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DEFENSE COUNCIL HOLDS MEETING

Chairman Boothe Announces Five-Point Program for Northern Virginia

At a meeting of the Northern Virginia council of defense at Fairfax on Tuesday, a permanent organization was perfected and a five-point program announced by Chairman Gardner L. Boothe, of Alexandria.

Hon. John W. Rust, of Fairfax, former State Senator, was elected vice chairman and Mrs. Marion L. Ramsay, of Arlington, secretary. The chairman stated that he would appoint an executive committee of five to exercise the authority of the Regional Defense Council between meetings.

Among those speaking were Hugh Pomeroy, director of the state planning commission; Brig. Gen. J. A. Johnson, of Lexington, state co-ordinator of the of the national defense council, and A. M. Faura, of Norfolk.

Attending this organization meeting at Fairfax on Tuesday were Hon. James Miller, delegate to the general assembly from Fairfax; G. Wallace Carper, chairman of the Fairfax board of supervisors; E. G. Gibbs, of Mt. Vernon; Burns N. Gibson, of Falls Church; James U. Kincheloe.

From Prince William were Harry P. Davis, mayor of Manassas; C. C. Cloe, president of the Prince William Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the draft board; Rev. J. Murray Taylor, chairman of the Prince William board of supervisors; William Hill Brown, jr., commonwealth's attorney of Prince William.

From Arlington there were former State Senator Frank Ball, Free-land Chew, chairman of the Arlington supervisors; Mrs. Elizabeth B. Magruder, of the Arlington board of supervisors; Frank C. Hanrahan, manager of Arlington county, Hon. Charles C. Fenwick, Arlington delegate to the general assembly.

Members were also in attendance from Fauquier, Loudoun, and Alexandria.

FAIRFAX DELEGATE SPEAKS ON DEMOCRACY

Hon. Francis Pickens Miller, delegate to the General Assembly from Fairfax County, was a guest speaker at the Kiwanis Club last Friday evening. It was a patriotic discussion, apropos of George Washington's birthday. Mr. O. D. Waters was program chairman for the evening.

The speaker had more or less of an inspired subject. He gave a brief picture of the attempts to break down freedom and democracy in the world, declaring that he himself felt glad to live in such a period. He asserted that everyone would have a far better grasp of the importance of real liberty after the world wide effort on the part of totalitarians to seek domination had been broken effectively.

As a member of the national committee seeking aid for Britain and her allies and having visited Europe on a number of occasions, Mr. Miller was fully equipped to give a splendid word picture. His visit was greatly enjoyed by the club.

NAMES COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN FOR YOUNG DEMOCRATS

Mrs. Will Brower, newly elected president of the Young Democratic Club of Prince William County, announced at the monthly meeting held at Quantico February 11th, the appointment of the following committee chairmen: Mrs. George R. Lee Turberville, Jr., Chairman of Entertainment and Miss Walsh Conner, Chairman of Publicity. Mrs. Ralph Garden of Quantico was appointed General Chairman of Membership and the sectional chairmen are Miss Elizabeth Davies, Manassas; Mrs. Vernon Wood, Gainesville; Mr. N. N. Free, Nokesville; Mrs. W. A. Hampton, Woodbridge; Mr. Avery Reid, Hoadly; and Mr. George Purvis, Quantico.

Mrs. W. Hill Brown, Jr., was appointed General Chairman of the Contact Committee and the sectional chairmen are Mr. John Haggerty of Quantico; Mr. W. R. Free of Nokesville; and Mrs. Jane Lyons of Haymarket. Mr. Arthur W. Sinclair, was appointed parliamentarian.

The March meeting of the club will be held at the Manassas Court House, on Tuesday night, March 11th, at 8 o'clock.

ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

The annual budget for Prince William county will be discussed at the March meeting of the board of supervisors.

SMITH HITS AT LABOR PRACTICES

Tells Committee "Open Shop" Would Stop New Racket.

Speaking before the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives on Tuesday, Representative Howard W. Smith, of Virginia, vigorously condemned the practice now found to be widely prevalent in government defense projects where exorbitant fees are being exacted by Union organizations as a requirement for employment on the job.

Judge Smith stated that if the "open shop" is permitted in defense industries it would "take away the racket that has been a disgrace to the country." He testified that he had received scores of letters from men who had been for years on public relief, and who now, with an opportunity of employment on defense projects, were being refused work, or discharged unless they pay excessive fees to Union representatives.

Evidence was presented to the Committee at the same hearing showing how workers were required to make heavy down payments and continued weekly additions, until large amounts had been mulcted, and indicating that men were being dismissed where refusing to be victimized.

Representative Smith, who has been very friendly to fair union practices, denounced this nefarious procedure and stated that the Committee should act to end such a disgraceful condition by appropriate legislation.

MRS. COOKSEY NAMED COUNTY CHAIRMAN FOR CHILDREN'S HOME FUND

Mrs. Paul Cooksey of Manassas has accepted the chairmanship for the children's home society campaign in Prince William County, according to the announcement of E. Strudwick, jr., of Richmond, chairman of the state-wide campaign committee. The campaign is scheduled to begin about the middle of April.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Cooksey a group of campaign workers will be organized for personal solicitation and an effort will be made to secure contributions not only from all former contributors, but to solicit many new supporters for the work of the society.

Campaigns similar to the one in Prince William county will be held in practically every county and city in the state during the spring and early summer months, in an effort to raise the 1941 budget of the society, which will exceed \$90,000.

If the entire amount of the budget is raised, the society will be able to rescue at least one hundred additional children and continue to care for an average of approximately 350 children who remain constantly in care.

Most of the new children accepted will be babies for whom adoptive homes will be found as soon as possible.

METHODISTS ASKED TO CONTRIBUTE TO WORLD RELIEF

Sunday, March 2, 1941, will be observed as "The Day of Compassion" when American Methodism will make its contribution toward the relief of a stricken world.

The amount raised will be divided for three great purposes: One half will go to the relief of the war-stricken millions in China and Europe; one fourth to the work of British Methodism; and the balance will be expended to provide Christian Social and spiritual ministry to the boys in the training camps of the United States.

Please be at church to present your offering.

BULL RUN GRANGE

Haymarket invites you to attend the motion picture, "Singing Wheels" presented by the Virginia Highway users association, February 27, at 8 p. m., in the grange hall.

Open meeting, and a good attendance is desired.

TRINITY GUILD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Trinity guild will be held at the home of Mrs. C. Wade-Dalton on Tuesday, March 4, at 2:30 p. m.

The Foreign Invasion That Must Be Stopped



MANASSAS BEATS HERNDON TWICE

The Manassas High basket ball teams played two of the most thrilling games of the season.

The boys played one of the most breath taking games ever witnessed in this gymnasium. The local lads took on the highly taunted Herndon team and held them scoreless for the whole first quarter, when they picked up five points themselves, four made from the free throw line. The second quarter started with a bang and this period was even closer. The score at the half was 9-8 in favor of Manassas. The second half was even closer and more exciting than the first half. The score changed leads at least eight times and was tied up about four to six times. It was any body's game until the final whistle when the score read 28 to 27 with Manassas on top.

Mr. Saunders and Mr. "Shorty" Vetter officiated the game and did an excellent job. The game was under complete control at all times. There were 48 fouls called on both teams with seven men put out on four fouls.

The Manassas boys showed some improvement over the last few games, but they need a lot more improvement to take Mount Vernon Friday, and Warrenton next Tuesday. Paul Kline led the local scorers with 12 points. Broadus and Bowers each collected five. Beeton, Robinson, Wine, and Conner all played a fine game and held the Herndon team from scoring.

The Manassas maidens had an easy time taking the Herndon girls into camp. The Herndon team was all set to take our girls after beating Mount Vernon 51-12. The Manassas girls started out with a fast pass and shoot, and the first quarter ended 9-1 for Manassas.

The half score was 12-3, and the second team for Manassas went in. The second team was used for almost half of the game. The first stringers went in the final few minutes to polish off the score to 22-14.

Frances Beeton lead the attack with ten points, N. Parrish picked 8 and T. Swank sneaked in 4. A Swank, J. Shippe, B. Parrish put up a fine defence with Marshall, Davis, Tipton, Wheeler and Johnson doing a swell replacement job.

Don't forget folks on Tuesday, March 4, will be the last inter-scholastic game this year. On this date Warrenton will come for a visit.

HOME EC. CLASS SPONSORS AMATEUR NIGHT

The home economics club is sponsoring an amateur broadcast Friday, March 21, 1941, at the Manassas high school auditorium. Show begins at 8 p. m.

Cash prizes will be awarded. 1st prize \$3, 2nd prize \$2, and 3rd \$1.

Anyone in school or out of school may enter.

Report to Dorothy Jones at the Manassas high school by March 17, 1941.

All you talented people come out and join in the fun.

FINE ART PRINTS WILL BE DISPLAYED AT BRENTSVILLE

A splendid opportunity for art education is afforded in the exhibit of fine art prints which will be on display Tuesday through Thursday at the Brentsville District High School. There will be a small admission charge which will be used for the purchase of pictures for our school.

There are one hundred and fifty large colored reproductions of the old and modern masters. Among the most famous artists represented are: Gainsborough, Titian, Da Vinci, Terborch, Murillo, Van Dyck, Raphael, and many others of the old masters, while among the more modern are representative subjects from the brush of Ben Foster, George De Forest Brush, George Ines, Ernest Albert, Frank Duveneck, Gardner Symons, Bruce Crane, William Wyant, Harry Vincent, Robert Wesley Amick, and Gustave Wiegand.

The regular meeting of the parents-teachers' association of the Brentsville District High School will be held at 8 p. m. Tuesday, March 4.

We would like to call your attention especially to the art exhibit which will be open on this night; and we should consider ourselves very fortunate in having Miss Eugenia Osbourn of Manassas to give an address appropriate for the occasion. Let us all get together and have a good art exhibit as well as a splendid parents-teachers meeting.

BOOK MART TO AID LIBRARY

On Friday, March 7, the Alumni Association is planning to hold a Book Mart at the High School Building for the benefit of the library.

The Alumni Association is soliciting books from its members, from patrons and friends of the high school. These will be arranged on tables and sold at nominal prices, ranging from ten cents up. A few books may be auctioned off.

Many books have already begun to come in and the range of subjects promises to be a wide one from the most recent copies of the Book of the Month to children's books.

Aid the Alumni Association by donations of books that you have read, then come out and buy those that others have read. In this way you will serve the library which serves you.

(Ed note: We know of few civic enterprises which mean more to a community than a good library. The alumni association here has been working especially hard in the past two years to further this project. Give or buy a book and help this worthy movement.)

FRATERNAL DANCE

Prince William council, Daughters of America, is sponsoring a dance to be held at old Brentsville courthouse on Wednesday evening, March 12, beginning at 9 p. m.

A popular radio team from Fredricksburg will play and perform.

TOWN MANAGER DIED TODAY

Mr. W. F. Cocke, town manager of Manassas for the past thirteen years, died at his home today at noon. He had been ill with pneumonia for several days but was reported much improved yesterday. A sudden relapse this morning hastened the end. No funeral arrangements have been made as this goes to press.

RELIGIOUS WORK NEEDS MORE FUNDS

Sirenuous Appeal Issued by County Treasurer.

A letter sent recently to all Sunday School superintendents in the county contained a rather discouraging report from the treasurer of the county council of religious education. The council is engaged in a program of religious instruction that reaches over 700 children in the public schools. The teacher, Miss Hazel Saunders, goes to every white school in the county and gives undenominational Bible instruction to children in the 4th to 7th grades. This program is in its fifth year. It costs about \$1000.00 per year. This sum is raised in form of voluntary contributions from Sunday Schools, Churches, individuals, and organizations throughout the county.

The treasurer reports that with more than half the year gone, less than one half the needed funds have been received. The program is heartily endorsed by the county school authorities, but it does not receive financial support from tax funds. The work has the approval of the Manassas Ministerial Association, and has the endorsement of most of the pastors in the county.

Personal workers in behalf of the council of religious education are Mr. Henry Maddox in Gainesville district; Mr. Walter Sadd in Manassas district; Mrs. L. J. Bowman and Mr. Felix May in Brentsville district; and Mr. Walter Wine in Coles, Dumfries, and Occoquan districts. Funds may be given to any of these workers or sent direct to the treasurer, Mr. J. J. Conner at Manassas.

The fact that many of the children receiving religious instruction through the work of Miss Saunders never have an opportunity to attend Sunday School, makes this project a real home missionary work. Here is an opportunity to assist in a real character building project right here at home. Surely the people of Prince William County want this work to continue. They will not let it die for lack of support.

NOKESVILLE AGGIES WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

The Nokesville Aggie Cagers last Thursday walked directly into the No. 1 favorite spot to win the basket ball trophy in the Blue Ridge federation tournament as they defeated Haymarket five, 25-16, on the Manassas gymnasium floor.

The fast passing, fast breaking Aggies proved themselves superior in every department, out-shooting, and out-passing the hard-trying Haymarket team. Once Nokesville got out in front, Haymarket never threatened, except in the third quarter when Alvey of Haymarket tore loose and caged 8 of their total 16 points.

Herring scored 8 of Nokesville's 25 points with Eddie Nelson, Heister King and Ted Nelson hitting the basket for 2 goals each. Long and Rollins played excellent defense ball.

Nokesville	G.	F.G.	P.
Herring, f.	3	2	8
Fitzwater, f.	0	1	1
Nelson, E. c.	2	0	4
Rollins, g.	0	1	1
Long, g.	0	0	0
King, R. f.	1	1	3
Nelson, T. c.	2	0	4
King, H. g.	2	0	4
Totals	10	5	28
Haymarket	G.	F.G.	P.
Smith, A. f.	1	0	2
Smith, P. f.	2	1	5
Alvey, H. c.	4	0	8
Rust, B. g.	0	0	0
Piercy, M. g.	0	1	1
Carter, c.	0	0	0
Totals	7	2	16

Score at half: Nokesville 12, Haymarket 2.

HIGHWAY FORCE RECEIVE AWARDS

State Fleet Rate One of Safest in State of Virginia.

Approximately 100 engineers and employees of the State Highway Department assembled in the Courthouse at Manassas last Thursday evening at which time awards were made for the good records in operation of State highway vehicles and safety to employees for the past four years.

Mr. R. I. Mount, District Engineer of the Culpeper District, presided. Mr. Giles M. Robertson, State Safety Engineer, gave a lengthy and instructive talk. He dwelt on the necessity of not only operation of the vehicles as a safety measure, but the placing of signs and flags for the protection of men while at work. In this connection, Mr. Mount particularly commended Mr. William Powers, of the Fairfax Division, as having only that day noted Mr. Powers' great care in protecting his men.

Mr. Robertson went on to state that there are nearly 1,500 pieces or more of moving equipment in the Highway fleet safety records in the entire number it was still the leader in Highway safety records in the entire State of Virginia.

He went on to assert that, although, some five million miles have been traversed by this fleet, only about one hundred sixty accidents of any description have been noted in that period which is extremely a remarkable record.

Mr. H. H. Allen, Shop Supt. of Culpeper County showed a unique frame in which were placed clippings and pictures in which the highway provided safety.

Among others present who made brief addresses were: C. W. Staggs of the Prince William Division, Mr. W. W. Sanders of the Fairfax Division and G. B. Bozel from Leesburg residency.

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STATE TAX COLLECTIONS INCREASED DURING PAST YEAR

A 10 per cent increase in State tax collections over the corresponding period a year ago, provides a welcomed surplus as well as the necessity for setting up reserves to handle post-war problems, Comptroller LeRoy Hodges has reported to Governor Price.

Total collections amounting to \$42,227,508 for the first six months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941 represented a gain of more than \$4,000,000 over collections a year ago. Business activities associated with national defense contracts account in part for the increased revenues, Mr. Hodges said, adding that these activities are not of a permanent nature.

A reserve should be set up, he stated, to provide for income deficiencies during the period of liquidation and depression that probably will follow the close of the European war.

Increases included \$187,730 from sale of vehicle licenses; \$1,230,308 from gasoline tax; \$274,670 from the alcoholic beverage excise tax; \$657,278 from individual and fiduciary income taxes; \$278,761 from instructional revenues, and \$142,938 from interest, dividends and rents.

In his inaugural address Governor Price pledged his administration would preserve the splendid financial rating enjoyed by Virginia, by maintaining a balanced budget. With less than a year of his regime remaining, the chief executive is confident a substantial surplus will be available when his successor takes office.

Jobless benefit payment during February will amount to about \$200,000, a decline of more than \$300,000 as compared with payments made to unemployed eligibles in February, 1940, it is estimated by Edwin S. Reid, chairman, Virginia UCC. The sharp drop is attributed by Chairman Reid to defense projects absorbing large numbers of unemployed men and women.

BRETHREN CHURCH TO HOLD BENEFIT SUPPER

The "Ladies Aid" of the Nokesville church will hold a "Chicken and Ham Supper" at Nokesville on March 5, from 6 to 9 p. m. The supper is in the interest of the new parsonage the church of the Brethren is building at Nokesville. The public is invited to the supper.