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ASSEMBLY NEARS CLOSING PHASE

Passage Of Retirement Bill By Senate Is Outstanding Act

Entering the last fortnight of the 1942 session of the General Assembly, legislators are now working night and day to clear the decks of some of the most important and controversial matters of the entire session.

The Senate Finance Committee has tackled the problem of balancing the State's biennial budget and undoubtedly will be forced to do some drastic "slashing" before it is pared down to the conservative estimate desired by Governor Darden in view of the present war emergency situation.

All five of the important penal reform measures are before the Senate this week—three having already passed the House and two measures have yet to be acted upon by either House.

The bill sets the minimum salary for sheriffs at \$1,200 a year rather than at \$1,000, as was in the original bill, but lowers the maximum they may receive from \$7,500 to \$6,000.00.

All salaries will be fixed by the State Compensation Board within certain prescribed brackets—each county and city being in a specified bracket. Among the counties which will be affected by the changes are the following: Caroline, moved temporarily from the \$1,200-\$2,500 group to the \$2,400-\$3,600 group because of the increased duties of the sheriffs due to Army camp areas; Greensville and Sussex Counties were also advanced to the \$2,400-\$3,600 bracket; Frederick and Prince George advanced to the \$3,000-\$4,500 and Montgomery advanced to \$4,000-\$5,500.00; Williamsburg was added to the \$1,200-\$2,500 group and Clifton Forge and Charlottesville and Hopewell put in the \$2,000-\$3,000 group.

The three penal reform bills which have passed the House and now await Senate approval are: (1) creating the department of corrections (2) establishing a parole board which will divide the State into probation districts (3) abolish the office of constable and transfer his duties to the sheriff.

The Senatorial Redistricting Bill was approved and reported by the Senate Privileges and Elections Committee today and now goes to the floor for vote, while the House Redistricting Bill is also expected to reach the floor for vote before the week is over.

Liquor Bills continue to take up a lot of time and interest. Among the 41 bills passed by the House last Saturday were two bills, one of which would prohibit the sale of liquor by drug stores in areas which have voted dry and another bill requiring physicians prescribing liquor to use forms furnished by the ABC Board, and would have to give exact details as

HAYMARKET GIRL TO WED.



Miss Marguerite Latham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Otis Latham.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Otis Latham of Haymarket, Virginia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Marguerite, to Mr. George Lewis Clemmer, son of Mrs. Harry E. Clemmer of Staunton, Virginia, and the late Mr. Harry E. Clemmer of Swopes, Virginia.

Miss Latham graduated from Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Virginia, in the class of 1939 and since then has been a member of the faculty of Robert E. Lee High School, Staunton, Virginia.

Mr. Clemmer, graduated from the Petersburg High School, Petersburg, Virginia, and Hemphill Diesel School, Detroit, Michigan. He is now employed at the Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative, Dayton, Virginia.

No date has been set for the wedding.

CIVIC CENTER GETS SUPPORT

Recreational Project Endorsed By Sixteen County Organizations

Representatives of sixteen different organizations in Manassas met in the Town Hall on Tuesday night at the call of the Chamber of Commerce.

The purpose was to consider the possibility of developing a civic recreation center for the community. Sentiment was unanimously in favor of such an undertaking.

The following committee was appointed to secure estimates on the cost of reconditioning an old building, or erecting and equipping a new structure: O. O. Holler, Chairman, Rev. Stanley Knupp, E. G. Parrish, A. E. Jakeman, and Howard Luck.

Considerable enthusiasm was displayed for this project, and a number of pledges of financial support were given. A meeting was called to be held in the Town Hall on Saturday, March 14, at 8:00 P. M. when the above committee will make its report.

ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTORS TO RED CROSS FUND

Hurst Broadview Farm	\$5.00
R. J. Cooksey	\$2.00
Dumfries School Junior Red Cross	\$12.00
Margaret Shirley	\$1.00
Bull Run Grange	\$5.00
Total	\$25.00

Total amount of contributions collected including \$30.00 sent directly to headquarters \$1,280.03

C. Lacey Compton, Chairman, Prince William County War Fund Campaign.

VISITS BROTHER HERE

Lieut. Ralph A. Newman and wife were week-end visitors of Rev. and Mrs. John W. Newman, of Nokesville. Lieut. Newman is stationed at Middle-town Air Depot.

Scrap to Slap the Jap



Farmers of America—Uncle Sam Needs Your Scrap Iron!

BIG SNOW HITS VIRGINIA

Although northern Virginia received a generous measure of precipitation in the form of rain, with only a little snow, other sections of the State experienced heavy winter this week, particularly in the southwest where 30 to 34 inches fell, blocking highways and disrupting bus and automobile communication.

HE CAN TAKE IT

Senator, Ed Connor is a recognized figure in the halls of the Assembly at Richmond. Likewise he has earned no mean reputation at repartee.

Last week, when arguing the co-op bill, Delegate Ed McCue took a "shot at him, referring to Ed as a "long distance farmer." When our Ed got through with him, McCue knew what the Battle of Bull Run was like.

ENTERTAIN FOR DAUGHTER'S BIRTHDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Whetzel entertained at dinner on Sunday, March 1st in honor of their wedding anniversary, also the birthday of their little daughter, Faye.

The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Worley, Miss Ardis Collins, Mrs. Robert Ballinger and her son, Bobby, Miss Rachel Robinson and Miss Helen Landis.

WASHINGTON BLACKOUTS

Tuesday evening, beginning at 8 P. M. and extending for 10 hours a blackout was imposed in Washington and adjacent areas, including Alexandria, Arlington and Fairfax Counties.

Government buildings failed to cooperate a circumstance difficult for the average citizen to understand because these premises are likely to be the first objectives of a bombing attempt.

Officials have expressed gratification over the fine cooperation of citizens in their homes, however. In Virginia, where penalties of law are not yet operating, observance of the blackout was especially good.

The idea of the long blackout was to educate folks to the necessity of providing home blackouts by proper screening of windows and doors, rather than by resorting to merely cutting off the electricity.

It is stated that within a couple of weeks another blackout will be imposed. This one, it is said, will be of short duration, with the exact time to be signalled by the new sound devices now installed. The adjacent Virginia area will again respond, although their facilities for adequately sounding the alarm are said to be quite insufficient.

Prince William County is not classified as in the metropolitan area of Washington, and will not, therefore, be likely to join these blackouts unless specifically requested. As a matter of fact, in case of a real air-raid, the War Department will specify the area to be blacked out and then all counties must be ready to respond instantly and effectively.

WELFARE BOARD REFUSED TIRES

A Welfare Board in Richmond has been denied tires. In ruling on the matter Leon Henderson says, "At the present time we are unable to provide tires for such necessary functions as transportation of rural school superintendents and teachers, wild-life and game wardens, forest fire fighters, public health personnel, other than those engaged in law enforcement and many other State activities. No new tires are available for engineers and technicians directly engaged in war production, or for army and navy officers and inspectors."

TO DISCUSS BOOKS ON WORLD AFFAIRS

The regular meeting of the Woman's Club of Manassas will be held Monday afternoon, March 9, at 2:30 p. m. in the Parish Hall, Mrs. C. C. Lynn, the president, will preside.

The speaker for the afternoon will be Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson who will talk on "Recent Books on World Affairs." The hostesses for the meeting's social hour will be Mrs. William L. Lloyd, Miss Margaret Lynch, Mrs. Charles C. Lynn, and Mrs. A. A. Maloney.

It is hoped that all members will make an effort to attend, as this will be the last regular meeting before the Fourth District Meeting which will be held in Manassas.

MASTERS TECHNIQUE OF INSURANCE

Miss Sally Proffitt, who has been in Baltimore for some time attending the School of Insurance of the United States Fidelity and Guaranty, returned home last week. Miss Proffitt had attended a term of the insurance school in Washington at an earlier date.

During her stay in Baltimore she completed a study of the entire range of the insurance field, specializing in insurance and suretyship.

Miss Proffitt's diploma is a very attractive addition to the Proffitt Office, and another leaf in the laurel of achievements of Manassas young people.

BASEBALL MEETING MARCH 18

The Manassas Macs Athletic Club requests the present of all old and new comers that are interested in supporting the local basketball team for the coming season.

The meeting will be held in the Manassas High School Gym. Wednesday, March 18th, 1942 at 8 o'clock.

BINGO PARTY

The Bennett School will have a Bingo Party in the high school gym on March 13, at 7:30 P. M. Prizes will be awarded and there will be other amusements besides Bingo. There will be refreshments for sale.

MONTHLY MEETING OF LEGION

Prince William No. 158 will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, at 8 P. M., at the Town Hall. Commander Claude Staggs will preside.

TIRE THEFT NOW A FELONY

Governor Darden has signed the emergency bill making theft of an automobile tire a felony. Under the so called "Moss Bill" a person guilty of larceny of an automobile tire or tube shall be punished by confinement in the penitentiary for not less than one or more than 10 years, or in jail for not exceeding 12 months and a fine not exceeding \$500.

DISTRICT U. D. C. MEETS MAY 9

Twenty-five Chapter To Assemble Here

Mrs. W. A. Newman entertained the Daughters of the Confederacy, Wednesday afternoon at her home on Battle Street. Mrs. Robert A. Hutchison president, was in the chair.

This indeed a busy session. May 9th is the date set for the Fourth District Convention as was announced by the chairman, Mrs. McDuff Green. All

arrangements are expected to go forward under the leadership of Mrs. R. A. Hutchison, Mrs. E. H. Hibbs, Mrs. E. H. Marsteller, and Mrs. Green by virtue of her office as District chairman. Approximately one hundred fifty delegates and guests are expected to attend, as twenty-five chapters compose the District.

Interesting communications were read from Division Officers and standing committees. A letter from Mrs. Park Bolling of Richmond revealed an item of interest having to do with a fountain pen recently found in the Confederate Museum which was used by Governor Lee Trinkle in approving a bill for \$10,000 appropriation for the purchase of the Henry House Farm. Mrs. Bolling suggest, and correctly so, that the pen belongs now to the National Museum recently erected on the Henry Farm.

Miss Annie Mann of Petersburg, Va. sent an outline of her work as chairman of Patriotic Activities with the National Defense and asking that a local chairman be appointed. Mrs. Hibbs had previously been assigned to direct the local activities and made a brief report on tentative plans.

Mrs. Lewis Carper was appointed to represent the Chapter at meetings held for the purpose of formulating plans for a recreational center.

Mrs. Earnest Spittler, Mrs. McDuff Green and Mrs. E. H. Nash participated on the historical program.

Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson reported on U. D. C. book plates now being used as designating gift books to library from the Chapter.

The social hour was enjoyed while the hostess served refreshments.

The meeting in March will be with Mrs. Alvin Compton and her sister, Mrs. Spittler will assist.

Mrs. Clyde W. Rector from Upper-ville was present.

ENERGETIC CAMPAIGN AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS

Swinging over from a defense to an active war program, the State Department of Health and the Virginia Tuberculosis Association are collaborating in an energetic campaign to detect and cure tuberculosis among the Old Dominion's industrial workers in vital production areas.

Last year, before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, more than 25,000 industrial workers in Virginia were examined by the health authorities in addition to the regular clinics, according to Dr. I. C. Riggin, examinations were made with X-Ray and when tuberculosis was found it was followed up with necessary treatment and protective measures.

VICTORY GARDENS

Mr. Paul Cooksey has been appointed local chairman for the victory garden movement.

Mr. Cooksey states that if anyone desires to have a garden this Spring, and has no space for one, to please communicate with him anytime this month.

MARCH MEETING OF RED CROSS

The regular meeting for March of the Prince William County Chapter, American Red Cross, will be held Friday, the 13th, at 2:30 P. M. in the residence of Mrs. E. H. Marsteller in Manassas.

Dealers Must Get Certificates

At High Schools March 9 and 10 From 3:30 to 5:30

INDIVIDUALS MAY GET THEIR SUGAR CARDS AT ANY SCHOOL ON MARCH 17, 18, 19 and 20.

Sugar rationing begins in this County on Tuesday, March 17, when cards will be issued to individuals applying at any school, high or elementary, between the hours of 3:30 to 5:30 P. M. Issuance of sugar cards to individuals will continue through the 18th, 19th and 20th.

Dealers must apply for their certificates in advance of the above announced dates. They apply only at High Schools anywhere in the County, and the dates for issuance of dealer's certificates are March 9 and 10, from 3:30 to 5:30 P. M. Dealers only have two days to get their authorizations, while the general public is allowed four days. Just what arrangements have been made for later issuance of certificates to dealers and of cards to individuals is not known at present by this newspaper but will be announced.

As we go to press no information has officially become available as to the amount of sugar to be allowed each individual. One-half pound per week is a suggested possibility.

OTHER WAR EMERGENCY BULLETINS

The Schools of Prince William will continue opening at 9:30 Eastern War Time to Friday, April 17. On April 20 the schools will resume opening at 9 A. M. Eastern War Time.

The County School Board also announces that it has authorized the placing of fire fighting and first aid equipment in all schools. This includes axes, shovels, picks, buckets of sand, fire extinguishers and first aid kits. Most of these items are now in place and the remainder, largely fire extinguishers will be added as quickly as the necessary purchases can be made.

The county School Board also announces that it will elect principals and teachers, now in service, at its meeting on April 1.

The School Board has purchased a supply of flags adequate to be sure that flags in good condition will fly every day at all schools.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction has called a regional meeting of Division Superintendents to be held at Charlottesville next Thursday and Friday, March 12 and 13 to consider policies and plans to adapt the public school system to the war emergency.

PASTOR ADDRESSES KIWANIS CLUB

Rev. John A. Newman, pastor of the Nokesville Methodist Church, was present as the guest of E. G. Parrish at the regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club last Friday evening.

His remarks were chiefly directed at the wonderful good accomplished by the Club in its underprivileged child work. His remarks were thoughtful and demonstrated the idea of giving to humanity instead of trying to take something away.

Robert (Bobby) Davis was initiated as a member of the Club, OD applying the instruments of torture. OD is one of the old relics on this job and usually lets his patients by rather easily and leaves a very good condition in their mental framework as to the aims and ideals of Kiwanis.

A sad note came in the resignation of "Bish" Gibson, a charter, who has ended his active work in Dettingen Parish, and is moving to Greenway Downs, near Falls Church.

On Thursday of last week, five Kiwanians journeyed to the Hotel Mayflower in Washington, headed by President Ernest and Chairman of the Interclub committee, Col. R. A. Hutchison. President "Marty" Wiegand, of the Washington Club, and his cohorts had some very fine entertainment on hand for their guests, not the least of which was an up-to-the-minute talk by resident of the Capitol District Zinn. As previously announced in the Journal, the International President was expected but failed to make his appearance, sending his regrets.

PUPPY LOST

(Children's Pet Puppy Lost) Spanish Collie, light tan and white, about 14 inches tall, and answers to name of "Teddy." Finder, please notify Herbert Saunders. Reward Offered.