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BATTLE PARK WINS PRAISE

LOCAL PARK MENTIONED IN ANNUAL REPORT MADE BY SECRETARY OF INTERIOR

The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior for the Fiscal Year 1943, touching the high spots in the year's activities of the 23 bureaus and divisions, is of some interest to the people of Manassas and Prince William County. One of the important national historical parks to which he makes special reference is the Manassas National Battlefield Park. In referring to the military uses to which many, if not most, of the national parks have been put during the past two years in furtherance of the needs of our armed forces, Mr. Drury said:

"The national historical parks, military parks, and historic sites of the East made their principal contributions to members of the armed forces as laboratories for the study of military activities. In the early stages of the development of the national military parks and battlefields following the War Between the States, the greatest care was taken by Confederate and Union participants to mark carefully the movements of troops and to report accurately, without praise or censure, the events that took place on these battle-grounds."

"A familiar sight during the past year has been the activity of officers from the Quantico Marine Base, Virginia, carrying on field studies of the First and Second Battles of Bull Run in Manassas National Battlefield Park; or troops from the A. P. Hill Reservation tracing the route of Stonewall Jackson on the battlefield of Chancellorsville."

In connection with the Manassas park Mr. Drury might have added that convoys of Engineer troops from Fort Belvoir are also frequent visitors, while individual officers and soldiers of our own Army and Navy, from Washington and elsewhere, as well as many from the allied services of other of the United Nations, quite often come to the park.

The great nature parks of the West, such as Yellowstone, Grand Canyon, Yosemite, Glacier, Death Valley, Mount McKinley in Alaska and Hawaii National Park in Hawaii, where many thousands of acres of forest or desert or rugged mountains present diversified terrain suitable for every type of military training or of recreation for troops in training, naturally drew the greatest numbers of military visitors. Of something over eight million people who went to national parks in 1943, more than 1,600,000 were members of our armed forces. This may seem a large number of visitors considering the falling off of general travel in this time of war, but it is less than half the average annual visitation during the preceding five-year period, which was nearly eight million per year between 1939 and 1943.

In the meantime, the personnel of the National Park Service having the duty of safeguarding the parks and caring for these millions of visitors had been reduced from over 4,500 in 1942 to less than 2,000 in 1943. Nearly 1,300 of the employees in 1943 have joined the armed forces or transferred to essential war agencies; among the former being the Superintendent of the Manassas National Battlefield Park, Lieutenant Raleigh C. Taylor, who is now with our army in Italy.

During the travel year 1943-4 slightly more than 12,000 persons visited the Manassas park, of whom more than three-fourths were men in uniform. This is not a large number out of the total for all national parks but it was an increase from less than 5,000 visitors in the year 1941-2, during which the new Administration and Museum Building in the park was completed and opened. In view of wartime conditions and the newness of the park it was a healthy increase and one which promises well for the prospects of attendance in this historic place, only 26 miles from Washington, after peace shall have been restored.

Want to learn a skill?

WOULD you like to be a radio operator, a skilled stenographer, an airplane mechanic, an expert driver? In the Woman's Army Corps you have a chance to get valuable Army training—training that may pave the way to bigger pay, better jobs after the war.

TODAY find out about all the WAC offers you—the interesting jobs, the chance to meet new people and see new places, and to help your country.

APPLY at any U. S. Army Recruiting Station. Or write: The Adjutant General, 4415 Munitions Bldg., Washington 25, D. C.

(Women in essential war industry must have release from their employer or the U. S. Employment Service.)

Chief Alton Frix, Navy Recruiter, says that any seventeen year old boy, who has had at least two years of high school, and is interested in first aid and hospital work, can be enlisted directly into the Navy's Hospital Corps. The Chief will be in Manassas every Thursday, and would like to talk to any boy who is interested in serving his country in this manner.

VALENTINE PARTY AT KIWANIS

(Intended for last week)

A Valentine Party was the entertainment of the Kiwanis Club on Friday the 11th. Father Stanton, Chairman of the Housing Committee, had the party in his charge. He introduced Mrs. Vincent Davis and she in her usual inimitable way recited a poem of a young man who in an unusual proposal finally made his lady love understand.

Such an occasion is a comparative failure if O. D. Waters does not have a share in it. He told several stories with a slight edge, one of them being about P. D. H. Wherever O. D. is, there is laughter.

Particular guests were the sons of President Parrish, Harry and Frank, one of them invited all of those present to be guests at his brother's wedding that night, and to his own the following night. President Parrish's party which included his brother, left before the meeting was over. Vice-President Kincheloe then took up the gavel.

Following is the list of guests: Mrs. Hunton Tiffany and Hill Brown III, Mrs. Carl Kincheloe, Mrs. John Roushery, Lt. Harry Parrish, Lt. Frank Parrish and Mr. John Parrish, Mr. Teddy Peters, Mrs. Cornea Woodford, Mrs. Wine, Mrs. T. E. Diddlake, Mr. Arthur Boatwright, Mr. Benjamin Jacobson, Mrs. R. C. Hayden, Mrs. Walter Said, Mrs. G. E. Ratcliffe and daughter, Mrs. Beard, Mrs. Vincent Davis, and daughter of Charles Albaugh. There were 27 members present.

KIWANIS PLANS FOR MINSTREL SHOW

Last Friday night, the 19th, the Kiwanis program was in charge of the Finance Committee, of which Town Manager Tiffany is chairman. He called on Herbert Luck to read last year's financial report. It showed that the club had about two thousands to work with. Of this the largest part paid for the weekly dinner, but that in the neighborhood of thirty percent was devoted to special charities, as underprivileged children and the Christmas donation.

It was pointed out that according to this year's set-up it would not be possible to do so much good as formerly unless some way of raising funds was found. Mrs. Vincent Davis proposed a plan to have a minstrel show and showed her willingness to contribute her ability to put it across. A unanimous vote of the club to follow her plan followed. The show will likely be given shortly after Easter. Tickets are not yet on sale, but it might be well to save pennies for admission!

Corporal Kincheloe Promoted

Mayas N. Kincheloe, Route 1, Woodridge, Virginia, has been promoted to his present rank from that of private first class. Corporal Kincheloe enlisted in the Marine Corps on January 22, 1943 and received his basic training at Parris Island, South Carolina.

Double Fingers Movement



U. S. Treasury Department

MOLYNEUX-LYNCH

The marriage of Miss Mary D. Lynch, daughter of Martin Edward Lynch, of New Brunswick, N. J., and Captain Robert Edward Molyneux, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Chester Molyneux, of Jamestown, N. Y., took place in Linton Hall, Manassas, February 19 at 4 o'clock in the afternoon with the Rev. John L. Stanton, pastor of All Saints Catholic Church, officiating.

The bride, wearing a gown of ivory satin fashioned with fitted bodice, and full skirt ending in a long train, over which her veil of illusion fell from a wreath of orange blossoms, entered the hall with her uncle, Thomas Bernard Lynch, of Manassas, by whom she was given in marriage. She carried a prayer book adorned with orchids.

The matron of honor was Mrs. Jackson Lee Pray, Jr., and Miss Lucy Gibson was her maid of honor. They were gowned alike in bronze velvet frocks with shirred bodices and bouffant skirts, and they carried bouquets of harmonizing blossoms. Captain Jonathan Allison, of Washington, Pa., was Captain Molyneux's best man and his groomsmen were Captain H. B. McCormack, Jr., of Camp Lee, and Francis O'Neil, of New York. Immediately after the ceremony Mrs. Thomas Lynch, the bride's grandmother, entertained the wedding guests at a reception at Linton Hall.

Later in the evening Captain and Mrs. Molyneux left for a Northern wedding trip. On their return to Petersburg after March 1, they will be "at home" at 1720 Powhatan Ave. in Walnut Hill.

Among the out of town guests who attended the marriage were Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin T. Kinsey, Miss Martha Kinsey, Mr. and Mrs. John Hourahan, Mrs. Ted Chapin, Misses Betty and Lucy Landon Wilcox, Dr. Mason Romaine, Ben Hill, Mrs. Philip Glazier, Mrs. Brent of Holyoke, Mass., Mrs. Charles McGuire, Mrs. Norvell Larkin, Fairfax, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Washington, Mrs. A. Stuart Gibson, Falls Church, Mrs. William Cocke of Richmond, Va., Major Harry E. Carter of Camp Lee, Lieutenant Benj. T. Kinsey, Jr., and Private John Heggaman of Camp Lee.

Blood Tests Free

DR. Nelson Podolnic, Health Director of Fairfax-Prince William-Stafford Health District, announces that blood tests are being offered to all residents of Prince William County free of charge at the Health Department office in Manassas every Thursday after noon from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Dr. Podolnic explains that the blood test is the only way of diagnosing syphilis after the patient has passed through the first stages of the disease. During the latent stage of the there may be no symptoms at all for several years; the person appears perfectly healthy yet a vital organ of the body such as the heart or brain is being attacked producing serious disability and death years later. Only a blood test can detect this disease in the latent stage. Everyone is urged to take advantage of this opportunity.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOLDS INTERESTING MEETING

Thirty-five members and guests were present at the luncheon meeting of the Prince William County Chamber of Commerce held in the dining room of the Hotel on Tuesday, C. C. Cloe, recently unanimously re-elected president for the duration, presided, and led discussions on current subjects of public interest.

Edgar G. Parrish introduced his guest, Sgt. Murphy of the Aircraft Warning Service who made an interesting informative talk on the need for continuing the Civilian Aircraft Warning Service as a permanent organization so that it will be in working commission in case of emergency.

Mrs. J. Vincent Davis, co-chairman of the County War Finance Committee, gave a report on the local War Fund Drive, and requested the organization to join in every way possible in boosting bond sales to put the \$250,000 quota over the top. Mrs. Davis paid tribute to the late William Harrison Lamb whose untiring efforts gave impetus to the three previous War Loan Drives and helped to make them successful throughout the county. The Manassas Journal was cited at the Regional Meeting of War Loan Committees for its outstanding cooperation in giving publicity to the War Fund Campaign.

PARTY FOR MRS. KERLIN

After the regular meeting of Winodanus Chapter O. E. S. on last Tuesday evening, the members assembled in the recreation room where a surprise party was held in honor of our member and newest bride, Mrs. Stella Kerlin. The table was arranged in a most attractive manner. The centerpiece was a large heart with a crystal bowl in which was arranged sprays of miniature hearts and candles. Smaller hearts and candles also decorated the table. The bride's cake was cut by the bride, and the Worthy Matron presided at the punch bowl. Mrs. Kerlin was presented a gift from the chapter, and the evening was a most enjoyable one.

The next regular meeting of the chapter will be Tuesday, March 21, 8:30 P. M., when the annual election of officers will be held.

WILL ENTERTAIN THE U. D. C.

Mrs. Walter Newman will entertain the United Daughters of the Confederacy on Wednesday, March 1, at 2:30 P. M. with Miss Lucy Larkin as Assistant Hostess.

One of our every two families have at least two workers. Figure it out yourself how much beyond 10 percent of your family income you can put into War Bonds every payday.

Only a blood test can detect this disease in the latent stage. Everyone is urged to take advantage of this opportunity.

The result of the blood test will be kept strictly confidential and will be given only to the individual concerned.

BOND SALE

On Tuesday, Feb. 29th, the residents of this section are asked to donate stock, poultry, and other salable articles to be auctioned off. The highest bidder will receive bonds for the amount of the purchase price. The auction will be in charge of Messrs. J. R. Eagle and Carl Kincheloe.

Mr. G. R. Ratcliffe reports that on Feb. 21, 1944, \$291,750.00 had been raised, leaving over \$58,000 to be raised. Come and do your bit!

DANIELS-SINCLAIR

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Sinclair of Gainesville, Va., announce the marriage of their daughter, Kathryn Easter, to Aviation Student George Lucy Daniels, son of Mrs. Mary M. Daniels and the late George L. Daniels, of Norfolk, Va.

The wedding took place on Saturday afternoon, February 12th, at 3:00 p. m. in First Methodist Church, Cleveland, Ohio, with the pastor, Rev. J. W. Flynn, performing the double ring ceremony against a background of palms and white cut flowers. The church organist played the wedding music.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her mother, wore a Navy blue suit, with matching accessories and a corsage of red roses.

The maid of honor and only attendant of the bride was her sister, Miss Bessie Sinclair, of Norfolk. She wore a light blue suit with matching accessories and a corsage of yellow roses.

Aviation Student Edwin T. Westman, of Norfolk, was best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniels will make their home at the Stockridge Hotel, Cleveland.

LT. BOWMAN WEDS MISS CLARK

The marriage of Miss Lucy Behrends Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Clark to Lt. Gerald Bowman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Bowman of Buffalo, N. Y., took place in the Presbyterian Church here at 2:00 P. M. Saturday afternoon, Feb. 19, 1944.

The church was tastefully decorated with an arrangement of fern and gladioluses and the soft glow of the lighted tapers made a very pretty setting for the ceremony. The impressive ring ceremony of the Presbyterian Church was used. The Reverend M. F. Draper officiated.

Mrs. John T. Broadus presided at the organ and rendered beautiful selections preceding the ceremony. As the couple entered the church Mrs. Broadus played the wedding march from Lohengrin.

The bride was charmingly attired in a travelling suit of gray with black accessories and her flower was an orchid of contrast.

Mrs. Bowman is the popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Clark of Wilmington, N. C.

The out of town guests included: Mrs. Charles H. Clark, Miss Alice Behrends of Wilmington, N. C., Capt. and Mrs. J. L. Murphy of Arlington, and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bowman of Buffalo, N. Y.

Lt. and Mrs. Bowman left for a brief wedding trip, after which they will be at home to their friends in Quantico, Va.

"BURN, CANDLES, BURN!"

A group of fourth grade children under the direction of Mrs. Wallace Lynn, presented a playlet entitled "Burn, Candles, Burn," in commemoration of Parent-Teacher Founders' Day at the monthly meeting of the local association in Bennett School on Thursday afternoon.

The following characteristics, so vital to successful P-T. A. work, were portrayed by this group: Comradeship, diligence, hope, wisdom, cooperation, courage, competent teaching staff in these days of rising living costs.

Recreation plans for the community and the advisability of special sex education classes in the During the business session, presided over by the president, Mrs. L. L. Lomas, various plans were discussed for the maintenance of a schools were also under discussion.

Mrs. Royer's sixth grade room won the prize and banner for having the largest number of patrons present.

REV. CLARK DIES AT HOME HERE

THOMAS DUNLAP DOUGLAS CLARK

Funeral services for the Rev. Thomas Dunlap Douglas Clark, resident of Manassas for forty years, who died at his home here Sunday, February 13th, were held at 11 a. m. Tuesday following in the local Baptist Church where he served as pastor for many years. Interment was in the Mount Hebron Cemetery at Winchester.

The Rev. Mr. Clark, who was eighty-nine, was born November 23, 1855, in Kirkland Park, Strathaven, County of Lanark, Scotland, the son of the late John and Marion Clark. Coming to America at the age of nineteen, he was educated at the University of Richmond and Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pa. In 1884 he married Miss Nellie Miller Holtzman of East View, Va. Before establishing residence in Manassas in 1904, the Rev. Mr. Clark held pastorates in South Carolina, Maryland, and Pennsylvania. In the latter State he was pastor at Bryn Mawr and Lebanon prior to accepting the call to the Manassas Baptist Church where he preached for a period of eight years, and again for four years until his health failed.

Later Mr. Clark filled the pulpit on many occasions when he was called upon by his beloved congregation and his sermons and extemporaneous songs were inspirations to all.

Besides his widow, he is survived by four sons and four daughters, Mrs. H. K. Laws, Aylette D. Clark, San Diego, Calif.; Mrs. N. L. Gibson, San Metro, Calif.; Thomas H. Clark, Norfolk; and Douglas Clark, Walter Clark, Mrs. Sara Horton, and Mrs. Charles Doing, all of Washington; and fifteen grandchildren.

One of Mr. Clark's poems included in a group published in booklet form in 1905, is a meditation on Mount Hebron Cemetery where he was buried, and is a fitting expression of his philosophy. The words follow: Sweet sylvan refuge from the stir and strife,

That wears and tears the spirit of a man,

Thou silent prophet of immortal life, How soul refreshing is thy brooding calm.

Oh, surely if on this sad earth there be,

A spot we truly may call holy ground,

'Tis found where dear but frail mortality

In hushed refinement, rests in sleep profound.

High over the midew and decay,

That plows relentless through the sacred dust,

Hope's banner waves a welcome to the day

That waits to wake the slumber of the just.

Oh wondrous grace that swings the portals wide,

Where sense would teach us life is lost in death.

Oh! faith that brings a Saviour to our side,

Who makes it plain that life is more than breath.

Sweet sylvan refuge, as I turn to go,

Where present duty claims its share of time,

Thy sheltering confines to the dead we owe,

For Christian hope makes death itself sublime.

COOKE-HANBACK

On Monday, Feb. 14th, in a quiet ceremony, at Forrestville, Md., Miss Frances Marie Hanback, daughter of Mrs. Albert Hanback and the late Wm. Hanback of Warrenton, Va., became the bride of Lieut. Robert N. Cooke, U. S. Army Air Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cooke of Greenwiche, Va. The bride, a graduate of Warrenton High School, is an employee of the Telephone Exchange, while the groom, a graduate of Nokesville High School, is in the service of his country and just recently graduated and received his commission and wings at Foster Field in Texas.

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