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WALTER JOHNSON TO BE JUDGE

Famous Pitcher to Govern Historic Dog Mart at Frederickburg

The Chamber of Commerce has received a letter this week from Walter Johnson, famous big league baseball pitcher, in which he stated that he had definitely decided to attend the Frederickburg Dog Mart, which is to be held on October 14th, and would be glad to serve as chief judge of the bench show.

The Mart was first held in 1698 when the settlers and Indians laid down their arms for one day and devoted this time to trading and selling "man's best friend," the dog. The Frederickburg Dog Mart program has been made larger this year, and in addition to the regular Dog Show and Auction, there will be a trick dog contest and a fox horn blowing contest. The auction, held in the afternoon from 2 to 4, is the feature of the day, being conducted by Nathaniel Bacon Kinsey, famous auctioneer of historic Frederickburg, who has been "crying for over 30 years."

The Frederickburg Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the Dog Mart, announced today that the only requirement for entry is that the dog be free from disease. There is no entry fee nor admission charge. There is no charge for selling a dog at auction. Any kind of dog may be entered—just so he is a dog. George Clanton, secretary of the Chamber, urged that all entries be sent to the organization's office as soon as possible in order that they may be properly classified. The Mart will begin promptly at 9 a. m., October 14th.

GARDEN CLUB HEARS ADDRESS ON TREES

The Manassas Garden Club met with Mrs. E. H. Marsteller on Monday, September 27th, at 2:30 p. m.

The Club voted to join the Red Cross and to raise funds by assessment to purchase a Stereopticon Lantern to be used as future program material—obtaining slides on Gardens and Table Arrangements, the slides being available for transportation cost only.

Mrs. V. V. Gillum was selected to arrange an exhibit of "Still Life" for the Leesburg Flower Show.

The chairman of the program committee, Mrs. Jacobson, introduced the afternoon speaker, Mr. William Harrison Lamb, Editor of the Manassas Journal and author of a recently published book on Virginia Trees, who spoke on trees and their adaptability for planting in Manassas. He explained the advisability of having an assortment of growing trees, many of our lovely old ones being attached by scales and fungus diseases. They may die rather suddenly and leave us without shade or the beauty only a tree possesses.

JOHN R. HOTTEL

Mr. John R. Hottel, aged 86, died suddenly on Thursday, September 23, at his home near Manassas. Funeral services were conducted at the home Saturday by Rev. H. P. Baker, at 2:30 p. m. Interment followed in the Manassas Cemetery.

Mr. Hottel was the son of George Hottel and Cassidy Fleming. He was a native of the Shenandoah Valley, where he was born on May 18, 1851. In 1874 he married Mary Hann and about 1884 they moved to Manassas where he lived until his death.

Mr. Hottel is survived by five daughters Mrs. William French, Mrs. William Wynkoop and Mrs. Preston Moran of Washington and Misses Clara and Jennie Hottel of Manassas and two sons, William Hottel of College Park, Md. and Harry Hottel.

FINAL GAME OF SEASON

Sunday, October 3, will witness the last game of the season for the Moses A. C.

The game will be played at Haymarket and the visiting team will be the Firestone Tire Team of Washington.

Moses lost to the Virginia White Sox on Sunday. The club was only partially present and the visitors had to lend them several players.

GRAND JURY FOR OCTOBER TERM

Those on the Grand Jury for October court are T. B. Flickenger, Fred B. Ryan, H. Ewing Wall, Robert L. Lewis, W. P. Whitmore, J. J. Conner and Chas. R. McDonald.

JUNIOR WOMEN TO ORGANIZE TIN PAN BAND

The ingenuity and skill of the members of the Junior Woman's Club were clearly demonstrated at a meeting at the home of Miss Walsler Conner on Wednesday evening to practice for the Tin Pan Band.

Amid a rattle of pans, toots of plunges and boop, boop a doops of jugs, the practice has begun, under the capable leadership of Mrs. Dennis Baker. Many and weird are the sounds which will startle Manassas as future practices are held here and there.

These practices are preliminary to a concert to be staged by the Junior Women in the near future. Watch for the date.

CLUB TO HEAR NOTED SPEAKERS

Chairman of Music-Literature Section Outlines Interesting Program.

The Music and Literature Section of the Manassas Woman's Club met on Tuesday evening of this week at the home of Mrs. Robert Smith with Miss Ruth Smith as assistant hostess.

Following the business session the chairman, Mrs. F. R. Hynson, gave a brief outline of the program as planned for the year, some very outstanding speakers and artists of note having been obtained—in the field of Literature and music. Mrs. Hynson introduced Mrs. Elizabeth Peeples, of Washington, who gave a most interesting and comprehensive paper on "Influence of Newspapers Upon Literature."

Mrs. Peeples compared the early types of magazine and newspaper articles, which were long and written mostly by women for women, to those of today, which she said were written largely by newspaper writers, who had been trained in speed, accuracy and clearness, things which are demanded by the reading public of the present time. She also said that newspapers, through their departments of music, art and book reviews did broaden the scope of interest of everyone and give to busy people a helpful guide as to what was worth while among the many offerings in these lines.

In closing Mrs. Peeples said "As members of a literary club it would behoove us to read them carefully with an understanding of their limitations and do what we can to make them more the instruments of our tastes and feelings."

Mrs. Dennis Baker, in charge of the Music Section of the program, gave a very interesting sketch of Mana-Zucca, a woman composer and pianist of note, and presented Mrs. Hatcher who sang very beautifully one of Mana-Zucca's best compositions, "I Love Life."

A pleasant social hour and delicious refreshments concluded the evening.

Among the guests were Hon. and Mrs. Melvin Hazen, Miss Peeples, Mrs. Colvin and Mary Boulware of Washington, Mrs. Jennings Davis and Miss Leone Davis of Bristow, and a number from Manassas.

STUDENTS' COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

On September 23, the Prince William County Students' Cooperative Association, with the sponsors of various schools, met at Manassas High School. The chairman, Amos Wood, of Haymarket High School, opened the meeting, which was followed by an S. C. A. song.

A business period was conducted after which Miss Ayres gave a very interesting talk on the various obstacles to accomplish. Among these objectives each S. C. A. should undertake were:

1. One improvement in school buildings.
 2. One improvement on school grounds.
 3. A definite movement to better health conditions.
 4. At least one outside speaker to take part in S. C. A.
 5. A definite movement to develop clubs.
- To further Junior Red Cross work Red Cross buttons, posters, and membership cards were distributed.

To permit cooperation among the schools, we decided to have at least four meetings during the year.

GENEVIEVE GARMAN, Reporter

To the Taxpayers of Prince William County

Last week in the Manassas Journal my colleague, Mr. C. B. Roland, Supervisor from Gainesville Magisterial District, addressed a message to the taxpayers of this county in what I thought he started out to make a complete exposition of the surrounding facts. It was not long however before it became apparent that the article was giving an incomplete picture of the circumstances connected with the proposal to enlarge our county courthouse, and this message from me is intended to be my contribution to a full discussion of the subject.

Mr. Roland has the same idea about using good judgment in conducting public affairs that the other members of the board have. I don't believe he will intentionally convey the idea to the taxpayers of this county that the other board members are becoming negligent with county money. If it is his present opinion that members of the board who have voted to enlarge and improve our courthouse have acted unwisely, and are not trustworthy public servants, then he must help us share the burden, for on all previous occasions when this matter has been voted upon, he has voted IN FAVOR of enlarging and improving the courthouse. Mr. Roland would have the people of this county believe (I quote the words used by him in last week's message to you) that he cannot at this time support a measure that may lead to an increase in the county levy unless there is public demand for the

same." As indicated above, he has on every previous occasion when this matter has been discussed in board meetings supported the idea.

Now it is not my idea to rob Mr. Roland of the right to change his mind: My purpose is to come to the defense of the other members of the board against Mr. Roland's insinuation that he has been the lone member on the board who is endeavoring to watch out for the people.

In the first place, enlarging the courthouse under the proposed plan, will not make it necessary to raise the tax levy one cent. All the discussions in this respect have been based on the assurance that the whole improvement can be paid for out of funds already derived, and to be derived from revenue apportioned to us from the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. In 1936 this apportionment amounted to \$5,968.16; in 1937 it amounts to \$9,507.52, and the estimate for 1938 has been conservatively placed at \$12,000.00. On the present estimate of the cost of \$20,000 to \$24,000 for the proposed enlargement, the assured income from this heretofore non-existent source will be more than adequate to pay the bill.

Mr. Roland has stated that a great deal of land in the county has been bought by the Federal Government, and that no taxes are received on Government land. Now I don't think Mr. Roland meant to seem critical of our (See TAXPAYERS, page 5.)

PRINCE WILLIAM DAIRY MEN MEET AT BANQUET

An enjoyable and instructive evening was experienced by members of the Prince William Dairy Herd Improvement Association and friends at their banquet and annual meeting at the Prince William Hotel last Thursday evening. Following invocation by O. R. Hersch, the program was turned over by Pres. C. F. M. Lewis to E. R. Conner who acted as toastmaster during the evening. Remarks were made by W. J. Hunnicutt, retiring Supervisor, and Chilton Stone, recently appointed to succeed Mr. Hunnicutt.

In his talk on better pastures, Dr. T. B. Hutcheson of V. P. I. stressed the keeping of a crop with green roots at all times on the land to take up plant food as it became available to prevent its leaching from the soil; the use of lime and fertilizer on grazing land to replace that removed by animals, and the necessity of placing at least the amount of plant food needed for each crop in the soil in order to maintain its fertility. He compared lime and fertilizer with oil and gas used in an automobile, stating that as oil was necessary in the motor to keep it in proper condition to use gasoline, so was lime in soil necessary to keep it at the correct reaction for making the most efficient use of the plant food contained in fertilizers.

A report on the total milk and butterfat production of individual herds in the association for the past year was made by R. W. Dickson. At the business session at the close of the program, officers serving during 1936-37 were reelected for the coming year.

KIWANIS ENTERTAIN FAMILIES

Semi-annual Family night was held at the Kiwanis Club on Friday evening with an attendance that overflowed the dining hall at Prince William Hotel.

Rev. John DeChant, as guest speaker, gave a resume of the principals of the Kiwanis International and mentioned in brief some ways in which the local club have carried out the ideals. Rev. DeChant's address was well received and much appreciated. A list of members and guests is given in part herewith:

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Didlake, Col. and Mrs. B. L. Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. Hunton Tiffany, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Trusler, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hooff, Mr. and Mrs. J. Carl Kincheleo, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hynson, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hynson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Leachman, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Coker, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Sigman, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sharrett, Mrs. M. Smith, Mrs. Slaybaugh, Misses Hiden, Althea Hooff Ellen A. Ledman, Margaret and Martha Carter, Walser and Elvère Conner, Evelyn H. Coker, Helen R. Lloyd, and Messrs. A. H. Roseberry, L. Ledman, W. C. Sade, E. R. Conner, A. S. Boatwright, D. J. Arrington, A. S. Gibson, W. E. Lloyd, James E. Bradford, R. Worth Peters, J. M. DeChant, O. D. Waters, F. R. Hynson and G. Raymond Ratcliffe.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Grace M. E. Church, South, will meet at the home of Mrs. M. E. Kincheleo on Thursday, Oct. 7, at 3:00 p. m.

NOTICE

A few weeks ago we asked our correspondents and advertisers to be as considerate as possible in observing the dead line which we established.

It is very difficult to handle display ads of any size on Thursday and we are asking our advertisers to uniformly have their copy in our hands before 5 p. m. on Wednesdays.

Unless our correspondents are sending us in news that takes place too late for the mails on Tuesday we will ask them to mail out everything possible so that it may reach us by 9:30 Wednesday morning.

If the above plan is not followed we cannot do justice to our business patrons, readers and ourselves. We sincerely ask your cooperation.

4-H TEAM WINS NATIONAL HONOR

Local Boys to Represent Virginia at Columbus.

Prince William County dairy cattle judging team led all counties competing in the State contest at the Virginia State Fair Tuesday.

The team consisting of Gilbert Rollins, Wellington; Harris Collins, Manassas; and Selwyn Smith, Nokesville, will represent Virginia in the National judging contest at the National Dairy Show at Columbus, Ohio, next week. Frederick Harpine, Nokesville, alternate member of the team also scored high in the contest.

This is the third consecutive year for a 4-H team from the county to achieve this honor. Billy Hale, Philip Reading and Egbert Thompson, Jr., all now enrolled in the College of Agriculture at V. P. I., were members of the Virginia team at the National Dairy Show at St. Louis in 1935. Fred Harpine, Billy Harpine and George Bear, Jr., led in the contest at the State Fair last year and attended the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago in December.

The team will be accompanied to Columbus by County Agent Cox.

GROUP TO HOLD MEETING AT BROAD RUN CHURCH

The Woman's Missionary Societies of Group No. 5 will hold their group meeting at Broad Run Baptist Church on Friday, October 8.

The meeting will begin at 10:30 a. m. and will close about 3:30 in the afternoon.

There will be special music and talks by the workers. The special speaker for the day will be Miss Mary Jesse, missionary from Japan.

GARDEN SECTION OF WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET

The Garden Section of the Manassas Woman's Club, will meet on Monday, October 4th, 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. C. C. Lynn with Mrs. Ayleene Guthrie as assistant hostess. Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson will speak on "Daffodils"

U. D. C. HONORS ADMIRAL SEMMES

Mrs. R. L. Byrd Elected President of Manassas Chapter

An important called meeting of the Manassas Chapter, U. D. C., was held at the home of the President, Mrs. Lewis Carper, Thursday afternoon, Sept. 23. After several matters of business had been disposed of, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson who read several delightful articles relative to the life and war experiences of Admiral Raphael Semmes in commemoration of his birthday, Sept. 27. This being one of the anniversaries designated for the purpose, the Chapter took pleasure in presenting two Crosses of Honor to two descendants of Confederate Veterans—one to Mrs. Roger W. Cross for an uncle Capt. Elliot Muse Healey who served in Co. C., 55th Va. Regiment and who was killed in the Second battle of Manassas; and the other to Mr. Robert Le Roy Byrd for his uncle Priv. John B. Byrd who served in Co. F., 3rd North Carolina Regiment and who died as a result of wounds received at Sharpsburg. Mrs. J. B. T. Thornton made the presentations.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year:

Pres., Mrs. R. L. Byrd; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. T. J. Ashford; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. Wm. Hill Brown; 3rd Vice Pres., Mrs. V. V. Gillum; Recording Secretary, Mrs. R. A. Hutchison; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Warren Coleman; Treasurer, Mrs. H. M. Jackson; Historian, Mrs. W. A. Newman; Recorder of Crosses, Mrs. G. G. Allen; Director of Children of the Confederacy, Mrs. Dennis Baker.

The next regular meeting of the Chapter will be held with Mrs. L. L. Lonas, Wednesday, October 6, at 2:30 p. m. at which time the new officers will be in charge.

ANNUAL PATRON'S MEETING AT NOKEVILLE

A large group of farm people attended a very enjoyable and interesting Southern States Annual Patrons' Meeting for the Nokesville community held September 24 in the Nokesville School Auditorium.

Mr. Max Borden, District Manager, reported on the local Southern States retail service for the last year and outlined plans for the future.

Mr. L. E. Raper, Director of Distribution of Southern States Cooperative, reviewed the progress of the organization. He set forth this year was a banner year for Southern States. 100,000 patron-members... a new high! A volume of over \$10,000,000 which lowers farm supply costs. \$1,390,000 of purchases by patrons during April. Shipment of 121 cars on one day on March 31st—a greater shipment on one day than during the first twelve months of operation, 14 years ago. Savings amounting to \$354,000 from which users of the organization were paid a 3 per cent patronage dividend on purchases after stockholders were paid a per cent dividend and a substantial amount had been set aside to reserve.

Music and entertainment was furnished by the Collier Brothers String Band of Standardsville. Contest prizes were awarded to Virgil Hopkins, Francis Cownes and V. Hopkins, after which refreshments were served to all those present.

OLD FIRM CHANGES LOCATION.

The Hynson Electric Supply Company has moved from the location occupied for many years at 118 South Battle Street to a new location two doors south at 128 south Battle. Mr. Fred Hynson, having purchased the building newly occupied by his well known concern, is making many improvements in the interest of his patrons.

Mr. Chas. H. Adams, who for the past twenty years has conducted his watch repairing business in the same location with Mr. Hynson, has also moved to the new location, where enlarged facilities will also enable him to take care of his friends better than ever.

PROMINENT CITIZEN ILL

Mr. D. J. Arrington, local business man, is reported as seriously ill as we go to press. He was taken sick Sunday and has been under constant medical attention since. Physicians report his general condition as good, and every hope is expressed for his speedy return to health.

