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## NATION STAGGERS UNDER IMPACT OF WAR READJUSTMENTS

### TIRE BOARDS ARE SELECTED

#### Claude Hixson Named For Prince William

Gardiner L. Booth, chairman of the Northern Virginia Regional Defense Council, has announced that he had received notification from the State commodity administrator, Brig. Gen. J. Fulmer Bright, of the appointment of distribution officers and review committees to handle rationing of automobile tires and tubes for the region covered by the council.

The appointments follow: Prince William County—Distribution officer, Claude Hixson, Manassas; review committee, J. L. Bushong, Manassas, P. L. Trenis, Nokesville, and C. C. Cloe, Triangle. (Joe Amidon for Southern Prince William, will assist Mr. Hixson).

City of Alexandria—Distribution officers, David C. Book, 205 Russell Road, and John W. Ayres, 1006 Prince Street; review committee, E. C. Gibbs, 128 South Royal Street; Charles Jones, Virginia Public Service Building and James Armstrong, 815 King Street.

Charlottesville—Distribution officer, James E. Bowen, jr., Charlottesville; review committee, Seth Bumley Charlottesville; W. S. Dettor, Charlottesville, and J. Dean Tilman, sr., Charlottesville.

Arlington County—Distribution officers, John DeLashmatt, 4415 North Rock Spring Road; J. Maynard Magruder, 2801 Wilson Boulevard, and Thomas Edwards, 6005 North Washington Boulevard; review committee, H. Bruce Green, Arlington Court-house; R. C. L. Moncrey, East Falls Church, and Mrs. E. W. Gagnier, 4919 North Twenty-fifth Street.

Albemarle County—Distribution officer, W. A. Haden, Charlottesville; review committee, E. L. Bradley, Scottsville; Gordon Smith, sr., Greenwood, and R. F. Loving, Farmington.

Culpeper County—Distribution officers, S. R. Thornhill, Culpeper; review committee, G. W. Mitchell, Culpeper; John R. Clore, Culpeper, and R. L. Armentrout, Culpeper.

Fairfax County—Distribution officer, C. Fembroke, Fairfax Courthouse; Waite Wilkins, Herndon, and Mauley P. Rust, Falls Church; review committee, Andrew W. Clark, Belle Haven; John W. Rust, Fairfax Courthouse; and H. A. Storm, McLean.

Loudoun County—Distribution officer, Mrs. Daniel C. Sands, Middleburg; review committee, W. S. Francis, Hamilton; J. S. Whitmore, Leesburg, and R. J. McGraw, Leesburg.

Fauquier County—Distribution officer, John T. Rayne, Marshall; review committee, H. L. Gaddis, Marshall; George Sloane, Warrenton, and Charles H. Bowen, Remington.

Stafford County—Distribution officer, Dabney Cosby, Columbia; review committee, John A. Hughes, Kent's Store; J. A. Coffey, Palmyra, and E. J. Snead, Fork Union.

Louisiana County—Distribution officer, L. W. Sims, Louisa; review committee, Emmett Poindexter, Frederick Hall; H. Manning Woodward, Louisa, and W. G. Fisher, Mineral.

Madison County—Distribution officer, Norman G. Payne, Madison; review committee, W. J. Hecksten, Rochelle; J. M. Weaver, Madison, and Mrs. R. S. Graves, Syria.

Orange County—Distribution officer, Harrison P. Breese, Orange; review committee, D. N. Davidson, Orange; Capt. Phillip Scott, Gordonsville, and N. R. Ford, Orange.

Rappahannock County—Distribution officer, J. W. Fletcher, Washington; review committee, J. C. Miller Washington; Silas Miller, Sperryville, and Robert Miller Howlin.

According to information received by the Council, distribution officers and review committee members will be sworn in as federal officials.

Mr. Booth expressed satisfaction that all the counties covered by the Regional Council now had complete administrative organizations for handling the rationing, but declared the machinery would not be in operation for several days because of the failure of the federal governmental agencies handling the rationing to furnish the state with the necessary forms.

"This is war," said Mr. Booth, "and in wartime things do not always run as smoothly as we could wish, but I beg of all our people that they exercise a degree of tolerance toward any inconvenience they may suffer incident to procuring tires."

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### COMMUTERS TO HOLD MEETING

A census of those now commuting in automobile is desired at once. The register is being kept at Cocks's Pharmacy for those who desire to set up some form of transportation to replace the present system.

### FIRE FIGHTING MOST IMPORTANT

#### Capt. Joyce Gives Valuable Advice To Air Wardens

Community Air Raid Wardens should organize FIRE FIGHTING squads for their communities; so they may be available and may know what to do in case of fires, caused either by incendiary bombs, or, from any cause. Every community should have an organization to fight fires in the community. Canvass your community, and instruct those having BUCKETS to bring them to the fire, if there should be a fire. Also, those having Fire Extinguishers should bring them to the fire. Nothing a community could do to help National Defense is more important than protect property from destruction by fire. If every person in the community knows what to do in case of fire, fire fighting will be one hundred per cent more efficient than every person doing as they think best.

Those having Fire Extinguishers, should make sure they are in good working condition. They should be inspected periodically, and if necessary refilled. Relying on a Fire Extinguisher that will not operate when you need it is bad business.

All citizens of Occoquan - Woodbridge - Hoadley - Lorton and adjoining communities should join the O-W-L-Volunteer Fire Department. "This is in the interest of National Defense." When you join this Fire Company, you will receive instructions that will be beneficial to your community and to our Nation. You will be carried on as auxiliary firemen, and as such if a fire starts in your community you will know what to do to assist in putting it out. (The time may soon come when everybody will be required to take part in some activity in the community in the interest of National Defense.) If you volunteer before you are compelled to join, it may be more pleasant for you. That is your neighbors will think you have a community spirit. Unfortunately, a large number of people in the community have VERY LITTLE COMMUNITY SPIRIT. When the men volunteer to assist in community organizations, it will make every community a better place in which to live; but where selfishness and greed prevails above community spirit; those selfish and greedy persons should be ostracized by all public spirited persons.

THE O-W-L-FIRE DEPARTMENT needs your assistance as an aid to National Defense, so why wait until you are compelled to join. JOIN NOW, and show your PATRIOTISM. You will be a much better Citizen and American when you let the Community SPIRIT catch a hold of you.

The O-W-L-Fire Department will answer calls to fires anywhere. It seems however, foolish to call a Fire Department to put out brush fires. If you have a small organization to fight fires in your community, they should be able to put out all brush fires. The best tools to fight such fires is: Long Handle Shovels; Old Brooms; and Wet Burlap Sacks.

Mr. John A. Musselman of Occoquan who recently graduated a Men's Class in First Aid is now instructing a Woman's Class. Mr. Musselman is doing an excellent job in First Aid Instructions.

Some of the residents of Occoquan have constantly made complaints about children roller skating on the sidewalks in front of their homes and causing a nuisance. While there is nothing in the Town Ordinances against Roller Skating on the sidewalks, it is hoped Parents will so control their children as not to interfere with the peace of others in the Town. There is an ordinance against Bicycle Riding on the sidewalks; and against bicycle riding anywhere within the corporation at dark without proper lights. It is expected this law will be enforced.

(Read your County Paper and keep posted).

### DOG LICENSES DUE

All dog owners are reminded that February 1 is the deadline for dog licenses.

### For America, Give!



### FOUR GENERATIONS OF THE O'NEIL FAMILY WHO HAS THE WINNING NUMBER

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 is 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. 018151
- 15. 010644 16. 012595
- 17. 003832 18. 020433
- 19. 006009 20. 023558

### QUANTICO SCHOOL DEDICATED

The new post school at the Quantico Marine Base was officially opened yesterday, with appropriate ceremonies.

General McCarthy Little made the main address, commending the school for its connection with the school for their loyalty and untiring energies under trying circumstances.

The school will house six hundred pupils, with a fully accredited high school. Instruction and the curriculum are entirely under the State Board of Education.

A handsome gymnasium adorns the campus. This feature was stressed by General Little in his remarks of the need of good physical education to accompany the regular academic work.

The principal, Miss Hazel Van Anden accepted the school on behalf of the faculty and school system.

### REGULAR MEETING OF PRINCE WILLIAM POST NO. 158

The January meeting of the local American Legion Post will take place in the Town Hall, Tuesday evening at 8 P. M., the same hour at which the Auxiliary is having its meeting.

### RED CROSS MEETING

Members of the Red Cross are reminded of an important meeting of the Red Cross Friday, January 9, at 2 P. M. War Relief Fund for this county must be considered.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL BUS AND TRUCK OWNERS

Commissioner R. M. Weir is in receipt of an urgent request from Col. M. S. Battle, state motor vehicle commissioner asking that all questionnaires previously mailed out to truck and bus owners in this county be sent back to Richmond at once, as figures must be completed this month.

Mr. Weir is passing this request on to the said owners who have been asked in the interest of National Defense to make known whether or not their vehicles will be available.

### PRINCE WILLIAM QUOTA \$2000

#### January 11 Designated As Red Cross Sunday

The National Red Cross has asked that January 11 be designated as Red Cross Sunday. This is part of a plan to raise an emergency fund of \$50,000,000, to care for the greatly expanded work of the Red Cross as it seeks to take its place in the war effort of our country.

The quota assigned to Prince William is only \$2000.00. We should have no difficulty in raising this amount in a County that has a population of over 18,000 people. Yet Prince William folks have been slow in responding.

Any sum, large or small, is acceptable. It should be sent to Judge C. Lacey Compton, the general chairman, or to the Red Cross Roll Call worker in your community. It is not necessary to wait for some one to call upon you. Send in your gift now.

Well over ten per cent of the Emergency Fund has been raised in all parts of the country. Our neighboring County of Fairfax is over the top with its quota. If you belong to some club or organization, make it your business to bring up this matter and secure a contribution. Everyone wants to have a share in giving to the Red Cross. It is the great organization that binds up the nation's wounds, and is always there whenever disaster strikes. It is time for us to stop lagging. Let us make up our quota NOW.

### REGULAR MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB

Next Monday afternoon, Jan. 12th, at 2:30 o'clock the regular meeting of the Woman's Club will be held in the Parish Hall.

The program for the afternoon has been arranged by Mrs. R. C. Haydon, chairman of the education committee and the speaker will be Dr. James W. Brown, Supervisor of Audio-visual Education in the State Department of Education at Richmond, Va. His subject will be "The Place of Audio-visual Education in the Public School Program." As this is a new department added recently by the State Department, it is expected that many will want to hear his talk which should be most interesting.

The hostesses for the afternoon will be Mrs. Allison A. Hooff, Mrs. Thomas Howard, Mrs. F. R. Hynson, Mrs. Richard S. Hynson, Mrs. A. F. Jakeman, and Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson.

### IMPORTANT LEGION AUXILIARY NOTICE

The newly organized auxiliary of the American Legion will meet at the home of Mrs. E. H. Pickler on Tuesday evening, January 13th, at 8 o'clock.

A good attendance is very necessary.

### DEFENSE STAMP AND BOND SALE

The Journal hears daily of the wonderful records being made by persons selling and buying defense stamps and bonds.

We are indebted to a good reader in Gainesville District for the idea of carrying weekly the names and amounts purchased.

Therefore, we are calling on all schools, banks, organizations or authorized agents of any type to let us have at the end of each a report of all sales of five dollars or more.

It is probable that an official committee will soon be designated to promote bond sales in Prince William, as was done during the first World War, but until this is done, we are making the present suggestion.

### COUNCIL WILL INSTALL OFFICERS

Prince William Council, Daughters of America, will install its officers on Monday night, January 12th. O. B. Hopkins, past national Councilor, will officiate at the installation.

### Loss Of Rubber Supply Upsets National Program

Manilla has fallen! Important military stores were removed or destroyed and American resistance continues, although we are faced with possible loss of the entire Philippine Islands. The gallant American Army fights on under overwhelming odds, their strategy being obviously to hold as many Japanese troops possible in the Philippines in order to relieve pressure upon the Singapore area which is of greater strategic importance to the Allies.

The week just past was also marked by the formal agreement among twenty-six powers, including Great Britain, Russia, China, and the United States, that none will make a separate peace, but will fight to the finish against the Axis bearing in mind that at the end of the last World War the United States made a separate peace with Germany, the great importance of the new agreement becomes apparent.

Realization that the rubber supply of our nation has been practically cut off until the Axis can be defeated, rationing of the present stocks became an immediate necessity, but hardly had the machinery been set up to determine who should draw from our dwindling tire supply, when out of a clear sky has come the dramatic order bringing to a close the entire automobile manufacturing industry.

It is stated that this necessity, originally contemplated in a more gradual transformation, has been precipitated by stoppage of the rubber supply, and thus some 350,000 auto workers in Detroit alone face loss of employment, together with some 45,000 dealers throughout the country. Indeed it is believed that around 82 million automobiles now in use are vitally affected.

It is estimated that 48 per cent of our 32,025,365 automobiles are over five years old. Consequently, even if tire rubber should be found in sufficient quantities, the transportation system of the nation is faced with stern readjustments which will bring a grim reminder to every American that we have a real war on hand.

However, on Tuesday the President proclaimed February 16 as registration day for all men between the ages of 20 to 44 inclusive, who are not already on Selective Service rolls by previous registration. It is estimated that this will bring to the military authority for selection for combat duty 600,000 twenty year-olds, 300,000 who have become 21 since last registration, and 400,000 in the age class 36 to 44.

Finally, the week's dramatic events have also brought announcement that the new Selective Service registrations will be undertaken in February, when an additional 25,000,000 men will be enrolled for military service. It is stated that the first registration will include those between 18 and 20, and those between 36 and 64. They will probably be handled in age groups leaving the older registrants to the last.

President Roosevelt, doubtless, will shortly proclaim the registration dates which make all men from 18 to 64, inclusive, eligible for war service of some kind, while those between 20 and 44, inclusive, become liable for active duty. In the meantime the Selective Service Boards of the nation have been ordered to speed their classification of the 17,500,000 men now registered.

It is stated that existing Selective Service Machinery, assisted where needed by volunteer workers will be assigned to the gigantic task. Registration cards are believed to remain as now, but it is believed that the questionnaire, especially going to the older registrants will be enlarged to provide more detailed statement of individual qualifications and abilities.

Of military interest to this section also is the appointment this week of Major General Milton A. Reckord as Commanding General of the Third Corps Area, which includes Virginia. General Reckord made many friends here in Northern Virginia when he commanded an important sector during the First Army Maneuvers in Prince William County two years ago.

A conspicuous development of the past week has been the mighty howl (Continued on page 5)

### EVENSONG

Service will be held at the Episcopal Church on Sunday, January 11, at 7:30 p. m.