

Vocational School to Reopen

Interesting Sketches of Work Done in the School

The retention of the Vocational School in Manassas is an outstanding achievement of our school officials and has won the unstinted praise of Prince William citizens. A visit to the school will be very worthwhile and instructive. Following are a few of the many interesting features which were brought to our attention.

The radio shop is one of the most interesting, students assembling and constructing radios. Carl Fife, a student is working on a \$200 Mobile Link Radio Frequency Transmitter. The receiving set is finished and the transmitter set is nearly completed. The work on the frequency transmitters will eliminate static and after the war our news radios will be without static. Another student, Jimmie Caskey is doing fine work on a radio that receives codes. The shop has constructed a short wave transmitter so strong that it could disturb Washington. Two of the tubes cost around \$18.00 each. It contains five tuners and is operated with 1600 volts. The shop does not have a F. C. C. license to operate the transmitter. During the war short wave sets are not allowed to operate. This work has been accomplished since June 15th when the summer school term was started. There is a test panel to test the tubes and other parts of the radio. The panel also has a scillograph to test sound—the scilloscope is the same as radar in receiving sound waves. Mr. Allen Barnwell and Mr. Richard B. Maggard are in charge of the Radio Shop. They have 49 students enrolled.

Mr. Chas. E. Baxter is the instructor of Welding. His shop contains 27 booths, 24 arc welding machines and they work on metal $\frac{1}{8}$ " and $\frac{1}{4}$ " in thickness in horizontal, vertical, flat and overhead and each position is done in groove, lap, butt and fillet. Enrolled in each class are—first class has 14 pupils, the second class has 13 pupils and the third class has 12 pupils and each class is for two hours. The masterpiece is a lovely piece of work by Mr. Baxter, done with torch, hammer and chisel. This shop is the pride of the instructor and his pupils as well it might be.

In the Drafting Department the pupils are taught drawing, tracing, blue prints, black line prints, Van Dyke, brown prints and the instruments are drawing set, drawing board, T-square, 45° triangle, 30°x60° triangle, scale (architect), French curve, protractor and visor aids. This is housed in the Administration Building, one work room for boys and one work room for the girls, one classroom and the fourth room is used to develop the prints. Mr. Eugene F. Yager is the instructor.

The Woodwork Shop tempts boys and girls to learn the art of woodcraft. They are building a miniature house, containing 5 rooms, bath and two porches, a lawn table and 3 chairs and several cabinet tables. The guide, Miss Sally King showed her masterpiece—a lovely cabinet table, that she will use in her bedroom. The shop contains 2 belt sanders, 1 desk sander, 2 DeWalt saws, 2 joiners, 2 Dado machines, 3 drill presses, 2 rip saws, a planer that will dress lumber from $\frac{1}{8}$ inch to 8 inches, 1 large band saw and a lathe for turning pieces of wood, such as legs on furniture. Mr. Reams Bennett is the instructor in Woodwork. Mr. Bennett is the Industrial Art Instructor in the high school.

The Machine Shop is over-powered with all of its magnificent machinery and Mr. Taylor said that the lathe is the king of machines. Mr. O. C. Taylor, the instructor stated that they could start a job and continue step by step until the metal work is completed. This is of vital interest and help to the student, as it helps them to understand how the completed job has been accomplished.

Miss Sloop is in charge of the English Class of 22 pupils, who are taking English make-up work, either because of absence or failure, the students are earning their credit and preparing for the fall term of school. She also acts as Coordinator in the school.

The Metal Shop has many fine tools and large machines to assist the instructor in teaching and the student acquiring sufficient knowledge to become a proficient metal worker. The Sheet Metal Shop teaches theory and

practical sheet metal work. It covers marine and aircraft metal work. Ventilation and air condition. They have the tools, equipment and machines for any type of metal work. The shop has made the pipes for the exhaust system for the Welding Shop and built parts to the bodies of the County School buses.

The Electric Shop is instructing in the basic principals of electricity. Training its 18 students to repair, construct and install electrical equipment. This shop demands more study of theory than any of the other shops. Mr. J. N. Edmonson, the instructor, has simulated much interest and many of his present students plan to return to the class on the reopening of the school on Sept. 18th.

The hospital would please any doctor or nurse in the country. No one would mind being sick in such a nice place. They have two large wards and equipment to take care of forty-five patients. One of the wards is being occupied by nine of the boys, who are students of the school, during the week. Each ward has a bathroom with a shower. The kitchen is fully equipped to attend to the patients. The room that was equipped for two nurses is being occupied by two of the instructors of the school at present. It has a well stocked linen closet that would please any housekeeper or nurse. There are a laboratory and drug room that are very well equipped.

The two isolation rooms are in use as one bed with private bathroom, with the second made into a lovely little reception room. There is a clinic room with a doctor's examining room and they have all equipment and tray sets with all needed drugs. They also have an emergency cart. Miss Gue is the nurse in charge of the hospital and Dr. Marsteller the physician.

The Recreation Hall contains 31 tables with games, three tennis tables and one pool table. The student body eat their lunches here. They also have a radio.

Miss Marion Bræddus was operated on for appendicitis last Thursday at the Doctors' Hospital. We are glad to hear she is improving.

Miss Dolly Burchard and her brother, Bobby, spent several days visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Swanson at Callands, Virginia.

Mr. P. A. Lewis and Mr. C. W. Lewis went to Canada the past week-end bringing the 2 carloads of cows back them.

Mrs. Earl Woverton has been in the hospital for several days. Her little daughter is also in the hospital with appendicitis. Both are said to be improving.

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY SCHOOLS

Session 1944-45

Monday, September 11—Opening date all white and negro schools

Saturday, September 16—Teachers' conferences and principals' meeting

Friday, October 20—End of first six weeks of instruction

Friday, October 27—Reports to pupils in all schools

Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23-24—Thanksgiving Holiday in all schools

Tuesday, December 5—End of second six weeks of instruction

Tuesday, December 12—Reports to pupils in all schools

Friday, December 22—All schools close for Christmas Holidays

Tuesday, January 2—Schools resume work after Christmas Holidays

Wednesday, January 24—End of third six weeks and of first semester

Wednesday, January 31—Reports to all schools

Wednesday, March 7—End of fourth six weeks of instruction

Wednesday, March 14—Reports to pupils in all schools

Friday, March 30-Monday, April 2—Easter Holiday observed in all schools

Friday, April 20—End of fifth six weeks of instruction

Friday, April 27—Reports to pupils in all schools

Wednesday, May 30—Closing Exercises, Nokesville High School

Wednesday, May 30—Closing Exercises, Regional High School

Thursday, May 31—Closing Exercises, Occoquan High School

Friday, June 1—Closing Exercises, Osbourn High School

Friday, June 1—Closing date, all schools

Friday, June 1—Final pupil reports

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Legion and Auxiliary Hold Picnic

Prince William Post No. 158 and Auxiliary at the Manassas Battlefield Park picnic area last Monday night with many families in attendance.

The ladies of the Auxiliary had prepared the food and Jack Stauff proved himself a real chef as he took care of the hamburgers over that very hot fire.

Commander Burchard announced the delegates for the Legion Convention in Roanoke from August 20-23 as follows: Messrs. Parrish, Davis, Mauck and Burchard; He thanked the ladies for the wonderful meal and the applause showed that everyone present agreed with him.

Mrs. Hanson, President of the Unit, announced her delegates Mrs. Ben Jacobson, incoming President and Mrs. Burchard with Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Eagle as alternates.

The committee who arranged the picnic was Mrs. Eagle, Mrs. Coverston, Mrs. Haydon and Mrs. Parrish. It is hoped that such affairs will be repeated in the future.

Notes on Boys in the Service

Pvt. Douglas C. Dodson, formerly one of our young Post Office Clerks, has arrived safely overseas and is now stationed somewhere in New Guinea.

Pfc. Owen F. Florence has returned to Camp A. A. F. Walls, Walls, Washington, after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Florence.

2/c Bill Corder who has been stationed at Camp Peary, is home on furlough. His home is at Haymarket and he was a Manassas High School graduate of the class of '44.

Bobby Eaton who is serving in the U. S. Navy and is stationed in Boston, Mass. is home on furlough.

Pvt. Paul W. Florence, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Florence has been overseas for over 7 months, he is now somewhere in Italy.

Cpl. Murray Wells of the U. S. Army, stationed somewhere in Texas is home on furlough.

Prince William Pharmacy Receives a Fountain

One of the meeting places of Manassas has had the good fortune to get a Beverage Fountain. This will add to the convenience of the attendants and to our pleasure, while sipping our cool drinks, we may talk politics, gossip or read our papers. We congratulate Dr. Cooke.

The Past Matrons and Past Patrons held their annual picnic in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Cooksey. The picnic supper was quite a success, and the popular game of "Bingo" was enjoyed afterwards.

Miss Carolyn Cooksey won the bond for selling more bonds in the Fifth War Loan, in the town than any other individual. Carolyn sold \$6,500 worth of government bonds, and she is to be congratulated upon her success.

Notes From School Board Meeting

August 9, 1944

The members of the Board present were N. N. Free, Chairman, W. Alvey, A. T. Barnes, F. M. Lynn, Floy H. Moore, and R. C. Haydon, Clerk.

The Board discussed at some length the meeting of the Virginia Education Commission to be held at the Manassas High School on August 17th, and went on record as favoring the following:

- (1)—That teachers' salaries be increased to the point that they are commensurate with the requirements of training and experience, and in line with other professions requiring similar training and experience.
- (2)—That the State, in considering the further consolidation of schools, consider also a proportionate increase in the State appropriation for school transportation.
- (3)—That the Board strongly advocate vocational education to be offered on the regional basis, rather than attempting to offer too many individual points on a small scale.

Mr. R. Jackson Ratcliffe, Agent, was awarded the liability insurance for school buses for session 1944-45.

The Board made an adjustment in the Haymarket High School bus route, routing that bus by way of the Lee Highway and Route 234 to Manassas, routing the Stone House bus, which formerly traveled that road, from Groveton to Wellington and into Manassas by Thomas' corner.

A report by R. R. Fishpaw of the operation of the County Cannery at Nokesville indicated that it is being widely used and that it had canned approximately 3,000 quarts in the first nine days of operation.

The Board decided to continue the operation of the Manassas State Vocational School under the War Training Program for the winter session, this school to be opened for regular work on Monday, September 18th. Since Mr. R. Worth Peters, Principal of the Manassas Public Schools, will be largely responsible for the operation of this school, the Board decided to elect Miss Carrie Lanford as Administrative Assistant of the Osbourn High School, to teach mathematics and to assist with the administrative work, in that school, and Mrs. Ossi Tipton, former principal of Bennett School, as assistant in charge of the Bennett Elementary School.

In order to more nearly coordinate the terms of the State Vocational School and the regular County school program, the Board decided to delay opening the public schools of the County to Monday, September 11th. A complete calendar of the public school program for the year will be found published elsewhere in this issue.

Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber spent most of its time on a discussion of the Sales Tax that will come up at the meeting of the Educational Commission on Thursday, August 17th. Mr. Worth Peters favored the Sales Tax, having understood the tax would be used for the new Educational Program that is to be proposed in the survey of the school system of Virginia. Mr. Harry Davis thinks the tax should be Federal Tax and distributed by the Federal Government. He said that it would be impossible to guarantee its use as a school tax or that the merchants could keep the tax straight.

Mr. Worth Peters finally proposed an amendment to Mr. Alpaugh's motion. Mr. Alpaugh had asked the Chamber to endorse the proposed Sales Tax and the amendment being favorably accepted by Mr. Alpaugh was added to the motion and passed by the Chamber. The amendment was to block the throwing out of the proposed Sales Tax if the Educational Committee found the Sales Tax advantageous to the Educational Program.

Mr. Worth Peters stated that the Chamber had voted to sponsor the Regional High School in answer to Prof. Barnes' appeal to the Chamber of Commerce and had appointed the Educational Committee, with Mr. Worth Peters as chairman of the committee, to work with Prof. Barnes in promoting help in enlarging his school and the plant. Mr. Peters read a letter the committee and Prof. Barnes had written to Mr. Morland.

Dr. Cooke gave a letter to Mr. C. C. Cloe to read which stated that the road from Manassas to the Stone House will be rebuilt and that \$15,000 is set aside for this purpose. Mr. C. C. Cloe said that Mr. Mount had told him that we were to have this road rebuilt.

Mr. Helm, reporting for the Health Commission, stated that the resolution of the Chamber about the handling of Food in the county had been accepted.

BUY ANOTHER WAR BOND TODAY

STARS IN SERVICE

JOHNNY FALTER
A FORMER BANTAMWEIGHT BOXING STAR AND WORLD WAR II HERO NOW DOING HIS BIT IN WORLD WAR II BY SERVING WITH THE COAST GUARD POLICE IN A NEW ORLEANS SHIPYARD!

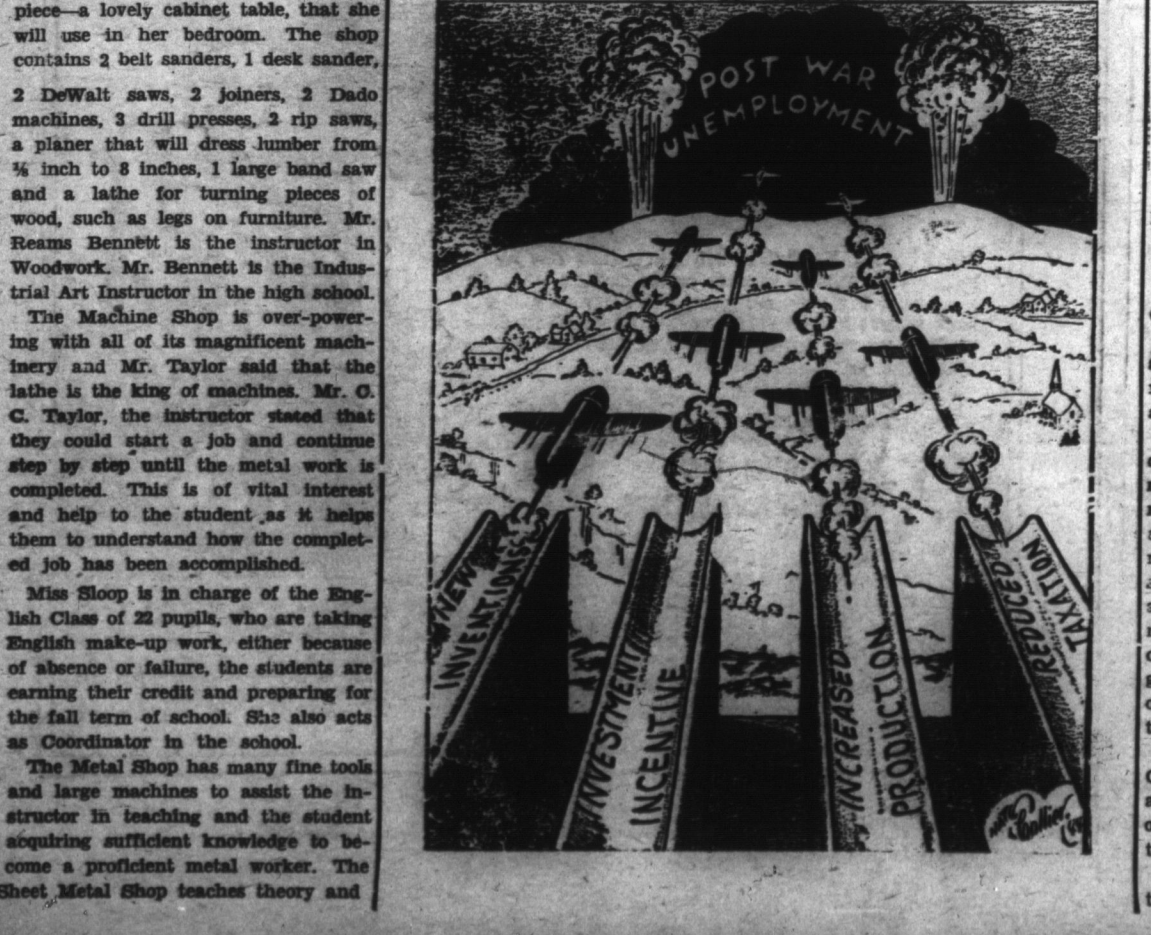
JOHNNY WAS A PROTEGE OF THE FAMOUS "TERRIBLE TERRY" McGOVERN, AND DURING HIS CAREER OF OVER 200 FIGHTS WON A VICTORY OVER THE GREAT BENNY LEONARD.

JOHNNY WON THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS IN WORLD WAR I FOR CRAWLING THROUGH THE ENEMY LINES TO GET WATER FOR HIS THIRSTY COMPRADES—AND YOU CAN RENDER A DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO OUR MEN IN ARMS IF YOU'LL BUY MORE WAR BONDS

U. S. Treasury Department

ALL-AMERICAN ATTACK

By COLLIER



County Home Demonstration Agent NELL GRIM CANTALOUPE CONTRIBUTION

Consider the cantaloupe, unheralded and unsung for its vitamin C, yet as rich a source as oranges and grapefruit, and even richer than tomatoes.

The man who sits down to a half cantaloupe for breakfast on a summer morning probably never thinks of its nutritive value, yet may get from it enough vitamin C for his full day's needs. Tests at the Arizona Station show that a half of a cantaloupe of average size (4½ to 5 inches in diameter) is equal in C to a tumbler of orange or grapefruit juice; a whole grapefruit of average size; two small oranges; 4 medium sized tomatoes; or two tumblers of canned tomato juice.

Cantaloupe is markedly superior in C to most of the other common fruits—apples, apricots, peaches, pears, grapes or plums. Strawberries, the exception to the rule, are richer.

In choosing fruits for family meals the housewife is wise to consider their C value. Because fruits are acid and often eaten raw, they hold their C better and lose less in cooking than vegetables. Many vegetables are naturally rich in this vitamin, but before they are served at meals, have lost much in keeping and cooking.

FLOATING FRUIT

When home-canned fruit rises to the top of the jar leaving a space of clear liquid underneath, canning specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture says the cause may be: Overripe or crushed fruit; packing fruit in jars raw or not pre-heated enough to drive out the air; too heavy a sirup which draws juice from the fruit and makes it lighter than the sirup; too loose a pack so that the jar contains too much liquid in proportion to fruit.

When canned tomatoes separate so that the red pulp rises to the top of the jar leaving light-colored juice in the bottom, the cause may be overripe tomatoes which do not hold their shape; pre-heating too long before putting in jars; processing too long. Tomatoes packed raw are more likely to separate than those packed hot.

County Home Demonstration NEWS

"Only The Home Can Find A State"

HOME AND FOOD NEWS

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