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UDC ENTERTAINED AT LARKINTON

Many Activities Include Honor to Local Veteran.

Mrs. William P. Larkin, Mrs. Marie A. Larkin and Mrs. Lucretia L. Tietjens were hostesses at the June meeting of Manassas Chapter, U. D. C., which was held on the afternoon of the 2nd, in "Larkinton," the ancestral home of the Larkin family, the original tract of eleven hundred acres, having been purchased by Thomas Larkin who came to Prince William from Westmoreland County in 1791.

The long passing of a century and a half has not chilled the warmth of hospitality. The house, with its massive doors and quaint fire place, that part which has so bravely resisted the ravages of time, and the dwellers within, radiate a friendly welcome to those who are privileged to enter.

In this pleasant setting, the guests assembled and the meeting was called to order at three o'clock by the leader, Mrs. Virginia S. Carper.

The opening prayer was led by Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson and the flag salute by Mrs. Robert A. Hutchison. The historical program was presided over by Mrs. C. M. Larkin who read brief sketches on "Reconstruction" as arranged by the historian general of the U. D. C. Mrs. Larkin also gave an account of "The Burial of Latane," a brave Confederate officer, who was killed in Hanover County and buried there. The original painting was done by Washington, the artist; a replica in a steel engraving hangs on the wall at "Larkinton" and portrays a vivid picture story of the solemn scene.

Mrs. Hutchison read a recent news clipping telling of plans by the United States Government to have a marker to Jefferson Davis placed in the Capitol City of Washington. A brief account of his services to the Union before he became president of the Confederacy was also related.

Mrs. Beulah Larkin, corresponding secretary, reported letters of sympathy written to Miss Margaret Carter and Mrs. Ayleene Guthrie.

On July 7 the chapter will be hostesses to the Manassas Chapter, Children of Confederacy at a garden party at the home of Mrs. W. A. Newman. The committee, Mrs. Asa Jenkins, Mrs. L. L. Lomas and Mrs. R. A. Hutchison, will arrange for entertainment and refreshments. A brief business session will precede the party. The hour is 3:30 p. m.

The remembrance committee, Mrs. Margaret Lewis, chairman, reported that a basket of fruit had been sent to Mr. George Weedon, a Confederate veteran, on May 17, his ninety-seventh birthday.

Mrs. Maude Kincheloe, chairman of Ways and Means, turned in \$20.00 proceeds from rummage sale and stated that a benefit movie would be given in June.

Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson told of a recent publication, "Bugles Blow No More," and recommended that it be placed in school library. This suggestion was followed up by a gift of this book, from Mrs. Dennis Baker, to the library, through the chapter.

Mrs. Carper gave an account of the District Convention recently held in Front Royal by reading a publication of the Manassas Journal as reported by Mrs. R. L. Byrd, one of the delegates.

In the social hour the hostesses, assisted by Misses Maude and Natalie Larkin of Fairfax, served a two course repast.

Among those present were Mesdames, T. J. Ashford, Dennis Baker, R. L. Byrd, L. J. Carper, R. A. Hutchison, R. S. Hynson, C. R. C. Johnson, Maude Kincheloe, C. M. Larkin, Beulah Larkin, N. K. Middleton, W. A. Newman, Rose Rice, J. B. T. Thornton, O. D. Waters, M. M. Washington, A. O. Weedon and Miss Nollie Nelson.

FREE MOVING PICTURES

Hynson and Bradford, local Chevrolet dealers, announce that the open air movie which proved so popular last year will be repeated again this year.

There will be five reels, and all of them are good. Everything is free and everybody is invited. See the advertisement in other columns.

The date is Wednesday, June 16, and the hour, 8 p. m.

FEMININE COUNCIL RE-ELECTED AT HAYMARKET

On Tuesday Haymarket voters re-elected the Rev. W. F. Carpenter as mayor and returned to office the six members of the town's all-feminine council. The council members named to succeed themselves were Mrs. Barney Tulloss, Mrs. M. Melton, Mrs. J. W. Garrett, Mrs. G. W. Smith, Miss Katie Lowe and Mrs. C. B. Roland.

The entire ticket was elected practically by an unanimous vote. Some expected opposition failed to materialize.

True to nature the female council has operated in a manner devoted to detail, has kept books in a very satisfactory way and have put through some needed improvements.

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED HERE

Judge Brown Presides at Exercises.

Southern Memorial Day was observed here on June 8 by appropriate exercises in the Baptist Church, directed by the Ladies Memorial Association and United Daughters of Confederacy.

Mr. William Hill Brown, jr., acted as master of ceremonies and addresses were made by Rev. R. M. Graham, Rev. Harry P. Baker and Rev. J. M. Taylor. Vocal and instrumental music was given by Mrs. L. J. Carper, Mrs. John Broadbudd, Miss Jessie Mae Conner and Rev. T. D. D. Clark. Mr. J. Jenkins Davies presented two crosses of honor and awarding of school prizes were made by Col. Robt. A. Hutchison, Mr. C. Lacey Compton and Mr. G. G. Tyler.

The church was decorated with red and white cut flowers and Confederate flags. At the conclusion of the exercises at the church, four cars, carrying about twenty-five people, moved on to the cemetery where an annual custom, of strewing flowers over the graves of Confederate heroes and placing of flags, was made a part of the program. Several large baskets of flowers were contributed and here, the real spirit of the occasion was manifest, when a group of little boys and girls of Confederate ancestry, with tenderness and reverence, placed the flowers and flags on the graves. Their names are: Bettie Ruth Thorpe, Mary Louise Wine, Benjamin Campbell Cross and Martha Anne, Catherine and Richard Graham.

We came away with a fuller, deeper understanding of our motto: "Love Makes Memory Eternal."

FARMERS ELECT AGRICULTURAL OFFICIALS

Prince William farmers participating in the Agricultural Conservation Program are meeting this and next week to elect Directors to represent them on the Board of Directors of the County Agricultural Conservation Association. Additional community committeemen are also being chosen.

The election for Occoquan, Coles and Dumfries Districts was scheduled for Wednesday evening, June 9, at Independent Hill and that for Gainesville District at Haymarket, Thursday evening, June 10.

Farmers of Manassas District will meet at the Manassas Post Office, Saturday afternoon, June 12, at 2:00 o'clock while the election for Brentsville District will be held at the Brentsville District High School at Nokesville on Monday evening, June 14, at 8:00 o'clock.

Much responsibility will rest on chosen to represent farmers taking part in this year's farm program and all have been notified of the elections and urged to be present to cast ballots in their respective communities.

HEAR DISCUSSION ON CHILE

Ben Jacobson gave the Kiwanis Club a graphic story of the mountain country of Chile at the regular meeting on Friday evening. The speaker was quite modest as to his speech-making ability but came through with a mighty nice little talk.

Dr. Ivan Booker, of Arlington, was also a guest of the club.

LIBRARY NOTICE

The Ruffner-Carnegie Library will be open on Thursday mornings during the summer months from 10 to 12:30 o'clock.

GRADUATING CLASS AT NOKESVILLE HIGH



Left to right, first row: Virginia Herndon, Letha Foster and Helen Nelson. Second row: Frances Owens, Hazel Fetzter, Helen Newland and Minnie Squires. Third row: Ralph Rollins, John Bear, Billy Hedrick and Eugene Flory.

GRAD EVENTS AT NOKESVILLE HIGH

School Now Has An Alumni Body of 100.

During the past week Brentsville High School held its eighth annual graduating exercises. The graduates of '37 were Helen Newland, Helen Nelson, Minnie Squires, Letha Foster, Hazel Fetzter, Virginia Herndon, Frances Owens, Ralph Rollins, John Bear, Eugene Flory and Billy Hedrick.

On Sunday night, May 30, the baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Dr. Bowman of Washington. His text was taken from Math. 26: 29. Every graduate will certainly benefit from the sermon if he follows Dr. Bowman's advice in selecting and following one's vocation. Rev. Miller, local Brethren minister, aided in the service. The Glee Club under the direction of Miss Morris furnished the sacred music.

The class of '37 under the direction of Letha Foster presented a class night program Tuesday, June 2. The program consisted of two parts. For the first, all the girls were dressed in white linen suits with green and gold capes. The boys wore all white with the exception of green and gold sashes. The scenery consisted of an airplane, class motto, and beautiful flowers. Two readers who were Virginia Estes and Robert Beahm read the introductory of the event. In the first scene, the graduates reviewed their past school days and gave their class color, class flower and class will.

In the second part, all were dressed in white. The setting was a living room. The readers read the class prophecy and the graduates dramatized a scene in their lines ten years hence. A girl's quartet—Edna (See BRENTSVILLE, page 4)

GRADUATION AT OCCOQUAN

A class of twenty-one the largest yet to graduate from Occoquan High held its Commencement Exercises on June 2nd and 3rd. Contrary to usual custom, the graduation night was held first.

The boys were dressed in black cloaks and caps and the girls in white cloaks and caps. Rev. C. A. Langston, of Pohick Church delivered the invocation. Speeches given by members of the graduating class, held the first place on the program.

All talks were on the central question, "Who shapes History, the Masses or the Individual Leaders." In defense of the latter, a picked number of the class spoke, Harry Winfree, Winifred Dunivan, Stanley Reid, Dorothy Bradley, Peter Katsarelis, Mary Jeane Holloway, Warren Lloyd, and Cynthia Lacey.

After the Graduates' talks, Capt T. F. Joyce, representing Buck Keyes Post American Legion gave a talk on the interest of the American Legion in education for everybody, after which he delivered the American Legion Award Medals to Miss Mary Jeane Holloway, of Dumfries in the graduation class, and to Marie Elizabeth Armstrong, of Agnewville in the elementary grades.

MACS TO PLAY POWERFUL TEAM

Libeau Hero of Last Sunday's Game.

Followed by a huge crowd of loyal baseball fans, probably numbering more than a dozen, Manassas swamped Catlett by a score of 3 to 1. The Macs, off to a flying start, failed to score until the third inning. Lynn trying a comeback after a two-year lay-off, was lead off man and showed signs of regaining his old form. He gracefully fanned in two official trips to the plate, but tired in the third frame and was unable to continue.

Thorpe, hurling for Catletts, was hard pressed by the Manassas clouters from the start. In desperation he removed his cap in the second inning, his glasses in the third, and finally removed himself in the fourth. Meanwhile, Limber Libeau was pitching a great game for the Macs. Winding and unwinding himself so fast he drilled a two-foot hole in the pitcher's box, but he courageously hurled on with calm indifference. Swinging like pistons the Catlett swatters fanned so much empty air they raised a whirlwind which blew several spectators nearly to Bot's beer parlor.

Vance was easily the star of the game, never touching the ball in five trips to the plate, and in addition, nearly catching one in the outfield. It was nice to see Wurdemann on base again as he collected his first hit since the early part of the 1934 season in the second inning. Roseberry, catching in Boatwright's absence, held the game up several times as he scampered out to his old position in center field absent-mindedly.

"Lightning" Albrite, demoted to assistant subordinate pitcher, coached third base for the Macs, between naps.

On Sunday Manassas will play Quantico, the only team which has defeated them this season. The game will start at 3 p. m. on Swavely Field and promises to be one of the best of the year.

ATTEND YOUNG DEMOCRATIC MEETING AT CULPEPER

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor and Miss Margaret Lynch attended the Eighth District meeting of the Young Democrats, which was held in Culpeper last Saturday afternoon. Mr. Davies is secretary of the State Organization and presented a report of the State activities.

Mrs. William Taylor, who is vice-president of the Prince William Young Democrats, reported on the local activities during the past year.

Mr. James King, of Fairfax, chairman of the Eighth District, presided over the meeting and there was a good attendance from all of the counties.

Several excellent selections in music and singing were rendered by the glee club under the direction of Miss Eskridge.



W. FRANKLYN HIBBS
Popular manager of Pitts' Theatre, who led the ticket in the Manassas Election Tuesday.

TOWN COUNCIL IS SELECTED

W. Franklyn Hibbs Heads Ticket for Manassas Council.

From sun-rise to sun-down on Tuesday the voters of Manassas registered their choice for town councilmen. There had been considered interest manifested in the election and during the closing hours this was much intensified, with result that a somewhat larger vote than usual was polled.

Mr. W. Franklyn Hibbs, popular manager of Pitts' Theatre, led the ticket, and will be the only new councilman, the remaining successful candidates being re-elected to the positions which they now occupy. The vote was as follows:

W. Franklyn Hibbs, 193; Harry P. Davis, 173; John Burke, 196; E. R. Conner, 131; W. E. Trusler, 126; Eugene Davis, 120; Edgar Parrish, 98; J. A. Vetter, 97, and Conway Seeley, 89.

The five receiving highest vote become councilmen.

Mr. Lacey Compton, who had posted a notice of his retirement from the contest on account of approaching entrance into government service received 24 votes, and there were 28 votes thrown out for various reasons, chiefly improper marking.

FINE MEETING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL FOLKS

The Brentsville District Sunday School Association met on May 30 at the Nokesville Brethren Church.

After the call to order by the president, and a devotional period, a warm address of welcome was given by Mr. J. A. Hooker which made everyone feel right at home.

This was followed by music from the young men's octette of Nokesville.

Rev. J. R. Cooke, of Greenwich, gave a talk on "Our responsibility to the unchurched of the community." Mr. Cooke is one of our ablest and best beloved pastors in the District and it was a great privilege to hear a discussion by him on such an important subject.

A mixed quartette from Nokesville then gave some more splendid music.

Rev. Davis, of Pennsylvania, gave an address on "Christ in the Life of the Community."

A recess for a delightful social period then followed.

At 1:30, the convention reconvened and the Nokesville M. E. group conducted the worship period.

Miss Emma Perkins, county religious director, conducted the young peoples' service which was more than enjoyed by everyone, and should prove an interesting part of all future conventions.

The Buckhall Sacred Chorus rendered a music program for which we thank these good people and trust we may have with us again.

The main address of the day was then given by Rev. Minor C. Miller, state secretary of the Religious Board. Seldom have we ever had a talk more appreciated than this. It contained information also that was quite startling concerning crime in Virginia.

The exercises closed with the election of officers as follows:

President, L. J. Bowman; vice-president, David Kerlin; secretary-treasurer, F. L. Foster, and assistant, Miss Frances Owens.

SENIOR CLASS IS INITIATED

Alumni Banquet Scene of Many Amusing Antics.

The Annual Alumni Banquet on Saturday evening was the scene of the regular old crowd plus the 1937 neophytes Assembling promptly, the meeting was called to order by Mr. Percival Lewis, president, and a number of important subjects were discussed.

Professor W. H. Peters urged a fund be raised to improve the School Library. The matter was laid aside for future consideration.

Miss Pauline Smith read the revised constitution and by laws and same were voted on.

Wheatley Johnson, chairman of the Nominating Committee, read his report and ballots were distributed to be voted on during the dinner.

The Class of '05 had four devotees in the persons of Dr. Elizabeth Johnson, Miss Ruth Smith, Reverend Joseph Gulick and Mr. Wheatley Johnson. They got off a good breezy yell; this time without opposition.

Then came one of the most delicious and bountiful repasts ever served at an alumni banquet.

The toastmistress, (Mrs. Lewis) opened the after-dinner exercises with a warm address of welcome, and then called on our beloved Miss Eugenia for a word.

This gracious lady gave a very sweet note of cheer. She called on the alumni to be ever faithful, stating that the school faculty would ever need their assistance. She closed by endorsing the development of the library work.

Miss Mildred Parrish then gave a toast to '37 to which Miss Naomi Smith replied in like spirit.

With Mrs. Virginia Carper at the piano, Miss Jessie Mae Conner sang "Little Old Lady."

A group of unusual personages having now gathered upon the stage, Miss Dorothy Linton, president of the Senior Class, appeared before said tribunal in behalf of her associates, and gained excellent recognition for the same.

Each member of the class was now given a most unique task. They were assembled in squads and given toy balloons, specimens of which had already been floating through space during the banquet.

It looked easy enough from the floor but actually those little rascals are tough and until Billy Jamison, with his usual originality, put his foot on one of the others were not having such easy sliding in creating methods of destruction.

Then came other forms of scholastic torture which included some strange forms of math and civics and lastly a drawing lesson in which Elizabeth Davies showed that she, (See INITIATED, page 7.)

NOKESVILLE CLASS NIGHT

In addition to the mention made last week of the Class Night program of the Brentsville District High School, the following description of the stage setting and presentation of prizes has been received.

The stage was decorated with the color scheme of green and gold, the class colors. The predominant feature of the scene was an airplane erected in a very realistic manner. It was situated against a background of nature painting. The airplane symbolized the class motto, "To Higher Aims We Soar," which hung on the air above it. The seniors sat leisurely around the plane and presented their past and present lives. Their dress consisting of capes and sashes of green and gold, was very attractive and appropriate.

In the last scene the Seniors dramatized under pink lights, their future lives according to the class prophecy. After ten years of separation they are again reunited and they sing together their "Alma Mater" song which they left their school at graduation. The curtain falls on the final verse of the song and thus concludes the pageant.

Other features of the evening were the presentations of prizes and awards to students by Miss Broadbudd and Mr. Bittle, and presentation of the Senior gift, suite of furniture, to the school by John Bear, class president.

We regret omission of several important items of community news which will be printed next week.