

ATTEND THE MANASSAS VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S BALL, FRIDAY FEBRUARY 25

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PROGRESS OF LEGISLATION

Important Bills Still in Committees

Much of the major legislation expected by the present session of the General Assembly is awaiting final committee recommendation, but developments at Richmond during the past week include a number of outstanding legislative events.

One of the most publicized legislative matters voiced in the past few days is the address of Governor Price recommending legislation to consolidate School Boards and Boards of Supervisors. The Governor asserted in an address to the League of Virginia Counties this week that such a consolidation would bring management of civic affairs closer to the people. The Governor also stated in this address that he was opposed to any diversion of road funds. He urged improvement of State hospital facilities.

Referring to the Federal legislation passed this week in Washington affecting agriculture, Governor Price stated that he did not "understand fully some of the complications of the Federal program". He received considerable applause on this statement, as nobody except agricultural experts seem to understand the workings of the new law.

There is a growing belief this week that the Jail Reform Bill will shortly become law, with certain modifications affecting probation and parole. The proposal to establish regional work farms in place of local lock-ups has met little opposition.

The Weaver Resolution to set up a Commission to study the Primary and Secondary road system of Virginia has been approved by the Senate Finance Committee.

All bills directed toward changes in existing election laws have been killed. These include consolidation of school boards with Supervisors, a proposal to prohibit solicitation of funds for charitable enterprises from candidates for public office and the various proposals to change the voting hours.

A bill has been introduced by Delegate Bandy to close motion pictures and all other theatres on Sunday. The sponsor of the bill stated, however, that he had little hope of it being passed.

Possibly the outstanding legislative event of the week has been the action of the Senate Committee on Education in recommending the Muse resolution keeping the Haag-Waddell alcohol report out of the hands of the school children of Virginia. This book had been widely condemned throughout the State as teaching moderate use of liquor as unwholesome, and was being vigorously fought by the W. C. T. U. The Committee members stated that no member of the General Assembly the public schools.

The proposal to supply free text books received a set back this week when it was tabled for two weeks by the House Schools and Colleges Committee, to permit action by the General Assembly on the proposal to increase the minimum average salary of teachers.

The opposition of the City of Richmond to transfer to the State the so-called Ford Lot, on which a million dollar State Library is to be built, was overcome, with sufficient strength, is believed to override the veto of Mayor Bright.

The Senate approved the House bill authorizing Bank loans, payable in installments, with interest deductible in advance, and sent the measure to the Governor. The bill is said to place all State banks on the level with small loan companies and the Morris Plan Banks.

The bill to limit activities of the Virginia State Milk Commission was overwhelmingly overcome by the 18-to-1 vote of Agricultural Committee of the House of Delegates in Richmond late Monday afternoon.

Dairymen from throughout the State rallied to the defense of the Milk Commission and lengthy testimony was submitted by the opposition which for the most part was from Alexandria and Arlington County. It was shown that the Commission had acted in the interest of consumers as well as producers and was generally regarded with favor by the producers, consumers and distributors of the State.

A petition from a large number of Prince William County citizens in opposition to the bill which would have crippled the State Milk Commission to the extent that it could

FARMER MEETINGS

The following farmer's discussion meetings are scheduled for the coming week:

Haymarket Masonic Hall, Monday, February 21, 7:45 p.m.

Manassas High School Agricultural Building, Tuesday, February 22, 7:30 p.m.

Nokesville High School Agricultural Building, Wednesday, February 23, 7:45 p.m.

Independent Hill Odd Fellows Hall, Thursday, February 24, 7:45 p.m.

At earlier meetings, the following men were elected to District Agricultural Boards:

Brentsville District: Davis Nolley and Harold Smith, Joint Chairmen and Discussion Leaders, John Ellis, D. E. Earhart and W. O. Estes.

Coles District: E. L. Herring, chairman; E. E. Cornwell, Discussion Leader and member, R. D. Lowe, DeWitt and Bradford Lowe.

Manassas District: W. W. Johnson, chairman and Discussion Leader, A. H. Roseberry, W. M. Kline, T. R. Hurst and J. J. Conner.

GUEST SPEAKER AT BANQUET

Rev. Ballentine to Address Religious Education Group

The friends of Week Day Religious Education will be glad to know that a dinner is to be held in the High School on Friday, Feb. 25. The purpose is two fold, first, to give patrons a clearer idea of the kind of religious teaching that is being carried on in the public schools by Miss Emma Perkins and Miss Hazel Saunders; and second, as a means of raising funds to help defray the expense of the work.

The dinner will be served by the Manassas Parent Teacher Association at fifty cents per plate. All of the proceeds will be used for the benefit of Week Day Religious Education. The principle speaker will be Rev. A. W. Ballentine, pastor of the Bethel Lutheran Church. Miss Bennett, Director of Week Day Religious Education in Arlington County, will also speak.

The public is cordially invited to attend this dinner, which will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are on sale at Cocks's Drug Store, Bushong's on the Giant Food Center.

MISS KEYS GRADUATES

Miss Katharine Keys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eastman Keys, graduated Tuesday night, Feb. 8th, together with 75 other nurses from the Mt. Sinai School of Nurses. The exercises were held in the Blumenthal Auditorium in New York City and Mayor F. H. LaGuardia was the principal speaker. The diplomas were presented by Hugo Blumenthal, president of the Nursing School and Miss Grace A. Warman presented the pins.

Miss Keys is a graduate of Occoquan High School, in the class of 1933. After a month's leave she will return to Mt. Sinai where she will resume her profession.

Following the graduation a reception was given for the parents and friends of the graduates at the Nurses Home.

HAYMARKET GIRLS BEST LOCAL SQUAD

The Manassas High School Girls lost a hard fought game to Haymarket High here Friday night 19-24. Bauserman, high scorer, made 10 points while Beeton scored 9.

The line up was as follows: Manassas: Forwards: Beeton, Bauserman; Guards: Cannon, Blakemore; Centers: Ritter (capt.), Hooff; substitutes—Blakemore, Woodyard.

Haymarket: Forwards: Millie Clark (capt.), Pattie; Guards: Ellis, Dunn; Centers: McDermont, Julia Clark.

HONORS STUDENT

Miss Ruth K. Somers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Somers, is listed among the honor students in the sophomore class at Fredericksburg State College, as a result of her splendid work during the first semester of this year.

MARRIAGE RECORD

Feb. 12—William A. Rittenhouse and Virginia G. Johnson, both of Washington.

Feb. 12—W. W. Buchanan and Susie Mae Harrison, both of Quantico.

not have functioned fairly and efficiently in the interest of all groups, was presented by a county delegation

IT LOOKS DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FENCE



GEORGE DAVIS DUTY SELECMAN

On Feb. 16th, 1938, at Alexandria Hospital, Mr. George Davis Duty Selemman entered into Eternal Rest.

The deceased was a son of the late Albert A. and Mary Ann Duty Selemman. He was born at Occoquan, Va., September 14, 1857. He attended the schools of his town from his sixth to his 15th year. He like his father was particularly fond of reading works of history. Unlike any other member of his family he possessed an irresistible taste for travel.

Upon leaving school he found employment in his paternal uncle's store which he left within a short time to be with his mother's brother, Capt. Henry F. Duty as his freight clerk, on one of the latter's boats. At seventeen he began "Seeking the World", visiting all of the Eastern parts of Canada. Visiting Quebec, Montreal and St. Lawrence River points. At twenty he was aboard the Flag Ship Hartford, cruising in the South Atlantic Waters, visiting points on the West Coast of Africa, the Canary and Madeira Islands and spending two years in Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina. He returned home in his 23rd year.

In 1880 he entered the U. S. Geodetic and Coast Survey taking in the Atlantic Sea Board from New Foundland to Florida. He held another clerical position aboard the U. S. S. "Yantic" cruising in West India Waters. He next left the Sea faring life and filled positions in the large cities of the West, including Chicago, Denver and San Francisco. After shore life of seven years he went to sea again, sailing from San Francisco to Alaska, Hawaiian, Central American and other points.

In 1893 he returned from California to Chicago and was employed as clerk and Quarter master on steamers plying lake Michigan. In 1894, after an absence of 12 years he returned to Virginia. After teaching an advanced private class of young ladies he engaged in the Railway Mail Service, advancing from class 1 to class 4. He later went to St. Louis, Mo., where he engaged in Railway office work.

Mr. Selemman had a most distinguished appearance. He appeared many years younger than his age and of a most erect carriage. He was of an impulsive temperament, generous, loving loyal and full of energy. He was exceedingly humorous, tender, loving, loyal and true to his family and friends to the end. He was a member of The Sons of the American Revolution, Chapter of Minute Men. A member of The Society of Oldest Inhabitants of Washington, D. C. He lived, under many trying circumstances a truly sincere Christian life. He was a good man without guile. He was widely known for his untarnished character. His was unswerving integrity.

Mr. Selemman filled a business position in Washington, D. C., for 18 years.

After the close of the World War he went to Europe and translated and interpreted for the American Legion. He was highly educated and was rated as one of the best linguists

and mathematicians in Washington and an undisputed authority on ancient and modern history. He transcendent and modern history. He transcendent.

The deceased was named George Davis Duty for three of his ancestors, one on the paternal side of his family and two on his maternal side. His paternal ancestors established Occoquan about the year 1732 and have lived there ever since. On his maternal side he was a lineal descendant of a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Of the Duty family, who sailed in the Mayflower and landed on Plymouth Rock and who fought at Bunker Hill. Of Asa Davis, who marched to Lexington and served throughout the Revolutionary War until the Surrender at Saratoga, and afterward served eight consecutive terms in the general council of his State. He was paymaster of Continental troops. His family home is still standing at Bush Hill, Hudson, N. H., owned and occupied by relatives.

He was a descendant of James Freeman, born in England in 1682 and came to Haverhill, Mass., in 1640. He was a descendant of Haverhill, Mass., to whom the State of Massachusetts erected a monument for bravery. Among his ancestors were the first law-makers of Virginia, who were the first settlers of historic old Dumfries.

Just eighteen months ago a dearly beloved sister and nephew of the deceased Mrs. W. S. Cross and her son, Henry Elmer Cross passed to their Heavenly reward. The deceased has mourned them continuously since.

For some years past Mr. Selemman has made his home with his sister, Miss Christine Gertrude Selemman, at Occoquan, Va. They were a most devoted brother and sister.

"Dearly beloved one we mourn "you, your good deeds will live forever. May We meet in the realm above."

Mr. George D. D. Selemman's naval record proved highly honorable service rendered, as indicated on his honorable discharge. He engaged in service on the ships, "Wyoming," "Franklin," "Hartford" and "Guard." He also served on the "Stillman," "Yantic" and "Passaic." He was honorably discharged at his own request.

Mr. Selemman's funeral services were conducted at Occoquan, Va., by the Rev. Morrison, of the Methodist Episcopal Church and later by the Navy Chaplain, at Arlington where his remains were laid to rest with full honors.

One who knew and loved him. His devoted and loving sister, Christine Gertrude Selemman, Occoquan, Va.

AUTO ACCIDENT

In the late afternoon of Sunday, February 13, a car operated by Oscar T. Judy of Baltimore, and one operated by Clarence Evers, of Rdnoko, collided near Bull Run Bridge. Mrs. Bertha Tilsch, a passenger in the car operated by Mr. Judy, suffered severe shock and was taken to Georgetown Hospital.

HONORS FOR MR. TYLER

Friday afternoon last the offices at the Court House formed the setting for an annual event which is ever becoming dearer to those associated with the official life of the county.

Gathering in Professor Haydon's office, the courthouse folks tendered our much beloved County Clerk, Hon. George G. Tyler a reception and birthday party that indeed proved most enjoyable.

Mr. Tyler was the recipient of a lovely bouquet of red roses and carnations. The honor guest responded with brief remarks of appreciation.

Ice cream, cookies, homemade candy and coffee were served in abundance and this with the beautiful and toothsome birthday cake concluded the merrymaking for the afternoon.

Those attending the celebration were: Master Jimmie Marshall, Messrs. Brown, Ledman, Weir, Jones, Moser, Didiake, Owens, Compton, H. T. Davies, Sr., Jenkyn Davies, McDonald, Kerlin, Mrs. Mary Roland, Mrs. Virginia Lewis and Mrs. Nelson Thomas, and Misses Sue Ayres, Louise Hibbs, Marion Wells, Cornelia Lewis and Bessie Sinclair.

LEGION DINNER PLANNED HERE

Veterans of 8th District to Meet At Manassas

The 8th District of the American Legion will hold a dinner and rally at the High School on Tuesday, March 8. The local Legion Post will be host to the meeting and dinner will be served by the Manassas Parent-Teacher's Association.

The program is being arranged by J. L. Jeffries, Jr., of Culpeper, commander of the 8th District. The principle speaker will be Hon. John W. Flannagan, Congressman from the 9th District of Va., and a friend of the Veteran. District and State officers and their wives will be present and the program will be of great interest to every veteran of the County, whether a member of the American Legion or not. All veterans and their wives are urged to attend.

This meeting promises to be the biggest thing the Legion has done locally for some time. The local Post never seeks publicity for its charities which are carried on throughout the year in behalf of needy veterans and their families, but it is most anxious that all veterans know about this meeting and make every effort to attend.

HEALTH UNIT IS NOW FUNCTIONING

The Prince William County Health Unit has opened offices on the second floor of the Peoples Bank building in Manassas, Virginia, under the temporary direction of Dr. Edward M. Holmes, Medical Director of Fairfax County Health Unit.

Miss Sabina Neel, who was formerly the Red Cross Public Health nurse, is now the Unit's nurse, and Mr. James R. Simpson, who has been attached to the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering of the State Health Department for the past year and a half, has been appointed Sanitation Engineer for the Unit. Miss Neel and Mr. Simpson have been on duty since Thursday, February 10, at the Unit's offices here.

Miss Mary Currell Pattie has been appointed clerk. She will begin her duties on Monday, February 21.

NOKESVILLE BASKETBALL TEAM ENTERTAINED

On Tuesday night of this week the boys and girls' basketball team of Nokesville went to Washington, Va., and played the High School team there, both games were very exciting. Nokesville boys won and Washington girls.

After the game the team was delightfully entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Jenkins, parents of Miss Mary Jenkins who has been a teacher in this county the past two years.

MAGIC AT BRENTSVILLE

There will be a magician at Brentsville on Friday night, February 18th. Come and see him work wonders with the magic Jelly Beans and the Chinese paper mystery. This is for the benefit of the Junior League.

HOSIERY MILL IN PROSPECT

Philadelphia Concern May Locate in Manassas

Serious negotiations have been in progress for several weeks with individuals in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, having for their purpose the re-location in this vicinity of a full-fashioned silk hosiery enterprise, which it is calculated will employ one hundred or more persons. It is estimated that after the hosiery mill would be completely set up here, and after a necessary period of training new help and making adjustments generally, the payroll will amount to as much as \$90,000.00 annually.

There is a good prospect of success in inducing these people to set up in his community, and it will be necessary for the local people to make an investment for the purposes of erecting the necessary building, advance money for moving machinery and supply a fund for working capital during a period of readjustment. It is estimated that \$25,000.00 will be adequate for these purposes.

At a meeting in the Town Hall Wednesday night, February 16, of a group of local business men, this proposal was thoroughly discussed, the consensus of the meeting appearing to be that if these Philadelphia people can definitely satisfy the people of this community that money advances would not be by way of contribution, but would be absolutely safe and sound investments, from which the money could be liquidated in case of failure of the new enterprise, the necessary amount of money could be raised by the people of this community on a bond issue secured not only on such new building as might be erected, but also on the valuable machinery which the new enterprise proposes moving into the new building.

The Wednesday night meeting culminated in the adoption of a resolution authorizing Stanley A. Owens, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, to secure the services of a disinterested person of recognized experience and ability in evaluating and appraising delicate textile, full-fashioned hosiery machine, who would go to Philadelphia, thoroughly inspect the machinery proposed to be moved into the new building and report back to a mass meeting of Prince William County citizens.

BENNETT GROUP RECEIVES PARENTS AT SILEVR TEA

The Bennett School S. C. A. gave a silver tea on Friday afternoon, February 11th.

The rooms were beautifully decorated in keeping with the Valentine season. Red candles, center pieces of red and white hearts, and potted plants were used.

During the afternoon a program of soft music was enjoyed. Mrs. Stott's third grade rhythm band played several selections. Piano solos were rendered by Mirna Belle Flory, and Kittle Jean Blakemore; and Virginia Lee Runalduie and Allene Miller played a duet. Miss Josephine Miller entertained with the violin, accompanied by Mrs. Connie Kinchele.

Mrs. A. A. Beane and Mrs. H. E. Pickeral assisted the hostesses in receiving and serving.

Refreshments consisting of tea, cakes, and mints were served.

Members of the S. C. A. who served the refreshments were Mary Catherine Seelye, Martha Ann Graham, Catherine Graham, Betty Ritter, Elaine Barksdale, Iva Lee Fitzwater, Marie Dollarhide, Marjorie Brookes, Pauline Vance, Nancy Parrish, Lenora Marshall, Roberta Hooe, Helen Hooe, Mirna Belle Flory and Betty Jean Wilson.

MANASSAS F. F. A. BOY WINS THIRD PRIZE ON POTATOES

R. R. Fishpaw, local agricultural instructor, has just been notified that the class of Irish potatoes entered by Jake Conner, who is a member of the Manassas F. F. A. Chapter, won third prize of \$2.00 at the State Grain and Seed Show, which was held recently at Farmville, Va.

Potatoes are one of the four projects Jake is carrying as part of his agricultural program and this is the second time this year he has won a prize on his potatoes, having won second prize of \$1.00 at the Lincoln Grain and Seed Show, which was held January 13th at the Lincoln High School.