

## ANNUAL REPORT OF LOCAL P. - T. A.

### Successful Year Reported by Committee

The Manassas P. - T. A. set up the following objectives last fall:

1. To enlist 100% membership.
2. To give aid to the library and to maintain parent-teacher bookshelf.
3. To promote a better program in nutrition with especial attention to the school lunch.

4. To cooperate with various agencies in the correction of physical defects.
5. To cooperate with the city government, the school, civic organizations, the churches and the home in a program of recreation that will help solve the problem of juvenile delinquency.

The membership committee worked hard and membership totaled 248. The recreation committee prepared and served refreshments for approximately twelve high school radio dances. This committee also assisted the Girls' Service Organization in keeping the Service Club. Preparations are in progress for serving refreshments for the Junior Senior Prom.

The publicity committee sent advance notices and write-up of meetings to local and Washington papers and mimeographed notices of each meeting to all parents by the school children.

Report of library committee shows total of 325 books added to library during the current year.

Besides preparing budget for year, the finance committee assisted with luncheon for teachers, sponsored benefit movie and sold refreshments at Kiwanis ministrel.

The hospitality committee has responded loyally when called upon. This committee had at the reception of the new member and attended the school clinic.

Programs for the year have been varied and interesting.

The civic committee has done much work in planting on school grounds. Many new plantings were made and replacements of trees and shrubs lost in drought of last summer. A total of \$56.56 has been expended on this project. The planting of trees near the high school will be used as a memorial to Lt. John DeBell, a high school alumnus killed in Italian campaign.

Hot lunches were served for 28 days during January and February. During this time a total of 6,632 lunches, including 1,556 free lunches were served. Due to lack of supervisor the lunch project was discontinued. Total bottles of milk consumed since, January, 25,042, including 2,561 free.

The health committee started working last summer with canning for lunch project. They assisted with luncheon for Teachers Institute in September. This committee has done outstanding work in correction.

"Education of boys and girls is one of the first and most important duties of society," said Dr. E. H. Jarman, director of instruction of Arlington County, and guest-speaker at the meeting of the local Parent Teacher Association on Thursday evening of last week. He stressed the fact that this education is a matter requiring the consideration and close cooperation of the entire community—family, church, community at large—as well as the school.

Dr. Jarman commended the teachers of today for the splendid job they are doing, and urged closer cooperation between the school and home as one of the best methods of controlling juvenile delinquency.

Group singing led by Mrs. Vincent Davis, with Mrs. Jack Royer as accompanist, together with piano selections by Mary Ann Sinclair, and two vocal numbers by her father, Mrs. C. A. Sinclair, Jr., rounded out the excellent program.

Mrs. L. L. Lonas, president, presided at the business session immediately preceding the program, and extended a special welcome to those fathers present. A counting of the fathers in attendance gave the monthly award to each of three rooms—Mrs. Royer's sixth grade, Miss Johnson's sixth grade, and Miss Owens' third grade.

Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson's report for the Library Committee showed that the school libraries are much in demand, both by students and townspeople alike. She announced that the library will be kept open during the summer months and that there will be the added attraction of a story-

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## Chamber of Commerce

At the regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, following the luncheon, Mr. Worth Peters was introduced as the guest speaker. "Understanding our children and keeping them in the community" was his theme and he handled the subject most ably.

The Fifth War Loan Drive was brought to the attention of the Chamber by Mrs. Vincent Davis. Mrs. Davis stated the fact that the past War Loan Drives went well over the top and she is sure that the present War Loan will exceed our quota, because so many of our boys are serving in the Theater of War.

Mr. Peters called attention to the educational instruction to be offered in the Vocational School and those who are interested in a part time course can be accommodated. There will be a part time course of three hours a day. This should swell the list of those joining from this section.

Mr. Alpaugh stated that a gentleman from Dumfries proposes a Sand and Gravel Pit as one of the projects for Prince William.

Sheriff Kerlin says we cannot have the clam bake until August.

Mr. Conway Seely was introduced as a new member.

The guests were Mr. McLeod, student minister of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. Draper of the Methodist Church and Lieut. Schellenbach of the Navy.

## Miss Hankins Appointed

Virginia's new commissioner of Public Welfare will be a woman. Governor Darden today announced the appointment of Miss May O. Hankins, since 1939 supervisor of the Children's Bureau of the Department, as successor to Dr. William H. Stauffer who recently resigned as head of the Department. The appointment will become effective on or before July 1st.

A native of Tazewell, the 62-year old welfare administrator who becomes the first woman ever to head a major department of the State government, first entered the service of the department in 1924 when juvenile court work was first being reorganized.

In announcing the appointment Governor Darden said that he has long felt that women should be represented among the State department heads. "Miss Hankins is an able administrator with wide experience in the Virginia region and there is no need to go outside a department when such a capable administrator can be promoted from a lower position".

Expressing satisfaction in the appointment, Dr. Stauffer said "No person in the Commonwealth has a finer appreciation of the problems of public welfare than has Miss Hankins, or a better understanding of the means of their solution".

Dr. Stauffer, who has served as Commissioner since June 1938, goes to an undisclosed post term as the Governor as one "of great importance, and one which I think warrants the step he has taken. It is with great regret that I see him go."

## Ray Smith Nokesville 4-H Club Mrs. Thayer and Mr. Goff Serve as Club Leaders

The following officers were elected by the Nokesville 4-H Club at a meeting at the high school there on Tuesday evening, May 24.

Ray Smith, President, Marie Kerlin, Vice-President, Mary Frances Flory, Secretary-Treasurer, Hubert Rowe, Cheer Leader, and Barbara Thayer, Song Leader.

The 36 members of the club are carrying home and farm projects and meet at Nokesville on the evening

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## MEMORIAL EXERCISES

COURT HOUSE LAWN — MANASSAS, VIRGINIA  
MAY 30, 1944 — 7:00 P. M.

Decorating Graves at Cemetery—6:45

Presented by—

Manassas Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy, Ladies Memorial Association, Prince William Post American Legion, and the Post Auxiliary.

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| Master of Ceremonies   | Hon. C. A. Sinclair                               |
| Advancing of Colors  | Prince William Post                               |
| Organ Prelude  | Mrs. Lewis J. Carper                              |
| Plunge of Allegiance to the U. S. Flag                             | M. S. Burchard, Post Commander                    |
| Salute to the Confederate Flag                                     | Mrs. R. A. Hutchison, Chapter Historian           |
| U. D. C. Ritual  | Thomas G. Faulkner, Jr.                           |
| Hymn—"How Firm A Foundation"                                       |   |
| Bestowal of Cross of Military Service World War I                  | Mrs. R. L. Byrd, Pres.                            |
|  | Manassas Chapter U. D. C.                         |
| Recorder of Crosses  | Mrs. E. H. Nash, Manassas Chapter, U. D. C.       |
| Recipient of Cross   | Dr. V. V. Gillum                                  |
| National Anthem  | Audience  |
| Special Memorials  |   |
| Mrs. Maude Larkin Asford   | Col. R. A. Hutchison                              |
| Mrs. Mamie Kite Varner   | Col. R. A. Hutchison                              |
| Mrs. Judith Constance Henry  | Rev. Thomas G. Faulkner, Jr.                      |
| Rev. T. D. D. Clark  | Rev. J. Murray Taylor                             |
| Quartette  | Messrs. Ratliff, Woodford, Owens, and Christopher |
| Presentation of Speaker  | Col. R. A. Hutchison                              |
| Address  | Hon. J. J. Jeffries                               |
| Quartette  | of Culpeper                                       |
| Award of U. D. C. Sinclair Memorial Prize                          | Hon. William H. Brown, Jr.                        |
| Award of Speiden Memorial Association Prize                        | Hon. Stanley A. Owens                             |
| Moment of Silence—in Tribute to Veterans and Soldiers of all Wars. | Roswell Round, Jr.                                |
| Taps   | Rev. Len Weston                                   |
| Benediction  | Rev. Len Weston                                   |

## CHIEF FRIX SAYS:

"Fine, and what will my pay be in the WAVES", asked a young lady the other day when making application at one of Virginia's leading Navy Recruiting Stations. The recruiter was quick to reply, informing the applicant of the pay and allowances received by all young women serving in the WAVES today. Apprentice Seamen base pay is \$50 a month, and if the Navy is unable to provide food and quarters, special allowances are received by the WAVES. For instance, if the girl is stationed in some city where housing facilities are not available at a navy station, she is given \$54 a month over and above her base pay for food, plus \$37.50 a month for housing making the total pay of a WAVE Apprentice Seaman \$141.30. This figure does not include special allowances for dependents for which WAVES are eligible. Besides this high figure of pay a WAVE receives \$200 worth of clothing, the finest medical and dental care, special tax exemption, low cost Government life insurance and free mail, reduced rates on transportation, and entertainment. Petty Officer's pay ranges from \$78.00 to \$126.00 a month, and the Chief Petty Officer drawing \$126.00 living off the base, will total \$217.50 a month when her allowances are included.

Women skilled in civilian life in hospital work, switchboard operating, stenography, stock room work and many other fields may qualify for the higher rates of pay after a few months in the Navy. Alton Frix, Chief Petty Officer in Charge of the Manassas Navy Recruiting Station has full information regarding enlistment, and maintains office hours from 9:00 A. M. until 3:00 P. M. each Thursday in the Post Office building.

## Lieut. Billington, Promoted

2nd. Lt. Robert J. Billington, Bombadier of the Army Air Forces, who is stationed "somewhere in England," has been promoted to 1st Lt. He has also received the Air Medal and has been recommended for the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Lt. Billington is the husband of Ann Robertson Billington. Mrs. Billington and little daughter Robu Ann is staying with her mother, Mrs. W. Holmes Robertson at Lawn Vale Farm.

## Doings at the Library

The Library at the Manassas High School will be open from 9:30 A. M. to 3:00 P. M. every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday each week during June, July and August.

There will be a story hour for Third and Fourth Grades each Thursday, from 10:30 to 11:30 A. M. and a story hour for the Fifth and Sixth Grades each Friday from 10:30 to 11:30 A. M. during June, July and August.

## D. of A.

The daughters of America State Convention was held at the Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, Va., and the delegates from Manassas were: Miss Alice Simpson, Mrs. Ila Breden and Miss Minnie Smith, Mrs. Virginia Park and Mrs. Flora Coppage also attended the convention from Manassas.

## The Fresh Air Fund

Each year the "Herald Tribune" of New York City sponsors a project known as The Tribune Fresh Air Fund. Through this project and the cooperation of citizens in communities outside of New York City children from the slums of New York are given a two weeks vacation in the country or in a town.

The citizens of Prince William County and Manassas have been asked to cooperate with the Fund again this year. June 28 has been fixed as the date upon which the children are to arrive in our community. Persons desiring to cooperate with this project are asked to get in touch with Mrs. W. C. Sadd, Mrs. Lewis Carper, Mrs. A. O. Beane, Mrs. J. L. Bushong, Mrs. Paul Cooksey, Mrs. Marshall Haydon, Rev. Thomas G. Faulkner, Jr., or Mr. Hutton Tiffany for the Manassas area; Rev. Olden Mitchell for Nokesville area; Mrs. John Powell for the Occoquan area; Mr. John Ellis for the Greenwicks area; and Mr. George Gosson for the Haymarket area.

The Fund takes care of the transportation of the children to and from Manassas as well as any medical or dental care that they may need during their stay. Every precaution is taken to see that the children are free of all diseases before they leave New York. Persons desiring to take children may specify the age, sex, race and religious preference of the child they take. The local committee is limiting the age to 6 to 10 year old children.

Any person who may be interested in taking a child is asked to get in touch with one of the local representatives in the near future. June 14 is the last day on which invitations can be accepted.

## MILITARY DAY AT LINTON HALL

The Thirteenth annual Military Day was held at Linton Hall School on Sunday, May 21st. The exercises of the day began with a solemn high military Mass on the campus at 10:30 A. M., celebrated by the Rev. John Stanton, C. P. S., of Manassas, Rev. Henry Washowski as Deacon, Rev. Matthew Collin, O. F. M. as Sub-Deacon, and Rev. Leo Lembl as Master of Ceremonies. Rev. Charles O'Laughlin, O. S. B., from St. Anselm's Priory, Washington, D. C. addressed the cadets on "Christ, the Model of Youth in Obedience to God and Country". At 1:30 P. M. the band, under the leadership of Rev. David O'Connor, O. P., gave a concert with selections appropriate to the occasion. At 2:30 P. M. the battalion formed and passed in review before the judges and guests, and was followed by the competitive drills. The youthful cadets assumed their respective places and competed for a silver statutory trophy. This award was won by Headquarters Company, commanded by Captain Kay Kendall of Washington, D. C. Others receiving awards for outstanding military achievements are the following: Major Richard Dacey, Lt. Adt. Bernard Schrider, Captain Dante Della Nome, Lt. Robert Drury, Lt. Daniel Hurley, Lt. Charles Consovo, Lt. Paul Locher, Lt. Havey Sampson, Sgt. Reid Vierbuchen, Sgt. K. Marshall, Sgt. S. Hildebrand, Sgt. R. Kaye, Sgt. W. Schrider, Sgt. R. Rife, Sgt. J. Awalt, Cpl. J. Dunnigan, Cpl. R. Garretson, Cadet D. Boone, Cadet D. Kaye, Cadet S. Russell, Cadet P. Littleton, Cadet J. Phillips, Cadet R. Rasmussen, Cadet F. Carr, Cadet W. Tolle, Cadet D. Fleming, Cadet H. Ginter.

Linton Hall Military School will hold its annual commencement exercises on Friday, June 9th, at 3:00 P. M.

## PIANO RECITAL

Mrs. Dennis Baker will present her pupils in a piano recital, June 2 at 8 o'clock in the High School Auditorium. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Immunization Clinic

Dr. Nelson Podolnick, Health Officer of Prince William County announces that an Immunization Clinic will be held every Thursday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:00 P. M. at the Health Department in Manassas (behind the National Bank Building).

Immunizations will be given for Typhoid, Smallpox, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus, and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever (tick fever).

Because of the small quantity of tick fever vaccine available, only those heavily exposed to ticks should receive this vaccine.

Blood tests are also offered to any resident of the county at these clinics.

## MR. CALVIN HALEY ADDRESSES CLUB

### Local Kiwanis Entertained by Congressional Secretary

It was an entertaining and valuable talk given by Mr. Calvin Haley, Secretary of our Representative Howard W. Smith. His theme was the arbitrary actions of the Office of Price Administration. He gave various illustrations of his meaning. One of these concerned a Baltimore Chain store. A purchaser picked up a nineteen cent article, walked over to a new clerk and said "Here is twenty-five cents for this tube." Please give me a receipt for it, for I am buying it for a friend." With this tube and receipt, he was able to collect fifty dollars as a penalty from the firm for charging more than the ceiling price.

He tried to point out the inequities of the treatment of the consumer and dealer by the Office of Price Administration. One of the worst features of this treatment is the fifty dollar penalty for an infraction of the rule. This follows no matter whether it is intentional or unintentional. A fifty cent weekly overcharge for rent, for example, was penalized by a fine of fifteen hundred dollars.

There is hope of having some of these inequities corrected when the law is to be reenacted in the near future. Much good has been done by the O. P. A. Under an honest and efficient administration much good has been and can be done.

### War Bond as Prize

The local committee of the War Finance will offer a Bond as a prize to the boy or girl, sixteen years or under for the largest number of E Bonds sold from June 1st to 30th inclusive.

Another Bond will be given to the person who sells Bonds netting the greatest amount.

Application may be secured from Mrs. Vincent Davis, Mr. G. R. Ratcliffe, Cleveland Fisher and Mr. Harry P. Davis. All applications must be turned in to Cleveland Fisher at the Fisher Hardware Store for tabulation.

### Miss Bauserman to Graduate In June

Miss Marie Bauserman will graduate in June having majored in music and will receive her B. S. Degree in Education at the Madison College, Harrisonburg, Va.

The exercise will be held June 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bauserman will attend the graduation exercises.

### First Lieutenant Johnson

Wheatley Marshall Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Johnson of Manassas, Virginia, has recently been promoted from the rank of second lieutenant to the rank of first lieutenant in the USAAF.

Flying with this group, Lt. Johnson has already participated in raids on targets in Italy, Austria, France, Germany and all of the Balkans.

### Sgt. Shutlack Presented with Newest Award

For exemplary conduct in combat, Sgt. John Shutlack of Manassas, Va. has been presented with the Army's newest award for infantrymen, the Combat Infantryman Badge.

Awarded for exemplary conduct in combat or for combat action in a major operation, the new medal is a silver rifle on a blue field with a silver border, imposed on an elliptical silver wreath.

Sergeant Shutlack is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Shutlack of Route 4, Manassas. Since starting his tour of overseas service on May 26, 1942, he has been stationed on the Fiji Islands, Guadalcanal and the Russell Islands, and is a veteran of the New Georgia campaign.

### Piano Recital

On Tuesday evening, May 30th, 1944, at 8:15 o'clock, Miss Edna Lee Armstrong will present her pupils in a Piano Recital, at the Brentsville District High School, in Nokesville, Va. Every one is cordially invited to attend.

### Will Close Wednesday at Noon

Southern States Manassas cooperation and Herbert Bryant, Inc., until further notice will close every Wednesday, at 12:00 noon.