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PAPER SHOWS LEE'S TOLERANCE

U.D.C. Meeting Also Features Eulogy to Lanier

The Chapter met at the home of Mrs. Margaret Lewis on April 5th, Miss Katie Lewis and Mrs. Robert Smith, assisting hostesses. Beautiful bouquets of Spring flower were everywhere in evidence. Mrs. T. J. Ashford presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. R. L. Byrd.

Mrs. W. A. Newman, historian, read an article entitled "Lee's Tolerance," taken from Gen. Long's "Memoirs of Robert E. Lee," and a letter from a Richmond paper of 1890, written by Gen. Lee in 1862, to Hon. Geo. W. Randolph, Secretary of War, in regard to the sword and horse of major Gen. Phil Kearney, which were captured at the time he was killed near Chantilly.

Mrs. Kearney had applied to Gen. Lee for them, and he wished to accede to her request if it would not be considered improper by the Department.

An article was read from the U.D.C. Bulletin stating the U.D.C. was to be featured on the program of the Golden Gate International Exposition on May 9th, the opening day of the Exposition.

Mrs. Newman exhibited a large centerpiece knit during the war by Miss Susan Monroe. Mrs. Hutchison read a poem entitled "To Sidney Lanier," written by Tommy Athey, grandson of Mr. W. S. Athey, and great grandson of Winfield Scott Athey, Sr., of Co. A. 7th Virginia Cavalry.

"To Sidney Lanier:
Lanier, thou lover of the South,
Immortalized by tongue and pen,
To thee this world of ours owes much,
Thy praise is sung by many more.

Thy life on earth was very sad,
Thou had so much ill health and strife;
Death claimed thee at an early age
Deprived the world of one great life.

We of this time and times to come
Sincerely thank thee, dear Lanier,
For giving us more worth while things,
Thy noble works—thy poems, dear."

Mrs. Kitty Baker announced the Virginia University Glee Club Concert to be held in the High School auditorium on April 25 and asked the chapter to avail themselves of this opportunity. An invitation to the chapter was read from C. E. Kilbourne, Supt. of Virginia Military Institute, to attend the Centennial on May 15, and also the 75th anniversary of the Battle of New Market. The social hour followed the business session, in which the hostess served delicious refreshments, assisted by Mrs. Lillian Hynson.

WATERFALL

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnes and "Judy" and Messrs. Robert and Hermon Smith, of Washington, and Miss Audrey Nalls, of Alex., were guests at "Hagley" over the week-end.

Miss Grace McDonough and Messrs. Milton Trumble and Irvin Gosson, of Washington, visited Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gosson on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Jenkins, Mrs. Joe Heflin and the Misses Alvira and Lillian Leonard visited their brother, Robert, in Washington on Sunday.

Mrs. Everett Thompson, of Chester, Pa., visited her mother, Mrs. Will Downs, for Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville Thomas and Howard, Jr., of Ballston, were guests of Mrs. Howard Bell over the week-end. Mrs. Thomas is recuperating from a severe colic operation.

Master's Billy Thomas, Gibson Gay and Warren Paul, of Washington, are spending the Easter recess at "Oak Shade."

Miss Anne Shirley, of Panama, who is attending at Farmville, spent the week-end with Miss Roberta Payne. Mr. G. A. Gosson has been very much complaining this week.

Mrs. R. B. Gosson, Miss Margaret Shirley, Mrs. R. E. Smith, Mrs. Alice Wright and Mrs. Stuart Pickett attended the first U.D.C. meeting of the year, on Thursday, April 6th, at the Memorial Hall at Hickory Grove.

Miss Flora Smith and Messrs. R. B. and Preston Smith attended the funeral services for Mrs. Ned Yeatman at Arlington cemetery on Thursday of last week.

Famous Washington Choir here Sunday night—See page 7 for details.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS PLAN TACKY PARTY

Mrs. Frances Davies, chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the Young Democratic Club of Prince William County has announced that her committee is planning a Tacky Party to be held in the Manassas Gymnasium on the night of Wednesday, April 26th. Because the Young Democrats wish to interest the older people of the community in their club, they have engaged a string orchestra and the main feature of the evening will be square dancing. However, round dance music will be provided later in the evening for the further entertainment of the younger members. Refreshments will be served also.

MONROE SCION CLUB SPEAKER

Lawrence Hoes Tells of Events in Ancestor's Life

The Woman's Club held its regular meeting in the Recreation Room of the Masonic Temple on Wednesday, April 12. Mr. Lawrence G. Hoes, the great-great-grandson of President James Monroe, spoke interestingly of the life of Monroe, told that he was three times Governor of Virginia and served as United States Senator from Virginia from 1788 until he was appointed Minister to France in 1783. He succeeded his friend James Madison as President of the United States and throughout his term of office, he frequently consulted both Mr. Madison and Mr. Jefferson, both of whom agreed with his policy when he was agitated about taking the stand which is now called the "Monroe Doctrine." This was incorporated in a few sentences in an address to Congress which he delivered on December 2, 1823. This has since proved a bulwark not only to our United States but to this entire hemisphere in keeping us from being embroiled in European affairs and in keeping European nations from trespassing on the liberty of our hemisphere. His talk was most apropos, fitting in as it does with these troublous times, as we feel today that the Monroe Doctrine is our first line of defense against rampant Europe today. All members are anticipating reading "The Tree of Liberty" by Elizabeth Page, an historical novel which deals with events along these same lines which book the Woman's Club has recently presented to the library.

Mrs. W. L. Lloyd reported that the Charity Ball was a great success socially as onlookers as well as the dancers particularly enjoyed the orchestra, altho it was not as well attended as we had hoped which realized only a small sum for the charity work of the club.

An interesting speaker has been secured for the Installation Dinner to be held in the Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m. May 2. Every member is expected to attend and bring one guest. Tickets may be secured from Mrs. Tom Howard. Please get your ticket early.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, Mrs. Cyril Wade-Dalton; 1st vice-president, Mrs. J. P. Lyon; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. V. V. Gillum; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. F. Coker; recording secretary, Mrs. Lewis Carper; treasurer, Mrs. Harold McCall.

Delegate to the State Federation Convention, April 18, 19 and 20 to be held in Richmond Mrs. Cyril Wade-Dalton with Mrs. J. P. Lyon alternate.

MANASSAS ALUMNI TO MEET

There will be a meeting of the Manassas High School Alumni Association in the High School Auditorium on Monday evening, April 17, at 7:30 p.m. It is urgent that all Alumni attend this meeting, in order to make plans for the annual banquet. This will be annual business meeting of the Association.

P-T. A. MEETINGS NEXT WEEK

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Manassas Schools will be held at the Bennett School Thursday, April 20th, at 8:00 p.m.

The Executive Board of the P-T. A. will meet in Mr. Peters' office Tuesday afternoon, April 18th, at 2:15.

All members of the Prince William County Chapter of the American Red Cross are urged to attend the annual meeting and election of officers, which will be held at the home of Mrs. E. H. Marsteller tomorrow, April 14, at 2:30 p.m.

HISTORIC CUSTOM IS REVIVED

Auction and Trading Day at Bull Run Trading Post

Reviving an historic custom of days before the Revolution, a combination Auction and Trading Day will be held at Bull Run Trading Post on the Lee Highway on Saturday, April 15th.

Mr. J. T. Richards, who has also opened the National Battlefield Museum for its second season, is carrying out the traditions of colonial days in reestablishing this ancient and popular custom.

Under the plan, anyone may bring livestock, farm implements, household articles, antique furniture, etc., and trade with neighbors, or have the items put up for sale at auction.

Trading will begin at 9:00 a.m., and continue until noon, and promptly at 1:00 p.m. the auction will start. The items advertised elsewhere in this issue of the Journal will be offered together with whatever is brought that day to be sold.

These trading days were important economic and social gatherings in the old days and revival of the custom undoubtedly will prove very popular.

STUDENT GROUP TO CONVENE HERE

President Parrish Announces That Plans Are About Complete

On Friday and Saturday, April twenty-first and twenty-second, the fifth annual convention of the Virginia State Student Government Association will be held in Manassas.

The Osborn High School expects to entertain about one hundred and fifty students and faculty advisers from various schools throughout the state, and every effort is being made to make their visit a memorable one.

Plans for the program are being rapidly completed under the skillful leadership of the president of the association, Mr. Harry J. Parrish. The theme of the meeting will be Training in Civic Responsibility Through Experience.

The meeting will begin on Friday with a general session and discussion groups on pertinent problems. On Saturday morning Dr. Warren D. Bowman, of Washington, D. C., will address the convention. Other interesting activities are being planned for the afternoon and the evening. The annual banquet and the dance on Saturday evening will conclude the program.

HOLD FIRST MEETING IN NEW HALL

Manassas Lodge No. 252, I.O.O.F. (formerly Independent Hill) held its first meeting in its new hall at the corner of Centre and Zebedee streets on Monday night of this week, Noble Grand W. G. Whitmore, presiding.

The Lodge, has been gaining in membership under the splendid leadership of the local and district officers and is now looked on as one of the most progressive fraternal groups in Virginia.

Their new home was at one time the old Methodist church building but was taken over last year and thoroughly renovated to make its appearance a credit to the main business thoroughfare of the town.

CLUB CONCERT PLANS COMPLETE

Woman's Club Sponsors Local Appearance

Plans are nearing completion for the concert of the University of Virginia Glee Club to be held on Tuesday evening, April 25, at 8 o'clock, in the Manassas High School auditorium and sponsored by the Music-Literature Section of the Manassas Woman's Club.

With four concerts behind them, the Virginians are well on their way to one of the most successful seasons of its fifty-two year history. Previous concerts in Washington, Waynesboro and Charlottesville have proved them to be an exceptionally well-trained group of singers, thoroughly capable of handling such powerful selections as the Russian anthem "Hospodi Pomiloj," as well as songs of a more delicate structure such as the lovely Brahms' "Lullaby" and Dvorak's "Songs My Mother Taught Me."

The program will be well balanced, ranging from old French carols to several traditional sea chanteys arranged by Marshall Bartholomew. The concert will end with Grieg's "Landsighting," which the club sang with the Virginia Symphony Orchestra earlier this season.

Featured with the Glee Club will be the Tin Can Quartet, who will contribute several groups of favorite songs from the Gay Nineties. Theirs is a fortunate blending of voices that has made their close harmonies and "barbershop" chords a hit at each of their previous appearances.

Charles Rawolle and Gerald Lowrey, two talented young pianists will also appear on the program, rendering several well-known selections from Liszt, Bach and Debussy.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION TO GATHER IN FALLS CHURCH

The Student Cooperative Association of Northern Virginia will hold its annual convention Thursday next at the Madison school in Falls Church. This year's officers are: president, Carroll Norfolk, of Fairfax; vice-president, Roscoe Harris, of Warrenton; secretary, Helen Duckson, of Washington-Lee (Ballston).

Professor J. H. Rice, of Herndon High, has the program. He will offer for his leading speaker, Miss Frieda Koontz, the well-known and much beloved secretary of the state organization, who has worked with the youngsters since the days when school leagues first began to be formed.

High School groups participating in the morning session are Warrenton, Occoquan, Calverton and Lee Jackson. In the afternoon, Fairfax and Leesburg will offer features.

Rev. Edward Wilcox, of Falls Church, will offer the invocation and benediction.

ATTEND NIECE'S WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Hunton Tiffany have returned from Pittsburg, Pa., where they attended the wedding of Mrs. Tiffany's niece, Stuart Shackelford Hart, to Mr. Timothy Warrington Merrill, of Sewickley, Pa., on Saturday. The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Mr. Tiffany. The wedding was solemnized in the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg.

WOOD—FLORANCE

Miss Irene Florance, daughter of Mr. Robert H. Florance, of Gainesville, became the bride of Vernon H. Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wood, of Nokesville, at the Methodist Parsonage in Nokesville on Sunday, April 9. The Rev. Charles Clarkson performed the ceremony.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Wood left for a motor trip through the Southern States.

KIWANIS ENJOYS FARMERS NIGHTS

Mr. Florance Discourses on History of Soil Conservation Program

Farmer's Night at the Kiwanis Club last Friday evening proved one of fine good fellowship and incidentally quite instructive.

Mr. P. A. Lewis, who had charge of the program introduced Mr. Henry Florance, who has charge of the soil conservation work and Mrs. Frances Saunders, office assistant.

Mr. Florance gave a clear picture as to the history and operation of the program when it originated in the old wheat program and advanced through the Triple A. He demonstrated the theory of soil practices and how benefits are secured thru voluntary co-operation.

The speaker declared that already in 1939 \$25,000 had been paid to the farmers of Prince William and that about twenty thousand more is expected during 1939. He was asked a number of questions after which Mrs. Saunders gave some statistics beginning in the wheat program when some eleven thousand dollars was paid out for cooperation with the Federal Government.

Mrs. Saunders stated that during the life of the program and up to the end of this year some \$180,000 would have been totaled in this county, with more than half of the farmers taking part in the program. According to her figures Prince William has a very high rank among Virginia counties with reference to the soil conservation program.

Guests present included the following: J. Royal House, W. T. Thomason, E. P. Hurst, A. O. Mauck, T. R. Hurst, W. M. Johnson, Wilmer M. Kline, N. J. Wilson, N. A. Wheeler, W. L. Coverston, J. E. Barrett, G. O. Woods, Fred C. Carter, O. Wells, H. A. Florance, Frances B. Saunders, Wm. Wheeler, C. E. Best and Charles W. Lewis.

On Tuesday evening, the following journeyed to Fredericksburg and enjoyed the hospitality of the Kiwanis club there: Ernest Trusler, Chas. Lynn, Hunton Tiffany and Odie Waters and E. R. Conner.

Tomorrow evening, the club will go to Sudley where the ladies of the church are serving a supper to the community.

FIELD TRIALS AT BULL RUN

The Bull Run Field Trials held on the Eagle Farm last Wednesday were quite a success, viewed from every angle, and reflected much credit upon the organization, particularly its efficient and energetic Secretary, Mr. O. J. Trenis.

The course was laid out in an especially effective manner; the first course being open and less difficult, giving the dogs an opportunity to work off their initial excitement and settle down to serious work, which was amply provided in the more thickly wooded area and finally into the bird field, which was well covered with vegetation. Seventy quail were liberated which, together with some native coveys, made it possible to locate birds in every heat and as many as six points were scored in a single running.

"Sport," a beautiful 3-year pointer, owned by Mr. Hubert Phipps, of Rectortown, won the all-age shooting sweepstake, with "Harts Spot," a setter owned by Mr. Symanaskie as second. Twenty-one dogs were entered. Judges for the event were Mr. Jack McCarty, of Marshall and William Wells, of Arlington.

SHOWER FOR MRS. SECORD

About one hundred relatives and friends attended the miscellaneous shower given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Milford Secord at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. J. M. Kline on Saturday evening, April 8.

The large dining room table was laden with many lovely and useful gifts, which was an indication of the love and esteem this young couple holds in the hearts of their many friends and relatives.

After opening of the gifts was completed, delicious refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Secord returned to Carmel, New York, on Sunday where they plan to make their future home.

FRIENDSHIP CLASS TO MEET

The Friendship Class will meet with Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Graham, Tuesday, April 18, at 7:45.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Leon R. Waters and daughter, Patricia, of Culpeper, Va., were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Ratcliffe.

Lt. and Mrs. O. D. Waters, of Annapolis, Md., were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Waters, for the Easter holidays.

Messrs. Ernest and James Kelly, of Philadelphia, and Howard Kelly, of Washington, were Easter guests of Mrs. B. F. Adams.

Mrs. M. Bruce Whitmore spent Tuesday in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lonas had as their guests during the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Burrus and daughters, Peggy and Patsy, and Miss Frances Ross, all of Washington, D. C.

Dr. and Mrs. James Wissler and daughter, Anne, spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Wissler.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Rader and son, William, of Bristol, Va., and Mrs. F. M. Tompkins and son, Gary, of Duffield, Va., visited Mrs. J. C. Parrish during the Easter holidays.

Mrs. Lee Wilson and son, Bobby, of Baldwin, Long Island, are guests of Mrs. Marion Lewis.

Misses Rose Ratcliffe, Ethel Cadmus and Margaret Turner will spend this week-end in Portsmouth, Va.

Little Miss Jacqueline Henderson, of Washington, D. C., will visit Miss Kitty Jean Blakemore this week-end.

Miss Harriet Kinney and Mr. Rudolph Whitmore, of Washington, D. C., were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bruce Whitmore, last week-end.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. O. D. Waters is improving, although she is still confined to her room.

Misses Jane Lynn and Elizabeth Davies returned to Madison College yesterday afternoon, accompanied by Miss Nancy Lynn and Mary Jane Morris and Mr. C. C. Lynn, Jr.

Mrs. Will Leachman entertained at a Bridge Luncheon on Tuesday in honor of her mother, Mrs. W. I. Lukes, of Philadelphia, Miss. Guests from Manassas were Mrs. J. E. Bradford, Sr., Mrs. Margaret Lewis, Mrs. G. R. Ratcliffe, Mrs. E. H. Merchant and Mrs. Lillian Hynson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker and son, David, of Arlington, Va., were guests of Mrs. Asa Jenkins and Betty Lee on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Payne, of Washington, D. C., Mrs. George Maddox, of Takoma Park, Md., and Mrs. Annie Rector, of Upperville, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Byrd.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Paul Cooksey is feeling better and hope she will soon be out again.

Misses Nancy and Bettie Parrish spent Sunday night in Arlington, Va., with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Parrish, and attended the egg rolling at the White House on Monday.

Mrs. R. B. Larkin has as her guests for Easter, her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George C. Dessler, of New York City. Mr. Dessler returned to New York Sunday but Mrs. Dessler is remaining with her mother for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bradford, Jr., had as guests for the past week-end, Mrs. John Shields, of Petoskey, Mich., Miss Mary Hood, of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. George W. Lankford and Miss Marjorie Lankford, of Princess Anne, Md., and Mr. M. S. Lankford, Jr., of New York City.

Mrs. A. S. Gibson is attending the meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Virginia in Richmond.

Miss Jeanette Blake, of Arlington, Va., spent the week-end here as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. T. W. Howard.

Miss Anna Stump and Mrs. W. H. Demaine, of Alexandria, were guests of Mr. C. F. M. Lewis at Rosemont for the week-end.

Capt. Benjamin Trefry and Mrs. Trefry, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lyon at the Stone House Inn for several months, left Tuesday for their home in Hantsport, Nova Scotia.

Mrs. James Dunnington and Mr. James Dunnington, Jr., of Richmond, visited Mrs. Eula Holt Merchant during Easter.

Miss Lucy Arrington will entertain at a bridge tea Saturday in honor of Miss Ann Bradford whose wedding to Mr. Arthur Williams Sinclair will take place April 29th.

Miss Anne McGinness, of Hilton Village, Virginia, was the week-end guest of Miss Shirley Hynson and Miss Julia Ann Beane. Miss Hynson and Miss Beane entertained on Saturday evening with a roller skating party in the Coliseum in Washington after which the party adjourned to the home of Katherine Birkett in Fairfax where delicious refreshments were served.

Mr. James Knox will spend this week-end with friends in Richmond, Va.

Miss Anne Davies, of Arlington, Va., was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. E. H. Hibbs, for the Easter holidays.

Messrs. Sammy Hottle and Marshall Johnson returned to Washington and Lee University on Sunday, after spending their spring vacations at their homes here.

Mrs. J. B. T. Thornton, who has been sick all winter, is slowly improving.

Little Miss Chalce Haydon is out again after having mumps.

Mr. C. E. Kline, agriculture instructor of Cobb's Creek, Virginia, and Miss Alma Hughes were week-end guests of Mr. Kline's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kline, of Manassas.

Miss Evelyn Ballentine, a teacher in Southern Seminary, returned to Buena Vista this week after a week visiting with her parents at the Lutheran Parsonage in Manassas.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Bradshaw and son, Richard Kenrick, of Rockville, Md., spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Lannahan spent the Easter holidays with relatives in Maryland.

Mr. C. Lacey Compton has been appointed Conciliation Commissioner for Prince William County by the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia.

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