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Young Men's Club

Red Cross Meeting

Community League

MEAT CONSERVATION NO LONGER NEEDED

John R. Hutcheson, director of the extension division of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, thinks that the people of Virginia will be particularly interested in the following statement recently issued by the department of agriculture. The statement is to this effect:

"With meat prices to the consumer so high that he is denying himself, and with prices for live stock, especially beef and lamb, so low to the producer that he is actually losing money, the nation is confronted with a grave problem which requires solution, if we are not to suffer a decline in the live stock industry.

There is no longer need for meat conservation. The supply is plentiful and patriotic citizens may freely disregard the meat saving placards which are still displayed at many eating places. Europe needs our surplus pork but is filling its beef requirements by importation from South America and Australia. Prices on beef cattle have fallen sharply since March 1 on account of the stoppage of exports for army use and the slack demand for beef at home due to the continuation of beef conservation under the mistaken idea that such conservation is still necessary to feed the people of Europe. Beef producers and lamb producers who sell their products at this time are confronted with the danger of heavy financial losses which would tend to restrict production and cause serious shortage in the future.

"For a decade before the outbreak of the war in Europe, farmers and ranchmen had been urged to increase beef cattle production because the industry was not keeping pace with the growth of population. The campaign for increased production began to bear fruit with the outbreak of the war and beef again gained volume in our exports. Prices rose and farmers were encouraged to expand their beef making operations. With the entrance of the United States into the war a vigorous and successful effort was made to increase the supply of meat for our army, especially beef, by civilian self-denial. A wonderful response to this effort was made by the people of the country.

"But the war is now over and in a little while the presence of American soldiers in Europe will be a memory of noble sacrifice. Europe, short of food though it is, does not need beef from the United States so much as it needs our pork. The beef and lamb now awaiting market on our farms and ranches must, therefore, find an outlet, not overseas but at home.

"In 1918 for the first time in many years, the production of meat animals gained ground in the losing race with the growth of population. This was made possible by the earnest and patriotic efforts of our live stock producers, and unless beef and lamb consumption is now increased to its potential maximum without needless waste, we are in danger of throwing away the advance we have made under war pressure.

"The United States will never have a satisfactory and permanent solution of the problem unless the manufacture, sale and distribution of meat productions are financially supervised by authorized agents of the government, working in co-operation with the state and municipal authorities whose only aim is to serve the public at large and not any particular class. When the Federal government is enabled by law to maintain a just supervision over the meat producing industry that will prevent unfair dealings, speculation and profiteering by furnishing the public through an unimpedable source with the facts in re-

Coal Operators

Confer With Industrial Commission as to Safety Rules Under Compensation Act.

Ralph Taggart, general manager of the Stonega Coke & Coal Company, with headquarters at Big Stone Gap; J. K. Taggart, general manager of the Norton Coal & Coke Company, with headquarters at Norton; C. J. Creveling, general manager of the Blackwood Coal & Coke Company, at Blackwood, and C. B. Neal, general manager of the Red Raven Ash Coal Company, at Red Raven, came to Richmond yesterday from the southwestern part of the state for a conference with the Virginia Industrial Commission.

The conference was held in the rooms of the commission in the Presbyterian Publishing House, on Sixth street, near Main. Chairman R. H. Tucker, of the commission, presided, and the two other members, C. G. Kizer and G. A. McHugh, were also present.

The purpose of the conference was to effect a better understanding between the coal operators and the Virginia Industrial Commission relative to safety rules and other details arising under the operation of the workmen's compensation act, passed by the last General Assembly, August 1, 1917.

Mothers' Club Meetings.

The Mothers' Club of the V. & S. W. met at the home of Mrs. Patrick Arrington, August 11th at 2 p. m. Good slides from the National Organization for Prevention of Blindness was shown.

The Mothers' Club and Girl Scouts of East Stone Gap met at the school house, August 7 at 2 p. m. Lesson in reading clinical thermometer given, Anna Rose carrying off honors for reading it the best and quickest. Those attending were: Rene Gilly, Eva Wells, Kate Bledsoe, Lavada Giles, Anna Rose, Stella Wells, Thelma Hood, Janie Tate, Thelma Giles, Lillie Wilkins, Macie Giles, Mrs. J. B. Qualls, Mrs. Jones.

The Mothers' Club and girls of platt 3 met at the home of Mrs. J. N. Blessing, August 5th at 2 p. m. Nursing demonstration given. Slides from U. S. Public Health Service shown. Those attending were: Mrs. W. A. Carpenter, Mrs. J. M. Willis, Mrs. E. D. Hurd, Mrs. J. N. Blessing, Mrs. W. E. Bishop, Misses Edith Bishop, Mae Willis, Sissie Kilgore, Gladys Hurd, Elizabeth Moore, Denna Bishop.

The Mothers' Club and Girl Scouts of the L. & N. met at the church August 5 at 2 p. m. Nursing demonstration and reading of clinical thermometer given. Those attending were: Mrs. George Atkins, Mrs. S. W. Soward, Mrs. T. D. James, Mrs. M. N. Noy, Mrs. C. F. Garrison, Mrs. J. A. Seaton, Mrs. C. E. Deener, Mrs. Charles Collins, Misses Rosa Quillan, Josephine Willis, Janet Palmer, Gladys Bradshaw, Mary Lee Bradshaw, Gertrude Seaton, Virginia Seaton, Ollie Kelly, Grace Palmer, Virgie Garrison.

In enforcing the new dog laws of Washington county, Va., 315 warrants have been issued and served on delinquent dog owners since July 10th, according to announcement made several days ago by I. E. King, game warden of Washington county.—Lobanon News.

WANTED.—Base Ball Games with teams from large mining towns in Southwest Virginia. We play Sunday ball only. Write or wire for dates.—Signed V. R. Barton, Mgr., Lynch Baseball Club, United States Coal & Coke Co., Lynch, Ky.

Our jails are full of all sorts of criminals—except profiteers.

A meeting of the Public Health Nursing Service will be held at the Red Cross room in the post office building on Thursday afternoon, the 14th at 5 o'clock. All who are interested in this public health work are invited to be present.

Missie C. Fox, Chairman
Public Health Nursing Service
Committee.

House Guests Entertained.

On Thursday evening Miss Katherine Holloman entertained with a charming theater party in honor of the house guests of Misses Clara and Ho Burchfield. The seats were tastefully roped off in purple and white. Her guests were: Misses Le May and Shirley Ryan, of Indiana, Misses Katherine Tilly, Margaret Bunn, Elizabeth Carson, Lee Buckles, Mary and Louise Harmon, of Bristol, Miss Ada Evans, of Johnson City, Miss Ina Allen, Misses Clara and Ho Burchfield.

Messes. Robert Comerford, Creed Kelly, Dan Pierson, Gywn Carico, Tom and Edward Goodloe, Edward Collier, Rufus Pettit, Virgil Minton, George and William Goodloe.

Wednesday evening Miss Clara Burchfield entertained with a very delightful masquerade dance given in honor of her house guests, Misses Le May and Shirley Ryan, of Indiana, Katherine Tilly, Margaret Bunn, Elizabeth Carson, Lee Buckles, Mary and Louise Harmon, of Bristol, and Ada Evans, of Johnson City. A stringed orchestra furnished excellent music for the attractively dressed dancers. At a late hour delicious sandwiches and punch was served.

The guest list included, Misses Juliet Knight, Peggy Pettit, Caroline Goodloe, Montie Morgan, Nita Goodloe, Sara Mouser, of Spartanburg, S. C., Polly Kelly, Katherine Holoman, Lucy Maury, Katherine Litton and Ho Burchfield, Mr. Clifford Burchfield, Dr. Harry Smith, Messrs. Jack Flannery, Marion Smith, and Mr. Tiller, of Appalachia, Robert Markle, Creed Kelly, Rufus Pettit, Gordon Goodloe, Bob Comerford, George and William Goodloe, Dan Pierson, Jim Collier, Virgil Minton, Clarence Shunk, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goodloe and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Burchfield.

Tuesday night Miss Myrtle Clarke entertained with a six course dinner in honor of the house guests of Misses Clara and Ho Burchfield. Her guests were Misses Le May and Shirley Ryan, of Indiana, Miss Katherine Holloman, Mrs. C. E. Burchfield, Mrs. Clara, Clara and Ho Burchfield, Ira Franklin, of Indiana, Elmer and Billy Burchfield.

Wednesday afternoon a delightful picnic was enjoyed by Misses Madge Muncy, Le May and Shirley Ryan, of Indiana, Polly Kelly, Caroline Goodloe, Muriale Snell, Clara and Ho Burchfield and George Goodloe, at the Natural Tunnel.

While in the Gap the entire party enjoyed a trip to St. Charles and to the Inman mines.

Appointed Manager of Telephone Company.

F. C. Whitehead, who recently returned from France, and was for several years connected with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, has been appointed local manager of the company and will have charge of the company's interests in Wise and Lee counties. H. W. Lewis, who had been acting local manager, has resigned.—Crawford's Weekly.

The Community League held its regular monthly meeting in the school building Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, August 1st, with the following members present:

Mesdames Burchfield, Proctor Brown, Gilly, Irvine, Lunsford, Otis Mouser, McCormick, Owen, Prescott, Sayers and Winston.

Mrs. Sayers called the meeting to order and the minutes of the June meeting were read and approved. It was suggested that hereafter we would have roll-call.

A letter was read by the secretary from the Division Superintendent of the Wise County schools, in regard to action taken in the interest of music in our public schools, advising this to be a great work and that school boards have a right to allow the teaching of music in the school room, and that already we have two teachers of public school music in the county supported by our school boards out of regular school funds, located at Coeburn and Norton. Mrs. Irvine moved that Mrs. Hoff be invited to conduct sight-singing classes in our public school.

The treasurer reported \$13.84 in the treasury. The oil bill was again discussed, it being decided that we pay the Jan. and Feb. bill amounting to \$3.00.

A report was heard from Mrs. E. Goodloe that Domestic Science would be retained in the school, Miss Dickson to take charge.

Much time was taken up going over the committees, that each chairman should know her duties. The committee on education to be retained with a new chairman. The Civic and Moral Improvement Committee to be divided into two distinct committees, with Mrs. Hoff and Miss Morgan in charge of the Moral Improvement Committee.

It was moved and seconded that the secretary write a letter to the Mayor and Town Council to abate the "mosquito nuisance," which is a menace to the health of every citizen of the town, the letter to have the signature of every member present, attached.

Upon motion duly seconded, Mrs. E. E. Goodloe was requested to go before the board in the interest of the necessary plumbing and heating of the school building before the fall term.

Upon motion of Mrs. Burchfield, seconded by Mrs. Lunsford, it was decided that each member pay dues of 25 cents per year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. PROCTOR BROWN,
Secretary.

Big Auction Sale.

The Goodloe and Wade tract of land, located about one mile below town, was sold at public auction last Saturday morning by the real estate firm of Mills & McConnell, of Coeburn, consideration being about \$23,000 for both tracts. A large crowd was on the ground and there were several enthusiastic bidders. Mrs. J. W. Chalkley bought the Wad8 farm, the price being \$8,970. The Goodloe farm was split up into several small tracts and was bid in by Jno. W. Chalkley, Dr. J. A. Gilmer, Jno. W. Brotherton, A. C. Jones and others, the price for the entire tract being about \$15,000.

The crowd was furnished splendid music by the Norton band and was served with a big free dinner. Col. Blair, of Nashville, Tenn., was auctioneer.

Standing of League.

	W. L.	Per.
Keokee	4 0	1000
Stonega	3 0	1000
Dorchester	2 3	400
Norton	2 3	400
Big Stone Gap	1 3	250
Wise	0 5	000

Buy a Corona Typewriter from the Wise Printing Co.

Held Interesting Meeting in Town Hall Friday Night.

General Ayers had drawn up resolutions on the railroad strike situation and read same to the club. After considerable discussion, a vote was taken and carried, to send a copy of these resolutions to U. S. Senators from this state and to Representative Slomp.

Several Appalachia visitors were present and stated that they were very much interested in the highway to the Kentucky field.

General Ayers, chairman of the Publicity Committee stated that his committee had a meeting and that he was preparing some data for advertising purposes.

W. H. Wren, chairman, reported keen interest by the people along the proposed highway from Bristol to Big Stone Gap. A large map, drawn to scale, was used to show the various stretches of road. A committee was appointed to take this matter up with the supervisors of Wise, Scott and Lee counties to have them present at the next meeting. Mr. Chalkley moved that the Appalachia Club be invited to name a committee on the proposed highway and meet with the committee appointed by the Young Men's Club at Mr. R. B. Alsolver's office on Wednesday, August 13th, at 4:00 o'clock p. m.

The secretary was instructed to notify the jobbers of Bristol of the committee appointed by the local club. The amalgamation of the Young Men's Club and the Board of Trade has been discussed and final decision reserved for two weeks.

Mr. J. M. Goodloe reported on the Baptist School for Male Students to be located in Southwest Virginia, and stated that he was of the opinion Big Stone Gap had a very good chance to land this. These people desire to come to Big Stone Gap in the near future to look things over.

The Building Committee reported five houses completed since the organization of the club and six now under construction.

Mr. B. F. Warner, the new manager of the Monte Vista Hotel, gave a talk on team work and stated that he was with the club in their activities.

Mr. C. C. Cochran took up the matter of proposed rates on telephones, and an effort will be made to have all organizations, town council, etc., in Wise county to appoint committees to meet with the committee appointed by the Young Men's Club and appoint a committee to go to Richmond to attend the hearing before the commission which will be held soon.

Base Ball

Keokee vs. Big Stone Gap.

Big Stone Gap met their greatest defeat of the season at Keokee Saturday in a game which was featured with several extra base fouls and many errors, the score being 17 to 3. It was a very creditable game up to the eighth inning when Keokee landed on Kelly fair and hard sending base hits to every corner of the lot, one of which was a home run drive by Bliss.

Southpaw Kine, for Keokee, was easy picking for the Gap boys, and was knocked out of the box in the early part of the game. Meade relieving him, Polly walked in the first inning and Pickrel sent him home with a four base drive into left field. Pettit touched Meade for a home run in the fourth but was called out for overrunning second base.

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Keokee..... 10 21 0 21 10 17 15
Big Stone Gap..... 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 3
Batteries—Kine, Meade and Buckles.
Kelly, Baker, Potter and Pickrel