

Prince William has now subscribed over \$7000.00, but the quota is \$9500. Won't you help your county do its share?

The Manassas Journal

VOL. LXXIV, NO. 82

SEVENTY-FOURTH YEAR

MANASSAS, VIRGINIA

THURSDAY, DEC. 9, 1943

SEVENTY-FOURTH YEAR

\$2.00 per Year

WAGENER PRIZE IS ANNOUNCED

W. C. WAGENER MEMORIAL PRIZE CONTEST FOR ADULTS
Ruffner-Carnegie Library

To encourage adult citizens of Manassas and vicinity to enjoy more the facilities of the Ruffner-Carnegie Library, which provides for the public as well as the High School, Clarence Wagener of Baltimore, Maryland, offers a prize for the best book review submitted to the library between January 1 and June 1, 1944; based on the rules and regulations which follow:

The contest is to be known as the W. C. Wagener Memorial Prize Contest and takes the place of a similar contest which Mr. Wagener has put on during the past four sessions of the Osborn High School, Manassas.

Provided not less than ten (10) persons (citizens 21 years who are entitled to borrow books from the Ruffner-Carnegie Library) signify to Miss Eugenia Osborn in writing, by not later than January 1, that they will compete for the prize, the contest will be put on; otherwise Mr. Wagener's offer will become void.

Not eligible for the contest are persons connected in any capacity with the management or operation of the Ruffner-Carnegie Library, or members of the immediate families of such persons. Neither are members of the immediate families of the judges for the contest eligible.

In addition to the required ten (10) charter entrants, other citizens who meet the requirements mentioned above may participate, if they will notify Miss Osborn in writing by not later than March 1, 1944, of their desire to compete. Charter contestants, other things being equal, will enjoy a distinct advantage in the added time they will have for reading and for the writing of their reviews.

Contestants may submit as many book reviews as they wish. The reviews, however, must be of books (non-fiction and fiction) included in the appended list and of such new books as may be added to the list during the progress of the contest. In fairness to all who may compete, none of the designated books may be borrowed for a total of more than four weeks by any one contestant during the period of the contest, which will run from January 1, to June 1, 1944.

For the convenience of the contestants a list of the books from which the reviews can be made will be kept at Dr. Dowell's drug store in Manassas. Any contestant can send a card or phone to the Librarian to know when a book is available.

Reviews are to be legibly written in ink or typed on one side of white paper, and are to carry no indication as to who wrote them. Attached to each review when it is handed or mailed to the Librarian must be a plain sealed envelope containing on a folded piece of paper the name and address of the contestant and the title and author's name for the book reviewed. In each case the Librarian will number similarly the review and the corresponding sealed envelope.

The reviews, unidentifiable in themselves as to who wrote them, will be turned over to the three judges, who are to be selected by the Librarian. The Librarian will hold the sealed envelopes intact until the judges have decided which review is the best. Then and then only the judges will know who wrote any of the reviews. Reviews may be submitted any time between January 1 and June 1, 1944.

The prize, to be announced and awarded at a regular meeting of one of the Manassas clubs next June, will be an order on any Washington (D. C.) book store for ten dollars (\$10.00) worth of books, to be selected by the winner. The winning review will be printed in The Manassas Journal. The right to print any of the other reviews submitted is reserved.

Each review, using not more than 400 to 500 words, should strive to convey what the book has meant to the contestant by way of enlargement of viewpoint or pleasure received. What train of thought has been set up in the contestant's mind by the reading of the book? If the contestant has been stimulated to action, let him explain. If the reading of the book has added to life's enjoyment, let the review ring out the glad tidings. In short, the contestant should write a review based

COMMISSIONED AS LIEUTENANT

Second Lieutenant Edgar E. Rohr is spending a ten-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Rohr. Lt. Rohr received his commission on December 8 following his graduation from the Adjutant General's Officer Candidate School, Fort Washington, Maryland. He has been stationed for the past year at Camp Lee, Virginia, Miami, Florida; Canute Field, Ill.; and Gore Field, Great Falls, Montana. He will go to Princeton University on December 18 for a month's special training. Lt. Rohr is the owner of the local E. E. Rohr 5c to \$1 Store which is now managed by his father, Mr. L. S. Rohr.

FROM A PAPER PUBLISHED IN BOURNEMOUTH, ENGLAND

"We have been a pleasure-loving people, dishonoring God's day, picnicking and bathing—now the seashores are barred; no picnics, no bathing.

"We have preferred motor travel to church-going—now there is a shortage of motor fuel.

"We have ignored the ringing of church bells calling us to worship—now the bells cannot ring except to warn us of invasion.

"We have left the churches half empty when they should have been filled with worshippers—now they are in ruins.

"We would not listen to the way of peace—now we are forced to listen to the way of war.

"The money we would not give to the Lord's work now is taken from us in taxes and higher prices.

"The food for which we forgot to say 'thanks'—now is unobtainable.

"The service we refused to give God—now is conscripted for our country.

"Lives we refused to live under God's control—now are under the nation's control.

"Nights we would not spend in 'watching unto prayer'—now are spent in anxious air raid precautions."

"Hear, O earth; behold, I will bring evil upon this people, even the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto my words, nor to my voice, but rejected it."

—Jer. 6:19

on inner conviction and refrain from any attempt to give a synopsis of the book or to reword what a publicity man or some professional reviewer has written about the book. Grammar and rhetoric will count to some extent, but originality of viewpoint and an individual style of writing are much more important. Orthodoxy of opinion isn't necessary, sincerity is.

If the proposed contest is to become a reality, however, at least ten eligible citizens must signify in writing by not later than January 1 that they will submit at least one review each.

Partial list of books for review:

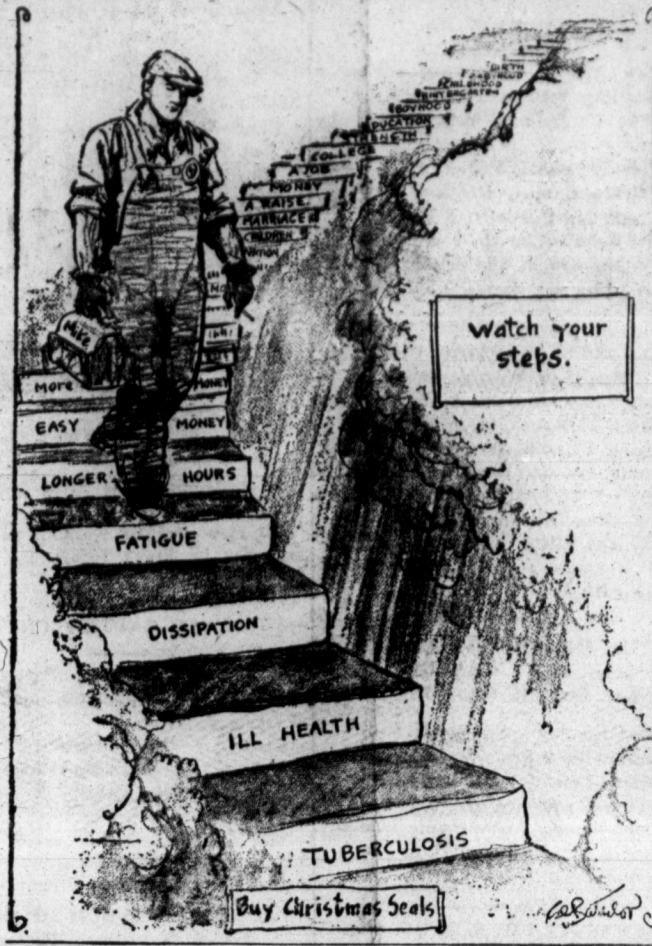
NON-FICTION

Hilton (Story of Dr. Wassell); White (Queens Die Proudly); Taylor (Chicken Every Sunday); Carlson (Under Cover); Hindus (Mother Russia); Shiber (Paris-Underground); Lee (They Call It Pacific); Lawson (Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo); Agar (A Time for Greatness); Ludwig (The Mediterranean); Angell (Let the People Know); Williams (The Russians); Benet (Western Star); Damon (A Sense of Humor); Rich (We Took To The Woods); Rutledge (Home By the River); Willkie (One World); Lippman (United States Foreign Policy); Reston (Prelude to Victory); Curie (Journey Among Warriors).

FICTION

Forester (The Ship); Herbert (Capricornia); Saroyan (Human Comedy); Keyes (Crescent Carnival); Weston (Indigo); Tarkington (Kate Fennigate); Ostenson (O River, Remember); Brophy (Spearhead); Llewellyn (None But The Lonely Heart); O'Hara (Thunderhead); Cannon (Look to the Mountain); Cozzens (The Just and the Unjust); Davenport (The Valley of Decision); Hicks (Only One Storm); Heym (Hostages); Segher (The Seventh Cross); Douglas (The Robe); Lane (Let the Hurricane Roar); Carroll (Dunnybrook); Dowdy (Tidewater); Smith (A Tree Grows in Brooklyn); Marguan (So Little Time); Shute (Pied Piper); Steinbeck (The Moon Is Down).

Miss Walser Conner attended the graduation dance of the Officer Candidate Class at the Adjutant General's School, Fort Washington, Md., this week.



LESTER E. BEACHLEY

Funeral services for Mr. Lester Edward Beachley who died Monday, November 29 in Physicians' Hospital, Warrenton, Va., were held Thursday afternoon, December 2 at Trinity Episcopal Church, Manassas.

Services were conducted by his rector the Rev. Thomas G. Faulkner, Jr., with burial in Manassas Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Fred Dowell, Fred Hynson, M. J. Hottle, Marvin Simpson, E. D. Wissler and J. H. Steele.

He was the son of the late John D. and Edith Van Fossen of Frederick County, Maryland, born February 6, 1869.

He came to Manassas to join his brother in the building and contracting business in 1897 and was married in 1899 to the late Ellen Knode.

In 1898 Mr. Beachley started the first ice cream manufacturing plant in Manassas, continuing the business with his son until a few years before his death.

He is survived by his daughters, Mrs. Werner Fischer of Balboa, C. Z. Mrs. LaMont H. Pharrmer of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Joseph J. Sullivan, Mrs. James W. Colvin, Mrs. Charles E. Lunsford and Mrs. Raymond E. Haliday all of Washington, D. C., and one son, Edwin L. Beachley of Manassas and also six grand children.

CEILING PRICE OF EGGS

Week of December 9th to 16th. Per Dozen in Cartons.

Grade A Weight	O. P. A.			
	1	2	3	4
Large — 24 oz.	65c	64c	63c	62c
Medium — 21 oz.	60c	59c	58c	58c
Small — 18 oz.	56c	55c	54c	53c
Grade B Weight				
Large — 24 oz.	59c	58c	58c	57c
Medium — 21 oz.	54c	54c	53c	52c
Small — 18 oz.	50c	49c	49c	48c
Grade C Weight				
Large — 24 oz.	53c	52c	52c	51c
Medium — 21 oz.	49c	48c	47c	47c
Small — 18 oz.	44c	43c	43c	42c
Ungraded	53c	52c	52c	51c

WEEKLY MEETING OF C. OF C.

The weekly luncheon meeting of the County Chamber of Commerce at the Prince William Hotel on Tuesday, December 7, was attended by members from five of the six districts of the county.

Matters of county interest, including that of obtaining a frozen food locker plant, were discussed. Two parties, one a private individual and the other the Prince William Electric Cooperative, are interested in establishing a locker plant at Manassas. Frozen food locker plants have come to be considered as essential for the storage and preservation of meats and foods. In Virginia communities where they have been located, all lockers are now in use and there are long lists of applicants waiting for the opportunity to rent locker space. This is true of the plants now in operation at Fredericksburg, Staunton, Harrisonburg and Broadway.

There is every indication that a plant of this kind will prove successful at Manassas and citizens of the county will be offered an opportunity by one or both of the interested parties to make reservation of locker space in advance of the time of the plant's construction. If sufficient users reserve lockers by depositing a year's rental in escrow with a local bank it appears certain that one of the interested parties can obtain the necessary priorities for the materials and refrigerating units required for constructing a local storage plant.

CHIEF FRIX WILL BE HERE DECEMBER 22

The Navy Recruiting Office will be open as usual on Wednesday morning, December 22, states Chief Alton Frix, Navy Recruiter for this district. He says there are some limited openings for welders, automobile mechanics and plumbers in the newly formed Ship Repair Unit.

HELP THE WAR FUND!



Mr. Samuel Greenberg, Senior Ordnance Machinist, of Manassas, was the winner of the award of \$250 in an "Ideas for Victory" campaign at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Photograph shows Mr. Greenberg receiving his check from Brig. Gen. Edward H. Marks. The winning idea was a "jit" used in the repair of M-1 rifles, and is said to effect a saving of \$8000 a year in labor and materials. He turned his money in for war bonds as a further aid to victory.

CALLED FOR INDUCTION

The following men have been ordered to report for induction into the Armed Forces at Richmond, Va., on December 15, 1943:

WHITE

John Edward Randall, Nokesville, Va.
James Edward Randall, Triangle, Va.
Francis Christopher Wilson, Haymarket, Va.
Calbert William Seekford, Manassas, Va.
Nelson Abel, Lorton, Va.
Ralph Benjamin Berry, Quantico, Va.
George Washington Ray, Manassas, Va.
Harold Francis Stickman, Ryan, Va.
Russell Linwood Miller, Manassas, Va.
Milton Richard Bramell, Jr., Cherry Hill, Va.
Robert Leary Leith, Manassas, Va.
Shelton Gilbert Holmes, Manassas, Va.
James Monroe Barbee, Hoadly, Va.
Samuel Carlin Beavers, Manassas, Va.
Donald Warren Crawford, Dumfries, Va.
Allen George Freeman, Warrenton, Va.
Andrew Taylor, Washington, D. C.
Ralph Vaughn Blevins, Manassas, Va.
Roy Clifford Payne, Bristow, Va.
Joe Russell Siford, Martinsburg, W. Va.
Sherwood Lee Randall, Quantico, Va.
Norman Lewis Wine, Oakland, Md.
Harvey Lambert Timmons, Quantico, Va.
George Hannawalt Sonafrank, Nokesville, Va.
Walter Joseph Zemaitis, Quantico, Va.
Albert Henry Griffin, Indian Head, Md.
Arthur Willard Tyson, Golansville, Va.
Eldon Davis Carter, Occoquan, Va.
Carter Lee Crouch, Manassas, Va.
Richard Talmadge Selph, Kidds Fork, Va.
George Lewis Oleyar, Jr., Manassas, Va.
Richard Clarence Collins, Manassas, Va.
Joseph Benjamin Johnson, Manassas, Va.
Earman Edman Cordle, Manassas, Va.
Gilbert Reid Powell, Thoroughfare, Va.
Frederick Fewell Weber, Manassas, Va.
Accie William Davis, Occoquan, Va.
Elmer Matthew Spittle, Nokesville, Va.
Samuel Carl Perry, Arlington, Va.
Leslie Griffen Bourne, Manassas, Va.
Billy J. Fields, Occoquan, Va.
Edward Blair Jennings, Triangle, Va.
Anthony Charles Bogdan, Quantico, Va.
Robert Morris Jenkins, Manassas, Va.
Gilbert Pierre Hennessey, Quantico, Va.
Ernest James Hounshell, Manassas, Va.

COLORED

Faxie Burke, Gainesville, Va.
Walter Elmer Bates, Joplin, Va.
Charles Berkeley Wallace, Manassas, Va.
Irvin Lee Smith, Woodbridge, Va.
Robert Ellsworth Turner, Nokesville, Va.
Walter Hampton Barry, Gainesville, Va.
Julian Dangersfield, Woodbridge, Va.
Ollie Lee Reaves, Nokesville, Va.
Daniel Chancellor Johnson, Quantico, Va.
Odell Shealy, Nokesville, Va.
Edward Augustus Travis, Manassas, Va.
Edison Randolph Weaver, Manassas, Va.
Sandy Jones, Haymarket, Va.
James Paul Calhoun, Woodbridge, Va.
William Longworth Ray, Woodbridge, Va.
James Christien, Gainesville, Va.
Carlton William Merritt, Quantico, Va.
William Edward Jackson, Manassas, Va.
William Edward Tibbs, Thoroughfare, Va.
William Foster, Manassas, Va.
James Ernest Smith, Dumfries, Va.

FARMERS NIGHT AT KIWANIS CLUB

MANASSAS KIWANIS HOLD "FARMERS' NIGHT" PROGRAM

Recognition of Part Played By Prince William Farmers in Home War Effort Given

Farmers from throughout the county were present at the "Farmers' Night" program held by the Manassas Kiwanians on Friday evening, December 3.

Recognition was given not only to those present but to all farmers of the county who had contributed to food and feed production and to home war activities during the past year. Among the guests present were Henry Fletcher, Manassas; L. B. Thomas, Wellington; Walter Coverston, Manassas; G. C. Russell, Woodbridge; Joseph F. Hale, Nokesville; Wyatt Colvin, Nokesville; Egbert W. Thompson, Woodbridge; C. C. Lynn, Jr., Manassas; P. C. Wigglesworth, Woodbridge; Wilmer M. Kline, Manassas; L. J. Pattie, Cat-harpin; Garber Brothers, Woodbridge; William T. Thomasson, Manassas; F. L. Hoffman, Gainesville, and Elmer P. Hurst, Manassas. It was regretted by the members of the club that a number of those who had been invited were unable to attend.

The important part being taken by farmers on the home war front was discussed by S. M. Cox, District Extension Agent, Harrisonburg, Va. Kiwanis members who are owners or operators of farms and were present Friday evening included Albert H. Roseberry, W. C. Saddy, E. R. Conner, E. G. Parrish, P. A. Lewis, R. S. Hynson, J. Carl Kincheol, Hipoliti Monserratte, C. C. Lynn and John P. Kerlin.

This was the second "Farmers' Night" program held by the club in 1943, the first being on January 15 when thirty farmers were present at a supper meeting as guests of the members.

STATE NEWS

A brown rock with the date 1574 chiseled on it is causing quite a bit of historical speculation in Madison county. The rock was found by workers of a State road gang who were taking down an old stone fence for rock to reinforce a highway bridge.

Local historians believe the rock may have some significance since the "7" is cut very long like other old-fashioned sevens. It is believed that a colony landed on the Eastern coast in the fifteenth century close to Plymouth and may have wandered Southward. A similar rock was found in North Carolina some years ago bearing the picture of a woman and the date 1590 carved upon it. Historians believe the dated stones may have been used as headstones for graves by the early band of pilgrims.

The month of October saw the largest collection of waste fats for any similar period since the campaign started in Virginia according to a statement by C. H. Lubbert, Executive Secretary of the Virginia State Salvage Committee. Housewives of the Old Dominion turned in a total of 94,272 pounds of used fats to their grocers during the period of September 15 to October 15. Total October collections showed an increase of 20,100 pounds over September and State Salvage officials believe November collections will show an equally large increase over the previous month due to the activities of State and local OCD officials who are placing information on the salvage of waste kitchen fats in every home in Virginia.

An epidemic of "Cat Fever" is sweeping the Norfolk area this week in what may be the latest ailment to reach this country as a result of wartime conditions. Although not as severe as the influenza epidemics of World War No. 1, the new fever has most of the discomforts of the old-fashioned gripe. High temperature, nausea and cold, minus the "drizzle" nose.

Navy doctors have treated patients for "cat fever" for years in the tropics but the Norfolk outbreak is the first time this ailment has reached the East coast. Last winter the West coast was hit by the malady. Doctors believe the illness may be spread by foreign money since the first victims in the Norfolk area were bank employees.