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MEETING HEARS PATRIOTIC PLEA

Educational Executive Discusses
Defense Program

The Northern Virginia Regional Assembly of the Virginia Education Association was held at Warrenton, Saturday, September 28th. School Superintendents, supervisors, principals, women of National, State and local Education Associations met to discuss the relationship of the schools to the American defense program.

Opening the meeting, Mr. Francis Chase, Executive Secretary of the Virginia Education Association, referred to the international crisis and the imminent threat of democracy. He stated that walls of steel are inadequate protection when there is weakness within the people. "Discipline from without cannot be resisted unless there is strength within." Americans must have a greater appreciation of democracy as a way of life; they must have a common purpose—a devotion to an ideal and a determination to make it work. It is the responsibility of American teachers to interpret democracy and its institutions. Mr. Chase pointed out that these regional assemblies were being held in order to develop plans with which the education associations could best serve their communities in the defense of democracy.

Following the general session, the group divided into committees to study the work of local associations, the work of the Virginia Education Association and the opportunities for an effective public relation program.

During luncheon, Mr. Chase presented the speakers of the day. Dr. Martin, Director of Membership of National Education Association and Mrs. Mary Barnes, President of National Association of Classroom Teachers. Both were enthusiastic and inspiring speakers. Dr. Martin reminded his audience that teachers are potentially the most powerful professional group in America, because of their number, their place in the community, their education, their altruistic motives, and their powerful advertising agency—the boys and girls of America—they are in a very challenging position. He pled with teachers to co-operate with their local state and National Associations.

Mrs. Barnes, as a classroom teacher, herself, urged others to live, teach and practice democracy in the school. "We look to the boys and girls of America for the preservation of the fundamental principles of democracy," she said.

The afternoon session was the very practical part of the meeting when the various committees presented their reports, recommendations and resolutions. A great deal was accomplished and the local associations now have quite a task before them. Surely we public will be hearing more about the democratic ideals as it is practiced in and interpreted through the school—the boys and girls and their teachers with the co-operation of the community leads.

Those attending the meeting from Prince William were Supt. R. C. Haydon, Miss Sue Ayres, Supervisor; Mrs. Ossie Tipton, Mr. C. O. Bittle, Miss Lois Sloop and Miss Julia Hale, of Nokesville, and Miss Elizabeth Vaughan, Mr. Frank Sigman of Occoquan and Miss Evelyn Irons, President of Prince William County Education Association.

SCIENTIFIC POSSIBILITIES OUTLINED TO CLUB

Mr. W. H. Lamb was the guest speaker at the Kiwanis Club on Friday evening last. Using "U235" as his topic, he delved into a specialized discussion of the atomic theory and how the relation of mass and energy might enter the military field in the not too distant future, and otherwise affect the history of mankind. Rev. A. S. Gibson was in charge of the program.

Discussion was again had of the district meeting to be staged at Richmond on October 10th, and a large delegation from the club was urged.

Mr. Bayliss of the Social Security Office in Alexandria will show a film on the operations of the old age pension law at the meeting tomorrow night.

RUMMAGE SALE
The Ladies of the Trinity Church Guild will hold a rummage sale in the Parish Hall, Saturday, October 5, from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

GIANT BINGO PARTY

The students of the Seventh grade at Bennett School and in the first year high school will give a two-evening benefit for the student fund, in the shape of a giant bingo party. It will be held in the gymnasium on Friday and Saturday, October 11 and 12. Hot dogs and soft drinks will be on sale. The students urge you to come in and win a prize and likewise help the school.

FARM PRODUCE SHOW BY GRANGE

Annual Fair To Be Given At
Haymarket

The Bull Run Grange has announced Wednesday, October 30, as the date for its second annual Produce Fair. The show will be held at the Grange Hall, Exhibitors, both members and others, are asked to bring their exhibits to the hall by 7 o'clock on the evening of October 30.

Cash prizes will be awarded for first placings in the various classes and ribbons for first, second and third placings.

Classes include:
1. 10 Ears White Corn
2. 10 Ears Yellow Corn
3. Peck Wheat
4. Peck Apples
5. Four Jars Canned Fruit
6. Four Jars Canned Vegetables
7. Dozen White Eggs
8. Dozen Yellow Eggs
9. Home Made Quilt or Comforter
10. Collection of Garden Vegetables
11. Home Baked Cake
12. Pound Butter
13. Peck Irish Potatoes

The Committee in charge of arrangements for the fair is comprised of:

Miss Mildred Ewell, Chairman; Mr. William Corder, Mrs. John Carter, Miss Anita Shumate, Mr. Eddie Shotzberger, Mr. Joseph Douglas, Mr. Bobby Carter.

JUNIOR RED CROSS HAVING BUSY YYEAR

America's largest youth organization is having its busiest year since the first World War.

More than 8,500,000 members of the American Junior Red Cross have joined with the adult membership of the Red Cross to do their part in alleviating the sufferings of war. From the ranks of children they have raised more than \$200,000 to aid homeless youngsters in the belligerent nations. They have formed volunteer production groups and have made more than 50,000 articles of winter clothing for evacuee children.

This week, Junior volunteers throughout the nation were busily engaged in preparing 60,000 Christmas boxes for children of other nations, as a feature of their international program. Early in November boxes of marbles, dolls, crayons, handkerchiefs and other gifts will be shipped to the Junior Red Cross organizations of foreign countries for distribution. Distribution to European countries will be cleared through the International League of Red Cross Societies at Geneva. This year the gifts will be allotted first to refugee and evacuee children.

Because of world conditions approximately 25,000 more Christmas boxes are being shipped this year than in 1939, Red Cross officials pointed out.

MR. HERRELL GETS HONORS AT UNIVERSITY

Mr. Jack Lee Herrell, who is attending the University of Virginia, will be one of the students to be awarded Intermediate Honors at the annual convocation exercises to be held next Wednesday, October 2, in Cabell Hall. Mr. O. C. Carmichael, chancellor of Vanderbilt University and a leading Southern educator, will be principal speaker at the exercises.

EARLY FROSTS

Frosts of a partially destructive nature were reported in Fauquier and Culpeper counties late last week. Nearer to Washington, little or no damage was done.

The Margaret Barbour Bible Class will meet with Rev. and Mrs. Graham Thursday, October 10, at 7:30 p. m. A large attendance is desired. Officers will be elected at this meeting.

Fires Threaten National Defense! FIRE PREVENTION WEEK—OCT. 6-12



CAN YOU AFFORD A FIRE TONIGHT?

THE resources of its citizens
are the resources of the nation.
Help to safeguard them!
Plan a home fire drill. Better
still—act to prevent fire by locating
and getting rid of hazards.

On request we will gladly
furnish a self-inspection
blank to guide you



MANASSAS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

George B. Coker, President,
J. A. Vetter, Fire Chief.

DEMOCRATS TO GIVE BARBECUE OCTOBER 19

The County Democratic Committee met last Saturday at the Court House, with good attendance. Chairman C. C. Cloe presided.

A barbecue was decided upon for Saturday, October 19th in the Town of Manassas. Hon. E. R. Conner was named chairman, and Stanley A. Owens, vice chairman. The other members of the special committee on arrangements are Mrs. Elizabeth Brower, Miss Nancy Lynn and Messrs. P. A. Lewis, O. D. Waters and John P. Kerlin.

NEWS FROM THE DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

Last Friday a delegation of four from Prince William Council, Daughters of America, attended the District meeting held at Robey's Hall, Fairfax. The meeting was very much enjoyed as much interesting discussion arose during the evening. A number of visitors from other Grand Councils and State officers of the Grand Council of Virginia were in attendance.

On the preceding Friday, the Daughters joined with the Order Fraternal Americans of Prince William District in giving a "get-together" party at the O. F. A. Hall in Manassas. Songs and games were enjoyed, and abundant refreshments served later in the evening.

REVIVAL AT PURCELL

A revival will begin at the church of God at Purcell on October 6, 1940. Every one is cordially invited to come and enjoy the blessings of God.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS SPONSOR DISTRICT DANCE

The Young Democratic Clubs of the Eighth District are sponsoring a dance on Friday night, October 11th, at the Swanee Tavern near Warrenton. Miss Audrey Bishop of Warrenton is chairman of the dance. The Prince William Young Democrats have been asked to co-operate in every way to make the dance a success.

VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED FOR DRAFT REGISTRATION

Electoral officials throughout Virginia are to be congratulated on their splendid attitude toward the gigantic volunteer assignment turned over to them by the President of the United States and the Governor of Virginia. These officials are reported to have responded 100 per cent to the call for their unpaid services in effecting the registration on October 16th of approximately 15 per cent of the entire population. They are to be congratulated on their patriotism. Their job is a mammoth one.

It will require about 20 minutes to register each registrant accurately for the Selective Service. When one considers that the number to be registered will exceed the largest number ever to vote in a Virginia primary election, the size of the task becomes apparent.

While we have no reason to believe that the electoral machinery is unaware of the problem, doubtless this group of patriotic men and women will find it necessary to augment their numbers by obtaining a number of other men and women to serve as registrars, to aid them in the task. If you desire to be of service to your country now, at home, here is an opportunity to pick up the telephone and volunteer to be registrar of your local precinct. However, you should be a good penman. School teachers, ministers, insurance agents and others who are thoroughly familiar with the filling in of forms are urged to volunteer their services.

There will be many volunteer jobs to do during the National Emergency, but none more important than seeing that the initial step—the registration of those between the ages of twenty-one through thirty-five—is carried out efficiently.

SCHOOLS TO AID IN REGISTRATION

Board Notes That Children Under Six May Not Register Next Fall

The county school board met yesterday with all members present. The Board decided not to alter any registration for the present year but hereafter it will be necessary for children to be six years of age prior to Sept. 1 of the year in which they register. This action was taken in view of regulation recently adopted by the State Board of Education.

Under the Governor's proclamation, the Board is offering the services of the county faculty and any other facilities which the registration board may request in the registration work on October 16th under the Selective Service Law.

The schools will open at 9 a. m. as usual and attendance will be taken. Following this there will be an appropriate patriotic program lasting about one hour, the pupils to be dismissed about 10 a. m. After this the schools and the faculty will be at the service of the registration board for whatever assistance they may be asked to give.

Parents are asked to co-operate in seeing that attendance is as good on this day as on any other school day. The Board also transacted much routine business which included approval of libraries at Nokesville, Quantico, Occoquan, Benett, Dumfries and the Regional High School.

CHURCH BENEFIT AT GAINESVILLE

"Pappy and His Boys" (radio entertainers) will be at the school auditorium at Haymarket, October 8, at 7:30 p. m., to give you an evening of splendid entertainment.

For the benefit of Gainesville Church. Be sure to be present and bring your family and friends.

OCOQUAN P-T. A. TO GIVE OYSTER SUPPER

The Occoquan Parents-Teachers' Association held its regular meeting Thursday night, October 3, at the Occoquan District School.

At that time it was announced that there would be a turkey supper October 18th at the school house for the benefit of the P-T. A.

DRAFT PLANS ARE PROCEEDING

Ten Virginia Counties Fail To Respond

Plans are rapidly being completed for the Draft Registration which will take place on October 16 under the supervision of the Election machinery of Virginia.

In response to Governor Price's invitation to the Electoral Boards of the various counties to attend the schools of instruction, it is stated that ten counties failed to respond. This is said to have been due in part to the Governor's insistence that the various Boards should attend the school designated, regardless of personal convenience of a nearer one, or a more convenient date, but it is believed that this difficulty has been ironed out and that the procedure for registration has now been completed for all counties.

It is not known at this time just how or when the personnel of the Draft Boards will be announced. In Richmond it is stated that about 120 of the 154 Local Boards have been completed. Mostly there will be one board for each county, with two boards in large population centers like Arlington County.

It is not known at this time who will be appointed for our local Draft Board. Governor Price recently called upon the Judges of the various Circuit Courts of Virginia for recommendations, and it has been stated that Judge McCarthy promptly sent in his nominations for Arlington, Fairfax, and Prince William. Some are inclined to the belief that where they are willing to serve, that the Electoral Boards, now conducting the registration on Oct. 16 will be uniformly appointed throughout the State, but there is no official confirmation on this. But from the fact that these Boards are composed of men who possess the requisite qualifications and have the esteem and confidence of their respective communities, the guess would not be without considerable justification.

Following a proclamation by Governor Price, State Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Sidney B. Hall is authorizing a school holiday on October 16, because so many school houses are needed for registration locations, and so many teachers are wanted to assist.

To facilitate quick organization of the Draft Boards, the State Highway Department is undertaking the job of distributing to the local boards the steel filing cabinets which will house the precious Draft records. These cabinets will be first sent to the eight District Highway offices, and from them sent to the various local Draft offices.

ARTS SOCIETY TO GIVE BENEFIT

The Society for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities will give a benefit tea at the mill near Centreville on Saturday, October 5th from 3 to 5 p. m.

BENEFIT FOOD SALE

The Children's Department of Grace Methodist Church will hold a Food Sale in Coker's Pharmacy, Saturday, October 5th, starting at 10 a. m. A large variety of baked foods will be offered and the proceeds will go to the Sunday School.

MRS. LYNN TO BE HOSTESS TO GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Section of the Woman's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. C. C. Lynn, Monday, October 7, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Aylene Guthrie will be assistant hostess. Mrs. Paul Cooksey will be speaker. She will continue her talk on garden lilies.

RED CROSS WAR RELIEF

Previously acknowledged \$839.91
Mrs. W. D. Baker 1.00
Miss Anne Percy 1.00
Miss A. M. Ewell 1.00
Mr. R. R. Smith 500
Total 847.91

LUTHERAN LADIES AID

The Ladies Aid Society of the Lutheran Church will meet at the home of Mrs. R. C. Bowers, Tuesday, October 8, at 2 p. m.