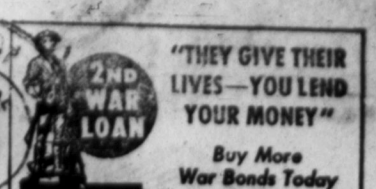


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TOWN AND FARM IN WAR TIME

OFFICIAL FACTS FROM THE OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION

Meat Ceilings Postponed

Maximum prices on beef, veal, lamb, and mutton sold at retail will not become effective until May 17. OPA suspended ceilings scheduled to go into effect April 15 in order to be sure that the prices were in line with other living costs.

Raise Corn Prices

A ceiling price five cents per bushel higher than present maximum, established April 14, will be effective until September 30, 1943. According to the State OPA, which acted upon instructions from Stabilization Director Byrnes and Food Administrator Davis, there will be no further increases in corn prices during the 1943 market season. The price raise is designed to relieve the present acute market shortage of corn for livestock feeding and industrial processing.

Virginia and the Draft

More skilled labor is assured for Virginia's farm production this year through the new Selective Service regulations, which include two classifications specifically covering agricultural occupations—Class II-C, a "man deferred by reason of his agricultural occupation or endeavor," and Class III-C, a "man with dependents who is regularly engaged in agricultural occupations or endeavor." Selective Service has eliminated Class III-B, men with bona fide dependents and also engaged in essential war work, because men with dependents now constitute the bulk of physically-fit registrants. Married men without children face induction unless they hold key jobs or in cases where induction would cause extreme hardship.

Farmers Who Sell To Retailers

A Virginia farmer who sells butter, lard, or any other rationed food to a retailer must collect ration points for the sale, just as he has done in selling to consumers since March 29, according to OPA. All farm sales must be made at current point values and stamps collected must be turned into local ration boards with a report made on OPA Form R-1609. This form will be available to all local boards during the last week in April. The first reports are due during the first fifteen days of May and will cover sales made between March 29 and the end of April.

Women's Land Army

Good news to the State's hard-pressed farmers should be the decision that a women's land army of about 60,000 city and town women will be recruited, as a part of the U. S. Crop Corps, to help meet the farm labor shortage. Ten thousand of the women are expected to enroll for year-round farm work and about 50,000 for seasonal work for one month or more. Three hundred thousand women will be placed by county agricultural agents for short-time emergency jobs on farms—women who can spare week-ends, a few days, or a few weeks, women who wish to contribute their services await the local call.

Farm Values Up

Farm real estate values on March 1, 1943, showed an increase of nine percent over last year, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced. This is the most substantial gain that has occurred since 1920. Land value increases during the past year were widespread, with some advance reported for each of the 48 states.

Job for Radio "Hams"

Radio "hams," formerly banned from the air because of the war, may now serve their country in the War Emergency Radio Service. For further information, write to the Editorial Section, Office of Civilian Defense, Washington, D. C.

Ceiling on Fresh Vegetables

Retail ceilings for cabbage, carrots, lettuce, peas, snap beans, spinach, and tomatoes will be established beginning April 22 through the use of uniform mark-ups over the retailer's net cost, according to OPA. For each vegetable except cabbage, the retailer will determine his ceilings by multiplying his net cost by 1.39. On cabbage, where spoilage is greater, the mark-up is 1.65 for independent retailers having an annual volume of \$250,000 or less, 1.54 for chain retailers with an annual volume under \$250,000, and 1.50 for any retailer with an annual volume over \$250,000. Retailers will determine their ceilings

THE GREENS MOVE FROM WORTLEY FARM

Mrs. Allison Howison Green's home, Wortley Farm, has been taken over by the Government. Wortley was part of the original grant to the Howison family and descendants have lived there for five generations. Mrs. Green bought Little Falls Farm in Stafford near Fredericksburg where she moved last week accompanied by two of her daughters Mrs. Benj. Brown, Jr. and Mrs. J. Jenkyn Davies and her son McDuff Green and his family. Stafford was the childhood home of Mrs. Green, formerly Mary Lelia Montague, daughter of Doctor T. C. Montague.

MUSIC LEADERS COMPLETE PLANS

EVENTS OUTLINED HERE FOR ANNUAL CELEBRATION

As Music-Week draws near, plans are nearing completion for a large observance of the occasion here. The general chairman, Mrs. M. S. Burdard is requesting all organizations to have special music or group singing at their regular meetings in this observance. If the meetings do not occur during Music-Week, May 2-9, their musical contributions may be listed as "postponed Music-Week activities" and in this way the county will get credit at the National headquarters. It is hoped that all the churches will co-operate and if no special music is arranged, at least hymn-singing precede the regular services.

On Wednesday evening, the Vocational School will observe "Music-Week" with a "sing" at their regular assembly meeting. Some of the talented students will take part and it will be a worth-while occasion to all friends of the school who wish to attend.

On Thursday, May 6, the public schools will observe Music-Week with open house and the musical program will be in charge of Miss Jessie Mae Conner.

On Sunday, May 9, at Grace Methodist Church a Mother's Day Sing will take place. It is hoped that members of all churches will join in this observance. The time will be 8:00 o'clock, and this will enable those who visit their mothers on that day, to return home in time for the meeting. Soloists and groups of singers from the several churches will take part on the program which will be published next week. The program will include secular as well as sacred numbers, just the ones Mother used to love. Please plan to attend, sharing your car with your neighbor.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Executive Board of the Woman's Club will be held Wednesday morning, May 5 in the home of the President, Mrs. Lewis J. Carper at 10:00 o'clock. This is the last meeting of the "old" Board members, and all are urged to be present.

each Thursday by applying given mark-ups to the net cost of the vegetables based on the largest scale single purchase of the preceding week.

Exempt Small Sales by Farmers

Any Virginia farmer who sells not more than \$75 worth of foods per month to country shippers or to consumers is exempt from price control recently established for seven fresh vegetables. If the farmer is a country shipper, he is subject to the price regulations.

Higher Support Prices

Support prices for dry beans, dry peas, peanuts, soybeans and flaxseed have been raised, according to the War Food Administration. Payments have also been announced for Irish potatoes and truck crops for production between 90 percent and 110 percent of farm goals.

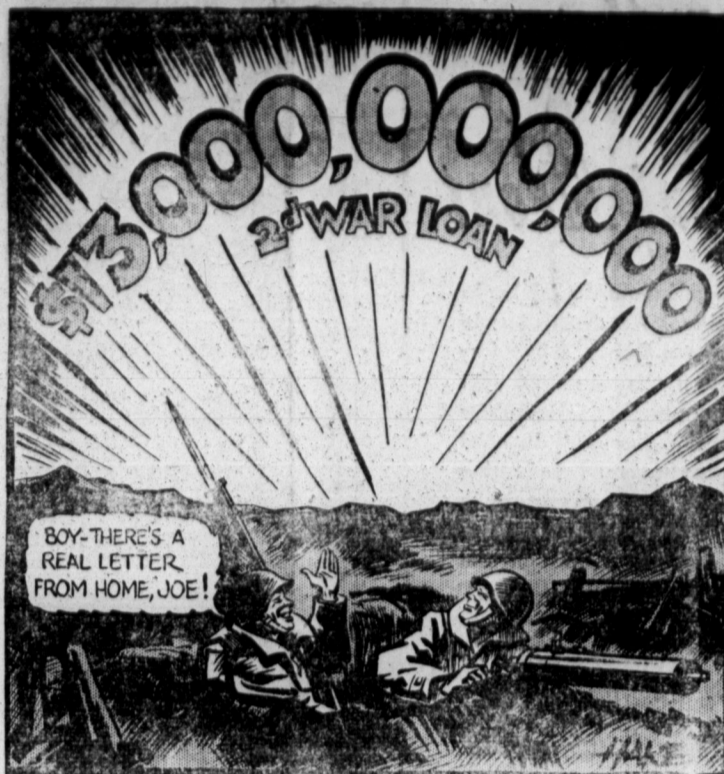
Coal Situation

Coal users are reminded again that stocks will be low and transportation inadequate during the Winter of 1943. Coal producing capacity is definitely limited and the user who has inadequate stocks on hand may be caught short next Winter by a tight market and delays in shipments. Virginians are urged to lay in their next Winter's stocks now or during the early Summer.

CCC To Buy No. 2 Beans

The Commodity Credit Corporation will purchase No. 2 dry edible beans as well as No. 1 from the 1943 crop. The price for No. 2 grade will be 15 cents below the prices for the No. 1 grade.

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"They Give Their Lives—You Lend Your Money" U. S. Treasury Department

TRUSLER—HOWELL

The marriage of Miss Dorothy Howell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Winfield Howell of Collinsville, Texas, to Mr. William Newman Trusler, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Ernest Trusler, took place on April 29 at four o'clock in the Manassas Baptist Church with the Reverend E. Len Weston officiating.

An arrangement of ferns, baskets of white snapdragons and gladiolus and lighted tapers formed the background for the ceremony. Those present were the family and relatives with whom the bride has made her home while in Manassas, the parents and relatives of the groom, and close friends of the couple.

The wedding music was played by Mrs. I. Jack Breeden, the groom's cousin, and the selections included "Ave Maria," "I Love You Truly," and "Oh, Promise Me." The bride's ensemble was of light blue crepe with navy coat and accessories. She wore a white orchid corsage.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the home of Mrs. Cyril Wade-Dalton, who together with the groom's mother, assisted the couple in receiving. Later Mr. and Mrs. Trusler left on a short wedding trip. Mrs. Trusler attended North Texas State College for Women, Denton, Texas, and Hill's Business University, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, upon graduation she was retained as a member of the teaching staff. Later she accepted a civil service appointment in Washington where she is now employed. Mr. Trusler is a graduate of Manassas High School and attended William and Mary where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He is associated with his father in business and at present is employed in defense work.

The couple will make their home in Manassas.

U. D. C. MEETING

The Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy meets with Mrs. Marie Larkin next Wednesday, May 5.

APRIL BOND SALES NOW TOTAL \$145,000.00 IN COUNTY

Mr. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, of the County Bond Sales Committee, reports bond sales for Prince William County totalling \$145,000.00 up to April 24th. This does not include over \$400,000.00 subscribed by the banks of the County.

MEETING OF LADIES MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

The Ladies' Memorial Association was entertained on Monday afternoon, April 27th, by Mrs. A. O. Weedon at her home on Battle Street. The president, Mrs. Weedon, presided.

Meeting opened with prayer. Minutes of previous meeting read by secretary.

The treasurer, Mrs. Charles B. Compton gave financial report showing distribution of state appropriation fund, which included the care of the Confederate cemetery; the annual care of a veteran's lot and additional data inscribed on grave stone and the placing of two Confederate markers in the county.

The secretary was requested to write a note of appreciation to Mr. M. J. Hottle for his helpful cooperation and his liberal contribution in setting the grave markers.

Excerpts were read from the 1942 Division Minute Book U. D. C. telling of a small increase in pensions for needy Confederate women and also a few anticipated changes in status of certain groups.

It was decided to purchase Confederate flags necessary for use in decorating for Memorial Day. The president appointed Mrs. W. A. Newman and Mrs. R. B. Larkin to serve as committee in conjunction with U. D. C. committee to arrange for the Memorial Day program. The time and place to be announced at a later date.

Refreshments were served by the hostess after adjournment of business session.

MAY DAY PROGRAM AT HAYMARKET

The May Day program which will be held at the Haymarket School on Friday, May 7 will be an outstanding school event. From 10 A. M. to noon will be Field Day.

A memorial ceremony is scheduled to be held from 1 P. M. to 1:30 and the art exhibit follows from 1:30 to 2 o'clock. From 2 to 4 P. M. will occur the United Nations Day Court.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

ENJOY FISH BAKE AT WIDEWATER

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SPONSORS DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR

The Chamber of Commerce was host to a delightful fish fry which was held at Widewater, on the Potomac, on Wednesday evening. A large crowd, both ladies and gentlemen, gathered on the banks of the Potomac for the occasion and a spirit of conviviality reigned supreme, affording those present the opportunity of laying aside the many worries and cares of the day.

The candidates for the various offices were very much in evidence, and paraded through the crowd throughout the entire evening, endeavoring to display themselves in the most attractive light.

Dr. George B. Cooke was in charge of special arrangements, and special mention should be made of the delicious food which consisted of fish, both rock and shad, corn cakes and coffee. The gentlemen who prepared the food performed an excellent service and could, without question, qualify as the nation's leading chefs. We bow to their culinary art. Acknowledgment also goes to Sheriff Kerlin and his assistant, Mr. Joseph Amidon. Both did valiant service in aiding the arrangement committee.

It is hoped that the Chamber will, in the near future again sponsor such a joyous festivity.

THOMAS RUCKER COOKSEY

Thomas Rucker Cooksey was born in Fairfax County, Virginia, on October 3, 1879. He moved to Brentsville in Prince William County when a small boy and there made his home from time to time since.

Mr. Cooksey died April 22, 1943; age 63 years, 6 months, and 19 days; after a long illness. His survivors are his half-brother, Paul J. Cooksey, of Manassas; two nephews, Paul N. Cooksey, of Washington, D. C. and Howard H. Cooksey, a member of the United States Armed Forces; and one niece, Carolyn Cooksey, of Manassas.

The service was held in the Baker Funeral Parlors and the body was interred in the family plot in the Manassas City Cemetery. The Rev. A. W. Ballentine officiated at the service.

GRADUATES FROM BOMBER PLANT

Corporal Edward Kite Roseberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Roseberry, residing at Manassas, Va., today was graduated from the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command School at Willow Run Bomber Plant, Ypsilanti, Michigan where he has successfully completed an intensive course of instruction on Airplane engines. He was recently promoted to the grade of Corporal.

Having received his training in this specialized course, Corporal Roseberry will be transferred to an Army Air Forces Unit where his newly acquired top efficiency. The Willow Run Bomber Plant school is one of many such units in the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command, Major General Walter R. Weaver, Commanding.

Corporal Roseberry has been in the armed forces 6 months.

HOME DEMONSTRATION SCHEDULE

Monday, May 3rd; Haymarket, 1:30 P. M. 4-H Club; "Wartime Service Jobs"; 2:40 4-H Club (new school, "Wartime Service Jobs.")

Tuesday, May 4th, Manassas, 10 A. M., Bennett school, 4-H Club; "Wartime Service Jobs."

Wednesday, May 5th; 2 P. M. Cannon Branch, HD Club, home of Mrs. Elva Kline; "Meatless meals."

Thursday, May 6th, Manassas HD Club, home of Mrs. Paul Cooksey, "Meatless Meals."

NOW AT FORT CROWDER

Friends of "Pat" Onell will be glad to learn that he has been transferred to Fort Crowder, Missouri, for advanced radio training before entering upon a regular assignment. This places him in line for a commission also.

PLAN SPECIAL SCHOOL PROGRAM

MAIN EMPHASIS PLACED ON WAR EFFORT BY PUPILS

On next Thursday, May 6, the schools of Manassas will offer to the public an unusual program, the first of its kind to be given here. It will combine the annual music festival with a review of the war effort being made by the pupils.

Briefly, the program will be as follows:

9:30 to 10:30 a. m. Music Festival with Miss Jessie Mae Conner, directing.

10:30 a. m. Dedication of Service Flag, with Whentley M. Johnson, officiating. Mr. Johnson is one of the school's outstanding alumni and a veteran of the last World War.

11 to 11:30 a. m. Christening of "jeeps" (at least a dozen). The pupils have purchased these through sales of war bonds and stamps within the schools. Dr. Edward Alvey, of Fredericksburg, State Director of war bond sales in educational institutions, will give an address. Mr. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, Chairman of the bond sales campaign in Prince William County, will also be present.

This newspaper has just been advised that the school bond sales reached \$16,697.80, which entitles the school to christen 18 "jeeps".

1:30 p. m. General Exhibit of shop work art and model airplane work.

1 to 2 p. m. Review of Victory Corps by Colonel Best, of the Quantico Marine Base. With him will be Col. Fred R. Ryan, of Hoadly, a veteran of the last World War.

2 to 4 p. m. Field Day, both High and Elementary pupils taking part. This will demonstrate the physical fitness program.

CLUB RECEIVES GOOD ADVICE IN GARDENING

The Bethlehem Good Housekeepers Club met Wednesday, April 21st in the private dining room of the Manassas Grill.

Thirteen members were graciously welcomed by the hostesses, Mrs. Round and Mrs. P. A. Lewis.

Mrs. Byrd presided in the absence of Mrs. Dudley Martin, who is unfortunately incapacitated by a painfully injured ankle.

Birthday wishes were given to Mrs. Round, the only charter member of the club, who was present and who had celebrated her birthday the day before. Mrs. G. L. Wheelock of West Dennis, Mass., was a guest.

In the absence of the members of the program committee, Mrs. P. A. Lewis introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. J. B. Johnson, who gave an interesting and instructive talk on the problems of home vegetable gardening, with particular emphasis on the use of what fertilizer is now available and the use of insect control products now furnished the public during the war period.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE OF JUNIOR ORGANIZATIONS

On Thursday and Friday of this week the Regional High School at Manassas will be the meeting place of the Virginia Conference of Junior Organizations under sponsorship of the Negro Organization Society.

This is the eighth annual meeting of the Junior group and the theme this year is "Negro Youth in Post War America."

One of the prominent speakers at the Friday session will be Dr. R. O'Hara Lanier, Acting President of Hampton Institute. Another important speaker is Prof. James E. Seager, Principal of the Maggie Walker High School in Richmond, whose topic will be, "How we can help in creating a more wholesome post-war America."

The important subjects of home-making, feeding, recreation, employment, farming, education will be discussed by outstanding representatives from Arlington, Norfolk, Pittsylvania, Loudoun, Isle of Wight, Halifax Counties.

Opening Thursday with a program beginning at 8:30 A. M. by the Regional High School Cooperative Association, the sessions will continue through Friday ending with field reports, appointment of committees and a symposium conducted by Prof. Seager.

CONTINUES ILL

Douglas McIntosh, living on the E. D. Clark farm, known as the Thomas farm, has been quite sick this winter and has been confined to the house the past two weeks. He does not seem to improve much.

HEY! DON'T CUT THAT ROPE!

