



# The Manassas Journal



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## LOCAL COMMITTEES ARE NAMED FOR THIRD WAR LOAN DRIVE

### COUNTY TEACHERS ARE ANNOUNCED

#### PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY SCHOOLS

Aden—Mrs. Florence Marshall, Nokesville.

Brentsville—Mrs. Wilma P. Tomlinson, Manassas.

Nokesville—Mr. C. O. Bittle, Principal, Nokesville; Miss Florence Teller, Manassas; Miss Lois Sloop, Nokesville; Mrs. Julia B. Hale, Nokesville; Miss Miriam Walker, Nokesville; Miss Ila V. Breeden, Manassas; Miss Louise McNair, Nokesville; Mrs. Gayle B. Whetzel, Manassas; Mrs. Luella Eutaler, Manassas; Mrs. Mildred R. McBryde, Manassas; Miss Bessie G. Tune, Nokesville.

Woodbine—Mrs. Emma W. Carter, Manassas; Miss Irene Haupt, Manassas.

Dumfries—Mrs. Evelyn I. Lynn, Principal, Occoquan; Miss Ida B. Foster, Dumfries; Miss Lucille Pully, Dumfries; Miss Margaret Black, Dumfries; Miss Margaret Powell, Quantico; Miss Mary C. Dickenson, Dumfries; Miss Norma Helen Dektor, Quantico.

Cabin Branch (Col.)—Miss Oreda Washington, Dumfries; Miss Ida L. Harris, Dumfries; Miss Ruby Simmons, Dumfries.

Haymarket—Mrs. Josephine Lynn, Principal, Manassas; Mrs. Maude Jordan, Haymarket; Miss Mary Norman, Haymarket; Miss Elizabeth Fraser, Haymarket; Mrs. Alice M. Linn, Catharpin; Mrs. Helen B. Clark, Gainesville.

Antioch (Col.)—Mrs. Margaret Roy, Haymarket; Miss Louise Foy, Haymarket.

McCrae (Col.)—Mrs. Evelyn P. Toler, Thoroughfare; Mrs. Louise V. Allen, Thoroughfare.

### TOWN AND FARM IN WAR TIME

(Direct from the Office of War Information to this Newspaper)

#### Ration Reminder

**GASOLINE**—In 17 states of Eastern shortage area A-6 coupons are now valid. In states outside the eastern shortage area A-7 coupons are valid through September 21. B and C coupons expire according to dates on individual books. All gasoline coupons in the possession of car owners must be endorsed with the owner's license number and state of registration.

**FUEL OIL**—Period 5 coupons in old rations remain valid through September 30. Period 1 coupons in new rations are valid now. Occupants of oil heated homes are urged to return their applications for next year's fuel oil to their ration boards promptly and when issued new rations to place orders with their dealers for summer fill-ups.

**SUGAR**—Stamp No. 14 good for five pounds through October. Stamps Nos. 15 and 16 are good for 5 lbs. each for home canning purposes through October 31. Housewives may apply to their local ration boards for more if necessary.

**SHOES**—Stamp No. 18 (1 pair) is valid through October 31.

**STOVES**—Consumer purchases of rationed stoves must be made with a certificate obtained at local War Price and Rationing Boards.

**MEAT, ETC.**—Red Stamps T, U, V, and W valid through August 31; X valid through October 2. Y becomes valid August 29, Z becomes valid September 5, and both remain valid through October 2.

**PROCESSED FOODS**—Blue stamps R, S, and T remain valid through September 20. U, V, and W become valid September 1 and remain valid through October 20.

**Urges Cut in Labor Day Travel**

Stay off trains and inter-city buses over Labor Day week-end—this is the plea of Joseph B. Eastman, director of the Office of Defense Transportation. Mr. Eastman, in asking the public to spend Labor Day week-end at home, said that failure to follow this advice might result in travel congestion worse than that experienced over the Fourth of July week-end. Mr. Eastman pointed out that transportation equipment formerly available for holiday travel is now in troop service or used to handle the greatly expanded military and essential civilian traffic.

**Jobs to Guide Father Draft**

After October 1 when drafting of fathers begins, those in non-deferred activities or occupations, regardless of their order numbers, will be the first fathers called for military service. Those who transfer to essential occupations and thus release single men for military service help to decrease the need for drafting fathers. Generally speaking, after October 1, the occupation of an eligible registrant will determine whether he will be inducted or deferred if his number is called. However, the question of hardship to dependents must be given consideration in each case.

**Mail Christmas Gifts Early**

Christmas gifts to Naval and Marine personnel overseas should be sent between September 15 and November 1. This period has been designated by the Navy Department in cooperation with the Post Office Department. Parcels must not exceed five pounds in weight.

**New Gasoline Coupons**

#### FOOD SALE

The Senior Group of Trinity Church Auxiliary will hold a food sale on Saturday, September 18. Time and place to be announced later.

#### PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY SCHOOLS

Session 1943-44

#### Calendar

Tuesday, August 31—Principals' meetings, Negro teachers meeting.

Wednesday, September 1—Opening date all white and negro schools.

Wednesday, October 13—End of first six weeks of instruction.

Wednesday, October 20—Reports to pupils in all schools.

Thursday and Friday, November 25 and 26—Thanksgiving holiday in all schools.

Monday, November 29—End of second six weeks of instruction.

Monday, December 6—Reports to pupils in all schools.

Wednesday, December 22—All schools close for Christmas holidays.

Monday, January 3—Schools resume work after Christmas holidays.

Thursday, January 20—End of third six weeks and of first semester.

Thursday, January 27—Reports to pupils in all schools.

Tuesday, March 3—End of fourth six weeks of instruction.

Friday, March 10—Reports to pupils in all schools.

Friday, April 7 and Monday, April 10—Easter holiday observed in all schools.

#### DEMOCRATIC RESOLUTIONS

On page 6 of this issue of the Journal we are printing in full the resolutions passed by the Democratic Committee of Prince William County expressing regret at the death of the late Lehman Ledman; endorsing the candidacy of Mr. O. D. Waters as candidate for Clerk; and urging all voters to cast their ballot for all of the Democratic nominees for office whether their names appeared on the ballot last August or not. All Democratic voters of the County are urged to read these resolutions.

#### MANEUVERS AT BATTLE PARK

Maneuvers were held on the Manassas Battlefield last Saturday and Sunday. The 11th Battalion of the Virginia Protective Force and the Virginia Reserve Militia went through strenuous drills on both of these days under command of Lt. Col. Everett Hellmuth, of Alexandria.

The counties of Prince William, Fairfax, Loudoun, Fauquier, Arlington, Frederick, Rappahannock, Alexandria City and the County of Warren were represented in the maneuvers which included participation by fourteen companies, four of which were of the Virginia Protective Force and ten of the Reserve Militia. More than a thousand men were on the field.

From Prince William were two companies, the 77th VRM of Manassas and the 177th VRM of Triangle.

#### O'NEIL-VARNER

The marriage of Mrs. Edna Varner, daughter of Mrs. C. H. Earhart of Manassas, to Pfc. Glenn G. O'Neil, also of Manassas, took place Saturday at noon at Rockville, Md., Rev. Pasman officiating.

The bride, who was attended by Mrs. Everett O'Neil, sister-in-law of the bridegroom, wore a French blue costume with matching accessories and a corsage of white gardenias.

Mrs. Everett O'Neil was attired in navy blue with matching accessories. Her corsage was also of white gardenias.

After a ceremony a luncheon was served for the wedding party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett O'Neil in Alexandria, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neil left Wednesday evening for Lincoln, Neb., where Mr. O'Neil is drill instructor at the Lincoln Air Base.

#### VISITING AT FORT KNOX

Mr. Irvin Cornwell, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cornwell, Miss Christine Cornwell and Mrs. Emory Cornwell spent the week end with Pvt. Emory Cornwell, who is stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

#### STATE SALVAGE COMMITTEE

HONORS MR. R. D. WHARTON

The late Roger Daniel Wharton, until his death last May, Editor of the Manassas Journal has been awarded a "Certificate of Recognition" for the time and effort put forth in the salvage drive.

In making the award for the War Production Board, which is dated July 22, 1943, Mr. C. H. Luebbert, Executive Secretary for Virginia, said, "The certificate is presented to you by the Virginia Salvage Committee and the War Production Board, and we wish at this time to thank you for the cooperation and help you have given to the salvaging of waste material for war production."

#### CHRISTMAS MAIL REGULATIONS

**GIFTS FOR ARMY TO BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 15**

The Christmas shopping season is here—even though the weather is still warm.

Mailing of gifts for Army and Navy personnel overseas must begin by September 15, if many of the men and women in our armed services are not to be disappointed; and September 15 is less than a month away.

Christmas gifts may be mailed by parcel post to Army men and women overseas only between September 15 and October 15. After the latter date, such parcels may not be mailed unless a written request from the soldier for the article is presented with each parcel. No soldier should have to ask for a Christmas gift; so gifts must be mailed on time. The Navy also urges that gifts be mailed between September 15 and October 15.

Reasons for the early mailing dates are: The vast distances that the parcels must travel to reach our men at war fronts and stations the world over; frequent transfers of thousands of men from one location to another, which means forwarding of the mail and consumes additional time; the necessity for giving preference to reinforcements, arms, munitions, medicine and food in allotment of shipping space, which often means that the shipments of gifts must wait. And it is most urgent that gifts be delivered to the men in time for Christmas, to keep their spirit high.

The only way to insure against disappointment for the fighting men is to buy at once and mail early—

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#### MERRILL-HERRING

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Herring, of Woodbridge, Virginia, announce the marriage of their daughter, Evelyn Virginia, to Mr. Charles Merrill, of Pleasantville, New York, on Saturday August 14.

Rev. M. P. German performed the ceremony in Washington D. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill will make their home in Alexandria, Va., following their honeymoon trip.

#### SAMUEL TASKER WEIR

As it must to all men, death came to Samuel Tasker Weir on the 20th day of August in the 78th year of his life. Mr. Weir was born at Oxen Hill, Md., September 12, 1865, where his family had refugee to escape from Federal troops who then occupied their lands in Prince William.

He was the son of William J. and Rebecca Latimer Weir and was a direct descendant on his father's side of Robert ("King") Carter and on the maternal side of the famous Latimer and Barron families. He was related to Major Joe Latimer, the "Boy Major" of the Confederacy.

On October 18, 1899, he married Miss Grace F. Green of Paris, Va. and from this union was born one daughter, Mrs. Catherine Weir Mercer, Richmond, Va.

He also leaves one granddaughter, Grace Parrish Mercer.

Mr. Weir had been a steward of Grace M. E. Church for 56 years. He helped in the building and dedication of two of his beloved churches to the glory of God. He was a model Christian gentleman, charitable, courteous and sincere.

Truly it can be said of him: "A friend's death diminisheth me because I am involved in all mankind." His passing will make this community that much poorer, that much sadder for he too loved his fellow man.

His funeral services were held at Grace M. E. Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock and were conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Luttrell, assisted by the Rev. Mr. DeChant of the Presbyterian Church. He was carried to his grave by the following active pallbearers: R. M. Weir, E. Emmett Rice, O. D. Waters, J. C. Woodford, Maj. Joseph M. Hanson and Kyle Lynn.

CONTRIBUTED

#### THIRD WAR LOAN DRIVE

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 9

#### County Chairman Ratcliffe Announces Local Committees

Huge State Goal Requires Prince William to Raise \$500,000.00

Prince William County's quota for the Third War Loan Drive has been fixed at half a million dollars—a huge sum. Can we make it? Frankly County Chairman Raymond G. Ratcliffe has told State Vice-Chairman C. Francis Coker that there is a possibility that Prince William cannot raise so large a sum. We have over subscribed our quotas right along, but this is a staggering figure. "It is a big aim," Mr. Ratcliffe wrote the State Headquarters, "and a great cause; therefore we will do our best, but should we fail, it will be because the County is not financially able to make the grade."

The "War Savings Staff" did a fine job on the last loan. Now it is replaced in name by a more permanent organization known as "The War Finance Committee," which will have the job of raising the war loans of the future. In some localities the framework of the previous organization is retained, in others new personnel has been drafted for the work. Now the State is divided into six regions corresponding to the groups of the Virginia Bankers' Association. At the head is Dr. Francis P. Gaines, President of Washington and Lee University. Ours is Region III, with Mr. Giles H. Miller, Cashier of the Culpeper National Bank as Chairman.

Mr. Miller has called a meeting of the chairmen of Region 3 to be held at 8 p. m. on Wednesday evening, September 1, in the directors' room of the Loudoun National Bank, Leesburg.

In announcing his local committees County Chairman Ratcliffe calls attention to the fact that Virginia's quota for this drive is more than twice as large as the \$75,000,000.00 the Treasury sought from the Old Dominion in the April Drive, and is 27 per cent greater than the \$120,000,000.00 raised in that campaign.

State Vice-Chairman C. Francis Coker, in a special communication to this newspaper, further calls attention to the fact that banks will not be allowed to purchase securities offered during the Third War Loan Campaign. This quota, says Mr. Coker, "must be raised through investments by individuals, partnerships, and corporations. This is a gigantic undertaking and we can hope to be successful only if our volunteer salesmen contact every patriotic Virginian who has at least \$18.75 in which to invest in the future of his country."

Mr. Ratcliffe announces the following War Finance Committee for Prince William County:

#### County Chairman Ratcliffe Announces Local Committees

County Chairman: G. Raymond Ratcliffe, Cashier of The Peoples National Bank of Manassas.

District Committees:

Manassas: Harry P. Davis, Cashier, National Bank of Manassas, Brentsville: V. W. Zirkle, Cashier of the National Bank of Nokesville. Coles: Rev. J. Murray Taylor, Manassas Route 4.

Dumfries: E. Ewing Wall, Cashier, National Bank of Quantico. Occoquan: B. W. Blunt, Cashier, Bank of Occoquan.

Gainesville: Dr. Wade C. Payne, Haymarket.

School Committees:

Manassas: R. Worth Peters, Chairman.

Nokesville: C. O. Bittle, Chairman. Coles: N. Y. Ellicott, Chairman. Dumfries: Evelyn Lynn, Chairman. Occoquan: Miss Elizabeth Vaughn, Chairman.

Haymarket: Miss Josephine Lynn, Chairman.

Advertising Committee: W. H. Lamb, Editor, The Manassas Journal.

Agricultural Committee: J. H. Eagle, County Chairman. Manassas: J. Carl Kincheloe, Chairman. Gainesville: J. M. Piercy, Chairman. Coles: H. W. Herring, Chairman. Occoquan: G. C. Russell. Brentsville and Dumfries to be announced.

Special Committee: Freedom Singers: Miss Sue Ayres, Chairman.

Fig Sale: J. Carl Kincheloe, Chairman.

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#### TEMPLE SCHOOL OPENS

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

Temple School will begin its 1943-44 session on Monday, September 6. The Nursery, Kindergarten and Piano Departments will be open as usual for day pupils, both boys and girls.

The boarding department this session will be for girls from 6 to 9 years. The change in this department was made on account of a shortage of help, and in no wise affects the day pupils, who are welcome to come.

An interesting group of youngsters is expected.

#### CHRISTIAN SERVICE MEETING

The Womens Society of Christian Service will meet at the Methodist Church at 3 o'clock on Thursday, September 2.

#### SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL:

"HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR PROMPT RESPONSE TO OUR APPEAL AND THAT OF YOUR GOVERNMENT TO AID IN RECTIFYING THE SERIOUS PULPWOOD SHORTAGE SITUATION. WE APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION AND THAT OF YOUR NEWSPAPER, THE BEST OF LUCK IN YOUR CAMPAIGN."

WALTER M. DEAR, Chairman Newspaper Committee.

(Editorial Note: Requested by their government, through the national committee to serve on the Prince William County Pulpwood Committee are the gentlemen whose names appear in the nationally sponsored advertisement appearing on page 6.

#### MRS. BEACHLEY IMPROVING

Mrs. L. E. Beachley, who is still a patient at Garfield Hospital is reported to be improving. Through the Journal she wishes to express her appreciation to her friends for their many good wishes for her recovery.