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## CLOE URGES HELP ON 234

President of Association Appeals for Co-operation.

I am appealing to those who are interested in the hard-surfacing of route 234. A lot of good earnest effort has gone for naught, for the reason it has not been backed up by the people as a whole, who are interested in this highway.

It is your duty to join this Association and contribute to this worthy cause. Send one dollar for a membership fee to Mr. Frank P. Moncure, Treasurer, Stafford, Va., or to Mr. W. F. Cocke, Secretary, Manassas, Va.

We want your moral support as well as the small contribution. If we can go before Mr. Shirley and his commission with a list of all the people interested in route 234, I feel sure that we will get action. There is no individual or committee who can do more than has already been done, without a more united backing. We need you individually, and until you get into action, we are helpless.

Now, let's see how many are sufficiently interested in route 234 to join this Association.

C. C. Cloe.

## HIGH SCHOOL PATRONS LEAGUE

The regular meeting of the Patrons League was held in the high school on Thursday, March 18. Owing to the inclemency of the weather and the resultant muddy condition of the parade ground, it was impossible for us to review the drill of the high school boys which had been planned.

Mr. Jack Ratcliffe gave a most interesting talk of the activities of the Boy Scouts which reflected great credit on his leadership. Miss Hannah Calhoun told of the work being done by the Home Economics Department in preparing girls to take care of their own homes in the future and Miss Dorothy Rollins and Miss Virginia Boley gave in detail an outline of the work in the 1st and 2nd years. The talks by the girls reflected credit on their own abilities as well as on the training received. Miss Calhoun stated that it is difficult to conduct the work under present conditions which are not exactly those of a home and urged us as parents and patrons of the school to get behind a movement for the erection of a Home Economics Cottage. She stated rather emphatically that she believed it can be done if we start now. Aside from the needs of the Home Economics Department, it is common knowledge that conditions at the high school are so crowded that the rooms now occupied by that department are very much needed for other classes. It was voted that Mrs. Robert Newman and Mr. Peters confer with the School Board to see what can be done.

Reports from various committee chairmen were heard and there was quite a discussion as to the advantages and disadvantages of having one League to represent the patrons of both the Bennett and high schools. The question was left open for further discussion.

## N. B. SHUMATE

Mr. N. B. Shumate died at his home in Bristow, Va., at 9:30 a. m. March 11. He had only been sick a few days.

Mr. Shumate was born in Fauquier County September 2, 1855. He moved to Bristow thirteen years ago. While here he has made many friends who deeply regret his passing.

Sixty-two years ago he married Mrs. Sue Reed who is left to mourn his loss.

Mr. Shumate is survived by the following children:

Mrs. Teresa Vespman and Mrs. Nettie Orton of Lancaster, Wis., Mrs. Janie Carter of Washington, D. C., 2 sons, Spurgeon of Maryland and Breck of Brentsville. There were 20 grandchildren and three great grandchildren, and also two step daughters, Mrs. M. L. Soutter and Mrs. J. P. Manuel, both of Bristow.

Funeral services were held at the home. The Rev. Estes officiating on March 13.

He was laid to rest at Elk Run in the family lot.

Mr. Shumate will be greatly missed.

## MARRIAGE RECORD

March 25—John R. Barbour of Joplin and Thelma H. Williams of Quantico.

## TO CONDUCT CAMPAIGN FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

Judge Wm. H. Brown has accepted the chairmanship for Prince William County in the State-Wide Campaign for funds for the Children's Home Society of Virginia. Judge Brown will be assisted by Mrs. Maruder Keys of Dumfries, who chairman for Dumfries, Quantico, Triangle, Joplin and Cherry Hill.

This campaign is being conducted during the month of May in practically every town and city in the State in an effort to raise the budget for the work of the Society during 1937.

## ROAD FUND ALLOCATION

Clarendon Firm Gets Alexandria Bridge Contract.

Tentative allocations of road funds for the fiscal year starting July 1 were completed this week by the State Highway Commission which arranged for hearings in about three weeks. Allocations for individual projects were made, Commissioner Henry G. Shirley said, but district totals could not be tabulated for several days.

Funds available for distribution were roughly the same as last year—\$16,487,389, he stated. This amount was allotted from gross receipts of \$19,500,000 after paying away administration costs of the Division of Motor Vehicles, interest, streets in communities, gas tax funds, rent and other charges.

Deductions from the gas tax, license fees and other revenues to \$3,012,610 last year for the "overhead" charges and other expenditures authorized from highway funds.

Fewer changes than usual appear in the allocation, Mr. Shirley indicated, and were in accord with the commission's policy, announced last April, of giving the "maximum road service to the largest number of people with funds available."

Six road construction projects contracts also are awarded by the commission. Totaling \$429,133.90, they included a \$155,374 bridge over the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railway tracks at Alexandria on Route 1, which was awarded to the Northern Virginia Construction Company of Clarendon and Alexandria.

## ANOTHER CHAMPIONSHIP FOR MANASSAS

The Manassas girls added to the glories of the local school by annexing the county championship last Friday evening in a hard fought contest at the Haymarket gym.

As usual, Misses Beeton and Davies were the scorers, hanging up nine and eight points respectively. For Haymarket, their forwards hung on doggedly against the short end of the score. Miss Robertson accounted for four tallies and Miss Clarke, six.

The line ups were as follows: Manassas: Forwards—Davies and Beeton; Center—Beane; Side—Center—Hoof; Guards—Woodyard and Lloyd.

Haymarket: Forwards—Robertson and Clarke; Center—Howard; Side—Center—Ankers; Guards—McDormant and McGuin.

## NOTICE TO FARMERS

J. Gray Beverley, Field Supervisor, will be at the office of Mr. Frank Cox, County Agent, Post Office Building, Manassas, Virginia, on Wednesday, March 31, from 9:00 a. m. until 1:00 p. m. for the purpose of taking applications for loans under the Emergency Crop Loan Act.

Farmers desiring these loans should apply on that date.

## Farmers Who Did Not Receive AAA Benefits Last Year Must File Work Sheets Now

Farmers Wishing to Co-operate Must Report by March 31.

Farmers in the East Central Region who did not take part in the farm program last year and who who desire to participate in the 1937 Agriculture Conservation Program, are asked by the East Central Division of the AAA to file work sheets for their farms not later than March 31st, County Agent H. B. Derr announces.

Those farmers who participated in the program last year need not file work-sheets this year. However, if any change has been made in the size of the farm, or if the producer is operating a different farm in 1937, he should notify the county office immediately of such change.

The worksheets for farmers taking part in the program for the first time in 1937 will show the 1936 acreage

of each separate crop and land use on the farm.

Under the program this year, the county office will furnish each farmer a statement showing crop bases, the number of acres upon which payment can be received for diversion, and the amount of the soil-building allowance for the farm. From this information farmers can determine early in the season approximately the amount of payment that can be earned under the program. They will be able to plan their farming operations so as to fit the program to the needs of their farms and at the same time qualify for full payments.

Farmers are being urged to file worksheets prior to arch 31 so that necessary information about bases, crop acreages, and the soil-building allowance for 1937 can be furnished by the county office in sufficient time to be of greatest use on the farm.

## CHURCH GROUPS HONORS MISS SPEIDEN

Miss Virginia Speiden, whose marriage to Mr. Lewis Carper will take place in April, was the honoree of a reception and gift shower given by Margaret Barbour Bible Class Manassas Baptist Sunday School at the home of Mrs. R. M. Jenkins last Friday evening.

In the receiving line with the hostesses were Mrs. Richard Marshall Graham, wife of the Baptist Minister; Mrs. P. L. Proffitt, class president, and Mrs. L. L. Lonas, class teacher.

The appointments were lovely in their spring-time simplicity of yellow, white and green, golden daffodils, fragrant carnations and soft candlelight.

The small members of the families of the Class expressed loving tribute to Miss Speiden with song and flowers and did the honors of the occasion in a graceful presentation of a large and exquisite bride's basket heaped and overflowing with gifts of friendship.

Those participating were Fannie Pickler, guardian of the basket; Tommy Beane, song leader, who made the presentation; Dolly Virginia Lonas, Martha Ann Graham, Bettie Lee Jenkins, Lois Cornwell, Charlotte May Herndon, Lea Mylander, ribbon bearers; Jackie Weatheral, who had the high privilege of being escort to Miss Speiden and presenting her with an armful of flowers.

Surrounded and assisted by these charming little people who looked like dainty fluttering butterflies in white with yellow winged ribbons, Virginia, as she is affectionately known by her friends, made a charming picture in her pale yellow frock and back ground of flowers and music symbols (C & S) which gave a sweet page to memory for the more than fifty guests.

"Love's Old Sweet Song" by Rev. R. J. Graham, accompanied by Mrs. Pickler at the piano and Grieg's Spring Song violin solo by Mrs. John Broadus accompanied by Miss Speiden were exquisite. These preceded the shower and sounded the note for all that followed.

The refreshments, as usual by Manassas ladies, were quite delicious; green and white ice cream, cakes and mints. They were beautiful and delicious, spelled with capital letters.

All in all, it was a delightful evening with many good wishes for future happiness and "love still unexpressed."

## FRATERNAL NOTICE

R. E. Lee Lodge No. 221, I.O.O.F., Dumfries, Va., meets every second and fourth Thursday at 7:30 P. M.

A. H. Shumate, Rec. Sect.

## ROSEBERRY-ELLIOT

A wedding characterized by beauty and charming simplicity was that of Jane Love Elliot and John Y. Roseberry which was solemnized at high noon at St. Martin's Episcopal church. Rev. John Long Jackson, rector of the church, officiated.

The chancel was grouped with palms and fern and on the altar were vases of Easter lilies and lighted candles.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, John L. Elliot. The bridegroom had as his best man Keith Lyons of Manassas, Va.

Miss Nancy Waters of Manassas, Va., was maid of honor. Mrs. S. A. Tompkins played the wedding march from Lohengrin for the processional and Mendelssohn's march for the recessional.

The bride was attired in a toast wool suit and British tan hat and accessories. She wore a shoulder bouquet of tulle and roses. The maid of honor was attired in a dress of tulle and crepe with dark blue accessories. She wore a shoulder bouquet of pink roses and lilies of the valley.

After a motor trip the young couple will be at home in Manassas, Va. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Elliot of this city formerly of Virginia. She was educated at Central high school and at Stuart Hall, Va. She is a tall handsome brunette with loving coloring and charming personality and is a much admired member of society.

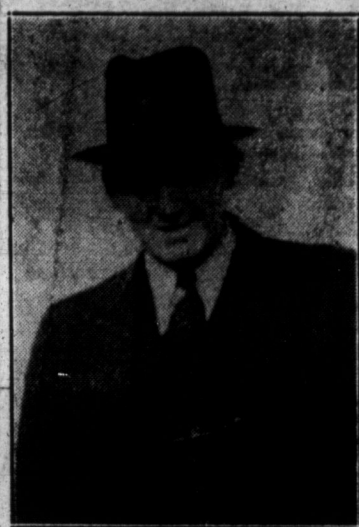
The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Roseberry of Manassas, Va. He was educated at the Bliss Electrical school in Washington and is a successful electrical engineer in Virginia.

Out of town relatives and friends attending the wedding were Mrs. A. H. Roseberry, mother of the bridegroom; Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Waters and daughter, Miss Nancy Waters, and Keith Lyons of Manassas, Va.; Mrs. A. M. Crigler of Baltimore, Md.; and Mr. and Mrs. James Birkett of Fairfax Court House, Va.—The Charlotte Observer, March 21.

## CHARLES TAYLOR

Funeral services were held this afternoon for Charles Taylor, of California, who died there on Tuesday of this week. Rev. R. M. Graham and Rev. T. D. D. Clark are conducting the services at the Baptist Church.

Mr. Taylor is a brother of Rev. J. Murray Taylor, and was well known in this county and quite popular. Pallbearers were Messrs. Eugene Davis, L. Ledman, C. A. Sinclair, R. M. Jenkins, Dr. V. V. Gillum and Col. R. A. Hutchison.



DUDLEY J. MARTIN

## DUDLEY MARTIN GOES TO TRIANGLE

Manassas Man Takes Over Chevrolet Agency There.

Residents of southern Prince William will be greatly interested in the announcement carried in this issue of the Journal to the effect that Dudley J. Martin has taken over the Chevrolet agency at Triangle.

The progress which this young business executive has made in this area has been exceptional. As a mere lad, he made connections with automobile dealers at Warrenton and Washington, Va., serving them as salesman and general field representative.

After several years, the Rappahannock county boy saw a chance in the growing development in the country more to the eastward, and in the October of 1924, he established affiliations with the Manassas Motor Company. This proved his home for a more successful period of progress and a reserve for the future steps he was destined to take.

Romance overtook him in the person of Miss Mattie Athey, daughter of Winfield S. Athey, the charming young bookkeeper in the same auto company, and in December, 1927, they became Mr. and Mrs.

In the June of 1934, Mr. Martin made a progressive change by joining the firm of Hynson and Bradford, as a partner. He has proved his efficiency not only on the local horizon but in a national way as well, for when the opening at Triangle became a possibility, the Chevrolet Motor Company was only too glad to have him as an individual dealer in a growing and prosperous location.

So on March 19 (Friday last), it became known that rumor was correct and that a new firm had been born in the county, the D. J. Martin Chevrolet Sales and Service, with headquarters on the Jefferson Davis Highway at Triangle.

Certainly his friends here can only wish for him the same degree of success with which hard work and perseverance have already crowned his brow.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin and Jackie, Jr., are the sort of folks that any community is pleased to have in its midst. It is the expressed hope of all that he will maintain his residence in Manassas.

## THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY BALL TO BE HELD MARCH 29

Among the many Easter festivities throughout Northern Virginia will be the Charity Ball of the Manassas Woman's Club Monday evening, March 29. This annual dance has become an event which is looked forward to with much enthusiasm by a large number of young people.

Mrs. A. L. Mylander, chairman of the dance committee, has been working diligently in forwarding plans for this annual assembly.

In the receiving line will be members of the Club, Mesdames A. L. Mylander, W. L. Lloyd, Robert Bisson, Charles C. Lynn, C. Wade-Dalton, R. C. Haydon, Harvey Steele, Eula Holt Merchant, Raymond Ratcliffe, Allison Hooff, Frederick Hynson, Thomas Broadus, Joseph Lyon, Robert Smith, Paul Cooksey and Miss Margaret Lynch.

## RILEY-DAWSON

A very pretty wedding of much interest to Woodbridge and vicinity took place last Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock when Miss Madeline L. Dawson and Mr. Elmer C. Riley were united in marriage.

The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. John Morrison of the Methodist Church at the bride's home which was quite tastefully decorated.

The bride who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lindsay Dawson, was very attractively dressed in gray with green accessories and wore a corsage of red roses. Mrs. Carl Rosencrans, of Washington was matron of honor and was attired in blue and wore a corsage of gardenias. The groom had for his best man, Mr. Richard Carter, of Woodbridge.

Following the ceremony the young couple left for a short wedding trip. Both Mr. and Mrs. Riley attended school at Occoquan High, and will make their home in Woodbridge where they have many friends. Mr. Riley is employed in the General Accounting Office in Washington.

## FOREIGN ORDER

The Journal has been informed that Mrs. J. Lawrence Gregory has received an order for a fruit-cake from Rome, Italy.

## Where Blast Killed Hundreds of Children



General view of the New London Consolidated school, New London, Texas, after the explosion that wrecked the school and snuffed out the lives of hundreds of school children in the worst school tragedy in all history.

The story of this explosion will be found on page 7

## WEAR YOUR RUBBERS

The hour at which the Easter services will be held on Sunday morning at Annaburg will almost certainly see considerable dew upon the grass. Those in charge of the celebration have cautioned attendants to wear rubbers on this occasion.

It is again stated that in case of inclement weather, the service will be transferred to Grace M. E. Church on North Main Street.