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DEFENSE URGES FIRE CAUTION

MAURY PROGRAM WILL BE PRESENTED AT HIGH SCHOOL

The Manassas Chapter of the U. D. C. was entertained by Mrs. P. L. Profit at her home on West Street, Dec. 2nd.

Mrs. R. A. Hutchison, th president, presided. Mrs. W. A. Newman presented an historical program in the absence of Mrs. E. H. Hibbs, the chapter historian. This consisted of a reading "The University of North Carolina" written by Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough, chairman of the lending and filing bureau.

The University was chartered in 1789, and was the first to open its doors in America, and has continued to be famous for its high education in North Carolina, having received in 1885 an appropriation of \$20,000 from the State.

An article was read from the "Confederate Veteran" of 1915, in which the late Mrs. A. W. Sinclair is credited with having started a movement to erect a monument to the memory of the "Boy Major" Joseph Latimer and to which every chapter in the state made a contribution.

The monument marks the burial place of Major Latimer, at Harrisonburg, Va., while he died at the age of twenty. He was born near Brentsville, in 1843.

Mrs. Newman exhibited an interesting picture made in 1897 of a group of U. D. C. members following a chapter meeting at the Herrell home.

Arrangements were made to send the usual number of Christmas cheer baskets. Mrs. R. S. Hynson was added to the committee to assist the chairman, Mrs. W. F. Dowell.

The Lee-Jackson-Maury program in the week of January 19th is expected to be presented at the High School as has been the custom for several years. A special feature will be: Southern Songs by the students.

Mrs. Profit was assisted in serving by her daughter, Miss Sallie Profit and her sister, Mrs. B. C. Cornwell.

GARDEN CLUB AGAIN OFFERS CHRISTMAS PRIZES

"There will always be a Christmas" says the Manassas Garden Club, which is again offering its cheery prizes in the midst of grim warfare.

On Tuesday evening, December 22, a committee of judges selected by the Club will tour the business section of the town and determine on the best two windows, suggestive of the holiday season.

The prizes will be in defense stamps, the first being for one dollar and the second for fifty cents. This is the usual set-up.

WILL CHRISTEN LIBERTY SHIP

The Liberty Ship which will be christened by three school children from Virginia will be launched on December 13th at 3:45 p.m. by the North Carolina Ship Building Co., Wilmington, North Carolina.

Miss Frances Owen, principal, and Robert Jackson, pupil, of Greenwich School, Nokesville, Virginia, will attend this launching. They will leave Nokesville on Saturday morning, December 12th.

(Editors Note: Robert is the one scheduled to do the actual christening.)

TRINITY RECTOR THE GUEST SPEAKER

The regular meeting of the Manassas Woman's Club will be held Monday afternoon, Dec. 14th, in the Parish Hall, at 2:30 o'clock.

The program includes a talk by Rev. Thomas G. Faulkner, Jr., Rector of Trinity Church. His topic will be "Christmas Today," and it is hoped that all members will try to be present, as this is a most timely subject and will surely prove interesting. Carols will be sung.

The hostesses for the afternoon will be Mrs. V. V. Gillum, Mrs. Aylene Guthrie, Mrs. Marshall Haydon, Mrs. Richard Haydon, Mrs. H. H. Hemming and Mrs. Allison Hooff.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT BETHEL

Bethel Sunday School is the first to announce its Christmas entertainment Monday, December 8th has been selected and the hour will be 7:30 p.m.

REV. LUCK TO PREACH

Rev. Norman Luck will officiate at the Baptist Church this Sunday instead of Rev. Royal, as appears in the church notice.



Charles E. Breeden, Jr.

ATTENDING NAVAL AVIATION TRAINING SCHOOL

Charles Edward Breeden, Jr., 21 (known as Smiley) is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Breeden, of Manassas, Virginia.

Smiley attended High School and graduated in Manassas, Virginia. He was active on the teams of football and boxing. He volunteered and entered the Naval Training School in Norfolk, Virginia, May 8, 1942.

Before entering the Navy he was employed at the Glenn Martin Plant, in Baltimore, Md. Since finishing his training at Norfolk, Va. He is at present at the Naval Training School, Aviation Maintenance in Memphis, Tennessee.

GETS ACCREDITED RATING FOR 28th CONSECUTIVE YEAR

The following letter has been received by Prof. R. Worth Peters, principal, Osborn High School, from Mr. Fred M. Alexander, secretary, The Virginia Committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

"We take pleasure in notifying you that the Osborn High School has been continued as an accredited high school in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for the current year.

The Osborn High School showed no deficiencies in so far as the standards of the Southern Association of Colleges and secondary schools are concerned. We congratulate you on this record, and we feel sure that the fine showing of your school will be continued."

This represents the twenty-eighth year that the local High School has been on the accredited list of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools having first received this recognition in 1914.

DIVES FOR SHELL FINDS CLASS RING

Somewhere in the Caribbean area an Army officer is mourning the loss of his West Point class ring, but he shall weep no more after reading this, for, thanks to a sailor's hobby of diving for seashells on his day off, his ring has been salvaged from the ocean bed and is now waiting to be claimed by its owner, who has not yet been found.

Last Saturday, E. F. Williams, AOM 3c, attached to a Navy patrol squadron at the U. S. Naval Air Station in San Juan, went to the Navy Beach in hope of augmenting his collection of sea shells. Using an underwater glass, he was diving in about ten feet of water when he spotted a shiny object and promptly retrieved it. The object proved to be a heavy gold ring with a green stone and the traditional insignia of West Point engraved on it. Inside was the name of the owner, J. Theodore Parker, and the year of his graduation, 1929.

The young sailor is well aware of the sentimental value that ring must have for its owner, and has made the usual efforts to locate him, but to date has been unsuccessful. If the owner is located by the readers of this article, he can contact Williams at the Naval Air Station, Box 22, or by calling Navy, extension 253.

(Editor's note: Seaman Williams may be remembered as Ezelle Williams, foster son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hedges, of Hoadly).

BISHOPS VISITATIONS

Bishop Coadjutor Fred Goodwin will be at The Falls Church, this coming Sunday morning.

On Thursday evening, Suffragan Bishop, Roy Mason will visit Trinity Church, Dettingen Parish at 8 o'clock. Following the service there will be a reception for him in the Parish Hall.

BABY SHOW

IMPOSING LIST OF CONTESTANTS ALREADY IN THE FIELD

The seniors are sponsoring a Baby Contest which began on Wednesday, December 3, 1942. The votes are one cent each. Any pre-school child may be entered by an organization or an individual by paying an entrance fee of twenty-five cents. The child receiving the most votes by four o'clock on December 17, 1942, will be awarded a prize of a silver cup (if it is available) or its equivalent in war stamps. The second prize will be a piece of jewelry or war stamps. These prizes will be awarded at the Christmas assembly at one-thirty o'clock on December 18, 1942.

The entries and their sponsors up to date are as follows:

BABY	SPONSOR
Connie Wynn Kinchloe	Journalism Club
David Johnson	Ornery Club
Barbara Saunders	Wallace Bolding
Freddie Nicholson	Ted Ritter
Martyr Dee Fair	J. T. Haydon
Sandra Pence	D. J. Arrington
Robin Anne Billington	Manassas Ice & Fuel Company
Barbara Frances Libeau	Prince William Motors
Mary Oliver Owens	E. E. Rohr
Lawry Saunders	Mrs. H. P. Tiller
Jack Piery	Miss Nelson's Room
Gay Linn Piery	Rita Robertson
Clyde Lomax, Jr.	Home Economics Club
Billy Bennett	Mrs. Lyon's Room
Bobby Thomas	Betty Thomas
Wanda Duane	Erlyst Rae Hill
Sharlyne Dale Webster	Mrs. Miller's Room
Anne Lewis	Miss Broadus' Room
Mary Benson Lightner	E. B. Roland Brothers
Robbie Wood	Miss Smith's Room
Kurtz Hersh	Senate
Johnny Fishpaw	Biology Class
Anne Carol Blakemore	Buildings' Committee
Wallace Humphry Lynn	Miss Conner's Room

THE BANKERS GO TO WAR

The bankers of this community, in their own words, are "going to war." Like their fellow bankers all over the nation, they have organized and have begun to conduct an intensive drive this month to sell Victory bonds in order that the war effort of our country may be financed on a set up under the Fifth Federal Reserve District's Victory Fund Committee they will seek to market these securities among all classes of investors. The object of the drive is to attract idle funds and accumulated savings to Government Securities.

We as a nation today are spending for our war effort seventy-eight billion dollars annually. In addition we need six billion dollars annually to carry on normal governmental functions. That means that each year the Federal Government must raise eighty-four billion dollars. If not more than twenty-four billion is raised through taxes, the remaining sixty billion will have to be borrowed from banks and other investors. Inasmuch as purchases by banks expand their deposits and thus raise purchasing power, it is essential that as many securities as possible be purchased by investors other than commercial banks.

To meet this enormous demand Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau has enlisted bankers, security dealers, and many other volunteer workers to push the sale of all types of Government securities, ranging from \$25 Tax Saving Notes to Treasury Bonds and Certificates. The unprecedented sum of nine billion dollars from all sources must be borrowed during December.

The bankers of this community have accepted their share of the responsibility for raising this amount. Now our citizens must come forward if we of this community and we of this nation are to provide the funds necessary to prosecute this war to a victorious close.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS

Grand Jury: J. H. Moncure, foreman; O. J. Fitzwater, J. E. Adams, John C. Goode, A. B. Rust, E. M. Pearson.

True Bill: (All felony charges) William C. Ennis, James Gilman, Lacie Mullins.

Commonwealth vs Gilmore—Plea of guilty; sentence of two years, less of guilty; Commonwealth vs Lacie Mullins; sentence deferred; placed in charge of Superintendent of Public Welfare, City of Winchester, Va., for a period of one year.

Commonwealth vs Bennie Reid on two charges of ABC law violations. Two thirty day jail sentences (suspended) and fines amounting to \$125.00.

HAPPY PARENTS

Tech. Cpl. Lon Warner and Mrs. Lon Warner are the proud parents of a 7 pound 11 and one half oz. son, named Lon Clayton Warner, II, born Sunday, December 6, 1942.



SEAL SALE CAMPAIGN ENDORSED

Professor Richard C. Haydon, superintendent of Prince William County Schools in endorsing the annual Seal Sale Campaign now in its third week of operation, urges all parents and pupils to take an active part in making the drive a success. Not only does the County Tuberculosis Association need financial support, and too much emphasis cannot be placed on protection against tuberculosis for boys and girls of high school age. It has been estimated that tuberculosis is the chief health enemy of persons between 15 and 19, killing and disabling more persons in this age group than any other disease. The coming year is one of the most crucial the anti-tuberculosis campaign has ever faced, and every cent of the \$1223, quota assigned to our county will be needed to carry on the work of the organization.

PRINCE WILLIAM CITIZENS TAKE ANOTHER LOOK

Take another look at the Christmas Seals this year. They have a new meaning now, a martial meaning. Little though they are, they have a place among ships, plane, tanks and jeeps.

In all past wars tuberculosis has increased. History has begun to repeat itself. Already tuberculosis is increasing in a number of overcrowded areas throughout the county. Unless history can be rewritten this time, tuberculosis will kill more Americans throughout the duration than will be killed in action or die from wounds received in action.

In the last four years, tuberculosis has killed 10,000 more persons in this county than were killed in action or died from wounds received in action in all the wars combined that this country has engaged in from the Revolutionary War up to Dec. 7, 1941.

The combined efforts of the tuberculosis associations, public health officials and the medical profession cannot control tuberculosis. The people must take an active part.

We must buy Christmas Seals, the sole support of the tuberculosis association, as never before. But buying Seals is not enough.

We must recognize the graveness of the situation. The very disease that kills more persons between 15 and 45 than any other disease is spreading in this country.

We must learn what to do to protect ourselves against tuberculosis. We must heed the warnings of the associations that long hours of work, poor nutrition, insufficient rest and relaxation may lower the body's resistance to the tubercle bacillus, thus allowing active tuberculosis to develop.

We must recognize tuberculosis for what it is—a highly infectious disease with a long insidious onset. Tuberculosis can be in an advanced stage before symptoms appear.

We must know and apply the knowledge that a periodic chest X-ray is our best defense against serious tuberculosis. The X-ray will detect the disease in its earliest stages, even before symptoms appear. Early tuberculosis is readily amenable to cure.

Take another look at the Seals this year. They mean more to us this year than any other year since 1917.

Stand behind the Prince William County Tuberculosis Association in its effort to raise the largest quota ever assigned our county, and mobilize the home front for protection of civilian health.

PTA CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT BENNETT

A short Christmas program will be featured at the December meeting of the PTA of Manassas schools to be held next Thursday, at 3 p.m. (Dec. 17th). Patrons and friends cordially invited.

This meeting will be held at Bennett school as will also a meeting of the executive board on Tuesday afternoon, at 2 p.m.

HISTORY REPORTS HEARD BY U D C

STATE CO-ORDINATOR CITES CASE OF BOSTON TRAGEDY

The attention of all Civilian Defense Councils in Virginia is being directed to the imminence of increased fire hazards during the Christmas holiday season and the importance of arousing public consciousness to the grave risks incurred by carelessness and disregard of safety precautions.

Director J. M. Landis, of the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense, has issued a public statement urging all Civilian Defense Councils to offer the services of their organizations to the local governments and fire departments, to publicize the dangers of fire, and to develop plans for year-round fire prevention activities on the part of business men, housewives and school children.

"Recently the nation was shocked by the toll of lives taken by a single fire in a Boston night club," Landis' statement said. "One tiny flame burst suddenly into a conflagration costing hundreds of lives—all because simple measures of fire safety were lacking.

"A single enemy bomb, like our own internal enemy of carelessness and disregard for public safety, could start a conflagration like the Boston night club fire . . . in any of hundreds of places in America. One answer to this threat to our lives and property is a joint effort of those engaged in Civilian Defense and the regular fire officials of the country to set about enforcing their local fire codes to the limit and tightening them where necessary."

Commenting on this J. M. Wyse, Co-ordinator of the State Office of Civilian Defense, said: "Our local Civilian Defense organizations will cooperate fully with government authorities and fire departments in seeking to reduce the fire hazard.

"This is a work in which all citizens can take part," Mr. Wyse added. "The first step is to clean up all inflammable trash in our own homes and business places. Caution is also called for in the matter of Christmas trees and decorations. They are not to be banned, but no effort should be spared to make them as safe as possible in all public buildings and homes."

PTA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE MADE SPLENDID SHOWING

Two hundred and seventy-eight members were enrolled during the recent membership drive of the Manassas Parent-Teacher Association. Both teachers and students cooperated with the committee in this drive and each school room made a splendid showing in the final count.

The following students secured five or more memberships: Catherine Dennis Baker, Gem Elizabeth Parler, Chalice Haydon, Billy Gue, Rembert Parler, Kitty Dagan, Robert Roof, Mary Elizabeth Bradford, Peggy Ann Rice, Mary Louise Wine, Charlotte Herndon, and Vera Rose Merchant.

Miss Anne Myers' sixth grade won the prize offered by the Association with a gain of 64 new members. This award was made by the Membership Committee Chairman, Mrs. Emmett Rice, at the close of the November P. T. A. meeting.

At this meeting Major J. M. Hanson was guest speaker and stirred his audience by an authoritative and dramatic recital of events leading up to our present war, closing his remarks by urging that we not underestimate the strength and ferocity of the enemy.

GARDEN CLUB DISCUSSES GIFT SUGGESTIONS

The Garden Section of the Woman's Club of Manassas, held its Dec. meeting on Monday of this week, at the home of Mrs. Marie Larkin.

A report of the committee selling war stamps through means of an attractively made corsage, indicated around one hundred dollars in stamps had been sold in the past two months.

The program of "Gift Suggestions and Home Decorations for Christmas," by Mrs. Newell Heulings—a splendid exhibit of gifts and clever ideas for gifts were on display—Mrs. Heulings' interesting paper is being published in the Journal.

A charmingly arranged Christmas Tree, followed the meeting—with Mrs. Larkin presiding over the punch bowl—and the beautiful arranged tea table—of Christmas cookies—cakes—nuts and bon-bons.