

This 'n That

Young Phil Green Jr. is on the... He had a worried look when...

Local housewives must have... on their washing here...

Our Nokesville correspondent... With a request that we...

Well gesture!... the steak... given by the four Manassas...

Quite an event took place at... the Journal this week. The winners...

Overhead... prominent business... man saying, "I'm tired. Guess...

Many Jobs But Few Applicants... Newell Reports

Berbert B. Newell, manager of... Virginia State Employment...

In Manassas Monday... Mr. Newell further stated that...

May 1 Is Deadline For... Filing State Returns

Commissioner of Revenue Charles... E. Gnadt announced today that...

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CLEAN-UP! PAINT-UP! FIX-UP!

Tax Budget Adopted; Tax Unchanged

Operating cost and capital outlay during the fiscal year 1951-1952 will amount to \$158,112.00, under the budget adopted by Manassas Town Council on Wednesday night.

Other receipts are estimated as follows: License taxes, \$9,000; bank taxes, \$3,000; fines and costs, \$2,500; burial permits—\$200; A. B. C. allotment, \$4,700; building permits, \$300; light and power department (net profit), \$9,702; water department, \$20,700; sewer department, \$8,500; vehicle tags, \$1,650; equipment rentals, \$3,440; gas tax refunds, \$7.0.

Disbursements are budgeted as follows: Town operation, approximately \$32,000; light and power department, \$61,298; water department, \$20,700; sewer, \$8,500; disposal plant, \$4,250; streets (including \$9,250 for new sidewalks and curbs)—\$23,417; equipment, \$6,145.

Recreation Gets Town Funds; Sub-Division Ordinance Voted

Parrish, Gue And Bolding To Seek Office

Three more candidates for offices to be filled at the Manassas town election on June 12 had filed or announced their intention of filing their candidacy with the County Clerk before the deadline at 5 p. m. today.

Ferris Gue, incumbent, qualified a few days ago for re-election as councilman, and J. M. Bolding filed at the clerk's office yesterday for one of the council seats.

Harry Parrish stated that he would definitely qualify before the deadline but as The Journal went to press was unable to say whether he would file for councilman or mayor.

Mr. Gue, who seeks re-election, was appointed to serve the unexpired term of James E. Rice, Sr., who resigned last fall.

Mr. Parrish is a young businessman, being associated with his father, Edgar Parrish, in the operation of the Manassas Ice & Fuel Co., and also has an interest in the Manassas Frozen Foods, Inc.

He is a veteran of World War II, serving in the Air Force as pilot with the rank of first lieutenant. He is a member of the Legion Post, Volunteer Fire Department and past president of the Kiwanis Club.

Other possible candidates before today's filing deadline are Edgar Rohr and Councilman Wallace Hook for whom petitions had been circulated by friends this week urging them to enter the race. Mr. Hook had previously stated he would not seek re-election although his supporters were in hopes he might reconsider.

Other candidates, who had previously qualified, are Mayor Harry P. Davis who seeks re-election and Arthur L. Carter for councilman.

There are only two vacancies for Council, and with four or possibly more candidates in the race, a lively contest for the office is in prospect.

Red Cross Is Nearing Quota

Slowly but surely the annual Red Cross campaign in Prince William county is nearing its goal of \$3,300, with a total of \$2,755.23 reported as of yesterday.

This leaves slightly over \$500 to go in order to put the drive over the top, according to Mrs. Joseph Mills Hanson, fund chairman.

Here are subscriptions reported by districts to date: Manassas, \$1,680.40; Brentsville, \$332.70; Gainesville, \$98.18; Coles, \$2.25; Dumfries, \$418.65; Occoquan, \$185.05; unallocated \$42.

Many workers, states Mrs. Hanson, have not completed their solicitation, and it is hoped the quota will be reached when all returns are in.

Correspondents are requested to send copy in early.

Directors Are Elected By Chamber

The Prince William Chamber of Commerce elected a board of seven directors at its regular luncheon meeting Tuesday.

Chosen to serve for the coming year were Leon L. Edwards, G. C. Russell, Benjamin Muse, Ruben Hicks, Edgar Parrish, R. C. Powell and J. Carl Kincheloe.

Among additional nominees presented at the meeting were Mrs. Deb Gothwaite, John Krien and Mrs. Florence Gue.

Dan Kelo gave a report on the progress of the Clean-Up Week campaign, stating that he was most gratified with the cooperation extended by various clubs and individuals in the project.

It was voted to change the April 24th meeting to April 25th at which time the group will have as its guest speaker Duane Strawbridge, representative of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who will speak on civilian mobilization plans.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the newly elected Board of Directors met and elected officers for the year.

The officers are: President, Ben Muse; vice president, Edgar Parrish, and secretary-treasurer, Leon Edwards, Quantico.

Trial Justice Court Handles Many Cases

Prince William County has one of the busiest trial justice courts in the state, according to Judge C. Lacey Compton, who presides over the court that hears trial, juvenile and domestic relations at the courthouse here.

A glance at the records shows that a total of 9,688 cases were handled by Judge Lacey's court in the nine months' period, July 1, 1950 to April 1, 1951.

Fines collected for this period totaled \$473,626.59.

The number of cases in this local court is exceeded by only one other county in the state and that is at Norfolk.

Judge Compton states that about two-thirds of the cases arise out of the enforcement of highway weight limits at Woodbridge.

Recruiting Staff Is Increased Here

Cpl. Douglas R. Peckham, of Albany, Wis., has joined the staff of the local U. S. Army and Air Force recruiting station.

Corporal Peckham was for two years with the U. S. Coast Guard and with the regular army for the past year and a half.

M-Sgt. Frank R. George, officer in charge of the local recruiting station, stated that the increase in personnel will enable the local office to provide better recruiting service in Manassas and adjoining area.

Boy Scouts Will Collect Old Papers

Troop 19, Manassas Boy Scouts, will begin the collection of old newspapers April 14. The boys will be in uniform. The money from the sale of the newspapers will be used to buy supplies for the troop.

\$2500 Purse Will Feature Opening Auto Race Program

The Longview Park Speedway is being put in readiness for the opening of the 1951 season, with a 200-lap stock car race scheduled for the opener on Sunday, May 6th.

Norman O. Helms, of Springfield, Ill., who heads Mutual Promotions, has leased the local speedway for the season.

There will be 36 cars entered in the season's first race, offering a purse of \$2500, with a 1951 Henry J. auto as first prize.

Tiffany Named Acting Manager

Huntton Tiffany has been elected by Town Council as acting town manager, until such time as a new manager may be procured. Present Manager James W. Ritter expects to depart for his new post in Marion on Saturday.

Council has received 15 applications for the position, but has not had sufficient time to make proper investigation.

Mr. Tiffany served Manassas as town manager up until he resigned a few years ago. He was succeeded by Ritter.

Legion Post Holds Session; Events Planned

Plans for Memorial Day observance and report on the Legion Exposition to attend the regular monthly meeting of Prince William Post 158, American Legion, and the Legion Auxiliary held Tuesday night.

Lt. Col. Paul Espenshade gave a talk on Brazil, and showed movies that he had taken while he was in South America.

C. H. Wine Jr. was appointed chairman of the Memorial Day committee, which will work with other patriotic groups on the local observance.

M. S. Burchard gave a report on the Legion Exposition to be held the first week in July. He stated that much progress was being made and full details will be announced at a later date.

It was voted to present an American play to the local Boy Scout troop.

Plans were made for a local delegation to attend the 8th District Conference to be held Sunday at Stafford High School.

It was voted that letters from the Post be sent to Virginia senators and the congressman from this district, urging their support of the Universal Training Bill without amendment.

It was decided to hold future Post meetings on the second Monday of each month.

Both the Post and Auxiliary voted to each sponsor a softball team in the community boys' and girls' softball league, providing such a league is organized this summer.

Planning Body Is Abolished By Supervisors

Taking its cue from the outpouring of citizens, who appeared at the public hearing last week in opposition to the proposed set-back law, the Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to abolish the County Planning Commission.

The action came near the close of the supervisors' regular session last Thursday, less than 24 hours after the hearing on the zoning ordinance had been held.

In fact so sudden was the Board's action, that R. J. Ratcliffe was called to submit the Planning Commission's report on the hearing a week earlier than had been planned.

The motion calling for the abolishment of the commission was offered by Jack Fick, Dumfries district supervisor.

The Planning Commission was formed in early 1945, and has been instrumental in making exhaustive surveys and studies on various county needs and problems.

Members of the Board serve without compensation.

House Destroyed By Fire At Greenwich

The Manassas Volunteer Fire Department made a quick run to Greenwich Sunday evening where a frame house owned by Stuart Hyde was destroyed by fire.

Warrenton and Vint Hill companies also responded and helped fight the stubborn blaze for nearly two hours. The house was a mass of flames when the firemen arrived.

Lions Plan Farewell Party For Guard Unit

Plans for a farewell party for the local National Guard unit, which has been called to active duty, were reported by Reuben Hicks at the regular meeting of the Manassas Lions Club Wednesday night.

Mr. Hicks reported that he had contacted other clubs in the community in regard to sponsoring a farewell party.

The club voted to pay the fee required for one of four boys from Manassas chosen to attend Boys State at V. P. I. this summer.

Paul Arrington, chairman, was instructed to proceed with an investigation as to entertainment for next year's annual music festival.

Ralph Hess reported that plans were moving along nicely for a joint dance with the Kiwanis Club to be held in the near future.

The club presented to Herman Lee a check for \$125, the proceeds from the recent music festival to be used in support of the school band.

C. L. Wheat, who sported the loudest tie, won the dollar prize.

Lacey Compton Area Head For Scout Drive

C. Lacey Compton has been named area chairman for the Boy Scout drive for sustaining memberships in the Washington district, which is seeking \$50,000 needed to carry on the program of Scouting in the area during 1951.

Paul E. Locke, Jr. is local chairman in Prince William county.

The additional funds are needed over those provided by the Annual Red Feather Drive which failed to attain its goal, it is stated.

A total of 3,000 volunteer Scout leaders are participating in the drive to contact Cub and Scout parents as well as Scout alumni and proven supporters of Scouting.

Shaw and Myers To Dissolve Partnership

Announcement was made this week that the grocery firm, operating as Shaw & Myers, West Center Street, has terminated its partnership effective as of April 14th.

After the above date the business will be conducted by Glen N. Myers under the name of the Center Market. Willard R. Shaw, the retiring partner, is planning to enter another business in town.

Mr. Myers states that the new market will be operated on a cash and carry basis. The market will be closed Monday thru Thursday, April 16-19, so that certain alterations and improvements to the store can be made.

Former Editor Writes Article On Life of Miss Osbourn

Starting with this issue, The Manassas Journal is printing in three installments an especially-written account of the life, work and influence of the late Miss Eugenia H. Osbourn, whose death occurred on March 12.

The author is Clarence Wagener, a former editor of the Manassas Journal and now promotion manager of the Jacksonville (Fla.) Journal.

Several years ago Mr. Wagener, a native of Manassas and who studied under Miss Eugenia in the days of the old Manassas Institute, began gathering material for this series of articles. The facts were checked by Miss Eugenia—upon the occasion of his annual visits to Manassas, while he was in residence here during the summer of 1949 and through frequent correspondence.

The Journal believes its readers will welcome this more exhaustive account of Miss Eugenia's life and work, and that Mr. Wagener's estimate of her influence supports his opinion that Miss Eugenia was the greatest person ever to call Manassas home.

The first installment appears on page four of this issue of the Journal.

Town Airport Strip Approved By CAA

Late Bulletin

Edgar Rohr and Harry Parrish filed as candidates for Manassas Town Council late this afternoon.

Contest Looms As Many File From Quantico

A contest for the five council seats and mayor's office loomed in the Quantico municipal election as five candidates filed at the courthouse this week.

Hugh B. Ashby, 65, filed for mayor. Council candidates filing were Harry Cokinides, P. Raymond Boyer, Anthony Perlatto, V. W. Sisson.

The present incumbents were expected to file for re-election before the deadline at 5 p. m. today. They are Frank McInerney, Hunt Moncure, W. S. Bourne and Percy Brown, councilmen, and Mayor A. E. McInerney.

The fifth council seat is vacant at the present time.

Pilot Of Crash Plane Got Signal To Land At Manassas

The plane crash that claimed two lives and injured a third near Leesburg.

Watts saw the plane come in as if to land and then take off again. At the time there was a heavy rain. Many local people heard the plane as it hovered low over Manassas house-tops and sounded as if it might be in trouble.

In the crash near Vienna, the plane almost hit a house occupied by Mrs. John Spence and her daughter Sue, 4, finally crashing to the ground twenty feet from the house. The dead were identified as John F. Dewey, 34, and William J. Iselin. The third passenger of the plane, Bennet S. Rose, 40, was taken to Arlington Hospital with undetermined injuries. All three were from Greensville, S. C.

The plane buzzed the Manassas field in seeking a landing but apparently the pilot saw the muddy condition of the airport and changed his plans. He radioed the Washington tower that the field here was exceedingly wet and he

County Firemen Meet At Nokesville; Discuss Finances

Finances highlighted the regular meeting of the Prince William County Volunteer Firemen's Association held at Nokesville Wednesday night.

A resolution was passed requesting the Board of Supervisors to make the coming year's appropriations to the various departments without specifying breakdown for operation and equipment.

In the past the amount appropriated to each department was specifically earmarked, with part going for operating expense and part for equipment. Last year each of the six departments in the county received \$900 from the county of which \$500 was for maintenance and equipment and the balance of \$400 for operational expense. This year the total appropriation has been increased to \$1,000 for each company.

A committee was appointed by President George B. Cooke to study and investigate means of financing the fire departments in future years, and particularly the establishment of permanent funds out of which fire equipment replacement needs could be met on an equitable basis for all companies.

Named on the committee were John Patten, Dumfries, C. E. Roland, Haymarket; Grover F. Brown, Nokesville.

Dr. Grover F. Brown has called a meeting of the Prince William Pasture Committee at the county courthouse Friday night at 8 o'clock. Several important matters in regard to the pasture improvement program will be discussed at this time.