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BOOK REVIEWS BY LOCAL TALENT

W. C. Wagener Offers Prize To High School Students

Beginning with the issue of November 23, The Journal will print a series of book reviews under the general heading, "I Like This Book." Excepting the issue of December 28, these reviews will appear weekly up to and including the issue of May 9, 1940.

The book reviews will be written by twenty-four students of the third and fourth year classes of The Manassas High School in competition for the W. C. Wagener Memorial Prize of \$10 worth of books and a Certificate of Achievement. Books to be reviewed will be obtainable on loan at the Ruffner-Carnegie Library.

The following students have entered this contest:

Elizabeth Miller, Lillian Hooe, June Williams, Mittie Thomas, Dorothy Wilkerson, Virginia Bradshaw, Marie Bauserman, Marvin Gillum, Shirley Davis, Richard Harris, Joe Johnson, Guy Bowers, Mildred Merchant, Cation Merchant, Lelia Montague Dowell, Louise King, Jean Coverston, Bill Uglow, William Knox, Tommy Athey, Peggy Tipton, Harry Jarmans, Richard Haydon, Jr., and Leonard Lonas.

The idea of writing book reviews also appeals to students of the first and second year classes of the local high school. Eighteen are to compete for a supplementary prize—a copy of the "Wonder Book of History, Science, Nature, Literature, Art, Religion and Philosophy," by Henry Thomas.

Contestants from the first and second year classes, whose reviews must be submitted on or before April 12, 1940 none will be printed, are as follows:

Emmitt Miller, Wallace Bolding, Betty Thomas, Gloria Herndon, Maxine Weber, Eula M. Shortt, Edward Jasper, Mary Ann Goode, John Broadus, Alvin Conner, Frances Keys, Bill Curtis, Gladys Fletcher, Helen Kane, Eleanor Wheaton, Louise Keys, Charles Wilkerson and Gordon Harris.

Clarence Wagener, who is offering these prizes in the hope the contests will stimulate both high school students and the public to make greater use of the local library, expresses pleasure at the enthusiastic reception accorded his plan.

ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE AT HAYMARKET

On Armistice Day, Saturday, November 11th, a union service will be held in St. Paul's church, Haymarket at 8 p. m.

Rev. J. F. Schwartz, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Gainesville, Va., will be the preacher.

All men and women of the community, are cordially invited to attend. As the President of the United States, is asking that the day be observed by all. It is hoped there will be a large attendance so all can join with Christians, all over the world in prayer for peace.

In addition to this service, St. Paul's church will be open all day and all women are asked to spend 15 minutes each in quiet meditation and prayer for peace.

This Quiet Day of Prayer for Peace is being observed all over the world by the members of the Women's Auxiliary to the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal church.

W. P. A. PROJECTS APPROVED

The Virginia Works Projects Administration has announced approval of seven projects involving a total outlay of 46,786. Prince William County, to construct and improve roads throughout the county receives, from the State Highway Department, \$1,260, and from W. P. A. \$5,050, making a total of \$6,310.

HONEYMOONERS RETURN TO HOME IN WASHINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Borough of Washington, D. C., (Mrs. Borough was Mabel Hedrick of Nokesville, Va.,) have just returned from a months trip across the continent. They took a northern route out, visiting the main points of interest. They visited the World's Fair in California and took a southern route home making some interesting stops, visiting Mr. Borough's grandmother in Alabama and parents in Georgia, traveling through 23 states.

The last night of their trip, they spent with their aunt, Mrs. Mollie Diehl in Nokesville, Va.

MANASSAS P. T. A. MEETINGS

There will be an executive board meeting of the P. T. A. on Tuesday, November 14, at 8:00, in Mr. Peters' office at the high school.

The regular meeting will be held in the high school auditorium on Thursday evening, November 16, at 7:30. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. As next week is book week, Miss Eugenia Osbourn has arranged a very interesting exhibit which will be on display at this meeting. An article about this exhibit will be found elsewhere in this issue.

COURSES OFFERED FOR THE ADULTS

Local High School Open To Citizens Over 16 Years Of Age

A tentative outline of the courses to be offered in Adult Education by the high schools of the county has been announced by the Prince William County School Board.

The last issue of the Journal carried a statement of Superintendent Haydon regarding the plan of the School Board to begin adult education. These courses are open to all adults over sixteen years of age and not regularly enrolled in a school. Instruction will be under the direction of the individual schools and by regular members of the high school faculty. It is hoped by the School Board that sufficient enrollment will be secured to justify the offering of all of the classes anticipated in each of the High Schools listed below.

The Manassas High School is offering the following courses: Home Making, Industrial Arts or General Shop, a General Commercial Course, Typing, and a General Education Course. Occoquan High School is offering a Commercial Course, a General Education Course, and a Home Economics Course. Brentsville District High School is offering a course in General Education, a course in Home Making and a course in Current Agriculture Problems. Haymarket High School is offering two courses, one in Home Economics and one in Agriculture.

Each of the schools is at present present contacting its patrons and attempting to get the organization of these adult classes under-way within the next week. The public is urged to express to the school of their community their interest in the program or their desire to enroll in any of the courses.

AMERICAN LEGION ARMISTICE SERVICES AT PRES. CHURCH

Following a custom established last year, the local post of the American Legion and all Veterans have been invited to attend Armistice Day services in the Manassas Presbyterian Church. The service will be held on Sunday, November 12, at 10 A. M.

Commander Parrish announced that the Veterans are to meet at the Town Hall at 9:45 A. M., and proceed to the Church from there. He urges that not only legionaries but all Veterans make an effort to attend.

Rev. John M. DeChant, pastor of the church and Chaplain of the local Post will be in charge of the service.

MR. SADD WINS SERVICE AWARDS

W. C. Sadd, Manassas, was one of the group of approximately 40 persons presented awards for ten or more years of service with Southern States Cooperative at the organization's annual meeting held at the Mosque Theatre, Richmond, Thursday, November 2.

More than 2,300 farm leaders from Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, North Carolina, and West Virginia attended the meeting.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH OF SON

Mr. and Mrs. J. Benjamin Johnson of Manassas, announce the birth of a son, David Copeland, on Friday, November 3rd, at Columbia Hospital.

TURKEY DINNER

Trinity Guild will have a Turkey Dinner in the Parish hall on Tuesday, December 5th.

SUPPER AT GREENWICH

The ladies of the Greenwich Presbyterian Church will have an Oyster and Turkey Supper in the O. F. A. Hall there next Friday, November 17th.

A TIMELY REMINDER



CHRISTMAS SEALS BRING HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

Health and happiness has been restored to one South side Virginia home through a small part of the money raised from the sale of Christmas Seals, according to information released by J. Vaughan Gary, president of the Virginia Tuberculosis Association.

The patient was a young woman who had been sent to a sanatorium by a county tuberculosis committee, an act made possible by income produced from Christmas Seals bought by generous Virginians. Diagnosis at the sanatorium indicated that a rare operation, removal of one lung—pneumonectomy—was imperative.

According to Mr. Gary, the young woman was removed to one of the larger hospitals and a lung taken out. This operation was included as a part of the surgical treatment program inaugurated last year by the State Health Department after a \$50,000 appropriation for the purpose had been authorized by the General Assembly. This appropriation was sponsored by Mr. William A. Neff, of Abingdon, at the request of the Virginia Tuberculosis Association, Mr. Gary said.

Before the operation and during her convalescence, the patient's needs were cared for by the county committee. Again this year that committee will join similar organizations in all parts of the Old Dominion in the annual appeal for funds from the sale of Christmas Seals. This campaign will start on December 1.

KENSINGTON CLUB SPONSORS BENEFITS SUPPER

The Kensington Club is sponsoring a Turkey and Oyster Supper at the old Court House at Brentsville on Tuesday, November 28, beginning at 6 p. m.

Home baked pie with home made ice cream will be your dessert. Come, enjoy a home cooked meal and help a good cause.

"EDIE" BY ELVERE & WALSER CONNER

Edith A Harris died at 7:15 Sunday night in Freedman's Hospital, Washington, after an illness of several weeks. She was the daughter of Eli and Channie Harris and was born in Manassas forty-nine years ago, September 24, 1891. In early life she became a member of the First Baptist Church of Manassas, having been baptized by the late Rev. M. D. Williams. She was strictly religious and very charitable. From girlhood Edie was a faithful employee in old Manassas families, first with Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Taylor, then with the R. M. Weir family and later with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sinclair, Sr. For the past twenty-eight years Edie has made her home with the G. Raymond Ratcliffes and became indispensable in the household. The fact that she gave willingly of her time and energy is manifested in the inestimable good she has done for others. In her walk of life she instilled into little children a love of the beautiful, interwoven with a simple philosophy of life. Her singing of Mother Goose rhymes brought out only the good morals and finer sides of the stories. She taught Biblical stories in a language which children could understand and endeared them so to little ones that they will always be remembered. This alone is evidence that her Bible was religiously well read. Edie's natural instinct as a nurse and her fondness for children won for her the love and praise of both old and young. She was a second mother to "Miss Rose" and "Mister Jack" Ratcliffe, and in recent years has been the careful nurse and guardian of little Anne Walsler Ratcliffe and her infant brother.

In all the years of her life of service and benevolence in Manassas, Edie had made many friends among white and colored people, and the large number of those who attended her funeral Wednesday afternoon at the Baker Chapel, and the beautiful floral tributes, were a symbol of the high esteem which she rightfully merited. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Nettie L. Cherry, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Maria C. Willis of Manassas, and by five nephews, three nieces and a large number of other relatives.

No tribute could rightfully do justice to the goodness of Edie, but it may be fittingly said, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

TREES WILL BE TOPIC OF CLUB SPEAKER

The Manassas Woman's Club will meet on Monday afternoon, November 13th, at 2:30 in the Parish Hall. The Garden Section is sponsoring the guest speaker, Mr. William Harrison Lamb, whose subject is "Trees."

The hostesses will be Mrs. T. E. Didlake, Miss Sara Donohoe, Mrs. David Ferguson, Mrs. A. S. Gibson, Mrs. Noell Gill and Mrs. V. V. Gillum.

GARDEN SECTION MEETS AT STONE HOUSE

The members of the Garden Section of Woman's club had a most enjoyable meeting at Stone House with Mrs. J. P. Lyon, on Monday afternoon. Eleven members and four visitors were present.

During the business session the members voted to continue their practice of giving a prize for the most tastefully decorated exterior of any home in town for the Christmas season and committees were appointed to attend to this.

Miss Alice Webb was the speaker and her talk on planting to attract the birds was most interesting and instructive.

Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess and assistant hostess, Mrs. R. S. Hynson.

PLANT SALE

The Manassas Garden Club will hold a plant sale in Dr. Dowell's store on November 10 and 11 (Friday and Saturday of this week), beginning at 9:00 a. m. Strings of dyed seed pods will also be on sale.

DANCE AT HAYMARKET NOVEMBER 24th

The Haymarket Woman's Club will have a dance in the school auditorium on the Friday night after Thanksgiving, November 24th, from 10:00 to 2:00. The same popular orchestra from Fredericksburg will furnish the music.

ARMISTICE DAY HOURS AT LOCAL POST OFFICE

Saturday, November 11 being a National holiday, the windows at the Post Office will be opened during the following hours:

9 a. m. to 11 a. m.
The money order and registry windows will not be opened.
H. T. DAVIES, P. M.

PRIZE OFFERED FOR ROADSIDE BEAUTY

Mrs. Bocock Announces Offer of Silver Trophy

Mrs. E. A. Bocock, Prince William County representative of the Associated Clubs of Virginia for Roadside Development, this week announced that a silver trophy is being offered by this Association as a token of merit to the business concern making the outstanding contribution to roadside beauty before May, 1940.

Several types of beautification will be considered, such as well painted and neatly maintained filling stations, with a minimum of commercial signs, an automobile graveyard attractively concealed; removal of unsightly billboards and roadside landscaping.

Photographs before and after should be submitted, together with a full description of the accomplishment.

Detailed information may be secured from Mrs. E. A. Bocock, Bristow, Va., or from the District chairman, Mrs. Grey Dunnington, of Orange, Va.

Virginia has made notable progress in highway beautification and it is believed that the present announcement will stimulate further accomplishment along this line.

EIGHTH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN HERE

John Donovan Spoke On Communist Activities

The November meeting of the Young Democratic Club was held in the gymnasium at Manassas with its president, P. A. Lewis, presiding.

The business meeting was short, due to the plans for the evening, but motion was made and passed that a membership be given the Red Cross as was done last year. Plan for a banquet to be held later on in the winter was discussed, but definite plans will be not be made until the December meeting.

Mr. William Sweeney, former club president, introduced the guest speaker, Mr. John A. K. Donovan, 8th District Chairman of the Young Democratic Clubs, of Virginia.

His address, while tinged with the near upset in the assembly contest in Fairfax County on that day, was mainly devoted to "Un-American activities." He dwelt at length on some of those groups who use our democratic privileges to try to undermine the institution itself.

Mr. Donovan cited in particular the League for Peace and Democracy, and ridiculed its pretenses. Several prominent Young Democrats from other club were in attendance. Mr. C. B. Fitzwater, who had just won a complete victory in the supervisor contest in Brentsville District, was warmly greeted.

Judge Brown, a Democratic victor, was also present. Old fashioned square dancing and seasonal refreshments completed the very pleasant occasion.

ATTEND 4th DISTRICT MEETING AT HAYMARKET

The Manassas Woman's Club had five representatives at the meeting of the Fourth District of the Virginia Federation of Woman's Clubs in Haymarket on Wednesday. They reported a very delightful and interesting meeting. The ladies attending from here were Mrs. C. Wade-Dalton, president of the local club, Mrs. T. J. Broadus, Mrs. P. J. Cooksey, Mrs. W. F. Coke, Mrs. Harold McCall and Mrs. O. C. Hutchison.

Mrs. Hawes Davies, Jr., president of the local club, Mrs. George Tuberville, Jr., Mrs. Jack Ratcliffe, Miss Mary D. Lynch, Mrs. John Roseberry and Mrs. Connie Kincheloe represented the Junior Woman's Club here.

Don't forget the Bazaar at Grace Methodist Church, Manassas, next Thursday

BIBLE EXHIBIT IN BOOK WEEK

Library and Manassas Ministerial Association Cooperate

The Ruffner-Carnegie Library will celebrate "Book Week" for the school and for the "Friends of the Library" next week, November 13-17. The most outstanding feature of the celebration will be a Bible Exhibit given under the joint auspices of the Library and of the Manassas Ministerial Association. The exhibit together with a moving picture showing the various stages of the making of a Bible from the printing to the completed cover, will be given in the high school at the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association and the "Friends of the Library" on Thursday night, November 16.

The exhibit will include copies of the Bible in several languages and also a number of fine facsimiles of pages of all the eight different early editions of the English Bible, from the first translation of the Bible in English (Wicliffe, 1470?) through the first edition printed in English (Coverdale, 1535) down to the great King James version of 1611 (authorized version). There will also be facsimiles of pages of the famous Gutenberg Bible of 1456. This was the first printed Bible, and the original copies are extremely rare. The Library of Congress now has one on exhibition which is valued at about \$300,000. The exhibit will also contain some facsimiles of early illuminated Latin Bibles and Psalters which were hand written and painted on vellum. Coming down to recent times there will be a number of facsimiles of the Bible in different languages in modern use, as Turkish, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Modern Greek, Zulu (African) Hopi (Indian), etc.; also, in the Braille, or writing for the blind.

Most of this material has been loaned by the American Bible Society, and some of it is from published facsimiles of rare books in the famous J. Pierpont Morgan Library in New York. The moving picture film to be displayed with this exhibit is loaned by Mr. Channing P. Hayes, of Richmond, Va.

In addition to the members of the Parent-Teacher Association all members of the "Friends of the Library" and all others interested are cordially invited to see this exhibit next Thursday night, November 16. The exhibit will begin at 7:30 o'clock Thursday and will be continued for some days.

KIWANS DISTRICT GOVERNORS SOON TO CONVENE

Lieutenant-governors for 1940 in the Capital Kiwanis district were announced today by David Nelson Sutton, of West Point, governor-elect of the Capital district, who is attending the annual council meeting of the Kiwanis International being held in Chicago this week.

The following seven lieutenant-governors will take office in January: Virginia—Arthur C. Stickley, II, Arlington; Ernest A. Sale, Martinsville; Charles R. Adair, Narrows; George E. Kidd, Newport News, and Franklin Williamson, Staunton. Maryland—Dr. Waitman F. Zinn, Baltimore.

Delaware—Charles Russell Snyder, Seaford. The Kiwanis governor will bring together all his lieutenants for an intensive training within the next thirty days. These men will then conduct training schools for the 1940 presidents, secretaries, etc., for all the clubs in the Capital district.

Rev. R. M. Graham was the speaker at the regular meeting of the club on Friday evening. His address was also on the school system and some of the attending dangers now becoming more apparent.

The speaker was a bit pessimistic concerning some conditions and urged thought and attention to the matters which he brought forward.

Attention was again directed to the fact that ladies' night would be on Friday evening of next week.

LADIES AID MEETING

The Ladies Aid Society of the Bethel Lutheran church will meet at the home of Mrs. P. J. Cooksey on Tuesday afternoon, November 14, at 2:00.

ELECTION RESULTS

The official ballot for Prince William County will not be printed until next week.