev. R. M. Graham of Doswell, Va.

Mr. Graham has preached at the church several times already and has become fairly well known. It is believed that if he will accept the call his pastorate will do much toward promoting the interest of both the church and the community.

WALTER ASBURY NEWMAN

Dr. Walter Asbury Newman, age 88, and a resident of Manassas for many years died at his home on North Battle street Tuesday, January 26, after an illness of over a year. A number of years ago he was forced to retire from active practice due to failing eyesight.

He was born in Orange County October 3, 1853, the son of Dr. George S. and Evelyn Lindsay Newman.

Dr. Newman received his early education in Orange where he taught private school at his home. He later attended the Virginia Medical College and was a member of the Virginia Medical Society of which he was an organizer. While a student in college, Dr. Newman taught a Bible class. Many of his students became quite famous in later years. He also took special courses in New York and studied under Dr. Walsh who at that time was quite famous in the medical field.

Prior to the World War, Dr. Newman was a lieutenant at San Antonio, Texas, and during the entire war was chief medical officer at Fort Caswell, N. C.

His first wife was Mary Lee Page of Sweet Briar, Va., and his second wife, Miss Florence Herrell of Manassas.

The funeral is taking place tomorrow afternoon at Trinity Church, being conducted by the Rector, A. S. Gibson, assisted by Rev. J. S. Burks, with interment in the graveyard at Haymarket.

The active pallbearers will include Dr. George B. Coker, Dr. V. V. Gillum, Messrs. Armstead Sinclair, Ellis Cornwell, Bowen Beale and Luther Moser. The honorary pallbearers are Judge J. C. Parrish, Hon. Thomas Lion and Messrs. G. H. Tyler, C. C. Leachman and D. J. Arrington.

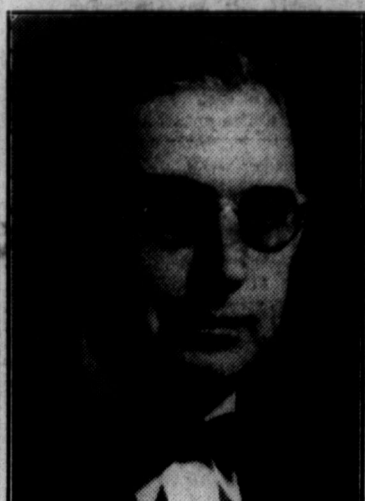
Dr. Newman and his wife, whom he married in 1906, are both members of old Piedmont Virginia families of long standing. He was a member of the Christian Church, having joined in early youth. Besides his wife, he is survived by a number of nieces and nephews.

Dr. Newman, through his exemplary life and his staunch loyalty to his country, had become greatly beloved in this community, and everyone joins in extending his widow the greatest sympathy.

MANASSAS FIRE CAGERS WILL PLAY D. C. COPS HERE

Manager R. J. Davis has announced that he has been successful in matching his Fire Department quint with the strong Metropolitan Police five. The game will be played at the local gymnasium next Wednesday night, February 3, at 8 p. m.

Nelson Bradshaw, who has figured prominently in local athletic circles, will be in the opposing line-up. A good game is promised and a good attendance is hoped for.



G. RAYMOND RATCLIFFE

Named chairman for Prince William County by the Citizens Road League of Virginia.

FORMER VPS HEAD IS HONORED

Late Senator King Subject of Memorial Tablet.

Floyd Wilson King, former General Counsel and Chairman of the Board of the Virginia Public Service Company was honored on the first anniversary of his death, Saturday, January 23, by the dedication of a beautiful bronze tablet, erected in the company's General Office at Alexandria by his former employees and associates.

The ceremonies were attended by members of Mr. King's family, prominent utility executives, lawyers, civic leaders, company officials and employees.

Lewis Payne, Vice-President and General Manager of the Virginia Public Service Company and long associated with Mr. King, acted as Chairman. Judge H. T. Holladay presented the tablet for the employees to the company's President, J. S. Avery. Henry W. Anderson, former assistant to Mr. King, presented framed replicas of the tablet to representatives of each of the six Divisions of the Company.

The inscription on the tablet was as follows:

In Memory Of
Floyd Wilson King
1876-1936
General Counsel
Chairman of the Board
VIRGINIA PUBLIC SERVICE CO.
Devotion and Genial Personality
Endeared him to His
Associates and Employees
By Whom This Tablet is erected
Judge Holladay who delivered the principal address summed up the affectionate esteem in which the employees held Mr. King, known to them always as "Senator," by saying:
"His profound wisdom and leadership, always mixed with keen humor and sympathetic understanding; his genial personality and stalwart character his incisive mind and unwavering loyalties; his power of expression, written or oral, that moved men; his exemplary devotion to home and family; his charm a disgrace of the true Southern Gentleman—all endeared him to all who knew him."

Floyd King was a recognized leader in law and business. Born at Richmond, Va., in 1876, Mr. King spent his life-time in his beloved Virginia. He was a member of the State Senate from 1908 to 1912. In 1926 he was named vice-president and general counsel of the Virginia Public Service Company, Executive Vice-President of the same company in 1932, and Chairman of the Board in 1933, the position he held at the time of his death.

HOME DEMONSTRATION TALK INTERESTING TO KIWANIS CLUB

Miss Sarah Thomas, Home Demonstrator for the county, proved a very charming guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Kiwanis club.

She gave a very comprehensive picture of the work done in the past twelve months among the women and girls in the various neighborhoods, and of the vast number of projects introduced. She also gave an idea of the plans for 1937, and invited the club to happen in at any of the demonstrations or club meetings.

OD urged the club members to come, one and all to the President's Birthday Ball tomorrow evening in the high school gym.

ROAD LEAGUE SEEKS MEMBERS

G. R. Ratcliffe Named Chairman for Prince William County.

The Citizen's Road League of Virginia is opening a state-wide drive for new members and has completed one of the most representative organizations ever perfected to advance the interests of the motoring taxpayers of any state.

G. Raymond Ratcliffe has been named chairman for Prince William County and William F. Coker, vice-chairman. Arthur Boatwright is secretary and the following district chairmen have been appointed:

Manassas District—J. Dudley Martin of Manassas.

Gainesville District—Dr. Wade C. Payne of Haymarket.

Brentsville District—M. C. Leach of Nokesville.

Occoquan District—G. C. Russell of Woodbridge.

Dumfries District—T. Hunt Moncure of Quantico.

Coles District—John Oleyar of Manassas R.F.D.

The Citizen's Road League has a distinguished membership throughout the state, with headquarters in Richmond. W. M. Kemper is president and Robert C. Harper, secretary. The purposes of the League have been summarized as representing a state-wide medium through which motor vehicle owners may express collectively their voice on road questions.

There are three classes of memberships. Individual car owners pay one dollar. Fleet owners, three dollars per vehicle and truck owners five dollars.

The local chairman will name a local committee in each District and the membership drive in this county is certain to be very successful.

"We feel," writes Executive Secretary Harper to the Journal, "that in Chairman Ratcliffe and vice chairman Coker, we have two of the finest of the Road League's leaders in the State of Virginia."

The League favors such well established principles in road administration as the "pay-as-you-go" plan, the use of highway funds for highway purposes only and the intensive promotion of highway safety.

DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA INSTALL OFFICERS

Prince William Council, No. 45, Daughters of America, convened January 11 to install the officers for the ensuing year.

The deputy, O. B. Hopkins, National Past Councilor of Alexandria, officiated, ably assisted by Miss Sophie C. Mann, State Trustee. The following officers were installed: Junior past councilor, Mrs. Elsie Anderson; Assoc. Junior past councilor, Mr. J. N. Muddiman; councilor, Miss Virginia E. Polen; vice-councilor, Miss Ila Breedon; Assoc. councilor, Miss Evelyn Allison; Assoc. vice-councilor, Miss Mary Rinaldue; conductor, Mrs. Lena Ryan; warden, Miss Eleanor Evans; Inside sentinel, Mrs. Flora Coppage; outside sentinel, Miss Bettie Soutter; treasurer, Miss Minnie Smith; eighteen month trustee, Mr. George Baker; twelve month trustee, Miss Ethel Robinson; six month trustee, Miss Ila Breedon.

A most interesting business meeting followed the installing services. Mr. Hopkins gave a most interesting address which was enjoyed by those present.

Miss Mann gave the council many words of encouragement, and congratulations of past work accomplished.

The officers and council as a whole are looking forward to a most successful year.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Due to unforeseen circumstances it was necessary for the high school to rearrange its basketball schedule. The revised schedule starts off Tuesday night at 7:30 with two games against Fredericksburg. Manassas, defeated only in the last few minutes by three points at Fredericksburg, should take this fast, exciting game.

Schedule
Tuesday, February 2, Fredericksburg, home; Thursday, February 4, Washington and Lee, away; Tuesday, February 9, Lee-Jackson, away; Friday, February 12, Haymarket, away; Tuesday, February 16, Washington and Lee, home; Friday, February 19, Occoquan, away; Tuesday, February 23, George Washington, home; Friday, February 26, doubleheader, Culpeper H. S. vs M. H. S.-Culpeper Town vs M. F. D., at home; Friday, March 5, Lee-Jackson, home.

