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BUSY SESSION FOR LEGISLATURE

Economy Moves And School Requests Are Foremost Items

Next week the Old Dominion's law-making machinery will launch its biennial operations when the Virginia General Assembly convenes for its 1940 sessions. Important legislation awaits consideration by the solons and the deliberations are expected to hold major attention of Virginians. Of major interest will be the budget recommendations of Governor Price, who has announced that the public schools will receive primary consideration. The press of the State will get its usual pre-view of the budget recommendations at a special conference Monday, January 8, at the Executive Mansion. The average taxpayer wants to know if his taxes are going to be increased by the Assembly, therefore the Governor's recommendations will be examined closely.

Awaiting decision of the legislators are matters dealing with increased appropriations for public schools, re-amping of the State's pardon and parole system and a proposal to abandon the fee system for compensating sheriffs and city sergeants, the State's contributions to aid the aged and blind, moves to lessen the State's highway death toll through safety measures and other proposals, labor questions dealing with arbitration, unemployment compensation and other problems, a merit system for State employees and a myriad of other issues. All in all, the coming session looms as a busy one for the State's lawmakers.

Virginia's public schools, which have had a total increase of \$146 in the State appropriation per teacher unit during the last 10 years, will ask the assembly to more than double that, as well as provide other large outlays for the educational program. In 1930 the State appropriation per teacher unit was approximately \$354. Today it is \$500 and the State board of education is asking the 1940 Assembly to boost it to \$720. The program of the education board, supported by the Virginia Education association, an organization of teachers and others, includes the \$720 per teacher minimum, estimated to require an additional \$3,846,310 each year, an actuarially sound retirement law, estimated to require \$378,398 additional, and free textbooks, estimated to require another \$378,643.

Various suggestions for reorganizing branches of the State government for greater efficiency have been advanced by the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce committee on taxation and government. Governor Price has stated that the committee's report will be given careful consideration. He said, "We have quite a number of these proposals under consideration. The research work of our division of the budget has been along somewhat parallel lines. Bills designed to make effective some of the recommendations already have been prepared by the advisory legislative council." Among the committee's suggestions:

Consolidation of the State department of labor, the industrial commission and the unemployment compensation commission into a department of industrial relations, headed by a three-man commission. Expansion of the State highway department to include a division of public works, making the proposed new set-up the technical construction unit to assist State departments, institutions and local governments in their building programs. Establishments of a department of conservation to be created with the State conservation commission, the commission of fisheries, the commission of game and inland fisheries and the State port authority as divisions of the new unit. Establishment of an integrated State department of finance, which would bring the present division of accounts and control, the treasury and the division of purchases and printing under one directing head to be known as the commissioner of finance, with the objective of establishing "sound fiscal management of every branch of the State government." Co-ordination of welfare agencies under a central board, which would provide for the creation of three departments under the direction of a central board made up of commissioners of the three units, appointed by the governor. The board of public welfare, the hospital board

STATEMENT BY STATE CHAIRMAN OF T. B. SEAL SALE

Mr. Gary, president of Virginia T. B. Association, says that the promise of a healthier and happier life offered by the Christmas Seals thirty-three years ago has been fulfilled. "A harvest more valuable than all the world's gold has been reaped from the seed of knowledge scattered by means of the Christmas Seal," said Mr. Gary.

FIREMEN TO PLAY VIENNA

Subdued Fairfax Last Night

Monday night, the Manassas Firemen basketball team will attempt to win their fifth and sixth games of the season when they play two games in one night at 8:00. They will play the "Police Boys Club" and at 9:00, will tangle with the "Vienna A. C." in a league game. If you want to see two good games, be on deck and cheer for local team.

Manassas Firemen cagers last night subdued the Fairfax A. C. quint, 40 to 23, in the Manassas High school gym.

Gene Worley led the winners with 17 points, while Wrenn was high man for Fairfax with 10 markers.

Manassas F. D.	G	FG	T
Lynn, F.	3	2	8
Rozelle, F.	0	0	0
Worley, F.	7	3	17
Murphy, F.	1	0	2
Miller, F.	0	0	0
Saunders, C.	2	1	5
Smith, C.	1	0	2
Vetter, G.	2	0	4
Bourne, G.	0	0	0
Leith, G.	1	0	2
Ritter, G.	0	0	0

AWARD FOR OUTSIDE CHRISTMAS DECORATION WON BY MRS. GILLUM

A beautiful poinsettia plant, the prize for the best exterior home decoration, given by the garden section of the Manassas Woman's club, was awarded Mrs. V. V. Gillum; honorable mention went to Mrs. C. B. Linton, Mrs. Raymond Davis and Mrs. Bolding, also Clara Conway, colored.

EDUCATOR TO ADDRESS WOMAN'S CLUB

Miss Eugenia Osborn, of the Ruffner-Carnegie Library, will be the guest speaker for the Woman's Club when it holds its regular January meeting on Tuesday next.

Her subject will be "The Story of the Spoken Word."

The meeting will be at the Parish Hall at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

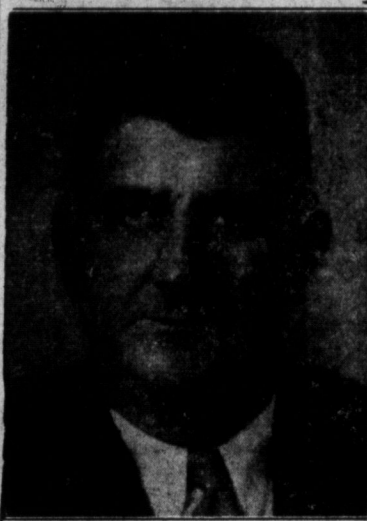
TRINITY GUILD TO MEET TUESDAY

Trinity Guild will have its monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 9th, at the home of Mrs. Guy Allen, beginning at 2:30.

and the prison board would be abolished as such, although provision would be made for use of the services of citizens by having departmental advisory committees or councils. A "revitalization" of the department of agriculture, including transfer to it of certain agencies now operating as independent units. Transfer to the State department of health of all matters pertaining to medicine and public health was suggested in an effort to centralize operations.

A merit basis for appointments, promotions and tenure in classified service of the State government has been recommended by the advisory legislative council. Responsibility for "overall supervision" of personnel would remain in the hands of the governor under the council's plan, but he would have authority to designate department heads as chief personnel officers for their departments.

KIWANIS PRESIDENTS RETIRING AND INCOMING



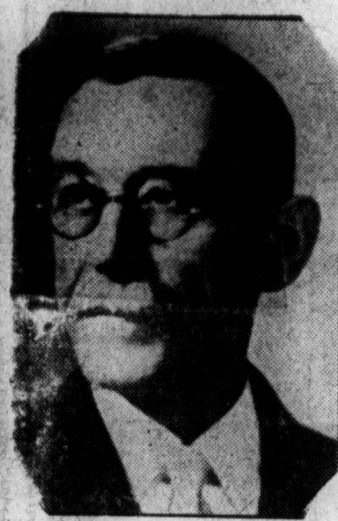
E. R. Conner

One of the most delightful programs of the year was put on last Friday evening by Kiwanian Dudley Martin at the last meeting of the Club for 1939.

With Miss Blough at the piano, little Miss Haydon and Master Jackie Martin sang the sweetest kind of a little duet which was vigorously applauded.

Mr. Martin then introduced a section of the high school glee club (Miss Aleene Miller, soprano soloist,) gave three Christmas sections. Miss Nancy Waters accompanied while Miss Blough directed.

Previous to the program, Prof. Worth Peters, a member of the club,



A. J. Arrington

had asked for and received endorsement of accepting Mr. Edgar Parrish's offer for two Sunday "gas sales." The first will be at Manassas on January 7th and the other at the C and W Station, at Centreville, operated by Mr. Parrish.

The entire net profit will go the dental clinic for Prince William county schools.

Reports of committee chairman were again called for.

The President designated Col. Hutchinson, former district governor, to induct the new officers of the club at the meeting tomorrow.

In the closing minutes of the meeting, Rev. R. M. Graham made a neat little speech apropos of the retirement of President Ed. from office.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB WILL ELECT OFFICERS

The Young Democratic Club is holding their meeting Tuesday evening, January 9, at 8:00 P.M., in the Court House. The Election of officers for the current year will be held at that time.

MANASSEH LODGE ELECTS

Manasseh Lodge No. 182 A. F. & A. M. held its annual election will install officers for the ensuing year on Friday evening of this week, as follows:

Oden Breedon, Worshipful Master; C. A. Cinclair, Jr., Senior Warden; Percival Lewis, Junior Warden; Louis Carper, Senior Deacon; Sedric Sanders, Junior Deacon; John Broadbudd, Secretary; G. Raymond Ratcliffe, Treasurer; Rev. A. S. Gibson, Chaplain; A. MacMillan and Guy Allen, Stewards; and J. T. Reeves Tyler.

Manasseh Lodge is one of the outstanding Masonic Lodges of Northern Virginia and under the able direction of the retiring Master, Dr. George B. Cocks, has enjoyed an especially prosperous period during the past two years.

BETHEL LADIES AID TO MEET

The Ladies Aid Society, of Bethel Lutheran Church, will meet at the home of Mrs. P. J. Cooksey on Tuesday, January 9th, at 2:00 P.M.

The Eastern Star Card party will be held Tuesday, February 6.

NAMES CHAIRMEN OF BIRTHDAY BALLS

John Galleher, of Leesburg, has been named chairman for Virginia of the celebration of the President's Birthday.

Dances and parties of various sorts will be held all over the State. Mr. Galleher has already named his chairmen of Prince William and Stafford. In Prince William it is the Hon. Wm. Hill Brown, Jr., commonwealth attorney while in Stafford, the former delegate, Hon. Frank Moncure has been selected.

More data will be published regarding these gentlemen and the activities which they are so sponsoring.

PLANNING BOARD IS APPOINTED

Bradford, Tiffany and Ratcliffe Selected To Plan Town Growth

Acting in accordance with provisions of the Town Charter as authorized by the General Assembly in 1938, Hon. Harry Davis, Mayor of Manassas, has appointed a Town Planning Commission to act with the Council in formulating plans for the future development of the town, planning street extensions, building zones, public utilities, and recognition of commercial and residential areas.

The Town Planning Commission selected by the Mayor is composed of James E. Bradford, Hunton Tiffany and R. Jackson Ratcliffe, all of whom are thoroughly conversant with business and real estate matters and who have the fullest measure of public esteem and confidence.

Many observers have commented at various times on the great need for planned growth of the time and deplored the hap-hazard manner in which Manassas was rebuilt after each of the two great fires which it has suffered, and it is certain that the patriotic citizens of the community who did so much in those days to restore the prosperity of the community would have welcomed the kind of city planning which is now proposed.

At a special meeting of the Town Council on January 15, a new building code will be presented, as recommended by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, and worked out in detail by the Building Code Committee composed of Messrs. W. F. Cocks, C. B. Linton and I. E. Cannon.

An additional and wise feature of the development plan for Manassas will be the appointment at an early date of a Board of Appeals to consider objections to recommendations of the new Town Planning Commission.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER A LEADING NEW YEAR EVENT

The Junior Woman's Club Annual Progressive Dinner was held on New Year's Eve with a large number of the members and their guests attending. The cocktails were served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Lee Turberville, Jr., after which the main course of "turkey and all the trimmings" was held at the Prince William Hotel. The guests progressed from there to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Sharrett for the salad. The colorful tomato aspic salad was served by Mrs. Hawes T. Davies, Jr., Miss Lucy Arrington and Mrs. Paul Arrington.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hooff were the hosts for the dessert and demitasse, and the guests lingered long in the warm hospitality of this home and chatted and sang around the piano. Assisting Mrs. Hooff were Mrs. Cyril Wade-Dalton and Mrs. Robert H. Smith.

All of the homes where courses were served were beautifully decorated with Christmas greens and lighted with candles, adding much to the festive spirit of the affair.

Mrs. J. Carl Kincheloe headed the committee on plans and arrangements and much credit is due her and her committee for such a successful dinner.

ATTEND COMMERCIAL DINNER IN BALTIMORE

S. W. Epes, W. C. Sadd, and T. M. Counts, Manassas, were among the representatives of Southern States Cooperative in this section who attended the organization's conference held at the Lord Baltimore hotel, Baltimore, December 28 and 29, according to W. G. Wisor, Richmond, general manager.

EMPLOYMENT FOR MANY IS SECURED

Virginia State Service Made High Record In 1939

The Alexandria office of the Virginia State Employment Service aided employers in filling 7,218 jobs during 1939 according to the annual report of Carter W. Friend, Manager of the local office at 301 King Street. This is the best record in the history of the local office with an average of 27 placements for each day the office was open during the year. Total placements increased by 2,227 or 44.6 per cent, over 1938 when the number was 4,991. The most encouraging fact is the increase in number of placements in private industry (contractors, factory and store owners, householders, etc.)—a total of 4,588—an increase of 1,476 or 47.4 per cent over 1938 when 3,112 of such placements were made.

During 1939, 5,309 persons filed applications for the first time and 7,867 renewed their applications, making a grand total of 13,176 applications. 10,065 persons were referred to employers for consideration for employment. 594 visits were made to employers by members of the local office staff. 96 persons were assisted indirectly in securing employment. 84,491 visits were made to the office by employers seeking workers, workers seeking employment, and others seeking information. To handle this increasing amount of work two additional persons were added to the local staff in 1939.

"In approaching 1940 it is very encouraging to note the increased use all employers are making of the local office," stated Mr. Friend. "Employers are finding that they do not have to use their valuable time in interviewing and handling the applications of a large number of job seekers when they can refer them to the Employment Service for registration and classification by trained interviewers. Then when workers are needed all they have to do is to telephone us their requirements, and the most suitably qualified workers are sent them. This prevents the employer from interviewing those job seekers who are unable to meet his qualifications." It was further stated that, in addition to serving the local employers approximately eighty five requests have been received from other Employment Service offices in Virginia and surrounding states to locate highly skilled, professional, and technically trained workers.

As a special service to building contractors, householders, and other employers who desire to start their work early in the morning the office is opened at 7:30 A.M., each day. This office serves the employers and workers of Alexandria City, Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William Counties.

THOMAS NOEL LYNN, SR.

Thomas Noel Lynn, Sr., died at his home in Manassas on December 28, 1939, after an illness of six months.

Mr. Lynn was born March 13, 1877, in Aldie, Loudoun County, Virginia. He was the eldest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Humphrey Lynn. In 1900 he moved to Orange County with his parents, who purchased the farm known as Mt. Henshaw.

In 1905, Mr. Lynn married Miss Carrie Lester Walker, of Orange County, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Jeffrey Walker. Soon afterwards they moved to Alexandria, Virginia, where he operated Maple Grove Dairy Farm for ten years. In later years Mr. Lynn was connected with C. M. Wolfe Company in Washington, D. C., W. H. May and Son, Alexandria, and the State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company. For the past twenty-one years he had made his home in Manassas.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Carrie Walker Lynn; a daughter, Marion N. Lynn, of Manassas; three sons, Thomas Noel, Jr., of Falls Church; Wallace and Nelson Lynn, both of Manassas; three grandchildren, Thomas Noel, 3rd., Nancy Lee and Barbara Lynn; and one brother, Selma H. Lynn, of Washington, D. C.

Funeral services were held at the Lynn home in Manassas, December 30, with burial at Middleburg. Pallbearers were Charles H. Lynn and Beverly Walker, both of Washington, Wallace Sanford, Orange; Harry P. Davis, John and Francis M. Lewis, all of Manassas.

WELL, WELL, LOOK WHO'S HERE!

