Contributions to a Bibliography of Arlington County VIII

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This addition, whose scope in general is like that of the preceding lists, ranges from the old to the new, from the rare and probably unique item to books published in thousands of copies. It might be noted again that no item is listed unless it has been seen.

A complaint to the Hon. Albert G. Brown (of Mississippi), Chairman of the Senate's Committee on the District of Columbia, upon the Subject of the Potomac Bridge, as an Obstruction to the Commerce of Georgetown, D.C. Washington, H. Polkinhorn, 1856. 48 p. (Lengthy statement on the difficulties caused by the Long Bridge to the commerce of Georgetown, plus the writer's answers to the arguments for its maintenance. References to the causeway from Analostan Island.)

ALEXANDRIA, VA. CITIZENS

Memorial and Remonstrance of Sundry Inhabitants of the County and Town of Alexandria in the District of Columbia... [Washington, 1802] 6 p. “26th January, 1802. Referred to the Committee of the whole House, to whom was this day committed the Bill for establishing the Government for the Territory of Columbia.” (“Remonstrate against any plan whatever of a subordinate legislature, or subordinate executive, which shall unite under its power the two parts of the district, as separated by the Potomac.” Uncut sheet, folded into pages.)

ANDREWS, PETER

In Honored Glory, the Story of Arlington. New York, G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1966. 191 p. illus. (Primarily on development of the Cemetery, with chapter on its foreseeable future. Considerable about Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. About half the book is devoted to biographical sketches of 27 individuals buried there.)

ARLINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL. SURVEY COMMITTEE

The Social Survey: Arlington County Report, np, [1946] 181 p. 18 1. (Dr. B. H. Jarman, Chairman, Survey Committee; Clarence M. Pierce, Director, Social Survey.) (Five major fields were studied in this survey: family and child welfare; corrections; recreation; adult education; and organization and structure of social work. Made an attempt to provide Arlington with some guideposts for the development of its social welfare program.)

ARLINGTON COUNTY. OFFICE OF PLANNING

Potomac Nature Trails, np, 1965. 20 p. illus., maps. (Brochure showing existing and planned trails along the Potomac, and giving requirements to make them effective.)

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students. Divided into four chapters—history, geography, government, and cultural and social life—it is a brief survey of the county.)

BALL, FRANK LIVINGSTON

Mt. Olivet Methodist, Arlington’s Pioneer Church. A Story of the First One Hundred Years of Mount Olivet Methodist Church. Illustrations and Art Work by Linda Ball & Julia Cuniberti. Arlington, Va., Southern Printing and Lithographing, Inc., 1965. 6 p.l., 174 p., 11 l. illus., ports. (A very personal history by one whose life span was only some thirty odd years less than that of the church of which he wrote. Well detailed, full of names of individuals and with much on county history, it is an important contribution to Arlingtoniana.)

BALLANTINE, WILLIAM

Horses & Their Bosses. Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott Company, 1964. 313 p. illus. (Chapter 8 “Old Gory’s Last Stand” p. 260-286, of which p. 272-286 are about the military horses used in funerals at Arlington National Cemetery. Considerable local color in Mr. Ballentine’s description of his visit.)

BISHOP, ELSA ELISE

Arlington: Lovely Bivouac of the Dead. American Mercury 88: 93-6 May 1959. (General article with no special viewpoint.)

ELLET, CHARLES

Report on a Suspension Bridge Across the Potomac, for Railroad and Common Travel: Addressed to the Mayor and City Council of Georgetown, D.C. Philadelphia, J. C. Clark, printer, 1854. 36 p., plates. (Proposal for a suspension bridge at the Three Sisters, with technical details.)

GURNEY, GENE


HEALTH AND WELFARE COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA

Area Profile of: Arlington County, Va. [Washington, D.C., 1964] 12 p. (HWC Publication No. 18.) (Brief survey of Arlington with emphasis on those topics pertinent to health, welfare and recreation.)

HESSLER, WILLIAM H.

A Southern County Waits for the School Bell. Reporter 19(3): 21-4, Sept. 4, 1958; Discussion 19(5): 6, Oct. 2, 1958. (Compares Arlington’s situation in the school integration struggle to that of the county in the Civil War when it was a frontier zone. States position as desire of a large majority of citizens to preserve the schools, the efforts of the state administration to forestall any integration, and what might happen. Discussion is two letters by integration supporters.)

HOWE, SAMUEL

The Arlington Amphitheatre near Washington, Art World 2: 16-18, April 1917. Illus. on p. 10. (Quotes Thomas Hastings, the architect, at some length as to his aims. Mr. Howe then comments favorably on its architecture as an “illustration of the ideals of which we stand.”)
Hughes, George W.

Report on a Survey of Jackson City, D.C., with a Plan for its Improvement. Brooklyn, Printed by F. G. Fish, 1837. 15 p. (Basically a promotional pamphlet.)

Korey, William and Charlotte Lubin

Arlington—Another Little Rock? School Integration Fight on Washington’s Doorstep. Commentary 26:201-9 Sept. 1958. (A rather detailed account of the situation that threatened in the wake of the segregationists’ effort to maintain segregated schools. Names of groups and individuals on both sides given with quotations.)

Lang, Jeffrey M.


McPherson, Orville S.

A Large Scale Community Development, Fairlington . . . Its “Ins” and “Ous.” Largest Housing Center in the Nation’s Capital now Serves a Definite War Purpose, Has Many Comforts for Tenants. Housing Progress 1:18-19, 36-7, 38-9 Spring 1945. Illus. (3,439 family unit built by Defense Homes Corporation, Feb. 1942-August 1944. Approximately 16,000 rooms—1,090 one bed-room; 2,019 two bed-room; 330 three bed-room. Gives data on facilities available and problems encountered due to war-time conditions.)

Norvell, W. C.


Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall, & MacDonald, Engineers


Peattie, Donald Culross

The Story behind Arlington—Where Sleep the Brave. Reader’s Digest 61:65-8 Aug. 1952. (Popular account giving the origins of Arlington, its establishment as a cemetery, and data on the burial of the Unknown Soldier.)

Reed, Sarah A.

A Romance of Arlington House, np, [1905?] 116 p. illus. (Letters of Virginia Colton written at Arlington in 1824. Concerns the visit of Lafayette and her romance with Captain Worthington. Introductory comments by the editor provide some background on Arlington.)

Soule, George

Arlington. New Republic 15:79-80 May 18, 1918. (Description of a visit to Arlington with editorial opinion on the dead, the living and their actions for the country. Slight descriptive value in narration of visit.)

Turnbull, William

Reports on the Construction of the Piers of the Aqueduct of the Alexandria Canal across the Potomac River at Georgetown, District of Columbia. 1835-
1840. Washington, Govt. Print. Off., 1873. 49 p. 8 fold. pl. (At head of title: Engineer Department, United States Army.) (Reprint of the reports of the engineer of the Aqueduct for the period 1835-1840, making available much pertinent data in one volume.)

Arlington County Pioneers Again. American City 49(8):71 Aug. 1934. (Four paragraphs on improved operating and cost accounting systems to cover all public works activities of the county, called first county in country to do this.)

Engineers Complete Floating Bridge Between Virginia and District of Columbia. Military Engineer 34(202:405 Aug. 1942. (Brief article on 174th Street floating bridge opened July 1, and notes on two other Potomac bridges under construction. A picture story entitled “Engineer ‘Shipyard’ Builds Pontoons by Mass Production Methods” in the same magazine (204):502-3 Oct. 1942, shows methods used in preparing the pontoons.)