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## R. E. A. Announces Allotment of \$325,000.00 to New Co-operative

### KNIFE WIELDER IS CONVICTED

Attorney for Helen Schuyler Asks for New Trial.

Mrs. Helen Schuyler, twenty-one year old waitress of Quantico, whose name is said to have been on local police blotters before in this county, was given a three and one-half year sentence by a jury which deliberated only about two hours. The entire case lasted from shortly after 10 a. m. to about 7 p. m. on Tuesday.

There was no difficulty in selecting a jury from the first twenty called, and the case was under way by 11 a. m.

The defendant was charged with deliberately stabbing Private Aubrey N. Heyl, of Warrenton, in the early hours of Easter Sunday at a Quantico boarding house.

The defense represented by Attorney Ralph Bethel, of Richmond, maintained that the act was in self defense and that she was afraid that the deceased, who was a six footer, would hurt her. It was freely admitted that considerable wine and beer had been imbibed, the dead man having been called on to take home one of the girls who had "passed out".

It was in only a few minutes that the whole affair took place, a comrade actually being in a taxi waiting for Heyl to come back.

Judge Brown called a number of commonwealth witnesses, largely from among enlisted men. Lieut. Commander E. B. Keck, of the Marine Corps, and stationed at the Base Hospital, stated that Heyl was virtually dead on arrival.

A postmortem revealed that the large artery leading from theorta to the heart, and one rather remote and very well protected had been severed by the knife thrust which went through the lapel of the man's uniform.

Judge Brown introduced the uniform into evidence, showing the heavy reinforced nature of the cloth.

The jury hearing the case was composed of Lewis J. Carper, foreman; Robert D. Lake, Ralph Slusher, J. C. Bean, Alvin T. Barnes, Earl Speakes, L. J. Pattie, Frank L. Cannon, Thomas J. Woolfenden, M. K. Putnam, N. A. Wheeler, and J. F. Clark.

The defendant's mother was her only witness. Her three year old child was with the grandmother. Just what effect the presence of the child had on the jury is not known.

Following the reading of the verdict, Attorney Bethel moved for a new trial on the grounds of new evidence and that displays had been made which were prejudicial to the accused.

Mrs. Schuyler maintained a rather stoical attitude. She winced when the knife and uniform were first exhibited and when arguments were made by Attorney Brown for a first degree conviction.

Judge McCarthy will hold hearings on the motion on June 2, the first day of the June term of court.

### MARSTELLER BUYS REGISTERED JERSEYS

Two registered Jersey cows have been purchased by Dr. E. H. Marsteller of Manassas, according to the American Jersey Cattle Club, 324 West 23rd street, New York, N. Y.

The first of these, Phalber Arbelia 1240677, was purchased from Mr. W. M. Johnston, Manassas. Phalber Janthisma 1248297, the second, was purchased from Clover Hill Farm, also of Manassas.

### DR. C. C. BELL TO HOLD REVIVAL AT GRACE METHODIST CHURCH

The 11 o'clock service at Grace Methodist Church, Sunday, April 27, will mark the beginning of a special series of evangelistic meetings that will continue for two weeks.

The Church is exceedingly fortunate in securing Dr. C. C. Bell, pastor of the Washington street Church, Alexandria, to direct these meetings. Dr. Bell is recognized as one of Methodism's strongest preachers.

These services will begin each evening at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Mr. A. S. Boatwright and son, Garland, of Richmond, are visitors in town today.

### SELECTIVE SERVICE ORDERS

Notice has been received of the acceptance of six of the eight men sent to Baltimore on April 18 to fill Call No. 9. Those accepted were: Lou Amos Foster, Nokesville; George Henry Hottle, Haymarket; Joseph Geris, Wellington; Wade Garnet Reedy, Marion, W. Va.; Philip W. Webster, Hoadly; Alfred Warren Payne, Manassas.

### CLUBS HERE PLAN MAY FLOWER SHOW

Committees Appointed By Garden Club.

The Manassas Garden Club was well represented at its April meeting on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Marshall Haydon. Mrs. C. H. Stickle was welcomed as a new member. Mrs. Didlake announced that the annual meeting of the Piedmont district would be held Friday the 25, at the Washington Fair and Country Club in Glebe road, Arlington. Mr. Morrison's lecture will be at 10:30 a. m.

On May 23 and 24, the state meeting will be held at Staunton in the Stonewall Jackson Hotel. Mrs. O. D. Waters was elected delegate to this meeting, and Mrs. Paul Cooksey, alternate. A letter was read from Mrs. Tavener on the subject of zoning. Mrs. Didlake had received a letter from David Burpee, saying he had arranged with the Firestone Company to give a complimentary package of his new Idabelle Firestone Marigold to Garden Clubs members, if they would stop in at any Firestone auto supply service station and ask for it. Announcement was also made of the flower mart at the Washington Cathedral on May 7, 12 to 6 p. m. Plans were made for a flower show, to be given jointly by the Manassas Garden Club, and the Garden Section of the Woman's Club. Mrs. T. E. Didlake, and Mrs. Paul Cooksey, co-chairmen, May the 20 was the date set for the show; the following committees were appointed.

Decorations: Mrs. T. J. Broadbush, Mrs. Fred Dowell, Mrs. Marshall Haydon, Mrs. Margaret Lewis.

Containers: Mrs. H. E. Pickeral, Mrs. Gohwaite.

Classifying: Mr. Paul Cooksey, Mrs. A. B. Smelker, Mrs. C. C. Lynn.

Staging: Mesdames Hooff, Dalton, Walters, Gillum.

Assisting the judges: Mrs. A. A. Hooff, Mrs. O. D. Waters, Mrs. Richard Haydon.

Securing judges: Mrs. E. H. Marsteller, Mrs. Royer.

Hospitality: Mesdames Maloney, Lloyd, Hutchison, Allen.

Housekeepers: Mrs. R. M. Weir, Mrs. Marie Larkin, Mrs. E. A. Bock, Mrs. T. E. Didlake.

The following officers were unanimously elected for the coming year.

President Mrs. E. H. Marsteller, Vice President Mrs. O. D. Waters, Treasurer Mrs. A. B. Smelker, and Secretary Mrs. Fred Dowell.

### COUNTY P.-T. A. GROUP WILL MEET AT HAYMARKET

The county federation of Parent-Teacher's Associations will meet at Haymarket elementary school next Thursday evening.

The Haymarket P.-T.-A. will serve supper at 6:30, and the meeting will follow immediately afterwards. All members are urged to attend.

### DRAMATIC CLUB TO PRESENT TWO PLAYS

On Friday night, May 9, the dramatic club of Manassas High School will present two one-act plays: "The Trusting Place", and "Polly Put the Kettle On". Music: Watch this space for further notice.

### REV. DeCHANT GUEST SPEAKER FOR TRINITY GROUP

The Trinity Group of the Episcopal Church met Tuesday night, April 22, at the home of Mrs. Lamaar.

Rev. John DeChant of the Presbyterian Church of Manassas was the guest speaker of the evening. As the club has set an objective to learn principals of religions, Rev. DeChant gave an interesting talk on the standards and government of the Presbyterian Church.

### STATE CHAMBER NAMES ALPAUGH AS MEMBER

Virginia State Chamber of Commerce elects Mr. Charles W. Alpaugh as member and director.

President James S. Easley of the State Chamber has notified Mr. Alpaugh of his election as director to succeed Mr. C. C. Cloe of Triangle, who has been a member for the past 16 years, and also a director. Our local Chamber of Commerce is headed by Mr. Cloe as president and Hon. H. P. Davis as vice president. Several new local enterprises have been sponsored by our local chamber which have been of great benefit to our community.

With the election of our fellow-member Mr. Charles W. Alpaugh to this important post, the Prince William County Chamber of Commerce, feels highly honored and we know that the principles as advocated by the State Chamber and our local chamber will push forward to even greater service to our state and local county.

### NUTRITION SUBJECT OF BETHLEHEM CLUB DISCUSSION

April meeting of Bethlehem Club was held at home of Mrs. P. A. Lewis, Wednesday, April 17.

Mrs. Round and Mrs. P. A. Lewis were hostesses.

There were 13 members and three visitors present. Visitors being Mrs. Haydon, senior; Mrs. Beckwith, and Miss Cline.

President asked Mrs. Round to open the meeting. After which the roll was called, and a brief discussion on the life and writings of Dorothy Thompson, present day columnist, and reporter.

Mrs. Robert Lewis, supervisor of county welfare read a very real and comprehensive true experience, about one of many neglected boys, bringing home to the club members the importance of the welfare work carried on in the county and state.

Mrs. Byrd, chairman, and treasurer of "Prince William History" reports good sales and much interest manifested in the book, locally and outside, of county many books being mailed to distant points. As no reports from other committees the business session was concluded.

Mrs. Robert Lewis then presented Miss Cline, home management supervisor, who addressed the club on the topic, "Nutrition and Defense", a very timely and interesting talk. That was greatly enjoyed by all present.

After pleasant social hour meeting adjourned.

### THE LADIES REST ROOM

The Rest Room was established many years ago, and there are not many towns the size of ours that can boast of such a comfortable Rest Room. The room is bright and cheery, and there are comfortable chairs for children as well as grown-ups. There is a couch where one may rest from their shopping in town, and there is a desk also where writing may be done. This room is appreciated by many people both from the County and Town. It has become a necessity and it would be almost impossible to get along without it. The upkeep of this room is financed by the Town of Manassas and the Board of Supervisors as well as a few individual contributions.

In view of the increasing number of visitors coming to our town, it has been decided to change the hours of opening and closing this room to meet the necessary demands. Beginning Saturday, May 3, 1941, the hours will be as follows:

SATURDAYS: Open 10:00 a. m. Close 10 p. m.

OTHER DAYS (Except Sundays) Open 10 a. m. Close 3 p. m.

CLOSED ALL DAY SUNDAYS. Holidays will be observed on: May 30, July 4, September 1, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year.

The Rest Room can not be responsible for anything left in the room. This room is for your convenience, and we ask a continuance of your co-operation.

### RUMMAGE SALE

There will be a rummage sale in the Parish Hall on Saturday, May 3, from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

### SCHOOL ART EXHIBIT

The annual Art exhibit of the Prince William County Schools will be held in the Haymarket Elementary School on May 1, and 2, and school patrons and others interested are especially invited to view the work of the children this year.

Miss Sue Ayres, elementary supervisor, who has arranged the exhibit states that Mrs. Eileen Kilby, representative of Binney and Smith, New York, will be present to judge the work.

The exhibition is held at Haymarket this year in accordance with the plan of giving the various localities an opportunity to view the work of the entire school system and it is hoped that a great many will avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing this fine exhibition.

Refreshments will be served both days by the ladies of the Haymarket P.-T. A.

### FAIRFAX OFFICIAL GUEST OF KIWANIANS

Zoning Administrator E. Russell White of Fairfax County gave a very interesting talk to the Manassas Kiwanis Club last Friday evening. At this time he explained the ordinance recently passed in his county and the operation under his administration thus far.

Mr. White told in some detail how zoning matters come up, how Fairfax County is zoned, and the methods offered for exceptions to the application of the various sections. He gave one example of how not everything having been included in the ordinance, namely the operation of trailer camps. This he said, would be handled by amendments to the existing ordinance.

A number of queries were asked after his talk, all of which the speaker dealt with very explicitly.

Visitors for evening were Mrs. White and two Kiwanians from the Arlington Club, Rodes Lewis and Rev. Henry Miller.

### MANASSAS "MACS" ORGANIZED FOR THE SEASON

The Manassas "Macs" baseball team have organized for the coming season under the new leadership of Mr. Earnest Reid who is known throughout the county in his ability to manage winning baseball teams. For the past four years Mr. Reid has successfully managed the Moses A. C. which has been one of the strongest and fastest amateur baseball nines in the Northern Virginia league.

Mr. Reid has good baseball material to work with this year with nine veterans from last years team returning and several new players. The pitching staff will be composed of "Chick" Gillum, "Knuckle Ball" Ward, and Bill Berryman, all whom have had lots of experience in throwing the old rock. Kite Roseberry and Bob Wilt will work behind the plate. The infield will find Smith at first, S. Vetter at second, C. Posey or C. Merchant at short and D. Vetter at third while in the outfield ill be, Crabill, D. Posey and Vernon. Sunday, April 27 the Macs will tee off with the Triangle A. C. in a practice game which will begin at 3 p. m. There will not be any admission charged so lets start the season off right by being there and whooping it up for the Macs.

### MRS. BAXTER BLEVINS

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 22, for Mrs. Baxter Blevins, 45, widowed mother of 13 children, who was found hanging from a tree on a farm near here last Saturday.

Dr. J. M. Jackson, county health physician, pronounced her death a suicide.

She was buried at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the Jerusalem Baptist Church Cemetery at Fairfax Station, Rev. R. M. Graham officiated.

### EVENING SONG SERVICE

Sunday night April 27, at the Manassas Episcopal Church at 7:30 p. m. Everyone of all denominations are invited to attend.

### W. C. T. U. FORD SALE

The W. C. T. U. will hold a food sale Saturday, May 3, at the Manassas Market from 9 to 12.

### MR. CONNER IMPROVING

Hon. E. R. Conner is in the Emergency Hospital as the results of injuries received Saturday from a horse throwing him. Last report was that he is getting along nicely. His many friends here wish him a speedy recovery.

### RECORD CROWD AT FASHION SHOW

Amateur Models Display All the Latest Styles.

Record crowds filled the Pitt's Theatre last evening for the Spring Fashion Show and movie, "Honey Moon For Three", sponsored by the Manassas Junior Woman's Club.

The audience was greeted by Mrs. Paul J. Arrington of the Junior Woman's Club who expressed the gratitude of the club to the local business establishments and to the management of the Pitt's Theatre through

whose co-operation the show had been made possible. Mrs. Arrington then introduced Miss Ann Bombrest of Washington, fashion commentator, who acted as Mistress of Ceremonies, and gave an interesting description of each costume and hair arrangement as the models appeared on the stage. Miss Bombrest later expressed her pleasure at the excellent performance of the models, all of whom were amateurs.

The local business establishments who participated in the show and to whom the Junior Woman's Club is exceptionally grateful for their interest, are: Edna's Beauty Shop, Manassas Beauty Shop, Mrs. R. J. Adamson's Hat Shop, Hynson's Department Store, J. H. Steele and Company, The Margaret Lynch Shop, and Roger's Cozy Shop.

The children and ladies who acted as models are as follows: Misses Gem Elizabeth Parler, Sandra Penn, Barbara Clark, Catherine Dennis Baker, Barbara Jones, Mary Lou Trimmer, Vera Rose Merchant, Catherine Pattie, Pattie Lynn Adams, Shirley Hynson, Barbara Lee Cross, Elsie Gough, Mary Currell Pattie, Lois Sloop, Alice Swank, Naomi Mauck, Eileen Miller, Edna Blakemore, Lorraine Crosby, Mary Mason Davis, Margaret Blakemore, Hope Sheppard, Mary Louise Robbins, Lelia Dowell, Peggy Tipton, and Mesdames Robert Cross, Dennis Baker, Irma Habacker, Robert Saunders, Isabel Free, Robert Smith, W. T. Brown, Sedrick Saunders, George Turberville, and Earl Hurst.

### MANASSAS LIVE-STOCK MARKET

Dairy Cows (per head) \$62.50 to 79.00

Canners & Cutters 5.20

Heifers 7.25

Calves:

Tops 12.00

Good 11.25 to 11.75

Medium 9.50 to 11.00

Light 7.00 to 9.00

Culls (per head) 7.00 down

Hogs:

Tops (180 to 220 lbs.) 8.50

Heavy (220 to 250 lbs.) 7.90 to 8.25

Heavy (250 to 325 lbs.) 7.50

Light (140 to 180 lbs.) 7.75 to 8.00

Shoats (per head) 5.50 to 7.80

Shoats 8.00 to 8.50

Pigs (per head) 3.70 to 5.20

Poultry 17c to 18 1/2c

### BINGO PARTY

The Home Demonstration Club of Dumfries is sponsoring a bingo party to be held in the Dumfries School on Saturday, April 26, at 8 p. m.

There will be a small admission fee and a nice door prize will be given away free. The public is invited to attend.

### FAIRFAX FARM BOARD ELECTS

The Fairfax County National Farm Loan Association held its annual elections yesterday, with a dinner meeting at Gene's Restaurant in Manassas, the present headquarters of the three county organization.

Those named directors for the coming year are Messrs. B. F. Nevitt, J. B. Armfield, Wilson McNair, John Kearns, R. B. Nickell, and R. Colton Lewis.

Prince William Electric Cooperative receives allotment to purchase assets of Bull Run Power Company and expand service to 800 farmers in Prince William, Stafford, Fauquier and Fairfax Counties.

DEVELOPMENT OF LINES IN FAUQUIER COUNTY STARTING NEXT WEEK WITH 4 BIG MEETINGS.

Stafford County lines to be under construction shortly.

Harry Slattery, Administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration, has just announced the allotment of \$325,000 to the Prince William Electric Cooperative to purchase the assets of the Bull Run Power Company and expand service to approximately 800 additional farms in Prince William, Stafford, Fairfax and Fauquier Counties. The development of additional lines to serve these farm groups is being undertaken immediately with a series of four mass meetings.

Meetings are scheduled as follows:

Monday Evening, April 28th-Delaplane School house at 8:00 P.M.

Tuesday Evening, April 29th-Marshall School house at 8:00 P.M.

Wednesday Evening, April 30th Markham School house at 8:00 P.M.

Thursday Evening, May 1st-Halfway C. W. Cornell's Store at 8:00 P.M.

Mr. Louis C. Stephens, ace development expert of the Rural Electrification Administration is scheduled to attend and conduct these meetings.

The cooperation of all farmers in the northern part of Fauquier County is solicited and is essential to the success of the program. Every un-served farmer in the northern part of Fauquier County is urged to attend these meetings to learn what the program involves and what they must do to receive service from the Cooperative.

Many applications for service have already been received by the Bull Run Power Company to extend service in Prince William and Stafford Counties. These applications are being turned over to the new Cooperative and these lines will get under way promptly to provide service by the early part of the summer. A fifty-five mile extension into Stafford Co. is intended in this group.

Additional farmers in Prince William, Stafford and Fauquier Counties who have not already applied for service are urged to contact the office of the Bull Run Power Company in Manassas, Virginia and place their application for service with the Cooperative.

A definite closing date for the transfer of the properties of the company has not been set. Holders of over 90 percent of the stock of the Bull Run Power Company have already agreed to the sale of the company's assets. The final contract agreements will be signed at a meeting being held this Friday evening at Manassas, Virginia in the office of the Bull Run Power Company. This is all subject to approval of the State Corporation Commission in Richmond, but several very satisfactory talks have already been had with their officials.

The Officers and Directors of the Prince William Electric Cooperative have been elected as follows:

Mr. James Cross, President, Clifton, Virginia; Mr. Francis Van Doren, Vice-President, Manassas, Virginia; Mr. John M. Piercy, Secretary-Treasurer, Gainesville, Virginia; Mr. Charles F. Cornwell, Director, Manassas, Virginia; and Mrs. Audrey F. Kerr, Director, Broad Run, Virginia.

These men and women will serve as Directors and Officers of the company until November of this year. Membership will be extended to all consumers of the cooperative by November of this year at which time a new election will be held with all consumers of the Cooperative participating to select their directors and officers for the coming year. The officers and directors of REA Cooperatives serve without compensation. They give of their time and efforts as a community service to the growth of rural electrification in their communities.

The headquarters of the new cooperative will be at Manassas, Virginia at the present office of the Bull Run Power Company.

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