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INTERESTING ADDRESS BY MRS. M. HARRISON

IN BEHALF OF THE ALLIED ARMIES
Before the W. C. T. U., Who Will Aid the Cause by Sewing and Establishing Rooms at Eastern for the Summer.

The members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a meeting Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. A. P. Spies. The object of the meeting was to hear the address of Mrs. Mitchell Harrison, of Fauquier county, who is a member of the Virginia War Relief Association, which has established a circle at Haymarket, Warrenton, Casanova and Greenwich.

It was decided by the ladies in attendance at this meeting to take up the work as outlined by Mrs. Harrison and to make the headquarters of this organization at Eastern College during the summer months, where they will meet to sew and make hospital supplies (for the present) for the allies, but perhaps for our own soldiers later if the newspaper reports are to be relied upon.

Mrs. Harrison during her talk told of her own personal association with the private emergency fund of the Duchesse of Vendome, sister of the King of Belgium. She told of instances where all buildings were used for hospitals that were unoccupied, and of the meager supplies at hand; that women took off their clothing to be used for bandages—people considered papers as a luxury to answer for sheets on destitute beds. England, France and Germany were visited by Mrs. Harrison, and she spoke particularly of France's aid to Virginia and to America during the Revolution, and that now was the time to show our appreciation of their aid by giving a little help and comfort to the sons of France in their death agony.

The Virginia War Relief Association will give \$25 to buy supplies, and this will go quite a way toward buying many little necessities. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison will also give a donation.

While the ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union are invited to join and add their mite to the great need of this laudable effort on behalf of the allies they will gladly receive cotton and old sheets of any kind which will greatly aid them in their undertaking.

Much to the gratification of motorists work has begun on building a road through the swamp lands of Chappawansic Creek, in the lower part of Prince William county. We understand that the improvements are taking place about six miles south of Dumfries and near Pohick church. This highway is on the direct route between Richmond and Washington and automobilists claim that it presents six miles of the roughest travel between the two cities, and because of existing conditions northern motorists for many months have entirely avoided coming through the national capital on account of this road and in this way many dollars have been lost to people of Washington and those who live along the rough road. People of that city have contributed largely to the building of the highway.

Little Miss Marion Hutchison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hutchison, of Haymarket, has returned to her home after visiting at the home Mrs. Margaret Lewis.

APPOINTED SUPERINTENDENT.

At a meeting of the State Board of Education which was held in Richmond on Wednesday, in the offices of the Department of Public Instruction, Mr. Charles R. McDonald, of Catharpin, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mr. G. G. Tyler, who recently resigned, having been appointed clerk of court. At a meeting sometime ago Mr. D. G. Arrington was temporarily appointed to this position.

Mr. McDonald is a prominent citizen of Prince William and is well known throughout the county, taking an active part in church work. He is also well and favorably known in business circles in Manassas and elsewhere, being president of the First National Bank at this place.

Mr. McDonald is to be congratulated by his friends, as he had many prominent educators who announced themselves as candidates for the office in the field against him.

MISS HOPKINS' SCHOOL GIVES ENTERTAINMENT

APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE ATTEND
Musical Numbers Well Rendered by the Youthful Artists Who Were Enthusiastically Applauded.

The first commencement event of the Temple School of Music was held before a good sized and thoroughly appreciative audience in Conner's Hall last Saturday evening when Miss Elizabeth Pope, the talented twelve-year-old protegee of Miss Margaret Temple Hopkins, gave her first public recital, and as a performer on the piano she charmed her listeners with her six renditions. The program was interspersed with readings of Mildred Conner and Marian Clark, an instrumental piece by Ida Ayre and a song rendered by four little girls.

On last Monday evening Miss Louise Maloney, a student in the advanced class of voice culture, was the feature performer in a recital and in her beautiful soprano voice she entertained a host of admirers with songs during the evening. She has made her appearance in public as a singer before and ranks among the town's most promising students of the art. The next evening was the recital by pupils of Frances Elizabeth Spies, Edna Porter Davis and Margaret Temple Hopkins. The youthful performers of the evening were Masters Jack Ratcliffe, George Byrd, Gilbert Allen, Misses Treva and Rilla Holler, Christine Bryant, Margaret Cornwell, Anna Weir Waters, Winnie Wearick, Virginia Nelson Speiden, Ella Cather, Dorothy Merrill, Rose Elizabeth Rice, Garnette Brown, Catherine Weir, Mammie Shoemaker, Murel Larkin, Marian Clark, Mildred Conner, Victorine Nicol, Elizabeth O'Neil. All showed the advantage of the careful training they have received and did their parts wonderfully well.

On Wednesday evening the recital of Miss Kathleen Soles delighted those who were present with a piano recital and she, like Miss Pope, is a young musician with the promise of a future. Tonight the recital by children's night singing class assisted by voice and piano students will take place at eight o'clock, and tomorrow evening will bring to a close the Temple School's most successful year when the final exercises and presentation of diplomas and certificates by Rev. Bobb White, of Haymarket, will be held. Miss Hopkins and her two very able associates have accomplished much in music among the younger generation of Manassas during the year and deserve individually and collectively the greatest praise of the community.

STATE EMPLOYEES NOT TO LOSE PAY

ANNOUNCEMENT BY GOV. STUART

Some Way to be Devised by Which Employees of the State Who Have Been Called to the Colors be Reimbursed.

All persons who are now in the employ of the state of Virginia and who are members of or become members of the United States military service not only will have their various positions held open for them pending their return, but the difference between pay received for military service and their salaries from the state will be paid. Gov. Henry S. Stuart made public this announcement during the first of the week. Though there is no fund from which such payment of salary differences may be paid it is expected that some way will be found to secure the money needed for this purpose. There are many men in the state's employ who are at the present time in the Virginia militia and who will be sent to the Mexican border with the regiments of the commonwealth. In regard to this matter employees of the state appear to be better off than the citizen soldiers of the Federal Government. Although these few soldiers who get their livelihood from the state are lucky in a sense it seems probable that some hardship will be worked upon members of militia companies in small towns such as Front Royal, Warrenton, Culpeper and other places in Virginia, and especially those men who have families and others dependent upon the salaries they make outside and which in many cases will not be made up by their employers. For two or three days Virginia has been ready, the troops have responded to every demand made in the President's call and every organization of the service of the commonwealth is prepared for battle with the Mexicans in the event of war.

TOWN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

The Town Council met Monday night last in regular session in the council chamber, Mayor Wagener presiding, with all the members of the board present except Mr. Larkin.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A motion prevailed, after having been duly seconded for the payment of various bills.

Three building permits were granted to H. Y. Meetsie, Edward Alcott and D. M. Williams, the usual fees being collected for same.

The Public Utilities Committee reported upon collections amounting to \$17.35.

Mayor Wagener made his report on the collection of fines which amounted to \$52.21 for the month of June.

The Superintendent of the light and power plant reported a collection of \$327.29 for the month of May.

On motion of Councilman Johnson a resolution was unanimously adopted to purchase the table owned by the National Bank at \$14.50.

The meeting then adjourned to meet again Monday July 10th.

Clifton Presbyterian church, Rev. Alfred Kelley, pastor. Sunday School at 10 a. m., subject, "Paul at Thessalonian and Berea." Stenographic lecture on Thursday, July 6, at 8 p. m., subject, "Mission to Laodicea." All are cordially invited to these services.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR HORSE SHOW

DAIRY EXHIBIT SPECIAL FEATURE

Fine Cattle from Bellevue Farms of Hyattsville, Md., to be Shown—New Class and New Prize Added to List.

The Manassas Horse Show will this year have a new feature in connection with the exhibition never undertaken by the management in previous years. There will be the usual horse show with the high-class racing card each year, but the special feature which will attract many of our citizens will be the dairy exhibit. This addition to the show is in the hands of a most competent committee of which Walter A. Hooker, of Nokesville, cashier of the bank at that place, is chairman. Mr. Hooker is an officer of the Prince William Dairymen's Association, and being vitally interested in the same he is devoting every effort to the success of the new venture which can be made a permanent feature with the cooperation of the farmers and citizens. This section of Virginia is becoming one of the greatest dairy sections of the country and this new feature should be of educational value as well as very interesting.

The management has already had the assurance of an exhibit from the Bellevue Farms of Hyattsville, Md. This is one of the greatest herds in the country. The feature of this exhibit will be a prize bull from the farm, which will be open to inspection to the public.

Since the prize lists were placed in the hands of the secretary many inquiries from noted exhibitors of horses in this and other states have been received, and the classes in riding, jumping, saddle and harness should be well filled with excellent types of horseflesh. We learn from reliable authority that the racing each day will also be well filled with some of the best racing blood that has ever been seen on the local track. Managers Hale and Herring will start a force of workmen at the show grounds in a few days who will repair and put in shape the grandstands, stables, fences, show ring and everything so as to afford every comfort to exhibitor and patron.

We understand that a new class for the best hunter, bred and owned in Prince William or Fauquier county, has been added. Horse to be shown over the regular four-foot jumps. The prize for this class is a handsome sterling silver cup, now on exhibition, presented by Mrs. Mitchell Harrison and must be won by the same owner two years in succession.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The June term of the circuit court came to a close here last Monday with Judge Harrison, of Winchester, presiding. The case of the Commonwealth against W. W. Garrison was continued to the 1st day of the October term upon motion of the defense. Inasmuch as the defendant had filed an affidavit with the clerk stating that he was unable to pay the costs of having a copy of the record of the case which had been tried, the court ordered that a copy of the same be made and that the clerk be paid for his work out of the county funds.

The cases of the Commonwealth against H. C. Ryckman called for a hearing Monday were also continued until October.

NARROWLY AVERTS DROWNING

Mr. Elisha Wright had a very narrow escape from drowning Sunday afternoon about 2 o'clock as he attempted to cross Smith's Ford on Cedar Run, near Brentsville, which was swollen by the recent heavy rains. While nearing the middle of the stream with his horse and buggy, he, together with vehicle and horse, were quickly swept down stream about two hundred yards, during which procedure he had the presence of mind to climb out of the buggy and hold on to his horse which by that time had reached the bank of the creek. Mr. Wright then succeeded in loosening his horse which swam about two hundred yards further down the creek and came out on the opposite side. He later succeeded in securing help and saved his buggy which was practically covered by the high water. Mr. Wright was unable to swim and was no doubt saved from drowning by his presence of mind in clinging to his horse.

SCHOOL LOCATION BITTERLY OPPOSED

BY HEADS OF SEVERAL FAMILIES

The Trustee Electoral Board Met in Manassas Thursday and Decided to Sustain the Local District Board.

The Trustee Electoral Board of Prince William County Schools, Messrs. D. J. Ar-Hoof and Thos. the latter's office attorney to hear the case of certain citizens as to the location of a new school building at Groveton.

Opposition had developed regarding the location of the new school house for which contract had been let. The heads of five families who are residents of the Manassas School District, in the vicinity of Groveton, felt aggrieved at the action of the District School Trustees as taken at their meeting held on May 6th, at which meeting it was decided to erect the new building on the school lot at Groveton. An objection to this was entered by the opposition and complaint was made to the Division Superintendent who was unable to satisfactorily adjust the differences and an appeal was taken from the said order to the Trustee Electoral Board. Prior to this notice was given and a meeting held on the 21st of June at the Groveton school. At this meeting the complaints were heard and passed upon after which the meeting adjourned to Manassas to consider further facts.

All facts and circumstances were duly considered at this meeting and while the Board was of the opinion it would inconvenience several families, still, it was deemed most advisable, at this time, to sustain the order of the District Trustees in locating the building either at Groveton or near Stone House, and that it would be unwise to change the location, therefore it sustained the District Trustees in their order of May 6th. The County Board went on record as favoring the establishment of another school in the district as soon as the finance of the district would permit this to be located in said vicinity, so as to accommodate all alike, as near as possible.

At the meeting here Saturday it was ordered that E. S. Brock be appointed to fill the unexpired term of L. Lehman, who recently resigned as one of the Trustees of Occoquan District.

It was also ordered at this meeting that E. L. Purry be appointed to fill the unexpired term of W. W. Abel, deceased, of Dumfries District.

REORGANIZATION OF SOUTHERN RAILWAY

SERVICE TO BE STRENGTHENED

W. M. Brown, of Atlanta, formerly of Manassas, Appointed One of the Live Stock and Dairy Agents.

With a view to making the agricultural service of the Southern Railway Company and its associated companies more helpful to the farmers of the South, President Harrison has made a complete re-organization of the service to go into effect on July 1st.

With the extension of the farm demonstration work of the United States department of agriculture and of the states and the appointment of demonstration agents in most of the counties traversed by the lines of the companies there is not the broad field for railroad agricultural demonstration work that existed when this service was inaugurated by the Southern Railway Company in 1916, when there were very few government agents in the field. There is now, however, a broad field for helpful work in connection with the marketing of the products of Southern Railway farms, especially in localities in which farmers without experience in selling anything but cotton are going into diversified farming and especially in aiding small producers to consolidate their products and market co-operatively.

Since January 1st, 1913, the companies have maintained market agents at Washington, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Atlanta for the purpose of finding markets for Southern products and bringing buyers into touch with the producers. This service is now to be greatly strengthened. A farm products agency is to be substituted for the market agency at Atlanta with Mr. Roland Turner, now agricultural agent at Birmingham, Ala., as chief farm products agent. The present agricultural field agents of the company, ten in number, will be appointed farm products agents, reporting to Mr. Turner.

The market agents at Washington, Cincinnati and St. Louis will compile and promulgate information as to markets, including quantities, varieties, grades and packs desired for different markets and as to freight rates and facilities. This information will be promulgated to producers through the farm products agency or direct, as circumstances may require. The market agents will also compile and promulgate to buyers information as to products for sale. The chief farm products agent and the farm products agents will familiarize themselves with producers and products in their territories and forward detailed information to the market agents. They will advise producers as to the varieties, grades and packs required for different markets and will give special attention to encouraging small producers to organize for co-operative marketing. The market agents and farm products agents will work in close co-operation with the bureau of markets and rural organization in the United States department of agriculture and with the State agricultural authorities.

Mr. T. O. Plunket will continue as farm demonstration agent with headquarters at Atlanta, for emergency work all over the system, especially in localities where his advice may be needed to aid farmers in combating the Mexican cotton boll weevil. The live stock and dairy devel-

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THEN AND NOW

When war with Spain was declared in 1898 thousands of young men left their employment and went to the front in defense of their country. When the war was over these young soldiers returned home and in a majority of cases found their jobs filled by other people and themselves out of employment and without prospects for the future. Such was the reward of valor in 1898.

Today thousands of the principal business institutions of the country are announcing that all members of the National Guard who have responded to the president's call will not only find their jobs waiting for them on their return, but will have their full salaries paid to their families during their absence. Such is the spirit of 1916.

A little reflection would convince the most skeptical that not all the patriotism of this country flows into the veins of the man with a gun. The civilian has his duty to perform, and he, too, performs it as the man he is. The one grasps his gun and goes out to fight the battles of his country, while the other supplies the sinews of war with which to fight. It is a combination of valor and fidelity which in time should prove invincible. Let us hope that such it may be.

WILL INSURE NATIONAL STRENGTH

Agriculture is the basic industry of the world. Whatever advances agriculture strengthens the nation for war as well as for peace and promotes the interests of all mankind. It is our duty and should be our delight so to legislate as to insure to the tillers of the soil the maximum of comfort, prosperity and contentment in their labors. Taxation measures should be framed to bear upon them most lightly. Government aid to increase the fertility of the soil, to diversify the crops, and increase the rewards of farm labor should go out to them continuously.

Develop agriculture, make it a profitable industry, and you have gone far to insure the preservation of the nation, should our national life ever be threatened. A contented, patriotic, home-loving people will arise in their might to meet the nations need. Germany organized agriculture as perfectly as any other industry, and to-day she is feeding her people at home and her armies in the field, though hedged in by a ring of steel.

PARAGRAPHS

Is John Bull stumblin' or shiverin'?

Those mail seizures meet our idea of a British offensive.

Who steals Billy Sunday's purse certainly doesn't steal trash.

If peace is on the way, it certainly won't be arrested for speeding.

Funny, but the anti-preparedness folks are still using lightning rods.

If men would only julep more there soon would be an end to the war.

Latterly the peace dove has begun to coo a good deal like a gamecock.

What Mexico needs is a defacto President with a head as cool as his feet.

"A man cannot climb the ladder of success and keep one foot on a bar-rail."

Wonder if the "greatest naval battle ever seen" has helped the world along any?

The milk of human kindness would be much richer if it wasn't skimmed so often.

General military training has not made Switzerland undemocratic, but more democratic.

The fact that Chicago hired 100 bands for convention week is no sign there'll be any harmony.

This country has the biggest dam in the world close to the Mexican border. How appropriate!

Backward, turn backward, King Vic, in thy flight, and knock them there Austrians clean out of sight.

Too many men regard the square deal only as something that they get from the other fellow.—The Mediator.

However, in the matter of sweeping victories over American mail pouches, the British Navy is still supreme.

But who can blame those Texas milkmen for refusing to leave the State with the watermelon season right in the offing.

The American men who put Carranza up to it, think they are warriors of Wilson; but they're not—they're traitors to their country.

"How long," asks the Philadelphia Evening Ledger, "should a girl of 18 wear her skirts?" Well, offhand, we should say all day long.

It is practically impossible to win an argument with a man who knows nothing about what he is discussing. Some people are improbably defended by ignorance.

Over the hills and far away they are baking a cherry pie today. Sweetly borne on the summer air, we smell it a-bakin' and know it's there. We just have to sing a little you know.

If the government has the right to pass a law against opium to save the Chinese, it has right to pass a law against whiskey to save Americans. An American is just as good as a Chinaman if he behaves himself.

No town will grow whose people are untrue to it. Its citizens can either establish or destroy confidence in it. Whoever destroys it is an enemy to progress and a traitor to the community. If they deny it, do not invest their money in it, nor patronize its business establishments, they are surely killing it. The prosperity of a town depends chiefly upon the confidence the people have in it.

By a vote of 296 to 10 the house passed the rural credits bill. A similar measure has already passed the senate and the several differences will have to be worked out in conference. The bill provides for a system of 12 land banks, each capitalized at \$50,000 and situated in various sections of the country. These banks will lend money to farmers at not more than 6 per cent interest through local loan associations, on mortgages running for a period of years. The mortgages will be used by banks as the basis for farm loan bonds.

The Manassas Civic League will meet in monthly session on Monday, July 3, at 8 p. m., in the town hall. Patriotic citizens of Manassas are invited to join in the work of the league for getting and keeping Manassas more and more beautiful. An interesting meeting is anticipated.

A big Sunday school outing will be given at Brentsville July 4, when there will be two ball games in the afternoon at 2:30. Supper, ice cream and other refreshments will be served immediately afterward and continued throughout the afternoon and

night. Good music will be furnished and a pleasant time is assured all who come. Everybody should come and spend the patriotic day and thus help the Sunday school. COMMITTEE.

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