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Mrs. R. L. Byrd Entertains U. D. C.

The September meeting of Manassas Chapter, U. D. C. was held at the home of the President, Mrs. R. L. Byrd. A fine attendance marked this last session of 1943-44, and the time for the official election for the new year, delegates to the state and general conventions this fall, and celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

After the usual opening with the Lord's Prayer and pledge to the National Flag and salute to the Confederate Flag, an informative history of the "Daughters" was given by the Historian and Recording Secretary, "Pages" from the Chapter Record "bound with the rose of memory," held in place by precious "bookmarks" were recently presented. Among the treasures were the Charters, first certificates and Constitution, picture of Ewell Camp, C. V., organized at Brentsville, 1890, badge of the first junior organization, the Judith Henry Juniors—and order gavel made from the historic Jackson tree on Manassas Battlefield.

A prized exhibit was an exquisite and priceless quilt made long ago. It was the Chapter's bridal gift to the daughter of one of its members. Officers elected were: President: Mrs. R. L. Byrd 1st V. P.: Mrs. L. J. Carper 2nd V. P.: Mrs. Ben Lewis 3rd V. P.: Mrs. A. O. Weedon Rec. Sec'y: Miss I. Hutchinson Ch. Sec'y: Mrs. M. J. Johnson Treas.: Mrs. M. J. Johnson Historian: Mrs. M. J. Johnson Registrar and Custodian: Mrs. W. A. Newman Recorder of Crosses: Mrs. E. H. Nash

In making up the annual report, the Chapter is happy to list 17 books for the Buffalo-Carnegie Library. The volumes bearing the U. D. C. book-plate with individual donor's name given with the name of author and donor.

The Virginia Poems—Rosenberger Mrs. Byrd. On the Long Tide—Krey, Mrs. Byrd. Leaves from an Old Washington Diary—Wood, Miss Hutchinson. Gentlemen of De' Souf—Robinson Mrs. Hutchinson.

Soul of a Nation—Andrews, Mrs. R. B. Larkin & Mrs. Geo. Densler. Conquest of Virginia—Sas, Mrs. A. O. Weedon.

Southern Harvest—Leighton, Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson. Welcom' Hinges—Robb, Miss Nelson. Life of Stonewall Jackson—Henderson Mrs. Giddings.

History and fiction, prose and poetry, these books make delightful reading.

Honor roll and records of World War servicemen are being made for those of Confederate lineage, which is nearly one hundred.

Owing to acute transportation conditions, the State Convention is cancelled.

PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS SALE CAMPAIGN

The Prince William County Tuberculosis Association will make plans for the thirty-eighth annual Christmas Seal Sale campaign at a meeting to be held at 8 p. m. Tuesday evening, Oct. 3rd in the County Health Office. Miss Eleanor Gayle Curran, field supervisor for the State Tuberculosis Association will be present to assist with the program. The Rev. Stanley Knupp, local chairman, will preside, and members of the association are urged to attend. Supplies for the campaign to be conducted in the county's six districts will be distributed and instructions given for handling the drive on a larger scale than ever before.

The Christmas Seal Sale Campaign is the sole source from which the local association obtains funds to carry on the expanding work of preventing and controlling tuberculosis in Prince William so that the disease may eventually be eradicated. The success of the annual appeal for funds to carry on this important job is dependent upon the services of volunteer workers and the support of Prince William County's citizens. The Association trusts that every resident of the county will join in making this year's Seal Sale an outstanding success.

NOTICE

The Service Club needs a piano. Does anyone have a piano to lend or give away? If so, please contact Miss Elizabeth Lloyd. Phone Manassas.

Without discipline and training, talent is worth nothing.—Tom Pearson

Mediterranean is Dry. So says Buck.

Word has been received from "Seaman E. G. Wigglesworth" who is sailing the Mediterranean Sea that he has sailed the African Coast for five days, anchored at Sicily for three days without shore leave, and has not put a foot ashore or had a drink since he left Baltimore. (Believe it or not!) He wishes to be remembered to his many friends and hopes to see them before the heating season closes.

Mrs. Johnson Entertains Kiwanis

At the directors meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Manassas most of the time was spent in planning for the election of officers and directors for the coming meeting. Mr. G. E. Ratcliffe spoke for the nominating committee. He had prepared blank ballots for the nomination; besides the usual officers, seven directors are to be nominated. The most prized office is the vice-presidency, for it is the invariable custom to make of the vice-president the president for the following year.

Tribute to Mr. Ratcliffe In view of what happened to Mr. Ratcliffe later the same night, the occasion now seems almost tragic. He was at great pains to make the plan of election clear to the directors and later to the club. Mr. Ratcliffe was a notable Kiwanian. He may be called the founder of the local club and was its first president. He has always been elected to the board of directors; he was on the music committee and was a song leader. He was really the historian of the club and kept a record of its membership from the beginning and had a file of all the notable papers of the club. The club will never be the same without him. While he was connected with various civic and business organizations, his greatest affection was in the Kiwanis Club.

Poetry by Kiwanians The entertainment for the evening was in the hands of Worth Peters. In his introductory speech of Mrs. R. C. Johnson, he said he proposed to show that the impossible could be proved, that is, that Kiwanians could be interested in poetry. Mrs. Johnson came very near to doing what Mr. Peters claimed by her excellent rendition of selected poems. There were four groups aimed to please various ones of her audience. Among the authors were Kipling, Poe, J. Whitcomb Riley and Elizabeth Barrett Browning. Her sonnet on "How Do I Love Thee?" was perhaps the best of them all.

Ocoquan P. T. A. Holds Meeting

The Ocoquan Parent Teachers Association held its first meeting for the present school year on Sept. 18. Plans were formulated for the year and duties of the various committees were discussed.

The next regular meeting of the Association will be held on Thursday, October 5th, in the school auditorium. After the business meeting, a reception for the teachers will be held.

All friends and patrons of the school are urged to attend and help make it a successful year.

The new officers and chairmen of the various committees are: Mr. H. B. Bennett, Pres. Mr. Austin Barber, Vice Pres. Mrs. G. Manderfield, Treas. Mrs. K. Fling, Secretary Mrs. M. Joyce, Ways & Means Mrs. W. Ramers, Entertainment Mrs. R. Clark, Home Room Mothers Mrs. John Powell, Rental Textbooks Mr. H. Mooney, Bldgs. & Grounds Mrs. H. B. Bennett, Child Welfare Mrs. H. H. Jamney, Membership Mrs. Earl Speaks, Welfare Mrs. N. K. Curtis, Publicity

Committee Assisting Hon. Stanley A. Owens

Manassas District Mrs. E. E. Rohr, Manassas, Va. Coles District Rev. J. Murray Taylor, Manassas, Va. Dumfries District Mr. J. F. Fick, Quantico, Va. Brentsville District Mr. V. W. Zirkle, Nokesville, Va. Ocoquan District Mr. E. W. Brunt, Ocoquan, Va. Gainesville District Rev. W. F. Carpenter, Haymarket, Va.

Rummage Sale The ladies of the Auxiliary, Trinity Church, will hold a rummage sale the first Saturday in October from 9:00 a. m. to 2:00 p. m. in the Parish Hall.

George Raymond Ratcliffe

The passing of Raymond Ratcliffe is a loss to the community that will not soon be forgotten. To those of us who knew him best his death is a great grief—almost a tragedy.

His genial disposition endeared him to everyone. He radiated good will and good humor wherever he went and in every gathering of his friends he was the "life of the party".

He was civic minded and there was no worthy enterprise that did not receive his support. Among the organizations with which he was identified was the Kiwanis Club which he organized. It was his child and he loved it. He fostered it and nurtured it from the beginning until his untimely death. His vacant seat will be mourned by all the Kiwanians.

We shall miss his familiar figure on our streets and elsewhere.

It is those of us who knew him best who will mourn him most.

So we must say, Good bye dear old "Rat".

We will not forget you. We cannot. You wound yourself too firmly around our heart strings for that.

So again we say, Good bye and may we meet again.

Prizes Awarded at Woodbridge for Canning Triumphs

The Home Demonstration Club of Woodbridge, held its annual Flower and Canned Goods Show at the home of Mrs. T. B. Joyce. Prizes were awarded as follows:

- VEGETABLES**
- String Beans
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. R. Clark
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
- Tomatoes
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
- Tomato Juice
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. Mm De Nicola
- Peas
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
- Corn
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. Mm De Nicola
- Lima Beans
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
- Beets
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. Jennings
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. Mm De Nicola
- Carrots
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
- Soup Mixture
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
- Corn & Tomatoes
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. R. Clark
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
- Cabbage
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
- Greens
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. Mm De Nicola
- Celery
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. Mm De Nicola
- Okra
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. H. B. Bennett
- Squash
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. H. B. Bennett
- Garden Exhibit
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield

- FRUITS**
- Peaches
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. Jennings
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield
- Pears
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. Clark
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield
- Apples
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. E. R. Shanklin
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. J. A. Riley
- Crab Apples
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. Jennings
- PICKLE**
- Watermelon Pickle
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
- Cucumber Pickle
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
- Whole Pickle
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce

- Chile**
- 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
- 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
- Catsup**
- 1st Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
- Corn Relish**
- 1st Prize: Mrs. Mm De Nicola
- Pepper Relish**
- 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
- Tomato & Pepper Relish**
- 1st Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield
- Pickled Beets**
- 1st Prize: Mrs. J. A. Riley
- Meat**
- 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce

- JELLIES & JAMS**
- Apple
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. R. Shanklin
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield
- Crab Apple
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. R. Clark
- Grape
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce and Mrs. Jennings
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. R. Clark
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
- Blackberry
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold and Mrs. T. B. Joyce
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. E. R. Shanklin
- Plum Jam
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. E. R. Shanklin
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
- Plum Preserves
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. R. Shanklin
- Strawberry Preserves
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. E. R. Shanklin
- Peach
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. Jennings
- Cherry
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
- Damson Preserves
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. J. A. Riley
- Grape Jam
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. Jennings
- Blackberry Jam
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. Jennings
- Watermelon Rind Preserves
 - 1st Prize: Miss Helen Davis
- Apple
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. Mm De Nicola

- FLOWERS**
- Gladioli
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
- Dahlia
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
- Rose
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. Mm De Nicola
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield
- Zinnias
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. K. Fling
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. J. A. Riley
- Asters
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. J. A. Riley
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
- Petunias
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. J. A. Riley
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
- Dining Table Arrangement
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. T. B. Joyce
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
- Hall Table Arrangement
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. K. Fling and Mrs. E. W. Thompson
 - 2nd & 3rd Prize: Mrs. D. S. Schaffer
- Garden Collection
 - 1st Prize: Mrs. J. A. Riley
 - 2nd Prize: Mrs. G. P. Manderfield
 - 3rd Prize: Mrs. W. M. Arnold

The judges were Mrs. Cooksey and Mrs. Royer of Manassas.

Nokesville Future Farmers Elect Officers

The Future Farmers of America of the Nokesville Sophomore Class elected the following officers for the 1944-45 year:

- President: George A. Croushore
- V. Pres.: Carroll M. Mayhugh
- Secretary: William E. Brown
- Treasurer: Rex Corbin, jr.
- Reporter: David R. Green
- Watch Dog: Johnnie Baker
- 1st Conductor: Winfield Ross
- 2nd Conductor: Mark K. Smith
- Mr. R. R. Fishaw, is the instructor of this unit.

DUMFRIES

Pvt. David C. Cline has returned to Camp Lejeune, New River, N. C., after spending his furlough with his mother, Mrs. A. H. Shumate.

The community was greatly grieved over the death of Mr. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, and Mrs. Corrie Stevens, and wishes to extend deepest sympathy to both families.

Miss Elinor Brawner and Mrs. Hilda Smith are planning to spend the weekend with Miss Brawner's sister and brother in law, Pvt. and Mrs. William Kilian, who are at Camp Pickett, Virginia.

Lt. and Mrs. Owens of the "Shumate Apartments" visited friends in Baltimore over the week end.

A surprise party was given Mrs. Rowena Brawner. Among those present were:

- Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brawner and family.
- Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Garrison and daughter.
- Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Brawner.
- Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Brawner and daughter.

A nice time was had by all. Lt. Col. and Mrs. Andrews are visiting relatives in Boston. Colonel Andrews has recently returned from the South Pacific, after an absence of about two years.

Miss Doris Jean Gato has recently accepted a position at Quantico, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurston are the proud parents of a baby boy, born on September 25th.

Mrs. Jean Price is returning home from New York, where she has been staying with friends. We hope Mrs. Price is much improved from her recent illness.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. S. R. Reynolds is recovering after having had pneumonia.

Mrs. A. H. Shumate entertained the officers of the Womens Society of Christian Service. Those present were:

- Mrs. M. L. Keyes.
- Mrs. J. H. Bishop.
- Mrs. Sam Bauckman.
- Mrs. R. S. Brawner.
- Mrs. Claude Ennis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Garrison spent last Wednesday in Alexandria.

Mrs. J. L. Cato and Mrs. Keys called on Mrs. A. H. Shumate last Tuesday evening.

Rev. A. H. Shumate has been sick for the past week. He is much improved at this writing.

Pvt. David Cline, Elinor Brawner, and Hilda Smith visited Major and Mrs. K. H. Black at their home in Park Fairfax, and later made up a theater party to Washington.

Sgt. Wilace Wintree spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Wintree.

Lt. and Mrs. Connor are spending a few days with friends in Quantico.

Mrs. Albert Bishton spent the week end at the home of Miss June Brawner.

The Womens Society of Christian Service gave a lawn party at the Church. A delightful evening was spent by those in attendance. Mrs. John Gallahan has recently been visiting in Alexandria. Warning that the hardest fighting still lies ahead inside Germany, Gen. Charles de Gaulle told French Army commanders and civilians that the end of the war must not be expected before next Spring.

Capt. Johnson Flies 50 Combat Missions

Capt. Wendell E. Johnson, 23 son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Johnson of Manassas, has flown 50 combat missions over enemy territory in Nazi Europe. He is navigator on a B-24 Liberator and has participated in bombing missions against targets in Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, Germany, Italy, and France.

For his part in a highly successful attack on the rail yards at Simeria, Rumania, in June, Capt. Johnson was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. It was, however, attacks on the aircraft plants at Steyer, Austria, and Regensburg, Germany, recalls as being his most memorable missions. "These industrial centers," said he, "were most vital to Hitler's war effort and consequently heavily defended by both fighters and anti-aircraft guns. One could expect to have everything thrown at them there. On four missions to those targets, I was never disappointed."

He is a member of a heavy bombardment group that has flown over 300 combat missions and has been twice cited by the President for extraordinary achievement. The first citation was for the low-level attack on the oil center of Ploesti, in August, 1943. The second was for performance in support of the 8th Army in the Middle East.

A graduate of Washington and Lee University, Capt. Johnson was employed as a newspaperman before entering the Army in 1942. He received his wings at Selman Field, La., in August, 1943.

In addition to the DFC, he has been awarded the Air Medal with six oak clusters, and also, the European-African-Middle Eastern Ribbon, with one battle star.

Lt. Joseph Read Says English Country Is Like Home.

Lt. Joseph Read writes from England that on a visit to the country he was reminded of the hills in Virginia. He wrote about the beautiful stock, and how they were watched by shepherds as in olden times.

Joseph was one of the first of our boys to be sent to England and has had the honor of being seated at the same table with King George at a banquet.

War Scenes Cinema Showing at Parish Hall

Another War Department picture showing actual war scenes will be shown at the Parish House next Tuesday night.

All families of service men and women are invited to be present at 8:00 p. m. The American Legion is sponsoring this series of motion pictures and will have a different showing each Tuesday night. There will be no admittance charge.

Keith C. Allison, S-1-c wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Allison recently. He is attached to the U. S. S. Destroyer Blair.

Miss Barbara Beane has been admitted to the U. S. Nurse Cadet Corps and is in training at Garfield Memorial Hospital, Wash., D. C.

Mrs. Lillian B. Folley and her sister Miss Mamie Baker have returned to their home in Hampton, Va. after spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Allison and other relatives.

Joseph W. May, Fireman 1-c, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. May is now home on furlough after serving in the South Pacific. He is credited with twenty-three missions.

ALLIED NATIONS PLAN FUTURE OF GERMANY

A broad plan to govern the economic life of Germany for an indefinite period thru Allied control has been formulated.

Settlement of this issue is understood to be predicated upon the creation of tri-power commission.

This group would supervise post-war industry in Germany until a later time when the victors can decide on how to prevent Germany starting another war with her industrial tools.

It is understood that a method has been generally agreed upon to ally British, American and Russian basic principles for occupation, and that each country will administer three respective zones of occupation.

The plan would be employed as a stop gap measure until a definite economic plan for Germany could be worked out.

Supporters of the plan claimed that such a plan would enable German industry to be thrown into high gear at once to aid in the rebuilding of shattered Europe.