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## FB TO MEET IN ALEXANDRIA

### LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PLEASE NOTE

Mr. W. A. Murphy, Special Agent in Charge of the Richmond Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has announced that the next F.B.I. Law Enforcement Conference for the Alexandria area will be held in the U. S. District Courtroom, Post Office Building, Alexandria, Virginia at 7:30 p. m. on the evening of April 5, 1944.

A cordial invitation is extended to all law enforcement officers and auxiliary police in the Alexandria area to attend this Conference.

Lieutenant William V. McDermott, Assistant Provost Marshal of the Military District of Washington, Washington, D. C., will address the Conference in regard to the jurisdiction of the Military Police and the cooperation between the Military Police and local law enforcement agencies.

Honorable Lawrence W. Douglas, Commonwealth's Attorney of Arlington County, Virginia, will speak to the conference on the topic "Law of Arrest," which will be both informative and of extreme interest to all officers engaged in law enforcement work.

Following the above speeches a motion picture of the "Fighting Men" series as produced by the U. S. Army Signal Corps will be shown for the benefit of the officers in attendance at the Conference.

An open panel forum will be held at the conclusion of the Conference at which time all matters in regard to law enforcement work will be discussed by the officers in attendance.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

An unusually well-attended meeting of the Prince William Chamber of Commerce was held at the Prince William Hotel, Manassas, Va., on Tuesday evening, March 28, 1944. The meeting was held for the purpose of discussing the current part of the March business and financial conditions.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Della Baker of the piano and Miss Orpha of Washington, D. C., who sang "Brainy" and "Lullaby." Miss Orpha was a guest of T. I. Martin, as was also his niece, Miss Gihlan. Other guests were Jerome J. Frampton, of Federalburg, Md., son-in-law of M. J. Hottle, and Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Rader, of Bristol, Va., who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar G. Parrish.

New members who have joined the Chamber recently include W. T. Thomason, P. L. Proffitt, Dr. H. E. Pickler, John M. Piery, I. J. Breeden, J. L. Wood, Worth Stokes, Robert Weil, Dr. E. B. Moncure, E. L. Goff, J. L. Moser and Mrs. Irene Weitz.

C. W. Alpaugh announced that several ideas had been turned in in response to the announcement last week that a prize of \$35 would be presented to the member proposing the most feasible project of community and county interest for the Chamber to sponsor. He urged that more be presented for consideration by his committee so that they may be brought before the Chamber as a whole and voted upon at an early date.

Members of the standing committee on Publicity and War Services were asked to represent the Chamber at a meeting called by Hutton Tiffany, Director and Coordinator of Civilian Defense, for Wednesday, March 29, to plan for local observation of "I-Day."

FRINCE WILLIAM TRAGEDIES  
Robert A. Hutchinson provided the program of entertainment at the meeting of the Kiwanis Club on Friday, March 24. While he held in his hands an old saber, he recounted some very gruesome stories of a Prince William County family. It had in it more murders and other tragedies than either Macbeth or Hamlet. They seemed almost unaccountable unless some dire fate pursued. He promised some really gruesome accounts at a future date.

It was announced that three new members are to be inducted at the next meeting. The farmers of the county are to be invited by a special committee to the meeting to be held in two weeks.

G. Raymond Ratcliffe distributed to the members tickets to the musical show, "Owens Kapers," Friday and Saturday, April 14 and 15. Practices are held Tuesdays and Thursdays.

## GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE IN UNITED BROTHERS CHURCH

Rev. Len Weston to Preach

The Good Friday Service sponsored by the ministers and churches of Manassas will be held this Good Friday, April 7, at 2 p. m. in the United Brethren in Christ Chapel with the Rev. E. Len Weston of the Manassas Baptist Church bringing the message. All ministers of the Manassas Churches are expected to participate in the service and the choirs of the various churches of the town are being asked to provide the music. The public is most cordially invited to attend this joint Good Friday Service. Special attention is called to the time of the service which is 2 p. m. instead of 3 p. m. as in former years. As has been the custom in past years, the business firms are being asked to close for one hour in order that they and their employees may attend this service and in recognition and appreciation of our Lord's suffering and death upon Calvary.

## J. ERNEST FISHER NOW MANAGER OF EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

Mr. J. Ernest Fisher, Ph. D., has been appointed as manager of the United States Employment Service office in Culpeper to fill the vacancy created by the entrance of Mr. Rossell W. Yowell into the armed forces. It was announced today by George D. DeLo, Area Director, West Manassas, Virginia. Mr. Fisher is exceptionally well qualified for this position, having been associated with the United States Employment Service office in Norfolk for the past year, and having been engaged in various fields of education for many years previously.

Mr. Fisher is originally from the Southwestern part of this state, but has been out of the state for a number of years. He has engaged in educational work in New York, Pennsylvania and in the Orient, since his graduation from Emory and Henry College, Emory, Virginia. He has also attended the University of California University from which institution he received the Doctor's degree in 1928.

It will be recalled that Mr. Yowell recently replaced Mr. V. A. Blakemore who was transferred to the managerhip of the Charlottesville office.

## FIFTY-SIXTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

An event of more than usual interest was the fifty-sixth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Collins of Annandale, Va., on March 19.

A reception was held for them at their home on Sunday afternoon. A number of friends and relatives attended, laden with gifts and kindly remembrances to show their respect and honor them for what they have meant to the life of the neighborhood. Four generations were assembled upon this occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins have six children: Mrs. C. F. Cason, Gainesville; Mrs. J. M. Allison, Manassas; Fred H. Collins, Fairfax; Max W. Collins, Triangle; Mrs. M. E. Shelton, Alexandria, and Mrs. Gilbert Merchant, Herndon. They have 22 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

## O. E. S. ELECTS OFFICERS

Wimodants Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, met in regular session on Tuesday evening, March 21, 1944 in the Masonic Temple. A full attendance was present and business was transacted.

The officers for 1944-45 were elected and appointed as follows: Worthy Matron, Irene Haydon; Worthy Patron, Paul Cooksey; Associate Matron, Ruth Woodyard; Associate Patron, Worth Stokes; Conductress, Irene Harpin; Associate Conductress, Eleanor Wetherall; Secretary, Norma Cooksey; Treasurer, Louis Broadbent. The Star Points: Adah, Beulah Stauff; Ruth, Orma Davis; Esther, Sally Churchill; Martha, Elizabeth Breeden; Elects, Margaret Lewis; Chaplain, Ada Sigman; Marshal, Marion Dickens; Organist, Margaret Broadbent; Warder, Alice Bryant; Sentinel, John Harpin.

These officers were installed at a special meeting held March 29 at 8 p. m. The Installing Officer was Mrs. James Sellers of Arlington, Va. At the close of this installation the seventeenth birthday of the Chapter was celebrated in the Reception Room on the second floor of the Masonic Temple.

## CHEST X-RAY ESSENTIAL IN DIAGNOSING TUBERCULOSIS

Dr. Nelson Podolnick, health officer of Prince William County, Virginia, announces that a diagnostic x-ray clinic for Tuberculosis will be conducted at the Health Department Office in Manassas, April 10, 11 and 12. There will be a charge of \$1 per person.

Only a limited number of persons may be x-rayed in these clinics; hence appointments made prior to the clinic dates are imperative to obtain the service. Applications for a clinic appointment should be made to Miss M. Sabina Neel, Public Health Nurse.

Dr. Podolnick explained that these clinics have been conducted by the State Department of Health twice yearly, but that only a relatively small number could be x-rayed.

Tuberculosis continues to be a major public health problem. The control of it depends basically upon

early diagnosis of the positive cases, thereby lessening the possibility of "spike" cases who are responsible for the spread of the disease. The x-ray examination is an important diagnostic facility in the case-finding program. It, therefore, becomes evident that where tuberculosis is suspected or an "open" case is known in a family group, every member should be x-rayed.

Dr. Podolnick expects to have regular tuberculosis clinics throughout the county after the arrival of the portable x-ray machine to be purchased by the Prince William Board of Supervisors. The aim of the Health Department is to have every person in Prince William County eventually x-rayed. Only an x-ray can diagnose tuberculosis in its early stages before the symptoms develop; thus to wipe out tuberculosis it is essential to x-ray everyone.

## MR. WENNEMAN NOW VICE PRESIDENT

William H. Wenneman, assistant to the president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, was today promoted to vice-president of the road. Announcement of his advancement was made following a meeting of the C. & O. Board of Directors.

Mr. Wenneman, 44 years old and a native Clevelander, started with the Nickel Plate Road in 1918. He was made assistant to the chairman of the board of the Chesapeake and Ohio in 1937 and assistant to the president of the road in 1940.

## OCCOQUAN AGAIN TO THE FRONT

It has been requested by our Occoquan friends that as long as the list of subscribers to the Virginia War Fund for Occoquan District has been published, the donors from Occoquan Town also should be noted. Collections for the Virginia War Fund made by Mrs. John S. Powell for Occoquan Town:

Dr. R. H. ...	1.00
Miss Mamie Davis	1.00
B. W. Brunt	5.00
Mrs. N. S. Lambert	2.00
F. R. Scheck	.50
J. Baylis	5.00
S. Steimer	3.00
Ogle Harris	5.00
Mrs. Jesse Curtis	1.00
Mrs. John Powell	5.00
Lola Woodyard	2.00
F. M. Lynn	10.00
J. M. Wynkoop	5.00
Elsie A. Allen	2.00
John Leary	10.00
R. J. Wayland	5.00
John Selectman	25.00
R. S. Hall	100.00
Total	\$189.50

## CHIEF FRIK SAYS:

As a war-time as well as peace-time policy, the Navy has always stressed the importance of its trade schools. Efficient, well-trained instructors are daily passing along their knowledge to the new recruit, bettering his chances of advancement, and training him for duties aboard one of the fighting vessels of our ever growing fleet. The old phrase, "every man a specialist" has been put to good use by the Navy Department in its training program.

A battleship to the Navy man is only a floating city, for he has a laundry, a soda fountain, a ship's store that contains almost any item that could be found at the corner drug store in his home town, and an up-to-date library, where he may spend his off-duty hours.

In the Navy, as well as in any other branch of the armed forces, a man's military duties come before his professional qualifications. He must respect his officers, learn to depend on their judgment, which is the result of years of experience and training. The bluejacket must abide by the rules of the ship, which are established for the safety and well-being of all the crew. Further, his military duties include alertness and diligence to duty at his battle station, as well as his regular assignments. The ship is composed of a large group of specialty men, who when banded together as a team, make that ship a great fighting unit. Each man's safety and well-being aboard that ship depends on his actions as well as the actions of his shipmates.

At battle stations, when every man has a job to perform, the bluejacket must be at the peak of perfection, working as a well trained machine; protecting the life of his

ship, his shipmates and himself.

The petty officer's emblem, which adorns the sleeve of more than half the men in the enlisted ranks of the Navy, denotes the wearer's ability in military as well as his proficiency in a specialized field. Flying proudly on the bluejacket's left or right arm, depending on the qualifications which he possesses, is the white eagle, an emblem of his military duties. Just below the eagle appears the emblem which signifies the man's specialty. There are more than 55 different ratings today for which the Navy man may qualify. Every day, new Navy men, as well as men who have been serving in the Navy for many years, are receiving their orders to report to a trade school. These schools are located all over the United States and graduation from any of the better qualifies a man to perform his Navy job, and advance in his rating.

From time to time, new types of schools are instituted by the Navy to train men for specialized ship-board duties. Most recent among these schools are those now being maintained for the training of men of our new "invasion navy". Skilled seamen, as well as novices, are learning how to operate and fight the LST's (Landing Craft, Infantry), LST's (Landing Ship, Tanks) and LCM's (Landing Craft, Mechanized) that are daily becoming an integral part of our fighting forces afloat.

The Navy is truly training its men; training them well to fight our sea-going implements of war, training them in fields that will be of a practical nature at the conclusion of hostilities, and training them to better understand the other fellow, to help him, to be a real shipmate, and an outstanding citizen of the country when he returns to civilian life.

## PROCLAMATION

Food has become one of the strongest weapons of this war.

The success of coming invasions and the capacity of our allies to carry on depends in a large part on the ability of the people of the United States to produce vast quantities of food.

A goal of 446,295 Victory Gardens in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been set by the Office of Civilian Defense as a just proportion of the national goal, and

The week of April 2-8 has been designated "Grow More in '44 Week."

NOW, THEREFORE, I Colgate W. Darden, Jr., Governor of Virginia, do hereby call upon all agencies, citizens and residents of Virginia to cooperate with the Office of Civilian Defense and local defense councils in supporting and participating cooperatively in a vigorous Victory Garden program. I would emphasize further the need for planning not only for an adequate home supply of fresh vegetables and fruits but also for determining during "Grow More in '44 Week" needs and capacities for home food preservation.

Given under my hand and under the lesser seal of the Commonwealth, at Richmond this twenty-fourth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and in the one hundred and sixty-eighth year of the Commonwealth.

(s) COLGATE W. DARDEN, JR.  
Governor

By the Governor  
(s) R. E. Wilkins,  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

## LIEUT. WOOD AWARDED MEDAL

2nd Lt. William A. Wood, son of Mrs. Myrtle T. Wood, Gainesville, Va., has been awarded the Air Medal, according to announcement by the Seventh AAF.

The Air Medal is a coveted decoration which is awarded to persons who distinguish themselves by meritorious achievement while participating in an aerial flight with distinction above and beyond that normally expected. It is a recognition of single actions of merit or sustained operational activities against the enemy.

Lt. Wood attended Haymarket High, graduating with the class of 1938. He received his wings October, 1943, and his present assignment is that of Pilot on a B-25.

He has a brother also in the AAF, Sgt. Raymond R. Wood, a gunner on a B-24.

## MR. WORTH STORKE SPEAKS TO CLUB ON "OLD GLASS"

The Junior Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. R. C. Haydon on March 9. After the business session, the club had a most interesting talk by Mr. Worth Storke on "Old Glass." Mr. Storke also displayed some of his prized possessions, which members and guests admired very much. Lovely refreshments were served by the joint hostesses, Mrs. Meaker Hurst and Mrs. Ope Fair.

The Gay Nineties Revue is becoming famous! Our girls performed again in Richmond on March 22.

Election of officers is scheduled for the April meeting.

## WOOD COMPLETES TRAINING

Sgt. Raymond R. Wood, who is an engineer on a heavy bombardment crew, is completing the last phase of his combat training at the Alamo-gordo Army Air Base, Alamo-gordo, N. M., and will soon be sent overseas.

He is the son of Mrs. Myrtle T. Wood, who resides at Gainesville. Sgt. Wood attended Haymarket High School.

## JENNINGS—THOMPSON

On Monday, March 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Thompson of Woodbridge, their daughter Ellen became the bride of Lieut. George C. Jennings, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Jennings of Appomattox. The bride, who was exquisitely attired in white, was given in marriage by her father. She was unattended.

The groom, who is now stationed at Camp Lee, is a graduate of V. P. I. The bride is now attending Swarthmore College. A beautifully appointed buffet supper followed the ceremony.

## LOCKER RENTERS ASKED TO SIGN

### CHARTER HAS BEEN GRANTED REFRIGERATION COOPERATIVE

The Four-Co. Refrigeration Cooperative, Incorporated, Manassas, Virginia, has received its charter from the State Corporation Commission and is now canvassing for locker users.

This plant is to be located just beyond the Corporation limits of the Town of Manassas and will have sufficient space to accommodate the needs of approximately four or five hundred members. With a locker plant of this type, butchering can be done in the hottest weather, and fruits and vegetables need no longer be canned. Just carry your products as they are to the plant, where they will be completely processed and stored in your private locker until you are ready to use them.

However, the materials for a plant of this type will not be allocated by the War Production Board until a certain number of lockers have been rented and the money deposited in escrow in the bank. This money will not be used by the Four-Co. Refrigeration Cooperative, Incorporated until the necessary priorities have been obtained from the War Production Board. In the event the project is not approved by the War Production Board, your money will be returned in full.

All information concerning this refrigeration locker plant can be secured at the Prince William Electric Cooperative, Manassas, Virginia, and your application for a locker can be taken there.

## "I-DAY" MEETING PLANS

Director and Coordinator of Civilian Defense for Prince William County, Hutton Tiffany, called a meeting on Wednesday night, March 29, for the purpose of organizing a committee which will plan for observations locally of "I-Day". The committee is comprised of representatives from all the local organizations, pastors of all churches, and out-of-town representatives from Occoquan, Triangle, Quantico, Bentsville, Nokesville and Haymarket. The program arranged by this committee, in response to a communication from the Office of Civilian Defense, Commonwealth of Virginia, will be announced later.

List of white men found acceptable for the Army at Richmond, Va., on March 15, 1944:

Samuel Carl Perry, Chester McIlister Russell, David Weldon Graham, Lester Contee Abel, Curtis Larmond Brown, Louis Franklin Gossom, Vincent Alvin Fogle, Lester Hottle Breeden, Wilbur Stover Quann, Clarence Robert Burdette, James Paul Runion, William Bryan Acken, Donation Libeau, Charles Harley Mathias, Theodore Robert Ritter, William Alvin Baker, Charles Corbin, James Harry Lloyd, Thomas Henry Tyler, Charles Robert Humphreys, James Virgil Henley, Raymond Earl Todd, Frederick Edwin Hohman, Ira Gilbert Ridgely, Wilmer Earl Miller.

John Bernard Kimble, Fred Charles Letner, Edwin Swan Lohr, Aubrey Truman Manuel, Vernon Herring Wood, Odie Warren, Marvin Fowell Melton, Willie Clinton Williams, Woodrow Wilcox, John Morpott Piercy, Robert Taylor, Roy Richard Runaldue, Herman Wade Payne, John Ruff, Jr., Harry Adolphus Polen, Morris Hugh Arrington, Leonard Lee Cross, William Edwood Crawford, William Tracy Holbrook, Burgess Lee Hoffman, James Ralph Jones, Walter O'Neil Merchant, Carl Lee Ellis, Jr.

Reams Earl Bennett, Edgar Louis Ferlazz, Roy Clifton Wolfe, Robert Amos Saunders.

List of white men found acceptable for the Navy at Richmond, Va., on March 15, 1944:

Harry Ashby Tyeall, Clarence Robert Carter, Bascom Jefferson Henley, Wilmer Burdette Barnett, Elmer Frederick Williams, George Robert Horton, Arthur Brown Casley, Edgar Conley, Teddy Roosevelt Davis, William Archie Keys.

Robert Leighton Tucker, Cleve Wilson Cordor, William Mike Ennis, James Redmond Gossom, Ray Allen Neel, Harry Allen Whetzel, Kenneth Elliot Lico, Alan Gray Houston, Howard H. Mahle, Lee Willard Chisnold, Stewart McBryde, Stevenson Memory Manor.