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CHARMING PLAYS FRIDAY NIGHT

Dramatics Club will Entertain at Manassas

On Friday night, May 10th, at eight o'clock in the High School auditorium, the Dramatics Club will present three one-act plays.

Synopses of the plays and casts follows: "ARE WE DRESSING?"

Polly and Fred Andrews receive an invitation from Greg and Joan Millard, members of the wealthiest family in Brookvale. Being strangers in town and not knowing the type of party usually given by the Millards, they are in doubt as to whether or not they should wear formal clothes. And, of course, they want to make the right impression. Then Dad comes home after a disappointing day at the office. Off come the shoes, off comes the coat, off go orders for corned beef and cabbage. He's getting prepared for a comfortable evening and no pleas for him to look his best when the Millards call have any effect. That's just the beginning of a series of humorous and exciting circumstances. Many laughs await the audience as the play reaches its climax.

Cast: Homes Andrews, the father, Frank Parrish; Lora Andrews, the mother, Sallie Proffitt; Fred Andrews, the son, Dickie Haydon; Polly Andrews, the daughter, Barbara Beane; Greg Millard, son of the town's wealthiest citizen, Roger Cross; Joan Millard, his sister, June Williams, Ivan Konard, a business man, Marvin Gillum and Felicia, the Andrews' maid, Jeanne Coverston.

"BY SPECIAL REQUEST"
Johnny North and his friend, Harold, are victims of an English teacher's wrath. They have been requested to give orations before the whole high school in assembly just because they failed to have their selections ready on the specified date. When the boys feign illness by calling the school, the principal is duly impressed and sends the school nurse out to check audience will laugh at the many situations the boys get into trying to get out of the one they are in.

Cast: John, a sophomore in high school, Shreve Brent; Harold, his classmate, Everett Jones; Mrs. North, Johnny's mother, Shirley Davis, Thelma, Johnny's sister, Lelia Dowell and Miss Cunningham, the school nurse, Betty Chambers.

"YES MEANS NO"
Our hero, Teddy Lawson, is at work in Dad's office. Announcing to his stern parent that he is about to marry Edith Merrill (and desiring a raise in salary and even a little financial help for honeymoon expenses) he receives unexpected opposition. The father informs Teddy that he is disgusted with his incompetence in business, and especially in a credit business where it is essential to be able to say "No".

Teddy has been too tender-hearted, always saying "Yes" when customers plead hard luck. Teddy pleads for another chance. Father agrees. "He leaves Teddy in charge of the office for one-half hour, promising to give him one hundred dollars for each time he says "No". One "Yes" during that time will cause him to forfeit every "No". Within fifteen minutes, Teddy rolls up fifty "Noes". But while he is doing this he faces disaster by having to say "No" to the various questions of his fiancée who has come into the office. But what Teddy does is sufficiently surprising and pleasing to the audience to bring a roar and a cheer for Teddy.

Cast: William Lawson, Wallace Partlow; Teddy Lawson, his son, Thomas Athey; Edith Merrill, Teddy's fiancée, Peggy Tipton; T. J. Morgan, a financier, Garland Boatwright; and Miss Collins, secretary to Mr. Lawson, June Pickeral.

A between-act program will be presented. Come and have an evening of fun and relaxation and encourage our young actors.

Doors open at 7:30.

P-T-A. DANCE AT HAYMARKET MAY 24th

There will be a dance in the school auditorium, Haymarket, Va., on Friday, May 24th, sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association. Hours 10 'til 2. A popular orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music.

RED CROSS TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The Prince William County Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold the annual meeting and election of officers on Tuesday, May 14th, at 2:00 p. m., in the Parish Hall, Manassas, Va.

This is an important meeting. Officers and chairmen of standing committees will give a resume of the past year's work. All persons who joined the Red Cross during the Roll Call last November are asked and urged to attend. Organizations who have group memberships are requested to send representatives from their groups.

LADIES TOUR LOCAL GARDENS

Annual Tour of Attractive Local Homes Reveals Lovely Plantings

The Garden Section of the Woman's Club of Manassas, as has been the custom for a number of years, devoted their May meeting time on Monday to a tour of gardens in and around Manassas. The group met at the home of Mrs. Margaret Lewis and visited her exquisite and lovely garden, where beds of tulips, in varied hues, splendid specimens of bleeding heart, sweet and winsome plantings of forget-me-nots, early phlox, iris, and the bright yellow touches of the cowslip borders, made an unforgettable picture.

Proceeding to the home of Mrs. Robert Smith, near Bristow, the party lingered to admire not only the attractive garden but the unusual and beautiful hedge which surrounds the garden, composed of hundreds of old-fashioned purple lilacs, which were in full bloom. Truly this is a lovely spot.

The next stop was at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Boccock, near Bristow, where the spacious lawns, and attractively arranged beds and borders created a beautiful picture.

Lovely double tulips, phlox, pansies, violets and yellow alyssum were blended into a riot of color in the early spring borders, and the numerous other perennial borders and rose-beds gave promise of a colorful and ever-changing display of gorgeous bloom throughout the season.

A unique planting in one section of this garden was one devoted exclusively to red and white flowers.

A brief stop was made at the garden of Mrs. Harvey Steele, where the lovely tulip beds and rock garden and pool were admired. Mrs. Steele also has some excellent plantings of evergreens, which are particularly attractive just now.

The final stop was at "Paradise" home of Mrs. C. C. Lynn, where the weary tourists admired the well planned garden, partook of delicious punch and cookies, and also enjoyed the gorgeous, far-reaching and magnificent view of the surrounding countryside.

The Garden Section is holding its annual Early Spring Flower and Bulb Show today, and a very creditable exhibit is being shown in spite of the lateness of the season. A complete list of winners will appear in an early issue of this paper.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS WILL MEET AT QUANTICO

The Young Democratic Club of Prince William County, Va., will hold its regular monthly meeting at the Legion Hall, Quantico, Va., on Wednesday night, May 15th, at 8:00. Mr. John Haggerty, of Quantico, Second Vice-President of the Club, is in charge of arrangements. There will be musical entertainment.

PROUD PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Ankers are the proud parents of a baby son born April 29th.

CLUB HEARS FORESTRY TALK

The Kiwanis club settled on May 24th as a date for the annual entertainment of county high school grads. at its meeting last Friday evening.

Announcement is made of the fact that Lieut-Gov. Art Stickley will be with the local club on May 17th.

A short talk on present day forestry conditions was made by Mr. W. H. Lamb.

BATTLEFIELD WORK STARTS AT ONCE

Mr. E. R. Conner, Manassas, Virginia.
Dear Mr. Conner:

I am very sorry to have missed you when you were here April 27th.

We expect to get started on construction of the museum-headquarters building, Manassas Battlefield, just as soon as the architects can complete the detailed drawings and we can get the contract let. Decisions have been made as to location and type of building, et cetera.

Also, at a meeting in the field last week, location of the Jackson statue was decided upon with relation to the building. Mr. Rust and Mr. Philip Stern, Chairman of the Virginia Fine Arts Commission, stated that the statue would be erected well in advance of July 21st, at which time they are planning a dedication exercise.

Come to see us whenever you can.
Best wishes always.

Sincerely yours,
Branch Spalding,
Coordinating Superintendent.

NOTICE TO FARMERS

J. Gray Beverley, Field Supervisor, will be at the office of Mr. Frank Cox, County Agent, Manassas, Virginia, Wednesday morning, May 16th, between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and Noon, for the purpose of taking applications for 1940 Crop Loans under the Emergency Crop Loan Act.

Farmers desiring these loans should apply on that date.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO HOLD RECEPTION SUNDAY

Members of the Woman's Club of Manassas, their families and friends will meet in the lovely garden at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cooksey, on Grant Avenue, Sunday, May 12, from five until seven o'clock to tender a reception to the incoming officers of the Club. The guests of honor will be Mrs. Charles Lynn, Mrs. Lewis Carper, Mrs. Richard Haydon, Mrs. R. Worth Peters, Mrs. Harold McCall and Mrs. Noel Gill.

Receiving with the incoming officers and introducing the guests will be Mrs. Cyril Wade-Dalton, immediate past president.

Mrs. Marie Larkin and an able corps of assistants are making elaborate plans for the comfort and entertainment of the guests, and it is the wish of the committee that members, both active and honorary, will come, and make of this a memorable occasion.

MANASSAS A. C. TO OPEN SEASON SUNDAY

The Manassas Bombers will open their baseball season Sunday, May 12, 1940. Honorary Harry P. Davis is expected to throw out the first ball.

Manassas has a great team this year with a few newcomers on the squad.

Manassas opposition will be the Clifton Hurricanes who also have a fine team with Simpson and Buckley pitching.

The probable line up for Manassas will be:

1. P. Murphy, ss.
 2. M. Smith, 1b.
 3. D. Vetter, 3b.
 4. S. Vetter, 2b.
 5. D. Posey, cf.
 6. M. Crabill, lf.
 7. B. Leith, c.
 8. Miller, rf.
 9. Speedball B. Albrite, p.
- (Knuckleball) B. Wood, p.
(Gross Fire) E. Conner.
- The game will start at 3:00 p. m., on Swaverly Field, Manassas. Please come out and support your boys.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETINGS

The Executive Board of the Woman's Club of Manassas will meet with Mrs. C. Wade-Dalton on Friday, May 10th, at 2:30 p. m. This is a very important meeting and all members are urged to be present.

The Woman's Club will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 13th, at 2:30 p. m. in the Parish Hall. Hostesses are Mrs. G. R. Ratcliffe, Mrs. W. D. Sharrett, Mrs. E. L. Smelker, Mrs. Robert Smith and Mrs. C. W. Staggs.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel D. Eutsler are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Patricia Ruth, born May 6th in Sibley Memorial Hospital and weighing 6 1/2 lbs.

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

(Facsimile) April 1, 1940

My dear Mr. Tremaine:
I wish again to extend to your Committee my best wishes for a successful program of observance of National Music Week between May 8 and 12. Music contributes greatly to the nourishment of the human spirit. It is a factor in our national culture which must be supported and encouraged.

I am impressed with the steady and remarkable growth of music education in our schools. The excellent orchestras and choral clubs in our thousands of high schools are significant monuments to the advancement of culture through music. To emphasize and encourage these widespread efforts to develop the talents of our people annually constitutes a service to American culture.

Very sincerely yours,
Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Mr. C. M. Tremaine,
Secretary,
National Music Week Committee,
30 Rockefeller Plaza,
New York, N. Y.

TOWN OFFICERS IN SESSION

League of Virginia Municipalities Meet at Warrenton

Dr. C. R. Anderson, mayor of Winchester, will preside at the regional meeting of the League of Virginia Municipalities to be held on May 10, at the Warren Green Hotel.

Cities and towns served by the meeting include Alexandria, Arlington, Berryville, Bowling Green, Boyce, Clifton, Colonial Beach, Culpeper, Edinburg, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Front Royal, Hamilton, Haymarket, Herndon, Hillsboro, Leesburg, Luray, Manassas, Middleburg, Middletown, Mt. Jackson, New Market, Occoquan, Port Royal, Purcellville, Quantico, Remington, Round Hill, Stanley, Stephens City, Strasburg, The Plains, Toms Brook, Vienna, Warrenton, Washington, Winchester and Woodstock.

Mayor Wallace N. Tiffany will welcome delegates to the meeting and the program, which begins at 3:00 p. m., includes several interesting addresses by civic and league officials, among them one entitled "Recently Enacted Legislation Affecting Municipalities", by Morton L. Wallerstein, executive secretary of the league.

Following dinner at 6:00 o'clock a round table discussion on general municipal problems will be held under the leadership of Carl Budwesky, city manager of Alexandria. Hugh R. Pomeroy, director of the State Planning Board, will be present at this meeting to answer any questions and assist on problems of planning and zoning.

NEW S. C. A. OFFICERS TO BE INSTALLED

Everyone is invited to attend the Installation Services for the S. C. A. Officers of Bennett School for the session of 1940-41, Tuesday, May 14, in the High School auditorium at 1:45 p. m.

This program is the annual meeting of the Bennett Student Body to install the officers, chosen by the students, to carry on the work of the organization for the next school year.

Our out-going officers are: President Bobby DeChant, vice president Bo Williams, secretary Betty Gove Didlake and treasurer Junior Conner.

Officers being installed are: President Marjorie Sloper, vice president Betty Ritter, secretary Bonnie Lynn and treasurer Worth Peters, Jr.

This service will be in the hands of the students, and they solicit your support by your presence.

WESTMINSTER GROUP TO HAVE RUMMAGE SALE

The Westminster Group of the Presbyterian Church will have a rummage sale in the M. I. C. Building on Saturday, May 18th.

FRATERNAL DANCE

The Daughters of America will give a dance at Brentsville courthouse tomorrow night (Friday). Everyone is invited to attend.

The Postal Clerks' wives' club will meet with Mrs. O. O. Holler, Thursday, May 16th.

SAFETY COUNCIL ORGANIZED HERE

Move Is Outgrowth of Recent Safety Campaign

Continuing the splendid work started by the Junior Woman's Club Safety Drive, a permanent Safety Council has been organized. The second meeting was held Monday night at the Town Hall with Mrs. Paul Arrington presiding.

At the first meeting, it was decided that warning tickets would be made up and given for the 1st of 2nd traffic violation. These tickets are a notification of an offense and a courteous request that the traffic laws be adhered to at all times. There is no penalty attached to these tickets as it is felt that most people will not need more than a warning. However, chronic offenders will be more severely dealt with.

To keep traffic safety uppermost in everyone's mind, a card has been printed by the Council and will be distributed this month in all cars as they are inspected.

The matter of traffic safety must be kept before the public constantly by education and it is the hope of the Safety Council that through efforts traffic accidents in Manassas can be kept at a minimum.

Among those on the Council are Mrs. Paul Arrington, Mrs. R. Jackson Ratcliffe, Mrs. T. E. Didlake, Mrs. T. J. Broadus, Mrs. Paul Cooksey, Mrs. W. Hill Brown, Jr., and Mrs. Edgar Parrish.

Mr. Harry Davis, Mr. W. F. Cocks, Mr. Tom Howard, Mr. Gene Davis, Mr. J. M. DeChant, Mr. J. L. Bushong and Mr. C. M. Harris.

REV. GEORGE W. CRABTREE

Rev. George W. Crabtree, 67, pastor of the Catlett Presbyterian church, died Sunday at his home near Catlett. Mr. Crabtree came to Fauquier 27 years ago after devoting the early part of his life to prison reform. He aided in the reconstruction of the prison system of North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Texas, Minnesota and Colorado.

Since becoming pastor of the Catlett church he had visited a convict road camp each Sunday with candy and a portable phonograph. All prisoners were invited to come to his farm when their sentences were finished and those who came were given work until they could rehabilitate themselves.

Three convicts who came to work for Mr. Crabtree after their release and stayed with him until their death are buried in his back yard.

It was said that he had converted 20,000 convicts during the years of his road evangelism.

Mr. Crabtree is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at his church with interment in the adjoining cemetery.

P-T-A MEETINGS

The Executive Board of the Manassas Parent-Teacher Associations will meet in Mr. Peters' office on Tuesday afternoon, May 14th, at 3:00 P. M.

All members and friends of the Parent-Teacher Associations are cordially invited to attend the final meeting of this school term which will be held on Thursday afternoon, May 16th, at 3:00 in the Bennett School building. At this time all committee chairmen will give their annual reports and the accomplishments of the year will be discussed.

All those who have been selling extract will please turn in their receipts at this time and make reports of the balance on hand.

DATE OF LADIES AID MEETING CHANGED

The Ladies Aid Society of the Manassas Baptist Church has postponed its meeting one week and will meet with Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Graham on second Tuesday, May 14th, at 7:45, instead of the first Tuesday which is the usual time of their meeting.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURES AT BRENTSVILLE

Under auspices of the Brentsville Community League, an illustrated talk on trees will be given next Tuesday evening, May 14, in the old Courthouse, by Mr. William Harrison Lamb, Editor of the Manassas Journal and author of a book on Virginia Trees.