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## COUNTY FACULTY NAMED FOR YEAR

Quite a Few Teachers Here for First Time.

Aden: Helen Newman.  
Brentsville: Mary S. Kline.  
Greenwich: Ruth Moffitt, Josephine M. Lynn.  
Nokesville: C. O. Bittle, Hazel Ritchie, Lois Sloop, Julia B. Hale, Rufus Beamer, Virginia Talley, Ila V. Breeden, Louise McNair, Daniel D. Eutsler, Jane L. Lyons, Will C. Dawson, and Gayle Bowman.  
Woodbine: W. Y. Ellicott, Emma W. Carter, and Irene Haupt.  
Dumfries: Evelyn I. Lynn, Dorothy W. Varner, Ida B. Foster, Cathaleen S. Jones.  
Quantico: Anne Myers, and Margaret Powell.  
Cabin Branch: Jessie Alexander, Emmie Harris, and Mary E. Glaze.  
Haymarket: Dorothy Bevard, Mrs. Willis Foley, Mrs. Maude Jordan, Mary E. Buckley, Charlotte Ramsburg, and Helen F. Young.  
McCrae: Pauline Lilly.  
Bennett Graded School: Carrie Lanford, Jane M. Reid, Frances E. Johnson, Grace E. Metz, Winnie H. Breeden, Isabelle Patton, and Virginia P. Park, Laurine Billings, E. Hilda Lewis, Henrietta Pleasant, Elizabeth Hartwell, Alice M. Nelson, Evelyn Hall, and Lillian Knight.  
Manassas High School: R. Worth Peters, Reams Bennett, Lulu D. Metz, Abbye M. Lutes, R. R. Fishpaw, Sarah H. Latham, Pauline Smith, and Nancy W. Lyons.  
Manley: Alberta E. Isley.  
Bethel: Zella Cornwell, and Myrtle H. Moore.  
Ocoquan High School: Elizabeth Vaughan, Selma M. Piland, Mary L. Norman, Wanda Griffin, Edward Sierks, Frank G. Sigman, Margaret D. Lynn, Nell Jackson, Nellie Knupp, Elizabeth Lloyd, Betty Riley, Mae T. Sanford, and Meliscent G. Smith.  
Summitt: Julia G. Revis.  
Elementary Supervisor, White: Sue F. Ayres.  
Colored:  
Antioch: Margaret V. Stokes, Gladys L. O'Neill, and Evelyn Primas.  
Brown: Bessie E. White, B. Oswald Robinson, Evelyn Berry, and Rosetta Scott.  
Jeanes Supervisor, Colored: Margaret O. Townes.

## SCHEDULE OF HOURS AT TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

White Teachers:  
9 a.m. County-wide principals' meeting.  
11 a.m. Faculty meeting—all large schools. Meeting of all teachers of one, two and three-room school faculties with elementary supervisor.  
12 Lunch period.  
1 p.m. Meeting of county teachers association.  
Special note: All elementary teachers, teaching in Prince William County for the first time, will please meet with elementary supervisor at 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, at the Manassas High School.  
Negro Teachers:  
10 a.m. Meeting of all elementary teachers with Jeanes supervisor at Bown School.  
Faculty meeting on Regional High School at Regional High School.  
12 Lunch period.  
1 p.m. Meeting of county-wide teachers association at the Brown School.

## UNION SERVICES

A fifth Sunday union service will be held on Sunday night, August 31, in the Methodist Church, at 8. This service is held under the auspices of the Manassas Ministerial Association. The Rev. Mr. O. R. Hersch, of Cannon Branch Church of the Brethren, will be the preacher for this service. The offering will be for the cause of Week Day Religious Education in Prince William County. With the opening of school, this program will begin its sixth year. Miss Hazel Saunders will continue as the teacher. The Ministerial Association has always supported and promoted this religious training project, and as the year begins, it is hoped that there may be a generous offering.  
Fifth Sunday Union Services have been carried on for many years in Manassas. They provide an excellent opportunity for the people of many Christian groups to worship the Lord together. Let us turn out in full force on Sunday night. This is public worship and everyone is cordially invited.

## NEW PARKING ORDINANCE

At a meeting of the Council of the Town of Manassas held in the Town Hall on Monday, August 25, 1941, an ordinance prohibiting parking on Center Street between Zebedee Street and Grant Avenue was repealed and the following Ordinance enacted to be come effective September 1, 1941.

## AN ORDINANCE

Enacted by the Council of the Town of Manassas, Virginia, August 25, 1941.

WHEREAS, the Town of Manassas, Virginia, is desirous of regulating traffic with the greatest degree of safety and convenience, therefore,

Be It Ordained by the Council of the Town of Manassas, Virginia, that an Ordinance enacted on July 28, 1941, prohibiting all parking on Center Street between Zebedee Street and Grant Avenue is hereby rescinded.

AND, that at Seven (7) o'clock, A.M., September 1, 1941, the following Ordinance shall become effective:  
The parking of vehicles shall be restricted to one (1) hour on one side of Center Street between East Street and West Street, with freight vehicles being permitted to stop on the prohibited side of Center Street to load or unload freight when handled with dispatch; that, at the end of each three (3) month's period the order of parking in this zone shall be reversed, or shifted to the opposite side of Center Street;

That, the parking of all vehicles shall be prohibited at all times on the South side of Center Street between Zebedee Street and East Street and between West Street and Grant Avenue; that, regulations as to loading and unloading freight vehicles outlined in paragraph above shall apply in this zone.

Such parts of existing Ordinances as may be in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Violation of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than one (\$1.00) Dollar nor more than Ten (\$10.00) Dollars or imprisonment for exceeding Ten (10) Days, or both.

A Copy-Teste:  
R. L. BYRD,  
Clerk.

## HAYMARKET HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Mr. Editor:  
Knowing that many citizens of Manassas and of their parts of Prince William County are interested in the effort in Gainesville district to hold the High School at Haymarket, I seek the privilege and help of your esteemed Journal in order to give to the public the following statement.

History of the Struggle:  
For several years the County and State school authorities have contemplated closing the high school at Haymarket, and on December 4th, last the County School Board passed a resolution to close this school at the end of the academic year 1940-41.

On January 6th last, the Council of the Town of Haymarket passed a resolution opposing the action of the School Board.

On January 20th, at a meeting of the citizens of Gainesville District, Sup't. R. C. Haydon made a lengthy statement after which a resolution was introduced calling upon the citizens to oppose the Board's action by every legal means available. Mr. Haydon presented a substitute motion requesting the County School Board to reconsider their action of December 4th, 1940, and grant one more year of operation to Haymarket High School. Mr. Haydon promised to use his influence to the utmost in order to induce the Board to grant the request contained in the motion.

On the strength of Mr. Haydon's statements the original motion was withdrawn and its sponsors voted for Mr. Haydon's substitute motion which carried by a large majority.  
The Board did not deal with the matter until its meeting of March 5th, at which time the Board's action of December 4th was sustained. Mr. Haydon subsequently gave no explanation as to why he did not carry out his promise of January 20th.

In the meantime a survey was made which revealed 95 per cent of the citizens opposed to closing the High School at Haymarket.

On May 15th another meeting was held at which a citizens' committee was appointed with authority to take such action as they judged best in the effort to prevent the closing of this school. This committee conducted

## HE LEARNS FROM LEAHY



Professor Herbert Saunders (left), of Manassas High School

Herbert Saunders, Manassas High School coach, isn't like most of the Virginians who go to the resort city, Daytona Beach, Florida, in summer. He went, not to play on the beach, but to learn more about football.

Here he's shown with none other than Frank Leahy, new coach of Notre Dame who was an instructor at an annual coaching school at Daytona Beach last week.

Other coaches who were instructors at the school included Bo McMillin Indiana; Tom Lieb and Moon Mullins, Florida; Ray Duncan, Illinois; Adolph Rupp, Kentucky; Jack McDowall, Rollins.

## History of the Manassas Kiwanis Club

(As presented by Kiwanian Lloyd, past president of the local club at the meeting held on August 22, 1941)

I wonder how many members of this club know how nearly we came to being Rotarians instead of Kiwanians?

When Raymond Ratcliffe went to Roanoke in the summer of 1924 to attend a banker's convention, he was invited to a Rotary Club dinner held there. The famous HARRY LAUDER was there to entertain the club and Rat was greatly impressed. He came back to Manassas filled with the idea that Manassas, too, should have a Rotary Club.

While he was considering the proposition he came in contact with a Kiwanis Club organizer who persuaded him that a Kiwanis Club was better suited for Manassas, and by that narrow margin we are Kiwanians and not Rotarians.

Having made that decision he broached the subject to all the leading citizens of Manassas and the surrounding country.

As the result of his activities a meeting was held at Parish Hall on October 17, 1924.

That meeting was conducted by our sponsoring Alexandria Kiwanis Club and a large number of the members of that club attended.

The Manassas Kiwanis Club was organized then and there with Raymond Ratcliffe as president. Jim Bradford was chosen secretary.

The club started off with 37 members. This number was soon increased to 43, the new members being Christ Meetze, John Burke, John Iden, Edgar Parrish, Paul Nelson, and Dr. McBryde, who joined in that order. The club never had a larger active membership than 43.

The membership began to dwindle in December 1925, when John Iden and Harry Sanders resigned, having moved away.

The enrollment continued to be in the neighborhood of 40 until October 1927, when a sudden drop took place and the active membership got down as low as 32, and never again got much above that number.

Of the original 37 members, 14 remain. They are Arrington, Bradford, Conner, Diddle, Gibson, Fred Hynson, Dick Hynson, Hutchison, Hooff, Lewis, Lloyd, Ratcliffe, Trusler, Waters.

A recitation of the club's history

## UNITED STATES POST OFFICE

Post Office Hours, Monday, September 1, Labor Day:  
On Monday, September 1, Labor Day, a national holiday, the windows at the post office will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The money-order and registry windows will not be open.

## ZAMZAM SURVIVOR TO VISIT HERE

Missionary Nurse to Speak at Cannon Branch Church.

A missionary nurse, Miss Ruth Utz, who was a survivor of the Zamzam, which was sunk by the Germans in the south Atlantic three months ago, will be in the county on Sunday, August 31, to tell of her experiences. She will speak at the Cannon Branch Church of the Brethren at 11 a.m., and at the Nokesville Church of the Brethren in a joint meeting of the Nokesville and Valley Churches at 8 p.m.

Miss Utz, a member of the Church of the Brethren, has spent two terms of service in the Nigeria, Africa, mission of her denomination. She was on her way to the field for another term of service, along with over one-hundred other missionaries, when the ship was sunk. After the horror of the sinking of the ship, she was rescued by the German raider and spent a month of hardship on that ship before being released in German-occupied France. Later she was permitted to go to Lisbon, Portugal, and thence to this country. In her talks here she will tell something of her experiences in connection with the sinking of the Zamzam, as well as the progress of the mission work in her chosen field of service.

A native of Brightwood, Madison County, Va., Miss Utz has many friends throughout this part of the state. She has given some vital message in this county on previous trips, and those who have heard her will be anxious to hear her again.

Miss Utz plans to sail again for the Africa mission as soon as reasonably safe transportation can be secured.

## FIRST AID CLASS RECEIVES CARDS

The first aid class conducted during the past two months at Woodbine School by Messrs. Stauff and Saunders completed its work this past week and the following received their cards as having passed successfully: Mrs. Bertha Wine, Mrs. Annie Lee Zackey, Messrs. Carleton Y. Hill, Bradford Lowe and Walter Wine.

## REVIVAL SERVICES AT BETHEL CHURCH

The Rev. Mr. Shumate is conducting revival services at the Bethel Church in the Dumfries Charge. These services will continue for the next two weeks. There will be visiting ministers.

## ATTEND GAME COMMISSION HEARING

Messrs. O. O. Holler, P. J. Cooksey and R. O. Bibb represented the Prince William Game and Fish Association at the hearing held at Richmond on Tuesday.

They report a splendid address by the Governor and a generally good day of progress.  
Commander P. T. Wright, of Arlington, is chairman for the sportsmen group in the 8th District.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

The regular meeting of the juniors will be carried over to September 11. Everyone interested in the future of the order should be present at this very important meeting.

## FARMERS NIGHT

The annual Farmers' Night is being observed by the Kiwanis club tomorrow evening.

would not be completed without mention of our sponsors. Mabel Coker and May Leachman were the first and probably the most beloved. Miss Coker got married and moved away. Miss Leachman got married also but did not move away. Other sponsors have been Miss Maloney, Mrs. Will Leachman, Mrs. Claybaugh, Mrs. Dennis Baker, Mrs. Connie Kincheloe, etc.

Mon Ledman has officiated so long that it would seem that we never (continued on page 8)

## MOTOR TRUCK TAX CHANGES STUDIED

Gross Inequalities to be Worked Out at Next Assembly.

The Fenwick Commission studying taxation of commercial vehicles conducted hearings in Richmond, Tuesday, which were attended by Hon. E. R. Conner, Delegate from Prince William and Stafford Counties.

Establishment of the Fenwick Commission was the outgrowth of legislation introduced by Mr. Conner at the last Session of the General Assembly, which was designed to change the present system of taxing commercial trucks to include the load carried rather than the vehicle weight.

The Commission heard Mr. Burton Marye, jr., of the planning division of the State Highway Department, who urged that all commercial carriers be taxed the two per cent gross receipts tax now paid by common carrier trucks engaged in inter state commerce.

Mr. Burton testified that now a single unit four ton truck pays a license fee of \$150.00 and is allowed to carry a load of 20,000 pounds; while a five-ton tractor truck pays a license of \$67.50, and may carry a load of 20,000 pounds.

The Highway Department is recommending a schedule for commercial trucks of fifteen cents per hundred gross weight with a \$10.00 minimum for vehicles of 8,000 pounds and under; twenty cents for those from eight to 12,000 pounds; forty cents for trucks for 12 to 16,000, and seventy cents for vehicles over 20,000 pounds.

The Highway Users Association filed a protest stating that this increase would cost the carriers more than a million dollars annually, but the Highway Department maintained before the Commission that the increase would be around \$40,000.

The Fenwick Commission will report its final recommendations for action by the next General Assembly.

## FLAG MOVEMENT CONSIDERED SUCCESSFUL

This last week the committee which has charge of the flag program for the town of Manassas which has been adopted jointly by the town council and the American Legion, reported considerable success for the beginning. Many of the merchants have placed orders for flags and the county commissioners have agreed to decorate both sides of the court house. In addition quite a number of home owners and occupants of residential property have indicated intention of securing flag outfits as soon as the soliciting teams can get around to visit that section of town. The Legion committee consists of the following members: Parrish, Stagg, Stauff, Johnson, O'Neil, Coverstone, Curtis, Davis, Bean, Gillum and Burchard, chairman. The committee are planning to work in pair and each is provided with official receipt books as it is expected to collect the cost of the flag sets at the time each order is given. This is necessary, as neither the town council or the Legion have provided funds to make advance payments.

Under this plan delivery of all flag sets can be made as soon as they are received to all those who have made payment and hold the official receipt.

The Journal wishes to commend the American Legion and the Town Council for actively supporting such a worthwhile community activity.

## CONFEDERATE POST OFFICE APPOINTMENT

Mr. D. J. Arrington has an interesting Confederate relic in the form of a certificate of appointment by the Confederate Postmaster General, John H. Reagan, designating John M. Homes as postmaster for Stafford Store, in Stafford County, Va.

The certificate is imprinted with the official seal of the Confederacy affixed at Richmond, January 19, 1862.

Mr. Arrington found the certificate among the private papers of his father, Mr. D. T. Arrington, also of Prince William, and he would appreciate any information which could be secured concerning John H. Homes who was by this certificate designated as postmaster of Stafford Store in Stafford County.