



## CHURCH GROUP AT WARRENTON

"Christ Preeminent" Was Convention Theme

The Eighty-fourth session of the Potomac Baptist Association met in Warrenton, Fauquier County, on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. They assembled in the Warrenton Baptist Church having a large assembly both days and for the night session as well.

The general theme throughout the meeting was Christ Preeminent. Christ Preeminent in the church, in atonement, in suffering, in all our living. The program on Wednesday morning included the devotion conducted by Rev. E. H. Puryear, a report by Rev. H. A. Sodergren, Mrs. J. M. Rideout, a talk by Dr. R. E. Alley of Richmond. It carried also a splendid address by Rev. C. W. McElroy during which time he gave a very interesting report from the Baptist World Alliance which met in Atlanta, Ga. A very interesting program was put on by a number of children from the Baptist Orphanage of great ability, and careful training, thus reminding us of the good work, and necessity of our Orphanage. Mr. T. F. Reece spoke in behalf of the Baptist hospital at Lynchburg, Va.

Wednesday evening a program was put on for the young people by the Baptist Training Union. This program included good addresses and special music. Rev. C. H. McNeil of Remington and his choir of young people made a wonderful impression with their ability to sing.

Thursday was also a day of splendid devotions conducted by Rev. Puryear, and address by Rev. Ryland Dodge of Alexandria, on Sunday School Work, a report on Southwest work by Dr. J. W. Beagle.

An address on Temperance and Social Service was made by Dr. J. T. Edwards of the Culpeper Baptist Church. Dr. Edwards stated that Virginia spends about nine million dollars a year upon schools, colleges, and for public health and welfare, while at the same time she spends three times as much, or about twenty-eight million dollars in intoxicating drinks. He mentioned that we, as Israel, were headed for a promised land at one time, a land of SOBERIETY. Why did we not enter the promised land? We all know why. Because this has become a day of the bar, and bar-maids. Thus dragging the youth of the land to lower ideals. However, he said, there is always a wilderness to pass through. Every life has its wilderness, and often the desert mud makes our feet heavy, but under the Cross, and in His name we must endeavor to rise to higher plains. Dr. Edwards quoted a six-year-old boy as saying, "I do not think that man would drink if he would only stop to think."

Then came a splendid address by Rev. Perry L. Mitchell of Clarendon, on this topic, "Christ Preeminent in Evangelism." Rev. Mitchell made it clear that Christ must be Preeminent in all evangelistic ideals, in the Church and in the lives of His followers. The trouble with many churches of today is that its members are putting the church on to lower a level, dragging it down upon the same level in which they live, when the church should be superior to all other institutions, and organizations of this world. The church should be supreme. We should have the greatest respect for the church. Rev. Mitchell said if my brother were murdered, and I should treasure the knife that struck him down—WHAT WOULD YOU THINK OF ME? Then he said, "Christ died upon the Cross BECAUSE OF SIN—yet we go on in sin, and many times in sympathy with sinful living. What then—must Christ think of us?"

Rev. O. P. Lloyd was elected as Moderator of the Association, and R. A. Hutchinson as Vice-moderator. Every one apparently enjoyed this session of the Association. Delegates staying over night were entertained by the members of the Warrenton Baptist Church. The Potomac Association is comprised of a number of 64 churches.

## A JOKE FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL

Observing so many "Keep Out—J. K. Parsons" signs around Prince William County last week, a visitor remarked "This man Parsons seems to own a lot of real estate business round here!"

President of the Manassas Volunteer Fire Department



Dr. Geo. B. Cocke

## RADIO ARTIST ENTERTAINS CLUB

New Yorker Visited Kiwanians Last Friday

While the rain was pelting down on Friday evening, the Kiwanis club was hospitably entertained in the basement of Grace Methodist church, where the ladies of the congregation served a splendid chicken dinner.

The thrill of the evening was the dapper appearance of Ray Ratcliffe, who had been indisposed for the past month.

Following the repast, Father Jim Widmer introduced his brother, Michael, of New York City. "Mike" had made a rush trip down just to be with the club for the evening returning to New York immediately after the club adjourned. A radio concert singer, banjo artist, and performer for the phonograph companies of the Big Town, Mike had been on the Newark station that afternoon, grabbing his favorite banjo and jumping a fast train for Washington later.

He gave a number of songs and impersonations, both in dialect (German) and just plain English. He greatly delighted the club by playing a number of their favorite songs in which they all joined quite heartily.

Tomorrow evening the club meets back at its old quarters in the Hotel after being away for the past two weeks. The August program committee has battled fine so far but no program is announced as yet for tomorrow evening.

## W. C. T. U. MEETS WITH MRS. HOTTEL

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. M. J. Hottle. The meeting was opened by the president and Mrs. Walter Sadd read from the 130th chapter of Psalms. Nine answered to roll call.

The Manassas Union was presented with a Gold Star Certificate for having raised its full share of the Million Dollar Fund to finance the National Temperance Education program of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The Union adjourned to meet again on the last Wednesday in September at the home of Mrs. William Thomasson. This will be an important meeting as it will be the election of officers.

## ONLY ONE MILITARY ARREST

Out of the 74 criminal cases which have come before Judge Compton during the month of August, only one offender was connected with the recent military maneuvers. He was a regular Army man, charged with driving under influence of liquor, and he claimed that his new Army shoes made him stagger.

## HOOVER—MONROE

Belle Haven Baptist church was the scene of a quiet wedding on Saturday, August 19th, at 4:00 p.m., when Miss Catherine Elizabeth Monroe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Monroe became the bride of Mr. Orville Hoover of Independent Hill.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Murray Taylor, pastor of the church, in the presence of the immediate families. Mrs. Ben Hoover attended the bride while Mr. John Monroe acted as best man.

Following the ceremony, the young couple left for a trip through southern and southwestern Virginia after which time they will return and make their home in Alexandria, Virginia.

## LEST HE FORGET



## MANASSAS FIREMEN ELECTED OFFICERS

On Monday night the Manassas Volunteer Fire Department held the annual election of officers with the following results:

President, Dr. George B. Cocke; Chief, J. A. Vetter; Assistant Chief, Raymond Davis; Captain, Sedrick Saunders; 1st Lieutenant, Floyd Vetter; 2nd Lieutenant, A. MacMillan; Sec.-Treas., Warren Coleman.

It was reported at the meeting that the recent Carnival had been very successful and also the new fire-engine would be here in a few days.

## BUSTER REEVES KILLED

Buster Reeves of Bristow was struck by an automobile late Saturday evening, while walking home from Manassas in company with Russell Beach, died a few hours later in a Washington hospital without regaining consciousness.

Philip Geris, of Bristow, was held by State police, charged with leaving the scene after colliding. He was held under \$2,000 bond for the October term of court.

State officers Wood and Adams made the arrest, stating that upon finding the injured man in the roadway about a mile and a half from Manassas on Route 28, they gave chase and overtook the Geris' car which had bent fenders and was proceeding with a flat tire.

The deceased was a very large man, weighing something around 300 pounds, and of genial disposition and had many friends in the county who were grieved to learn of his untimely death.

## JOSEPH DICKERSON

Friends of Mrs. W. O. Estes, of Bristow, Va., will be sorry to hear of the death of her father, Mr. Joseph Dickerson, of Advance Mills, Albemarle County, on Monday at the age of 83. He had been a resident of Albemarle County all his life.

Mr. Dickerson is survived by his wife and three children, Mrs. W. O. Estes, of Bristow, Mrs. M. D. Lamb, of Dumbarton, Va., and Mr. Spurgeon Dickerson, of Barboursville, Va.; also one brother and a sister. He is survived by three grandchildren, Miss Marjorie Estes, and Joseph Estes of Bristow, and Harold S. Dickerson, of Richmond.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 from the residence in Advance Mills and interment was in the Wetsel burying ground near there.

## ENTERTAIN AT FAREWELL PARTY FOR MISS HOOKER

Miss Nancy Hooker, who left on the 23rd to return to her home in Chosen, Fla., was the guest of Misses Elizabeth and Frances Miller on Tuesday evening and later was entertained at a farewell surprise party at their home by the Miller girls and several Nokesville girls. The guests had a very enjoyable evening dancing and playing croquet. Later in the evening they were served delicious refreshments by the hostesses.

Those present were Misses Betty Payne, Vada Lee Stultz, Pearl Hope Shepherd and Messrs. Billie and Freddie Harpina, John Hooker, Roy Frederick, Vance Summers, Warren Hale, Marsh Callis and Junior Spitzer.

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Mayor Harry P. Davis, Manassas, Virginia

Dear sir: As the troops are about to leave your community, I wish to convey to you, the officials and the other residents of Manassas and vicinity, my appreciation of the courteous cooperation which has been extended to the Army.

It is impossible for such a large body of troops to enter an area without materially disrupting the everyday routine of its citizens; but, we have endeavored to make this condition as unobjectionable as possible.

It has been a distinct pleasure to have been here with you and I trust that this maneuver is the beginning of continued association between Manassas and the Army.

Very sincerely yours,  
J. K. PARSONS,  
Major General, U. S. Army,  
Commanding.

## P.-T. A. TO HAVE IMPORTANT MEETING, TUESDAY

The Executive Board of the Manassas P.-T.A. will hold a meeting at the High School on Tuesday, August 29, at 2:30.

Immediately following at 3:00 p.m., a regular meeting of the Association will be held. This is an important meeting, to make plans for the coming year, and a good attendance is urged.

## FORMER RESIDENT OF PRINCE WILLIAM PASSES AWAY

News has just been received of the passing of Mrs. William Layton, nee Dora Bartholomew, who moved with her parents from Buffalo, N.Y., to Gainesville in 1884 and owned and resided on the property now owned by Mrs. Kessler formerly Mrs. Thos. Meredith. She was twice married, her first husband being Charlie Sineindivier.

Most of the older people around Gainesville and Haymarket will recall Dora Bartholomew, who was quite a good singer and performer on the piano and organ. Many singing festivals and occasions were enjoyed in those days and quite a number of people in that territory would meet at Gainesville Church and entertain a packed house with good old hymns and popular music. Her older brother, Vernon Bartholomew, married Mary Galleher of Gainesville who later died and he married her sister, Ada Galleher, who is still living in N. J.

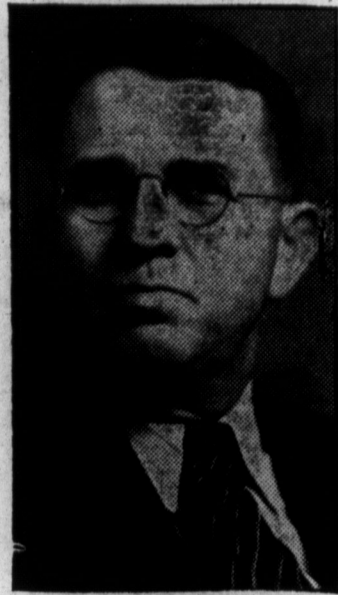
The Bartholomews moved from Gainesville to Princess Ann County about 1891 where Louie E. Bartholomew, the youngest of the family now resides. Dora Bartholomew, was stricken suddenly and died August 11 in Newark, N. J. The passing of her, I am sure, will bring back recollections of pleasant days around the old Church of Gainesville and also friends here will be saddened to know of her passing.

By A Friend.

## CHILDREN OF CONFEDERACY TO MEET NEXT WEEK

The Children of the Confederacy will meet at the home of Mrs. R. L. Byrd next Thursday, August 31, at 3:00 p.m.

Chief, Manassas Volunteer Fire Department



J. A. Vetter

## COMMUNITY CHEST FOR OUR COUNTY

Funds May Be Secured For Local Needs

(Contributed)

Practically all counties in the state and some cities are now making preparations for the Community Chest Drive. Why doesn't Prince William have a Community Chest? Is it because the members of our Welfare Board are not interested or what is the reason? We have a large number in Government Employment who give yearly to a community chest; and because we have no such organization in this county, it all goes to the District of Columbia Community Chest. If we had a Community Chest Organization in Prince William County we would get one half of this for our chest. It would amount to about FIVE or SIX Hundred Dollars a year, which would be great assistance in caring for those in need in our county. Fairfax County has a Community Chest; Arlington County has a Community Chest; Alexandria has a Community Chest. It appears that Prince William folks must be asleep at the switch in not organizing and getting our share of this money. Wake up Prince William folks and get in step with adjacent counties. All it takes is a little effort, and it costs nothing.

## MRS. DAVIS ENTERTAINS GARDEN CLUB AT LAKE JACKSON

Eleven members and two guests of the Manassas Garden Club enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Harry Davis last Tuesday afternoon at their regular meeting held at the lovely summer home of the Davis' on Lake Jackson.

In the absence of Mrs. Didlake the meeting was presided over by Mrs. E. H. Marstellar. After routine business the program brought out the importance of poetry to gardeners and members read choice bits of Garden Poetry, most of them from the pens of Virginia Women.

Mrs. Marstellar urged the members to attend the September meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. V. V. Gillum, when our vice-president, Mrs. Wm. Carpenter Jones, of Richmond, and other guests will be present.

## MISS CONNER ENTERTAINS FOR OFFICERS

Miss Elvare Conner entertained at a dinner party Thursday evening for some of the Pennsylvania officers of the 109th field artillery. The guests included Major Harry H. Carey, Capt. William H. Russell, Capt. Myron Williams, Capt. Charles Funk, Capt. Jack Hritz, Lieut. Rutter Elliott, Lieut. Charles H. Snyder, Lieut. Joseph Ralston, Lieut. Robert Hildebrand and Lieut. George Kostenbauder.

## BENEFIT SUPPER AT OCCOQUAN

A supper for the benefit of the O.W. L. Fire Department, will be held on Saturday, August 26, 1939, at the Fire Engine House, Occoquan, to raise money to purchase a new engine. Suppers of deviled crab, chicken salad, baked ham. Begins at 5:00 and lasts until all are served. Come out and help the boys that help you!

## PARKING RESTRICTIONS REMOVED

The parking restrictions which have been in effect in Manassas during the recent military maneuvers have now been removed.

## ENJOY CAMPING AT JAMESTOWN

4-H Boys and Girls Live Indian Life

Four boys with their leader, Eddie Russell, and six girls with Miss Webb, our home demonstration agent left Monday, August 12, for Jamestown 4-H camp. The boys were Roy Smith from Nokesville, Franklin Miller of Hayfield, Jimmy Gorman of Occoquan and Johnnie Russell of Occoquan. The girls were Brenda Reid of Bethel, Maxine Weber of Hayfield, Joyce Leach and Helen House of Greenwich and Lucy and Edith Johnson of Manassas.

There were about one hundred and twenty campers from many counties there. The camp was divided into four Indian tribes, the Powhatan, Apache, Mattaponi and Cherokee, to carry on the activities of the camp. For many of these activities the best tribe received a notch and the tribe with the most notches won. Joyce Leach of this county was elected scribe of the Powhatan tribe.

Classes in singing, crop judging, first aid and nature study began the morning. Each camper took two of these classes. Following this each person took a handicraft class.

There was swimming galore, three times a day if you chose. After lunch the tribes held their pow-wows to carry on the business of the camp. After the pow-wows came a game period in which you could play or watch. After supper was vespers and then the evening program. Prince William County put on the Vespers Program Tuesday night. The evening program consisted of "Star Gazing," an amateur hour put on by the tribes, a movie and an informal party followed by the candlelighting ceremony.

On Thursday afternoon nearly all the group toured Jamestown Island and Williamsburg. They saw many points of interest including the old Jamestown Church, the Capitol, the Raleigh Tavern, the City Jail, and the Governor's Palace.

The girls delegation toured Yorktown and visited Wakefield on the way home Saturday.

A wonderful time was had by all, both interesting and beneficial.

FRED A. BARNES

There passed from among us to a better world, one who was endeared by all who were fortunate enough to come in contact with him: Mr. Fred A. Barnes of Rock Ledge, Occoquan, Va., who departed this life on Saturday, August 19, 1939. Mr. Barnes was a lovely neighbor and a good citizen; one who enjoyed helping those in need, and who was always ready and willing to help the less fortunate. He leaves his wife, Emily L. Barnes, of Occoquan and two sons, Wilbur J. A. and Laurence A., of Washington, D. C., and several grand-children, and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his departure. Our sincere sympathies go to his wife and other dear ones left to mourn his passing, and we pray God to give them strength in this time of bereavement.

Mr. Barnes was a member of several fraternal and patriotic organizations; notably the Masonic Fraternity of which he was a member for over fifty years. He also was a member of the Corinthian Yacht Club of Washington, D. C., for several years, and one of his sons is now Commodore of that club. Once you met and talked with Mr. Barnes you would not help but like him. Funeral services were held at his home Rock Ledge and conducted by Rev. D. N. Calvert of Occoquan Church, and Rev. C. A. Langston of Pohick Church. Funeral arrangements were in the hands of Mr. Robert S. Hall and Son of Occoquan who are noted for the excellent manner in which they handle funerals. Burial was in Beautiful and Historic Pohick Church Cemetery. May God rest his Soul in peace, Amen.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dr. H. E. Pickeral, Veterinarian of Manassas Virginia, wishes to make the following statement due to rumors being circulated among the dairymen in this section that he is working for the District Health Department.

Dr. Pickeral states that he is not an inspector for the District Health Department, and never has been. He is still engaged in General Practice, including cattle testing for both Tuberculosis and Bang's Disease, but has no connection with the District in any manner.