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This 'n That

Pet Free of the week! . . . the which we can't do much at and the holes in Center pavement. One hole made repair a water line in front of Manassas Hardware Co. is not hard on passing vehicles but asians as well. After a heavy hole fills with water and walking along the street subject to a good splashing. ought to see our mud-splatter-slacks. How long are we go to put up with such thorough-

We asked Sheriff Kerlin if he busy kissing babies these days his election campaign. His re- "Only the bigger ones, and too old at that."

Understand Gerald Peters has a position with the Falls church police department. Peters recently resigned as a member of Manassas police force.

H. B. Whitmore continues quite at his home here. He marked 75th birthday on July 25th.

The warm spot that Manassas is in its heart for Miss Phyllis Taylor, English exchange teacher, fully exemplified in the rousendoff by friends and students gathered at the station Saturday afternoon. When the 4:45 train Washington pulled in to take on the first leg of her trip her native England, the large and assembling gave her a big and sang her favorite, "For's a Jolly Good Fellow."

Every state in the Union but Virginia has been represented among visitors at the Manassas Battlefield Park this month, according to James Myers. Attendance this year, he states, has been especially good.

If the politicians and the could-be politicians don't leave us alone, we'll never get The Journal this week.

Cox Elected President Of Farm Bureau

W. Cox was elected president of the newly organized Prince William County Farm Bureau at its first regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Monday night at the court house.

Other officers chosen were Paul W. Kline, secretary, and William H. Thompson, Jr., secretary-treasurer. Committees were named as follows:

Legislative—J. Carl Kincheloe, chairman; L. W. Huff, Gilmore Barber, Jack W. Alvey, T. Clay

Resolutions—Wheatley M. Johnson, chairman; Carlton Cannon, M. Kline, Harry Miller, and E. Thompson, Jr., member at large.

Insurance—Wilmer M. Garber, chairman; L. B. Miller, N. W. Hopkins, Sam Polend, and Paul Kopp, member at large.

It was voted to have a booth at the Prince William County Fair, and to present show trailers to the winners of the junior division grand champion in both beef and dairy breeds.

There are now in Virginia a total of fifty-six Farm Bureau organizations, having a total membership of more than 11,000. The Farm Bureau is the largest farm organization in the world.

Boy Scouts Return From Camp Roosevelt

A number of the local troop of Boy Scouts, who were in Camp Roosevelt, have broken camp and returned to their homes here. Those returning are Scout Leader William Maydon, Wallace Hook, Bobby Parks, Bobby Saunders, Sonny Law, Ames Schroeder, Robert Gapp, Billy Bennett, Paul Royer, Ronald Black, Billy Springs and David Arrington.

The local Scouts were awarded the "Clean Camp Medal" during their stay in camp.

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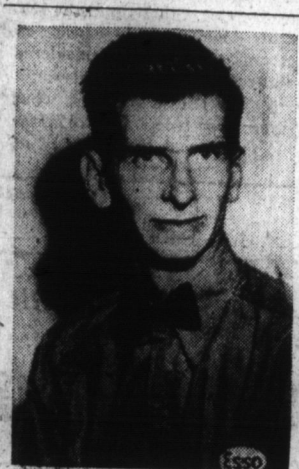
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CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank our many friends, neighbors, the Rustian Club and the Fire Department for their help and cooperation when our barn burned.

Mrs. and Mrs. Paul Irvin, Nokesville, Va.

Caton's Esso Servicenter Will Open For Business on Saturday



Paul Locke has been named manager of Caton's Esso Servicenter, which will open to the public here this Saturday.

The new Caton's Esso Servicenter on Center street will formally open this Saturday, and W. Caton Merchant, the proprietor has planned a gala celebration and sale to mark the event.

Beginning opening day and continuing all next week, prizes and souvenirs will be awarded to those who visit the new servicenter. Special low prices will be featured on tires, batteries and oil covers.

The grand prize for opening week will be a television radio-phonograph combination. It will be awarded on Saturday, August 4th.

The new servicenter is located in the garage building formerly occupied by Wheat Chevrolet and will offer complete automotive service, washing, lubrication and accessories. Esso products will be featured.

The building has been completely remodeled and painted to present an attractive appearance.

Paul E. Locke, Jr., will serve as manager of the servicenter. Mr. Locke has recently completed training with the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey and has received his managerial certificate. He has been associated with Mr. Merchant in the operation of service stations and Firestone stores in this section for the past year. Prior to that, Mr. Locke served as manager of the A. & P. Food Store here. He has a wide acquaintance in Manassas and vicinity.

The new enterprise is the third in a chain of service stations operated by Mr. Merchant, one in Centreville and two in Manassas. He also owns and operates the Firestone Stores here and at Quantico.

Mr. Merchant started with the Firestone Company in Washington in 1942, and in a short time had learned most phases of the operation of a Firestone Store.

He entered into business for himself in 1944, opening the present Manassas Firestone Store, and a month later opened the Firestone Esso Station on the corner. He later expanded his operations and gradually developed the business to include three service stations and two Firestone Stores. Besides his large retail business, he is the largest wholesale tire dealer in Northern Virginia.

Major Urbach Is Speaker At Lions Meeting

"The National Guard" was the subject of an interesting talk by Major R. S. Urbach at the regular meeting of the Manassas Lions Club held last night at Hotel Stonewall Jackson.

Major Urbach, who is from Headquarters 107th AAA Brigade, Virginia National Guard, spoke of the progress being made in forming another Guard unit here, and the possibility of a new National Guard armory for Manassas, providing the new unit organization is completed.

He spoke highly of the record which is being made by the first Guard company, now in regular service at Camp Stewart, Ga., stating that it was one of the most outstanding units in camp. He also gave a brief history of the National Guard and the part that it has played in the country's history in both war and peace.

Another speaker was C. Willenbrucker, U.S.N., executive vice president of the Retired Officers' Association, who spoke on "World Federal Government."

A number of special guests attended the meeting.

Pvt. Jamerson Is Cook With Army in Korea

WITH IX CORPS, U.S. ARMY IN KOREA—Pvt. Ernest S. Jamerson of Farmville and Manassas is now serving as a cook with the mess section of Headquarters Company, IX Corps, on the central Korean front.

Private Jamerson's section has the all important tasks of converting the hungry men of the corps headquarters into well fed and satisfied patrons. Mess personnel have received high praise for their efficient operation in spite of such handicaps as frequent moves, extremely adverse weather conditions, guerrilla threats, shortages of fresh rations and lack of replacement parts for cooking equipment.

A long time resident of Farmville, Private Jamerson attended Cumberland High School. In civilian life he was employed by R. H. Towler, of Manassas, Va.

He was inducted into the Army in October 1950 and received his basic training with the 3rd Infantry Division at Fort Meade, Md. Upon completion of training he was sent to Korea where he joined the corps in April 1951.

Private Jamerson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jamerson, live in Farmville, Va.

Lions and Kiwanis To Clash At Softball

The local Lions and Kiwanis clubs will stage their annual softball game on September 7th, with proceeds to go to the Manassas Recreation Association.

This is the second annual game between the two service clubs and interest is at high pitch. Last year the Kiwanians were victors and the Lions are out for revenge.

The game will be held at Swavely Field under the lights and get under way at 6:30 P.M.

Admission will be 60 cents for adults and 25c for children.

Milk Shortages Possible In Certain Areas

Increased demand for fluid milk may cause fall and winter milk shortages in some heavy consumption areas, says B. F. Morgan, dairy marketing specialist at V.P.I.

He points out that May is one of the flush production months, and the overall surplus was only 19.5 percent of total deliveries including government contract sales. May was the first month this year that all markets had enough deliveries from base holding producers to fully supply the Class I demand.

Morgan also forecasts higher prices for fluid milk at retail later this year.

Average prices paid by plants for manufacturing milk in the January-June period this year were 20 percent above 1950. Distributor average buying prices for fluid milk were up 7 percent.

Market prices of dairy products held steady during the past three months, except for small changes in the price of butter. This stability indicates a strong market, Morgan says, since production has been increasing steadily from January through June.

Market prices of feed grains and many by-product feeds declined in June. The most noticeable decline was in barley and oats, with corn showing some weakness.

Corporal Bryant Is Awarded Combat Badge

WITH THE 7TH INF. DIV., U.S. ARMY, IN KOREA—Corporal Sydney E. Bryant, son of Mr. Alvie V. Bryant, 122 Jefferson Ave., Manassas, Virginia, was recently awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge for "excellent performance of duty in ground combat against the enemy."

In ten months of Korean campaigning, Bryant's unit has captured more than 4,000 Chinese and North Koreans and inflicted more than 12,000 casualties on the enemy. Bryant attended Oshorn High School before entering the Army.

Telephone Company Opens New Business Office



New business office of the Central Mutual Telephone Co. is now located on the main floor of its building on E. Center St., and made possible as a result of extensive remodeling. The improvement is in line with the company's program to improve service to its subscribers. Shown in the picture is General Superintendent J. A. Vetter and his corps of office assistants. (Photo by Churchill)

Primary Contest Warming Up As Election Day Nears

The several contests in the Democratic Primary on August 7th are keeping Prince William voters stirred up to a high pitch, and candidates are at their busiest in an effort to corral as much support as possible in the short time remaining before election day.

For county office there is only one contest, for sheriff, and this a three-way affair, looks like a tight race right down to the wire. Sheriff John P. Kerlin, the incumbent and veteran campaigner, is battling out with Turner D. Wheeling and H. Layton Laws. All three candidates are making a strong bid for the nomination.

Million in Heavy Construction Equipment to Be Sold at Auction

Heavy construction equipment, valued at \$1,000,000, will be placed on the auction block here August 7th, to make it the largest sale ever held in these parts.

The equipment, which covers a three-acre tract near the Regional High School in Manassas, is being sold by Smith Contracting Corporation, of Fort Worth, Texas, as a voluntary liquidation, with the Herz Auction Sales, of Warren, Ohio, handling the sale.

Huge earth-moving behemoths, tractors, bulldozers, ditchers, road boring machinery, trucks, jeeps,

tools and compressors are included in the sale. The equipment was used only a few months on the 30-inch Transcontinental atural gas pipeline constructed through this section.

Manassas has served as the Virginia base of operations for the construction firm, which has an additional million dollars worth of equipment at Fort Worth.

Anniversary Of Battle Is Observed Here

The noise of cannon sounded through the quiet countryside at Henry House, scene of the Battle of Bull Run, Saturday afternoon, as hundreds gathered to mark the 90th anniversary of the famous Civil War engagement, which occurred July 21, 1861.

Maj. Joseph Mills Hanson, former superintendent of the Manassas National Battlefield Park, described the battle which raged for a full day over the rolling green hills.

Over 300 spectators crowded into the shade offered by a grove of elms. Many were members of organizations memorializing the efforts to found a Confederate States of America and knew the story of the First Battle of Manassas. Historians now refer to it as the battle of Bull Run.

Maj. Hanson added some interesting firsts to the Bull Run story. He told of the first use of telegraph in a military engagement. It was a message sent by Gen. Beauregard to Richmond, asking for aid.

Another first, he said, was the transportation of 10,000 men of Gen. Johnson's command at Harpers Ferry by rail. They disembarked at Manassas Junction, a railroad leading into the fruitful Shenandoah Valley and joined Jackson on Henry House hill. They turned the tide of battle which had begun at sunup, causing it to end at sundown with the Union Army under Gen. Irvin McDowell in full flight.

Birth of Signal Corps

The modern signal corps actually had its birth during this battle, another first, according to Maj. Hanson. It was because of an alert signal officer that entrapment of the Confederate forces was avoided just after sunup.

Finally, the famous rebel yell was born amid the blood, smoke and dust as Gen. Bee called to his troops to rally around Jackson and his men who were standing "like a stone wall" atop Henry House Hill.

The observance yesterday was sponsored by the Confederate Memorial Committee of Washington and Confederate groups of Manassas. Wreaths were placed at the mounted statue of Gen. Jackson and at the Col. Francis S. Barton memorial.

did receive a request to publish the letter as a paid advertisement, and rejected it on the grounds that the contents were libelous in nature, and were not based on facts.

Supporters and friends of Kincheloe termed the letter "one of the rottenest, lowest and dirtiest pieces of political propaganda ever issued."

Supervisor contests in other districts of Prince William County have thus far been conducted on a high plane, and while spirited, lack the bitterness that has developed in the Manassas race.

Centreville Fire Company Raises \$2300

The treasury of the Centreville Volunteer Fire Department is \$2,300 richer as the result of the popularity contest, and the community dance, which climaxed the contest, Friday night.

The dance, which was held at Junior's Lodge, drew an overflowed crowd to witness the crowning of the 1951 popularity queen, who was Mrs. G. L. King.

Russ Cullen, of Manassas, acted as master of ceremonies, and introduced the 14 contestants who were sponsored by merchants in Centreville and Manassas for the popularity award.

The winner, Mrs. King, received a 17-jewel wrist watch. Mrs. Marcella Fisher, as runner-up, was awarded a \$50 savings bond. Nancy Fisher, third, was the recipient of a \$25 bond.

The contest, which attracted wide interest, lasted a month.

The proceeds will go toward the payment of a new fire engine. A new firehouse has recently been built to house the new equipment.

Tennis Exhibition

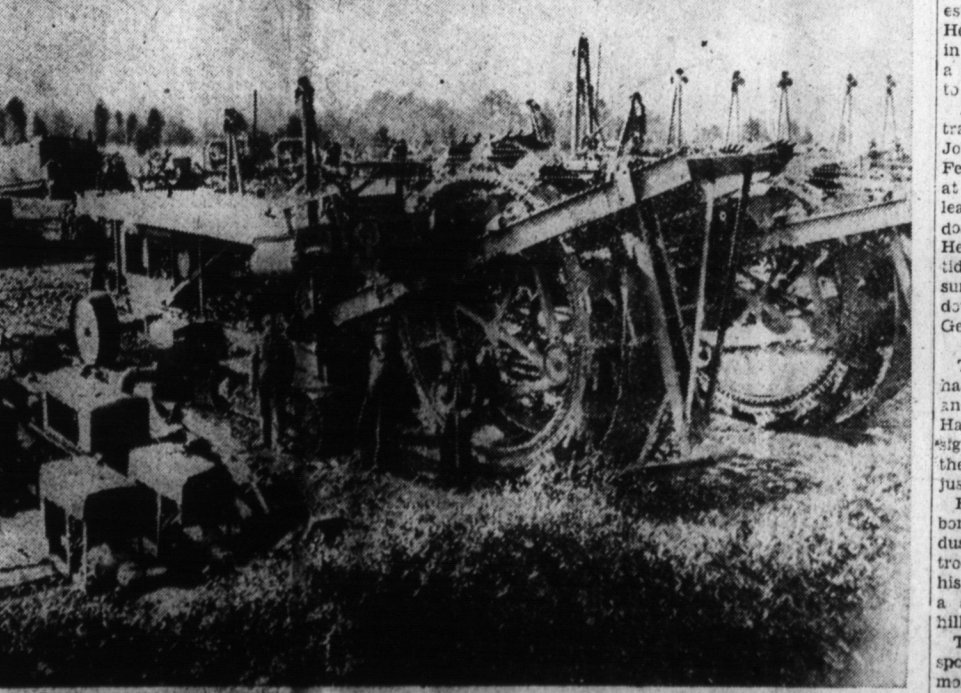
Ray Gibson, instructor in tennis for the Manassas Summer Recreation program, announced that tennis exhibition matches have been arranged for Sunday at 2:30 at the Dudley Martin courts.

Well-known Washington amateurs will appear in the exhibition matches which will include both singles and doubles.

Tennis instruction is now being given to a class of six youngsters every Monday, according to Mr. Gibson.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Grant of Washington entertained guests on Sunday at their summer home, near Linton Hall, in honor of Mrs. A. H. Kirk's birthday. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bixler, of Herndon; Mrs. Mabel Grant and Mr. Harry Hancock, of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Wetherall, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wetherall, and son Jack, and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Albrite, all of Manassas.



PAGING ALEXANDER BOTTIS . . . the Earthworm salesman of Saturday Evening Post fame, would welcome an opportunity to bring a deal on the heavy tractors and equipment shown in the above pictures. Three acres of earth moving machines, valued at \$1,000,000 will be placed on the auction block here on Tuesday, August 7th, by the owners, Smith Constructing Co., Fort Worth, Tex.