

County Salvage Campaign Begins Next Week

GROUP RIDING IS ON INCREASE

Instances Furnished Where Workers Are Sensing The Urgency Of Action.

Group riding is on the increase, particularly in industrial establishments. Studies in several Virginia war industrial plants have shown an average car occupancy of from 2.5 to 3 persons. This is good, especially when compared to a national average of only 1.7 persons per car six months ago, but Virginia motorists will have to practice much greater conservation, Mr. Marye warned.

There have been very few new tires issued since January. Most peoples tires are now over a year old and many are much older. To those fortunate persons whose tires are still relatively good it is hard to realize the overall picture and the picture is not bright.

Studies of transportation in the same industries which showed a high car occupancy also showed that many cars had no spare tire and that less than 1,000 miles of service life remained in the poorest tire. The average essential driving was about 100 miles per week. Therefore, many cars now carrying workers in essential war industry have only ten weeks to run.

When miles of essential weekly driving was balanced against miles of service life left in tires it was found that, beginning about the first of October, cars would be going out of service at the rate of 3 1/2 percent per month. In one year, unless more conservation was practiced, about 40 percent of cars now carrying war workers would be off the road.

One of the most practical means of prolonging the life of tires is to group or swap ride—making one car do the work of two, three or four.

The following is a good illustration of how increased group riding can make present equipment last longer. In one war industry, 139 cars are used daily to carry workers from residence to plant. Thirty-three of these cars, at their present rate of travel, will be out of service by next March. The average car occupancy of these 139 cars is 2.6 persons. If the 139 drivers could increase group riding so as to raise the average car occupancy from 2.6 persons to 3.6 persons or an increase of just one more person per car, then just as many persons could be carried by 100 cars as are now being carried by the 139 cars. This would be the equivalent of saving more than the 33 cars which are estimated to go out of service by March next.

Within most cities, bus and street car service is already taxed to capacity during the rush hours. With the coming of bad weather many persons now patriotically walking long distances to work will undoubtedly want to ride. The critical period of mass transportation is expected by late fall. Get together with your neighbors and fellow workers, Mr. Marye urged, and make plans for increasing the group riding you are already doing: The time to make these plans and put them into practice is now, not next year!

MERCHANTS AID IN DISPOSING APPLE CROP

Local merchants are cooperating in the national drive to increase the consumption of fresh apples, the Victory Food Special, designed by the Agricultural Marketing Administration for the period of September 17 through 26.

Not only are local merchants, restaurants and food outlets featuring fresh apples, but local homemakers are doing their bit by purchasing fresh apples in quantity and serving them to their families.

Commercial apple production for 1942 is expected to be even larger than that of last year. Supplies of fresh apples for home consumption will be quite abundant and their use by homemakers will release other vital foods for Land-Lease shipment and other war needs.

Other farm commodities which have been featured as Victory Food Specials locally were onions, tomatoes, chickens, lettuce, peaches and cheese.

DARDEN THANKS NEWSPAPER FOR SALVAGE AID

Governor Darden today issued an additional "Junk Rally Week" Proclamation calling attention to the seriousness of the scrap metal situation and the danger of immediate closing of steel furnaces unless greater effort is made. He further called attention to the fact that at the request of Donald M. Nelson, Chairman of the War Production Board and Army and Navy officials the newspapers of the State are planning to assist in a special three-weeks campaign from September 21st to October 10th in cooperation with State and local Salvage Committees. "At this time, when the newspapers are joining us in our campaign for the collection of scrap materials of all kinds," Governor Darden said, "I want to thank the local committees for the fine work they are doing in this connection and urge their continued assistance." "All of us are grateful for their help," he said "and I hope that during the coming weeks, set aside for special junk salvage, we may all intensify our efforts in this work." Governor Darden also thanked the newspapers of the State for their help in this work. "With their cooperation and the assistance of every man, woman and child, certainly Virginia's part in the Junk Rally Campaign will go over the top with flying colors."

LOCAL COMMUTERS ORGANIZE HERE

Plan Evolved To Save Tire Mileage And Gas.

As the result of several meetings of commuters who travel daily between Manassas and Washington cooperative organization has been formed by the drivers which is called the "Manassas Car-share Club." Mr. William N. Curtis has been named President.

The first purpose of the club was to collect, collate and handle certain information and facts that had not previously been made available in the proper places. The second function has been an attempt to coordinate the needs and requirements of both drivers and passengers who must travel from this vicinity to the Washington area every day in connection with their work.

To accomplish this latter purpose a perpetual and daily card record is maintained showing all drivers, their route, time of departure and return, number of passengers and any vacancies that may be available. A register will also be maintained of requests for rides both regular or for one or more days. Thus, for the first time, anyone needing either a ride or riders can get information covering that need by calling Aileen P. Taylor, registration secretary of the Club. The address is 340 West St. P. O. Box 506 or Phone 105-F11. Since there is a shortage of rides at the present time requests for reservation should be made as early as possible to obtain the best results.

MR. DOUGLAS GIVES VICTORY DINNER

On Friday night Mr. Douglas entertained the Fire Department softball team with a victory dinner, held at the Manassas Grille. The dinner was attended by the members of the softball team. There were also two unexpected visitors, two very attractive young girls.

Mr. Elwood Gregory was the main speaker, and also presented Mr. Douglas with a very attractive cup made by Roger Cross, Jr. a team member. The cup bore the inscription, "To Mr. Douglas From The Fire Dept."

The team was called upon to give their opinion of our team and to discuss the '42 season of softball in general. We, the Fire Department softball team want to thank Mr. Douglas for this excellent dinner and also to pay our appreciation for having him as a team member.

ILL AT HOME

The many friends of Mr. George D. Baker regret his indisposition and hope to see him out again in the very near future.

MANASSAS, VA. LONG TO BE REMEMBERED IN THE U. S. NAVY



The people in this historical town may be interested in the above picture and the facts herewith present.

This hornet's nest is the largest, so far as we know, ever found in this section, measuring 15 inches in diameter and 22 inches in length. This nest was presented to Commander Alfred H. Miles, United States, Navy, now commanding officer at Little Creek Section of the Naval Operating Base at Norfolk, Virginia.

In turn this nest will be presented to the United States Navy and be placed on the Aircraft Carrier "Hornet" in memory of his nephew, William Mason Stevens, who was assigned as a dive bomber on the "Hornet" and lost his life recently in a bombing off this ship.

Commander and Mrs. Alfred H. Miles recently received word from the navy of the loss of their only son, Lt. Lyon G. Miles off the coast of Java when the "Ashville" was sunk.

ATTENTION—COMMUTERS

Drivers—Does Miss Aileen Taylor at 340 West St., Phone 10-F-11 have your schedule and list of passengers? Do you have vacant seats? She needs this information that your interest may be served.

Passengers—Do you have a regular seat in someone's car? Are your hours in line with driver? Are YOU registered? You may contact Miss Taylor from 7 P. M. to 9 P. M. as above She may be able to help you.

W. N. Curtis, President,
Manassas Car—Shares Club.

MISS SAUNDERS RESUMES HER WORK IN RELIGIOUS ED'N.

With the opening of school begins again the program of Week Day Religious Education. The County Council of Religious Education has secured the services of Miss Hazel Saunders as teacher and this month marks the beginning of the seventh year of the work.

The program is supported by voluntary gifts from Sunday Schools, churches, organizations, and individuals and requires a budget of \$1000.00 per year. Already, gifts have begun to come in and former givers are urged to keep the program in mind.

Miss Saunders will reach all the white schools as in former years. Her schedule of travel has been altered to make for more economical use of her car. She needs a tire, size 6.00X16 and information as to where one can be procured will be greatly appreciated.

Financial Chairmen for this work throughout the county are: Brentsville District, Mrs. L. J. Bowman; Coles District, Mr. Walter Wine; Dumfries District, Mrs. A. H. Shumate; Gainesville District, Mrs. Audrey Kerr; Manassas District, Mr. Orrin Kline; Occoquan, Rev. Delbert N. Calvert. Contributions may be given to any of these persons with full confidence that they reach the treasurer and proper credit be given. Further information about the program of Week Day Religious Education may be obtained from Rev. John M. DeChant, President of the County Council.

THE GO TO CHURCH MOVEMENT

The Go To Church movement sponsored by the Manassas Kiwanis club is now well under way, and all ministers are being requested to point out the benefit that a person will gain by regular church attendance. This whole idea was given to the club by Fred R. Hynson in his talk on "Empty Pews" on September 4th. At this meeting the club set September 27th as Go To Church day.

The idea is to go to church, no particular church, but go to some church on September 27th.

The text of Mr. Hynson's talk will be published in full next week.

KIWANIS CLUB HAD "WORDS" AT LAST MEETING

Kiwanian Frank Sigman indulged in a short treatise on "words" as his program at the regular meeting on Friday of last week.

By delving into ancient fact and theory, Frank evolved a very interesting discourse that told much of the modern "word." As a savant and school teacher, Frank is good at this.

The Club was pleased to welcome as a visitor the new head of the N. Y. A. school, Mr. E. W. Christopher, who was present as the guest of Mr. Royer. (Ed. note: The visitor has a fine voice and took part heartily in the singing. He would help make an ideal club member and we hope to see him back in the near future).

THE EASTERN STAR IN MASONIC TEMPLE ON TUESDAY NIGHT

Wimodausis Chapter Order of the Eastern Star met Tuesday night in Masonic Temple. Reports from the various committees were heard and plans for the fall work was outlined by the Worthy Matron, Mrs. Meaker Hurst. Candidates were also initiated at this meeting.

The improvements to the Temple are being carried out, and when it is all completed will present a beautiful appearance.

Refreshments were served in the Recreation Room, and the decorations were quite attractive in the Chapter Room and Recreation Room as well. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 20, 8:00 P. M.

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the Governor of our Commonwealth of Virginia has set aside the weeks of September 21 to October 10 of this year 1942 and designated them Junk Rally Weeks, to be observed by all within the bounds of this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS this has been done in response to an urgent appeal from officials of the War Production Board, the Army and the Navy; and

WHEREAS many steel furnaces and arms plants may be forced to close, thereby leaving our soldiers and sailors with insufficient weapons, unless the citizens of this city, Commonwealth and this nation rally to provide more scrap metal; and

WHEREAS no small number of these men of our armed forces who need our junk metal so that they may have arms are gone forth from the families of this community,

THEREFORE, I, Harry P. Davis, Mayor of the Town of Manassas, do ask all residents of this community to participate in the observance of Junk Rally Weeks, and help thereby the men of our armed forces in their fight for our freedom.

To which I place my Hand and Seal

Harry P. Davis, Mayor.

AGENT ADVISES EARLY ORDERS

Mr. Cox States That Use Of AAA Lime Was Heavy Last Year.

Prince William farmers who participate in the 1943 Agricultural Conservation Program, which began on July 1, 1942, and closes on June 30, are eligible to receive ground limestone or 20 percent Superphosphate. In the case of ground limestone, the material is delivered to the farm without cost. In the case of 20 percent Superphosphate, the fertilizer has to be hauled from Manassas and there is a small charge of 50¢ per ton to cover the cost of insurance against losses, unloading and checking out the material. The ground limestone may be used on any land on the farm but the 20 percent Superphosphate is to be used on hayland and pasture. It may be used on straight seedings of grasses and clovers but should not be used in connection with small grain or on land to be used for corn, soybeans, cowpeas, Sudan grass, millet or sorghum next spring.

Unless new arrangements can be made, no Superphosphate will be available through this year's program after December. Ground limestone may be difficult to obtain after this fall. For this reason, farmers eligible for ground limestone or Superphosphate are advised to make application at the county office for fall and early winter deliveries of these soil building materials.

HEAVY 1942 USE OF FARM PROGRAM GROUND LIMESTONE

9,560 tons of ground limestone were delivered without cost to Prince William farmers under the 1942 Agricultural Conservation Program which closed on June 30. Provisions of the new program call for larger allowance of ground limestone on larger farms. On extremely small farms, slightly less may be available this year.

LEGION STILL ACCEPTING OLD PHONO RECORDS

While the American Legion has already shipped over five thousand scrap phonograph records to the factory to be made into new ones for the soldiers and sailors, quite a number are still being brought to the collection stations and it has been decided that shipments will be continued until the 25th of this month. Until that date all records that are received in Manassas will be shipped away but no more can be handled after that time as it is expected that the quantity will be too small to be justified.

Cadets Harry and Frank Parrish, sons of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Parrish will return to V. P. I. Blacksburg, Virginia this week-end on Monday.

SCRAP SURVEY IS FIRST STEP

Committee Sends Out Recognition Sheets.

At a meeting of the local salvage committee held at the school on Monday a form was presented and later prepared and distributed on Tuesday to the schools which will be taken into the Manassas "festival."

The children will get these sheets back into the hands of the various class room teachers, following the schedule which will be sent out by the committee. The arrangements anticipate that all stuff thus reported will be given to the committee to dispose of as it may see fit.

All children who thus materially aid in this effort to assist in the national emergency will receive a ticket to a movie at Pitts Manassas Theatre, on September 25th.

The first show will go on about 1:30 and will be for the children at Woodbine and Haymarket.

The local children will come to one of the evening shows, the first to open at 7:15 and the other at 9:15.

This courtesy is being extended through the great generosity of Benjamin T. Pitts, movie magnate in this section of the State, T. I. Martin, his district manager and Franklyn Hibbs, his local manager.

Entertainment features for the other centers (Occoquan, Nokesville and Dumfries) have not yet been released but there is ample time to announce these next week.

The county schools are collaborating in a wonderful manner. Mr. O. O. Holler, county chairman, is working very hard to keep the county at the top.

CITIZENS URGED TO GET BEHIND SCRAP DRIVE

Citizens of this county have been challenged to lead the state and the nation in the collection of scrap metals and rubber in a campaign sponsored in this county by this newspaper and throughout the state by the newspapers of Virginia in cooperation with the State and Local Salvage Committees. Awards of \$4,000 in War Bonds are to be given by the newspapers to largest collectors of scrap in many classes.

Accepting the charge of the War Production Board to do all they could to avert a crisis in war industries caused by a critical shortage of metals, the newspapers of the state today announced a three week all-out from September 21 to October 10 for scrap and offered \$4,000 in war bonds as prizes to individuals, organizations, business firms and cities and counties turning in the greatest amount of metal during the campaign.

Every individual, group and business firm in this county is eligible to participate in the contest and the campaign, the only exception being those persons and firms engaged in the business of dealing in scrap. There are twenty awards in ten different classes for those who turn in the greatest amount of scrap.

For complete details of the contest please turn to the advertisement on page 7.

AMERICAN LEGION AIDS SCRAP DRIVE HERE

The American Legion will collect scrap iron.

The American Legion will supplement the effort being made by the local firemen to collect scrap metals for the War program but will confine their efforts to the territory in the county outside of Manassas.

Anyone in the county having scrap metal that they wish to donate to the war effort should contact one of the following committee at once by either post card or phone. Where the amount of material will justify a truck trip alone it will be called for at once while in other cases there may be some delay until sufficient tonnage can be secured in one neighborhood so that a truck can be sent. The Legion Committee appointed by Commander Claude Staggs consists of Edgar Parrish, Manassas; E. C. Owens, Nokesville and William Corder at Haymarket.

GREENWICH P. T. A.

The first meeting of the Greenwich P. T. A. will be held Thursday, September 24th at 8 o'clock P. M. All patrons are urged to be present.