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POLL TAX NO BAN TO LICENSES

Test Case Won by Richmond Attorney

The Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia this week has ruled against the Commonwealth of Virginia in its contention that the poll tax must be paid before other licenses can be secured.

The opinion was handed down by Justice C. Vernon Spratley and concurred in by the remainder of the State Supreme Court. The ruling ends the efforts of Comptroller LeRoy Hodges to force payment of poll taxes as a prerequisite for the issuance of automobile and other licenses, and will unquestionably result in the loss of considerable revenue to the Commonwealth.

Attorney General A. P. Staples had already issued the opinion that enforced collection of the poll tax was unconstitutional, but the court ruling has been obtained to make the decision final. No appeal may be taken to the United States Supreme Court on this purely State question.

In the opinion of the Court the "imposition of a poll tax was not intended primarily for the production of revenue, but to limit the right of suffrage to those who took sufficient interest in the affairs of the State to qualify themselves to vote."

The ruling was granted a mandamus to T. O. Campbell, a Richmond Attorney, who had been refused his license to practice law until he paid his poll tax.

SHOWER FOR MISS BRADFORD

Miss Virginia Frazier entertained with a bridge shower for Miss Ann Bradford at the residence of Mrs. R. E. Thornton in Fairfax on Tuesday evening. Each guest was presented with a nosegay of pansies and other spring flowers, Miss Bradford with a lovely white one.

The guest of honor won the "galloping" prize and Mrs. Paul Arrington the prize for high score.

Later in the evening the guests retired to the dining room where they were served delicious wedding cake and coffee. Mrs. Thornton was assisted in serving by Mrs. J. E. Bradford, Jr. The dining room was attractively decorated with candles, baby's breath and narcissus.

Guests were Misses Anne Bradford, Lucy Arrington, Ethel Cadmus, Margaret Turner, Rose Ratcliffe and Madeline McCoy and Mesdames J. E. Bradford, Jr., Ralph Sharrett, John Holt Merchant, Alan Mackenzie, William Hill Brown, Jr., Paul Arrington, Sedrick Saunders, Stewart McBryde, Jr., Higgs Lewis, Charles Harris, Dorothy Allen, Carl Kincheol and Jack Ratcliffe, of Manassas; Misses Coda and Esther Kincheol and Mrs. Paul Kincheol, of Fairfax, and Mrs. Robert Fox, of Alexandria.

MRS. BAKER ENTERTAINS

Mrs. Dennis Baker will entertain the officers of the Woman's Club with a buffet supper on Tuesday evening, prior to the University of Virginia Glee Club Concert, which the Music-Literature Section of the Club is sponsoring. The guests will be Mrs. W. L. Lloyd, Mrs. Lewis Carper, Mrs. C. Wade-Dalton, Mrs. John Broadus, Mrs. Fred Hynson and Miss Sue Ayres.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

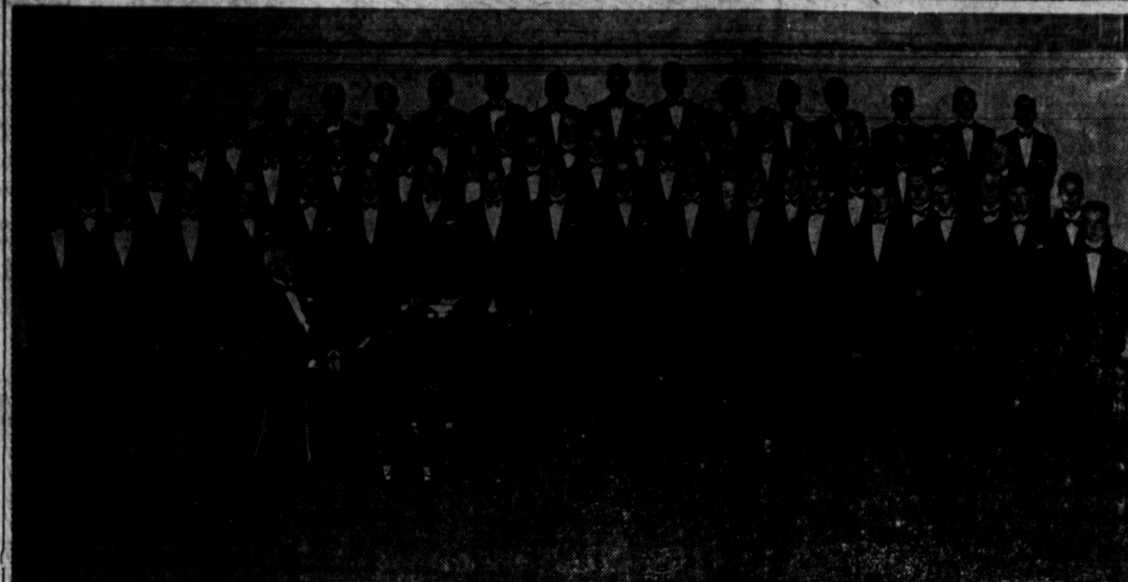
The District Sunday School Convention will be held on the 5th Sunday of April in the old Court House at Brentsville, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Several good speakers will be present and the public is cordially invited to attend.

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

A White Elephant Sale will be held in Manassas Saturday, April 29. All persons desiring to contribute to this sale for the benefit of temperance will please send their White Elephants to Mr. M. J. Hottle's Monument Shop or notify Mrs. Hottle or Mrs. C. H. Seelye and the White Elephant truck will be sent for articles. Notice of place will be named next week.

W.C.T.U. MEETING

The W.C.T.U. meets at the home of Mrs. Frank Gue on Wednesday, April 26th, at 2:30 p.m.



The University of Virginia Glee Club will be presented by the Music-Literature Section of the Manassas Woman's Club in a concert for the entertainment and enjoyment of the people of Manassas and vicinity on Tuesday evening, April 25, at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

SQUARE DANCING FEATURES PARTY

Young Democrats to Make Merry at Social Gathering

Square dancing will be the feature of the evening at the Tacky Party which the Young Democratic Club of Prince William County is giving Wednesday night, April 26th. A string orchestra has been engaged to play for the party, as an inducement for the older members of the club to enjoy one of the many entertainments which have heretofore been attended mainly by the younger members. The party will be held from 8 till 1:30 o'clock, and round dance music will be furnished later in the evening for the younger folks. Refreshments will be served and there will be a charge. Appropriate costume to fit the occasion is requested but not compulsory.

Young Democrats throughout the county and the public at large are invited to attend. A number of neighboring county Young Democrats have signified their intention of coming, especially those who attended the Barn Party last year and enjoyed its gaiety and entertainment.

Candidates - here is your chance to shake hands and get acquainted with the people you want to vote for you. Voters - here is your chance to come face to face with your would-be representatives and take stock of the men who are soliciting your votes. Last year the Young Democrats numbered 600 members in this county and almost 300 have already joined this year. So let the Tacky Party Wednesday night be the stamping ground for candidates and voters both to enjoy themselves and get better acquainted.

MARRIAGE RECORD

April 6: Vernon H. Wood, of Nokesville, Va., and Irene O. Florance, of Gainesville (Clarkson).

Hugh DeW. Jones, of Delta, Pa., and Leona D. Rouff, of San Antonio, Texas, (Ballentine).

Fred W. Millard and Gertrude E. McHale, both of New York City (Hixson).

April 7: Paul H. McCoy and Dorothy M. Withers, both of New York City (Baker).

Frank L. Wheaton and Hannah A. Swallow, both of New Haven, Conn., (Baker).

James F. McCool Jr., and Dorothy L. Scott, both of Philadelphia, Pa., (Baker).

April 7: Charles M. Cullen and Marguerite P. White, both of Delmar, Del., (DeChant).

Edmund Summers, of Harrisburg, Pa., and Ruth Faulkner of Athens, Va., (DeChant).

Lionel S. Burleigh, of Lausdown, Pa., and Dorothea K. Plate, of Roxboro, Pa., (DeChant).

April 8: Parvis E. Davis and Catherine L. Thorogood, both of Wash., D. C., (Newman).

Clifford I. Bonvillain, of Woodside, L. I., N. Y., and Lillian C. Herring, of Stewart Manor, N. Y., (Baker).

William Yost and Elizabeth Hunsberger, of Stowe, Pa., (Ballentine).

Gordon L. Bailey and Emma J. Poorman, both of Lebanon, Pa., (Ballentine).

Alphonsus Hamel, of Jamaica, L.I., N.Y., and Catherine Widmer, of New York City (Widmer).

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MUSEUM BILL PASSES SENATE

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Hon. W. Hill Brown, Jr.
Manassas, Va.

Glad to advise you appropriation of fifty-six thousand dollars for construction of administration museum building for Manassas, National Battlefield Park passed Senate today.

Harry F. Byrd.

JUNIOR WOMEN ELECT DELEGATE

The President Also Announces Program and Committees for Year

The regular monthly meeting of the Junior Woman's Club was held last Thursday evening, April 13th, at the home of Mrs. A. A. Hooff.

The main order of business was the election of officers for the coming year, and the following officers were elected: President: Mrs. H. Thornton Davies, Jr., Vice-President: Mrs. John Roseberry; Secretary: Miss Irma Ball; Treasurer: Miss Ellen Bisson.

Announcement was made by Mrs. R. Jackson Ratcliffe, Club President, of the convention of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs held this week in Richmond. Misses Walsler Conner, Rose Ratcliffe, Mary Currel Pattie and Morion Lynn were named delegates to the convention, and it was urged that as many others as possible attend.

Mrs. Paul Arrington gave a brief review of the latest books, both fiction and non-fiction, and her discussion was greatly enjoyed by the club members.

The hostesses, Mrs. Carl Kincheol and Mrs. Ralph Sharrett served delicious refreshments at the conclusion of the meeting.

J. FRANK BUSHONG

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon for J. Frank Bushong, of Arlington, who died very suddenly on Saturday, from the Georgetown Lutheran Church, of which he was a member. The pastor, Rev. Beattie, officiated and interment was in the National Memorial Park, Falls Church.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Emma Borden Bushong, and two daughters, both of Washington, D. C.; also one brother, J. L. Bushong, of this town.

Mr. Bushong was well known in this community where he had many friends. He also visited here weekly as a salesman for Kingan and Company.

CLUB TO ELECT OFFICERS

The Manassas Garden Club will meet Tuesday, April 25, at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Marshall Haydon. Election of officers will take place at this meeting.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Thomason announce the engagement of their daughter, Claudia, to Mr. C. Lacey Compton, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Compton, of Manassas. The wedding will take place sometime in June.

MR. DAVIES NAMED CHAIRMAN FOR COUNTY

Mr. J. J. Davies has been named chairman of a committee to organize a University of Virginia Alumni Association in Northern Virginia.

A meeting will be held at Front Royal tonight, and Mr. Davies and Messrs. H. T. Davies, Sr., E. C. Haydon and Paul Arrington are among those from Manassas who are planning to attend.

Mr. Davies' capacity for organization and his success in developing work have long been recognized by his associates. The alumni have made a fortunate selection.

CLUB LADIES REPORT PROGRESS

Home Demonstration Groups Meet at Falls Church

600 women of Northern Virginia met at Falls Church April 13th for their annual Federation meeting. The theme for the program being Home Demonstration work in the past, what it is doing now and its plans for the future.

Mrs. R. N. Harris, Northern Virginia President, presided over the meeting in a most charming and gracious manner. The program opened with the singing of America and Invocation by Rev. Wilcox, of Falls Church.

Mrs. H. D. Buckman, President of Home Demonstration Council welcomed the group very graciously with Mrs. W. S. Dickinson, of Spotsylvania giving the response. After the business there was group singing led by Mrs. G. F. Worley.

Mrs. N. C. Bailey, in her report of State, Home and Roadside development reports that 65 thousand signs and bill boards have been removed from the highways. The aim of this group is to beautify rural Virginia.

Mrs. J. M. Peck, president of the Federation in her report on "Your Federation and Ours" with its 20 thousand rural members, shows how the federation reaches out to different groups and is helping develop Virginia.

"From Old to New Frontiers in Home Demonstration Work," given by Miss Maude E. Wallace, Assistant Director, traced Home Demonstration work from the days when it was a tomato club and its work up to the present and then its plans for the future.

Mrs. Egbert Thompson gave a report on the goals of the Federation and introduced the chairman from the different clubs.

Special music by the Falls Church Elementary Glee Club was enjoyed very much after which a delicious lunch was served by a local group.

Miss Grace Frysinger, Senior Home Economist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture compared the achievements of rural women of the country with those of other countries. She explained the plans of the meeting of the Associated Country Women of the World to be held in London in May and June.

A movie called "Home Demonstration Club—What It Is and What It Does" gave the meeting much prestige in realizing what is being accomplished through the Home Demonstration program.

A Capella choir rendered a few selections which were enjoyed very much by the group.

After committee reports and the Creed the moving adjourned to meet in Loudoun County next year.

MEMORIAL PARK OPENS OFFICES IN ARLINGTON

National Memorial Park on Lee Highway in Virginia, has opened commodious offices in Arlington, at 3248 Wilson Boulevard, to be close to the center of its service.

Mr. J. R. Clevlen, formerly Sales Manager of Cedar Hill Cemetery in Washington, is Executive Vice-president of National Memorial Park, bringing to this position, experience of many years and the prestige of large success. His headquarters are at the Arlington office. His home also is here in Virginia.

Mr. Clevlen accepted the invitation to membership in the Arlington Chamber of Commerce and expects to devote himself as largely as possible to its interests.

MRS. PETER POLAND

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2:00 p.m. at Sudley Church for Mrs. Peter Poland, who died on Wednesday evening.

PLAN AMBITIOUS PROGRAM IN 1939

Red Cross Reelects Present Staff of Officers

Prince William County Chapter American Red Cross held its 1939 annual meeting on April 14, in the residence of Mrs. E. H. Marsteller, Manassas, Va.

Reports of the past year's activities were presented; these showed that the Roll Call was larger than in 1938 and that encouraging amount of work had been accomplished by various committees, distributing aid, etc., throughout the county, particularly during the recent winter months.

Plans are now going forward for the Resumption of Aquatic classes which in past years have been of benefit and pleasure to the young people of this community who received lessons in swimming and life-saving. The new instructor for this summer is to be selected by the chapter's chairman, and sent to Red Cross Aquatic headquarters in Maryland where the proper training for such is given. The Kiwanis Club is to be invited to join the Red Cross Chapter in Meeting this local need.

The Chapter will establish First Aid Stations on the Richmond, Washington and Lee Highways in this county and again contribute to the Civilian Home Relief Committee for local needs. Maintain a Junior Red Cross programs in the schools; contribute to the Production Committee and start classes in Home Nursing under a Red Cross Graduate Nurse at various points in Prince William County.

Officers and members of Executive Committee who served during the past year were re-elected as follows:

Mrs. Wm. L. Lloyd, chairman; The Rev. A. S. Gibson, 1st vice-chairman; Miss Loretta McGill, 2nd vice-chairman; Mrs. E. H. Marsteller, secretary; Mr. O. D. Waters, treasurer.

Executive Committee: Mr. G. R. Ratcliffe, Mrs. E. H. Marsteller, Rev. J. R. Cooke, Mrs. O. M. Douglas, Mrs. C. R. McDonald, Mr. W. Y. Elliott, Mr. R. B. Linton, Mrs. Mamie Sisson, Mr. H. O. Russell, Mrs. E. K. Garner, Mrs. Helen Janney.

At the opening date of the National Convention of America Red Cross to be held in Washington, D. C., April 24-29, Mrs. Wm. Lloyd, Mrs. Dickens, Mrs. McGill, Mrs. E. H. Marsteller and the Rev. John DeChant will be delegates represent the Prince William county chapter.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL CHOIR

Under the leadership of Miss Jessie Masters, with H. Jerome Graham at the console of the organ presented a program of music unexcelled in the minds of the people that crowded the auditorium of Grace Methodist Church, last Sunday evening, at the Forum meeting. Every one of the thirty-five members of the choir was at their best and their productions were of the highest order. The soloists were unusually fine. The program from start to finish was well rendered and moved to the climax with the presentation of the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah as the concluding number. Manassas will always be ready to welcome this group of fine artists back whenever they can come. Mr. Baker and Methodist Church deserves the united thanks of our community for the service that is being rendered by the Sunday Evening Forum.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS ENTERTAINED BY MRS. PARRISH

The Jelly Club workers met at the home of Mrs. Parrish on Thursday, 13th. Although only a small group were present, as previous engagements occupied a majority of the members. A great deal was accomplished as the only officers present was June Williams. She took charge of the business meeting. A get-well card was sent to Miss Lutes, prominent member of Osbourn faculty and Philip Vance, primary member of the church. After the business meeting the group engaged to Bible Lotto. This was followed up by appetizing punch and caps. Everyone reported a Jolly time and departed.

—June Williams, Reporter.

TRINITY GUILD RUMMAGE SALE

Trinity Guild will have a Rummage Sale at the Parish Hall on Saturday, May 6th.