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BYRD COMMITTEE MAKES REPORT

Recommends Drastic Cut In Non-Defense Activities

The Joint Committee on Reduction of Non-Essential Government Expenditures has made a preliminary report recommending drastic cuts in non-defense activities of the Federal Government. Curtailments which would never be considered feasible in normal times but which with the pressure of actual war become imperative. "Before the war," the Byrd report states, "economy in non-essential spending was important. Now it is vital. There is no room for non-essentials in a government stripped for action. Our united purpose is to produce sufficient armament and trained personnel to win this war. Nothing can be permitted to interfere with this objective. The American people are being asked to pay extremely burdensome taxes which will become greater; they are being asked to make great sacrifice and endure hardships. The government should set the example."

The Committee recommends that "no new adventures or commitments in public works or costly government programs be undertaken during the period of the war emergency, except those imperatively necessary to national defense."

It recommends that the Civilian Conservation Corps, the National Youth Administration and the national defense training activities of the Office of Education be abolished, be replaced with some suitable agency facilities for training persons for work in defense occupations.

The W. P. A. should be reduced to \$50,000,000 per month for three months and then whatever is continued placed directly under direction of the War and Navy Departments.

Economies in the various Civil Departments should be enforced including reduction of the \$30,000,000 spent by them annually on publicity.

The Agricultural program should include elimination of all further purchases of land by the Dept. of Agriculture during the period of the emergency; drastic curtailment of the Administrative Expenditures of the Department of Agriculture, including unnecessary employment of A. A. A. Committeemen; education of \$100,000,000 in the appropriation for Exportation and Domestic Consumption of Agricultural Commodities; that the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation be made self supporting; abolition of the Farm Tenant Program; abolition of the Farm Security Administration; and deferment of Rural Electrification expansion wherever it conflicts with national defense priorities on materials.

The Highway curtailment includes curtailment to one half of the present Federal Highway appropriations, and deferment of all projects of dams, flood control, reclamation and public buildings not directly essential to the national defense.

The Committee recommended that all funds impounded by the Budget Bureau from previous appropriations be turned back into the Treasury.

Respecting the thirty odd Federal Corporations for financing both defense and non-defense operations, the Committee recommends that they come directly under Congressional control, be subject to coordination and budgetary audit.

In sum the Committee lists a possible Cash Saving of \$1,131,075,000.00 which together with loan cancellations of \$170,000,000.00 makes a grand total of \$1,301,075,000.00.

TO ORANIZE HOME NURSING CLASSES

At 7:30 P. M. on Monday, January 6th, there will be a meeting in the Health Office to organize a class in Home Nursing.

A course of study prepared by the used, with Miss Neel, Public Health Nurse, as instructor. The course of study will be explained and time for class meetings decided upon at the organization meeting.

If there should be some interested who will not be able to attend, you may leave your name with the clerk in the Health Office before the meeting, as we must have a minimum enrollment of 18 in order to conduct the class.

HAYMARKET YOUTH PARTY

The Young and Elder Youth's will hold their youth party Friday night, January 2, 1942 at the Gainesville District School. A nice time is planned for everyone come and enjoy and evening of fun.

Virginia Pushes Defense Plans



W. E. Trusler, who will be installed as president of the Manassas Kiwanis club tomorrow evening.

KIWANIS CLUB SHOWS GOOD YEAR

Reports Indicate That All Lines Of Effort Were Successful

The Manassas Kiwanis club held its final session of the year last Friday evening at which time nearly of the committees filed reports. President Frank was quite successful in his pleas for cooperation along these lines.

All of the reports were good but two read by W. E. Trusler, on underprivileged child work and by Father Jim Widmer on programs during the past year were two of the best ever read before the club and showed graphically that the Club had done some fine work in 1941.

The election for a director resulted in a tie vote, and another vote will be taken tomorrow evening.

Past lieutenant Governor Lyman Kelly will be present at the meeting tomorrow night to install President-elect W.E. Trusler and the rest of his staff.

"O. D." Waters was called on the present gifts of the club to its charming sponsors which task he carried out to his usual perfection, and the ladies gracefully accepted them.

During the next year, President Frank will have a new activity that work on committee of the Capitol District.

ALL DEFERRED REGISTRANTS TO BE RE-EXAMINED

All deferred registrants under Selective Service, including those over 28 years of age who have been deferred because of age, will be summoned for re-examination and possible induction, Lieutenant-Colonel Mills F. Neal, State Director of Selective Service, has announced. There will be a particularly careful review of the cases of those registrants who have been deferred as necessary men in civilian occupations, Colonel Neal said. A large number of new inductions are expected to follow the re-classifications, he stated.

CARY TO ASK CODE REVISION

State Senator Hunsdon Cary of Henrico has announced that he will propose a bill in the 1942 Legislature asking for a general revision and recodification of the Virginia Code. His statement followed a request by Thomas W. Ozlin, of the State Corporation Commission, that the code be brought up to date, and that "deadwood" and conflicting sections be eliminated.

RED CROSS CHAPTER WILL MEET MONTHLY

An important meeting of Prince William County Chapter, American Red Cross, will be held Friday, Jan. 9 at 2 P. M. in the residence of Mrs. E. H. Marsteller, Manassas.

From now on to further Red Cross activities, monthly meetings of the chapter must be held, to which every 1941 Roll Call member of the American Red Cross in this county, is asked to attend.

IMPORTANT MEETING

A meeting of the Prince William County Tuberculosis Association will be held in the Prince William County Health Unit Office Wednesday January 7, 1942 at 2:00 P. M. (Church notices will again be found on page five this week.)



A BOND OF UNITY.—The handshake of sincerity and partnership is used by artist John G. Atherton, of Bridgefield, Conn., to depict the close cooperation of the American people and their Government in financing the Defense Program through the sale of Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps. This poster was awarded first prize at the Museum of Modern Art exhibit in New York out of a large number of submitted drawings, and is being used as posters by business firms in advertising, and in numerous other forms to promote the sale of Defense Bonds and Stamps.

STEPHENS—CATO

Among the recent weddings of interest in this vicinity is that of Miss Kathleen Cato, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leary Cato of Dumfries, Va. and Lt. W. H. Stephens, U. S. M. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stephens of Macon, Ga. Dumfries M. E. Church was the scene of the ceremony which took place Sunday afternoon, December 28, with the Rev. A. H. Shumate officiating, in a setting of pink glads and palms.

The bride, who was escorted to the altar by her father, wore a dress of pale pink taffeta and velvet, with matching accessories and an orchid and carried a white prayer book.

Miss Doris Jean Cato was her sister's maid of honor, wearing a dress of pale blue taffeta with black velvet trimming and black accessories and had as her corsage white gardenias.

Mr. Marvin Stephens, brother of the groom acted as best man.

The bride's mother was dressed in a costume suit of gold wool with black accessories and wore a corsage of talisman roses and the groom's mother chose as her costume a dress of pale blue wool with black accessories and also wore a corsage of talisman roses.

Mrs. Claude Brawner rendered the organ music and was attired in black and wore red roses and Mrs. Mildred Mentzer, a class mate of the bride, sang, "I Love You Truly" and "O-Promise Me" and she was also dressed in black and wore white flowers.

A reception for the immediate family and a few close friends followed at the home of the bride's parent's where the bride cut her wedding cake with her husband's sword.

When the couple left on their wedding trip the bride wore a gray suit with wine accessories.

After January 2, Lt. and Mrs. Stephens will be at home at New River, N. C. where he is now stationed. Among the out of town guests here for the wedding were, Mrs. J. W. Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stephens, Mr. Marvin Stephens all of Macon, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yates of Norfolk, Va.; and Miss Carmen Fuller of Colneville, Pa.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buasie Linton announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy, to Phillip Starr Green, son of Mr. Ammon S. Green and the late Mrs. Green of Norwalk, Connecticut. The wedding will take place on the 24th of January.

NO. MORE SELECTIVE SERVICE NEWS

Selective Service Boards have been advised from Headquarters that no more releases to the press will be made, for the obvious reason that such information is of military value to the enemy.

Our local Selective Service Board has been so friendly and cooperative in supplying information for publication that their frequent bulletins will be sadly missed.

This newspaper wishes to take this occasion to also advise its various correspondents not to include in their local notes any mention of local inductions into the army or of transfers and other assignment changes affecting men already in the Army, as such mentions might possibly escape the editorial pencil and get into print—a violation of censorship rules for which we would be responsible.

Rubber Shortage And Civilian Defense Occupy Spotlight

A fuller realization that the United States has entered the second World War on an all-out war basis was brought home to Virginians during the past week by two outstanding events...extension of the ban on the sale of new automobile tires and tubes, with the resulting organization of a State rubber rationing committee, and prompt action by the Virginia Defense Council to perfect its organization for the protection of the civilian population.

Doubting Virginians who had regarded the original prohibition on the sale of new tires and tubes from December 10 to December 22 as another "gasoline shortage," had a rude awakening when last Sunday Director Donald M. Nelson of the Priorities Division of OPM announced that the ban would be extended until January 5, after which a rationing plan would become effective.

Hard on the heels of this action was an announcement by Virginia's Governor James H. Price that he had appointed Brig. Gen. J. Fulmer Bright, former Richmond mayor, as State Administrator of Commodity Distribution. Chief duties of the new appointee will be to supervise the operation of a state-wide rubber rationing plan.

A talk with Gen. Bright would leave little misunderstanding in the mind of any Virginia citizen as to the drastic nature of the rubber shortage brought on by the initial successes of Japanese treachery not only in the attack on Pearl Harbor and the Philippines but also in the invasion of the Malay peninsula and the islands surrounding the Dutch East Indies.

"The cutting off of rubber supplies from the Dutch East Indies," Mayor Bright declared, "should bring home to everyone the terrible necessity of everything being subordinated to the armed services. I cannot emphasize too strongly the importance of our civilian population conserving their tires to the utmost."

"From the present outlook it will be months and maybe years before civilians will be able to purchase new tires and tubes as they have in the past. Every man and woman who lives within two miles of the place of employment should walk to work if they do not wish to use public transportation facilities. Every family with two cars should put one away at once. Children should be carried to school in groups, ride public conveyances or walk. Walking will not only help conserve tires but will contribute to the public health."

General Bright asserted that three-man rationing committees would be set up in every city, town and county in Virginia through the regional defense councils and local defense units to administer the program. He announced yesterday that the chairmen and executive officers of the regional committees had been named for the eight Virginia Regional Defense Councils. The Councils, with the names of the rationing chairmen and executive officers, respectively, follow:

- Fredericksburg, Hon. C. O'Connor Goolrick and A. W. Embrey, Jr.;
- Hampton Roads, Major Raymond B. Bottom and Dr. W. T. Hodges; Northern Virginia, Hon. Gardner L. Boothe and Mrs. Alma G. Ramsey; Radford; Dr. John R. Hutcheson and Major R. Lee Humbert; Richmond-Petersburg-Hopewell, Col. Robert T. Barton, Jr. and Mrs. Marian G. Blake; Shenandoah Valley, Gen. Perry L. Miles and Finley Tynes; Southern Piedmont, Mr. A. F. Patton and Mr. Tom Irvin Gill; Southwest Virginia, Hon. C. J. Harkrader and Mr. Thomas P. Shelburne.

Acting Co-ordinator J. H. Wyse of the Virginia Defense Council all week was buried in the business of organizing local civilian defense units... by cities, towns and counties...for protection of the civilian population against possible token bombing raids... a possibility emphasized by official reports that Japanese planes had flown high above San Francisco and other West points on reconnaissance flights.

As a result of the activities of Mr. Wyse and his staff, he was able to announce early this week that, with the exception of a few isolated localities, all contemplated local defense units in Virginia had named their co-ordinators and that many of them had issued calls for volunteers to serve. (Continued on page 4)

INFORMATION FOR RAID WARDENS

Capt. Joyce Issues Sensible Instructions for Everyone

What to do in air raid warnings, either for practice or real—Those out in the open should get to the nearest shelter, but do not run, "WALK".

Motorists: Pull near the curb, or the side of the road. Stop and turn off your lights.

Home occupants: Shade your windows. No light from a house should show from the outside. It is better to turn on all lights. All outside display lights are to be turned off.

AIR RAID WARDENS ASSURE YOURSELVES THAT THESE PRECAUTIONS ARE CARRIED OUT.

In case of incendiary bombs: If one should drop on your roof, it will very likely come through the roof and perhaps through ONE FLOOR. IF you can get it before it ignites and throw it out in the street it will do no damage. If it ignites in the house put some sand near it and roll it on to the sand then put some sand over it. That will keep it from doing damage. Or, you may put it in a bucket containing sand and then put sand over it. NEVER GET EXCITED. You will do better work and be in less danger by keeping COOL.

If a real explosive bomb should drop near you, your best security is to lie flat on the ground. A bomb generally explodes when it strikes the ground or other object; and parts of it will scatter in all directions. If you are flat on the ground the scattering parts will be less liable to strike you. If the bomb does not explode when it hits, it may be a delay action bomb on it may be a dud. In either case keep away from it, and Report it to the Air Raid Warden in your community.

Incendiary Bombs ignite and cause fires. Real bombs explode and wreck buildings, etc.

If you are in hearing distance of a SIREN and other WHISTLES; the Air Raid Warning is given by FIVE blasts, repeated THREE times; and the All Clear by THREE LONG blasts. If you are not in hearing distance of a siren or whistle; you must get up your own signals by using Church Bells, School Bells, Auto Horns, or, any other signal you believe suitable. You must assure yourself that all residents of your community know the signals for that community AND THAT THEY ARE OBEYED.

From all reports, all our Air Raid Wardens are doing a good JOB in instructing their communities is what to do in case of an air raid. Read your county paper. It contains valuable information.

PEOPLES BANK DECLARES USUAL DIVIDENDS

At a meeting of the Directors of the Peoples National Bank of Manassas, held Monday night the regular 2 percent semi-annual dividend was declared and a common stock dividend, on retirement of preferred stock of 1 1/2 percent.

The employees were granted a half month's salary bonus in recognition of their efficiency and devotion to their duties.

CIVILIAN DEFENSE CHART

As soon as the Prince William Civilian Defense organization is completed The Journal will publish a chart showing the complete adaptation of the State Plan to meet our local requirements, giving the names of the directing officers and the method of coordination.

NOTICE!!! WINNING SHOPPING TICKETS

The following SIX numbers represent the lucky tickets in the 1941 Christmas Shopping campaign held among Manassas Merchants:

- 1. 004783 \$100.00
- 2. 023427 5.00
- 3. 026036 5.00
- 4. 000658 5.00
- 5. 012853 5.00
- 6. 014710 5.00

Ticket holders will be given until 12:00 o'clock NOON on January 12, 1942, to register their tickets with Mr. Stanley A. Owens, at his office in the M. I. C. Building in Manassas, and distribution of the prizes will be made after that time.

The following numbers also have been drawn and should likewise be registered with Mr. Owens as specified above, and should any of the above numbers not be registered as required above, the missing numbers will be supplied by moving up the tickets which are properly registered. For instance, if the first ticket above be not registered by the time specified, the second ticket above will be moved into its place, etc.

- 7. 014864 8. 015327
- 9. 033856 10. 013610
- 11. 004814 12. 002620
- 13. 017597 14. 018161
- 15. 010644 16. 012595
- 17. 003632 18. 020433
- 19. 006009 20. 023558

SEAL SALE MUST BE COMPLETED BY JAN. 1

In view of the war, Dr. Frank S. Johns, president of the Virginia Tuberculosis Association announced today that the Seal Sale in Virginia must be completed by January 1 in order that this organization and its affiliated units can assist in the national emergency and carry on normal time activities toward the eradication of tuberculosis. All are urged to make returns as soon as possible and reminded that it is not too late to help this important work.

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