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Registration for War Ration Book 2 in Prince William County

VIRGINIA WEEKLY NEWS REVIEW

IMPORTANT EVENTS ON THE HOME FRONT

SHOE RATIONING, which began Monday came suddenly, without warning. There were last minute rushes in some large cities and a few leaks of the impending order are believed to have occurred, but on the whole the order has been accepted as one of the best managed of the rationing restrictions. Sugar coupon No. 17 has been designated for shoe purchases and three pair per year are to be allowed.

THE FORTY-EIGHT HOUR WEEK order has just taken place. It goes part of the way, but is widely regarded as a last minute hand-out to Labor, since it is not really a restoration of the 48 hour week but an enforced pay-raise, since it orders time and a half pay for all time over 40 hours. It will add something like 30 per cent to the laboring mans income in war industries, and therefore is believed to present possibilities of further inflation.

"TOWN AND FARM IN WARTIME"

From the Weekly News Digest, rural press section of the OWI news bureau.

RATIONING BEGINS MARCH 1st

Rationing of canned, dried, and frozen fruits and vegetables will begin March 1st, and retail sales of more than 200 items to be rationed will be frozen on February 20th. Beginning Monday, February 22, housewives will register for War Ration Book No. 2, which will allow a total of 48 "points" for each member of the family for the month of March. Stamps will have values of 8, 5, 2, and 1. If a family has more than five cans per person on hand, stamps will be removed from the book in proportion to their excess holdings. Official point values will be made public as soon as stocks are "frozen." Registration will be held in local school houses and one member may register for the whole family.

Some foods need not be counted. They include canned olives, canned meat and fish, pickles, relish, jellies, jams, preserves, spaghetti, macaroni, noodles and all home-canned foods.

NON-DEFERABLE OCCUPATIONS

Twenty-nine "occupation" were announced as "non-deferable" for any reason by the Bureau of Selective Service of the WMC on February 2nd. All occupations in an additional 19 manufacturing, 8 wholesale and retail, and 9 service activities were also called non-deferable. Any man in these occupations is advised to get into a war job immediately. After April 1st, he will not be deferred if he stays in his present job. Even if he has dependants, he will still be drafted unless his work contributes to the war effort.

Among the non-deferable occupations are everything from bootblacks to gamblers, Bartenders, bar boys, beauty operators, bell boys, bus boys, butlers, charmen and cleaners, cosmeticians, custom tailors and furriers, dancing teachers, dish washers, doormen, elevator operators and starters, errand boys, fortune tellers, gardeners, greens keepers, housemen, hairdressers newsboys, night club managers and employees, porters, private chauffeurs, soda dispensers, ushers, valets, and waiters, with few exceptions, are non-deferable regardless of where the activity is found.

GASOLINE CREDIT CARDS

Credit cards may now be used at gasoline stations by vehicles carrying a "Certificate of War Necessity" of "T" ration stickers. Most other vehicles cannot use such credit card. Formerly, stations operating 24 hours a day could sell gasoline to all vehicles only during 12 hours a day and after that only to those with "T" stickers.

Anyone who has applied for a "Certificate of War Necessity" may get gasoline pending the arrival of the certificate by notifying his local war price and rationing board. Coupons sufficient for his needs will be issued for the first and second three-month period at the same time.

MORE FUEL FOR FARM MACHINERY

Farm and mining machinery and equipment producers will herein-after be given more fuel oil for their production. Petroleum Distribution Order No. 3, which originally imposed a 40 per cent cut on fuel oils for uses other than space heating and hot

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TREASURY CONGRATULATES MR. RATCLIFFE

Dear Mr. Ratcliffe:
Congratulations for going over the top in War Savings Bond Sales again in January.

The Federal Reserve Bank reports that your committee sold \$142,342.00 in "E" Bonds. Most of our communities succeeded in their tasks again this month.

But February will be harder, and March a real test of our aggressiveness. Please accept our sincere thanks, and keep your committee on its toes—until victory.

Cordially yours,
Robert F. Nelson

MR. TIFFANY ANNOUNCES A NEW DEFENSE CLASS

Mr. Hunton Tiffany, Coordinator of Civilian Defense for Prince William County, has announced a new Civilian Defense Training Class, which will begin next Monday evening at the Manassas high school, continuing each evening to Friday, with the last lecture on February 23rd.

Qualified workers are needed in all sections of the County and in Manassas. Many good workers have gone into war work and there is constant need for new Civilian Defense workers who can qualify under Virginia law in time of emergency.

It is absolutely necessary to complete the required training before one can qualify and there are many indications that Civilian Defense will be an important project for a considerable time.

We urge our readers to take this training. It is worth the effort for its own value and it makes it possible for those who qualify to do something really worth while in time of emergency—which the highest authorities say will surely come.

That emergency may be so long delayed that many may lose interest and possibly be asleep—but it will surely come and only those who realize the danger and have qualified will be in a position to render the necessary assistance.

TAKE PART IN U.S.O. SHOW

The "Gay Nineties Sextette" of the Manassas Woman's Club performed at the U. S. O. in Fredericksburg last night, January 29th, on the occasion of "Gay Nineties Night." The Sextette, which was warmly applauded by the several hundred service men and other guests present, was composed of Mrs. Paul J. Arrington, Mrs. Connie Kincheloe, Mrs. Jackson Ratcliffe, Mrs. Charles C. Lynn, Jr., Mrs. Sedrick Saunders and Miss Walsler Conner. Mrs. Jack Royer was the accompanist.

The singers were costumed in gowns of the nineties and the numbers they sang included "Listen to the Mocking Bird," "The Curse of an Aching Heart," "Clementine," "The Quilting Party," "She is More to be Pitied than Censured," "Take Me Out to the Ball Park," "She is Only a Bird in a Gilded Cage," and "Daisy."

The singers were invited to return for another performance in the near future.

VICTORY GARDENS

Millions of town, city and suburban gardens will be necessary in 1943 for the sustained well being of our civilian population. The demands of war make it impossible to meet military and lend lease needs for canned goods and still supply the normal amount to civilians. Over one-half of this year's commercial pack of canned vegetables will be purchased by the Government. A large part of the usual supply of fresh vegetables will be diverted to canning uses or purchased for military consumption. This means that civilians will have to depend more and more upon fresh supplies through home garden production. Furthermore, because of military and lend lease needs for canned food supplies, it will be important for gardeners to store and preserve for winter use as much as possible of the products of their gardens.

A well planned and cared for Victory Garden, with limited purchases of such other food items as may be available, will provide an adequate family food supply for the coming year. All present indications are that dependence will have to be placed on the home Victory garden or home products for a large part of the family food supply.

NEW AIR RAID SIGNALS AT A GLANCE

Effective 12:01 a.m., Feb. 17, 1943, in the Eastern military Area

WHEN YOU HEAR:

A long steady blast on an air raid siren, horn, or whistle—This is the BLUE signal—This means enemy planes probably coming your way.

Black out the lights in your home and business house. Either draw your blackout curtains or turn the lights off.

If you are in your automobile on the street or road: Switch your lights to the low beam—proceed wherever you are going—proceed with caution—start thinking about getting to a safe place.

If you are walking: continue to walk—Start thinkink about where you will go if a raid signal follows.

WHEN YOU HEAR:

A series of short blasts on the air raid horn or whistle or a rising and falling sound on the air raid siren—This is the RED signal—This means enemy planes overhead.

Keep your lights blacked out.

If you are riding in your automobile: Pull over to the side—stop—go to the nearest air raid shelter.

If you are walking: go to the nearest air raid shelter—get off the street.

If you are on a street car or bus: Get out—go to the nearest air raid shelter.

REMEMBER:

After the RED signal there will be a BLUE signal. This

does not mean "All Clear." This means enemy plane no longer overhead. Keep on alert. Enemy planes may return.

YOU MUST:

keep your lights blacked out. If you were in your automobile prior to the "Red" signal, you may get back into it, turn the lights on the low beam, and proceed wherever you are going. Proceed with caution.

If you were walking prior to the "Red" signal, you may resume walking.

If you were on a street car or bus, you may get back onto it and proceed.

REMEMBER:

A BLUE signal may not always precede a RED signal. There may not be time enough. But a BLUE signal always follows a RED signal.

REMEMBER:

Whenever you leave your home or business house, the light must be blacked out or attended.

REMEMBER:

Unless your community has prescribed a signal for "All Clear" that is different from either the BLUE or the RED signal, the only thing that means "All Clear" is the switching on of the street lights that were out during the BLUE (blackout), or an announcement transmitted by radio, telephone, or police, or other means.

"POLIO" FUND DRIVE SUCCESSFUL

O. D. Waters, county treasurer for the "Mile of Dimes" reports an eminent success in the drive for the special fund raised each year in honor of President Roosevelt's birthday.

The most remarkable fact is that Professor Peters' aides did not stop at a quota of \$400 but nearly doubled it.

One half of the fund will remain to fight the disease locally.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS FUND DRIVE

Quantico—Mrs. Linsert, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Carden	\$148.28
Dumfries—Mrs. Wallace S. Lynn	82.60
Ocoquan—Miss Elizabeth Vaughan	73.45
Nokesville—Mrs. C. O. Bittle	67.00
Haymarket—Mrs. Nelson Lynn	57.09
Manassas—Miss Lanford, Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Stickle, Miss Walsler Conner, Jack Ratcliffe, Stanley Owens, Rev. Barnes, Miss Townes	304.12
Smaller Communities—Miss Sue Ayers	32.00
	\$764.54

PROPOSED BENEFITS OF THE WICKARD MILK DELIVERY PLAN

The order which stopped all less than quart deliveries this week is cited to have the following program. Under the Wickard program, effective today, handlers and distributors were directed to:

1. Eliminate all package sizes for milk under one quart except where milk is to be resold for consumption on the premises.
2. Confine their purchases to not more than two handlers, unless the delivery from each handler is in excess of 300 quarts.
3. Load milk only on advance or standing orders.
4. Deliver to stores, hotels, restaurants, and other establishments.
5. Charge minimum rates of deposit on all glass bottles, milk cans, and milk cases.

JOINS CONGRESSIONAL CIRCL

Mr. C. S. Gillan, who has been with the Rural Electrification Service from the time of its local organization has severed his relations and taken on a greater dignity in the shape of a secretarial capacity, his new employer being Senator Murray, of Montana.

MANASSAS BOY NOW AT ARMY AIR CENTER AT NASHVILLE

Aviation Cadet. Wheatley M. Johnson, Manassas, Va., now at Nashville Army Air Center, drifted into journalism via his social fraternity, liked the sensation, and intends to pursue newspaper work after the war.

Cadet W. Johnson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wheatley M. Johnson, of Manassas, Virginia.

At the Center Cadet Johnson will take physical and psychological examinations to determine for which branch of aircrew service, bombardiering, navigating or piloting, he is best fitted. Physical training, academic study, and military drill are also part of Cadet training at the Center. This is the first step in a training program that will eventually graduate Cadet Johnson as a commissioned officer, with wings, in the Army Air Forces.

Johnson, who graduated from Washington and Lee University, joined Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and his fraternity brothers were mostly would-be neophytes in journalism. Journalism was inculcated with their enthusiasm and studied news writing. His choice was fortunate, for he showed journalistic aptitude by being elected a member of Sigma Delta Chi, a Greek honorary for students with high marks.

Graduating in '42 Johnson obtained a job in his chosen career when he hall beat for the Lynchburg News, hired to cover the police and city. As sometimes happens to all police reporters, Johnson's beat provided him with "one good murder," and he glows when telling about it.

It seems that a certain citizen of Lynchburg, decided to liquidate a law firm because of some supposed injustice. When the shooting was over, the law firm that formerly listed on its doors the names of Kemp, Hobbs, Davidson, and Daniell read "Kemp and Daniell."

Johnson also talks of his school days and life at W. & L. where he found life not uninteresting even though it was a boy's school. "You know," says, "there were five girls within a radius of 50 miles. Competition was provided by the Military Institute in the same town.

Johnson's hobbies seem to be sports and listening to popular music. When asked to elucidate on the phrase "listening to popular music," Johnson said he was no jitterbug because, "it's just listening."

WILL THIS AREA BE BOMBED?

One of the features of the lecture next Monday night to the Civilian Defense Class will be a discussion of the probabilities of the Washington area being bombed.

The reasons why this has not already taken place will be considered as well as the future situation.

The speaker will be Mr. W. H. Lamb, who has lectured on the subject of bombs to a number of classes. The information will not be published.

T. B. SEAL SALE WENT OVER TOP

MRS. COX RELEASES FIGURES SHOWING FINE RESPONSE MADE BY COUNTY

\$1243.28 has been contributed to the annual Seal Sale Campaign in Prince William County, according to reports given at a meeting of the local Tuberculosis Association this week. The total amount exceeds the quota of \$1223.00 assigned the county by \$20, and final reports are not complete since the deadline for the drive extends to March 31st.

Mrs. Frank D. Cox, county chairman of the campaign, turns to date as follows: Dumfries District, Mrs. J. F. McInteer, chairman, \$432.78; Manassas District, Mrs. George R. Lee Turberville, chairman, \$334.62; Negro Auxiliary, Dr. John Williams, chairman, Mrs. Dorothy Hall, in charge of collections, \$155.80; Gainesville District, Mrs. Holmes Robertson, chairman, \$106.00; Brentsville District Mrs. Benjamin Brown, chairman, \$79.00; Ocoquan District, Mrs. Eva K. Garner, chairman, \$67.45; Coles District, W. Y. Elliott, chairman, \$17.25; and the School Bangle Sale, Miss Sue Ayers, chairman, \$60.38;

The following county organizations contributed substantial amounts to the fund through bond subscription: Prince William Post American Legion, Manassas Parent-Teacher Association, Manassas Kiwanis Club, Manassas Volunteer Fire Department, Osburn High School Teachers, Prince William Chamber of Commerce, Manassas Lodge No. 182, A.F.&A.M., Catholic Woman's Club of Manassas, Bethlehem Good Housekeeping Club of Manassas, Nokesville Ruritan Club, Brentsville District High School Teachers, Ocoquan District High School Teachers, four Dumfries District organizations and five local colored organizations whose identities are unreported.

The Association takes this opportunity to express appreciation to the Seal Sale Committee Members for their untiring efforts toward the success of the campaign and to the many citizens of Prince William whose generous donations made possible the realization of the largest quota ever attained in the county for the continuation of the fight against tuberculosis. Special recognition is due the county school students for their valuable assistance with the bangle sale and to the Negro Auxiliary which was the only individual unit to exceed its quota. In attaining the 1942 goal the County Tuberculosis Association is assured of sufficient funds to operate the expanded program for 1943, and to carry on the excellent work which the organization has conducted during the past years to help eradicate tuberculosis from our communities and assure a better standard of health in our county.

FOUNDERS DAY PROGRAM FOR PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

A special Founders' Day program for the Parent-Teacher meeting to be held at Bennett School on Thursday afternoon, February 18th at 3 o'clock. This anniversary celebration is a time set apart in each year's activities to honor those who have been leaders in the past and to mark the way for future achievements and progress.

The public is cordially invited to attend. The Executive Board will meet Tuesday afternoon, February 16th, at 2 o'clock.

MEN CALLED FOR INDUCTION

On page 5 we print a list of men who have been ordered by the Selective Service Board of Prince William to report for induction.

PROFESSOR R. C. HAYDON EXPLAINS SALIENT DETAILS FOR STUDY

1. Dates and time—Monday and Tuesday, February 22 and 23, from 10 o'clock A.M. to 9 o'clock P.M.

2. Places—

- (1) Haymarket New School
- (2) Nokesville High School
- (3) Manassas High School
- (4) Woodbine School
- (5) Dumfries Graded School
- (6) Quantico Masonic Hall (For Civilians)
- (7) Quantico Marine Base—exact place to be designated later (for Military Personnel)
- (8) Ocoquan High School

3. Information for persons registering—

- (1) All registering will take place on the above dates
- (2) All persons are urged to register in the daytime who can conveniently do so without interfering with work. This will leave night registration for those who can't register during day.
- (3) One adult member (18 years or over) is requested to register for each family or household.
- (4) Persons registering must be prepared to give (a) amount of coffee on hand November 28, 1942; (b) amount of canned goods on hand February 21, 1943; (It is desirable that a declaration form be filled out before you come to register; These forms may be found in any news paper. (c) they must bring with them War Ration Book Number 1 for each person in family or household.

NOTICE TO FARMERS

J. Gray Beverley, field supervisor, will be at the office of Mr. Frank Cox, county agent, Manassas, Va., Wednesday morning, February 17th, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12 noon, for the purpose of taking applications for 1943 Crop Loans under the Emergency Crop Loan Act. Farmers desiring these loans should apply on that date.

HOME DEMONSTRATOR SCHEDULE

Monday—L. C. Beamer, garden specialist from Blacksburg, will meet garden leaders of all home demonstration clubs at 1:30 p.m. The place of meeting not yet selected.

Tuesday—Woodbine 4-H Club 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday—All day meeting at Dumfries, beginning at 10 a.m. School house; subject: "Clothes Remodeling."

Thursday—Home Demonstration club at Woodbine, all day, beginning at 10 a.m. Subject: "Clothes Remodeling." Place of meeting, home of Mrs. B. Schaeffer.

RED CROSS COMPLETES FIFTY KIT BAGS

The Prince William County Chapter of the American Red Cross has completed and shipped 50 Kit-Bags.

These Kits are to be handed to either a Soldier or Marine embarking for foreign duty.

Ten individuals and thirty-one organizations in the county have already contributed toward these Kits, if any other individual or organization would be interested in making more of these kit bags, they could contribute either supplies, a donation, or time for sewing.

Please notify Mrs. John W. Beard for material, directions, and list of supplies.

IMPORTANT MEETING

Wimodausis Chapter No. 106, O.E.S. will meet at the Manassas Temple on Tuesday evening, February 16th, at 8 o'clock.

This is an important meeting, all members please be present.