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## MUST PAY NOW TO ENTER PARK

### Shenandoah Area Will Soon Be Mecca of Nature Lovers.

James R. Lassiter, superintendent, announced today that collection for permits to enter Shenandoah National Park, Va., begins for the 1941 season on March 15. The cost of the permits is the same as in the past, 25 cents per daily trip, or \$1.00 for annual permits for private automobiles, and \$5.00 per trip for commercial buses.

The most popular of the National Parks, Shenandoah is retaining its lead with an 8 per cent increase in visitors during the first five months of the travel year which began on October 1, 1940. It is anticipated that in this travel year the number of visitors will reach 1,000,000.

Springtime in Shenandoah National Park is one of the most beautiful of the seasons. The Skyline Drive, winding around the crests of the Blue Ridge offers an ever-changing vista of valleys and mountainsides. Observant visitors will find delight and interest in noting the progression of the seasonal growth at different elevations, from the yellow in lush fulfillment of spring about April 1, to the highest peaks where buds will be bursting in early May.

The greenish yellow blossoms of the silver maples, harbinger of spring in the Park area, are followed closely by red maple bloom and the conspicuous show of redbud, the spicebush, and the delicate starlike flowers of the shadblow and wild cherry. Azaleas, naked or with leaves, are seen throughout the Park at all altitudes, singly and in great masses, and later the plentiful tulip trees hold out their candelabra of greenish-yellow flowers. In late April and early May comes the flowering dogwood. At about the same time the flowers of the less numerous wild crab are found in some sections.

One of the biggest shows of the spring is presented over immense areas along the Skyline Drive and trails alike by the mountain laurel with its beautiful pinkish white, spotted flowers and shining green leaves. The blooming of this shrub in early June presents a spectacle second only to the riotous colors of turning leaves in mid-October.

To young or old, active or inactive, scientist of amateur nature lover, Shenandoah National Park offers an abundance of pleasure for everyone, and in spring dress its attraction is at one of the high points of the year.

## EASTERN STAR ELECTS OFFICERS

The Wimodausis Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, has elected the following new officers: Mrs. Jack Stauff, worthy matron; Mr. John Harpine, Nokesville, worthy patron; Mrs. Earl Hurst, associate patron; Miss Bertha Lock, conductress; Mrs. R. C. Haydon, associate conductress; Mrs. Paul Cooksey, secretary; Mrs. T. J. Broadus, treasurer; Mrs. E. G. Parrish, Chaplin; Mrs. Claude Woodyard, marshal; Mrs. John Broadus, organist; Mrs. John Harpine, warden; Mrs. Paul Cooksey, sentinel, and Mrs. R. L. Lewis, Miss Sally Proffitt, Mrs. Pat O'Neil, Mrs. R. A. Hutchison and Mrs. Frank Sigman, auxiliary officers.

Installation services will be held tomorrow night in the Masonic Temple. Mrs. Alfred Cosden of Cherrydale, past worthy grand matron of Virginia will install the new officers.

## CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS

The following were appointed Notary Public for Prince William for a term of four years: Ellis M. Cornwell, Charles J. Gillis, and Virginia Mays. Florence L. Wayland was appointed Notary for the State of Virginia at Large.

Mr. John F. Pattie was appointed Justice of the Peace for Dumfries District.

Mr. Ralph Neal and June Neal have filed petition for adoption and change of name of Gale Yvonne Lyles, an infant girl.

## CLUB DISCUSSES MANNER OF FLAG SALUTE

With attendance again on the rise, the Kiwanis Club enjoyed a fine session last Friday evening.

In lieu of a program, the membership indulged in a round table discussion on the manner of the flag salute adopted on January 1.

## PLANS MATURING FOR EASTER BALL

Plans are now under way for the big Easter Charity Ball to be given by the Woman's Club of Manassas in the High School gymnasium, Monday night, April 14. The orchestra already secured is The Rhythm Kings, and they will play for dancing from 10 until 2 a. m.

The committees for the ball have not been completed but the several chairmen have been appointed as follows: Mrs. T. J. Broadus, general chairman; Mrs. Lewis Carper, music; Mrs. Harold McCall, decoration; Mrs. Marie Larkin and Mrs. E. H. Mars-teller, invitations, and Mrs. M. S. Burchard, publicity.

## JUNIOR WOMEN TO GIVE FASHION SHOW

Manassas will doubtless become fashion conscious during the month of April, which trend will come to a climax on the night of April 23rd when the Junior Woman's Club will hold a fashion show at the Pitts Theatre, preceding the movie "Honey-moon for Three." This plan was submitted to the club by Mrs. J. Carl Kincheloe, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, at its regular monthly meeting on March 13th at the home of Mrs. J. Carl Kincheloe.

quickly adopted and tentative plans made. The local clothing establishments have readily agreed to furnish clothing for the fashion show, which costumes will be modeled by members of the club, and local high school girls, college girls and children to be selected by the contributing stores. The two local beauty parlors will enter models showing the latest thing in permanents, manicures and make-up. Members of the Junior Woman's Club will start selling tickets at an early date in order to have a full house on April 23rd. Arrangements are being made to have a buyer of one of the larger Washington stores act as mistress of ceremonies, to introduce the models, describe their costumes and talk briefly about the fashions of the day.

The Junior Women entertained a number of the members of the Young Woman's Club of Herndon at their meeting, which was presided over by the president, Miss Walsler Conner. A very interesting talk was made on child psychology by Miss Roberta Shoemaker, Principal of the Park View School in Washington, who was introduced by Mrs. Paul Arrington. Miss Shoemaker is a friend of Miss Susan Ish Harrison who accompanied her to the meeting. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Wallace Hook, Mrs. Wallace Lynn, Mrs. Stanley Owens, Miss Hilda Moser, Miss Shirley Mason and Miss Walsler Conner.

Mrs. R. Worth Peters and Mrs. T. J. Broadus represented the Woman's Club, and Miss Walsler Conner and Mrs. R. Jackson Ratcliffe represented the Junior Woman's Club, at the District Institute of the Virginia Federation of Woman's Clubs which was held at the James Madison Hotel in Orange on Wednesday, March 19th.

## B. Y. P. U. CREATES INTEREST

Much interest is being aroused in the Baptist Young Peoples Union which meets each Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the church. Several new members have been received and all young people not affiliated with any other young peoples' society are cordially invited to attend.

The week of March 24-28 will be observed as study period and many are making plans to attend. The new officers recently elected are Kite Roseberry, president; Miss Sally Proffitt, vice president; Miss Martha Wood, secretary-treasurer and Mrs. M. S. Burchard, sponsor.

## BACK FROM FLORIDA

Mr. George Baker blew into Town this afternoon full of Florida sunshine and sunburn, and many fish story as well. They didn't all get away, and Mr. Baker looks fine. He has left one of his prize exhibits, a banana bloom, in the front window of the Journal Office.

## MARRIAGES

March 3. Francis Hogan and Rosetta Johnson of Haymarket, Virginia (DeChant)

March 13. Robert Trefz and Margaret West of Philadelphia, Pa. (DeChant)

March 14. R. B. Wilson and Teresa Benoit of Quantico, Va. (Robinson)

March 15. Eno McIntosh of Sterling, Virginia and Virginia Teel of Haymarket, Virginia.

## GENERAL ALLOCATION'S STATE SECONDARY SYSTEM

| County                            | Amount Equal To 1931 County G. & Tax | Based on 1940 Rural Pop. 1940 Rural Area & Sec. Road Mileage | Strengthening & Modernizing Bridges — \$350,000.00 (4 - Yr. Revolving Fund) | Total Allocation |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|------------------|
| <b>Culpeper District:</b>         |                                      |  |   |                  |
| Albemarle                         | \$ 70,940.70                         | \$172,780.00   |   | \$172,780.00*    |
| Culpeper                          | 27,168.86                            | 70,579.00  | 14,066.97   | 84,645.97        |
| Fauquier                          | 59,924.68                            | 161,451.50   |   | 161,451.50*      |
| Fauquier                          | 56,960.31                            | 142,136.00   |   | 142,136.00*      |
| Fluvanna                          | 13,905.96                            | 47,188.50  |   | 47,188.50*       |
| Greene                            | 12,000.00                            | 25,672.50  |   | 25,672.50*       |
| Loudoun                           | 73,798.62                            | 124,450.50   |   | 124,450.50*      |
| Louisa                            | 24,802.44                            | 81,500.00  | 16,208.31   | 97,708.31        |
| Madison                           | 16,866.57                            | 50,448.50  | 10,080.78   | 60,529.28*       |
| Orange                            | 33,080.18                            | 67,319.00  |   | 67,319.00*       |
| Prince William                    | 23,553.95                            | 77,832.50  |   | 77,832.50*       |
| Rappahannock                      | 14,547.71                            | 37,897.50  |   | 37,897.50*       |
| <b>Fredericksburg District:</b>   |                                      |  |   |                  |
| Spottsylvania                     | 21,405.96                            | 66,096.50  |   | 66,096.50*       |
| Stafford                          | 13,514.03                            | 51,752.50  | 10,311.38   | 62,063.88*       |
| <b>Convict Camp — Adjustment:</b> |                                      |  |   |                  |

## ASHTON DOVELL IN TOWN

Hon. Ashton Dovell was in Manassas this week visiting around and renewing acquaintances. Hon. E. R. Conner was introducing him to those with whom Mr. Dovell was not already acquainted. We appreciated his call at the Journal office.

## AMATEUR BROADCAST

There will be an amateur broadcast given by the Home Economics Club, Friday night, March 21, at 8 o'clock at Manassas High School auditorium. Cash prizes will be given 1st prize \$3.00, 2nd \$2.00 and 3rd \$1.00.

On the program are contestants from Bennett School, the high school State Vocational School, and other outsiders who will give an evening of real entertainment. There will be singing, dancing, string music and humorous skits. Be sure to come and support your school by joining in the fun.

## REDEN HERBERT PITTMAN

Elder Reden Herbert Pittman, minister, writer and publisher, for the past ten years, pastor of Primitive Baptist Church, Manassas, passed away Friday, March 14, at Harrisonburg Hospital after an illness of several weeks.

Elder Pittman was born in North Carolina seventy years ago, was baptized in 1893 at the age of twenty-two years, ordained to the ministry in 1900 at Bishopville, S. C., where he held pastorates until coming to Luray, in the summer of 1906; here he continued to reside until his death. Besides the Manassas Church, Elder Pittman was pastor of two churches in Page County Seneca Church in Maryland.

Because of extensive travel and wide circulation of the church paper, The Advocate and Messenger, Elder Pittman's faithful work in the ministry and his efficient editorship are well known throughout the country.

The deceased is survived by his widow formerly, Miss Bessie Barnes of Elm City, N. C., three daughters and two sons and one, brother, who lives in South Carolina.

The funeral services were held on Sunday the 16th from Mount Carmel Church in Luray and interment in Luray Cemetery. Elder A. L. Harrison of Front Royal was in charge of services and was assisted by Elders, Miller, Jenkins and Suddenth. Seven other ministers were present. The profusion of beautiful flowers and the immense crowd in attendance bore evidence of the love and high esteem in which he was held by all who knew him, truly a gentleman of the Old South.

## IMPROVING

Friends of Rev. W. O. Luttrell will be pleased to know that he is on the road to recovery and is expected to be back with us next Sunday to resume his duties.

He has been greatly missed in the church and community for the past several weeks.

## EVEN SONG SERVICE

The Even song service will be held at 7 P. M. at the Episcopal Church by the Trinity Group.

## WINS AGRICULTURAL PRIZE - HEARING ON REDISTRICTING



ALBERT ROLLINS

Albert Rollins, a senior agricultural student of Greensville District High School, has been announced a winner in the K. I. Arundell Nitrate of Soda, Soils Fertility Contest.

This is Albert's fourth year in Vocational agriculture. He was a member of the State Dairy Judging team in 1937, and won a free trip to the National Convention at Kansas City. He was a member of the Out of State Dairy Judging team in 1931, and competed in the National Contest held at Kansas City.

Albert is to be commended on his outstanding accomplishments. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rollins of Bristol, Virginia.

## NOKESVILLE HIGH CONTEST WINNER

Eugene Nolley is oratorical champion.

Eugene Nolley, senior of Brentsville District High, was selected as winner in the county contest of the National Oratorical Contest which was sponsored by the National Americanism Commission of the American Legion. The purpose of this contest which was held at Nokesville on Friday afternoon, March 14, was to select the individual who would represent the county in the Northern Virginia contest which will be held on March 24, at Fairfax High School.

Joseph Johnson, the representative from Manassas, gave his interpretation of the terms "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness".

Eugene Nolley discussed the application of "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness" to the every day life of an individual. Both participants revealed a comprehensive and extensive knowledge of the subject. Each participant was also required to give a short extemporaneous speech on some phase of the Constitution of the United States.

The judges of the contest who were from Fauquier County based their decisions on the following points: poise and personality, accuracy and effectiveness of composition, and the powers to thrill, quicken, and compel. A short musical program was rendered by several students of the High School.

## MOORE BOARD ASKS EXPLANATION

The Moore Reorganization Commission has voted, 4-2, to request that Governor Price appear before it at a meeting in April, and support his statement, made in Norfolk February 25, that reorganization proposals which he supported and which the 1940 General Assembly rejected, would have saved "thousands of dollars in administrative expenses".

A letter to the Governor, signed by E. Blackburn Moore as chairman of the Commission, stated that "in fairness to you and the General Assembly and the Reorganization Commission, and in fairness to the people of Virginia, and in view of the conflicting and insufficiently convincing evidence on your reorganization proposals, the Commission on Reorganization invites you to meet with them at your convenience in April. The meeting is to be held either as an open meeting or in executive session, as you prefer".

## BOOK MART VERY SUCCESSFUL

The friends of the library and the alumni association wish to extend their appreciation to all those who helped to make so successful the Book Mart, held Friday, March 14, 1941.

The value of money taken in and book contributed to the library amounted to \$87.15.

Southwest Virginia representation in the Virginia House of Delegates will be discussed at a public meeting of the Legislative Reapportionment Commission June 16 in Roanoke.

At a hearing held March 17 the commission received vigorous protests against tentative changes in House and Senate districts involving the Appomattox - Amherst - Nelson - Buckingham and Brunswick-Lunenburg areas.

An additional delegate from Richmond City and Arlington county, an additional Senator from Northern Virginia, and additional delegate from Norfolk City, Tazewell County and Lynchburg city have been tentatively approved by the commission. The commission's report will be acted on by the 1942 General Assembly.

Many speakers emphasized that population alone should not be the chief consideration, but that area should also be considered, also historic associations. The shades of Patrick Henry were invoked by one speaker, while Ralph Isaacs of Elizabeth City county said "my people would rather live on half-rations at home than live elsewhere with plenty to eat". Still another orator remarked that "if it hadn't been for Hitler and mushroom growth, we wouldn't have redistricting problems".

A constitutional mandate requires redistricting of the House and Senate every ten years.

Tribute was paid to Appomattox county by Robert Whitehead. Commonwealth's Attorney of Amherst county, who said "Appomattox casts more votes per capita than any county in the State", adding that "the people who live on the South side of the James river are better politicians than their northern neighbors".

Roanoke City, said Senator Leonard Muse and Carl B. Shorts, feels it should have a separate Senator, while Roanoke county, Delegate Ben Chapman contended, should be given an additional delegate. Arlington county, Senator W. D. Medley and Delegate Charles R. Fenwick said, should be given a separate senator due to its continuing growth.

## SCHOOL CHILD KILLED TUESDAY

About 3:30 P. M. on Tuesday, Herbert Green, aged 10, third grade pupil at Haymarket school, met his death while returning home from school.

The exact details will be brought out at a hearing before Judge Compton on April 2nd, the driver of the truck causing the youngster's death, having been placed under \$500 bond to appear at that time. Investigation was made by Special Officer Robert Vetter and State Officer Parker.

Driver John Sweeney of the school bus had stopped on the Front Royal road about a mile and a half north of Haymarket, where it is intersected by the Antioch road, to let off several children. One of these was the little Green boy. Just as Sweeney started off, the boy seems to have been struck by the truck which was admittedly traveling at least thirty-five miles an hour according to reported statements credited to the driver, Lester B. Zirkle of Strasburg, Va. His vehicle was moving southward. The child, of course, had left the bus which was again in motion.

This is the first time that a child has met death while in transportation was put into operation in this county. It is in nowise a reflection on the bus driver who seems to have discharged the children with all the usual degree of care.

The lad was rushed to the Alexandria Hospital where he does not seem to have recovered consciousness, dying this morning.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed as this goes to press.

## RELIGIOUS SERVICE AT BRENTSVILLE HIGH

On Sunday night, March 30, at 7:45 there will be a Religious Service at the Brentsville District High School auditorium, Nokesville. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. E. M. Graham of Manassas.

Several musical members are being prepared. It is hoped that a large number will attend from every church in the district.

A free will offering will go on our district's quota which is being raised for religious education.