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BIG PARADE ON HALLOWEEN

Prizes Will Be Offered For Outstanding Costumes
Further plans were made for the first organized Halloween Parade in Manassas. All who wish to participate in the parade should assemble in the rear of the theatre building on Friday night at 7 o'clock. The parade will begin at 7:30 from here, march right on Church St. to Zebedee St., then right to Centre, St., right to Grant Ave., right to Lee St., and conclude on the Court House Grounds.

LEGION AUXILIARY APPLIES FOR CHARTER

On Friday and Saturday last, Commander C. W. Stagg, of Prince William Post No. 158, and Liaison Officer M. S. Burchard attended the school for Legion officers held at Lynchburg.

While there they presented the application of a group of ladies in Manassas desiring to form a chapter of the Legion Auxiliary. This is expected back here in a week or so, at which time a permanent organization will be effected.

BOOK REVIEWS START AGAIN

Wagner Memorial Prizes Are Continued

In this issue of the Journal is printed the first of a series of weekly book reviews by students of the third and fourth year classes of the Osborn High School, Manassas, under the general heading, "I Like This Book." Dick Haydon's book review, found on another page of this paper, inaugurates the third season for these informative essays on adult books available on loan at the Ruffner-Carnegie Library.

To the writer of the best book review printed during the present school session, Clarence Wagener will award the W. G. Wagener Memorial Prize consisting of a Certificate of Achievement and the following books on display at the Ruffner-Carnegie Library:

"George Washington," a two-volume biography by Joseph Dillaway Sawyer; "Dante's Divine Comedy," with illustrations by Dore; "Oriental Odyssey," essays by Bob Davis; "The Story of Evolution," by Benjamin Grunberg; "To My Father," a novel by Charles Werthebaker; "The Cleft Stick," a volume of short stories by Walter Greenwood.

The following students have entered this contest:

Dick Haydon, Helen Kane, Roberta Sada, Everette Jones, Bettie Parrish, Shreve Brent, Nancy Lee Milton, Edith Johnson, Betty Bain Norman, Kitty Tiller, Anne Utterback, Marie Dozier, Allene Miller, Frances Keys, Vergie Walters, Ann Lightner, Elwood Gregory, Ruth Cordell, Vivian Cornell, Janie Mauck, Frances Brower, Roberta Hooe, Thomas Breeden.

For the supplementary prize offered by Mr. Wagener, a copy of "The Pageant of Civilization," by Arthur G. Brodeur, to the first or second year student submitting the best book review (none of these book reviews to be printed on or before April 10, 1942, the following students have signed up:

Corinne Peake, Margaret Frye, Nathan Stinnette, Ann D. Smith, Dorothy Glore, Clara Beall Carter, Calvin Weber, Mildred Weber, Betty Van Doren, Kittie Jean Blakemore, Betty Petersen, Betty Ann Blakemore, Colleen Harder, Jesse Conner.

The judges for these contests, selected one each by Prof. Worth Peters, principal; Miss Eugenia Osbourn, librarian, and Mrs. Keith Lyons, teacher of English, of the Osbourn High School are as follows: Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson, Father Widmer and Mr. O. D. Waters.

WORKING TO AID COLLEGE GIFT

John Garland, Jr., of 2821 Beechwood Circle, Arlington, has been appointed by Vernon M. Gedydy of Williamsburg, chairman, to be manager for the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, King George, Prince William and Stafford in a campaign of all alumni of the College of William and Mary for a birthday gift to the institution on its 250th anniversary.

WILL ENTERTAIN U. D. C.

Mrs. G. G. Allen will entertain the U. D. C. at 2:30 Wednesday, November 5th. Mrs. C. B. Compton and Mrs. B. H. Knox will be the co-hostesses.

DR. ROBERTSON SPEAKS

Dr. Abner Robertson, a well known P. T. A. Worker of Richmond will speak at the Nokesville High School Auditorium Tuesday night, November 4 at 8 o'clock.

Come and hear him, also there will be a hat trimming contest by several men, prizes will be awarded.

SPARE THAT TREE!



THREE CENTURIES SMILE UPON HAPPY GATHERING

Three hundred and forty two years, the total ages of four members of an esteemed Prince William family, smiled down upon a happy gathering at the home of Mrs. Lulu Brawner, at Dumfries last Sunday as she celebrated her 90th birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Brawner was 90, her sister, Mrs. Annie Merchant 88, a brother, Mr. H. C. Speake, 83, and the other brother, Mr. William Speake, 81. Another sister, Mrs. Joe Lynn, passed away two years ago at the age of 86.

There were present on this pleasant occasion more than eighty guests, friends and relatives from Manassas, Washington, Alexandria, and Dumfries, and it is not often that so many members of a single family are spared to such good old age, for their earlier activities go entirely beyond the memory of most folks of the present generation, although they are still active and well.

Few indeed will recall the days when Mrs. Brawner was Assistant Postmistress at Dumfries under the Administration of President Grant (1869). The late Mrs. Joe Lynn was Postmistress there at the time.

Mrs. Brawner received many congratulations on her ninetieth milestone. It was recalled that she had joined the Methodist Church at Dumfries in 1871, being made a life member of the Missionary Society at that time. She has 7 children as follows: Messrs Claude, Clay, Warfield, Randolph and French Brawner and Mrs. Cecil Garrison, of Dumfries and Mrs. Thomas Bell of Washington.

BAZAAR AT GRACE M. E. CHURCH

It is expected that much traffic will be headed toward Grace Church on November 13th as that is the day set for the annual bazaar conducted by the ladies of the church.

On Thursday, the 13th, many friends will take advantage of the opportunity to get a very good meal, and perhaps patronize one of the booths with its sale of fancy and useful articles.

The dinner will be served from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p. m. and again from 5:00 p. m. until 8:00 p. m. All friends of Grace Church are invited to be in attendance at the Bazaar.

HALLOWEEN DANCE AT BRENTSVILLE

There will be a dance held on Thursday, November 6th, at the old courthouse building.

It is sponsored by the Community League, and there will be prizes for costumes.

SCHEDULE OF COUNTY TREASURER

The treasurer of Prince William County will be present at the following places on the dates and between the hours named for the purpose of receiving State taxes and local levies for the tax year 1942. Woodbridge, November 5, 1941, 10:30 to 12 A. M. Occoquan, November 5, 1941, 1 to 2:30 P. M. Hoadley, November 5, 1941, 3 to 3:30 P. M. Dumfries, November 6, 1941, 10 A. M. to 12 M. Quantico, November 6, 1941, 1 to 3 P. M. Joplin, November 7, 1941, 10 to 11 A. M. Haymarket, November 10, 1941, 10 to 11:30 A. M. C. A. Sinclair, Treasurer

"GRAN" DADDY

The Journal is now a "grand-daddy." News reached the Journal this A. M. that "our boy", Jackie, has a daughter. More formally it may be said that Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Holler, of Fairfax, Virginia, are the happy parents of a daughter, who arrived late Tuesday night.

PHONE GROUP HONORS DR. COCKE

Elected President Of Virginia Independent Telephone Ass'n.

Last Friday the Board of Directors of The Virginia Independent Telephone Association elected Dr. George B. Cocke, of Manassas, as President. Dr. Cocke had been serving as Vice-President of the organization and his elevation to the head office of this important group was not unexpected as he had filled the Vice-Presidency most capably and his abilities were sought at a time when the National Defense situation is making a heavy demand upon all communication agencies.

Dr. Cocke is President of the Central Mutual Telephone Company of Prince William County. He is also head of our local Volunteer Fire Department and prominent in many other financial, fraternal and civic enterprises, including the recently organized Protective Force of the Defense Council.

The Virginia Independent Telephone Association is one of the more important of State Associations, representing, as it does, 86 Companies, 194 Central Offices, and serving 6,203 subscribers. Among these many Companies our local Central Mutual Telephone Company receives gratifying recognition in having its President head the State Organization.

While in session at Roanoke the Association considered many problems which have arisen on account of the National emergency and the session was one of the most important in the recent years. A very pleasant feature of the occasion was a unique entertainment given by the Association to the Trial Justices of Virginia who happened to be in session in Roanoke at the same time.

Other officers elected were W. W. Gibbs, of Staunton to succeed Dr. Cocke as Vice-President; and F. G. LaPrade, of Martinsville, Secretary-Treasurer.

Attending the State Convention at Roanoke from Manassas were also Mr. J. A. Vetter and Mr. Floyd Vetter, and members of the Association from Prince William County in addition to the Central Mutual are the Nokesville Telephone Company, The Tri-county Telephone Company and The Lorton Telephone Company.

DISTRICT "H" TEACHERS ELECT ALEXANDRIAN AS PRESIDENT

On Friday, October 24, 1941, the District H Teacher's Meeting was held at Warren County High School, Front Royal, Virginia.

After a brief general session, group meeting were held for the purpose of discussing and solving school problems.

In the second general session reports of the various committees were heard and a very interesting speech was made on "England Today" by Miss Mary Craig McGeachy of the British Embassy.

Mr. H. T. Moncre, principal of Alexandria High School, was re-elected president of the Association.

Quite a large delegation from this county attended. Mrs. Mae Sanford, of the Occoquan faculty, is a member of the Board of directors of District "H."

GARDEN SECTION MEETING

The Garden Section of the Woman's Club of Manassas will meet with Mrs. Aylene Guthrie at the District Home on Monday, November 3rd, at 2:30 P. M. Rev. R. M. Graham will be the guest speaker. Any one desiring transportation, phone Mrs. R. C. Haydon, Section Secretary.

HOME DEMONSTRATION TO FEATURE AID

Manassas Home Demonstration Club will meet on Thursday, November 6th at 2 P. M. at the home of Mrs. C. B. Linton. A Demonstration on Home Aid gifts will be given. Plans for the 1942 Program will be announced.

ARMISTICE DAY DEDICATION HERE

Alabama Congress Will Be Guest Speaker

The American Legion is planning a dedication service here on Armistice day that is believed will long be remembered by the community and all who have the privilege of attending. They are building this program around the official dedication of seventy-seven American flags which form the first group to be placed along the business section of town in the plan for uniform flag display, being sponsored by the Legion and Town Council.

The program will start at 10:30 o'clock in the morning and all of the schools of Manassas, including the Vocational School will attend. After the opening invocation by the Post Chaplain, Rev. John M. DeChant, the singing of "by the entire assembly will be led by Miss Lillian Knight, music teacher at Osbourne High School. Then will come an address of welcome, after which will follow the presentation of the massed flags of the United States, carried by boys from the Vocational School. Upon presentation of the flags, the official American Legion dedication service will be read by Commander Claude W. Staggs. At the end of this service, Miss Knight will lead the audience in singing "America the Beautiful." The program had been arranged so that exactly at eleven o'clock there can be one minute of silence in memory of those who served and died as the result of the last war, and further as a rededication at this time of everyone's wholehearted effort for the best interest of our country and our allies in the present conflict.

The Memorial flags of the High School will be presented and explained by Prof. R. C. Haydon and as the main feature of the program, the Commander will present the Hon. E. R. Conner who in turn will introduce the Hon. Luther Patrick, United States Congressman of the State of Alabama, who will make the address of the occasion.

The program will be closed with the group singing the National Anthem and benediction by Rev. R. M. Graham.

SELECTIVE SERVICE ORDERS

Jake Kinsel Conner, Jr., of Manassas, Va. has been ordered to report for work of National Importance at Magnolia Camp, Magnolia, Arkansas. He has been ordered to report at the office of the Local Board in Manassas, Va. on November 7th.

The following men have been ordered to report to Dr. Stewart McBryde for physical examination on Friday, October 31st, at 2:00 p. m.

Hervin H. Polen, Manassas, Va., Herman Robert Bryant, Manassas, Va., Harrison Purcell Davis, Manassas, Va., and Wilford Cleveland Bailey, Nokesville, Va.

On Monday, November 3rd at 2:00 p. m. he will examine the following: George Robert Polen, Haymarket, Va., and William Randolph Tyrrell, Woodbridge, Va.

Dr. J. Mulcer Jackson will examine the following men on Saturday, November 1st, at 9:00 a. m. Maury Lewis Wells, Manassas, Va., Gordon Franklin Mayhugh, Nokesville, Va., Austin Laco Halterman, Nokesville, Va., Mortie Alfred Young, Manassas, Va., Paul Whiting Breeding, Manassas, Va., and Ralph William McClellan, Dumfries, Va.

Dr. John D. Williams will examine Edward Leslie Hamm, Manassas, Va. on Friday, October 31st, at 9:00 a. m.

WARREN MCINTEER ELECTED TO HONORARY FRAT

Warren H. McInteer of Quantico, a junior here at Randolph-Macon College has been elected to membership in the Alpha chapter of the Chi Beta Phi national scientific honorary fraternity here.

Mr. McInteer is a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity, the Varsity Club, the Hop Committee and is varsity first baseman on the baseball team.

NOTICE

All girls interested in A. C. Basketball will be at the gymnasium Monday at 7:00 P. M.

FIREMEN BASKETBALL TEAM BEGIN PRACTICE

The Manassas Fire Department will again this year sponsor a Fire Department basketball team. The team made up of local boys have been very successful since they were first organized in 1935. They are rated as one of the best amateur teams in this section of Virginia.

There is expected to be 12 men from last years squad returning to practice Monday night, November 2 at 8:30 P. M. when the firemen will hold their first practice of the season in the High School gymnasium. Members of last years' team who are expected to be present are as follows: "Ace" Lynn, W. Miller, M. Smith, L. Leith, "Shorty" Vetter, Gene Worley, L. Bourne, S. Saunders, Wallace Lynn, "Herb" Saunders, E. Sinar and "Ace" Gillum.

The Manassas Girls will also hold their first practice Monday night at 7:30, with several veterans of last years' team returning who are as follows: Brooks, Broadus, Hottle, Woodyard, Herndon and Garman.

Anyone interested in playing with the town teams are requested to be present Monday night when the teams have their first practice.

HOME NEAR BULL RUN DESTROYED BY FIRE

The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Simpson, located near the Lee Highway, east of Bull Run, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon of undetermined origin.

All of the house furnishings with the exception of a stove and ice box were lost. Mr. Simpson who was in the two-story frame dwelling at the time, stated that the blaze originated in an upstairs bedroom. The Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department responded to the alarm.

BRITISH RELIEF

Attention is again directed to the card party being staged by the Woman's Club for British Relief.

It will be held at Stone House Inn, Wednesday evening, November fifth. Mrs. G. R. Ratcliffe is in charge of ticket sales.