



ANNUAL PLAY AT BENNETT

Operetta Promises Lovely Displays and Dancing

On Tuesday night, April 26, the Bennett School pupils will present an operetta, "On Mid-summer's Day" under the direction of the Bennett School faculty. Mrs. Connie Kincheloe, a former teacher, will be the accompanist.

Both acts of the operetta take place in a child's flower garden in which the following flowers are characterized: Poppy, Nasturtium, Daisy, Primrose, Aster, Violet, Pansy, and Pink. There are choruses of fairies, brownies, sunbeams, butterflies, honey-bees, sun-bonnet girls, and overall boys. Besides the choruses there are solos, duets, and dance numbers.

"On Mid-summer's Day" is a story of a child's garden which has been neglected by its young mistress.

On Midsummer's Day when all fairies and brownies are abroad and have their frolic on the land where mortals dwell, the Fairy Queen passes through Leafy Lane and sees the sadly neglected garden. Since the flowers are in the Fairy Queen's cave and are able to talk on this day they told that the child who planted them neglected them, and that they were never hold on given water.

The Fairy Queen and her devoted subjects took the flowers to Fairyland to live until the child thoroughly mastered her lesson in gardening. On condition of the child's zealous care of her flowers in the future the Fairy Queen sends the lovely flowers back into the garden again.

The part of the child is taken by Marie Dollarhide and the note of the Fairy Queen is taken by Fanelle Pickeral, Katherine Graham and Tolley, a naughty brownie have solo parts. Others who have special numbers are Marjorie Beane, Phyllis Thomasson, Kitty Jean Blakemore, and Betty Peterson.

The characters, about seventy-five in number are taken from grades one through six, and this promises to be one of the outstanding events of the year.

MRS. BAKER DISCUSSES RUSSIAN MUSIC

The April meeting of the Junior Woman's Club was held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Lyon Thursday, April 14, with its President, Janet Owens, presiding.

Immediately preceding the business meeting Mrs. Dennis Baker made a most interesting talk on Russian music.

As this was the last meeting of the club year, most of the evening was taken up with reports from the various committees. All these reports were encouraging and several showed marked achievements made during the year. After the reports were given, the officers for the coming year were elected. They are: President, Virginia Ratcliffe; Vice President, Hilda Moser; Secretary, Mary Currell Pattie; Treasurer, Evelyn Merchant.

Following the business session, Miss Eugenia Osborn spoke to the Club on the work that the Library is doing and hopes to do. She urged that the people of the town visit the Library, especially during the evening hours.

The meeting was then turned over to the hostess committee who served delightful refreshments.

GARDEN CLUB TO HAVE ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

The Manassas Garden Club feel most fortunate in having procured an illustrated lecture "A Tour to America's A-1 Homes and Gardens" for their meeting, to be held at the home of Mrs. B. L. Jacobson, next Tuesday afternoon. The members are urged to attend and bring guests and members of the Garden Section are especially invited to attend.

The business meeting will begin promptly at 2:30 so that our lecture may begin at 3:30 p.m. This is our first opportunity to use our new stereoscopic lantern and we hope to have a good attendance.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Hon. C. C. Carlin, Jr., Editor of the Alexandria Gazette, and Mr. George T. Young, of Fredericksburg, were visitors at the Journal Office this afternoon while attending the District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, being held at Grace Church today. Elder Beery has just named Mr. Carlin District Lay Leader and Mr. Young as his Associate.

WILD LIFE ENTHUSIAST HERE

On Thursday evening of last week, Commander P. T. Wright, USN, retired, now residing in Livingstone Heights, Arlington County, was in Manassas to contact officials of the local county game club.

After consulting with Prof. R. C. Haydon and O. O. Holler, president of the club, Commander Wright left expressing delight at the results of his visit.

On April 30, a delegate from his organization at Falls Church will address the county teachers association which meets at the Occoquan High School.

CLUB CLOSES SPRING PROGRAM

Installation Dinner to be Held May 2

The Woman's Club of Manassas will bring to a close an active spring program with the holding of its second annual installation dinner at the Parish Hall of the Episcopal Church at 6:30 o'clock on the evening of Monday, May 2.

Officers elected at the last meeting of the club for the ensuing year, who will be inducted into office by the retiring president, Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, are as follows: Mrs. C. Wade-Dalton, president; Mrs. J. P. Lyon, first vice-president; Mrs. V. V. Gillum, second vice-president; Mrs. Lewis Carper, recording secretary; Mrs. William F. Coker, corresponding secretary and Mrs. John Barrett, treasurer.

The annual Easter Charity Ball, given by the club at the high school gymnasium, was reported by Mrs. C. Wade-Dalton, general chairman for the affair, as very successful. The dance was well attended, especially by the younger set of Manassas and the neighboring communities. More than fifty dollars was realized from the event for the club's Charity Fund.

Decorations for the ball, arranged by a special committee headed by Mrs. John Barrett, chairman, conformed to the spirit of the Easter season. The background for the orchestra was arranged around a huge lighted Easter bunny, surrounded by Easter flowers. Lavender lights and groupings of lilacs and wisteria added to the color of the bright Easter costumes of the young ladies.

In the receiving line were Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, club president; Mrs. C. Wade-Dalton, general chairman for the dance; and Mrs. Fred Hynson, chairman of the Music and Literature Section.

Committees have been named as follows to prepare for the Installation Dinner:

Committee on arrangements: Mrs. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, chairman, Mrs. Marie Larkin, and Mrs. R. C. Haydon, program committee: Mrs. T. J. Broadus, chairman, Mrs. C. R. C. Broadus, and Mrs. A. A. Hooff; decoration committee: The Garden Section, of which Mrs. Margaret Lewis is chairman.

CLUB CELEBRATES FOR MEMBER'S BIRTHDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Bethlehem Good Housekeepers Club was held at the home of Mrs. A. A. Hooff on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Hooff assisted her sister, Mrs. P. A. Lewis, as substitute hostess for their mother, Mrs. G. C. Round, who is sick.

This being Mrs. Round's birthday anniversary, the club members presented her with a lovely potted plant.

At the conclusion of the business session, Miss Alice Webb, H. D. Agent and guest speaker, gave a brief talk with "Spring Housecleaning" as her topic.

Other guests were Mrs. W. W. Davies, of Arlington, Va., sister of the hostesses, and Mrs. Marshall Haydon.

Dainty refreshments were served during the social hour.

KETTLE RUN SCHOOL BURNED

On Thursday, April 14, 1938, Kettle Run Public School (near Nokesville) burned.

The fire was reported by the bus driver who happened to pass the school and see the fire. But unfortunately when the earliest person arrived at the scene of the fire it was too far gone to save anything.

Members of the Bristow Community are heartily thanking the School Board for their immediate help in providing a place for their children to continue their school work for the rest of school term.

OUR NEW COUNTY OFFICERS



Judge C. Lacey Compton
Trial Justice of Prince William



Hon. Wm. Hill Brown
Commonwealth's Attorney of
Prince William

KIWANIS GIVEN UNIQUE DISCUSSION

A planned county of the future, with a glimpse into possible residential and manufacturing developments was the theme of an interesting discourse given to the Kiwanis Club last Friday evening by Wheatley M. Johnson, member of the county Board of Supervisors from Manassas District. Judge Johnson showed by means of maps just what were some of the things that might be looked forward to from information now in hand. He termed his illustrations "classification" maps. In reality they are excellent specimens of rural zoning surveys.

The data was plotted partially by direct information of the local residents and partially from advice given by soil experts.

The program introduced by Walter Sadd was so far out of the usual that it was given extra close attention by the members of the club.

Welcome was given to Charley Alpaugh who is now back in the fold. A special trip over the burning sands was given to Alan MacKenzie (plus pipe) by Col. Bob Hutchison, former lieutenant governor of the Capital District.

"Family Night" was announced for the coming Friday (tomorrow night).

MUSIC-LITERATURE SECTION

The Music-Literature Section of The Woman's Club will meet Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Fred R. Hynson with Mrs. Margaret Lewis and Mrs. Aylene Guthrie as hostesses.

Thomas Lomax Hunter, Columnist, will be the speaker and an interesting program of folk dancing and Glee Club Singing direction of Miss Ayres.

FIRE WARDEN ISSUES WARNING

As the Chief Forest Warden of Prince William county, I wish to take this opportunity to make a personal plea to every resident of the county to be careful with fire in or near woodland at all times, but especially do I wish to appeal at this season of the year—the Spring. So many farmers are clearing grounds for agricultural purposes and this necessitates the piling and burning of brush. However, the following are a few simple rules when burning brush—rules which no one should find difficult to follow—will save thousands of acres of woodland from destruction by forest fire and the productive future of woodworking industries in Prince William county will be greatly enhanced. Forestry Publication No. 44, by F. C. Pederson, State Forester, lists "Suggestions for Brush Burning and Clearing Fields," as follows:

1. When We Should Not Burn.
 1. Between March 1 and May 15; Between October 1 and December 15.
 2. On a clear day any time in the year when the forest floor is dry.
 3. In dry or windy weather.
 4. During the morning or before 3 o'clock in the afternoon.
2. How to Burn.
 1. Arrange brush in small piles, burning one pile and feeding on it the brush from other piles nearby, which operation will result in the least number of piles of embers.
 2. Make a wide path or fire line, free from grass, logs, leaves, or sticks, entirely around the area to be burned.
 3. Burn against the wind. Burn down hill.
 4. Employ sufficient help to care for

any emergency that may arise. Have sufficient tools available.

5. Never leave the fire unattended until the last spark is out—dead out.

6. Carefully inspect the burned area the next morning.

It is also the opinion of forestry officials that wild broom sedge grass should be plowed under rather than burned; if plowed under such plant material will improve the soil. And then, too, there is the prospect of responsibility for the origin of a forest fire. If you allow a brush fire to escape, you are required by law to pay all costs of extinguishing the fire, and if your brush fire escapes to the property of another the person damaged may collect through the courts an amount sufficient to cover his loss. The greatest precaution should, therefore, be exercised when any fire is used in the open.

In the event you discover a forest fire, regardless of its location in the county, it is your duty, and decidedly to your interest, to notify a forest warden of its existence and when notifying the forest warden give the exact location and the quickest accessible route to be followed in reaching the scene of the fire. The people of Prince William County have the added advantage of a forest fire lookout tower, located near Canova.

Other wardens and the communities they serve:

Names of Forest Fire Wardens of Prince William County, J. M. Russell, Chief Forest Warden, Canova; Arthur David Arrington, David, Va.; E. E. Cornwell, Canova, Va.; E. C. DeWitt, Holmes Corner; C. P. Ennis, Orlando; W. H. Elliott, Orlando (Lookout Watchman); W. H. Herring,

SPECIAL DISPLAY AT LIBRARY NEXT WEEK

An interesting display of books and illustrative materials relating to Shakespeare will be on exhibition at the Ruffner-Carnegie Library all next week beginning with April 23, the Shakespearean anniversary. A finely illustrated volume on the Folger Shakespearean Library and its treasures, the gift of Dr. James McManaway, Research Director of the Library, will be among the exhibits.

DEBATE ARRANGED AT BRENTSVILLE

Prominent Local Speakers To Entertain on April 29

The public debate which will be held in the historic old Brentsville Court House on Friday evening, April 29, under auspices of the Brentsville Community League, is arousing much interest, not only on account of the issues involved in the subject of the debate, but because of the increasing determination among the speakers chosen to win their respective side of the argument.

The question is "Resolved that a strong army, navy and air force is America's best security for peace." Debating on the affirmative side of this interesting and nationally important question are Mr. Jenkyn Davies, and Judge C. Lacey Compton, both being prominent members of the Prince William Bar and gifted speakers.

On the negative side of the question will be Rev. John DeChant, pastor of the Manassas Presbyterian Church and a forceful speaker, and Mr. William Harrison Lamb, one of the editors of the Manassas Journal.

Judges for the occasion will be Professor R. C. Haydon, Superintendent of Schools of Prince William County; Prof. Frank G. Sigman, of the Occoquan High School, and Mr. F. H. May, of Brentsville.

The debate promises to be one of the most interesting of the various entertainments put on by the progressive Brentsville Community League, and will no doubt be attended by an audience representing all sections of the county.

TELEPHONE COMPANIES TO CONSOLIDATE

A group of independent telephone companies, operating in Prince William and adjoining counties have completed plans for consolidation, and have made application to the State Corporation Commission for the necessary charter.

A meeting of switchboard committees was held in Haymarket Wednesday to complete arrangements. The new name of the company, if not already preempted in some other section of the State will be the Tri-County Telephone Company.

Companies coming under one organization include The Prince William-Loudoun Telephone and Telephone Company, The Bull Run Telephone Company, The Farmer's Mutual Telephone Company, and the Nokesville-Greenwich-Buckland Telephone Company.

It is stated that the C. and P. Telephone Company of Virginia has given much helpful cooperation and technical advice in the effort to effect this consolidation.

RED CROSS SPONSORS HYGIENE COURSE

The Prince William County Chapter of the American Red Cross is sponsoring a class in Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick for the women of Brentsville community.

Miss M. Sabina Neel, Public Health Nurse of the County Health Unit, who is to teach the class, will be at the Court House in Brentsville at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, April 22 to organize the class. All women in the neighborhood who are interested are urged to attend this meeting. This class is helpful to all mothers, housekeepers, and high school students, and is especially helpful to mothers of young children.

King's Cross Roads; Van Rhine Herndon, Fayman; William Francis Keys, Joplin; William Lambert, Thoroughfare; D. W. Posey, Hoadly; Elmer Payne, David Ford Bridge; J. T. L. Rollins, Wellington; Burgess D. Sullivan, Round Top and James Watson, Haymarket. J. M. RUSSELL, Chief Warden, Prince William County.

CARPENTERS ARE OUT OF WORK

Local Office Seeks Employment for Jobless

The local office of the Virginia State Employment Service which serves the people of Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William Counties and the City of Alexandria, announces that, according to a recent survey, there are 66 carpenters and helpers actively registered for this type of work. Besides those there are 101 applications of carpenters who are classified as inactive—that is, who have not been to the office within the past thirty days.

Of the 66 who are classified as active, 28 are journeymen carpenters, 11 are qualified to do finished work, 8 are form carpenters, 11 are rough carpenters, 2 are shop carpenters and 11 are carpenter's helpers. Carpenters are divided into ten major classifications by the Employment Service. When these are sub-divided into Journeymen carpenters apprentices helpers it means that there are as many as 30 classifications of this occupation.

A further study of the active file of carpenters shows that these 66 applicants vary from 18 to 60 years in age. The greatest percentage of these are between 30 and 50 old when such skilled workers are in their prime. The years spent in this trade run from 2 to 50 years, with the average between 10 and 20 years. 28 of those can read blueprints, 29 had estimating experience, 40 own their tools, 3 can read micrometers and 3 can make sketches. A survey of their former employers shows a wide and varied experience in the carpentry trade.

An applicant must report to the Employment Office once every 30 days in order to be kept in the Active file. Active registrants are always given first consideration if they are qualified to do the work. After one month registration cards are placed in the Inactive file and are kept there for a period of one year. All applicants are urged to keep the Employment office informed concerning changes in address and telephone number, and report by telephone, mail or in person if they secure jobs thru their own efforts.

Since January 1, 1938, 734 people have been placed in jobs for which they were fitted, 578 in private positions and 204 in public work. Representatives from the local office make regular trips to Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William counties to register applicants. They are carefully classified occupationally and a list of qualified workers is always held in readiness so that as many as are desired may be referred to employers.

DANIEL BOWEN FLORENCE

Daniel Bowen Florence died on Monday, April 18, 1938, at his home in Washington, D. C. Mr. Florence was the son of the late Benjamin and Alice Lynn Florence, who were old residents of Dumfries. He was born 53 years ago and spent his boyhood in Virginia, later going to Washington where he entered business.

He is survived by one son, Milburn Florence; two sisters, Mrs. Joseph A. Herbert, Sr., and Miss Nannie Florence, all of Washington, and three brothers, Mr. Joseph Florence, of Dumfries, and Messrs. Fred and Meredith Florence, of Alexandria. He is also survived by a large circle of friends.

Funeral services were held at a funeral home in Washington on Wednesday, April 20, at 1:00 p.m. Services and interment took place at Dumfries, Va., at 2:30 p.m. on the same day.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES ENJOY DANCE

The following members of Local No. 320 National Federation of Federal Employees attended the State Convention in Alexandria, April 16, at the George Mason Hotel: Mr. McGruder Keys, president, Local No. 320, Mr. O. L. Mitchell, vice-president, and Mr. William Brawner, delegate.

The meeting convened in the "Virginia" Room, which was followed by a Dinner Dance in the Lec Room. The principal speakers were: Senator McCarran, Mr. Stewart, president N. F. F. G., Miss McNally, sec. N. F. F. G., and Mr. Huff, who has charge of all District Penal Institutions.

The local members reported a delightful trip.