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FOREST CLUB FOR PRINCE WILLIAM

O. C. HUTCHISON BECOMES CANDIDATE

MASS MEETING NEXT MONDAY

Experts Will Outline Plan to Citizens in Conner's Hall—Forest Conservation Purpose of Organization.

Conservation of forests is a movement that vitally effects a principal industry of Prince William County, and if plans arranged by M. V. Richards, land and industrial agent of the Southern railroad, and approved by the United States Department of Agriculture are carried out, a Forest Club will be organized in this county.

An expert from the United States Forest Service and Mr. Richards will explain the plan to citizens at a mass meeting called by the Business League in Conner's Hall for Monday morning, May 15, at 10 o'clock. A meeting is to be held at Woodstock Tuesday morning, May 16.

Great results are anticipated from the educational campaign which will result from the proposed organization of a Prince William Forest Club.

In a communication to G. Raymond Ratcliffe, president of the Business League, Mr. Richards says:

"It is believed that a more intimate knowledge of forestry will prove of mutual interest and advantage to all. The forestry department of the United States Department of Agriculture has heartily endorsed a plan which calls for the organization of county forest clubs, for the purpose of studying the advantages of forest conservation.

"In order that this plan can be speedily carried into action, I have selected Prince William County for one of the initial clubs."

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE MEETING

The program committee of the U. D. C. Chapter and Memorial Association will meet Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

MEETZE CHALLENGES HIS OPPONENTS OF IMMORTAL WILLIAM

TO DEBATE IN CONNER'S HALL

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ACTORS

Former Candidate Will Speak and Wins Ovation to Meet Campaign Overture for Citizens.

C. J. Meetze, candidate for the nomination to the House of Delegates, this morning issued a challenge to C. A. Sinclair and Robert A. Hutchison, his opponents for the nomination, to meet him in joint debate at Conner's Hall, Saturday evening, May 21, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Meetze will address the citizens then and declares that debate with his opponents will make it all the more interesting. The public is invited and ladies will be made especially welcome.

HAYES SIGNS WITH HAMPTON

J. R. Hayes, manager of Eastern College base ball team, today signed a contract to manage the Hampton team in the Peninsula State League this season. Several of the Eastern players are to sign with Hampton making it one of the fast teams in the State. Harvey Russell, formerly of Eastern, was with the Hampton team last year, being taken there by Manager Hayes. From Hampton he signed with the New York Americans where he is playing great ball.

Mrs. C. G. Sloan and Mrs. Mark Latimer, of Washington, are visiting Mrs. R. B. Larkin.

Invitations to come to Manassas from Sublime to Ridiculous in Making The Merchant of Venice Benefit Athletic Fund.

Glimpses of the Rialto will be given in the glitter of the footlights, when High School students travesty Shakespeare in the Merchant of Venice at Conner's Hall, Friday evening, May 19, under direction of Mrs. R. T. Hodge, for the benefit of the High School athletic fund.

CAST

Following is the cast of characters.

Duke of Venice..... James Metcalf
Antonio..... Gordon Lightner
Senior captain of the High School football team.

Bassanio..... Carroll Rice
His friend and lover to Portia.

Gratiano..... Partee Wells

Shylock..... Ronnie Johnson

Trojan..... Herbert Moon

His friend and companion of the Belmont team.
Launcelot Gobbo..... Allen Merchant
A servant of Shylock.

The Professor..... Chester Amos

An X-ray photograph.

Policeman..... Frank Brower

Portia..... Minnie Sweet

A stock broker.

Nerissa..... Beulah Griffith

Her friend.

Jessica..... Nellie Layburn

Satire's ward.

Miss Abbie Thredloe..... Marion Mayhugh

A widow.

Polly..... Othello Williams

Portia's maid.

Antonio's Mother..... Othello Williams

Foot ball player.

The Rev. J. K. Eiford will conduct services in the public school building at Nokesville next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The public is invited.

GRAND PEACE JUBILEE WHEN GRAY AND BLUE HOLD LOVE FEAST ON OLD BULL RUN

MANASSAS WILL CELEBRATE GREAT REUNION WITH NOTABLE FESTIVITIES

Palms of Peace Wave Over Banners of War—Citizens in Mass Meeting at Nicol Hall Saturday Night Will Arrange Elaborate Plans to Entertain Gallant Veterans—Greatest Peace Event in History of Nation.

TO THE CITIZENS OF MANASSAS:

The Manassas Business League invites all citizens to meet at Nicol's Hall on Saturday, May 13, to hear a report of a committee appointed by the League some time since to arrange for a Grand National Jubilee on our historic plains during July next.

Our town during this year will be the center of world-wide interest and we urge our people to go to a little expense and trouble to invite the public to our town and entertain them agreeably when they come, thus to advertise our advantages and bring business to our people. It is an opportunity we must not miss.

The committee comprising Lieut. Gao C. Round, Councilman Oliver E. Newman and Prof. H. F. Button will make an interesting and suggestive report, which after discussion and any desirable amendment should be adopted.

May 10, 1911.

G. RAYMOND RATCLIFFE,
President Business League.

WITH the Stars and Stripes and the Stars and Bars waving proudly over them, to the music of "Dixie" and "The Star Spangled Banner," the remnant of the gallant host that fought the First Battle of Manassas, will meet as brothers in peace on the consecrated soil of the Bull Run battlefield on July 21, the fiftieth anniversary of the greatest conflict in the history of our nation. Great as are the deeds of war, nobler and more sacred are the arts of peace, and no event in modern history will do more to unite the South and the North in closer bonds of brotherhood than this reunion on the Bull Run battlefield.

America never has witnessed a scene like that to be presented in old Manassas. From every State in the Union will come the veterans to recount their deeds upon that stricken field, while they fought for what conscience told them was right. Manassas will honor these veterans in gray and the veterans in blue, a sacred duty that is a benediction. The old soldiers will camp on the Henry farm and there will be addressed by their prominent comrades and

by historians. Regimental reunions with broken ranks will be a cherished and pathetic feature of this notable gathering. An encampment of a battalion of United States troops will give a typical setting to the scene. The Boy Scouts of America with the Manassas squad will under direction of Prof. H. F. Button, camp and

campaign on the field. There will be innumerable attractions of historic interest. The festivities will open July 10 with a peace song jubilee of 100 voices at Eastern College, and from that moment until the close of the great reunion every hour will be filled with interest.

With true Southern hospitality Manassas will welcome their guests, and the week of the reunion will be made one of the most pleasant memories of the veterans. It is indeed a great privilege to entertain these old soldiers and Manassas will prove equal to it by honoring them abundantly.

Citizens will meet in Nicol Hall next Saturday evening at 8 o'clock to formulate plans for the reunion, and it is hoped that the attendance will be representative of every interest in the community. Suggestions will be welcomed, and it is expected that citizens will be prepared to give expression along lines of effective action. This celebration of a week must be the greatest that Virginia has ever witnessed, and by concerted action there is no doubt that this will be accomplished. This celebration, national in scope,

must be made worthy of the heroes in gray and the heroes in blue, worthy of our Country, our State, our County and our Town. The magnitude of the event calls for immediate unity of action. There must be no delay in arranging for the entertainment of our guests. So warmly will we welcome them, so generously will we entertain them that Manassas always will be to them synonymous with Southern hospitality.

Invitations to come to Manassas are to be scattered throughout every State in the Union and it is expected that thousands of visitors will witness and participate in the festivities. Manassas will be exploited as a modern, progressive town and the wide publicity given will be of incalculable value.

THE DEMOCRAT LEADS; OTHERS FOLLOW

THE DEMOCRAT today is received by 1,452 subscribers, and will be welcomed as "The Leading Newspaper of Manassas and Prince William County, by 7,260 readers, the standard newspaper estimate being five readers for each actual subscription. We are proud of this remarkable record of seventeen months. THE DEMOCRAT HAS THE LARGEST BONA FIDE CIRCULATION OF ANY NEWSPAPER EVER PUBLISHED IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY.

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SWORN STATEMENT

STATE OF VIRGINIA, : : :

County of Prince William, : : :

This day appeared before me, Bryan Gordon, a commissioner in chancery, Frank E. Garrison, editor and manager of THE DEMOCRAT, and made oath that the bona fide subscribers to said paper on May 8, 1911, were 1,452.

Given under my hand this seventh day of May, 1911.

BRYAN GORDON,
Commissioner in Chancery.

EASTERN WALLOPS JOHNS HOPKINS

EAST FOR EASTERN SCORE, 8 TO 1

Red and White Waves in Triumph Over Eastern Field for Sixteenth Consecutive Victory—Close Hopes Series.

BY J. R. HAYES
Manager Eastern College Base Ball Team

Eastern will play the strong Catholic University team on Catholic field, Washington, next Wednesday afternoon, May 17, at 3 o'clock.

Winning its sixteenth straight game, the most remarkable College base ball record in Virginia, Eastern last Saturday closed the series for the season on the home grounds and won new and brilliant renown by defeating the great Johns Hopkins team 8 to 1.

The first inning was a comedy of errors, the visitors taking stage fright while the locals drove the ball into the pasture and galloped the bases for seven runs. After the disastrous first the visitors settled down and played steady ball, but were unable to overcome Eastern's lead.

The Baltimore batsmen could not solve White's delivery, fourteen-fanning. The little twirler allowed only six hits.

HOPKINS' ONLY SCORE

Hopkins scored their only run in the fourth inning. Wilson led off with a three base wallop and came home on a bad throw to third. This was Hopkins' only chance.

WHITE IN GREAT FORM

Little White was at his best and had the visitors at his mercy in every inning. He was a terror to the Hopkins' batsmen who swung the willow in a desperate and futile effort to connect with his puzzlers. His twirling,

Mabry's classy work behind the bat and in the field and Hill's

playing at short were stellar features.

HURT KNEECAP A HANDICAP

Curry, suffering from an injured knee, and Kibler, laid up

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CURRENT EVENTS

While grading a lawn, Joseph Corbet, of Great Barrington, Mo., found three pennies of the dates 1742 and 1777, for which he refused \$1,000.

Col. E. H. R. Green, son of the richest woman in the world, declares poor people are the best rent payers in the world, and the rich are the worst.

A warning to farmers and others, regarding recently imported Chilean clover seed, on account of its containing dodder seed, has just been issued by the federal department of agriculture.

A stamp tax of one-eighth of a cent on every five cents' worth of proprietary medicines, perfumes, cosmetics and similar articles prepared under secret or privately owned formulas is provided for in a bill introduced by Representative Sherley, of Kentucky, and referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

"I killed my husband to save his soul and I am ready to take whatever punishment man may mete out to me. I know God does not blame me," said Mrs. Francis O'Shaughnessy, of New York, wife of a year, when cornered Holtzhausen, held her with out bail on a murder charge. She shot and killed her husband, George O'Shaughnessy, because he told her he was going to leave her for another woman.

Representative Claud U. Stone of Illinois, who succeeded Jas. V. Graff of Peoria, introduced a bill changing the basis of pay of rural carriers and increasing it materially. Instead of the \$800 which carriers on "standard" routes twenty-five miles or more in length now receive, Mr. Stone would give all carriers \$50 per mile per annum. If this bill should become a law it would have the effect of increasing the salaries of carriers on twenty-five mile routes from \$800 to \$1,250.

Mrs. Martha Grimm, of Joliet, Ill., was happy for a few hours because she thought her husband, missing 17 years, was alive. She was served with divorce papers, but discovered sheriffs had served the wrong woman.

The winter wheat sections of Nebraska and Iowa were greatly benefited by a soaking rain which also placed the ground in good condition for corn planting and plowing. This is the first heavy rain that section has had in many quarters. Rain fell steadily for almost ten hours all over the state of Nebraska.

Professor Fred Lemar Charles, thirty-eight years old, assistant professor of agricultural education in the University of Illinois, committed suicide by choking himself with a bookstrap. He placed the strap around his neck and pulled on it until he gasped for his life. Insomuch as our prostration are assigned as the cause of the suicide.

Victor Berger of Milwaukee, Socialist member of Congress, in a resolution not only proposes to abolish the Senate, but aims to strike from the hand of the President the veto power and take from the courts authority to invalidate legislation enacted by the House of Representatives. All this is proposed in an amendment to the constitution which petitioned for by 5 per cent of the voters in each State shall be submitted to a general referendum.

Has a ruing mate of the destructive cotton boll weevil been found? Today Congressman Edwards, of Georgia, received from J. J. Gandy, secretary of the Savannah Cotton Exchange, a communication requesting him to take up with the Department of Agriculture immediately the matter of investigating the appearance of a cotton destroying bug which has just been discovered near Claxton, Ga. A jar of these bugs has been sent to Dr. L. O. Howard, chief entomologist of the department. The bugs bore into the young cotton stalks, causing them to wither and die.

Crime and the general perversity of mankind are due largely to errors in training children. Tom A. Williams said before the second International Congress on Child Welfare in Washington, D. C. Suppression of the child's natural mental and emotional activities and the fault of letting the child do as it pleases are responsible, he asserted, for corruption, dishonesty, vice and low standards of citizenship, which prevail in many quarters.

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In an address delivered before the students of the University of Minnesota, Baron de Coquenot, told of the wastefulness and destructiveness of war and concluded by suggesting that the nations of the world settle their disputes through arbitration, just as American baseball teams do.

"You have your great American baseball," the Baron said. "When you have trouble and disputes you do not start boxing with each other. Though sometimes they almost end in fights, the Mayor's answer follows: 'Why do I believe in the Father God? Because I cannot help it. I simply know there is a god and that settles it with me.' I have absolute confidence in Him, and am willing to submit to whatever He wills in respect of me. We also ask, 'What good comes of reading the Bible?' An immense deal of good. It soothes you and makes you content and charitable. I might add that it edifies you and gives you a good literary style, and that is another matter. Going to church gives people steady habits, and makes them prudent and careful, and makes them vote carefully. Church members make a stable nucleus for society."

Torrential rains and high winds followed by cold weather, have caused heavy damage to crops throughout the middle west and south. Snowstorms in the Dakotas, Kansas, Nebraska and other western states have also retarded spring farming operations. A tornado swept a path a mile wide through Johnson county, Missouri, killing a ten-year-old boy and seriously injuring his mother. Houses were unroofed at Sedalia, Mo., and considerable other damage done. Church members make a stable nucleus for society."

Howard Downes, WOOLSTON, Vt., March 14, 1911.

Dear Sir: You being a candidate for Supervisor, if elected what position would you take in regard to this road-road movement? Would you be for or against? Also this bond issue. Are you for or against it? By answering the above questions same will be regarded as a great favor.

Most respectfully yours,

Howard Downes,

Woolston, Vt.

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TOPICS OF THE TOWN

W. R. Hedrick and family have moved to Alexandria.

The county supervisor will meet next Saturday, May 18.

Miss Edith Moffett visited her mother yesterday in Washington.

Mrs. H. F. Button is seriously ill at her home on Grant avenue.

Mrs. Bessie Elliott is visiting Mrs. Eugene Carroll at Danyelle.

Mrs. Mitchell of Cattletown was a guest of Mrs. S. T. Hall last week.

Mrs. Bailey Davis has returned from the hospital at Richmond.

Mrs. S. A. Hollingshead of Washington, is visiting Mrs. J. C. Gregory.

Mrs. W. W. Thornton of Spokane, visited relatives here the past week.

Miss Sue Brown, of Broad Run, was a guest Sunday of Miss Claudia Waters.

The new residence of J. L. Moser on South Main street is nearing completion.

Mrs. M. L. Sisson has been quite ill. Her mother, Mrs. M. L. Moseley, is improving.

Mrs. W. G. Pollard has returned to Baltimore after a visit here with Miss Sue Merchant.

Walter Elshoff has repainted the residence on Fairview avenue, owned by H. Hibbs and J. J. Davies.

T. W. H. Lipcomb, of the State University, Charlottesville, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Lipcomb.

James E. Nelson is representative from Prince William Lodge to the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., in session at Lynchburg.

Dr. R. E. Wine is in Staunton attending the Grand Council, Order Fraternal Americans, as delegate from Aden Council.

Dr. Whiteman of Washington, will preach in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The public is invited.

Mrs. Marie Clarke won a prize, a valuable clock, in a rebus puzzle contest conducted by the F. G. Smith Piano Company, of Washington.

G. R. Ross, of Blacksburg, S. C., a former student in Eastern College, and star football and baseball player, is visiting friends here this week.

Fear of frost has delayed until this week the making of flower plots in the pretty park adjoining the candy factory. Canines and shrubs will predominate.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Sawyer, of Pittsburgh, have located in Manassas, and expect to engage in the poultry business. They are guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Smith.

Miss Jennie Renke, of Canova, has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. D. E. Fair of Alexandria. She was accompanied home by Mrs. Fair and little son, Ralph.

Excavating for the fine new hotel to be erected by R. S. Hyatt on the corner of Main and Center streets, will be completed this week and work on the foundation will begin Monday morning.

President H. U. Roop visited Western Pennsylvania last Saturday, Sunday and Monday in the interest of Eastern College. He preached to a large congregation Sunday in the United Brethren church in Johnstown.

D. H. Prescott was a guest last Sunday in Baltimore of Dr. J. Garland Hammer, former pastor of the Presbyterian church in Manassas. Dr. Hammer is recovering slowly from a stroke of paralysis he sustained several months ago.

W. F. Hibbs yesterday awarded a contract to B. C. Cornwell for the erection of a two-story brick building adjoining his present location and to be occupied by his blacksmith and wheelwright shop. The building will cost about \$500.

G. M. Bellings, of Eastern College, is visiting his home in Roanoke, N. C.

Miss Faith Chapman, of Washington, spent Sunday at her home in Manassas.

The interior of the Cannon street.

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Among those invited to make speeches were Governor Mann, Walter Waller Page, director of the United States Office of Public Roads, and president American Association for Highway Improvement; Professor Charles C. Maples, district school examiner; Congressman G. C. Corbin, superintendent of Public Instruction; J. D. Eggleston, T. Q. Sandy, collaborator; G. W. Koiner and Dr. Eason C. Williams, State Health Commissioner.

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Mrs. Ethel Pease of Richmond, was a guest here last week of her sister, Mrs. Edgar Cowell.

Mrs. May Entwistle has moved ill at her home on Center street.

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Branch Church is being decorated by George L. Larsen.

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As soon as the petals of the apple blossoms begin to fall is the time for the most important spraying operation of the year. It is the time to spray all of your fruit trees. We have the material and can give you the proportions for mixing.

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A CAMPAIGN TOUR

By C. J. MEETZEL
Editor THE MANASSAS DEMOCRAT.

I promised you last week I would give you a brief account of my trip in Coles, Ocoquan and Dumfries Districts.

I left Manassas on a Monday, drove to Mr. Sullivan's at Independent Hill, stopping at Mr. Sullivan's and Mr. Russell's, Canova and elsewhere along the route. Tuesday morning Mr. Sullivan accompanied me and we drove to Woodbine, thence to Mr. Will Smith's and Mr. Holmes, then to Mr. Lute Keys' store up to Mr. Charley Barbee's and to Mr. Hayes, where we took dinner. From there we drove to Independent Hill, stopping at Mr. Posey's store, stopping of course to talk with people in their homes and fields and along the road.

After supper at Mr. Woolfenden's we called at Mr. Tyler Lynn's store and spent a pleasant hour. Wednesday morning we left Mr. Woolfenden's and drove to Joplin Hill. About a mile and a half from Joplin our buggy axle broke and we had to drag into Joplin, take the vehicle apart and get repairs. We proceeded to Quantico and then on to Dumfries, where we met quite a number of citizens, all of whom received us very kindly. We then drove to Mr. Derrid's and on to Independent Hill, where Mr. Sinclair and myself spoke to a full house of interested farmers and their families.

Thursday morning we started for Ocoquan, calling at different places along the route. We stopped at Minnieville and at Dewey's store and then we went by Agnewville to Ocoquan. After dinner we drove to Woodbridge, visiting along the road and at Mr. Corbin Thompson's dairy, a splendid enterprise upon which he has spent thousands of dollars and which gives employment to a number of good men.

Mr. Ebe Hammill received us, as he does every one, with that smile which will not come off. We returned to Ocoquan where I spoke to a small but attentive audience.

After breakfast Dr. Hornsback took Mr. Sullivan and myself over into Fairfax to visit the workhouse which according to my judgment is a great institution and seems to me to be run in the most careful way, the books showing at night just what it costs to feed each man per day. The men are cared for in a sanitary way, having plenty to eat, good sleeping quarters, fine reading rooms, shower baths and everything which men could expect under such conditions. The merchants at Ocoquan told me it was a great thing for that place.

We drove from Ocoquan to Hopewell and got dinner at the home of Mr. Lige Davis. After calling upon a number of gentlemen along the road we came back by Mr. Lute Keys' store where we visited awhile with Mr. Keys, Mr. Cornwell and two other gentlemen whose names I do not remember.

From there we drove by Mr. Low's where Mr. Sullivan left me and I came back by Canova to Manassas. While I did not find all Meetze men I did not find all Sinclair or Hutchinson men. I will say that I never was treated more kindly in my life by any people than I was on this trip and although some I called upon were against me they treated me with all the kindness I could wish.

Those who entertained me at Mr. Sullivan's, Mr. Wolfenden's, Mr. Hayes' and Mr. Ledman's certainly accorded me a most cordial welcome, and their tables were loaded down with such good things that only a candidate can enjoy.

When I called at Mr. E. G. W. Keys' he was in the field making his melon beds. He told me that he raised a melon last year that

weighed 45 pounds, and was going to raise one this year that will weigh 50 pounds.

He said: "Meetze, if you will beat those fellows I am going to make you a present of the biggest melon I raise, and if you do not win but run them right hard, I am going to give it to you anyway."

I said: "Brother Keys, that is my melon and you may as well dedicate it to Meetze right now."

I shall make another trip and speak at Dumfries, Headley,

Suburb and towns to before this twenty-eighth day of April, 1911.

J. E. Warner, J. P.

CANDIDATE'S CARDS

NOTICE

To the Voters of Prince William County:

I stand in this campaign to make a clean and fearless record before the voters of this county. Mr. Hornsback did promise me he would not oppose me this time if I didn't oppose him in the last election for sheriff.

CHARLES A. BARBER

Subscribed and sworn to before me this twenty-eighth day of April, 1911.

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