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This 'n That

Nature is most lavish with its gifts at this time of year. The foliage should be at its very best, the coming week as a result of recent heavy frosts in this section.

Rain which fell here Sunday has helped to break the extended drought, proving a boon to farmers who have suffered great losses from the prolonged dry spell.

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DR. SALE: Living room and bedroom furniture, Axminster rug \$12.19. Frigidaire (used 3 months). Will accept best offer. Can be bought separately. Reason for selling, leaving town. Roy Roberts, Rt. 211. Directions: Turn right at Va. Diner, 1 1/2 miles east of Centreville. 25-2-c

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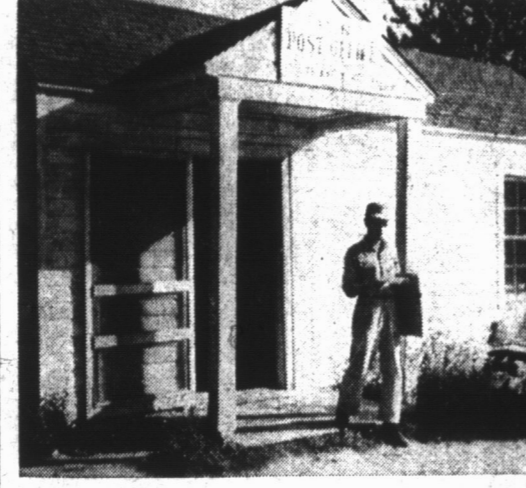
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So Much With So Little



SMALL? That's not the word for Triangle's 12x20 foot Post Office located on U. S. Route 1. The 240 sq. ft. interior includes a minute 4x4 customers lobby as well as the mail room. The real rush, not shown above, is in the morning, post office employees said, when mail bags cover the floor making it impossible to move around.

Frank J. Parrish To Preside Over Food Convention

Frank J. Parrish of Manassas will preside over the Virginia Frozen Food Locker Plant Association convention at Virginia Beach Wednesday and Thursday. Parrish is president of the state association.

Locker plant management problems will be discussed on the first day while the second day will be largely devoted to a business session of the members. Some of the topics to be discussed include "OPS regulations and their effect on meat sales," processed foods, and sales promotion and advertising.

Big results at low cost with a Journal classified ad.

U. S. Prices Unfair, Burke Owners Say

Six Burke, Va., property owners charged yesterday that the Government has not offered them "fair and just compensation" for land where the new airport will be built.

Their charges were in answer to the Government's first "declaration of taking," which condemned 1046 acres of land about a fourth of the land for proposed airport.

The Government deposited \$818,050, estimated value of the property, in Federal Court at Alexandria when it filed the declaration Tuesday.

The "declaration of taking" lists 111 property owners and 63 tracts. The largest amount offered was \$32,000 for 1250 acres.

Making Plans For Community Halloween

Plans are shaping up for the annual community Halloween party, which is sponsored by the Manassas Kiwanis Club as a gala treat for the youngsters of this area.

The event scheduled for Halloween night, October 31, will include many attractions, starting with a huge street parade at 7:30 p. m. and a program at Swavelly Field where there will be the coronation of the king and queen and awarding of prizes for the best costumes.

Refreshments of doughnuts and cider will be served at the field. William Saylor, who has served as chairman of the affair for the past several years, has seen it grow in size and interest each year and anticipates that this Halloween will prove no exception.

Last year a crowd of at least 1,500 turned out for the celebration. The Manassas Volunteer Fire Department will assist with parade and the serving of refreshments. Many children will ride on fire trucks in the parade and others will be provided transportation by private cars. Local merchants as usual will donate an array of attractive prizes for the event.

Business firms are invited to enter floats in the parade, which it is expected will be headed by the Osborn High School band.

\$117,121,401 Spent In State Public Schools

The State and localities spent \$117,121,401.81 on public education during the year ending last June 30, a 20 per cent increase over the previous year, the State Department of Education said yesterday.

In the main, the increase of \$19,639,863 came from almost \$12,000,000 more spent for new buildings and not quite \$6,000,000 more for teachers salaries.

From all sources, school subdivisions actually had \$144,191,424.66 to spend. They got rid of all but \$27,000,000, which is still tied up in building funds.

Brought Up to Date
During the last school year, a total of \$33,177,261.25 was spent on capital outlay, of which \$6,937,033.20 came from State school grants under the Battle fund.

Bringing Battle fund figures up to date, the department said about \$12,000,000 had been released to localities and a total of \$22,000,000, including the above figure, had been finally approved since the legislation became effective early in 1950.

The total available under the bill during the biennium ending next June 30 was \$45,000,000. Of the total spent for school operation, \$80,194,839.11, the State put up 44.25 per cent and localities 55.75 per cent.

Of total funds for all purposes, the State supplied 36.22 per cent, including Federal funds, and the localities 63.78 per cent. The division for teacher salaries was 51.39 per cent State and 48.61 per cent local out of a \$56,087,527.66 instructional cost.

YORKSHIRE PICNIC
The Yorkshire Civic Group picnic will be held Sunday, October 14, at 5 p. m. on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Helms. All residents of Yorkshire community are cordially invited to attend.

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Osborn High Makes Gala Plans For "Home-Coming"

Osborn High School annual homecoming on Friday, October 19, promises to be a gala event according to plans now being formulated.

Train-Car Wreck Kills One



Mrs. Sadie R. Frye of Lucketts was instantly killed Saturday morning when the car in which she was a passenger was struck by a Southern freight train at a crossing on Rt. 15 near Haymarket. Mrs. Frye was traffic fatality No. 13 for Prince William County in 1951. The accident was apparently caused when the driver, Paul D. Frye, Mrs. Frye's son, accidentally released the clutch and jumped in front of the train after he had come to a stop. Mrs. Frye's husband and grandson were treated at Physician's Hospital in Warrenton following the accident.

According to the driver, approaching headlights blinded him and he veered toward a side road. Realizing his error, the driver swung back towards the highway but skidded and hit the tree. The bus was demolished, wrapping itself around the tree completely. (See photo Page 4) 23-year-old Alvin Shepherd, driver, reported he was 20 minutes late at the time of the accident but said he was traveling at 40 miles per hour.

Rescuers were called from Manassas, Warrenton and other surrounding communities to help direct traffic, remove victims from the bus and keep the milling crowd from gathering away from rescue work.

Mrs. Etta Washington, Waterfall, was the only county person on the bus at the time of the accident. She suffered only minor injuries. Police are investigating the accident at present.

Firemen Temporarily Bar Lake Jackson Department

Prince William County Firemen's Association decided last night to postpone action on admitting the newly-organized Lake Jackson Fire Department into the Association.

Nokesville fireman Bob Nelson motioned to accept Lake Jackson but then withdrew his action after discussion pointed out that the embryo company could not meet all requirements for admission.

The Association requires specific amounts of hose and equipment as well as corporation proceedings in behalf of the departments. Occoquan volunteered to lend Lake Jackson the necessary hose they were lacking. The new department plans to confer with Commonwealth's Attorney Stanley Owens about forming a corporation and chances are good that Lake Jackson will be admitted at the next regular meeting of the Association.

Fires increased in the county 37 percent in September over August with all departments reporting 22 fires over 14 in August. Most of the increase can be attributed to the prolonged dry spell in this area which has caused a sharp increase in brush fires.

Dr. George Coker, Association president, announced that a first aid course for instructors will begin Monday at 7 p. m. in the Osborn library and he urged that each company send at least one representative. The course will last five nights.

U. S. Crop Forecast Harvested; Still High

The Government yesterday shaved its estimates of this year's crops slightly but still held out the prospect of production about equal to last year, the second largest on record.

A month ago, the outlook was for a slightly larger output than in 1949. The Agriculture Department, in a harvest time report, said September declines in cotton and corn production and harvesting losses on late small grains were largely responsible for the reduced estimates.

Series Aimed At Church Support

Beginning with this issue, The Journal is carrying the first in a series of advertisements aimed at stimulating church support and attendance. The message is sponsored by over twenty-five business firms in the Manassas area, and will be carried as a regular weekly feature.

All sponsors of the series were unanimous in their belief that that support of the church is one of the most important means of maintaining a stronger community. Each of the weekly features will be attractively illustrated, and will contain messages aimed at encouraging interest and action in the church.

Trailways Bus Wreck Kills 5 And Hurts 22

Five persons were killed and 22 injured Sunday night a Gainesville when a Trailways Bus bound for Washington skidded and smashed broadside into an oak tree. The injured were hospitalized at Physician's Hospital in Warrenton, and at Front Royal and Arlington Hospitals.

The accident occurred on a wet highway 300ft. from the Gainesville Methodist Church which was saving services at the time of the tragedy.

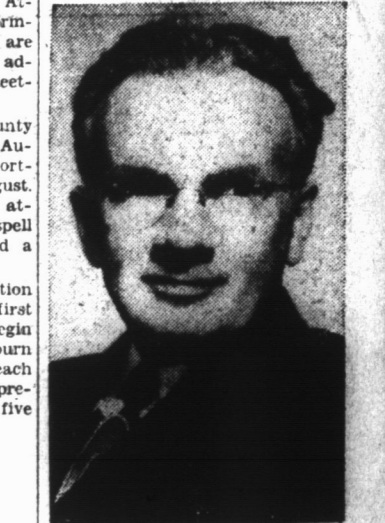
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Local Bankers At Meeting In Warrenton

Three Prince William County bankers will attend the Group III Virginia Bankers Association meeting in Warrenton Friday. They are R. C. Powell and A. D. Scott of Manassas, and H. Ewing Wall, Quantico, who is secretary of the group.



The bankers will hear two top-notch speakers in R. F. Burke Steele, president of Petersburg Savings and American Trust Company, Petersburg, and Dr. Frank G. Sayres, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Petersburg.

Steele is currently president of the Virginia Bankers' Association and has served the association in various capacities before becoming president in June. Dr. Sayres was named "Petersburg's Man of the Year" in 1948.

Mr. Steele will deliver the main address at the meeting Friday morning, speaking on "The Course Ahead." Dr. Sayres will speak in the afternoon on "More Taffy and Less Epitaphy." All sessions will be held at Warrenton High School.

BETHLEHEM CLUB

The Bethlehem Club will meet with Mrs. Victor Hayden on Tuesday, October 16, at 2:30 p. m.

MANASSAS PTA

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