

Two Are Killed In Auto Crashes Over Weekend

Holiday Accidents Injure 8 Others, Four Critically

Two persons were killed and eight others injured, three of them critically, in two automobile accidents which occurred within eight hours last Saturday in Prince William County.

The dead were David B. Powell, 22, of Buffalo, N. Y., and Stuyvesant McKinney, 20, of Tuxedo Park, N. Y., both students at the University of Virginia.

Powell was killed instantly and McKinney died 14 hours after the automobile in which they were riding crashed into the concrete side of a bridge on Route 1 about a mile south of Woodbridge early Saturday morning.

Four other students, who with the other two were returning to their homes for the Christmas holidays, were injured in the crash. All six students were veterans, and the two dead youths had both served in the Marines.

The injured were taken to the Marine Hospital in Quantico by an ambulance from the Hall Funeral Home, Occoquan.

Philip Schuster, 25, of Hasbrouck Heights, N. J., suffered a compound fracture of the jaw and other head injuries; Harry P. Barlow, III, 23, of Buffalo, N. Y., suffered a compound fracture of the leg; Albert J. Matthes, Jr., 24, of Rye, N. Y., suffered multiple bruises; and William J. Fowl 21, of New York, was badly bruised.

The second accident occurred Saturday afternoon near Quantico when two automobiles collided and were destroyed by fire. Two persons were critically injured and two others were hurt less seriously.

Most seriously hurt were Chief Pharmacist's Mate Morris Cornelius, 25, stationed at Quantico, who suffered head injuries, and Miss Cecilia Parkes, mathematics teacher in Richmond, who suffered a leg fracture and severe shock. Both are in the Marine Hospital at Quantico.

Less seriously injured were Robert John Marsh, of Dumfries, a pharmacist's mate first class, who suffered multiple cuts, and Miss Nancy Worthington, of Richmond, director of Camp Allegheny near White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., who was treated for minor injuries.

Nokesville PTA Has Open House To Exhibit School Improvements

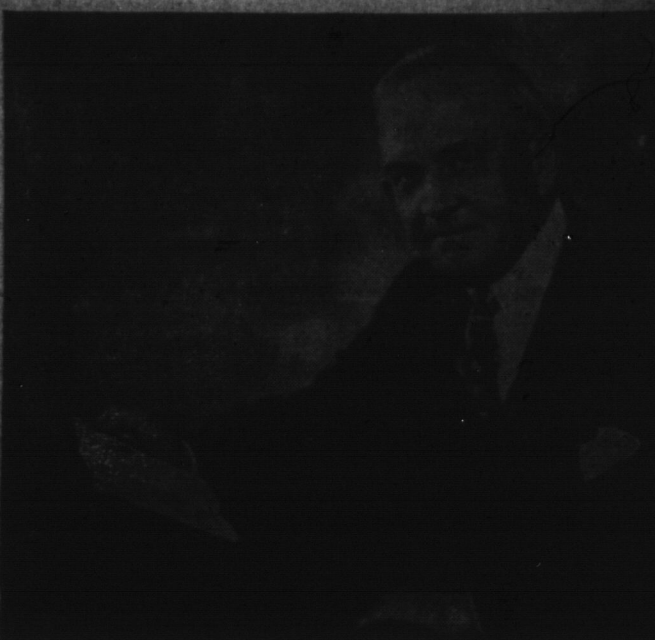
(By Hazel B. Shepard)

The Nokesville patrons literally swarmed in the school on Thursday night when 250 parents, children and visitors attended the regular meeting of the P.T.A., followed by open house when everyone visited the rooms all dressed up in their Christmas finery. The brass choir, under the direction of Michael Ronca, presented their Christmas music and later Lowen Marshall sang "White Christmas," accompanied at the piano by Mr. Ronca.

After the opening prayer by Mrs. Milton Coy, the second grade teacher, President George Sonafank was in charge of the business-packed session. Fred Shepherd, backed up by Wallace Wood and Newman Hopkins, all of whom have been very busy on their committee duties, reported that their visits with E. Worth Peters, the School Board and Mr. Peters' later visit with the Board of Supervisors resulted in immediate action on sealing the gym and securing a central heating plant for the school buildings. This committee's next project will be to secure two steam tables, washing machine and various other equipment to be used in preparing the school lunches.

Mrs. L. J. Bowman, aided by the members on the program committee—Mrs. Willard Wilkins, Mrs. Olive Hooker, Mrs. Cale Gibson and Mrs. Howard Marshall—reported on their plans worked out in their meeting

Retires As Local Battlefield Park Custodian



MAJOR JOSEPH MILLS HANSON

Major Hanson Honored At Party After Disclosure Of Retirement

Announcement has been made of the retirement of Major Joseph Mills Hanson as custodian of the Manassas National Battlefield Park, rounding out fourteen years of service in the National Park Service in January.

Major Hanson came to Manassas as Custodian in April, 1942, prior to which time he had done extensive historical research and studies as a basis for the land acquisition and planning of the Manassas National Battlefield Park. He was formerly Historian at the Petersburg National Park, served as Research Historian in the Library of Congress for the National Park Service, and did special studies for Parks at Richmond, Appomattox, Antietam and Saratoga, N. Y.

A writer of some note, Major Hanson had a book, "Campaign of Manassas," published in 1939 and republished by Rhinehart last year, which has received considerable comment.

On Saturday afternoon friends gathered at the Museum to honor Major Hanson and gave him a number of handsome gifts. Among these present were Mr. Ronald S. Lee, Chief Historian of the National Park Service, of Washington; Col. Willard Webb, Chief of Staff and Reader Division of the Library of Congress; Mr. and Mrs. Francis F. Wilshin (Mr. Wilshin is Historian of the Fredericksburg National Mil-

itary Park); Mr. and Mrs. Helen Stuart, of Washington, (Mr. Stuart is Statistician with the Commerce Department); Capt. E. John Long, U.S.N., Public Relations Officer on the Staff of Secretary of National Defense Forrestal; Mr. Garnett Jex, portrait artist, of Arlington; Mr. Harold L. Peterson, Curator of the National Park Service Museum Laboratory in Washington; Mrs. Frank (See MAJOR HANSON, Page 12)

Christmas Tree Program Held

Lions Club Event Draws Nice Crowd

A large crowd attended Tuesday night's first annual Community Christmas Tree program, sponsored by the Manassas Lions Club, on the horse show grounds of the Porter Estate.

The children had an especially happy time as Santa Claus put in an appearance to hand out candy and oranges to those present. It was Santa's second appearance here in the past week.

Dr. Floyd M. Riddick served as master of ceremonies for the program, and a monologue was given by Worth H. Storke.

Another highlight of the program was the playing of Christmas music by the brass choir of the Nokesville High School band and the singing of Christmas carols by a mixed choir from local churches. Clay Ball was chairman of the Lions committee which arranged the program.

Manassas Kiwanis Club Holds Xmas Program; Committees Set

A program of Christmas carols and the announcement of committee appointments for 1948 highlighted last Friday's weekly meeting of the Manassas Kiwanis Club at the Prince William Hotel.

Directed and accompanied by Miss Irene Taylor, a quartet of Osbourne High School girls sang three songs and Betty Ann Ritter sang a solo for the benefit of the club. In addition to Miss Ritter, members of the quartet were Peggy Pickett, Wanda Tomlinson and Ann Warren Coleman.

Following the singing of the quartet, the club joined in singing several Christmas carols. The program was under the direction of J. P. Royer and the club's sponsors, Mrs. Royer and Kitty Baker.

It was announced that Christmas baskets were to be prepared on Saturday for the annual distribution on Tuesday. Stanley A. Owens was thanked by the club for making possible a contribution from the Salvation Army toward the Christmas baskets.

Guests of the club, in addition to Miss Taylor, were Miss Pat Royer, Connie Kincheol, Turner Wheeling, A. R. Cullen and Sam Ford, a

Moses Commission Recommends State Sales Tax; Northern Virginia Merchants, Legislators Oppose It

Assembly Members In This Area Plan To Fight Proposal

Northern Virginia members of the Virginia General Assembly this week pledged a finish fight on the Moses School Study Commission's recommendation for a State retail sales tax.

Such a levy, the legislators declared, would be inequitable. They found no fault with the purpose of the proposal—to raise additional funds for public schools—but said other forms of taxation should be used.

The Northern Virginia legislators said they were not yet prepared to offer substitute proposals but added that they will join in submitting an alternative program.

"We are going to do everything we can to oppose the sales tax," said Charles R. Fenwick, senator-elect from Arlington. "I have written to the organizations which have expressed opposition to a sales tax, asking them to get together and decide on a substitute so we can present a united front in the legislature."

Mr. Fenwick said there is no question that the schools need additional funds, but he continued that other means could be found to provide the money.

A similar view was expressed by Senator Andrew W. Clarke, who represents the City of Alexandria and the Counties of Prince William and Fairfax.

Frank P. Moncure, member of the House of Delegates from Prince William and Stafford, "retorted" that he stood on the sales tax.

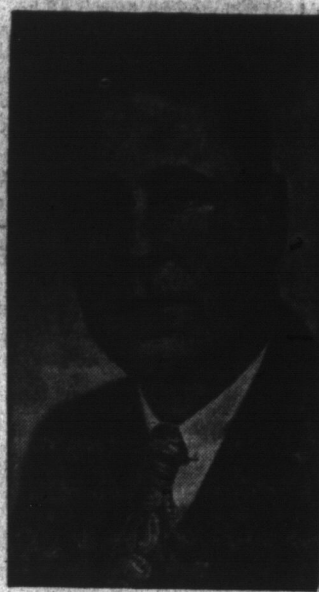
"I have promised my constituents that I will not support a sales tax unless I am convinced there is a real need for more money which cannot be raised in any other way," Mr. Moncure declared. "I want first to find out whether the money is needed."

Mr. Moncure said he felt there was a lot of "duplication of effort" in State administration, and added that he favored a thorough investigation of all financial needs before beginning to worry about sources of money.

Delegate J. Maynard Magruder, of Arlington, said he had not read the report and preferred to withhold specific comment on it, but that he was definitely opposed to the sales tax.

George Damm, who also represents the County of Prince William (See Assembly Members, Page 12)

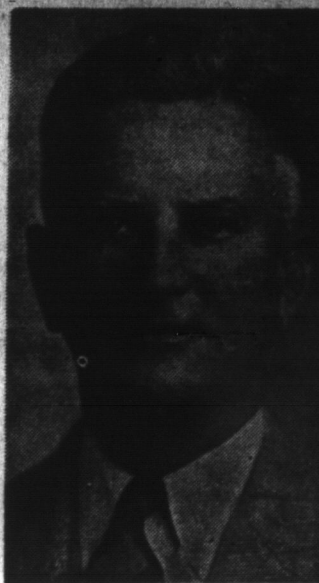
Oppose Sales Tax



ANDREW W. CLARKE



CHARLES R. FENWICK



FRANK P. MONCURE

Two Percent Levy Designed To Meet Needs Of Schools

Developments within the past week have made it evident that the \$64 question before the Virginia General Assembly when it convenes in January will be whether or not Virginia will adopt a sales tax as an additional means of securing revenue.

Coming on the heels of the recommendation for a sales tax of the League of Virginia Counties last week came this week's recommendation of the Moses Commission—sweeping improvements in Virginia's educational system with a two percent sales tax PLUS increases in present levies to pay for them.

The Moses Commission was created by the Assembly last January to study school needs. Its report to Governor Tuck covered the field of public education expenditures, but it laid emphasis on "the greatest single problem," that of "providing an adequate supply of competent teachers."

Meanwhile, however, the Virginia Merchants' Association, labor organizations and other groups have marshaled a fight against the sales tax, a fight which has gained support of merchants almost unanimously throughout Northern Virginia and particularly in Prince William County.

A number of merchants have commented that money already is getting "tight" and that people will not be able to afford any extra cost on products which already are sky-high in price.

Quite a number of Prince William merchants have questioned the reasons for an increase in taxes, and many have been outspoken in their criticism of the present tax structure and the present expenditure of money by the various State agencies.

"We're paying all kinds of taxes now and we don't seem to be getting anything for them," was a comment many have made. "I don't believe increasing taxes is going to help the situation any."

The Moses Commission report presented a three-fold program designed to attract and hold good teachers, and recommended in addition:

State ownership and operation of school transportation facilities.

An increase to \$800,000 (virtually double that of the current year) of the extra State help to poorer localities.

Further improvements in vocational education.

The report devoted considerable argument in defense of its sales tax (See Moses Commission, Page 12)

Santa Claus' Visit To Manassas Considered Outstanding Success

(See Editorial Comment)

Santa Claus came to Manassas last Friday, and the general opinion was that the merry old gentleman with the red suit and white whiskers made quite a lasting impression.

It's quite safe to say that Santa Claus captivated the children like no one ever captivated them except the same gentleman on his Christmas Eve night visits to the homes.

It was even rumored that some of the "older children," referring to the adults, got as much kick out of Santa's visit as did the younger members of the families.

The whole celebration started when Santa alighted from his plane at the Manassas Airport at about 3 p. m. after being flown in by George King and Nick Latsios, who operate the airfield.

At the airport Santa was greeted by a welcoming address by Harry P. Davis, Mayor of Manassas and President of the Prince William

County Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored Santa's visit.

After the ceremony at the airport, Santa was driven into town by John Gregory and Mr. Davis in a bright red convertible belonging to Dudley J. Martin. Santa rode on the top of the back seat, waving to everyone as he passed.

When Santa reached Manassas, he was whisked into line for a parade which began at Grant Avenue, came up Center Street to East went down East to Church and then came back to Pitts' Theatre.

State Trooper Phil P. Herndon headed the parade with Dr. George B. Cocks, chairman of the Chamber's Santa Claus committee, and Deputy Sheriff Turner D. Wheeling accompanying him.

Next in line and drawing almost as much attention as Santa himself came the Nokesville band, headed by its five majorettes. Led by its

Alumni Basketball Teams Rout Osbourn Cagers In Annual Tilts

Recent Graduates Spark Victories

Sparked by graduates of recent years, the basketball teams representing the Alumni of Osbourn High School ran roughshod over the comparatively inexperienced high school teams last Friday night in the Osbourn gym before a near capacity crowd.

The Alumni girls grabbed a commanding halftime lead and coasted to an easy 25-13 decision, while the Alumni boys turned on the heat in the final stanza after a close first half to register a 41-18 victory.

Nancy Parrish was a particular thorn in the side of the Osbourn sextet, coached by her sister, Bettie Parrish, as she tossed in five field goals for ten points to lead the scoring for both teams. She was ably assisted by Kitty Jean and Mary Blakemore, who tallied seven and eight points, respectively.

The high school in the meantime was having difficulty locating the basket against four of the better

guards in the Manassas vicinity—Faynelle Pickerel, Mary Dellinger, Margy Beane and Edith Johnson.

Rita Fox paced the high school team with six points, four of them on foul shots. The Alumni held a 13-5 lead at the half, but the high school girls kept the score respectable in the final two quarters.

The boys' game was exactly the opposite as the high school waged a stubborn struggle and left the floor at the end of the half trailing by only two points, 16-14. The Alumni threw up a tight defense in the second half, however, and the high school team lost its scoring eye, being unable to register a single field goal the entire second half as the Alumni ran wild.

Robert Robinson was the big gun in the Alumni attack as he tossed in seven goals and four foul shots for 18 points. Stewart Vetter tallied nine points for the graduates. Teddy Peters, with six points, and Gayle Swank, with five, were high for Osbourn.

Osbourn. G. F. Pts. G. Parler, f. 0 0-0 0

K. Dogan	1	1-1	0
L. Woodyard, f.	0	0-3	0
B. Coverston, f.	2	0-0	0
V. Merchant, f.	2	0-8	4
R. Fox, f.	1	4-7	6
N. Wayland, g.			
H. Ritter, g.			
B. Fox, g.			
B. Jonas, g.			
L. Jonas, g.			
S. Saylor, g.			
J. Blunt, f.	0	0-0	0

Totals	4	5-14	10
Alumni	G.	F.	Pts.
K. Blakemore, f.	0	3-6	7
M. Blakemore, f.	4	0-0	0
B. Blakemore, f.	0	0-0	0
N. Parrish, f.	5	0-3	10
F. Pickerel, g.			
M. Dellinger, g.			
M. Beane, g.			
E. Johnson, g.			

Total 11 3-9 25

BOYS' GAME			
Osbourn	G.	F.	Pts.
T. Peters, f.	1	4-4	6
J. Reid, f.	0	1-4	1
C. Carattini, f.	0	0-1	0
R. Parler, f.	0	0-0	0
O. Kline, f.	0	0-0	0
J. Martin, f.	0	0-0	0
C. Stipe, c.	1	1-1	2
W. Polen, c.	0	0-0	0
T. Cavanaugh, c.	0	0-0	0
J. Saylor, g.	1	1-3	3
G. Swank, g.	2	1-2	5
K. Lymburner, g.	0	0-0	0
A. Sinclair, g.	0	0-0	0

Totals	5	9-15	18
Alumni	G.	F.	Pts.
S. Vetter, f.	4	1-4	9
B. Merchant, f.	0	1-2	1
J. Broadus, f.	1	0-0	2
R. Polen, f.	0	0-1	0
W. Bolding, f.	0	0-0	0
L. Mills, f.	0	0-0	0
H. Kline, f.	0	0-0	0
B. Johnson, c.	7	4-9	18
C. Wine, c.	0	0-0	0
F. Dowell, g.	0	0-1	0
L. Swank, g.	2	0-0	4
J. Roseberry, g.	0	0-0	0
G. Slusher, g.	2	0-0	4

Totals 17 7-18 41

Occoquan Teams Split Two With Warrenton

Playing their first league game under their new coach, Herb Saunders, the Occoquan High School boys' basketball team opened its season last Friday night at Occoquan by defeating Warrenton High by a 33-20 score.

In the preliminary, the Occoquan girls were defeated by the Warrenton sextet, 44-20. Ramey, Warrenton forward, outscored the entire Occoquan team as she dropped in 26 points.

Jimmy Balabous was the point-maker for Occoquan in the boys' contest, pacing the attack with 12 points. Occoquan held a 19-3 lead at the half.

The boys' lineups:			
Occoquan	G.	F.	Pts.
Balabous, f.	5	2	12
Tucci, f.	0	1	1
Humphries, f.	0	0	0
Bauckman, f.	0	0	0
Sullivan, f.	0	0	2
Lockett, f.	0	0	0
Manderfield, f.	0	0	0
Bishop, c.	2	0	0
Sanford, c.	1	0	2
Swank, c.	0	0	0
Heflin, g.	1	0	2
Clarke, g.	1	1	3
Saylor, g.	0	0	0
Frazier, g.	0	0	0
Phythian, g.	0	0	0
Powers, g.	0	0	0

Totals	14	5	33
Warrenton	G.	F.	Pts.
Carter, f.	3	0	6
McGravy, f.	0	1	1
Downs, f.	2	3	7
McClanahan, f.	1	0	3
C. Hawkins, c.	0	0	0
H. Hawkins, g.	0	0	0
Lunsford, g.	0	0	0
Butler, g.	0	0	0

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On Tuesday Mrs. Marian Green and Miss Lucille Amidon attended dinner at the Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, given to Chevrolet Accountants by Chevrolet Motor Division.

On Sunday Mrs. Lloyd Barlow gave a surprise birthday dinner for her husband, Lloyd Barlow, and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Laura Barlow. Guests present were Mr. Melvin Barlow, Jr., Mr. Donnie Tyrell, Mildred and Frank McKenzie, Mr. Vernon Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Woodie and son, Buddy, Mr. and Mrs. Orva J. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Williams, Mr. Guy Reynolds and Mrs. Bet Brawner.

Miss Irene Barfield was the week end guest of Miss Hilda Amidon. Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Brower and family spent the weekend in Mountain Lake Park, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Whetzel and children, of Washington, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cornwell on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cornwell, of Washington, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Abel.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Thomas, of Arlington, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Amidon on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Creel and child, of Washington, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Creel. Mr. Guy Reynolds, Mr. Frank McKenzie, Mrs. Bet Brawner and Miss Thelma Barlow visited China Town in Washington on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Woodie motored to Fredericksburg on Saturday.

Area Man Selected

At the annual meeting of the Nation Tamworth Swine Breeders Association held in Chicago, R. W. Yeomans of Grigsby Hill Farm near Centreville, was elected a member of its board of directors.

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Advantages Of Health Center For Maternity Cases Are Cited

(By N. T. McMANAWAY)

It is hard to believe that, in our county of Prince William, children are being born with "two strikes on them" the day they are born. Conditions under which they come into the world are such that they have very poor chance indeed of ever becoming useful, to themselves or the community, or even surviving the first years of childhood. Why is this true? Can anything be done about it? Does not every child have the right to half a chance?

The "why" may be answered in several ways. None would be entirely true, perhaps, but none would be far wrong.

The first thought would be that birth, for these children, was into a home of poverty, where warmth, cleanliness and proper food was lacking. There are still far too many of which this would be true.

Poorly clothed parents, improperly nourished, living in dilapidated houses, cannot be expected to provide a clean, comfortable, healthful, nearly satisfactory place as birthplace for their child without planning and guidance. Even with in-

struction and aid, some homes cannot be made suitable nor safe for the event. A child born in such surroundings as suggested will be a ready breeding place for all kinds of disease germs. In many cases, badly nourished before birth, they will be unwisely fed after they are born. Too frequently a child is marked for welfare aid or medical treatment all of its life from such conditions on the day it was born.

Then there are children of very young couples who accept parenthood before life has taught the many things needful to this obligation. Carelessness, ignorance of what to do and how to live that baby may be normal—that certain irresponsibility of youth—without guidance, will work to handicap the infant and frequently doom the mother to poor health for years.

A Health Center serves a community in providing a clean, properly equipped room, cheerful, comfortable, summer or winter, in which to receive the little stranger. Instruments, nursing care, all the necessary supplies to take care of emergencies; a safe place for moth-

er and child for a short period of care—all these are provided in centers offering Maternity Clinical service.

But the center will have done, or should do, a more worthwhile job with the parent before the child comes. Regular instruction, periodic checkups, given at the center will have taught the mother how to eat, to exercise, to rest, so that Baby may be normal. Corrective treatment will have assured Baby of a far better chance of escaping diseases at the start. Mother will have been told how to get that home ready, so that the early months of the child's life may be as free as possible from infections, contagious diseases, neglect, of certain attentions which if practiced become injurious. She will be taught to watch for signs of illness or defects which may be corrected in babyhood.

Prince William County provides Maternity and Child Care at the present time, through the Health Unit. This includes instruction, examination, demonstrations, treatment despite the limited space and restricted equipment. A modern center would permit the present staff to multiply its effectiveness and to greatly increase the number of persons aided by the progress.

In such a center, well equipped delivery rooms would serve not only the mothers coming from the poorer homes, but would provide for any mother who, because of accident or unexpected strain, would find all plans and provisions for her baby gone wrong.

A station wagon, or convertible, belonging to the center and driven by a regularly employed driver, would increase the effectiveness of instruction and the number of mothers prepared, through expert care, in that regular attendance on clinics would be assured. The time and skill of the doctors and nurses would be utilized to the fullest. Most important of all, fewer of our little future citizens with no better than a 50-50 chance of ever getting anywhere.

Telephone Company Asks Cooperation

The cooperation of the public in assisting to make telephone conversations easier during the holidays was asked this week by J. A. Vetter, manager of the Central Mutual Telephone Co., Inc.

According to Mr. Vetter, the switchboard is carrying a heavy load of calls during the holiday season and the operators are having trouble keeping up with the telephone traffic.

Mr. Vetter said the company was expecting new equipment soon, which will alleviate the situation when coupled with more experience on the part of the operators, many of whom are new.

One particular request made by the telephone company is that all persons call by number instead of by name, thereby saving much time and work for the operators during a very busy season.

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CENTREVILLE

The W.S.C.S. met at the home of Mrs. Charles Oothoudt Friday night. Mrs. Nora Good led the worship service and Mrs. Oothoudt led the program. The newly elected officers are Mrs. Cobb, president; Mrs. Helen Saunders, vice president; Mrs. Minnie Sanders, recording and corresponding secretary; Mrs. Good, treasurer; Mrs. Oothoudt, secretary of spiritual life; and Mrs. Audrey Neibert, secretary of literature.

Mrs. DeBell visited Mrs. C. J. Mohler and Mrs. Eldon Ehinger Tuesday.

Mr. Dan Davis has been sick for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Myers plan a trip to Florida the first of the year.

Mrs. Maggie Parnell has moved in Mr. Good's house on the Manassas Road.

Mrs. Julia Korzendorfer and Mr. Charlie Korzendorfer have moved into the village.

Mr. Frank Mohler has recovered from a recent illness.

A P.T.A. meeting was held at the Elementary school Friday afternoon. A committee including Mrs. DeBell, Mrs. Saunders and Mrs. Ehinger was appointed to gather up clothing for needy children in the community.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Dye are Mr. and Mrs. Dye and son, Bobby, of Arlington.

Fairfax High School will close for the Christmas holidays Tuesday, December 23.

A presentation by the Barter Theatre was held at Fairfax High school Friday night.

Soroptomist Club Has Xmas Party

The Soroptomist Club of Fairfax County met at the country home of Mrs. Harriet Gordon for the club's Christmas Party.

Members brought brightly wrapped Christmas gifts for hospitalized servicemen. The club's President, Mrs. Charlotte Montgomery, presented the gifts to the Community Service Committee of the Fairfax County Chapter, American Red Cross, for distribution at Christmas.

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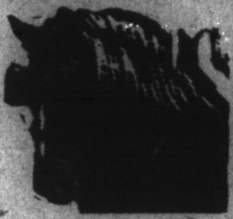
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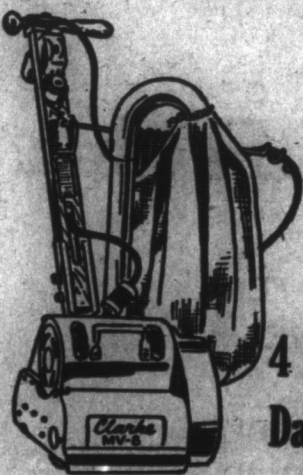
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Christmas Greetings
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Marine Eleven Wins All-Navy Championship

Quantico Defeats Alameda 26 To 0

Coming to life in the second half, during which they scored three touchdowns, the Quantico Marines defeated the Alameda, Calif., Naval Air Station Hellcats, 26-0, to capture the All-Navy football championship before 20,000 fans at San Diego Saturday.

A punting duel between Alameda's Ship Norris and Quantico's Robert Dove dominated the first quarter. The Marines hit pay dirt in the next period when Fullback Glenn Barrington started into action.

Quantico put on a sustained drive from the 50-yard stripe, with Barrington going the last 21 yards for the score. Tony Messina booted the extra point.

Dominating the play in the second half, the Marines punched over three more touchdowns to turn the game in a virtual walkaway. Barrington scored again in the third period, going over right guard for one yard. Messina's conversion attempt was wide.

Quantico made it 19 to 0 soon after the fourth quarter opened. Denny Stith notching the six-pointer to climax a 54-yard march. Messina's try for the extra point was blocked.

The Hellcats lost their only scoring chance in the fourth period, when Joe Perry fumbled. Alameda drove from its own 40 to the Marines' one-foot line and first down. On the next play, Perry headed off tackle but fumbled and Dove pounced on the ball for Quantico.

End Joe Vosmik racked up Quantico's final score in the closing minutes, taking a 26-yard pass from Dove on the three and going over standing up. Messina's kick was good.

Weekly Calendar

Friday, December 26—Quantico Boys Club, 6 p. m., Quantico School

Monday, December 29—John A. LeJeune Lodge No. 350, 8 p. m., Masonic Temple, Quantico.

Thursday, January 1—R. E. Lee Lodge, I.O.O.F., 8 p. m., Odd Fellows Hall, Dumfries; Quantico Girls Club, 6 p. m., Quantico School.

Friday, January 2—Quantico Boys Club, 6 p. m., Quantico School.

QUANTICO

The Quantico Lions Club has announced that its dance scheduled for New Year's Eve has been cancelled.

The Quantico Bridge Club met last Wednesday night with Mrs. Nellie P. Purvis. Mrs. Purvis won high score, while second and third honors went to Mrs. William Radcliffe and Mrs. V. S. Abel, Sr. Others playing were Mrs. Irene Gnad, Mrs. E. T. Kelley, Mrs. Hugh Ashby, Mrs. B. E. Sisson and Mrs. Sodie Persons.

Miss Jean Wilson and Mrs. Irene

Burich spent the weekend with Mrs. Burich's mother in Quantico.

MacDonald Radcliffe is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Radcliffe.

Mrs. Mamie D. Ryan, of Birmingham, Ala., and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Corliss, of Washington, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gnad.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Brawley, of Drewryville, are spending Christmas with relatives in Quantico.

John Crawford is spending the holidays in Quantico with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Crawford.

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Consumers can help by asking for meats with moderate finish and using less expensive cuts. Use more potatoes and sweet potatoes. Livestock dealers can help by avoiding bruising when handling livestock.

Farmers can help by replacing pig old sows with young sows. By vaccinating and eliminating disease. When egg production drops more than 50 percent its time to call. Eat and feed only that which is needed.

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Herndon Club

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The Herndon Woman's Club met on Monday evening, December 8 with Mrs. Harved Sentel. The evening was spent in packing a box with toys, clothes and food for a needy family in the community.

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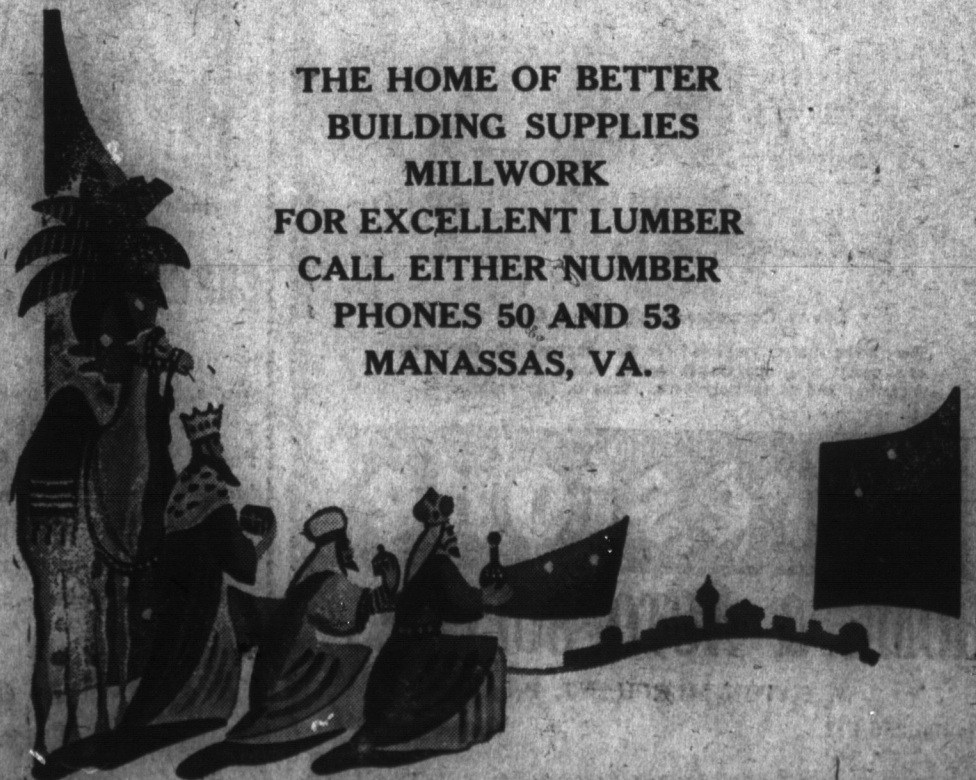
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NOKESVILLE

Congratulations to Lee Flory, who went to Winchester recently to try out for the all-state band. Lee was one of the three with his kind of instrument who will go to Norfolk the first of the year for the finals. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wright and

family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Wood and the Alec Bells.

Master Billy Corbin is getting all ready for Christmas. He had his tonsils out on Sunday, but is getting along nicely.

Did you happen to hear "Welcome Travelers" program this week on the radio when the Dutch people with their two adopted refugee

Jewish boys were on the program? This family had been visiting the G. J. Slothouber family over the weekend. They were on their way from Holland to the West where they are going to make their new home.

Mr. Will Swank and Mrs. John Kerlin continue to be very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Conner, of Washington, have a new baby girl, born on the 18th. Their other little daughter, Sandra, is staying with her grandparents, the George Garmanas.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Polen and Robbie left on Saturday to spend a week with Mrs. Polen's parent's the Vandergriffs, in Knoxville, Tenn.

The Cale Gibsons left on Friday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Gibson's parents in South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Flory and family are spending this week with Mrs. Flory's family at Harrisonburg.

In a matter of a few minutes a house full of firemen answered the call and put out a fire at the Warren Hale home on Sunday evening. The fire had caught from the pipe which ran thru the wall. The Hale's were gone at the time but the fire was noticed by the folks living in the upstairs apartment.

Miss Katherine Roller, of Chicago, and Miss Frances Roller, of Broadway, former classmates of Miss Alice Wright, are spending the Christmas holidays with the Wilbur Wright family.

Congratulations to Rev. C. W. Mark on his 90th birthday. Mr. Mark has lived in Nokesville since 1925 and has been serving as pastor at the local Methodist Churches here for seven years. He was a minister for 23 years and has been retired for 23 years. He served pastorates in Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania. Since his wife's death six years ago, Mr. Mark has made his home with his daughter and family, the W. R. Frees. He has one great granddaughter, Sandra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Welton Albrite.

Mr. Mark is still very active, able to attend all the church services and other activities. He does a lot of gardening and other work. His mind is still very alert. He is leaving for Florida on Saturday to spend the winter with a nephew, Oscar Mark.

He celebrated his birthday on Sunday at the Free home, with most of his family present. His brother-in-law and sister-in-law, John Brayshaw and Miss Effie Rowe, were there for dinner and in the afternoon the following nieces and nephews were present: Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mark, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mark, Mr. Harold Mark, Dr. and Mrs. Ferris and daughter, Mrs. Grace McInteer, Mrs. Carrie Laws, Kenneth Laws, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moseley and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams, the Free family and Mr. and Mrs. Welton Albrite.

The best wishes go to Mr. Mark from his many friends at Nokesville.

Christmas is here again—Christmas belongs to the children; it belongs to the home; it belongs to the church; it belongs to everybody—will you let it belong to you? It's having such good friends as you that adds a special touch to the joys of Christmas time for us. May the peace and happiness of Christmas brighten your day and remain with you throughout the year.

GREENWICH

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church met at the home of Mrs. Betty Hale on Tuesday afternoon with thirteen members present. Miss Katie Boley led the Bible discussion. Mrs. Ewing McMichael invited the Auxiliary to meet with her in January.

Herbert Wood is getting along nicely in Doctors' Hospital following a major operation. He hopes to be able to come home for Christmas. Several children from this vicinity went to Manassas on Friday

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The Gainesville District School entertainment Thursday night was "lovely." The public was invited and entertained delightfully with carols sung by the Glee Club. The young carolers were attired in white cotters with black ties. They carried white candles on the stage, which had an effective background with a dark sky, an oasis and a castle, all of which were prepared by the second grade teacher with the aid of some of the students.

Mrs. L. H. Gardener is spending a few days with her daughter.

Possible Fire Hazard Eliminated By Firemen

A possible fire hazard was eliminated by the Manassas Volunteer Fire Department Friday afternoon after the quick thinking of a driver for the Manassas Ice and Fuel Co. had made it possible.

The incident occurred when the oil truck turned off Route 234 about four miles north of Manassas and hit a stump, breaking a pipe and allowing gasoline to escape along the road.

Called to the scene, the firemen quickly ignited the gasoline and kept the blaze under control until all danger of a fire from an up-wind passerby had been eliminated.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 1947

Our Own Christmas

"The earth has grown old with its
burden of care,
But at Christmas it always is
young
The heart of the jewel burns lus-
trous and fair,
And its soul full of music breaks
forth on the air,
When the song of the angels is
sung."

—Phillips Brooks

Most of us take it for granted
that Christmas goes back
without a break to the Year
One. There was a great deal
of confusion from the second
century on as to the exact date
of Christ's birth.

The celebration dates from
the fourth and fifth centuries.
In the year A. D. 386, Pope
Julian issued a papal decree
that Christmas should be ob-
served on December 25th. The
observance spread into all parts
of the Christian world, becom-
ing fairly well established as
early as the fifth century.

Among people of Germanic
ancestry, including the English,
the celebration of the Christ-
mas season with holly, mistle-
toe, wassail and the Yule log
are relics of an old pagan festi-
val commemorating the short-
est day of the year.

Christmas celebrations in
Shakespeare's time were quite
elaborate. They often lasted
until the "Twelfth Day"—
twelve days after Christmas.
The people feasted and held
gay celebrations during this
period.

The Puritan fathers hated
and feared Christmas. The
traditions and merrymaking
of Old England must have no
place in the New World. It
was not even a legal holiday
in some parts of the United
States less than 100 years ago.
It was legalized in Massachu-
setts in 1856 but some churches
would not recognize it as late
as the War Between the States.
Christmas did not enter most
of our Sunday Schools until the
sixties.

In the early days in New
England, it was considered ir-
reverent to celebrate Christ's
birthday with feasting, gift-
giving and jollity. On Christ-
mas Day, the Plymouth Pil-
grims worked harder than on
any other day. Shopkeepers in
Boston were fined for closing
their shops and in 1659 a law
was enacted against the ob-
servance of the day.

Gradually the Puritan Fathers
experienced a softening
and change of heart. Children
began clamoring for Christmas
about the time Clement Moore
wrote his poem, "Twas the
Night before Christmas," which
swept the country in 1823. And
Santa Claus became real to
millions of children in America
and soon after that the Eng-
lish took him to their hearts.

The Christmas tree was
brought to this country by the
Germans. The use of trinkets
on the tree dates from Roman
days when little masks of
Bacchus were hung on trees
and vines to impart fertility to
every side of the tree to which
the wind turned the faces.

Holly was considered an of-
fer of winter hospitality to the
spirits and fairies who haunted
the leafless woods in early Eng-
land. Thus developed the cus-
tom of placing a spray of ber-
ried holly in the window to
attract the good spirits. It has
been suggested that holly is
from holy, being dedicated to
festivities.

Mistletoe is a traditional

Christmas decoration held in
respect from the time of the
Druids. An old English tradi-
tion says that the mistletoe
was once a fair tree in the
forest and that from its wood
was made the cross upon which
Christ was crucified. As a re-
sult of its having been put to
such a use, the mistletoe was
cursed and thenceforth lived
as an insignificant poison plant.
The annual cutting was an oc-
casion of great solemnity and
importance.

The following tale may have
started that nice custom of
kissing beneath the mistletoe.
Before it fell from its high
place and was cursed as the
wood from which the cross
was made, mistletoe was con-
sidered so sacred that if enemies
met beneath it in the forest,
they immediately called a truce.
The hanging of mistletoe over
the doorway became a pledge
of peace and friendship.

At first, a friendly greeting
was sufficient and then it was
changed to a kiss. And it is
true that the privilege of kiss-
ing under the mistletoe is
limited to the number of ber-
ries—one of which is plucked
at every kiss.

A special treat at Christmas
was plenty of warmth. Christ-
mas fires blazed and a huge
log was selected for the festi-
val. Yule is an old English
name for Christmas and it still
appears in Yule log, Yule cake
and Yule tide.

The Yule log was brought
home with great ceremony and
all who helped were safe against
witchcraft for the coming year.
In their "Feast of Light," the
Jews set candles in honor
of the feast. The Christians
followed their custom and took
candles for the Christmas festi-
val. In the Middle Ages, in
both church and home, a large
candle burned as a symbol of
the Star of Bethlehem.

To W. C. Dobson, one of
Queen Victoria's favorite paint-
ers, goes the credit of the first
Christmas card. In 1844 he sent
a friend a sketch symbolizing
the spirit of Christmas. The
next year he had copies made
and sent to other friends.

Since mince pie is made of
choice compounds of the East,
it is said to symbolize the gift
of the Wise Men. As early as
1596 mince pies were popular.
The original plum pudding
was a boiled wheat mixture.
Something new was added
every year—an egg, a slice of
ginger, raisins, currants, or
prunes. This was boiled to a
pulp and appeared at the table
as soup. Then lumps of good
English suet were added and
by 1870 plum pudding had been
sweetened and stiffened into
the pudding of today.

America's only contribution
to the Christmas feast seems
to be turkey. But what care we
that holly, mistletoe, Yule logs

or feasting were once pagan
festivities? We have taken the
best of the Christmas of the
world and united them into a
merry day of our own.

Sometimes we find it hard
to catch the full meaning of
Christmas. Our homes must be
fresh and shining; our list of
Christmas giving increases
every year. In our rush and
hurry we sometimes fail to
stop and find the real Christ-
mas. [We watch the Christmas
pageants unfold year after year
—the shepherds, the Wise Men,
the candles—until it all be-
comes a bit meaningless.]

We must learn to look be-
yond the glow of the candles
and the gleam of the Christ-
mas Star and see Jesus sitting
on the hillside, His face aglow
with His message, while around
are the crowds of people to
whom His words mean a new
way of living. We must try to
see Him in the city streets, His
healing hands raised over a
crippled child.

Christmas carols burst from
our radios. There is joy and
light and festivity in our homes.
In some quiet moment of our
Christmas Day, we might stop
to remember Him who gave
us Christmas. If we listen we
might hear a voice tell us about
"The Continuing Christ," such
as the Rev. Dr. W. Russell
Bowie pointed out in his Christ-
mas hymn:

"Far, far away is Bethlehem,
And years are long and dim
Since Mary held the holy Child
And angels sang to him:
But still to hearts where love and
faith
Make room for Christ in them,
He comes again, the Child from God,
To find his Bethlehem."

"Beyond the sea is Galilee,
And ways which Jesus trod,
And hidden there are those high
hills
Where he communed with God;
Yet on the plains of common life
Through all the world of men,
The voice that once said, "Follow
me,"
Speaks to our hearts again.

"Gethsemane and Calvary,
And death and bitter loss;
Are these but echoes drifting down
From a forgotten cross?
Nay, Lord, for all our living sins
Thy cross is lifted up,
And as of old we hear thee say,
"Can ye too drink my cup?"

"O Life that seems so long ago,
And yet is ever new,
The fellowship of love with thee,
Through all the years is true.
O Master over death and time,
Reveal thyself, we pray,
And as before amongst thine own,
So dwell with us today!"

A Job Well Done

Dr. George B. Cocke, Mrs.
E. D. Gothwaite and Edgar E.
Rohr may well step into the
spotlight and receive a rising
vote of thanks from the citi-
zens of Manassas for the swell
job they did last Friday in
making the visit of Santa Claus
such a success.

There were many others who

deserve a lot of credit for their
part in the program—Mayor
Harry P. Davis, John Gregory,
Turner Wheeling, E. G. Parrish,
George King, Nick Latsios,
Michael J. Ronca and the fine
Nokesville Band. Santa Claus
himself, the 28 merchants of
Manassas who underwrote the
visit of Santa and hosts of
others—but the three persons
directly responsible were Dr.
Cocke, Mrs. Gothwaite and Mr.
Rohr, the members of the
Chamber of Commerce commit-
tee who arranged all the de-
tails and worked out the sched-
ule.

Already there is talk of a
visit by Santa to Manassas
next year. There have been
suggestions as to how the pro-
gram can be made better,
which is inevitable after every
first performance, and there
have been requests from mer-
chants not included in this
year's program to be included
in next year's.

All in all, the visit of Santa
was a tremendous success from
the moment he alighted at the
Manassas Airport. The mer-
chants got their money's worth
from the crowd which attended;
the crowd got its money's
worth from the program and
the merchandise available in
Manassas.

It's a pity that Santa had to
leave when he did, but we're
all looking forward to another
visit next year. It's bound to
be a success if anyone does
half as well as this year's
committee did.

John W. Petty

John W. Petty, a life-long resi-
dent of Prince William County, passed
away at his home near Manassas
last Thursday after a lingering
illness. He was 73 years of age.

He is survived by his wife; six
sons, Harvey, Fred and Wilson
Petty, all of Washington, Virgil
Petty, of McLean, Roy Petty, of
Woodbridge, and George Petty, of
Suitland, Md.; four daughters, Mrs.
Effie Cornwell, of Manassas, Miss
Daisy Petty, of Greenwich, and

Mrs. Maggie Davis and Mrs. Elsie
Guthard, both of Washington; 17
grandchildren and two great-grand-
children.

Funeral services were held at
Baker's Funeral Home with inter-
ment following in Woodbine Ceme-
tery. Pallbearers were Joe Keys,
Maurice Keys, Willard Keys, Wal-
ter Shaffer, Willard Fogle and Jim
Shoemaker.

LEGAL NOTICES

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

On the 5th day of December, 1947
the undersigned qualified as ad-
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ginia, who died on the 23rd day of
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George M. Reynolds, or his estate,
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F. Coffey and Rachel O. Coffey,
his wife, to the undersigned, dated
May 10, 1947 and recorded in Deed
Book 119, page 291, among the land
records of Prince William County,
Virginia, default having been made
in the payment of the indebtedness
thereby secured, and having been
requested so to do by the holder
of the note evidencing the said in-
debtedness, the undersigned Trustees
will offer for sale at public auc-
tion, at the front door of the Prince
William County Courthouse, in Manassas,
Virginia, on Saturday, JANU-
ARY 24th, 1948 at 10:00 O'CLOCK
A. M. all that certain real estate
situate in Brentsville Magisterial
District, Prince William County,
Virginia, containing 46 acres, 1 rood,
more or less, and being fully de-
scribed in said deed of trust to
which reference is hereby made for
the complete description of said
land. (This property is sometimes
known as the "Will Dodd Place.") 35-4-c

Said land will be sold subject to
the rights of J. Will Dodd to use
and occupy a three-room bungalow
and some outbuildings, with one
acre of land surrounding same as
long as he may live, or until he
removes therefrom.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash. A de-
posit of 10% of the amount of sale
will be required at time of sale;
terms of sale to be complied with
within 10 days from date of sale
or the property to be resold at
cost of defaulting purchaser. All
interest, taxes, examination of title,
Federal Revenue stamps, notary
fees, etc. to be at cost of purchaser.
HARRY F. DAVIS, Trustee
C. LACEY COMPTON, Trustee
35-4-c

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF
VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL
ESTATE

By virtue of authority vested in
the undersigned Trustee by that
certain deed of trust from Charles
C. Parsons and Pearl V. Parsons,
his wife, to the undersigned, dated
April 29, 1946 and recorded in Deed
Book 119, page 224, of the land re-
cords of Prince William County,
Virginia, default having been made
in the payment of the indebtedness
thereby secured, and having been
requested so to do by the holder
of the note evidencing said indebt-
edness, the undersigned Trustee will
offer for sale at public auction, at
the front door of the Prince William
County Courthouse, in Manassas,
Virginia, on SATURDAY, JANU-
ARY 24th, 1948 at 10:30 O'CLOCK
A. M. all the certain tract of land
lying and being situate in Gaines-
ville Magisterial District, Prince
William County, Virginia, contain-
ing 215.31 acres, more or less,
known as "Gravel Plain" and being
fully described by metes and bounds
in said deed of trust recorded as
aforesaid.

Said land will be sold subject to
a first trust dated April 29th, 1946
and recorded in Deed Book 119,
page 222 of said land records, se-
curing the payment note in amount
of \$4500.00.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash. A de-
posit of ten per cent of the amount
of the sale will be required at the
time of sale; terms of sale to be
complied with within 10 days from
date of sale or the property to be
resold at the cost of the defaulting
purchaser. All interest, taxes, and
insurance to be adjusted as of date
of sale. All costs of conveyancing,
examination of title, Federal Re-
venue Stamps, notary fees, etc. to
be at cost of purchaser.

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In The Social Realm

Napier-Cornwell

On Friday afternoon at 4 p. m. a very quiet wedding took place at the Methodist Parsonage when Miss Daisy May Cornwell became the bride of Ellis Napier, of Bristol. The marriage was performed by Dr. H. E. Hudgins, pastor of the Grace Methodist Church.

Mrs. Napier lived in Manassas for a number of years at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kinchloe, but for the past several years has made her home in Alexandria.

Mr. and Mrs. Napier will be at home in Manassas after a brief wedding trip.

Clemons-Kane

At a very quiet ceremony at the Woodbine Baptist Church, Miss Violet Mae Kane became the bride of Mr. Florian Randolph Clemons, of Catlett, on Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Murray Taylor.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Kane, of Manassas, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Clemons, of Catlett.

The bride was attired in a two-piece dress suit of pink wool with which she wore black accessories and a corsage of white bride's roses.

Mrs. Clemons has been employed at Southern States Manassas Co-operative for the past several years while Mr. Clemons is an employee of the Virginia Electric and Power Company.

Following a motor trip through the south, the couple plan to make

their home at Dumfries.

BRIEF MENTION

With the Christmas holidays upon us, we find the air is filled with plans for family dinners, parties, receptions and dances. Manassas will certainly have a gala social season this year from all present indications.

Among those having family dinners on Christmas Day are the T. J. Broadbuss, who will have Mr. and Mrs. Howard T. James, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Broadbuss and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Broadbuss and their families with them.

Mr. and Mrs. John Adams are having Mrs. Adams' mother and sister, Mrs. E. N. Pattie and Mrs. Katherine Conner, of Catharpin, with them for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Weir will have Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weir, Mitchell Weir and their son, of Alexandria, with them on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arrington and Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Lewis planning to have their Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Noel Lynn and family in Arlington.

Mrs. G. Raymond Ratcliffe is spending the holidays with the J. W. Beards at Lorton.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch F. Coleman and daughter have come from Southern Pines, N. C., to be with her mother, Mrs. W. E. McCoy, for the Christmas season.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Weston and family are planning to spend

Christmas with Mrs. Weston's family, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Cavanaugh, in Huntington, W. Va. Mrs. Weston plans to remain for a week or two and to recuperate further from her recent illness.

Mrs. Harry Blakemore is reported improving following her recent operation.

Two of the social highlights of the Christmas season will be the two events sponsored by the Manassas Junior Woman's Club—the annual Christmas Dance and the Progressive Dinner. The dance will be held Friday, December 26, in the Osbourne High gym beginning at 9 p. m. Russ Cullen's orchestra will furnish the music. The progressive dinner will be held on New Year's Eve at Oak Park.

Mrs. Julia Wright, of Greensboro, N. C., is spending the Christmas holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. Marshall Johnson.

Among the college students returning for the holidays are Shreve Brent, Gretchen Burhen, Marjorie Beane, Pat Royer, Joseph Lomas, Ann and Jack Burchard, Thomas Athey, Bonnie Lynn, P. A. Lewis, Jr., McDougal Rice, Colleen Harder, Catherine Wheeler, Joanne Johnson, Alvin and Carroll Conner, Betty Gore and Nancy Leigh Dillake, Kitty Jean Blakemore, John Broadbuss, Jr., June Sadd, Harold and Miriam Hersch, Randolph Eagle, Billy Johnson, Harley Kline, Eddie Jasper, Bo Williams, Ann Dulany and Victor Carattini.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Ahl, of Carlyle, Pa., are spending the holidays with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Dussau.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cross, Jr., of Charlottesville, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cross, Sr.

Messrs. A. H. Salter and Walter C. Sadd attended the preview of the 1948 "Bonus Built" Ford truck last Friday at the Statler Hotel in Washington. The truck will be shown locally on January 16.

His many friends in Manassas join with The Journal staff in expressing their deepest sympathy to Alexander Hudgins on the death of his father in Blackstone on Saturday.

Richard C. Haydon, Jr., of Washington and Lee University, was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Parrish and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Lacey Compton and family left early this week for Miami, Fla., where they will spend Christmas with Mr. Francis Compton and family.

Miss Margaret Lynch underwent treatment this week at Emergency Hospital in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kinchloe and family will spend Christmas with Mrs. Kinchloe's family, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clore, in Madison.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sedrick Saunders plan to spend Christmas with Mr. Saunders' mother, Mrs. James R. Saunders, of Warsaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Price, of Fort Worth, Texas, are visiting Mrs. Price's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fletcher, for the Christmas season.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Daffan and family will have Christmas dinner with Mrs. Daffan's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Yager Payne in Madison.

The Charles H. Stickel family have moved to Fairfax and will be missed by their friends in Manassas.

Sheriff J. P. Kerlin attended the meeting of Executive Committee of Virginia State Sheriff's Association in Richmond last week.

The ownership, management and staff of The Manassas Journal wish all of you a very merry Christmas and a most happy and a most happy and profitable New Year.

Congressional Summary

By

Carroll Kem Shackelford

SENATE VOTE: Relief Bill: On December 15, by a voice vote, the Senate passed the conference report on the Foreign Emergency Relief Bill. The final version of the bill provides \$597,000,000 for emergency relief aid to France, Italy, Austria and China under certain restrictions.

Anti-inflation Bill: On December 18, by a 77 to 10 vote, the Senate passed an anti-inflation bill proposed by Senator Taft. The bill provides: (1) authorization for voluntary industry-wide agreements for distribution of scarce commodities exempt from the anti-trust laws, (2) extension of export controls, and (3) continuation of transportation controls, plus an accepted amendment setting up a plan of action for certain rationing in the event it becomes necessary. Senators Byrd and Robertson voted for the final bill. During discussion of the bill, Senator Barkley, Democratic leader, proposed two amendments designed to give the President power to impose allocations and regulations. These amendments were defeated, 32-47, and 35-48, respectively. Senators Byrd and Robertson both voted against them. The bill then went to the House.

Appropriations Bill: On December 19, the Senate passed the bill appropriating funds to administer the Foreign Emergency Relief program and the armies of occupation in Germany, Japan and Korea. The bill provides \$540,000,000 for relief aid—\$522,000,000 to France, Italy and Austria, and \$18,000,000 to China. The money for Europe is \$75,000,000 below the sum requested by the State Department and passed in the actual bill earlier this session. \$340,000,000 were allotted for occupation program.

HOUSE VOTE: Relief Bill: On December 15, the House also accepted the conference report on the Foreign Emergency Relief Bill by a 313-82 vote. Representative Smith voted yea.

Anti-Inflation Bill: On December 15 the House defeated a proposal to consider a Republican anti-inflation bill. The vote of 202 yeas to 188 nays was not the required two-thirds. This bill was identical with the bill later passed by the Senate except that it included a provision for increased gold reserves to be held by the Federal Reserve Banks. Representative Smith voted nay. However, four days later, on December 19, the House did pass by a 281-73 vote, the same anti-inflation bill which the Senate passed the previous day. Representative Smith voted for this bill. (The Virginia delegation voted 6 for, 1 against, 2 no vote.)

Appropriation Bill: On December 17, by a voice vote, the House passed and sent to the Senate the appropriation bill providing funds for the Foreign Emergency Relief program and the Armies of Occupation. The House version differed from the one passed later in the Senate in that it allotted only \$509,000,000 for relief in Europe, leaving China out, and only \$230,000,000 for the occupation armies.

(Congress recessed December 19 until January 6 for the Christmas holidays. The next article in this series will appear January 22.)

Annual Xmas Party Held At Theatre

The annual children's party sponsored by the Manassas Volunteer

Fire Department and the Junior Woman's Club was held on Tuesday afternoon at the Pitts' Theatre with a large number of children in attendance.

The opening ceremonies were started by Dr. George B. Cooke, President of the Fire Department and the Christmas Story was told

in an entertaining fashion by Dr. H. E. Hudgins, of the Grace Methodist Church. Santa Claus then appeared and distributed gifts to the needy children, after which the movie was shown through the courtesy of the Pitts' Theatre. Oranges were given to all the children as they left the theatre.

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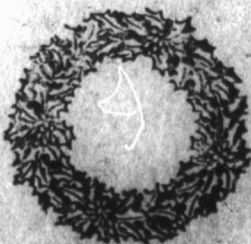
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KIWANIS CLUB

L. I. McDougle, an official of the American Association of Railroads, was guest speaker of the club at its final meeting of the year last Thursday night.

He began his talk with a chronological history of railroading in America, and particularly in Virginia, stating that the first railroad in this state was built near Richmond in the year 1831 and was named the Chesterfield R. R. which continued operations until 1851. The next was built in 1833 which extended from Petersburg into North Carolina.

The total mileage of the two roads was 147 miles as compared to the 4700 miles existing today. Andrew Jackson was then president of the U. S. which consisted of only 24 states, and John Floyd was Governor of Virginia. The state had a population of slightly more than a million as compared to its more than three million today.

He stated that the various railroads of today in Virginia employ 39,000 people, and that more than 100,000 are dependant upon the railroads for a living either directly or indirectly. The speaker then described the various improvements now being made toward efficiency and passenger comfort which the public will enjoy in the future.

Billy Timms was welcomed as a new member, bringing the club's membership to 36. Russell Thompson, of Atlanta, Ga., was the guest of Douglas Calhoun. Another guest was R. W. Simpson, whose firm was recently awarded the contract by the County Board of Supervisors to make a preliminary survey of the community toward the proposed water system. The club omitted its Xmas week meeting. The next meeting will be held on Friday night, January 2.

OCCOQUAN

Local residents have been warned to lock automobiles when attending movies, and other functions. During the past week several cars have been stripped of tools, hub caps, etc., and a large order of groceries was stolen from the car of one of our friends. That same evening cars parked at Occoquan District High School were searched, and thus far tools, hub caps and even a registration card have been reported missing. Apparently all this petty thievery has taken place before midnight.

A surprise shower honoring Miss Frances Graves, commercial teacher in Occoquan District High School was given on Wednesday night by Mrs. Evelyn Bright and Misses Elizabeth Lloyd and Norma Dektor.

The Home Economics Room was nicely decorated with Christmas greens and the bridal motif. A two tier cake decorated with a miniature bride and groom furnished a festive air to the evening. Many beautiful gifts were received by the bride-to-be, who was to be married on Saturday, December 20, to Robert Tyrrell, of Woodbridge.

Guests were Mr. Lynn Glover and

Mr. Herbert Saunders, Mrs. Elizabeth Carter, Mrs. A. Patterson, Miss Connie Christian, Mrs. Ethel Waters, Miss Mae Woodson and Mrs. Verna Graves.

As the gifts were unwrapped the ribbons tied together and passed from one to the other. Miss Connie Christian was the winner, significant according to tradition that she will be the next bride.

16 members of Girl Scout Troop No. 1 were entertained at a Christmas party in the Library of Occoquan District High School at 3:15 on Wednesday by Troop Leader Miss Norma Dektor. A round table discussion of Christmas in far-away lands was held by the group. Gifts were exchanged and dainty refreshments were served.

Boyce Barbee still has his leg in a cast. He is a good patient, and I know that he would appreciate letters or cards.

Bob Flanagan and Audrey Haislip provided the special Xmas music for Sunday school exercises. Both have unusually beautiful voices. We are very fortunate in having these talented young people in our church.

WOODBRIDGE

The B & P W Club met with Miss Ruth Whitcraft on Wednesday evening. After a short business session a check book with a name stamp was presented to the club by Miss Bess Jones and Mrs. Margaret Bourne. It was voted to give Rebecca Owens a check for \$5.00 to help with welfare work at Lorton. The secretary was authorized to purchase a BPW cut from headquarters for use of local newspapers. One of Santa Claus' helpers journeyed from the North Pole complete with fur coat, hood and snowshoes to help at the party, serving egg-nog in small red boots of Santa designs, cup cakes with white icing and red candles and ice cream with a red cherry as a decoration. Miss Whitcraft and Mrs. Powers were co-hostesses.

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The Lorton Girl Scout Troop met on Wednesday evening and presented a Christmas play. Each patrol had a part in the program. A feature of the evening was the grab bag. The Scouts have decided to visit several homes and sing carols on Tuesday evening before attending the cantata at the women's division.

Mrs. Katrine Powell entertained the American Legion Auxiliary No. 162 at her home on Tuesday evening. Sixteen members, including one of our gold star mothers, Mrs. Alice Hawkins, attended. Red candles banked with hemlock, a mantle heaped with artificial snow with hemlock and red candles for color. Cornucopias of pine cones, running pine and holly were favors made and presented each of us by our hostess. The large dining table was decorated in the holiday motif and refreshments consisting of dainty sandwiches, cake, stuffed dates and coffee rounded out a perfect evening.

\$46.13 was realized from the turkey shoot. Legionnaires Wright and Gillum were on the job and really helped very much. We are very appreciative.

It was voted to send \$10 to the Gift Shop at Roanoke Veterans Hospital and to send \$1 each to Prince William and Fairfax Counties for TB seals.

Mr. Ray L. Huff, a former general superintendent of the Department of Corrections, is seriously ill with a heart ailment.

Miss Alice Truelove is planning to spend Christmas with friends in New Jersey.

Plans are made by Mrs. Loyse R. Bunch to spend the holidays with her mother and daughter in Norfolk. A long week end in Richmond is

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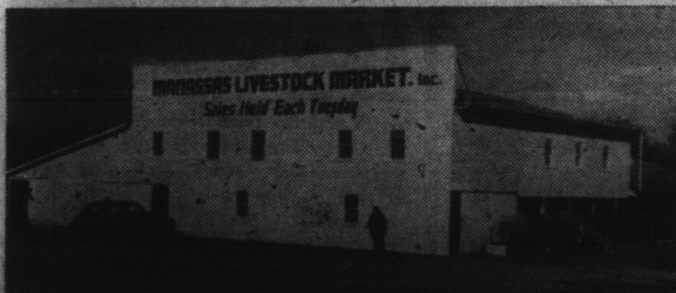
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Mrs. Janie Garnett's project.

One of our wishes for the New Year is that we hope to have all those that are ill back at work with us feeling well and strong: Mrs. Louise Carson, Mrs. Annie C. Bushey and Mrs. Mae B. Faye.

The Lorton Brownie Girl Scouts will go to Quantico to entertain the Veterans (who are hospitalized) with the singing of Christmas carols.

A large group of friends attended a birthday party in honor of Barbara Dyson on Tuesday evening at her home. The evening was spent dancing. She received many lovely gifts. Delicious refreshments were served.

The Ladies Bible Class of the Methodist Church met with Mrs. C. B. Jett on Thursday evening. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Katie Jett, Mrs. A. Kennedy, Mrs. June Clarke and Mrs. Bertha Smith.

After a short business meeting Santa Claus visited the 40 ladies attending, presenting each with a

lovely gift. Names were drawn for "Big Sisters" for the New Year. Luscious refreshments were served.

Mr. D. C. Smith left on Tuesday evening for a holiday visit with his family in New Hampshire. This is the first Christmas for some years that he has been able to spend with his children, being on Navy submarine duty previously.

FAIRFAX

The Tuesday Afternoon Club held its December meeting this week at the home of Mrs. Paul Kincheloe on the Burke Station Road. The Club entertained Troop 11 of the Girl Scouts at a Christmas party.

Mrs. Louisa Taylor left this week for Washington where she will spend the winter with Mrs. Whitman Cross at her home on Conn. Ave.

Mr. Wise Kelly, Jr., who has been in Norfolk for the past few weeks on business has returned to his home on the Little River Turnpike.

Mrs. Sidney Wiley, who has been

ill in Doctor's Hospital in Washington, is now convalescing in her home here.

Miss Mavis Cobb is leaving this week for Sarasota, Fla., where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cobb.

Mrs. D. Erskine Bradley left on Tuesday for her home in Roanoke after a week's visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kincheloe.

Mrs. Robert Walker entertained at tea on Wednesday afternoon for mother, Mrs. Nora Allison.

Mr. James Smith has returned to his home on Cedar Ave. from a short business trip to New York.

Miss Jean Bourne spent the past week-end as the guest of friends in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pickett motored to Charlottesville this week for the birthday of Miss Beverly Pickett who is attending St. Anne's School.

Col. Edward deHart has returned from a week at Maxwell Field, Montgomery Ala., where he flew on business. Col. and Mrs. deHart have as their house guest, Mrs. deHart's mother, Mrs. James Sloan of Richmond.

The Right Rev. W. Roy Mason, Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Virginia confirmed a class of nine at Truro Church on Sunday. Bishop Mason also confirmed a class at The Church of the Holy Comforter, Burke, on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ida Hooe Jones was the dinner guest on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ames at their home near Annandale.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. McCandlis hand their young daughter, Becky spent the week-end as the guests of Mr. McCandlis's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. McCandlis at their home in Hancock, Md.

Mrs. Charles Kerwood has returned to her home near Fairfax from a short visit with friends in New York.

The Choir of the Mt. Vernon Methodist Church of Washington presented Handel's "Messiah" on Monday evening at the Fairfax High School.

HERNDON

Mrs. George Ritter assisted by her mother Mrs. Arrington entertained at dessert followed by bridge on Thursday honoring Mrs. William Challis, Mrs. Challis mother and aunt Mrs. George Trabald and Miss Marie Midgley of Holyoke, Mass.

Commander and Mrs. Challis recently purchased the Louis Ferguson farm at Floris where guests were Mrs. Geo. Bready, Mrs. Geo. Buell, Mrs. W. H. Dawson, Mrs. A. H. Kirk, Mrs. R. S. Crippen, Mrs. Calvin Kidwell, Mrs. William Myer, Mrs. C. M. Lawrence, Mrs. Louis Ferguson, and Mrs. Arthur H. Buell. Mrs. Louis Ferguson entertained at a luncheon followed by bridge on Monday when her guest of honor were Mrs. William Challis of Floris Mrs. Geo. Trabald and Miss Marie Midgley of Holyoke, Mass. Others enjoying the occasion were Mrs. Harvey Hanes, Mrs. C. M. Lawrence, Miss Edith Rogers, Mrs. Geo. R. Bready, Mrs. Albert Shepard, Mrs. Arthur H. Buell, Mrs. Geo. Buell, Mrs. A. H. Kirk, Mrs. Bently Harrison, Mrs. W. H. Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Morse were given a surprise party at their home near Daysville on December 4, the occasion being the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Morse.

Those enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Bradford, Mrs. Jane Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bradshaw, Mrs. Julia McAbee, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Babcock, Mrs. Morse was presented with a number of gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude H. Albrite were Sunday guests of Mr. Albrite's family Mr. and Mrs. Charles Albrite in Manassas.

Mr. and Mrs. Paca Aberlin of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, are spending some time at the farm home near Herndon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey G. Breckenridge were guests on Monday evening at a party given by the American Legion Post of Manassas in honor of Veterans of the Post and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde A. Norton have sold their farm near Herndon and their two sons have moved to the home of Mrs. Jeff Kilcher in Herndon.

Mrs. A. E. Steele entertained the members of the Missionary Union of the Herndon Baptist Church at a Christmas party on Saturday evening following the exchange of Christmas gifts games and refreshments were enjoyed.

Mrs. John Morrison is visiting relatives in Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Keller had as their guest the past week their son Jack Claggett pharmacist, mate 3-c who left Monday for the West Coast enroute to China where he will be stationed for sometime.

Mrs. H. B. Mitchell has returned from a visit with her brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ronemus in Washington.

The Elementary School of Herndon will present a Christmas Pageant in the school auditorium on Monday evening December 22. Parents and friends are invited to attend.

The first quarterly conference of Pleasant Valley Charge Methodist Churches will be held at the Ryan Church on December 28 at 2:30 p.m.

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Is A Sales Tax Necessary In Virginia?



"TAXATION BY DESPERATION"

The general retail sales tax bears a misnomer. It is a "purchase" tax, — a tax on the privilege of buying the necessities of daily life—not a "sales" tax.

Under an income tax you pay for the privilege of earning a taxable income; but many exemptions are allowed and there are numerous exclusions from the tax.

Under the so-called sales tax you are taxed for the privilege of spending your income, even though it is used to purchase things essential to existence.

The general retail sales tax is a burden upon the purchaser who must pay the tax. It is a burden upon the seller who must collect and remit it to the State. It makes everyone selling anything at retail a tax collector. It places obligations upon the retailer for which he cannot be compensated by any allowance which may be made for his tax collection services. Some statutes make no such allowances, leaving the retailer to bear the full expense of collecting and remitting the tax. It is distasteful, annoying and objectionable to the seller and to the purchaser at retail, and therefore a nuisance to both.

It has been said that a sound tax policy should produce sufficient revenue for the government; should lessen so far as possible the burden of taxation on those least able to bear it; and should remove influences which might retard the continued, steady development of industry and business, on the success of which in the last analysis, the well-being of civilized peoples depends.

There are certain fundamentals upon which all can agree with respect to the essential principles underlying a sound tax structure. They are:

1. The state must have sufficient

revenue properly to carry on the affairs of government and render essential government services.

2. With some exceptions it must be conceded that all taxes are finally paid by the consumer.

3. The final burden of taxation should fall most lightly on those least able to bear it.

4. Taxes should be laid in such manner as will present as little interference as possible with the steady development of industry and business.

5. The heavier the tax burden, the more positive is the restriction created in consumer demand for goods and products of all kinds.

6. Taxes should be susceptible of collection at a reasonable cost.

The general retail sales tax violates every cardinal rule of just taxation. Among its manifold, objectionable features are:

a. It falls on scarce and plentiful products and commodities alike.

b. It strikes at necessities with the same force and effect as it does luxuries.

c. It bears disproportionately on the low-income groups whose incomes are almost wholly spent on consumer goods, i.e., the necessities of life.

d. It is regressive and encroaches harmfully upon the standards of living. That is, it acts as a tax that lays heavier rates on persons of small income than on persons of large income.

e. It increases prices and therefore retards trade and commerce.

f. It stimulates demands for higher wages.

g. It diverts business from legitimate channels and fosters black-market operations, to avoid the tax.

h. In Virginia it would be another spur to present serious inflationary conditions.

A general retail sales tax is a

tax on necessities because the great mass of commodities and products purchased at retail consists of articles used by people in modest circumstances. Most of these articles are essential to a fair standard of life. Therefore, a general retail sales tax is actually an inverted income tax. Under it the man with the higher income is taxed relatively less than the man of low income, in proportion to his wealth as measured by property or by income.

Although the rich man may consume more than the poor man, and will accordingly pay a larger tax in dollars, the amount of the rich man's purchase will not increase in proportion to his wealth. Therefore, the proportion of his wealth which goes into the payment of a general retail sales tax, is a small fraction compared with that part of the income of the poor man which must be paid through a sales tax.

The general retail sales tax is paid by the consumer. Thus it is essentially a consumption tax. It increases the price of goods purchased for consumption and consequently increases the cost of living. Studies of the United States Treasury Department as presented in hearings held by the House Committee on Ways and Means, demonstrated that such a tax hits the poorest people four times as hard as the wealthy.

The Treasury Department presented statistics conclusively establishing that the sales tax is the exact opposite of the ability-to-pay income tax. The income tax graduates upward from no tax on the lowest income. A general retail sales tax graduates downward. At the point where the income tax reaches its highest rates, the general sales tax practically ceases to exist. At the point where no income tax is assessed because of the low income of the taxpayer, the general retail sales tax reaches its highest rate.

The argument has been advanced that a sales tax would reduce real estate taxes and therefore would be a boon to the city property owner and to the farmer who owns property.

There is no possibility whatever of such a reduction in taxes on rural property because in most localities they are now at a minimum. The possibility of a reduction of the taxes on city real estate through the imposition of a general retail sales tax by the State, is too remote to deserve anything more than a passing comment. This is because real estate taxes are the chief source of local taxation.

Even in the most optimistic view there would be an insufficient lightening of the local tax burden through the imposition of a general retail sales tax to allow more than a fractional reduction in local taxes on real estate. In fact it is extremely doubtful that even a fractional reduction in local taxes could be made. This is because the main purpose of the proposed general retail sales tax is to make possible the payment of higher salaries to teachers, principals and school supervisors, with certain other increased expenditures for school purposes. These increased costs are to be superimposed upon the existing school system. It is not contemplated that the state will take over any of the present local disbursements for school purposes.

Thus there will be no reduction in local expenditures for school purposes, except perhaps in a few of the larger cities which have already met satisfactory minimum standards of public education by their contributions of locally collected taxes to augment state appropriations for the purpose. Even in these cities, however, it is unlikely that any reduction in local taxation will be possible if a general retail sales tax is imposed.

However, if local taxes could be reduced the amount of the reduc-

tion would undoubtedly be less than the taxpayers would be compelled to expend under a general retail sales tax. So that as to them there would be no tax saving whatsoever.

As to those who own no locally taxable property, whether it be in the cities or the rural districts of the State, a general retail sales tax would simply mean another addition to the present abnormally high cost of living.

The proponents of a general retail sales tax argue that it is a good tax because it is "painless." No tax is painless. It would be a simple tax to collect because it is paid in small amounts, but the aggregate of the tax paid by the thousands of citizens of small means would be neither painless nor easy to pay.

Some of the sales tax statutes exempt all purchases of articles under certain amounts. For instance, they provide that no article which

cost to finance a program designed to put Virginia in its proper position with respect to free public education, we must have reliable data accumulated after careful and impartial research by disinterested experts. Only in this way can the people of Virginia form a just conclusion upon this highly important subject. We must know what, if any, economies can be effected in our present public school system through consolidation, wherever that is practicable; by greater coordination and cooperation between state and local school authorities; closer and more efficient cooperation between local school authorities in the interest of the attainment of a common ideal through mutual effort; and by any other effective means through which the children of Virginia may have the primary and secondary educational opportunities to which they are entitled.

It is much simpler for those who have the final determination of questions as controversial as those



sells for less than ten cents shall be subject to the tax; and set up various tax brackets. It is obvious that exemptions of this character work an undue discrimination in favor of certain types of merchandising. Yet, if such provisions are not contained in a sales tax statute, they result in the payment on some purchases of as much as 20%, even under a 1% general retail sales tax. This is because a tax of one cent on a five-cent purchase is actually a 20% tax.

A merchant dealing wholly or largely in low priced commodities, and who wishes to profit as a result of the sales tax and at the expense of his customers and the State, can, under some sales tax statutes accumulate a sizeable monthly sum as the result of the imposition of a retail sales tax upon articles selling for small amounts. If he does so, the taxpayer is simply paying more for his merchandise in the guise of a sales tax, while the State and hence the taxpayer receive no benefit whatsoever because the State never gets the tax. This is no abstract theory. It has actually been done in some states under certain types of general retail sales tax statutes. It is one of the most objectionable features of a sales tax.

No one will raise any objection worthy of consideration to the inauguration of a reasonable program for the attainment in this State of the highest practicable educational standards in our public schools. It is our duty to provide the children of Virginia the educational opportunities necessary to equip them to compete successfully in a post-war world which is geared to the arts and sciences; a world which is tremendously competitive and demands the highest manual skills and nothing less than mental excellence.

Before we can know what it will

inherent in this subject, to follow the course of least resistance. Settlement of this question by the imposition of a general retail sales tax would be an easy way out. We do not believe, however, that our chosen state representatives will blind themselves to certain facts which are controlling in the final determination of this issue.

Among the most obvious of these undeniable facts are:

First: The need for greater efficiency in the collection of taxes, state and local, and more energetic enforcement of present tax statutes.

Second: The imposition of rigid economy in state expenditures.

Third: A drastic reorganization of the entire system of state and local taxation.

Recently the Commissioner of Revenue of Richmond was reported as having stated that over 10,000 more State income tax returns were filed in his office this year than in 1946. He also stated State income tax collections in that City this year would show an increase of over \$4-million, or approximately 30%, and that there would be a corresponding increase in all other tax collections by his office. While some of this was attributed to the high tide of business and employment, a very considerable part of it was declared to be a direct result of greater efficiency in the enforcement of existing tax laws.

Undoubtedly similar results can be accomplished throughout the Commonwealth through energetic by resolute tax collecting and enforcement officials. This is a subject of paramount importance to every citizen of Virginia.

If larger appropriations to the Department of Taxation are necessary for better enforcement of pres-

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Make Sure To Write Your Representative Before January 14, 1948

The Following Progressive Merchants of Prince William County Urge You to Read the Digest of This Sales Tax Subject, found on these two pages, and write your representative an expression of your opinion on this very vital tax problem:

THOMAS JEFFERSON SAID:

"If we run into such debts, that we must be taxed in our meat and in our drink, in our necessities and our comforts, in our labors and our amusements, our people must come to labor sixteen hours in the twenty-four, giving the earnings of fifteen of these to the government for its debts and daily expenses."

ent tax statutes, such additional appropriations would be sound economy, because they would result in larger tax collections.

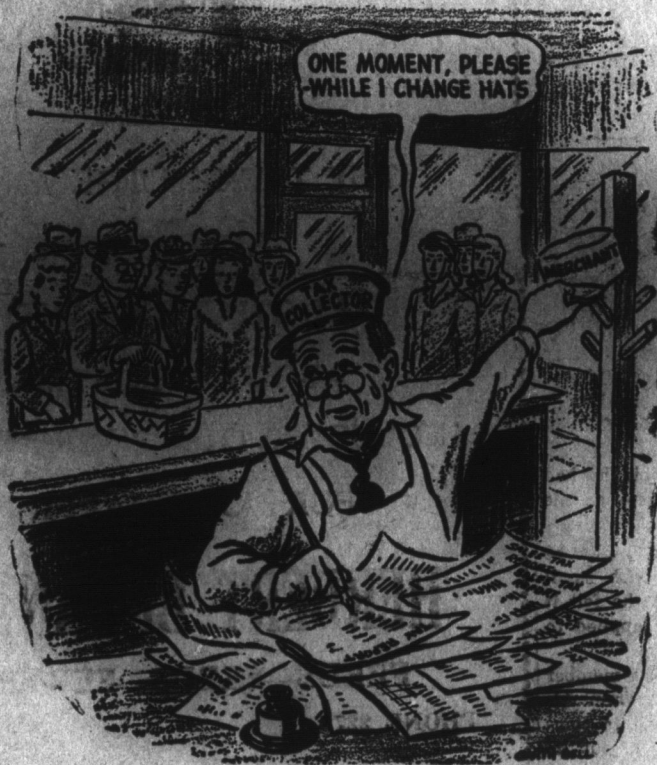
This is a very important question deserving the most serious attention of the members of the General Assembly before approaching the consideration of additional taxes of any kind.

Because of the desperate war years through which we have passed, there is a tendency to ignore the necessity for economy in government. While the income of the State at the present time is higher than it ever has been, the cost of

As a result, the range of choice in local taxation has been from a low 10% of the true value of real estate in certain counties to a high of 100% in two or three cities of the State. This results in a deficiency of necessary public revenues in many localities.

The question of the local taxation of real estate is inextricably intertwined with the problem of financing an adequate public free school system.

Until the tax structure of Virginia has been completely renovated, the imposition of a general retail sales tax could have no just-



government is far greater also than ever before in history. Nevertheless the State has accumulated a surplus of more than \$15-million. It has also allocated funds and securities to liquidate the bonded indebtedness of the State. Thus, the financial condition of Virginia is better than at any previous time in history. However, there is widespread need for the imposition of rigid economies in many branches of the State government.

While savings in the taxpayers' contribution to the support of State government should not be made at the expense of governmental efficiency, many reductions in State expenditures can be effected without diminishing the caliber of governmental services.

Another governmental reform of the utmost importance is a drastic reorganization of the entire system of State and local taxation. The segregation of sources of taxation now in effect in Virginia has long since lost its value. Under it many localities tax local subjects of taxation on a disproportionate basis.

ification in logic.

The present financial condition of the State, the obvious necessity for the reforms in state government heretofore mentioned, and reasonable requirements for higher standards of free public education in the schools of Virginia, establish the fact that a general retail sales tax is not needed in this State at this time. This tax has been truly called "Taxation by Desperation." It is a tax to which no government sensible to the welfare of its people should have recourse except in desperation; as a last resort after all other reasonable alternatives, including drastic economy in State expenditures, have been thoroughly utilized and found to be inadequate for essential governmental needs.

The financial condition of the State at some distant time following a possible precipitate downward spiral of income, might become so critical as to make a sales tax imperative. We have not reached that desperate plight yet; nor is it likely we ever shall.

This digest of the sales tax for Virginia was prepared by Walter M. Evans, Counsel for the Virginia Retail Merchants Association.

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Supplies
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Firestone Home & Auto
Supplies
QUANTICO, VA.

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MANASSAS, VA.

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Gratz 5c & 10c Store
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Hynson Electric & Supply Co.
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Liming's Department Store
QUANTICO, VA.

Margaret Lynch Specialty Shop
MANASSAS, VA.

Manassas Hardware Co.
MANASSAS, VA.

Manassas Market
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The Mart
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Geo. E. McInteer, Hardware
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Occoquan Pharmacy
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Peerless Cleaners
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Petersen & Sons
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Prince William Bakery
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Prince William Pharmacy
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Quantico Pharmacy
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E. E. Rohr 5c To \$1 Store
MANASSAS, VA.

Stevens Drug Store
QUANTICO, VA.

The Stork Shop
QUANTICO, VA.

Triangle Hardware
TRIANGLE, VA.

Victor Music & Appliance Co.
QUANTICO, VA.

R. F. Warren
TRIANGLE, VA.

R. J. Wayland
MANASSAS, VA.

Wenrich's Jewelry Store
MANASSAS, VA.

Williams Food Market
QUANTICO, VA.



Chamber Of Commerce Holds Busy Meeting

E. D. Gethwaite announced at Tuesday's meeting of the Prince William County Chamber of Commerce that application forms for employment for the Geophysical Instrument Co. are available at his office. Male and female unskilled workers are being sought.

C. W. Alpaugh's motion that something be done about seeking an underpass on the railroad for Route 234 was passed, as was a motion by Dr. George B. Cocks requesting the Southern Railway to make Manassas a flag stop for trains No. 17 and 18.

Mr. Gethwaite announced a meeting of new officers at his office next Monday at 7 p. m., and N. T. McManaway reported on Monticello Highway and Naval Observatory plans an progress. The Rev. E. Guthrie Brown was a guest at the meeting.

Marriage Licenses

The following marriage licenses were among those issued in the county clerk's office during the week ending at noon on Monday, December 22:

Ellis Martin Napier and Daisy Cornwell, both of Manassas.

Fred M. Vanatta, Marine Barracks, Quantico, and Katoo Ross Mannon, Triangle.

Mrs. Elizabeth King

Mrs. Elizabeth King died last Wednesday evening at her home near Haymarket after a long illness.

ness. She was 72 years old. She is survived by three sons, Lester, Aubrey and John King, all of the Haymarket area.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at St. Paul's Episcopal Church by the Rev. W. F. Carpenter. Mrs. T. M. Browne was organist. Interment was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were Punch Wilson, James E. Gosson, George Bleight, Powell Melton, Joseph Gerach and Samuel Bleight.

Santa Claus

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director, Michael Ronca, the band made quite an impression on the spectators lined along the streets and drew several nice rounds of applause.

Following the band was one of the fire engines of the Manassas Volunteer Fire Department, driven by J. H. Stauff.

The parade broke up at the theatre and Santa then proceeded to give bags of candy to all the children who presented themselves to see him. The estimate of the number of children who passed by at the theatre ranged all the way from 800 to 1800. Suffice it to say that it was a large crowd.

After the theatre program had been concluded, Santa made the rounds of the 28 merchants who cooperated with the Chamber of Commerce in making his visit possible. Gifts were presented by Santa to many persons along the way. The last stop in this journey sounded the end of a gay and enjoyable celebration.

In an interview before he left to

return to the North Pole, Santa told The Journal that he was very much impressed with his reception in Manassas and said he hoped to make an annual visit in years to come.

The children seemed especially glad to see him, Santa said, and he added that for many it was the first view they had ever got of him. He thanked everyone who took part in the program and praised the hospitality of Manassas and all the folks from the surrounding area who were in town.

Credit for the visit of Santa Claus must go to the Chamber committee headed by Dr. Cocks. Other members were Mrs. E. D. Gethwaite and E. E. Rohr.

The Chamber wishes to express its appreciation to the merchants who made the visit possible by their cooperation with the program. Those merchants are as follows:

The Manassas Messenger, Lewis Supply Co., Hibbs and Giddings, The Gregory Co., Firestone Home and Auto Supplies, E. E. Rohr 5c to 1 Store, R. J. Wayland, Dowell's Pharmacy.

C. E. Fisher and Son, Prince William Bakery, New Method Cleaners and Dyers, Hyman Electric and Supply Co., The Young Men's Shop, Prince William Pharmacy, Hynson Department Store.

Newman Trunker Hardware Co., Manassas Frozen Foods, Prince William Motors, The Margaret Lynch Specialty Shop, The Grill, Pitts Theatre, Manassas Beauty Shop.

Prince William Electric Cooperative, Petersen and Sons, The Manassas Journal, Laws' Market, Manassas Hardware Co., Cocks Pharmacy.

Moses Commission

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and other revenue-raising suggestions, and it emphasized that public meetings had definitely shown that the people of Virginia are willing to pay for school improvements. One member, however, dissented from the revenue-raising recommendations, declaring that "the school program should not be tied to any particular tax, but should be financed from the State's general fund."

The report of the Commission goes into considerable detail on revenue-raising suggestions, defining brackets for sales taxes, income taxes, and other means of raising money.

The three-phase program to attract teachers dealt with higher salaries, better retirement provisions and a system of sick leave with pay. The State would provide a minimum base of \$1,600 annually for salaries. This amount would be supplemented by the localities according to their ability, on minimum standards defined and administered by the State Board of Education.

The maximum retirement allowance would be increased from \$1,000 a year to \$1,500-\$1,600 a year. Retirement would be optional at the age of 60 instead of 65.

The State would establish a sick leave fund of \$125,000 per year to be used to reimburse localities for one-half their expenditures for sick leave. Each teacher would be entitled to ten days a session, accumulative to not more than 30 days.

The Commission's program calls for an overall increase in State appropriations for public schools in the 1948-50 biennium of \$39,157,001.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our friends and relatives for their many acts of kindness during the illness and death of John W. Petty.

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In elaboration of its tax program, the Commission suggested that a rate of 5 per cent on personal income above \$5,000 "is just and fair" and estimated this would raise \$4,073,000 under present economic conditions.

The Commission recommended an increase in the rate of the corporation income tax from 3 to 5 per cent and estimated that \$6,397,500 would be derived from this. A "moderate increase" in rates of gross receipts taxes on public service corporations to yield an additional \$1,500,000 was asked.

Major Hanson

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ces R. Dogan, Historical Aide of the Manassas National Battlefield Park; Eledia Leonard, Park Employee; Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Cox, Mr. R. Jackson Ratcliffe, Col. and Mrs. Benjamin Muse, Miss Charlotte Muse and Mrs. Joseph Mills Hanson.

Major Hanson expects to continue to reside in Manassas and will engage in literary and historical research and writing.

No announcement has been made as yet as to Major Hanson's successor at the Manassas National Battlefield Park.

Nokesville PTA

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a "collection" to have the curtains on the stage dry-cleaned, \$38.68 was received and Robert Manuel offered to take the curtains to a place of former employment and he believed he could have the work done for that amount.

Mr. A. B. Fleming and Dr. Grover Brown reported that \$300.00 had been received so far on the band project.

Following the business and inspection of all the rooms, refreshments were served in the home economics cottage. Upon the absence of all the "refreshment" committee, Miss Miller served the 600 cookies she and her Home Eco. girls had baked, together with the punch. Most of the former was consumed by the children before the adults had a chance to enjoy any. All in all, it was a very successful meeting, thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present.

Assembly Members

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ments Arlington in the House of Delegates, said he had never favored the principle of a sales tax and would not accept the commission's recommendation. Expressing surprise that the commission proposed it, he asserted that "it is not equitable."

A less positive stand was taken by the member of the House of Delegates from Fairfax County, Robert J. McCandlish, Jr., who said he had not decided how he will vote on the question.

He said the sales tax might be burdensome on persons with small incomes, but he added that he felt it was equitable in that it applied to everyone.

Armistead L. Boothe, new member of the House of Delegates from Alexandria, was not reached to comment on the Moses report, but he has previously expressed opposition to the sales tax.

Manassas Kiwanis

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