

THURSDAY

PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

DECEMBER 18, 1952

This Town-- That World

The trouble with some people is, they have a gall bladder for a heart.

After all, Christmas giving serves well. But for the custom some folks would never give anything.

DRAFT 'EM, WE SAY

Young men are forced by their country's law to leave their homes to bear arms, to go to foreign countries and fight, even die. Even if they go through their armed service unscratched, there's a lot of discomfort and unpleasantness about it. Some of us—reach this conclusion after watching folks shun the simple act of giving a pint of blood—would demand a medal for taking all the "shots" they receive.

We still maintain that, if the boys can be yanked from their homes to meet whatever fate holds in store for them, we who stay at home should be drafted to give blood the same boys will need if they are wounded.

Now that another use for the blood we give, that of making gamma globulin for use in immunizing our children against polio, has been found, we wonder how many of us parents will continue to be shirkers and slackers?

THANKS!

We have received many Christmas cards this year, for which we thank the friends and acquaintances who sent them. All we have received convey the Christmas message, admirably.

Not one has gone in for a card showing the Christ-child or the Magi in the mushrooming cloud of an A-bomb explosion. Thank you all.

We are just old-fashioned enough to like the old things. A news photo recently showed the modern trend in Christmas art and, frankly, it left us cold. Real cold. Instead of the simple picture showing the Three Wise Men, their camels, the night-shrouded desert-land and the Star overhead, this modernistic job had one of the Magi riding what appears to be a horse and all three descending an impossible backbone of a ridge toward a place where something not unlike a television antenna sprang up toward the Star.

Thanks for sparing me that atrocity.

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G. T. "Tom" Wright, 51 Dies of Heart Attack In C.&O. Freight Depot

C. T. "Tom" Wright, 51, a rate clerk for the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company, suffered a heart attack Monday while at work in the Ashland C. & O. freight depot and was pronounced dead upon arrival at King's Daughters hospital there.

Wright, a C. & O. employee for 30 years, lived at Catterburg. He was a native of Buena Vista, Va., and formerly resided at Martin.

Survivors are the wife, Mrs. Norma Wright; two brothers, C. G. Wright, Ashland, and W. H. Wright, Shelby; and two sisters, Mrs. John D. Marcum, Lexington, and Mrs. Nelson Ross, Ashland.

Court House Happenings

SUITS FILED

Mack Marsillett vs. Richard Arnett; P. K. Damron, atty. Gypsy Hughes vs. Estill Hughes; Hollie Conley Atty. Associated Discounts Corp. vs. James Webb, Jr.; Robert Wellman, atty. Linda Sue Mosley vs. Clark Mosley; W. W. Burchett, atty. Bonnie Bakay vs. Mike Bakay; W. W. Burchett, atty. Norman Fraley vs. Phil Fraley; W. W. Burchett, atty. Cooley Motor Co., Inc. vs. E. L. Spradlin and Gomer Martin, Jr. (separate cases); S. C. Ferguson, atty. Evelyn Hall Martin vs. Theodore Martin; W. W. Burchett, atty. Valley Motor Car Co. vs. Harmon Slone; W. W. Burchett, atty.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Charles Edward Reynolds and Estelene Jones, Arlie Lyman Prater, Jr., 29, West Van Lear, and Anna Lee Tackett, 23, Martin. James Isaacs, 16, Hunter, and Ruby Hall, 15, McDowell; married here Dec. 15 by the Rev. Alex Stephens. Henry Edmond Blankenship, 22, McCombs, Ky., and Eunice Blackburn, 24, Endicott; marriage solemnized here Dec. 16 by the Rev. Alex Stephens. Raymond Helton, 18, and Loretta Goble, 16, both of Wheelwright; married here Dec. 17, the Rev. Alex Stephens officiating.

CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET HERE AT NEW LOW

Next Term To Depend On Grand Jury's Work For Cases After Jan. 10

The Floyd circuit court will begin the new year with the smallest docket in its modern history and will heavily depend for cases through the January term on new indictments made by the grand jury, it was said here this week.

Actually, there are 45 cases on the docket, all listed for trial in the first five days of the session, but only a few of these are expected to reach a jury. Twenty-two of the cases docketed over the Jan. 5-10 period are marked "alias and continued." This means that bench warrants have been issued for the defendants but that they are not yet officially before the court. Four others have been continued without process and another has been continued without process and another has been continued till the April court term.

The lone murder case listed is one which may never come to trial. This is the charge against Marion Yates and Mrs. Ida Hunt, who were indicted jointly with Milt Hunt for the slaying of Jake Salsbury at Harold. Hunt was given a two-year penitentiary sentence at the November term of court, and this sentence at the time was construed as writing off the charge against Hunt's wife, Ida, and Yates, both of whom were considered no more than accessories in the case. The trial, however, has been marked on the docket for Jan. 10.

Another case set for the same date is that of Billy Blanton, charged with breaking and entering. Other major cases docketed for trial are: Garland Hall, grand larceny; George Lawson, shooting and wounding Luther Stone, voluntary manslaughter, and Balis Prater, detaining a woman against her will—

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HARRIS DEATH BEING PROBED

Detroit Police Suspect Foul Play; Floyd Native Skull Fracture Victim

Ernest B. Harris, 42 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Harris, of Cliff, died in a Detroit hospital last Thursday, five days after he had sustained a skull fracture under circumstances which, Detroit police said, indicate foul play.

Mr. Harris was found Dec. 6 in front of a boarding house at which he stayed. For a time it was believed he would recover as he recognized relatives who visited him, early last week. An autopsy was performed, but relatives here had not learned if charges had been filed against an assailant.

A native of this county and a former resident of Glo, Mr. Harris had resided for the last eight years in Detroit where he was an electrician for the Briggs Manufacturing Company. He was a member of the Methodist Church and was widely related in this section.

Surviving, besides his parents, are one son, Jack Ernest Harris, of the navy, stationed at Memphis, Tenn., a daughter, Margaret Greer Harris, of Michigan, and the following brothers and sisters: E. L. Harris, Prestonsburg, Hargis Harris, Therman, O., Stephen Harris, Cliff, George Harris, Ypsilanti, Mich., Mrs. Hazel Lynch, Ashland, and Miss Janie Harris, Cliff.

Funeral rites were held here Monday afternoon from the Arnold chapel, the Revs. S. C. Honeycutt, H. C. Church and R. A. Burke officiating. Burial in the Harris cemetery near Lancer was under direction of the Carter & Callihan Funeral Home.

WINTER NUMBER OF 'IN KENTUCKY' LISTS DEWEY AMONG STATE'S FIVE MAJOR LAKES

The winter issue of the Common-wealth's official magazine, "In Kentucky," which comes off the press this week, contains articles about fishing in Kentucky's five major lakes, Kentucky's warfare against tuberculosis, and convention facilities at state parks that remain open the year round.

Marvin Wachs, well-known sports columnist, says in his fishing article that many widely known anglers in the U.S. today are maintaining that fishing in Kentucky is "among the best in the nation."

The article, illustrated with pictures of dock facilities and catches, reports on fishing at Dewey, Kentucky, Dale Hollow, Cumberland and Herrington Lakes.

Christmas Seal Drive Two-Thirds the Way To Hoped-for \$3,000

Floyd county this week was almost two-thirds the way to its hoped-for goal of \$3,000 to continue the work of the Floyd County Tuberculosis Association and its special TB nurse on a fulltime basis. Mrs. A. C. Harlowe, Association secretary, said \$1,967 worth of Christmas Seals had been paid for by residents of the county as of Wednesday afternoon.

The returns to date have been very encouraging, and are ahead of last year's Seal purchases at this date, it was said.

COLLISION OF AUTO, TRUCK

Results in Confiscation of 3 Cases of Whiskey; Slone Is Hospitalized

State Police, and G. R. Allen, Alcoholic Beverage Control agent, Wednesday afternoon confiscated approximately three cases of whiskey taken from the trunk of Allen Slone's car after Slone's auto and a truck driven by Charlie Patton had collided on U. S. 23, near the upper limits of Lancer.

Slone, one of four persons in the two vehicles, was most seriously hurt and 21 stitches were required at the Prestonsburg General hospital to close his head lacerations. He will recover, it was said at the hospital.

Patton and Freddy Collins, occupants of the truck, were saved from serious injury by hardtop mine caps they were wearing as they were returning from work. Patton was quoted as saying he was driving downriver toward Prestonsburg and was meeting a truck when Slone's auto suddenly pulled from behind the truck and into the path of Patton.

Sheriff A. B. Meade and Deputy Sheriff Frank Crum last Thursday arrested Buddy Noble on Sizemore, confiscated 11 cases of beer and 18 half-pints of whiskey allegedly owned by Noble. The same day, Deputy Sheriff Scott Compton and Crum arrested Herb McGlothen at Martin and seized 41 half-pints of whiskey.

Sheriff's deputies last week arrested Norman Hall, here and Clarence Prater on Middle Creek and booked them as wanted for army desertion.

MASONS PLAN JAN. 3 FETE

Past Masters Banquet To Be Opening Event Of Lodge's 99th Year

Invitation of Zebulon Masonic lodge to attend its 25th annual Past Masters' Night here Jan. 3 is expected to be accepted by all officers of the Kentucky Grand Lodge, it was said here this week. Dr. Robert M. Sirkle, of Prestonsburg, is grand master of the Grand Lodge.

The banquet will be the opening event of the 99th year for Zebulon lodge, which was chartered Aug. 30, 1854. The program for the event lists the names of 64 men who have served the lodge as masters.

Election of officers for 1953 will be held Dec. 27, and these will be installed by Dr. Sirkle as the concluding part of the Jan. 3 program. The program, at which John W. Hall, of Martin, will preside as master of ceremonies, will include:

Address of welcome by John H. Keenan, past master; response by E. E. Clark, Ashland, a past master of the lodge; recognition of Grand Lodge officers, introduction of past masters, recognition of visiting past masters and introduction of officers-elect for 1953.

Mr. Clark again repeated his assertion that tests made last spring and fall showed that the impoundment has a good supply of bass, and he referred to any reports to the contrary as "misleading of facts."

The lake needs greater depth instead of restocking, Clark declared. The lake, he pointed out, is shallow and thus highly susceptible to wind action, with the result that it remains murky over a large part of each year. This is a condition not conducive to either bass production or growth, he pointed out.

"If more water could be stored in the reservoir thermal stratification would cause the lake to remain clear over longer periods of time," the fisheries department head wrote. Clear condition of the water would

MOTORCYCLIST KILLED HERE

Mullins Loses Control Of Machine on Lake Dr., Smashed Into Building

Fred Mullins, 30-year-old Prestonsburg auto body shop operator, succumbed at 8:20 p.m., Wednesday at the Prestonsburg General hospital to injuries sustained about six hours earlier in a motorcycle wreck here.

His neck broken and skull fractured, he died without regaining consciousness.

Mullins apparently lost control of his motorcycle while rounding the curve at the Collins Service Station here and smashed into the wall of the Peerless Auto Supply. George Lockwood, who witnessed the tragedy, said Mullins was traveling at a speed of 30 to 35 miles an hour and was looking down, apparently working with the gears of the motorcycle, when the machine went out of control.

The cycle rammed into the auto supply building and smashed a glass window, sending glass flying into the interior and shattering its occupants, Mr. and Mrs. Lenna Spradlin with glass particles. Mrs. Spradlin suffered a slight cut on her leg. "The first I knew of the wreck, glass was flying all over the place," Mr. Spradlin said.

The victim had been employed by the Burdett Trucking Company the last two years and had established a body shop in the Grapette Bottling Company building about a month ago. He was a native of Magoffin county and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Mullins, of Salyersville.

Among his survivors are his widow, Mrs. Theda Salyers Mullins, three children, Freddie, 5, Charley Joe, 2, and Teresa, 9 months, his parents and 10 brothers and sisters.

The body was taken to Salyersville, and funeral rites will be held Friday at 1 p.m., at Funcheon, Ky. Burial will be in the family cemetery near Salyersville, the Kelley Funeral Home directing.

Allen Lumberman Dies, Heart Attack Victim; Funeral Rites Today

Charlie Conn, 36 years old, well-known Allen business man, died of a heart attack at his home at 1:30 a.m., Tuesday. The seizure was without warning and he died before medical aid could be summoned.

Mr. Conn was associated with his father-in-law, J. S. Reynolds, in the operation of the Allen Lumber Company. He was a member of the Regular Baptist Church, and was one of the community's best men.

A native of Prater Creek, he was the son of James and the late Lona Clark Conn. Besides his father he leaves his widow, Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds Conn, two children, Charlene and Ileen, two brothers, Norman Conn, of Banner, and Fred Conn, Betsy Layne, and three sisters, Mrs. Powell Boyd, Betsy Layne, Mrs. Walk Howell, Dana, and Mrs. Bill Harvey, Honaker.

Funeral rites were conducted at 10 a.m. today (Thursday) from the Allen Theatre building, ministers of the Regular Baptist Church officiating. Burial was made in the family cemetery at Allen, the Hall Brothers Funeral Home directing.

Clark Tells Game Club Dewey Fish More Plentiful Than in TVA Lakes

A. J. Turner, Langley, secretary of the Floyd County Fish & Game Club, said today (Thursday) that Minor Clark, superintendent of fisheries, Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources, has written the club to the effect that restocking Dewey Lake with black bass would be a heavy and needless expenditure of funds.

Clark got down to cases in findings made in tests at Dewey lake, and compared them with tests made in TVA impoundments. Areas much larger than comparative areas in Dewey were studied in the TVA reservoirs, and comparative figures show, he said, that Dewey ranked above these lakes in bass production.

"There is nothing," he wrote, "to indicate that bass fishing will deteriorate below the present level."

Stocking of bass in waters already carrying bass population has been tried by the Department, he said, in size from small fry to 10 inches and as many as 10 per acre, without beneficial results.

Spirit of Giving Is Strong As Christmas Drawing Nigh

Floyd county is feeling, this pre-Christmas week, the universal appeal and spirit of the Yuletide.

Over the county, few were the churches and schools and other groups that were not planning a Christmas observance of one kind or another.

The spirit of giving was strong, and efforts of at least two communities to minister to the needs of the poor drew special attention. These efforts were reported centered at Martin and Prestonsburg.

Here, three churches, the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian, pooled their efforts to find needy families over an area beginning at Allen and ending at Aitxier along the river and extending up Cow Creek, Brandy Keg, Middle Creek, Bull Creek and Abbott Creek. The list of those to receive Christmas baskets was closed Wednesday with 79 families slated to receive Christmas baskets. Ray Howard, of the Presbyterian Church, is chairman of this work for the second consecutive year.

At Martin John B. Reynolds Post, American Legion, is leading a giant community Christmas tree for the

benefit of underprivileged children in a wide area beginning with Ivel, Dwale and Allen at its lower limits, extending up Right Beaver Creek to Eastern and on Left Beaver Creek to McDowell.

The veterans plan not only to give every underprivileged child in that area something worthwhile for Christmas — they will operate private cars and hire buses to transport the tots from home to Martin and back.

The big party there will be held on the night of Dec. 24, just before the dance being sponsored by the Post to raise funds to defray the expenses this job will incur.

The Legion Auxiliary will stage a Christmas play for the youngsters, and the little guests of the Post also will enjoy a free movie during the evening at the Martin high school auditorium. The high school glee club will render Christmas carols.

Such is the picture from only two communities in the county. Plans for others are not known.

And there was the Christmas look, too. One Prestonsburg business

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NAME STUMBO PARTY LEADER

At Democratic Caucus; Rivals for Secretaryship Compromise on Hays

Although County Judge Henry Stumbo was elected county chairman of the Democratic party at the county caucus held here Saturday afternoon, and was virtually without opposition from the time of the precinct elections, a scrap developed for the post of secretary of the party organization in the county.

Contention for the party post arose between Johnny Hall, of McDowell, and County Clerk DuRan Moore, who told the gathering he had been promised the support of Democratic leaders, including that of the two delegates elected from the two Legislative districts of the county.

Saturday morning, Clive Akers, retiring county chairman, was elected chairman from Legislative District 97, and County Attorney W. W. Burchett was named to the District 96 chairmanship. These two were to name the county chairman and secretary.

Development of a race between Moore and Hall for the post of secretary, however, made an agreement between the two district chairmen difficult. Upshot of the matter was, State Senator Doug Hays, of McDowell, was named secretary by way of a compromise.

For the first time in the history of the county's party organization a county chairman was elected. Mrs. Betty Stephens, of Prestonsburg, was named to the post.

Judge Stumbo succeeds Clive Akers as county chairman, and Senator Hays takes the place of John Allen as secretary.

DEPUTY JAILS BOY AND GIRL

Named for Vandalism In Little Paint Home; Car Wreck Yields Rum

For what the arresting officer, Deputy Sheriff Frank Crum, termed wanton destruction of property a 14-year-old girl and a boy of 12 were jailed here Wednesday, charged with breaking and entering the home of their Little Paint Creek neighbor, Andrew Crum, on the preceding day.

The officer said the two, Lily Rose Harmon and Donald Whitaker, had admitted their guilt. He estimated the total damage caused by the two at \$500. Deputy Sheriff Crum gave this description of the work of the two:

Pictures torn from the walls of the home and burned (a photo of Mr. and Mrs. Crum's dead baby was untouched, however), window curtains snipped off with scissors, three suits of Mrs. Crum's slashed and ruined, and an \$80 wrist watch thrown into a well.

The girl, he said, told of the watch being cast into the well. The deputy sheriff said the only motive he could fix for the destruction was, the girl was "mad at Cum's wife."

Mrs. Crum is an employe here of Scott's Department Store.

Floyd County Bond Sales Exceed Quota for 1952

Floyd was one of 11 Kentucky counties which had by Monday of this week exceeded their 1952 sales goals of U. S. Savings Bonds, it was announced by John U. Courtney, director of sales for Kentucky.

This county, where Adrian Collins, Prestonsburg, is chairman of Bond sales, had a quota of \$349,000, and has bought \$359,664 worth of bonds.

Churches To Present Christmas Cantatas

Cantatas will be presented as a part of the Christmas program of two Prestonsburg churches next Sunday, it was announced this week. Each will be presented at 7:30 p.m.

"The Chimes of Holy Night" will be presented by the chancel choir of the Methodist Church. The choir will be directed by Carlos Haywood, with Mrs. Kathryn S. Frazier as organist.

At the Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, the cantata, "Glory to God," from Themes of Chas. F. Gounod, will be sung, with Franklin W. Moore as director and Mrs. Edith F. James and Mrs. L. W. Benedict as accompanists. Soloists will be Mrs. C. P. Stephens, Mrs. Edith F. James, Mrs. C. Kilmer Combs, Miss Mary Catherine Huts-lupiler, Miss Barbara May, Miss Nancy Spurlock, Franklin Moore and Russell Shaw.

FIRES CAUSE \$14,500 LOSS

Restaurant at Allen, Tram Residence Burns; Loss Partly Insured

Two fires in the county within the week destroyed property valued at \$14,000. One was the business of Callison's Restaurant at the "Y" at Allen, and the other was the home of Orbie Hamilton in Tram Bottom.

The Hamilton property had been vacant for sometime, the owner having purchased another home at Tom's Creek. Some furnishings were still in the house which burned in the early hours preceding daylight Sunday morning. Defective wiring is thought to have caused the blaze which resulted in a loss of approximately \$4,500.

The Callison restaurant at Allen owned by C. T. Callison, was believed to have burned from a fire ignited by a floor furnace. A boy who arrived early at the fire stated it seemed to be concentrated near the furnace.

Riley Hall, of Allen, was the owner of the restaurant building. Building, stock and fixture damage was estimated at \$9,500.

The Martin fire department arrived at Allen but, since there were no fire-plugs in the immediate vicinity, little could be done except save the adjacent buildings by water from an auxiliary tank. Both fires, it was said, are partially covered by insurance.

BLAZE CLAIMS FOUR WORKERS

In Breathitt Mine; Fire Under Control As Debris Cleared

Whatever that may remain of the fire which last Saturday claimed the lives of four men in the No. 3 mine of the Pond Creek-Pocahontas Company at Evanston, Breathitt county, lies under the rubble being cleared away from the slatefall which preceded the blaze, it was said here Wednesday. Work crews are clearing the debris from both front and back of the fall, and the entire situation was clear except for this cleaning-up operation.

The four men who lost their lives to carbon-monoxide poisoning were Monticello and Burgess Neace, Perry county brothers, aged 26 and 36, respectively, Roland Grigsby, 33, and Edgar Horn, 40, father of eight, and a resident of Martin county.

Bodies of Grigsby and Burgess Neace were recovered from the mine, a slope operation located about three miles from Evanston, Saturday morning. Rescue workers did not reach the bodies of Monticello Neace and Horn till the following morning.

Grigsby and Burgess Neace showed traces of life when they were brought out of the mine. Artificial resuscitation, however, was of no avail.

The four men were working Friday night on the third shift. About 35 men were in the mine when the fire was discovered shortly after 1 a.m., Saturday. The other men got out safely.

The dead men were discovered about 1,000 feet from the mine entrance by Cecil Ditty, third-shift foreman, and Jimmy Gostle, fire boss. They said the victims showed no signs of burns or injuries.

Mine employees and inspectors from the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals and from the United States Bureau of Mines quietly joined in fighting the blaze.

The damage has been placed at \$125,000.

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SURVEY PLANS TO BE TALKED AT JAN. MEET

Ashland Meeting Called For Board To Lay Plans For Survey of This Area

The first meeting of forces to lay the groundwork for an industrial survey of the Big Sandy area and Eastern Kentucky as a whole will be held in Ashland, Jan. 10, it was announced this week in Frankfort.

George W. Hubley, Jr., executive director of the Agricultural and Industrial Development Board, announced that the group will formulate plans at the session. They are Mayor David Aronberg, Ashland, Martin, Bowen, Clearfield, member of the A.I.D. Board, Norman Christmas, Pikeville, civic leader, and Rexford S. Blazer, Ashland, president of the Ashland Oil & Refining Company.

Prentice M. Terry, Louisville, United States Department of Commerce representative, Harper Gatton, Louisville, representing the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Harry Laviers, Paintsville, A.I.D. Board member, R. E. Doyle, Jr., Kentucky & West Virginia Power Company manager, Ashland, Wayne C. Fletcher, Richmond, Va., industrial representative of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company, John W. Woods, Jr., Ashland banker, and Gerald Griffin, Pikeville, head of The Courier-Journal's East Kentucky Bureau.

"Since this is intended to be a working meeting, we have purposely

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CITY COUNCIL STUDIES PLAN

To Buy Bank Property But No Decision Made; Gilliam Quits Force

Discussion by the City Council at its Monday evening meeting of a plan to purchase the present First National Bank property here for city use failed to result in any decision. Councilmen talked a price of \$38,000, payable over a long period and at a low rate of interest, but the subject of indebtedness provided a barrier to any definite indication such a deal would be made.

The building, if city-owned, would be used for offices for the city-owned water and gas systems and, possibly, the local Kentucky & West Virginia Power Company office. One argument advanced was that rentals from these three sources would amortize the debt over a lengthy period.

The Council took into consideration the fact that Neise "Pie" Gilliam had left Prestonsburg, and his "resignation" as policeman was accepted. Bill Potter, traffic policeman, was named in his stead at the meeting.

Council also named a new board of Supervisors here. These are Mrs. John W. Caudill, C. F. Rinehart and Sam V. Hale.

The Council voted to levy attachments on property which had been advertised for sale to satisfy delinquent taxes. The tax rate for the next year was set at last year's figure: 75 cents per \$100 valuation and \$1.50 poll tax.

Penalty on taxes will be added after March 31, it was voted.

AUDIT REPORT BY JANUARY 1

Is Expected by Judge; Accountants' Review Of Records Finished

County Judge Henry Stumbo said last week that a report from the firm of William Cotton Co., Louisville, on its audit of Floyd county officials' financial record is expected to be received here between that date and Jan. 1.

He expressed the belief the auditors had completed their investigation into records here and that the final report is awaiting their analysis of the findings.

"I don't know, some officials may be owing the county money. If they do, I expect everyone who owes to pay it back," Stumbo commented.

The three men reviewing records at the courthouse have not been here within the last three or four weeks. One source said their report may be delayed by figures submitted by one or more officials or ex-officials to show the extent of their expenses in performance of their official duties.

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It's Christmas!

WITH this week's edition The Times concludes the good year 1952 insofar as publication of a newspaper goes. There will be an interval of one week between publication dates.

As we end the year's work we, as do perhaps most of our readers, look back on the twelve months which have passed, sum up our achievements and failures, and wonder what the next year will bring.

So doing, we are reminded at every Christmas-time of our obligations to the people of Floyd county, to those who have been our friends over the years, helping out with a bit of news here, an encouraging word there. And while we consider such matters we naturally think of those who have made possible any improvements which may have benefited this newspaper. We refer, specifically, to those who have advertised consistently in The Times and have favored it otherwise.

Next year, and every year we continue in our attempts to serve Floyd county, we propose to print the news without rancor toward any individual or group and to forget personal preferences as much as they can humanly be forgotten.

In wishing for all who may read this the traditional Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year we would wish one more thing for our friends, and that is more of the spirit of understanding and goodwill among one another.

TURKEY and Hen SHOOT

SUNDAY, December 31
Starting at 9 a. m.

At home of AD WARRIX
Bull Creek

The Bright Promise of Help In Big Sandy's Battle

ALTHOUGH this section has been sustained so long by hopes which have failed it and has become weary in the face of defeat after defeat in its efforts to become economically secure, The Times finds encouragement in the news that the Kentucky Agricultural and Industrial Board is joining the search for a solution to this valley's problems.

It has been reported that this state organization will even look into the possibilities of that years-old dream of ours, canalization of the Big Sandy.

Now is the time for the Big Sandy Valley Association to come to life again and join an organization which has official stature and the planning resources of the state behind it. Assurance that this state organization recognizes our predicament and wants to do something about it should give new hope that here is the possibility of help from a source which can assemble necessary information and present it as it should be presented.

The record as presented in previous hearings on Big Sandy canalization conclusively shows how Big Sandy coal is being priced out of the market at a pace more rapid than that of any other section. High production costs and an unjust freight differential tell the sad story. The two together nullify the desirability of Eastern Kentucky coal, no matter how superior it may be.

Take the figures on freight rates in 1949, for instance. The Lake cargo rate from the Big Sandy was \$2.71 a ton. At the same time the most any Northern area paid was \$2.55 a ton. This was from the Fairmont field. The least was \$2 a ton from the Butler-Mercer area.

Then too that freight differential add the cost of production:

The mining cost per ton of coal in the Big Sandy at that time was \$3.57. The maximum cost for any Northern field was \$3.44 per ton in Pennsylvania, with Ohio's lowest at \$3.02.

And here's how Eastern Kentucky compared with Western Kentucky in freight and production costs:

Western Kentucky's rate to Chicago was only \$3.28 as compared with \$4.12 for the Big Sandy. And mines of the western part of the state were producing coal for only \$2.20 a ton while Big Sandy had an expense in that department of \$2.71.

Production costs since then have advanced, but the advances have been pretty uniform over the coal fields, regardless of their location. At any rate, Big Sandy's position has not improved.

What this section wants is a fair break, an even chance in the fight for economic survival. Canalization of the Big Sandy river will provide that break. Or, failure to realize that, removal of the discriminatory freight differential would be the next step. To be considered, also, is the possibility of plants to produce in this section some of the valuable by-products of coal.

Somewhere among these alternatives the Big Sandy should find a brighter future. The Times hopes the people of this section will work together and with the Governor and the Agricultural & Industrial Board as these possibilities are explored.

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firm was encouraging home-owners to add the Christmas touch to their home-fronts by offering a \$100 cash prize for the best-decorated home, anywhere in the county.

While the small fry impatiently waited the Big Night of the year, their elders were busy, here and elsewhere over the county.

At Martin, under the direction of James Salisbury, principal of the school, and Mrs. Dortha Allen, faculty-member, the boys and girls had done already this week a magnificent job. Across the top of the high school structure there appeared, life-size, the figure of the Manger Scene, the Shepherds, the Magi and the Star, and all this spotlighted. Outside the building is the big 25-foot Christmas tree, resplendent in its lights. Cost of the scene, it was estimated, was \$80.

Bill Damron, 58, Hi Hat, Dies of Heart Attack; Funeral Held Tuesday

Bill Damron, 58, of Hi Hat, died at his home at 10 a. m., Saturday, Dec. 13, of a heart attack. He had followed mining as an occupation until he lost a leg in an accident and had been in ill health for some time.

He was a son of William and Mary Caudill Osborne. Surviving children are Wade, of Red Jacket, W. Va., Ola, Red Jacket, Draxie, Aiken, S. C., Ruby, Hi Hat, Myrtle, Grundy, Va., Jackie, of the Marine Corps, Ralph, Detroit, and Jewell, of Yeager, Ky. Surviving brothers and sisters are Mrs. Jane Shores, McClure, W. Va., Orbie Caudill, McClure, Green Osborne, Virgie, Johnny Caudill, Hi Hat.

Funeral rites were conducted from the home Tuesday, Dec. 16, the Revs. Joe Jones, Mack McCloud and Jerry Hall officiating. Burial was made in the family cemetery at Hi Hat under direction of Hall Brothers Funeral Home.

Alonzo Frasure, Wayland, Succumbs at St. Mary's From Dec. Mine Accident

Alonzo Frasure, 37, of Wayland, died at St. Mary's hospital in Huntington, on Dec. 10, from an injury sustained in a slate fall in the mines. He was injured Dec. 2.

He was a son of Ep and Mary Lykins Frasure, deceased, and was married to Ruby Bots Frasure, who survives. Three surviving sons are Jimmy Robin, Warney Ramey and Bobby Gordon at home.

Also surviving are the following brothers and sisters: Warney Frasure, Columbus, O.; Emma Frasure, Martin; Mrs. Myrtle Wood, Charleston, W. Va.; Mrs. Maudie Price, Norton, Va.; Mrs. Alma Meade, Wheelwright; Mrs. Bessie Porter, Haven Hill, O.; Mrs. Zetty Turpin, Garrett.

Funeral rites were conducted at the Freewill Baptist church at Estill, Dec. 14, the Rev. Adam Osborne, officiating. Burial was in the Frasure cemetery at Martin under the direction of the Turner Funeral Home.

RETURN TO HONG KONG
HONG KONG, — The Norwegian ship Nidar has returned to Hong Kong from a projected voyage to Japan because of the discovery of six pistols and a large quantity of ammunition among crew members, marine police reported.

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MORNING MATINEE
Little Elizabeth Graham Dingus celebrated her sixth birthday, Saturday, at her home on Dingus street by entertaining a group of friends. Games were played and the birthday cake was cut and served before the many gifts brought by the guests were opened. At the conclusion of the home party, the hostess invited her guests to the Strand Theatre for a morning matinee. Guests were Elizabeth Lynn Frazier, Barbara Jo Seeling, Donna Sue McKinney Harriet Ann Sandige, Lynn Salisbury, Jane Mayo Fitzpatrick, Betty Carly Moore, Vee Vee Hayes, Charles Combs, Steve Combs, Billy Gordon Francis, Milton Sirkle, Clark Nunery, Eddie Worland, Jr., Donald Spurlock, Bobby May and Sammy D. Hatcher.

EXTENSION COURSE COMPLETED
Mrs. Mamie W. Scott completed the nine-week extension course at Martin last Saturday. This course, given by Eastern State College, Richmond, to Floyd county teachers, gives credit on college degrees through these special courses. Fifty-nine teachers were enrolled in the course.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Collins were in Huntington, Saturday, on business. George Humphreys, Huntington, Kenneth Gould, Lexington, Herbert Brentlinger, Huntington, were here on business, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gross, Ashland, were luncheon guests of Mrs. Jo M. Davidson, Saturday.

Mrs. Forest Skaggs and children have returned to their home at Lynch after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Sturgill.

Mrs. Bill Hill is doing nicely at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Allen. Mr. Hill visited her over the week-end, returning to Lexington, Sunday.

Mrs. Forest Skaggs, Lynch, and Mrs. Tom G. Dingus were in Huntington, last week, shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ley returned Sunday from Louisville.

Miss Burieta Gearheart was a business visitor in Huntington, Saturday.

Mrs. T. J. Allen, Martin, visited her sister, Mrs. T. B. Sturgill, here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Sturgill were supper guests of her brother, Arnold Maggard and family, at Langley, Sunday.

Mrs. Blaine Smith returned to her home at Wheelwright, Sunday, after a two-weeks visit with her mother, Mrs. Anna Stephens. Mr. Smith spent the day here, returning home with her.

Billy Sturgill, Hazard, stopped here this week for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Sturgill, enroute to Washington, D. C. on business.

Miss Mary Martha Williams returned to Richmond, Sunday, to resume her studies at Eastern State College after spending the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Josh Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Salisbury and Miss Marion Salisbury were in Huntington, shopping, Saturday.

Mrs. E. A. Smith left Friday for Norfolk, Va., for an extended visit with her son, Ensign E. A. Smith, Jr., and Mrs. Smith. She was accompanied to Huntington by her daughter, Mrs. John G. Archer, and Miss Jackie Hensley.

CLUB FILLS CHRISTMAS BASKETS

The December meeting of the Junior Woman's Club was entertained, Tuesday evening, by Miss Sarah Clay Stephens at her home on Garfield avenue. The business meeting was conducted by the president, Miss Charlotte Salisbury. The Christmas program of music was rendered by the Boys' Choral Group, sponsored by Mrs. Chalmer Frazier. Five baskets of food were filled by the club to be given at Christmas. Refreshments were served to Mesdames Wm. O. Allen, W. T. Archer, Adrian Blackburn, Tom G. Dingus, Lloyd Miller, Gardner Combs, Jack Hyden, Misses Barbara May, Charlotte Salisbury, Burieta Gearheart, Marion Salisbury.

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3:15 p.m.—Junior Choir.
7:30 p.m.—Midweek service.
8:30 p.m.—Senior choir.

MUSICALE GIVEN

The Pikeville Woman's Club music department gave its seventh annual Christmas musicale and vesper service Sunday afternoon at the Methodist Church in Pikeville. Guest artists were "The Patsy Teen-Agers" of David, who sang several Christmas selections under the direction of Mrs. Chalmer Frazier. Accompanying the group of singers were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crawford, David, Mr. and Mrs. Chalmer Frazier.

HOLIDAYS IN LEXINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Patrick will leave Saturday for Lexington where they will spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. John Hardin, Mr. Hardin and young son, John Hardin, III.

HOME FROM KMI

Cadets John Paul Francis and Jack Francis, students at Kentucky Military Institute, Lyndon, Ky., arrived home last week to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Francis.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT GIVEN

The choral group of the high school gave their Christmas concert at the grade school auditorium, Wednesday evening, under the direction of Mrs. Chalmer Frazier. The Hallelujah Chorus was directed by Prof. Keith Barts. Rev. Orville Pearson read the scripture and a Christmas poem; Rev. Gerstle M. Haggard, the invocation, and the benediction was by Rev. L. W. Benedict.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

The little friends of Billy Fraley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Challie Fraley, of Lancer, gathered for a party in honor of his eleventh birthday, Dec. 6, at 2:30 p.m. They were entertained with games and television. Mrs. Billy Richmond Pruitt and Mrs. James Miller served refreshments. The following were present: Judy and Douglas Dixon, Janet and Herschel Fannin, Douglas and Carol Wells, Ronald Hunt, Winston Dillon, Linda Whitaker, Janet Goble, Janette, Jo Nell and Joyce Hager, Rhae Lynn Blackburn, Jimmy Hager, Bobby Camicia, Cora Ruth Wright, Barbara Price, Patsy Pruitt, Mrs. Dayrus Montgomery, and Mrs. Fred Wells.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Frank M. Rasnick, of Garrett, who had returned home about a month ago after prolonged hospital treatment, was taken Sunday night to the C. & O. hospital, Huntington, for an emergency operation. He was accompanied by his brother-in-law, Bill Petrey, of Prestonsburg.

HEAR THE MESSIAH CHORUS

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Burke and Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Layne heard their children, Edmund Burke and Mary Belle Layne, sing in the chorus at Eastern State College, Richmond, last Sunday evening. They returned home Monday night.

NEWLYWEDS HONORED

Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. Turner (nee, Blanche M. Allen), were honored with a miscellaneous shower, given by the bride's mother, Mrs. R. D. Allen, at her home in River-ton, Ky., Dec. 6. Miss Dorothy Allen conducted games and contests. Prizes went to Ann Porter, Ruby Lee Johnson, Raymond Coffey and Mrs. Ruby Mauk. After the couple opened their gifts, refreshments were served to more than 100 guests.

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BUCK FIGHTS BACK
Careless deer hunters in Northern New England this season have killed two wood choppers, two horses and a goat, among other things, but today deer were fighting back. Just as a veterinarian pronounced a 240-pound great dane out of danger, after suffering two bullet wounds, highway officials were notified that a big buck rammed an automobile, causing \$400 damage.

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Another motorist said his car was damaged in similar amount when he swerved into a bridge support to avoid collision with a deer.

An entertaining program has been planned for the annual Christmas party for employees of the United Fuel Gas Company, starting with a buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 19, at the Prestonsburg high school auditorium.

Coaches, Team Honored At Banquet Sponsored Here by Kiwanis Club

Every regular and pre-regular employe of the company has received an invitation to bring his or her husband, wife, or boy friend to the event. Wives of employes who are now in the armed forces have been invited.

It wasn't yet Christmas, but the spirit of giving was much in evidence, just the same.

The following representatives of the general offices of the Charleston group companies of the Columbia Gas System have been invited:

Prestonsburg's annual football banquet was held last Thursday evening, and to the coaches, Doc Ferrell and Bill Damron, and the speaker of the evening, Kentucky's famed basketball coach, Adolph Rupp, went prized gifts; and the football team was given high praise for its great 1952 record with letters being awarded to 19 of the boys.

R. W. Hitchman and E. C. Stump, vice-presidents; H. C. Mefford, Jr., manager of production; V. E. Frazier, manager of transmission; J. S. Mottesheard, land agent; J. I. Spitzer, employment director; R. K. Talbot, attorney; H. H. Vincent, superintendent of right-of-way department; F. A. Jessor, treasurer; Ira Good, superintendent of operations; C. P. Brisley, assistant manager of transmission lines, and J. T. Kay, assistant chief clerk, compressor department.

And Coach Ferrell gave his praise not only for his team's performance and great team spirit but also for the support given by the community, singling out the Prestonsburg Kiwanis Club for its sponsorship of the team at football camp. "A team is just as strong as its support," he said. The football mentor also had high praise for the freshmen backfield. Delmar Hughes was mentioned in particular for his versatility at quarterback and his mastery of the split-T this year when the offense was changed from the straight T which he had played the previous three years.

J. H. Hussey, division superintendent, who is chairman of the committee in charge, said no speaking is planned but a representative of the Charleston offices will bring season's greetings and best wishes from the system.

Ferrell assumed the blame for the Prestonsburg defeat by Jenkins, the only loss of the team during the regular season. He explained that the team had built up a high ambition not to be scored on through the entire season and that when Jenkins did score the Cats lost their aplomb and became so confused that their attack suffered enough to drop the game by the margin of an extra point. "I should have prepared them for such a thing," Ferrell remarked.

Perry Hall, the "Mystic Mountaineer," a magician, and Col. Jack Major, a humorist, will be presented following the awarding of door prizes. Richard Cox and "The Harvesters" will provide music for the dinner and dancing.

Coach Rupp was at his entertaining best, drawing on a rich store of anecdotes and interspersing this with pointed remarks, such as:

Other members of the committee in charge are Glover Spencer, Edgar May, Clyde Strother and Wilbur Stiles.

"Our Kentucky basketball team has the distinction of having already finished its season and without playing a game ranking fourth in the nation, with players named to the All-American team."

Lou S. Price, 79, Glo, Succumbs to Old Age; Rites Held at Estill

And the Coliseum erected at the University was not Rupp's folly, a mere basketball building, he declared. It is a war memorial and is deeply appreciated as such by thousands of Kentuckians.

Lou S. Price, 79, of Glo, died at her home, December 11, of infirmities due to old age. She was the daughter of James and Elizabeth Salysers, deceased. She was married to Daniel Price who survives.

Mr. Rupp was presented a pen and pencil set. He was accompanied by his assistant, Harry Lancaster.

One daughter, Mrs. Ellen Smith, of Glo, survives. There were no surviving brothers and sisters. Funeral rites were conducted at the Freewill Baptist Church at Estill, the Revs. Douglas Burkett and Green Boyd, officiating. Burial was in the Collins cemetery at Dema, under the direction of Turner Funeral Home.

Coach Ferrell received a watch, which was presented him by H. C. Francis, Jr., on behalf of Prestonsburg business men, and to Bill Damron, his assistant coach in football, wearing apparel was presented. Johnny Hill presented on behalf of the team gifts to both Ferrell and Damron.

In his review of individual accomplishments, Coach Ferrell announced that Johnny Hill and John Gordon Goble were elected by their fellow-players at the end of the season as team co-captains; that J. R. Dixon was voted the team's best defensive player and Delmar Hughes best on offense.

Letters were awarded to these members of the team:

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Sunday Schedule—

Marvin Music presided at the banquet, and Chalmers H. Frazier, superintendent of Prestonsburg schools, acted as toastmaster.

WEDNESDAY—

Continuing in the spirit of giving, Prestonsburg Lincoln-Mercury presented each woman-guest a small orchid corsage.

THURSDAY—

7:30 p.m.—Prayer and praise service.

FRIDAY—

6:30 p.m.—Choir practice.

SATURDAY—

7:30 p.m.—Choir practice. (Note: Church bus runs for all Sunday services up to Middle Creek garage and to Sugar Loaf curve.)

SUNDAY—

9:45 a.m.—Teachers' prayers.

THE UPPER ROOM ASSEMBLY OF GOD Martin, Ky.

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.

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11:00 a.m.—Morning worship, also Christmas treat for Sunday School.

THURSDAY—

5:00 p.m.—"Assembly Time," radio broadcast, WPRT.

FRIDAY—

6:30 p.m.—Choir practice.

SATURDAY—

7:30 p.m.—Prayer and praise service. Sermon, "The Meanest Sinner in Martin Is . . . ?"

SUNDAY—

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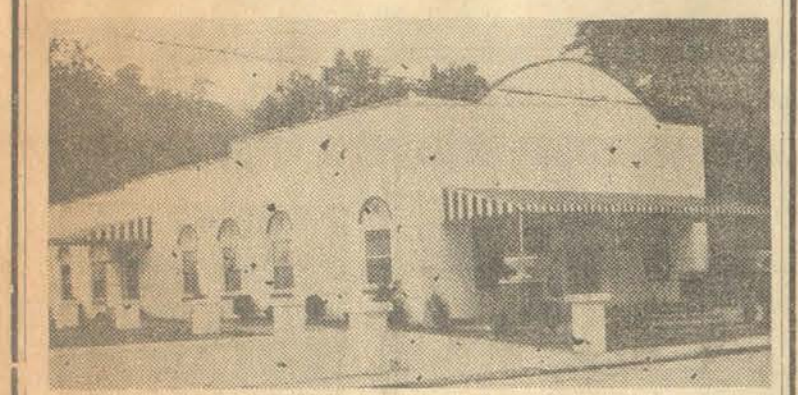
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Names of jurors to serve at the January term of court, beginning Jan. 5, follow:

Grand Jurors
Sylvania Patton, Hueysville; Noah Hopper, Wayland; Mrs. Mont Gibson, Prestonsburg; Faye Estep, Garrett; Saphus Moore, Price; Hudson Salysers, Eastern; Joe Hicks, Blue River; Sam Cook, Banner; Zeb Ousley, Hueysville; John Branham, Martin; C. C. Martin, Estill; Alex Delong, Lancer; Garnett Spurlock, Prestonsburg; Fred Bailey, Eastern; Chester Patton, Emma; Champ Gibson, Langley; Herman Porter, Allen; John Warrick, Prestonsburg; Arthur Branham, Dwale; C. R. Halstead, Prestonsburg; Arthur Hughes, Prestonsburg; Crit Gearheart, Eastern; Caney Bentley, Wayland; Rev. Robert Regan, Prestonsburg.

Petit Jurors
Alex Allen, Wayland; Mrs. C. S. Hornsby, Garrett; R. L. Pitts, West Prestonsburg; Virgie Reffett, Alpharetta; Leven Burchett, Emma; Tobe Nichols, Prestonsburg; Jack Allen, West Prestonsburg; Raleigh M. Chaffins, Wheelwright; C. F. Rineheart, Prestonsburg; Alex Coburn, Garrett; Mrs. R. C. Dyer, Allen; Milford Hall, McDowell; Bill Allen, Allen; Seymour Campbell, Wayland; W. H. Childers, Garrett; Miles May, Alpharetta; Willie Bentley, Langley; C. B. Weddington, Prestonsburg; Mason Moore, Martin; C. H. Corbin, Prestonsburg; Menfee Whittaker, West Prestonsburg; Silas Tackett, Martin; Tom Baldrige, David; N. M. White, Jr., Prestonsburg; Eva Hyden, Prestonsburg; Sarah Allen, Hueysville; B. C. Ferguson, Prestonsburg; Olga Latta, Prestonsburg; Maudie Conley, Garrett; Lemma Boyd, Jr., Dana; E. P. Grigsby, Martin; Bas Hamilton, Hite; George Conn, Ivel; John C. May, Allen; W. H. Brown, Prestonsburg; Alto Lovely, Hueysville.

The Cumberland and Allegheny Gas Co. carried into West Virginia a petition for higher rates it already has asked to be put in effect in neighboring Maryland.

There was no explosion in the mine and state mine inspectors said the cause of the blaze, which spread to the coal seam and mine timbers, has not been determined.

Reconstructing the tragedy Elmer Layne, senior inspector of the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals, said the victims probably never realized they were in danger even while breathing the deadly fumes. Carbon monoxide is colorless, odorless and tasteless.

Ironically, Layne said, the four men could easily have saved themselves if they had suspected that they were in danger. They passed within a few feet of an escape door while trying to make their way out of the mine.

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Contract on repair of the bridge across the Big Sandy river here, connecting Prestonsburg with West Prestonsburg on the route to Salysville, has been awarded to the Robertson & Harper Company of Salysville on its bid of \$7,873.85, W. P. Curlin, commissioner of highways, announced this week.

A sag in the roadway of the span caused the highway department a few months ago to declare the bridge unsafe for heavy traffic.

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W. M. Caudill, director of extension at Morehead State College, has announced the organization of two extension classes at Martin, Ky.

Economics for Teachers and Cultural Anthropology are to be offered. The first meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 8, at 5 p. m., in Martin high school. This meeting will be an instructional meeting and all who are interested should be present. Text-books will be on hand.

Mr. Caudill also announced plans for organizing a graduate study center in the Big Sandy area. These would be conducted as other study centers with the same charges. However, courses offered would be open only to juniors, seniors and graduate students—a minimum of 57 semester hours credit would be necessary.

Those interested in such a center should notify Mr. Caudill so that a date and place of meeting most satisfactory for all may be selected, Mr. Caudill said.

DARK HOLLOW TREES CUT TO CHEER YULETIDE HOMES

Motorists for a quarter of a century have been buying Christmas trees from roadside stands on U.S. 23 between Ivy Creek and Mare Creek. The vendors started plying their Yuletide trade when the highway was first built. One purveyor of trees has been selling for 28 years.

Before the highway was built the good cheer of Christmas did not exist along the rutted, winding and dark road. Dark because it ran between rows of giant cedars and darker still with tales by the natives of fearsome, man-like things that got up behind a horseback rider near the Haunted Rock. The rock is gone now and construction of the highway destroyed most of the cedars that stood guard over the road. Gone with them are the spooks.

Today the spirit of Christmas is along the sweep and the curve of the ribbon of concrete. Vendors of cedar and pine trees line the highway and make money, too. Approximately 1,000 trees are sold each Yule season. One seller estimated the total take was in excess of \$2,000. Since it is all profit, it is a welcome addition to a small community's income.

It is natural cedar country and the old fields renew each year with seeds borne by the wind from the nearby parent trees. The supply for the Christmas trade at the present rate seems inexhaustible.

Young and old sell trees. As Christmas week approaches, a few early sellers bring out trees and set them up along the road. Others, day after day, do the same until a dozen or more are selling within a mile and a half. There is Kelly Layne, who started 28 years ago and sold on his first venture about a dozen. This year he will sell perhaps 200 at prices ranging from \$1 to \$7. Aunt Jennie Caldwell will have trees placed in front of her modern home. If you want to buy, you pull in and honk your horn. It's too cold for her to stand on the highway and hawk trees.

George Adkins, Morgan Layne, James Smith and others sell them, too. L. D. Layne sold them as a hobby in his old age. Joe Smith carries on nearby where his neighbor sold. Chester Layne cuts and hauls them away to other communities. Three places where he disposes of trees are in Prestonsburg.

Kelly Layne is perhaps the largest seller for various reasons. One is that he begins early and plys his business, warm or cold. If it is extremely cold, he builds a wood fire nearby. Most times you pass, you see some neighbor warming his back and talking to him.

Kelly has a variant service, too. If you don't like the trees he has, he will go to the fields and assist you to select the required kind. These customers came back year after year, he says. He states that about 45 are regular buyers from him each season.

The highest tree he ever sold was to a group at Wayland. They picked out a very large one and asked him to "grub" it out by the roots so they could transplant it on the grounds of the Wayland high school. He did so and they paid him \$40.

Kelly himself is full of the Christmas spirit as he goes about his simple business. There was the little boy of about three years who lived nearby last year. The father had no work or income and it looked as if the desire of the little fellow to have a tree would go unfulfilled. Kelly arranged to have a beautiful tree left on the porch. He is four, now, and remembers that Santa left him a Christmas tree.

Years ago, oldtimers called this area the Dark Hollow and repeated the old legends and tales of hairy, man-like things that hitched a ride behind nocturnal riders when they entered the road under the great cedars. Today the folk sell the young cedars and pines and have all but forgotten the spooky tales. Instead, they radiate good cheer and sell the trees which bring cheer to many a home at Christmas time.

Child Welfare Branch Working to Find Homes For Children, 6 to 16

The State Division of Child Welfare is presently conducting a "Homefinding" campaign as hundreds of children in Kentucky from 6 to 16 years are without homes and families, it was said here this week. Most of these children are living in institutions and have lived beyond their time in the institutional environment.

The children are usually not available for adoption. They are not cuddly babies. Most of them are in the "awkward age." But they are older children who long for fathers and mothers. Some of them have lived seven or eight years in an institution waiting for a family—their own or anyone else's—to take them to live in a real home. They have grown up knowing little of the everyday sort of living that is done in a home. They haven't answered the telephone for mother or adjusted the furnace thermostat or defrosted the refrigerator or washed the family car, nor have they known the love, care and close family ties that come only from home life.

The Child Welfare Division is seeking foster homes for these children. Foster homes are not adoptive homes but rather substitute family homes for children who are unable to live with their own parents due to the death, illness or separation of the parents. These homes are needed not just for the holidays but for all the year, just as your own children have a home 12 months of the year.

Persons interested in taking one or more of these children into their homes or who have further questions about foster home service of the State Division of Child Welfare, should contact Irene Campbell, local Child Welfare Worker, at the Layne building, Prestonsburg.

The Manila Times said editorially U. S. President-elect Eisenhower's trip to Korea "has done more than has ever been done before to consolidate the unity of the nations engaged in the effort."

WANT ADS

24-HOUR SERVICE. PETTRY'S SERVICE STATION, Phone 6941, Prestonsburg. 9-28-tf

FOR SALE—New Gulbransen and Cable Spinnet Pianos. Immediate delivery. BROWN'S PIANO STORE, Prestonsburg, Ky., E. B. BROWN, phone 2148. 3-15-tf

FOR RENT—Good houses, with electricity at Water Gap. ELDER WRIGHT, phone 5012, Prestonsburg. 12-20-tf

TRADE: Your old furniture for new. CASH FURNITURE STORE, phone 2151, Prestonsburg, Ky. 1-4-tf

NOTICE—Baldwin Pianos and Organs—factory rebuilt used Pianos. Low prices, easy terms. ZWICK'S Ashland, Ky. 1-4-tf

ATTENTION MEN IN UNIFORM. Tires and batteries wholesale. PETTRY'S SERVICE STATION. 3-13-tf

ELECTRIC MOTORS—Rewound and rebuilt, good as new motors, at reasonable price. See ELECTRIC REPAIR SHOP, P. O. Box 27, Hi Hat, Ky. exp. 1-1-53 pd.

For your Fuller Brush needs call or write M. C. HYDEN, Prestonsburg, Phone 2642. 3-20-tf

EVINRUDE MOTORS—New and used; also parts and repair service. HOME FURNITURE CO., phone 5121, Lancer, Ky. 3-13-tf

YOUR CAR lasts longer with care. PETTRY'S SERVICE STATION, Prestonsburg, Ky. 3-15-tf

Do you want to buy, sell, or rent real estate? If so, see a licensed real estate dealer, HANSFORD MAY, phone 7361 or 6471, Prestonsburg. tf

All Rexall products are guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money will be cheerfully refunded.—Rose Drug Store. Phone 6141. tf

FOR RENT—2 office rooms, second floor Strand Theatre building. Reasonable. See W. B. BOYD, Prestonsburg. 9-11-tf

FOR RENT—Three apartments upstairs over Thompson's Store on U.S. 23, North Prestonsburg. MRS. B. M. THOMPSON, Phone 6351. 9-18-tf

FOR RENT—Apartments, furnished and unfurnished. T. E. NEELEY, Phone 3031, Prestonsburg, Ky. 10-23-tf

IF YOU want to sell property in the new addition of Allen, Call HANSFORD MAY, Realtor, Office phone 7361. Home phone 7363. 10-16-tf

See Meade Brothers Hardware, Prestonsburg, for your gas heaters and floor furnaces. 10-2-tf

FOR SALE—6-room house. Bath, lights, water, gas. Three acres land on U.S. 23. Foot of Abbott Mountain on north side. HANSFORD MAY, Realtor, Office phone 7361. Home phone 7363. 10-16-tf

FOR SALE—25 acres of land, 3 acres bottom. Five-room house, gas, lights, well, barn, chicken house, fruit trees. Left fork of Bull Creek. HANSFORD MAY, Realtor, office phone 7361. Home phone 7363. 10-16-tf

NOTICE—All REA customers will pay or mail their electric bills to L. B. MOORE at Meade Brothers Hardware store, Mayo Trail, Prestonsburg. 11-6-tf

If in need of a gas heater or floor furnace, See MEADE BROTHERS HARDWARE, Prestonsburg.

FOR SALE—Used brick. Perfect condition \$3.00 per hundred. PHONE 3843. tf

FOR RENT—Ground floor of Wright Building, corner Court and Arnold avenue. ELDER WRIGHT, Phones 5012 and 4102, Prestonsburg. 10-23-tf

See Meade Brothers Hardware, Prestonsburg, for your gas heaters and floor furnaces. 11-6-tf

FOR SALE—50 acres land, three-room house, barn, timber, electricity, on Abbott Creek. Contact MILT STANLEY, Bonanza, or C. B. NAPIER, 2822 Xavier Street, Louisville, Ky. 11-20-tf

GIVE THE BEST Christmas gift this year—a magazine subscription! Price list free upon request. (No postcards, please.) BARTLEY 1551 Bardstown Road, Louisville 5, Ky. 11-13-6t-pd.

INTERESTED in a new Singer machine or Singer sweater? Then write or call SINGER SEWING CENTER at 5 Second ave., Williamson, W. Va. We are now offering new consoles for Christmas gifts at only \$121.50, \$125.50 down, \$5.25 monthly. We also have singer irons, toasters, kitchen-aid mixers on terms if desired. 11-13-tf

FOR SALE—Frigidaire, in good condition. Phone 3843, Prestonsburg. 12-4-tf

FOR SALE—35-acre farm. On Herald Branch of Cow Creek, ¼ mile from hard road. 50,000 feet timber, 4 acres bottom land. Gas, electricity. L. D. HUNTER, Betsy Layne, Ky. 12-11-6t-pd.

OFFICE ROOMS for rent in the Odd Fellows building, Prestonsburg. See ED MAY, J. M. PARSLEY or JOHN GUNNELL. 11-20-tf.

FOR SALE—5-room house with full basement, all utilities; nine acres of land, in city limits of Martin. KRUGER MARTIN, Phone 3316, Martin, Ky. 11-27-tf.

FOR RENT—4-room house on Earl street, Prestonsburg. Call ED MAY at Kroger's Store, or Phone 7292. 11-27-tf.

NAME OR INITIALS, gold-stamped, free of charge, on billfolds purchased from us. THE POUNTAIN KORNER, Prestonsburg, Ky.

FOR SALE—Several Singer and National sewing machines, all reconditioned, at a reduced price while they last. Also the famous new Admiral Electric, guaranteed 20 years. Working parts interchangeable with Singer 15-30, but much cheaper. M. D. HUBBARD, 189 Euclid Ave., Paintsville, Ky. 12-4-tf.

FOR SALE—House, 4 rooms and bath, on Second avenue, Prestonsburg. EARL COMPTON, Prestonsburg, Ky. 12-4-tf.

FOR SALE—40 acres of land on Left Abbott Creek. Good timber. Joins C. B. Napier property. Price \$1,400. MRS. AMY RADER, Route No. 4, Wapakoneta, Ohio. 12-3-3t-pd.

FOR RENT—4-room house, all utilities. See SAM THOMAS, Betsy Layne. 12-3-3t.

ROOMS FOR RENT—Victoria House. Steam Heated. Day, weekly or monthly rates. Phone 3843. Prestonsburg. 12-4-tf.

FOR RENT—Two houses on Second avenue. One has 7 rooms and enclosed porch. The other, 3 rooms and bath, too small for family with children. Both newly decorated. MRS. C. L. HUTSINPILLER, Phone 3531, Prestonsburg. 12-4-tf.

FOR RENT—House, 4 rooms and bath at Allen. Completely redecorated inside. See GRACE WEBB, Allen Ky. 1t.

WANTED—Girl to do general housework. Call MRS. A. B. COMBS, Phone 4381, Prestonsburg, Ky. 1t.

LOST—Tan billfold. Contains important papers and membership card. Reward. MARIE CHILDERS, Phone 4341, Allen. 12-18-2t.

FOR RENT—Two houses in West Prestonsburg; bathrooms, all utilities. Reasonable. G. R. FANNIN, Phone 7011 or 4581. 1t-pd.

FOR SALE—8-pc. walnut dining room suite, 6-pc. bedroom suite, mahogany twin beds, complete, studio couch, boy's bicycle, coffee table, Bendix washer, piano, lamp, various articles. DR. R. J. HARRY, Allen, Ky. 1t.

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kept the number small," Hubley said, "but no reason exists why no committeemen or those interested should not invite or bring with them others who may make valuable contributions."

The inquiry will be focused in particular upon the new uses and markets for Kentucky coal, as well as possibilities for new chemical industries in the Big Sandy valley.

The survey is in line with a pledge made by Governor Wetherby recently at an Eastern Kentucky town hall gathering held in Ashland. He promised to do everything possible to develop the natural resources in that section.

The board said the survey will be the most complete yet undertaken and will rival a similar project at Paducah and Kentucky Lake areas.

The Governor said the board will be aided by railway lines, power companies, the U.S. Department of Commerce, and state and civic bodies interested in the project.

The study also will include water resources and possible canalization of the Big Sandy river.

CONSOL HEAD TO MOVE UP

Love Announces Naming Cassidy Vice-President Of Pittsburgh Company

George H. Love, president of Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Company, announced Monday that S. M. Cassidy, Jenkins, president of the Consolidation Coal Company (Ky.), has been named a vice-president of Pittsburgh Consolidation, the parent company, effective immediately, with headquarters in Pittsburgh.

In addition to his new duties, Mr. Cassidy, who is well-known in Floyd county mining circles, will continue to serve as president of Consolidation's Kentucky division.

Mr. Cassidy also is president of Beaver Creek Consolidated Coal Company, which has offices here. A native of Lexington and a graduate of the University of Kentucky, he was vice-president of the Weirton Coal Co., Isabella, Pa., before going to Jenkins as president of Consolidation (Ky.) in 1945.

Active in civic improvements, Mr. Cassidy has been a leader in the Boy Scout movement in Eastern Kentucky over a period of several years.

Mr. Love also announced the resignation of George M. Humphrey as chairman of Pittsburgh's board of directors. This action was taken after Mr. Humphrey had been named Secretary of the Treasury in President-elect Eisenhower's cabinet.

Jury selection was completed in the murder trial of a Kentuckian charged with fatally shooting a Rockford man. Marion O. Johnson of near Central City, Ky. is charged with the murder of Amos Floyd in the home of John Love. All are Negroes.

Two Lima, Ohio, State Hospital escapees were sentenced for the \$170 holdup of a St. Paul gas station. Richard D. Butler, Jr., 26, was given up to 10 years in the penitentiary and Paul V. Rogers, 23, was given a like sentence in the reformatory.

HUTSINPILLER DRUG
as advertised in HOLIDAY

FOR RENT—House, 4 rooms and bath at Allen. Completely redecorated inside. See GRACE WEBB, Allen Ky. 1t.

Her Christmas wish—a beautiful saddle leather wallet, a perfect color accent, \$6. Plus tax.

May the best of everything be yours this Christmas

His Christmas wish—removable pass-case wallet by Enger-Fress. In fine leathers, \$5 to \$10. Plus tax.

as advertised in POST

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HUTSINPILLER DRUG
PRESTONSBURG, KY.



Merry Christmas

BEST WISHES TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

FIRST GUARANTY BANK

MARTIN, KY.



Greetings

It's nice to extend warm and friendly greetings to all you wonderful people!

THOMAS HEREFORD CO.

Prestonsburg, Ky.

at HUTSINPILLER DRUG

'SPECIALLY GOOD WAYS TO SAY "Merry Christmas!"

New Parker Pens at New Prices

NEW PARKER "51" Special

The "51" Special gives you practically everything you get in a more expensive Parker Pen. Has the style and many features of the famous "51". Pen \$12.50 Set \$18.25

NEW PARKER "21" Special

Writing ease unsurpassed in any pen near the price. Full length hooded point... new ink flow control for steady no-skip writing. Pen \$5.00 Set \$8.75

SEE ALSO NEW PARKETTE... another wonderful Parker value. Pen \$3.50

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Prestonsburg, Ky.

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- Alligator Rainwear
- Botany Wool Shirts
- Beau Brummel Ties
- Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits
- Hickok Bill Folds
- Cooper Underwear
- Wilson Bros. Pajamas
- Botany Trousers
- Hyde Park Suits
- Arrow Handkerchiefs
- Cashmere Sweaters
- Wilson Bros. Sport Shirts
- Nylon Sweaters
- Botany All-Wool Knitted Shirts
- Botany Trousers
- Botany All-Wool Socks
- Nylon Underwear
- Tweed Topcoats
- Sport Coats

LADIES

- Tommyes Pajamas
- Faerie Slips
- Evely Pearson Robes
- Tommyes Sets
- Lambs Wool Sweaters
- Bradley Sweaters
- R. & K. Dresses
- Dorothy Perkins Cosmetics
- Dorothy Korby Blouses
- Faerie Gowns
- Lorraine Underwear
- Jane Irwill Sweaters
- Nelly Don Dresses
- Coro Jewelry
- Swirl Dresses
- Nylon Sweaters
- Mary Grey Hosiery
- Bradley Knit Suits
- Turtles Candy
- Nylon Gloves
- Wool Gloves
- Challie Gowns
- Glentex Scarves
- Gay Gibson Dresses
- Nylon Pajamas
- White Stag Sportswear
- Berkshire Hose
- Ship n' Shore Blouses

CHILDREN

- Cinderella Dresses
- Nannette Dresses
- Tom Sawyer Clothes
- Jack Tarr Clothes
- Dennison Nylon Underwear
- Buster Brown Sweaters
- Hickok Billfold, Key Chains, Jewelry
- Cowboy Suits

GIFT SECTION


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Each Gift Wrapped at no Extra Charge.

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SHIP 'N SHORE puts pastel plaid into a show-off dark frame! Such a bright new look for the classic shirt: button-or-not brief collar... stay-in-place shirt-tails... action-back pleats. Crispest woven gingham that launders fresh as new, every time. Sizes 30 to 40.

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On Grounds of the

SUGAR LOAF RESTAURANT

BIG BRONZE TURKEYS FOR PRIZES

Shoot starts at 10 a.m.—both shotgun and rifles. Ammunition on the grounds.

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We have one of the largest stocks of new and modern Furniture in Floyd county. Let us quote you some prices and compare.

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We accept any usable furniture as trade-ins. In many cases your old furniture can serve as down payment or more on new furniture.

Trade-in

HELP STAMP OUT T.B.—BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS!

NO BETTER XMAS GIFT



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The perfect gift...for any youngster! Boys and girls like the style... Mother and Dad like Weather-Bird's economical ways. Ask us about Weather-Bird Xmas Gift Certificates.



Top quality shoes at a low, low price. All sizes and widths...from

MARTIN'S SHOE STORE

MARTIN, KY.

HARRIS PALLBEARERS

Pallbearers officiating at the funeral of Ernest B. Harris, of Lancer, were Claude Kendrick, Russell Kendrick, William Kendrick, Joe Harris, Jr., Tommy Kendrick, Quinton Harris, Fred Lynch, Jack Harris, Jack Fry, Charles Naylor, Bill Crum, Jimmy Harmon and Graham Porter.

STRAND THEATRE

PRESTONSBURG, KY.
Admission Prices:
Children 15c, including tax;
Adults 40c, including tax.
W. B. Boyd—Manager.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY—

"Triple Trouble"

Leo Gorcey and the Bowery Boys, Huntz Hall, Grabel Dell, and Pat Collins

"The Lion Hunters"

Johnny Sheffield, Harris Ankrum, Ann Todd.

Good Western to be named

Three shows for the price of one. Comedies.

SUNDAY-MONDAY—

"Carson City"

Randolph Scott, Lucille Norman, R. Massey.
News and Comedy.

TUES.-WED.—

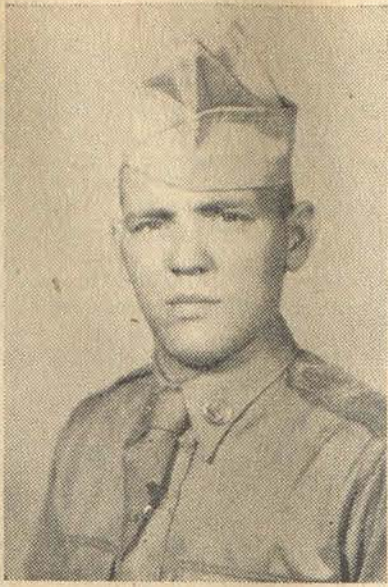
"Lure of the Wilderness"

Jean Peters, Jeffrey Hunter, Walter Freeman.
Comedy.

THURSDAY—Double Feature—

Two Good Pictures

IN KOREA



Pvt. Robert H. Hackworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hackworth, of West Prestonsburg, is in Korea. In a recent letter to his parents he asked for letters from friends. His address is U.S. 52174562 Cas. Pers. 3rd Repl. Co., APO 468, 5 P.M., San Francisco, Calif.

STATE V.F.W. CONFERENCE TO BE HELD HERE

The state Mid-Winter conference of the V.F.W. will be held here, Jan. 16 through 18, it was announced at the meeting of the veterans' club at the Walter Karr Bowling Post last Sunday afternoon.

The meeting at the local V.F.W. Post was attended by Marshall House, state commander, and J. Howard Roth, state quartermaster. Speaking, besides the two state officials of the organization, was Mayor Curtis Clark. Tommy Lemaster presided.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

This is The Times' last edition for 1952. Good, old 1952. May 1953 be no less kind to any of us, and may your Christmas be joyous. And all your New Year resolutions good ones and the kind you'll keep.

The Times will next publish on January 1. Did I hear somebody say that's the wrong way to start the New Year?

A woman Christmas shopper explained to a friend that she'd been out trying to get something for her husband.

"How much were you offered" the friend asked.

THE STORY OF A LITTLE AD

Everybody is interested in advertising, and most of us have some ideas on the subject. This is not to discuss the technical side of the matter but to relate an instance showing that advertising, however limited, pays.

It was back in the days of The Prestonsburg Post and the old Modern Drug Shop operated by "Doc" Bagby. Every week, this store had a little ad up in the left hand corner of the paper. The advertisement, as I recall it, occupied no more than a two-inch space, but it listed for the public some of its leading lines.

That was back in the days before the radio came along. You got your music canned, or you produced it yourself. There was, of course, the player piano, but most of our pocketbooks would stand no more than a "talking machine."

Our old Edison with the big horn went out of commission, and so we were in the market, up there in the country, for a new phonograph. My Dad and I came to Prestonsburg, where we found phonographs aplenty.

But where did we go? The late H. E. Hughes had an exclusive phonograph business going, only a few doors up the street from the Modern Drug Shop. He sold the Victor, and it probably had the Brunswick beat, all hollow.

But up there on the farm we hadn't seen the Victor advertised; or if it had been, the advertising hadn't been regular and consistent enough to sink into our consciousness.

So we came to Prestonsburg with our minds set on a Brunswick. Thus it was that that little ad in the county's weekly newspaper brought "Doc" Bagby a \$75 deal.

That old phonograph, which you wind with a crank, and which keeps you busy changing records, is still there where we enjoyed it, more years ago than I like to admit.

And that, my friends, was in the days when you really enjoyed new things.

The only regret I have about the deal is that I, just as so many others since have done, neglected to tell "Doc" Bagby what caused us to come to his store.

DRIFT THEATRE

DRIFT, KY.

FRIDAY, 7 p.m.—

"Red Mountain"

Alan Ladd, Elizabeth Scott.

SAT., 7 p.m.—Double Feature—

"Flying Squadron"

Massimo Seresto, Dina Sassoli.

"Down in Arkansas"

Ralph Byrd and the Weaver Bros.

SAT., 10:30 p.m.—

"The Scarlet Angel"

Vivian de Carlo, Rock Hudson.

SUNDAY, 1 and 7 p.m.—

"What Price Glory?"

James Cagney, Dan Dailey.

MONDAY, 7 p.m.—

"The Scarlet Angel"

Vivian de Carlo, Rock Hudson.

TUES.-WED., 7 p.m.—

"Encore"

Glynis Johns, Kay Walsh.

THURS.-FRI., DEC. 25-26, 7 p.m.—

"Somebody Loves Me"

Betty Hutton, Ralph Meeker.

DRIFT

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Drift Woman's Club held its annual Christmas party at the Turner-Elkhorn office building, Dec. 15. Mrs. Lloyd Stumbo was hostess.

The community Christmas tree will be set up on the playground and there will be Christmas carols, Monday night, Dec. 22, when the Kiwanis annual treat to the children is distributed. Everyone is invited to join in the caroling.

The Spiritual Life committee was in charge of the program of Christmas Music presented by Yvonne Tackett, Joan Faulkner, and Potty Cochran, students of Drift school, and members of the Drift band.

Gifts were exchanged, and guests attending were Mesdames F. T. Jones, Howard Stickler, J. C. Moore, Lloyd Stumbo, Bobby Hall, Alan Reed, Claude Martin, Alvin Elam, Ward Reed, H. D. Ewlett, C. J. Cahill, Rex Ankrum, Alvin Reed, Fred Cochran, Misses Catherine Reed, Ruby Akers, Patty Cochran, Joan Foulkner, Yvonne Tackett.

Prestonsburg's Cats Lick Tigers, 62 to 58

The Prestonsburg Black Cats won their fourth game in a row Wednesday night at Paintsville, defeating their old rivals, the Paintsville Tigers, 62 to 58.

It was the Cats' first victory on the Paintsville floor in five years. At one time, in the third quarter, Prestonsburg held a 15-point lead but was extended to stem a closing rush by the Tigers. Delmar Hughes led Prestonsburg's scoring with 30 points.

PRICE THEATRE

Code 1091

Through our doors pass the finest of people—Our Customers.

FRIDAY, DEC. 19, 7 p.m.—

"The Golden Hawk"

Rhonda Fleming, Sterling Hayden.

SAT., 7 p.m.—Double Feature—

"Ivory Hunter"

(Technicolor)
Anthony Steel, D. Sheridan.

"Blue Canadian Rockies"

Gene Autry.

SUNDAY—

"Scaramouche"

(Technicolor)
Stewart Granger, Eleanor Parker.

TUES., 7 p.m.—Double Feature—

"Lost Train from Bombay"

(Technicolor)
Jon Hall, Christine Larson.

"Army Bound"

Stanley Clements, Karen Sharpe.

WED., 7 p.m.—

"The Story of Robin Hood"

Richard Todd, Joan Rice.

THURS., DEC. 25—Christmas—

"Dreamboat"

Clifton Webb, Ginger Rogers.

FRIDAY, DEC. 26—

"High Noon"

Gary Cooper, Grace Kelly.

SAT., DEC. 27—Double Feature—

"Fargo"

Wild Bill Elliott.

"Tropical Heat Wave"

Estelita, Robert Hutton.

SUNDAY, DEC. 28—

"Affairs of Trinidad"

Rita Hayworth, Glenn Ford.

TUESDAY, DEC. 30—

"Navajo Trail Raiders"

Allan (Rocky) Lane.

WED., DEC. 31—

"One Minute to Zero"

Robert Mitchum, Ann Blythe.

FRIDAY, JAN. 2—

"Woman of North Country"

Rod Cameron, Ruth Hussey.

COMING SUNDAY, JAN. 3—

"Greatest Show on Earth"

Betty Hutton, Cornel Wilde, James Stewart.

HELP STAMP OUT T.B.—BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS!

CHRISTMAS EVE DANCE

At the EAGLE'S CLUB, Prestonsburg, Ky.

DEC. 24—10 to 12

To the music of

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STAG \$2

COUPLE \$3

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... and times change. No longer do people wait until a time of sorrow to handle the unfamiliar, arduous funeral arrangements. The sensible, modern approach is to talk over your pre-need plans with our thoughtful, experienced staff—a great comfort to those left behind.



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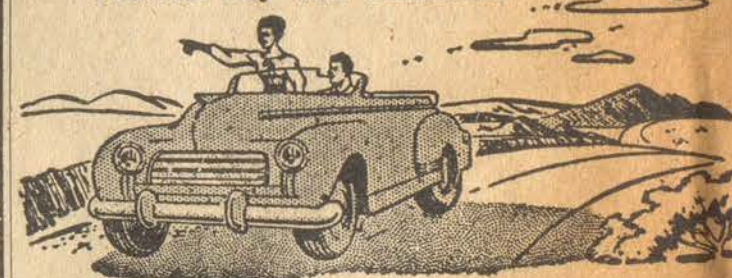
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- 1951 PONTIAC 4-door, 6-cylinder.
- 1951 PONTIAC 4-Door Chieftan Deluxe "8."
- 1950 PONTIAC Streamliner 2-Door.
- 1950 PLYMOUTH 4-door sedan.
- 1950 FORD Custom 6-passenger.
- 1950 CHEVROLET 2-door.
- 1949 PONTIAC, 4-door, 8-cylinder.
- 1949 MERCURY 2-door.
- 1948 PONTIAC 6-passenger Coupe.
- 1948 PONTIAC Streamliner Sedan Coupe.
- 1947 PONTIAC 4-Door Sedan.

TRUCKS

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MAYTOWN

P.-T.A. MEETS

The Maytown Parent-Teacher Association met Dec. 3, in the auditorium of the school. A wonderful program, "The Story of the First Christmas," was given by the Glee Club and Dramatic Club under the direction of Mrs. Patrick and Miss Dingus. The group enjoyed the program and appreciated the fact that Mrs. Patrick and the music department, Miss Dingus and the dramatic group are always ready to help.

John Ison presided over the business meeting, held in the eighth grade room, and he extended a vote of thanks to Mrs. Patrick for the program and her wonderful work with the Glee Club. Mrs. George Patton read the minutes of the last meeting in the absence of Mrs. James Allen. John Carder was unable to attend, so no treasurer's report was given. It was voted to carry the membership drive over to the next meeting. Miss Lexie Allen and the eighth grade class received the prize of \$2 for having the most parents present. Creed Martin presented a bill for having the membership cards printed. Mrs. Maurice Vaughan reported for Mrs. Baker, librarian, that a set of Compton's encyclopedias had been purchased with the \$100 the P.-T.A. gave to the library. The buying of the Sousaphone for the band was discussed. The purchase will be made at a later date if the money is available.

The next meeting will be held January 6. The refreshment committee, Mrs. Raymond Hopson, chairman, will provide the refreshments.

MRS. RAMEY, HOSTESS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met with Mrs. Howard Ramey Dec. 9 for the Christmas party and regular business meeting. Miss Charlotte Maggard was program leader. The program was opened by the group singing Christmas carols. Miss Maggard read a wonderful poem, "Let's Keep Christmas."

After the program Mrs. Thomas Patrick, vice-president, took charge of the routine business, in the absence of Mrs. Henry L. May, who was vacationing in Florida. For this month the Society will give toys to children for Christmas.

Following the business meeting, refreshments were served and Secret Sister gifts were exchanged. The members of the Society gave Mrs. W. F. Sharpe two silver settings. Those enjoying the party were Mesdames James Allen, Thurnal Click, John Carder, Raymond Hopson, Thomas Patrick, Charles Patton, W. F. Sharpe, Edward Robinson, Rebecca Hayes, George Patton, Arnold Maggard, Roger Turner, Raymond Crum and Misses Sandra Sue Patrick, Charlotte, Linda and Doris Maggard, Bonnie Hopson, and Theresa Lee Turner. The group welcomed two new members this month: Mrs. Lucy Patton and Mrs. George W. Allen, which makes a total of 27 members.

The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. W. F. Sharpe with Mrs. George W. Patton as program chairman.

The MYF will present a Christmas program at the Methodist Church Sunday evening, Dec. 21, at 7 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend and bring a neighbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tingle and Sandra, Mrs. Fletcher May and Linda June and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Stewart and Ann were shopping in Huntington, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hopson and children were visiting his sister in Whitesburg last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles McGary are the parents of a son, born at the Beaver Valley hospital recently. The babe is their second child.

BANNER

The Banner 4-H Club held its last meeting Dec. 12.

The grade school here recently had a party. Hot dogs, candy, soft drinks, popcorn and games were enjoyed by the group. Mr. Spencer showed a movie while everyone was waiting to be served.

The Banner P.-T.A. held its regular meeting, Dec. 5 at 1 p.m. Twenty-five were present.

After the regular business session was over, the P.-T.A. voted unanimously to treat each child with approximately one-half pound of candy, an apple and an orange for Christmas.

There was an exchange of names among the members present in order that each would receive a gift.

The school's Christmas program will be given on Dec. 24, at 9 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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ENROLLS AT MAYO

According to Lloyd Hamilton, head of the Guiding and Testing Service of Mayo State Vocational School, Paintsville, six new students were enrolled at Mayo, December 1.

Included in the new enrollment is one from Floyd county, Leonard D. Belcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Belcher, of Betsy Layne. Belcher is a graduate of Betsy Layne high school, class of '47, and a veteran of four years' service with the Air Force in Okinawa, Japan and Korea, where he attained the rank of sergeant. He is enrolled in the auto body mechanics department.

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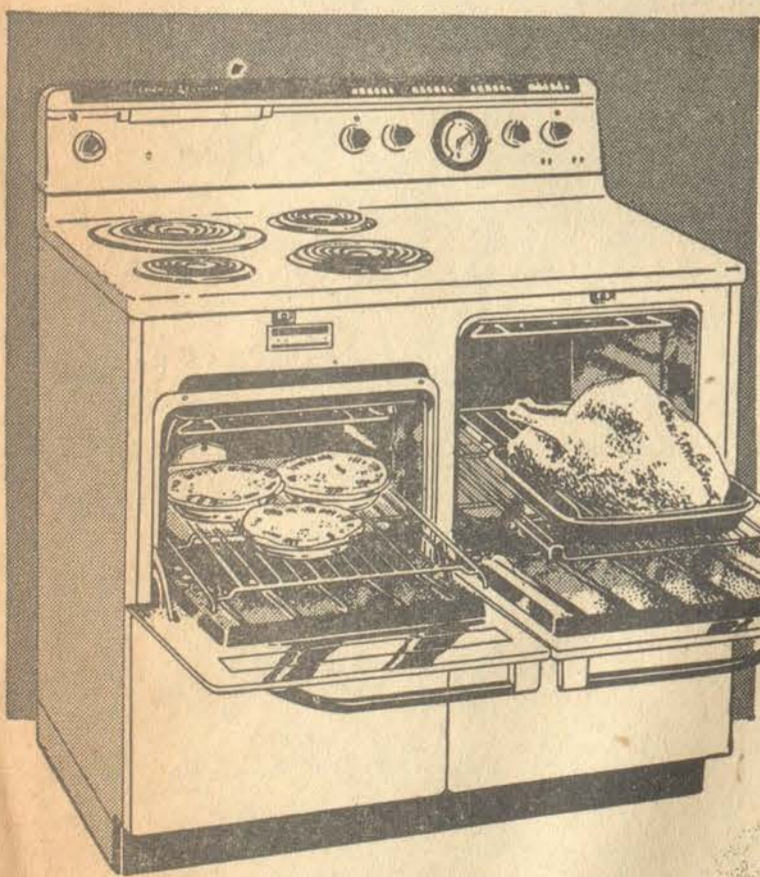


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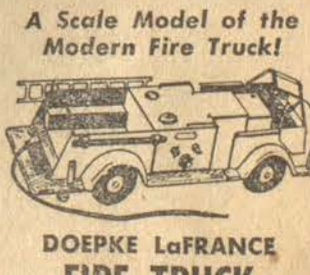
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RETURN TO HONG KONG

HONG KONG. — The Norwegian ship Nidar has returned to Hong Kong from a projected voyage to Japan because of the discovery of six pistols and a large quantity of ammunition among crew members, marine police reported.



ONE MORE SMILE: "Tired but happy" is a wornout expression, but it describes the President-elect and the First-Lady-to-be as they drive home from headquarters in New York in the wee hours of election night. Ike holds up two fingers in the famous "V for Victory" symbol.

MARTIN IS SERGEANT

With the 3rd Inf. Div. in Korea—Paul N. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cary Martin, of Allen, Ky., recently was promoted to sergeant first class while serving in Korea with the 3rd Infantry Division.

Martin, a chief mechanic in Heavy Tank Company of the 15th Regiment, arrived in Korea last February. Before entering the army in May, 1951, he was employed by the Gulf Oil Company in Prestonsburg, Ky.

A/3c GUNTER AT BENNING

Lawson Air Force Base, Ft. Benning, Ga.—A/3c Joe E. Gunter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gunter, of Wheelwright, Ky., reported for duty last week with the 434th Maintenance and Supply Group, 434th Troop Carrier Wing, Lawson Air Base, Ft. Benning, Ga.

Airman Gunter enlisted in September, 1952 and took basic training at Sampson Air Force Base, New York.

THE CHURCH OF GOD

Guy Rorer, Pastor
Wednesday night—prayer meeting. Saturday night—Evangelistic services, message by pastor. Sunday, 10:30—Sunday School.

The church will have a Christmas program under the direction of Wanda Hunt, "The Birth of Christ," and many poems and recitations. Santa Claus will be present to greet the kiddies with a Christmas tree and treat for our Sunday School. Come and be with us on the 23rd of December, starting at 7 o'clock.

HALE-CRISP WEDDING IS ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Virgie Hale, of Gunlock, Ky., is announcing the marriage of her daughter, Miss Bonnie Mae Hale, of Prestonsburg, to Cpl. Richard Crisp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Caner Crisp, of Alphoretta, on Dec. 19.

Cpl. Crisp recently returned from 10 months duty in Korea, and will report to Fort Knox in January, where his wife will join him.

WARNS OF DANGER

State Fire Marshal J. T. Underwood, Jr., warned of the danger of combustible Christmas decorations in calling for a safe Christmas. He also pointed out that sale of fireworks is illegal in Kentucky and that some companies are advertising to mail fireworks—a violation of postal laws. Candles should never be used in decorating and electrical devices should be in good repair. Underwood warned.

CARD OF THANKS

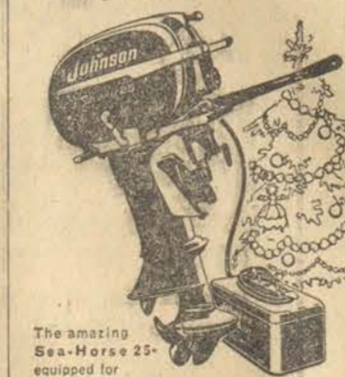
We wish to acknowledge our gratitude to all who helped in any way during the last illness and upon the death of our brother, Henry Allen; and especially, the ministers, the Revs. Dillard Reed, Chester Lucas and Douglas Burkett, the members of the Lackey Freewill Baptist Church and also the Hindman Funeral Home for its efficient services.—His Brothers and Sisters.

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Harold Man Succumbs At Pikeville Hospital After 10-Year Illness

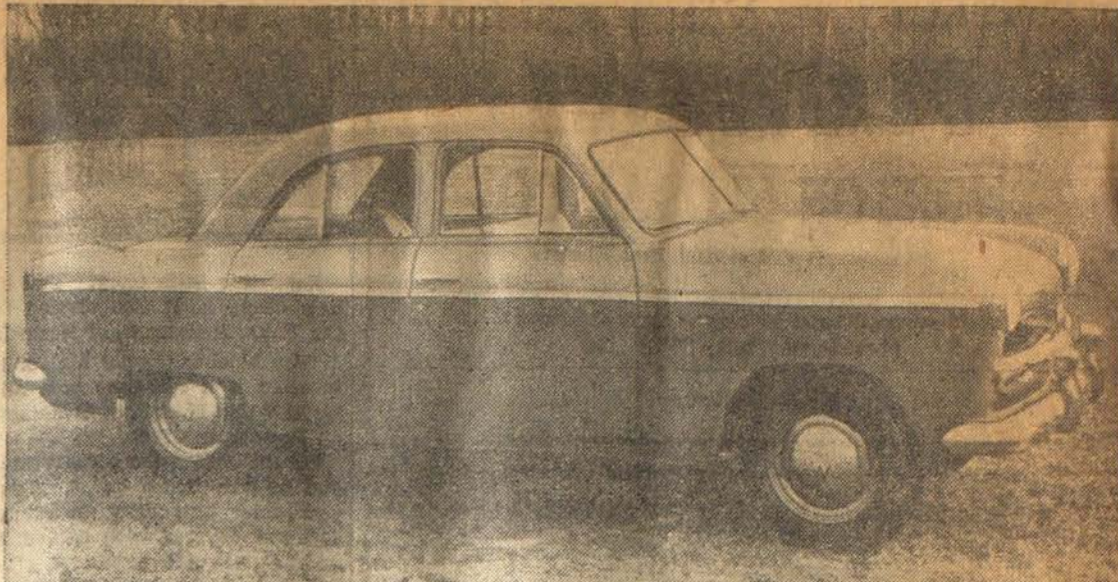
Robert Mulkey, Pike county native who had resided at Harold the last four years, died at the age of 64 years, Dec. 11, at the Methodist hospital, Pikeville. He had been ill for 10 years but pneumonia was given as the direct cause of death.

Mr. Mulkey was a retired miner. He was a son of Felix and Louise Caldwell Mulkey, was a member of the Church of Christ and of the United Mine Workers of America.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Lona Roberts Mulkey, three sons and three daughters, J. D. Mulkey, Strinman, Va., E. F. Mulkey, Kopperston, W. Va., Sgt. Willie W. Mulkey, of the U. S. army in Europe, Mrs. Cora Evans, Boldman, Mrs. Avis Hill, Van Sant, Va., and Mrs. Lucille Sykes, Marvin, Va. He also leaves two brothers and a sister, John Mulkey, Hutchinson, W. Va., Levi Mulkey, Martha, Ky., and Mrs. Georgia Conoway, Ashland.

The funeral was held Sunday from the church at Boldman, the Revs. Adam Osborne, Orrison Chaffins and James O. Caldwell officiating. Burial in the Porter cemetery at Boldman was directed by the Baker Funeral Home.

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TOLEDO, O.—Countering the almost constant upward spiral of automotive prices since the war, Willys-Overland Motors, Inc., will introduce a brand new and broadened line of Aero Willys passenger cars for 1953 at sharply lower prices. Reductions run from \$88 to \$185 on 2-door models. Four-door models will be brought out

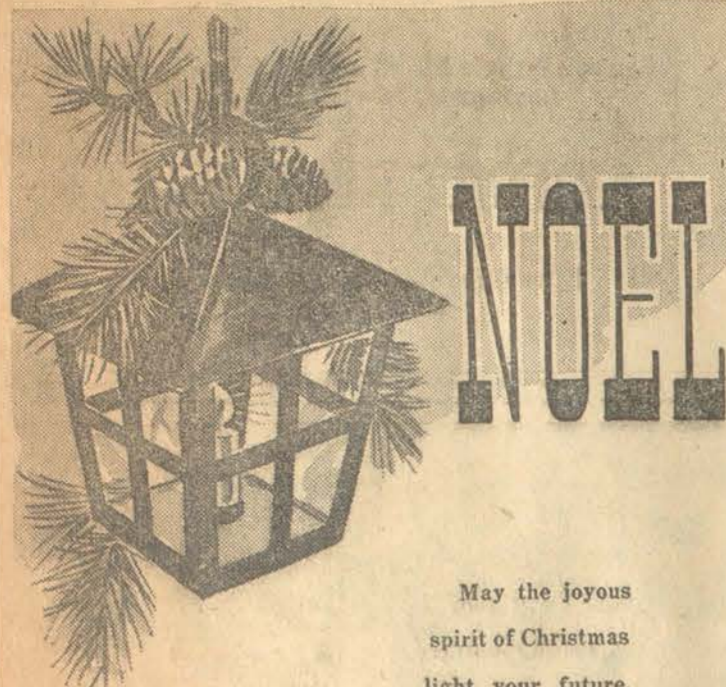
at prices actually below 1952 2-door prices in comparable style series.

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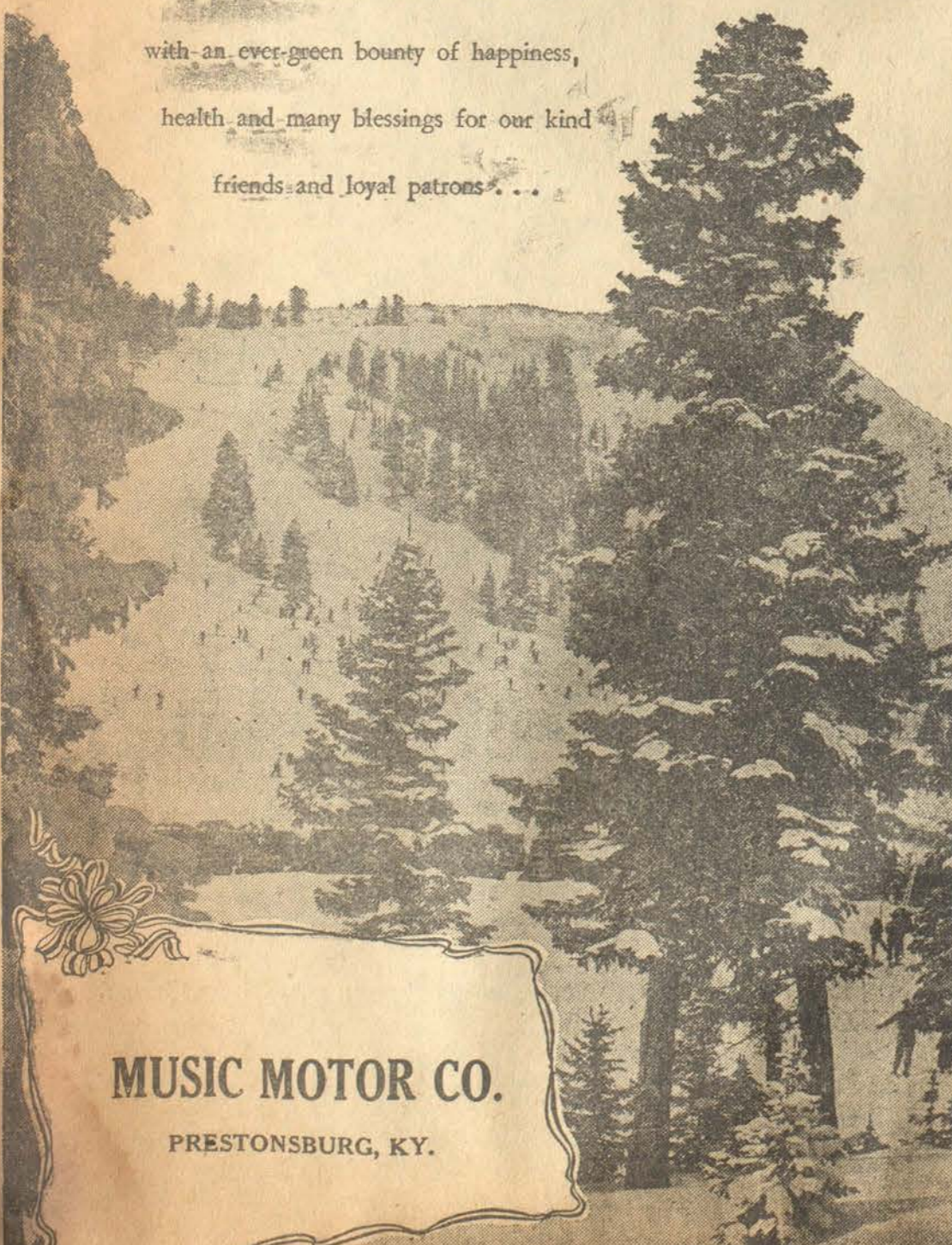
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CLUB HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Amid festive decorations of the season the Lackey-Garrett Woman's Club held its annual Christmas dinner last Thursday evening at the Methodist Recreation Hall at Garrett.

In keeping with the yearly custom, husbands of club members were guests of honor for the traditional turkey dinner.

Miss Marie Coburn was in charge of the program, which she began with a talk on the significance of Christmas, after which she played a series of phonograph records, narrating the story of the Nativity. At the conclusion of the program gifts were exchanged.

Members and their guests attending were: Mr. and Mrs. George E. Evans, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Gorman Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Martin, Mrs. Harvey Miracle, Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Mullins, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wells, Mrs. J. E. Miller, Mrs. Floyd Copley, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Fred F. Wolfe, Mrs. Hatler Turner, Mrs. S. M. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hatcher, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Staley, Mrs. Estill Hughes, Mrs. Felix Coburn, Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Brewer, Mrs. Delbert Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Troy J. Webb, Mrs. C. B. Ison, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Blanton, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. John Feild, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Spillman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harman, Mrs. F. A. Roache, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hatcher, Mrs. Otis Kilburn, Mrs. C. S. Hornsby, Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Howard, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Messer, Mrs. Frank Rasnick and Miss Marie Coburn.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mesdames R. H. Messer, C. B. Ison, R. D. Spencer, Troy Webb, E. C. Blanton, C. S. Hornsby, Felix Coburn, Estill Hughes, Delbert Sloan, Frank Rasnick and Miss Marie Coburn.

OBITUARY

Ernest B. Harris, Detroit, Mich., born on Brandy Keg, Kentucky, August 7, 1910, deceased this life Thursday, Dec. 10, 1952. Age 42 yrs. 4 months three days. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Harris, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. He is survived by his father and mother and two children, one son Jack Ernest in the service of his country, Miss Margaret Greer, of Detroit, four brothers and two sisters as follows: E. L. Harris of West Prestonsburg; William Hargis of Gallipolis, O.; Steve Harris, of Prestonsburg; George Thomas Harris, of Meally, Ky.; Janie Harris at home and Mrs. Hazel Lynch of Ashland, Ky. He leaves many other relatives and a host of friends to mourn his passing.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A THOUGHT FOR CHRISTMAS

Editor, The Times:

Another Christmas season is drawing near when we shall try to out-do each other in giving gifts. All the stores and merchants no doubt look with joy to this season, and it surely is a season that has been highly commercialized. But I am afraid that too many Americans have forgotten the real meaning of Christmas—that it should be a time of real joy and thanksgiving offered up to God; that it should be a time when we as fathers and mothers endeavor to bring to our children the true story of how God sent His beloved Son to be born of a woman to take upon Himself flesh and to become man, that man should be redeemed from the curse and penalty of sin.

Most every one knows this in a vague sort of way, but somehow we have failed to get it deep into the hearts and minds of our children, and we as a nation are paying for our failure unto God by seeing our sons and daughters off to war, and to see them living lives of sin and dying to go out into eternity without the One whose birth we are supposed to be honoring—Jesus the Christ.

If we would purpose in our hearts to make this a different Christmas, where the birth of Jesus Christ was taught to our loved ones, the reason for this birth, and the story of the life of our Saviour, and finally the death that His love for you and me finally brought Him to, how He hung in agony of body upon the cross but most of all the agony of soul that was so great that His heart was broken. He that knew no sin carried this mighty load of sin of all mankind upon the cross, that every person on earth could be freed of the terrible curse of sin, if they will but humble themselves before God and ask for the pardon that Jesus suffered and died for.

Let us not forget when Christmas comes to whom we owe so much, and let's return unto our God, that we may have pardon and that we may deserve His blessings which He will withdraw from us as a nation unless we cease from our sin. God is long-suffering to us as a nation, and no other nation has ever been blessed of God as we have. Let us give Him our thanks and our hearts, this Christmas season.

CONTRIBUTOR

QUESTIONS MOTIVES

Editor, The Times:

A new board of directors composed of E. W. Conn, James Allen, Will Boggs and Charlie Newman have either been elected or they have elected themselves for the purpose of representing the taxpayers. There are grave doubts as to who these men intend to serve. If it's the people, all is well, but is it the "Court House Gang" and their friends? The question is asked, Do these men have good intentions or have they been brought forth to cause confusion and cloud the issue?

It seems to this writer that it is high time the practices of some Floyd county officials "stuffing the taxpayers' money into their pockets" should stop. If all the courthouse officials are "clean as a hound's tooth," why do they fear these investigations? Why have roadblocks been thrown in front of the real Tax League officials who have made an effort to clean up this mess in Floyd county?

We have a Commonwealth's Attorney who is trying to do some good for Floyd county, although he is receiving little or no help from the other county officials.

CITIZEN

ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Humphrey, of Maroa, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty Lee, to Mr. John A. Campbell, of 421 E. Broadway, Mishawaka, Indiana.

Miss Humphrey is a graduate of Illinois State Normal University, Normal, Ill., and last year taught in the Home Economics department of the Bloomington, Ill., high school. Mr. Campbell is employed by the Staward Oil Company at South Bend, Ind., after having served two years with the army during World War II. In January he will enroll at Morehead State College for his senior year's work.

The wedding is planned for Jan. 10.

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Left, above, is Pvt. Candy Blankenship, East McDowell, with an army tank driver friend.

Pvt. Blankenship took his basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. He is currently with the 3rd Division. Recently, he visited his parents before re-assignment to the army in Germany. Pvt. Blankenship is the son of Wm. Blankenship, of East McDowell.

Membership Drive of District Legion Begins at Meeting

Opening of the membership drive of the 10th District American Legion was staged at Martin, Dec. 13 and 14. State Commander Harry Hancher and State Adjutant Tom Hayden were speakers with J. B. Wells, Paintsville mayor.

Emphasis was on the part the legion should and could play in community affairs, said Tom James, former 10th district commander. Dinner was served by the Legion Auxiliary and Martin Post No. 283 was host. Gomer C. Martin, present 10th district commander, presided.

The business meeting was preceded by the Commander's Ball, with music by the Islanders. The business session was held at the Martin high school auditorium.

CAMP POLK, Ia.—The commanding general of Ohio's 37th Infantry Division disclosed that 1,000 of his men will be shipped to Korea next month.

CRISP GETS 8-POINT DEER

Clarence Crisp, formerly of Martin, was one of the recent lucky deer hunters in West Virginia when he killed an eight pointer while hunting in Roane county. Mr. Crisp and family have been living for awhile in Clendenin, W. Va.

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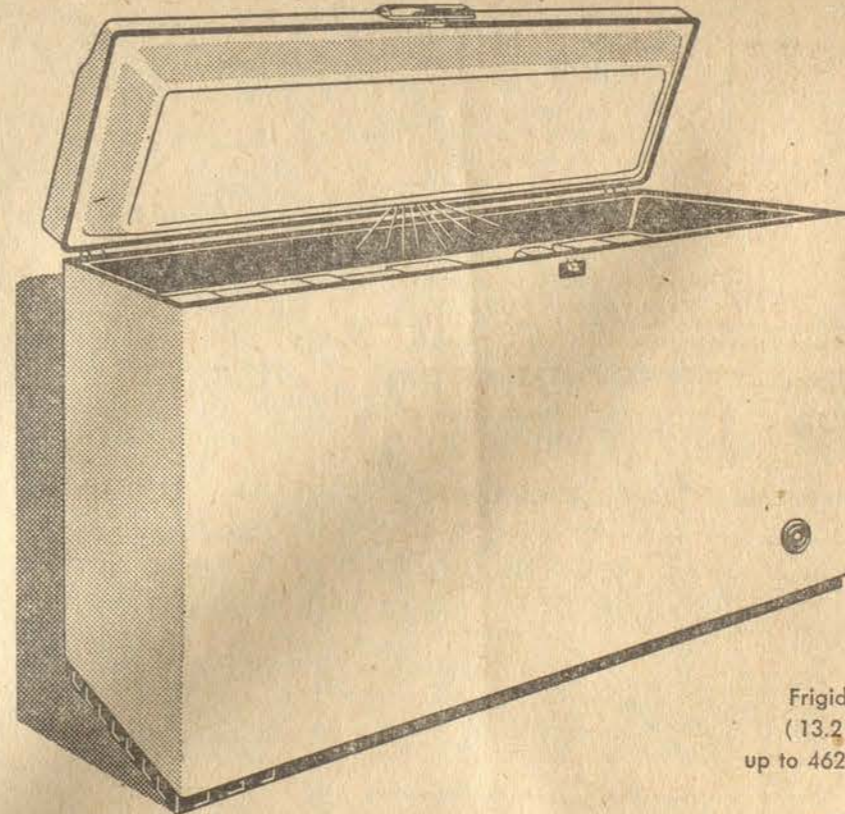
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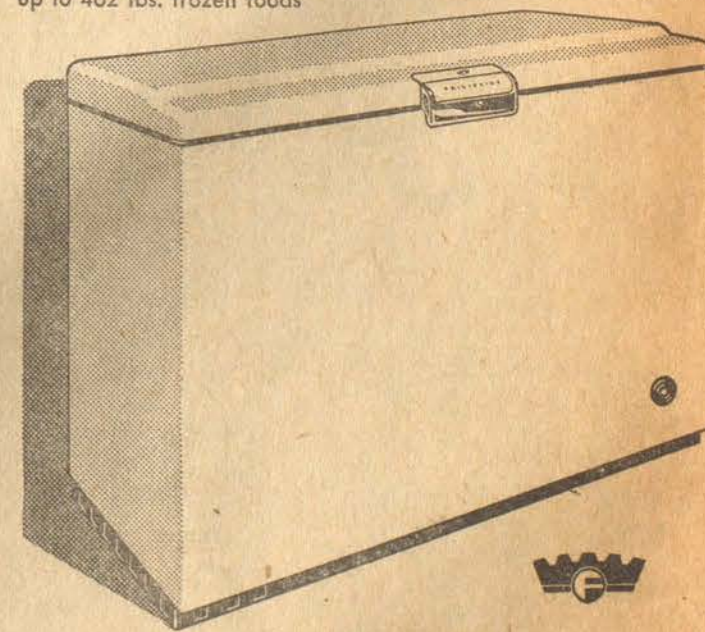
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ADRIAN COLLINS,
Collector

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — President Truman and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt have accepted honorary degrees from the University of Puerto Rico. Mrs. Roosevelt plans to be here in March when the degrees are formally conferred. Truman said he will try to attend.

ALPHORETTA

Miss Naomi Fannin and Miss Katherine Shepherd were visiting Miss Sadie Sturgill, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sturgill, of Eastern, were visiting relatives here, Sunday.

Little Georgia Ann Adams underwent an eye operation in Louisville, Wednesday.

Mrs. Dona Click has been a patient at Our Lady of the Way hospital, Martin, for the past week.

Little Perlina Derossett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walk Derossett, is a patient in Our Lady of the Way hospital, but is recovering nicely.

Mrs. Edith Daniels and daughters, Miss Ada Hall and Miss Hope Hampton, were visiting here Sunday.

Lenora Crisp and Freddy Douglas Crisp were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willie Crisp, Sunday.

Mrs. Caner Crisp, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ousley and son, Michael, and Mrs. Willard Ousley motored to Pikeville, Saturday.

Richard Crisp and Adam Sturgill were in Pikeville on business Saturday.

A sewing club meeting was held Dec. 9 at the home of Mrs. Leon Hall. Those present were Mrs. Edith Luxmore, Mrs. Emmitt Tackett, Mrs. Mary Mullins, Mrs. Laura Marie Ratliff, of Martin, Mrs. Evelyn Turner, Nancy Bailey, Mrs. Hershell Jones, of Eastern, Mrs. Lydia Hall was the guest of honor.

Mrs. Tom Hall was in Prestonsburg Monday, shopping.

CASABLANCA, — The Moroccan General Labor Confederation called a nationwide general strike as a demonstration of sympathy with Tunisian nationalists.

TIDBITS OF KENTUCKY FOLKLORE

By GORDON WILSON, Ph.D.

Western Kentucky Teachers' College Bowling Green, Ky.

'Becoming a Back Number'

Yesterday was my birthday. How old I am is nobody's business, but the things that I remember make me fully as old as I am. It would not do for me to pretend to be a mere infant after all the years that I have chronicled passing institutions. It hurts, just a little, to reflect that one is himself becoming a passing institution, as queer as horse-and-buggy days or Grigsby's Station, "back where we used to be so happy and so pure." Just today I found a sentence that intensified this feeling about becoming a back number: "To watch oneself becoming a back number and a fossil cannot be a pleasant experience, even if our friends find it out sooner than we do, and hide it from us with ironical civility." These words of wisdom are from the pen of Dean Inge, of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, himself a marvelous illusion of growing old gracefully.

The thing that often intensifies this feeling of being a contemporary of Methuselah is that a large percentage of the younger folk do not know what I am talking about. I seem to spend half the time explaining what I have said in the other half. My words are not the words of the modern freshman; it is necessary to translate most of my words in advance or afterwards, often at such length that the corny joke I have told or the homely illustration I have used becomes stale before I can make it clear. I get a good deal of satisfaction out of feeling that the words and ideas of some of the freshmen are as remote from me as my words are from them, but society condemns the older as an old fogy because he does not keep up with the latest language of his younger contemporaries. That last sentence is hardly true, for I really keep up with much of the modern music, modern humor, modern slang, and modern small talk, chiefly because I like to feel an interest in growing things. But it is too easy to become, quite painlessly, a mere singer of old songs, a teller of old jokes, a believer in old things.

Maybe the idea of what constitutes a challenge to living is changing, but I still seem to myself to be perpetually young and inquisitive. If I have any special crow to pick with my younger contemporaries, it is that they do not seem consumed with intellectual curiosity. Maybe they did not "hunger and thirst" after knowledge a long time before it came by. What used to thrill me when I was at the age of some of my students seems to leave them perfectly cold. It is hardly fashionable on the average college campus now to be enthusiastic about anything, especially learning. From where I sit that looks like advanced senility rather than plunging, daring, adventurous youth. By way of a sort of parable, I asked a young woman how long it had been since she had climbed a tree. As long as there are trees, somebody will climb them. And why not a wholesome young girl from the open country, who is vigorous and happy?

The snows of yesterday, which Francois Villon has made famous, are no more gone than thousands of things far more tangible. It would be easy to enumerate passing and passed things until all of us would be sad and wearied. But, like the oncoming of old age itself, none of these passings have been sudden or noticeably so. The old family nag did not die out in a year or even a decade; dinner on the ground did not cease just after a memorable spread at Sulphur Springs or Pleasant Hill; the little one-roomed school did not succumb to age when the last exhibition was over. Some of these passing institutions gradually merged into other institutions that have become equally interesting and memorable. Even the ones that have gone for keeps have left tender memories that they seem as much alive as the brothers and sisters of the little girl in Wordsworth's "We Are Seven." Where are the years that have gone? Where are the years that are yet to be? What is this artificial way of measuring life by marking off a few days and calling this period a year, anyway? To those who knew the old family nag there is no death of such a memorable institution; to those whose years have brought experiences that last, old age is a fable, the calendar a cheat.

ALLEN

Billy Pat Malone, of Kentucky Military Institute, is here for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jarrell have moved to Newark, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Snodgrass and children, Charlotte and Ronnie, were shopping in Huntington, Saturday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crisp a daughter, Margaret Ray. Mother and babe are doing fine. Mr. and Mrs. Crisp have as their guests now her sister, Mrs. Howard Moore, and children, of Adams, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. David Louder were shopping in Pikeville, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Mitchell and son, Vickie, have returned from St. Paul, Minn., where Vickie underwent examination at the Mayo Clinic.

Mrs. Betty Stephens and daughters, Laberta and Karen Sue, have returned from a visit with relatives in Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. James Webb, Jr., and daughters were in Huntington, Saturday. They spent the week-end with her parents in Wayne, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Kinzer and sons, Terry Gene and Jerry Dean, spent Friday through Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller, at Lima, Ohio.

Ben S. Westfall and Irving Owens have returned from a deer-hunting trip.

A Christmas program, "Davy's Gift to the Christ Child," will be presented in the Methodist Church by the Youth Fellowship, Tuesday night, Dec. 23. A film, "The Prince of Peace," will also be shown. All are invited to attend. The program is under the leadership of Mrs. C. L. Gray, Mrs. Harry Snodgrass and

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Mrs. Palmer Crisp, Mrs. Virginia Linebaugh will be pianist. Song service will be by the church choir.

There will be presentations of gifts at the Sunday School hour, Sunday morning, and a Christmas message by the pastor, the Rev. M. N. DeHaven, Sunday night, 7 o'clock.

Bennie Laferty and J. W. Laferty attended the wrestling matches at Wheelwright, Friday night.

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Third Armored Division, Ft. Knox, Ky.—Pvt. Monroe Cole, 24, husband of Mrs. Gladys Cole, Martin, Ky., has completed army basic training conducted by the Third Armored Division here. As a prospective tank crewman he received special training in tank crew platoon tactics and in driving of army wheeled and tracked vehicles.

He entered the army in July, 1952.

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Christmas Program Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

Homecoming Victory Is Scored by Martin In Overtime Thriller

Denzil Halbert's Purple Flash celebrated the Martin high school homecoming last Friday night by defeating McDowell high, 60 to 56, in a basketball thriller which was decided in an overtime period.

The regular playing period ended with the two teams in a 50-all tie, with Martin outscoring the visitors, 10 to 6, in the overtime.

Ronald Tackett, big Martin center, led his team's scoring with 23 points. Ralph Turner, forward, was best for the visitors with 13 points.

Miss Naomi Dingus was crowned Homecoming Queen as a part of the evening's festivities.

The Martin team met Hindman Wednesday night in the Hazard invitational tournament. Result of that game was not received here in time for publication.

BABE, PNEUMONIA VICTIM

David Glenn, two-months-old son of Clifford and Sylvia Meade Adkins, died at the Adkins home at Betsy Layne Monday after an illness of a few hours of pneumonia. The parents and one sister, Esta Lou Adkins, survive. Funeral rites were conducted Wednesday from the Betsy Layne Methodist Church, the Revs. Carl Layne and Robert L. Anderson officiating. Burial in the Meade cemetery on Little Mud Creek was directed by the Baker Funeral Home.

PIKEVILLE HAS ENOUGH FLOYD PLAYERS TO FIELD COMPLETE BASKETBALL TEAM



Wheelwright Next On Blackcat Card; Play Here, Friday

The Prestonsburg Black Cats will face their stiffest test of the season Friday night when the Wheelwright Maroons, reigning Floyd county net champs, come here. Both first and second teams will play.

The Wheelwright five is a big team, averaging almost six feet in height, including reserves, and is regarded as among the finest material in the state. Prestonsburg's team is still getting rid of its football muscles, but is shaping up very well after three early-season wins in a row. A big crowd is expected to be out for the game.

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Unefeated in their first four games, The Pikeville College Bears have five former Floyd county high school net stars on their roster.

Front row, from left, are Jim Hardin, Inez; Richard Lyons, Garrett; Doug Hinkle, Stidham; Benny Joe Fannin, Betsy Layne; Solomon Richardson, Spider; Tommy May, Betsy Layne; Russell Porter, Pikeville, and Robert Taylor, Martin.

Second row, John Williams, Inez; Homer "Buddy" Owens, Pikeville; Sam Smith, Littcarr; Clayton McGuire, Pikeville; Jack Tolson, Campton; Wendell Wallen, Williamsport; Darrell Rice, Garrett, and Manager Steve Adams, Jeremiah.

Bob Taylor, of Martin, freshman at Pikeville, stands second in scoring among the 15 members of the Pikeville Bears basketball squad, their coach, Walter Hambrick, said.

Taylor's average of 113 points per game is bettered only by the 12-point stanking of Sam Smith, 6-foot-3 center from Viper, Ky., formerly of the Carr Creek Indians. The same two men are tied for fourth place on the team in foul shooting, each have sunk 64 per cent of his charity tries.

Starting slowly, Taylor pulled from sixth place to second in the four games which the Bears have played and won since their season opened in mid-November. Pikeville nosed Mayo State Vocational School 80-76 Nov. 17, swamped Lees College 94-36 three days later, then swept a two-game series with Lees-McRoe College of Banner Elk, N.C.

The Big Sandlans smashed the North Carolina squad 58-41 at Pikeville on Friday, but had more trouble edging them 62-62 the next night at the Williamson, W. Va., fieldhouse.

Dick Lyons, of Garrett, thus far is the Bears' hawkeye at the free-throw line. With 10 conversions out of 13 tries, he has a 77 per cent standing to lead all his mates.

Both Lyons and Bennie Joe Fannin, of Betsy Layne, have a five-points-per-game scoring average. Fannin has cashed 60 per cent of his free-throw chances.

The other two Floyd countians on the Bears squad, Tommy May, of Betsy Layne, and Darrell Rice, of Garrett, have seen limited action in the young season, and have not scored.

Losing James Duff of Garrett, top scorer in the K.J.C.A.C. last year, and Doug Lafferty of Allen, also a high-point-getter in the conference, has hurt Pikeville's chances of equaling last season's record of 19 games won and five lost, Hambrick said. The Bears were running up both in the state championship tournament and in regular season play in the circuit last year.

The Pikeville squad includes only three lettermen returned from last season, Wendell Wallen of Williamsport, former Meade Memorial cage star, and John Williams and Doug Hinkle, who played with the Inez Indians. Among the first-year men on the roster are Jim Hardin, Inez; Sol Richardson, Littcarr, also a former Carr Creek player; Russell Porter and Clayton McGuire of the Pikeville high school Panthers; "Buddy" Owens of the Pikeville College Academy Clubs, and Jack Tolson, Campton, a former member of the Wolfe county high school team.

The Bears will meet Beckley College, West Virginia's largest junior college, at the Williamson fieldhouse Dec. 15 and at Pikeville Dec. 16. In other home games they will entertain the high-scoring Rio Grande College quintet Dec. 18; Campbellsville College, a traditional rival in the K.J.C.A.C., Jan. 13; Bluefield Junior College Jan. 16; Ashland J. C. Jan. 17; Lindsey Wilson College Feb. 5, and Sue Bennett College Feb. 20.

Cats Win First Three Net Games of Season; Dixon, Hughes Shine

Off to a good start, in marked contrast to their change-over period last year from football to basketball, the Prestonsburg high school Black Cats have come up with three victories in as many games, starting with their season-opener against Auxier.

They defeated Auxier, 63 to 49, then last Friday evening were away from home to down Maytown, 68 to 59, and returned home for Saturday night's encounter with Wayland, winning this one, 55-49.

In the three tilts Delmar Hughes, Prestonsburg's all-star grid player, scored 84 points. His scoring spree, however, was made possible by his ball-handling mates, among whom John Dixon was a stand-out. The youngster played all positions during the three-game series. Dee Caldwell's play in the Maytown game indicated strong possibilities as a basketball player.

Line-ups in the three games follow:

P'burg (63)	Pos.	Auxier (49)		
D. Hughes (25)	f.	P.B. Wells (4)		
Caldwell (11)	f.	Music (6)		
Woods (5)	c.	Baldrige (12)		
Dixon (11)	g.	P.H. Wells (12)		
Waddle (6)	g.	B. Wells (13)		
Substitutions: P'burg—Rowe (2), Lafferty (3); Auxier—Curnutte (2).				
Quarter scores:				
Prestonsburg	8	21	42	63
Auxier	9	22	37	49

P'burg (68)	Pos.	Maytown (59)		
Hughes (29)	f.	B. Lafferty (6)		
Caldwell (7)	f.	K. Blevins (8)		
Woods (11)	c.	D. Ratliff (18)		
Dixon (12)	g.	Caudill (10)		
Rowe (7)	g.	D. Prater (4)		
Substitutions: P'burg—T. Lafferty (2); Maytown—Fraley (10), A. Lafferty (3).				
Quarter scores:				
Prestonsburg	11	32	51	68
Maytown	12	25	39	59

P'burg (55)	Pos.	Wayland (49)		
Hughes (30)	f.	H. Hall (10)		
Caldwell (3)	f.	L. Gibson (4)		
Woods (8)	c.	Polly (10)		
Dixon (6)	g.	Bentley (2)		
Rowe (5)	g.	Webb (14)		
Substitutions: P'burg—Waddle (1), Lafferty (2); Wayland—Bates (3), E. Hall (6).				
Score by quarters:				
Prestonsburg	15	25	40	55
Wayland	8	22	35	49

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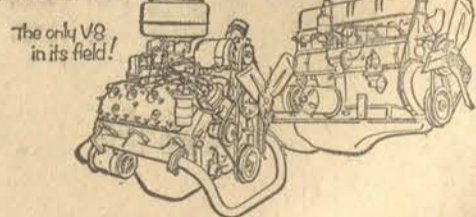


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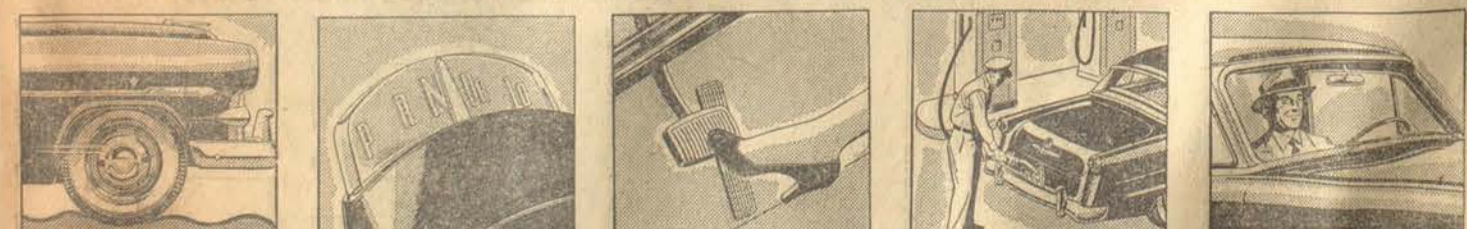
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Lieut. Cletis Crain, of David, is in a hospital in Saka, Japan, suffering from a serious wound received in September. He has been awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star. The parents of Lieut. Crain were notified by the army of their son's wound, Nov. 20.

Lieut. Crain is a graduate of Prestonsburg high school, class of '48, and entered the army in 1950. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Crain, of David.

TAIPEH. — Maj. Gen. William C. Chase returned from private talks in Korea with Eisenhower and then conferred with Generalissimo Chiang Kaishek.

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SPORTS AFIELD

By **TED KESTING**

Do fishing contests aid or injure angling as a sport? Bill Wolf, the foremost iconoclast among outdoor writers, is agin 'em. He says there is a commercial or vainglorious motive behind all of them, even in their most modern forms, and it is impossible to see how any contest furthers fishing as a sport. No one needs the lure of a possible prize to find fishing interesting.

Such competitive events foster cheating, lying and other unscrupulous practices. They breed bitterness and quarrels. They discourage sportsmanship. They pat the fish killer and the fish hog on the back, because contests must have dead entries. They make a mockery of conservation, and turn the quiet, contemplative non-competitive sport of angling into a crass, commercial competition.

Let's look at children's contests, surely the most innocuous kind—or are they? Wolf tells of such a contest held annually near his home. Merchants and individuals donate prizes and there are so many that the officials had to invent categories. There were prizes for the fattest boy angler, the prettiest girl, the smallest child, the one who came the greatest distance. All a child had to do was catch a fish to win something.

The event was held at a dam across a creek flowing through a park. It had been stocked with 800 bluegills and 100 carp for the occasion. It was a big event and a big time was had by all, especially the self-congratulatory adults—but have you ever watched such a kids' event? The entire emphasis was on catching something, somehow, and not on teaching the children anything about fishing or sportsmanship. It was a greedy race to see who could kill a fish to win a baseball bat or a wagon. Fish and fishing became a means to an end, rather than the end in themselves, and it would be a smart child, indeed, who learned about sportsmanship from such an event.

And another thing—it is illegal to plant carp in that state. Yet the persons who ran the contest, knowing nothing of fishing or such laws, stocked the creek with carp.

Such contests, unfortunately are becoming very common across the nation. It is almost sacrilege, to say, as Wolf does, that such contests are so much buncombe and should be abolished. They do not teach a child anything about fishing. They do learn a bit about cheating and poor sportsmanship, and regard fish as something to be caught to win a prize.

I believe a child should be taken fishing and instructed individually—when it is old enough to take care of itself along a stream or on water, when it is capable enough not to be a nuisance to an adult, and when it can take care of its own tackle. Anything else is misery for the adult, as the contest managers often learn.

To Property-Owners

Kentucky law requires all property-owners to list for taxation any property they own. If you have acquired property, it is your duty under this law to list same with the Floyd County Tax Commissioner at once, so that your property will be properly listed for the 1953 assessment.

If there has been no change in your assessment, you may ignore this notice.

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Morning sermon by pastor, 10:55, at church, "Back To Bethlehem."

Afternoon service at Slick Rock, 3:15. Christmas program and treat.

Christmas cantata, "Glory to God," 7:30 p.m., directed by Franklin Moore.

Christmas tree at church, Tuesday night, Dec. 23, at 7:30.

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Accused of beating Police man Glover Norvell, Claywood, Smallwood, 21, and Sylvester Travis, 24, were fined \$100 and given 50 days in jail.

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7:00 p.m. — Christmas program. Two pageants, "The First Christmas" and "Set Upon a Candlestick," and several recitations will be presented. The public is cordially invited to attend.

LOS ANGELES — President-Elect Eisenhower has accepted the honorary presidency of Camp Fire Girls and will assume his post on Jan. 20.



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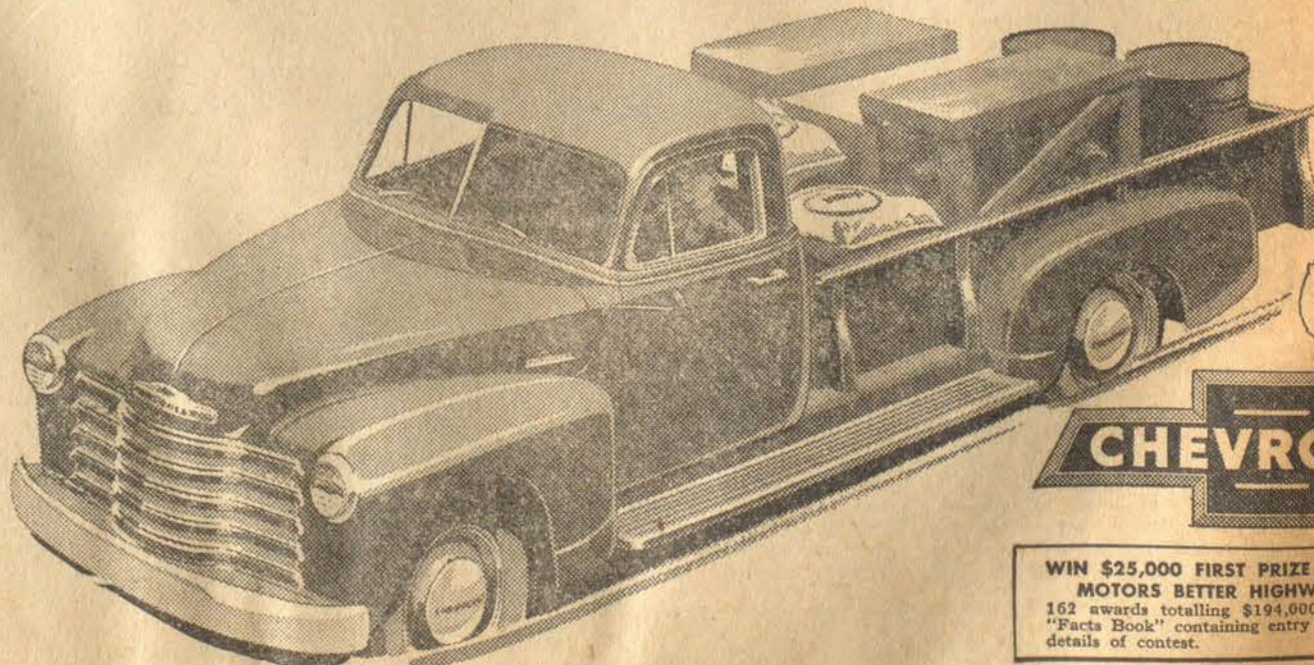
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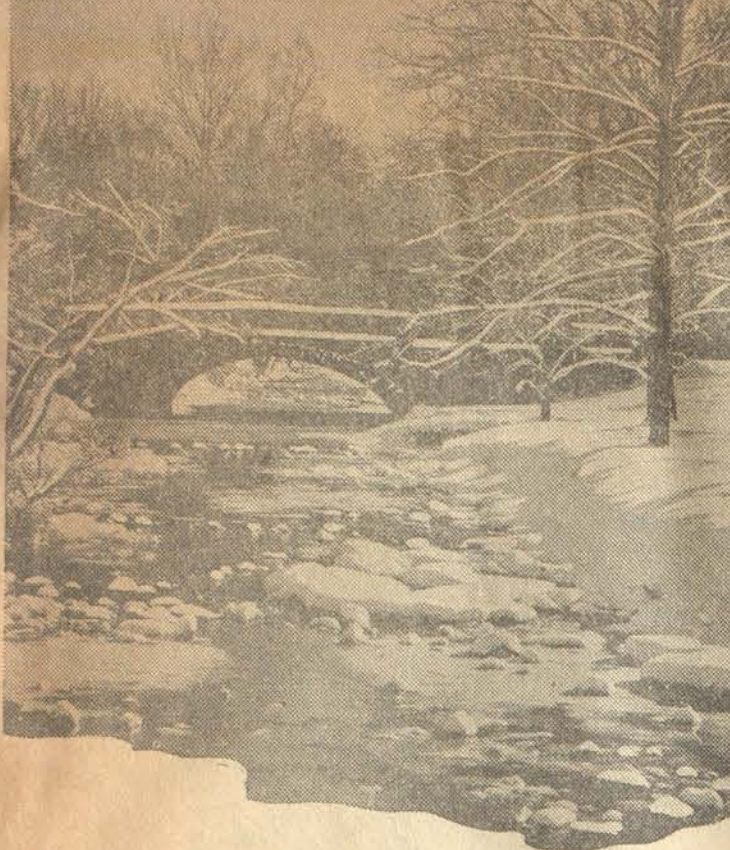
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The Metal That Promises A New 'Gold Rush' in Coal

Germanium, the precious metal which is being sought in Floyd county coal now under laboratory tests is the subject of an article in the current issue of BITUMINOUS COAL RESEARCH, publication of the research agency which is backed by various mining operations of this and other sections of the United States.

The article follows, in part: A new prospecting rush is on in coal mines for a metal as valuable as gold. It has been discovered in zinc ore, in copper mines, in flue dust from coal producer gas, and in bituminous coal seams. That element is germanium.

Germanium is important not because it is rare and fairly difficult to extract, but because of its peculiar electrical properties. Germanium is classed as a semi-conductor. Adding specific amounts of certain impurities make germanium conduct electricity by positive charges, and the addition of other impurities will make it conduct by negative charges. The controllable versatility of the electrical properties discovered in 1942 at Purdue University is what makes germanium important to industry.

A new industry has been created and a new potential market for a product obtainable from coal has been opened up by discoveries and developments by a large number of research groups. Some of this research was done cooperatively, and some was individual exploration.

As is true in many cases, the value of systematic, non-spectacular research is not realized until blended with the results of other research efforts. The end result is often dazzling in its potentialities. Such has been the case with germanium.

Germanium was predicted by Mendeleeff 13 years before its discovery in 1886 by the German chemist Winkler. It is difficult to credit all groups for their contributions in a development that has taken place over a long period of time and over such a wide geographical area. It appears, however, that the following specific contributions are reasonably clear-cut. About 1930 Cornell University and several European groups simultaneously realized there was a wide distribution of germanium in trace quantities particularly in silicate minerals.

About the same time, Goldschmidt first discovered that certain coals contained germanium. Purdue University made important discoveries about the electrical properties of germanium in 1942 and embarked on a systematic investigation of

germanium's chemical, electrical and physical properties.

Eagle-Picher brought the process of germanium extraction to a state of high perfection. Germanium purification was a joint accomplishment of Purdue and Eagle-Picher.

Purdue University invented the Germanium high voltage diode. Bell Laboratories invented the famous transistor. General Electric developed the germanium power rectifier. Western Electric continuing the research initiated at Purdue University, perfected the germanium crystal rectifier and adopted it to quantity production. Mass production techniques are being perfected by Bell Telephone, General Electric, and many others.

About half a dozen major manufacturers buy most of the country's germanium output. General Electric buys more than half of this, with most of it being used for the production of electronic devices.

Despite the fact that germanium is worth about \$350 a pound, it is inexpensive to use. Most germanium products use pieces of the metal the size of a pinhead or smaller. Germanium is used primarily for the manufacture of germanium diodes, rectifiers, and transistors. The basic difference in these products results from the impurities that have been added to the pure germanium.

There is a germanium diode in every recent model television set. These diodes are also being applied to radio receivers, electronic computers, walkie-talkie radios and many other kinds of civilian and military equipment. The germanium rectifier, a new product, has been designed for use in television sets and a wide range of other electronic equipment. The transistor appears to hold the greatest immediate potential for germanium products.

The growth of radar, radio, television, and other electronic devices forced a demand for smaller, shock-resistant, and dependable devices to supplant vacuum tubes. The germanium transistor is that device. It is made of a tiny speck of almost pure germanium with wire about the thickness of human hair attached. These are enclosed in a plastic case usually about half the size of a paper clip. It is possible to make such transistors as small as the head of a match.

In addition to doing a job as well as the vacuum tube, the transistor saves space, is impervious to shock, operates on exceedingly small power consumption, is highly efficient, and is expected eventually to be cheaper to produce than the vacuum tube. Several thousand transistors can be operated on the same power it takes to operate a single vacuum tube. The transistor requires no warm-up period like the vacuum tube. On the other hand, its use at high frequencies is limited at present and it cannot be used at high temperatures.

At the present time germanium is used as a radar converter and mixer crystal, as a high back-voltage crystal in various circuit applications, as a power rectifier, and for photocells and counters. Purdue University and Bell Laboratories have discovered that germanium is transparent in the infra-red; lenses, prisms, and filters can be made from this material which are stable under atmospheric conditions.

Electronic experts predict the use of germanium transistors to replace tubes in hearing aids, with the resultant elimination of batteries currently used to heat the tube filament. This would reduce the size, purchase price, and upkeep costs. The hearing aid is expected to be one of the first major commercial applications of transistors.

It is predicted that the fictional wrist-watch-size, two-way radio may soon become a reality. An experimental vest pocket transmitter has already been developed. The per-

sonalized radio, running indefinitely on one set of batteries, is in sight.

More than 70 companies are active in prospecting for germanium, processing it, or manufacturing products which use it. Big names are involved—Bell Laboratories, General Electric, Eagle-Picher, Sylvania, Sperry, Pennsylvania Coal and Coke, Purdue University, Cornell University, U. S. and West Virginia Geological Survey, and many others. Several of these groups have made information about their activities available to Bituminous Coal Research for this brief article.

It was discovered in 1930 that certain coals contain germanium. Germanium is concentrated in the ash from coal burned at low temperature and in some flue dusts. According to Headlee and Hunter of the West Virginia Geological Survey, economic recovery of germanium from coal ash is expected and is already in the pilot stage.

Little ore is mined for germanium at present; it is more practical to obtain it as a by-product. The outlook for germanium is so favorable, however, that Pennsylvania Coal and Coke Company, acting as an agent for germanium producers, is currently procuring coal samples in the Appalachian region in a search for concentrations of germanium.

Headlee and Hunter report that germanium concentration in coal seams occurs in the organic matter of the coal rather than associated with the mineral impurities removable by washing. They report that the highest germanium concentration is in the bottom inch of a coal seam, with most of the germanium occurring in the seam's bottom and top three inches. Gravity separations of the bottom three inches have given low-ash coal whose ash contains 3 per cent of germanium dioxide. The ash is worth \$57.50 per ton as an ore. To get the 3 per cent concentration of germanium in the ash, the coal must be burned under controlled conditions. Much of the germanium would be lost by volatilization if the coal were burned at usual high furnace temperatures.

West Virginia Geological Survey feels that the germanium can be commercially recovered by keeping the bottom three inches of coal separate from the rest, washing these cuttings, and separating the germanium from the ash after burning the washed coal.

DRIFT

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS

The Drift Woman's Club met at the Turner-Elkhead office building, Dec. 1. Mrs. Howard Stieckler was hostess.

Members brought Christmas stockings for the Veterans hospital in Louisville. The club voted to fill and distribute baskets for the needy. The club is also sponsoring a community Christmas tree which will be erected on the Drift playground. Members present:

Mesdames Lloyd Stumbo, Alan Reed, Joe C. Moore, H. D. Hewlett, W. L. Reed, C. J. Cahill, Ben Martin, Alvin Reed, Ray Turner, Bobby Hall, F. T. Jones, R. Ankrom, H. Stieckler, Misses Ruby Akers and Catherine Reed.

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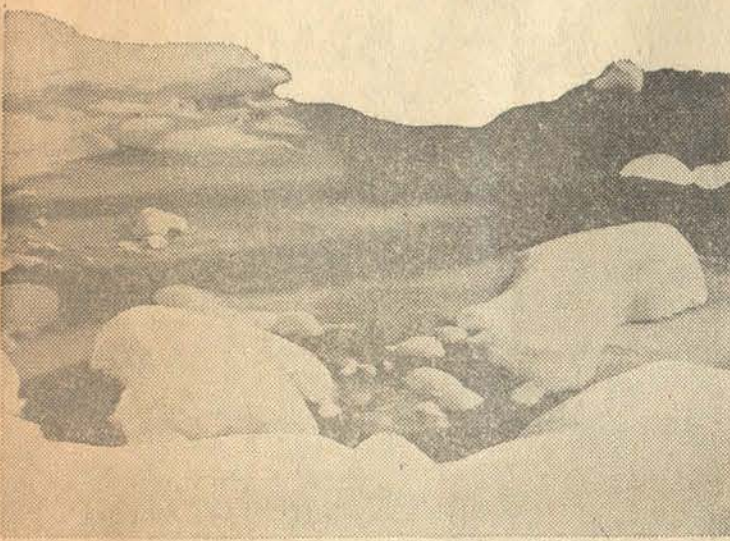
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Later...the aroma of turkey-and-fixin's from the kitchen. The kitchen! Where mother used to spend most all of Christmas Day before things like the

electric range and dishwasher came along.

In so many of the nicest things about Christmas, electricity plays a part. The gay lights. The ancient music ever new. The festive dinner. Many of the gifts themselves. Even the door chime's merry note announcing "Grandma's here!"

No...we're not taking credit for Christmas. It was ages old when electricity was new. But it's true that electricity today has become almost as much a part of the occasion as the mistletoe. It kind of gives us a thrill.

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ALLEN

SPEAKER ASKS PAGEANT AID

The regular business meeting of the Allen-Martin Woman's Club was held Dec. 1 at the home of Mrs. Walter Frasure in Allen. Mrs. Wilma May spoke to the club about the Martin Pageant. She asked that those who were not in the Pageant if they would help at the gates and hand out the programs. She also asked the club to help buy curtains for the stages. Presiding at the meeting was the president, Mrs. Virginia Short.

The president read letters from the K.F.W.C. governor, calling the club's attention to the club dues to be sent to the penny art fund and student loan fund, etc. Motion was made that each member fill Christmas stockings for veterans in Fort Knox and Louisville hospitals. The president read a letter from the Heart Association asking the club for its support. The club is to put heart banks in stores. Mrs. Walter Frasure was appointed chairman for the Heart Fund drive in February.

Due to a vacancy in the office, Mrs. Russell Laven was elected vice-president of the club. Mrs. Earle Martin was elected corresponding secretary.

The committee for the community Christmas tree in Martin has asked the club to have 500 Christmas cards printed and distributed to them. The Christmas party was planned, the date to be changed from Dec. 22 to Dec. 15. The president appointed the following committees: Food—Mrs. Mack Elliott, Mrs. Ray Beckham, Nell Music, Mrs. John P. Sammons, Mrs. Wm. Martin and Mrs. W. O. Huddleston; Decorations—Mrs. George Sims, Mrs. Fred Gross and Mrs. Earle Martin; Entertainment—Mrs. Walter Frasure, Mrs. George Laven, Mrs. Ann Scott. Motion was made that each member bring \$1 to the party to give to the Girl Scouts in Allen and Martin to buy gifts for needy children.

A salad course was served to the following: Nell Music, Mesdames George Laven, Mack Elliott, James Webb, Jr., William Lyon, Lloyd Crum, Ann Scott, Ruby Beckham, John Hall, Louis Warren, Virginia Short, Belford Reitz, Earle Martin, William Martin, Fred Gross, and the hostess, Mrs. Walter Frasure. At the close of the meeting the club had a handkerchief shower for Mrs. James Webb, Jr., who is moving to Florida next week.

Court Records Going To Library at U. K.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 12 (Spl)—Transfer of some 75,000 records in cases considered by the Court of Appeals from 1860 through 1942 to the University of Kentucky Library has been authorized by the State Records Control Board. The transfer will provide the court additional space in the state capitol.

Records of appealed cases from 1792 to 1860 were burned when fire gutted the court building during the Civil War.

The Records Control Board, composed of State Auditor T. Herbert Tinsley, Clifford R. Barnes, Clerk of the Court of Appeals, Acree Austin and Bayless Hardin, secretary of the State Historical Society, authorized the transfer to the University where it is later planned to microfilm the records.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Floyd Fiscal Court for moving a barn of Miller Smiley on Prater Creek from the Banner - Harold road right-of-way. Bids will be received by the County Court Clerk up till 10 a. m., Dec. 22, 1952. Moving of said building will be done in accordance with plans furnished by the County Judge. The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Floyd Fiscal Court
By W. W. Burchett, County Attorney

NOTICE

Found 9:00x20 truck tire and wheel near Eastern, Ky., Nov. 27. Owner is notified to call for same before Dec. 20, 1952, after which date tire will be offered for sale.

DENVER MOSLEY,
Deputy Constable
Lackey, Ky.

GOVERNOR A YEAR

Governor Wetherby last Thursday marked the first anniversary of his being inaugurated as governor as the result of being elected to the office. He was inaugurated Dec. 11, but had previously served a year as successor to Earle C. Clements, who went to the United States Senate in November, 1950.

BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

Assistant Attorney General W. Owen Keller held that territory annexed to a city is not automatically annexed to a school district embracing the city. A separate action by the school board is required to cause the added territory to become a portion of an independent school district.

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BLADES OF BLUEGRASS

By J. ALLAN SMITH

Lexington, Ky.—As inspiring a sight as I ever witnessed was the 4-H parade in the International Livestock Exposition arena at Chicago recently—1,200 boys and girls, the national and state winners from every state in the Union and three of the territories. Far up toward the top of the high tiers of seats I leaned back and watched. There was the Kentucky banner—and the group of 28 boys and girls brought to the annual 4-H Congress and the Exposition under the chaperonage of five devoted 4-H club agents of the University of Kentucky.

While the crowd thrilled to the young vivacity, the fresh eagerness and enthusiasm tempered by precision and poise, I mused upon the way things used to be before the days of 4-H clubs and F.F.A. clubs. I fell to thinking of a backyard "pig project" when I was about 12—at a time when I had never heard of 4-H. I saved nickels and dimes to buy a couple of runty pigs. I built a rough pen and shelter. I slopped the pigs, and pulled weeds for them, and toed corn to them, and scratched their backs, and sat on the fence by the hour dreaming of them. For runts they did well, and sometime along toward December they passed over the magic line from pets to porkers. And then came January and butchering.

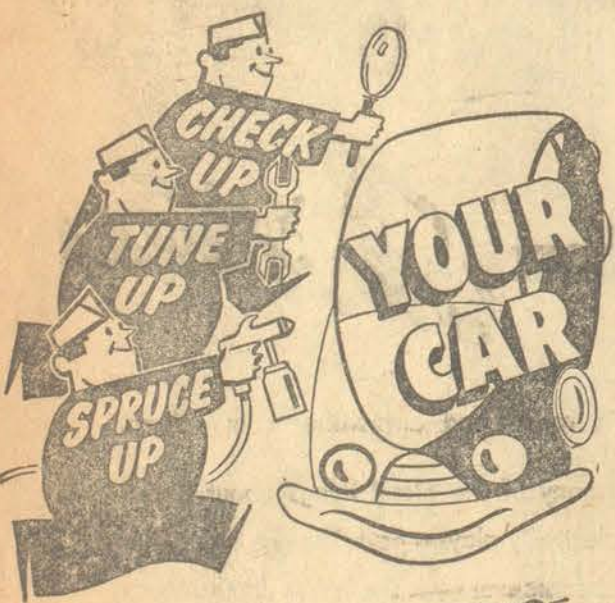
What did I gain from that far-off project? And what did I fail to gain, as compared with such projects in 4-H today?

Well, aside from a few observations into the nature of pigs, I learned nothing from my project. Nothing on disease control; nothing about adequate rations and costs; nothing about systematic business procedures; nothing of what constitutes a good pig. I kept no records. Though a few playmates and an occasional grown-up cast a glance at my pigs, I never knew the thrill of showing them. Nor did my project lead in any way toward training and experience in the arts of social conduct and group living. No devoted local leader or county agent guided my steps. No club meetings for exchange of information and ideas. No training in demonstrations, in public appearances, in leadership, in recreation, in manners and morals, in citizenship. In fact, all these attributes and values which we look upon today as the core of 4-H training were lacking.

I raised the pigs; they grew, and were slaughtered—and that was that.

GOBLE COMPLETES BASIC

Lackland Air Force Base, Texas—Lloyd Goble, 19, son of Mrs. John L. Goble, Lancer, Ky., is completing his Air basic airman indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force."



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KOREANS TO SEND LETTERS TO IKE
Seoul—More than 50 letters from South Koreans will be sent to President-elect Eisenhower through the Korean government. The letters, praising Eisenhower for coming to Korea, expressed confidence he would find a solution for the war.

TAGS EFFECTIVE DEC. 29
The Department of Revenue pointed out that it is not legal to use 1953 automobile license tags before Dec. 29, although they are now on sale in most counties. The new tags are the first issued since 1951 and are white on a blue background. They must be obtained by March 1.

Sunday—
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Worship service.
7:00 p.m.—Evening worship.
Thursday—
7:00 p.m.—S.C. Honeycutt preaching.
Every one invited to attend these services.

A STUDY IN CONTRASTS

(An editorial from The Courier-Journal)

Kentucky is a state of great contrasts. In their bearing on the lot of human lives, rarely have these contrasts been drawn so sharply as in the latest report of the State Department of Economic Security.

Let's look at some of them, and at what they signify, as set down so dramatically there. Per capita income ranges from \$307 a year in Martin county, in the eastern mountains, to \$1,700 in Hardin (Jefferson's per capita is \$1,659). Where six per cent of farms in Jessamine county, seven per cent in Shelby, Spencer and Woodford have cash incomes less than \$600 a year each, 98 per cent of Martin's farms are in this poor group.

What do we see next, as a natural result? Forty-four per cent of Martin county's people 65 years old or older receive public assistance. The state average is 22 per cent. Eleven per cent of Martin's children are dependents, getting help from the state. The average for 120 counties is five per cent.

The report's big point is that there is a direct relation between environment, resources and opportunity on one hand and well-being or poverty on the other. This is to say to those who see only sorry, shiftless or irresponsible people on the assistance rolls, that generally speaking there is nothing in human nature which makes one inferior to another. It is a matter of cause and effect.

Why, asks the report, does the percentage of old people on public assistance rolls vary from six per cent in Campbell county to 66 per cent in Elliott? Is there not an explanation in that Campbell per capita income is \$1,622, Elliott's only \$387?

In Jefferson and Kenton counties, only ten per cent of families have incomes under \$1,000 a year. In Breathitt and Cumberland counties, there are 60 per cent. Only nine per cent 65 years or older are on assistance rolls in Kenton—53 per cent in Breathitt.

It seems to us that the planners of ways to improve the condition of areas would do well to start from reports like this one. The most serious note is not that which relates to public welfare and the tax drain of checks that went out in November to 128,526 persons in Kentucky (55,948 old people, 52,108 dependent children, 18,141 unemployable adults responsible for these children, and 2,419 needy blind persons). Rather, the serious thought is of a way to remove the causes of this need. It must be assumed that the need, or the vast proportion of it, is real.

There follows the startling thought of waste of human resources and human productiveness that occur because of small opportunity. The "underemployment" of people in Kentucky's 34 counties with per capita incomes less than \$500 a year—in the 30 counties where 46 per cent of families have less than \$1,000 a year—is the tragic thing.

There are some prosperous citizens and taxpayers who will never cease grumbling at the bill for welfare, holding it to be money wasted on misfits and chisellers. We wish they would think of the tremendously larger waste in human productiveness which is lost for sheer lack of ways to produce. Where 31 per cent of Jefferson county workers make their living in manufacturing with its high pay scales, only one per cent are so employed in Robertson County.

When so striking a picture of cause and effect is set down before us as this report of the Department of Economic Security holds, nobody is going to say that improvement is beyond our ingenuity. There is no excuse in saying that we cannot change geography—say, the Knobs into bluegrass, eroded hills into bottom land. We cannot, of course. Improvement lies in area planning, in greater accessibility, in education, in health, in training for jobs when they come—and in making jobs available.—The Courier-Journal.

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Bob May, Ray Halbert and J. P. Osborne were visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Branham, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Florence Crisp has been ill for the past two weeks. E. Rone and Ticker Roberts have been staying with her.

Miss Magdalene Branham was in Pikeville, Saturday, shopping.

WILL TEST AMENDMENT

Members of Kentucky's Constitutional Review Commission have taken steps to assure an early legal test of a Constitutional Amendment to the voters next year looking forward to a ballot for officials at the state level. It was deemed desirable for an early test so as to avoid last-minute legal action to keep the question off the ballot. The proposed amendment would leave the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Attorney General and Auditor in the elective class, and provide either for appointment or election of the remainder in the discretion of the General Assembly.

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WHY NOT A U.S. 460 ASSOCIATION TO WORK FOR NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS?

(An editorial from the Licking Valley Courier)
Activities in highway associations to the east and west of Morgan county in pressing for rebuilding Ky. 15 and U.S. 23 into super highways point to the need for an organization of some sort to work for improvement of U.S. 460.
Ky. 15 and U.S. 23 are north-south highways and U.S. 460 is an east-west highway that connects the two and serves a wide area of Eastern Kentucky.

The U.S. 23 Association was organized a few years ago to work for a super highway along the Big Sandy. Already the state and federal governments are rebuilding 14 sectors at a cost of five million dollars. The Ky. 15 Association has just been organized and is proposing construction of a super highway from Hazard to Lexington at a cost of 25 million to be amortized by tolls. The Association also proposes to press for rebuilding many sectors on in to Whitesburg.

Both Associations are very active in pressing their demands for more highway construction, showing the progressive spirit of towns along the routes. Effectiveness of well-organized groups in securing at least some of their demands, everything else being equal, is quite well-known. We in no way criticize these groups, but rather admire their progressiveness.

However, with these groups working for highways on both sides of us, it becomes not only desirable but imperative that towns along U.S. 460 commence a united effort to secure needed improvements along this important east-west artery of travel.

The sector between Paintsville and Mt. Sterling via Salyersville, West Liberty and Frenchburg is in dire need of rebuilding at several places to eliminate hazards. Index Hill at West Liberty with its three U turns and steep grade is the worst sector but by no means the only one that needs rebuilding. The entire highway is too narrow, and many curves need to be eliminated.

This highway not only serves the towns mentioned above but serves also as the shortest route from the upper Big Sandy section to the Bluegrass. Mt. Sterling and Paintsville and even Prestonsburg, Pikeville and Winchester profit by the commerce and traffic along the highway, as well as Lexington. No doubt, business men in these towns would join county seat towns along the route in organizing an association to effectively press for rebuilding the dangerous sectors.

If the route is not rebuilt in many places, traffic soon will be routed over other more modern highways even if the distance is a little greater.

United action by towns along the route is needed. This calls for organization of an association to express the desires of all in an effective manner at Frankfort.

West Liberty, being near the middle of the Mt. Sterling, Paintsville sector, would be ideal as a meeting place for interested citizens. Public spirited Morgan countians could serve no better purpose than in calling a meeting of citizens along U.S. 460 to organize a U.S. 460 Association.

Appellate Judge Sims To Be Chief Justice

Judge Porter Sims, Bowling Green, member of the Court of Appeals since January, 1943, who previously served a term as Chief Justice of the court, will again fill the post next month.

Under the constitutional system of rotating the chief justiceship among those who have served longest in their current terms, four members would have been eligible for the post next month. In addition to Sims, they are Judges James B. Miliken, Cold Spring; John R. Moreman, Louisville, and Brady M. Stewart, Paducah. The three agreed to give the job to Sims.

Sims succeeds Chief Justice James W. Cammack, who has just been re-elected to an eight-year term. Cammack—so far as the chief justice's position is concerned—goes to the foot of the class.

Ironically, Cammack will be the only judge of the court to be paid \$12,000 a year when his new term begins. The others were paid \$9,000. The higher pay was voted by the Legislature last winter but cannot take effect for any of the seven judges until they have been elected to new terms.

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Barbara, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Hale, who underwent an operation for tonsillitis in a Huntington hospital, has returned to her home and is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Hall and daughter were visiting relatives in West Van Lear, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Clark and son, of Auxier, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wilson here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Wallen and children visited relatives on Bull Creek, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Childers and children were visiting relatives at West Van Lear, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Stapleton and daughter were visiting relatives at Lowmansville, Sunday.

Grover C. Wright and Melve Allen, of Abbot Creek, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Prater, last week-end.

Mrs. Wm. McKinney and daughters, Billie and Joan, were visiting in Wheelwright, Friday of last week.

Mrs. Walter Ward was visiting in Huntington, Friday.

Pvt. Clark Arnett, of the Marines, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Bess Arnett, at the Prestonsburg General hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Webb and children, of Van Lear, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Garland Hall here recently.

Christmas services at the David Community Church Sunday night, December 21; preaching by the Rev. Henry Litteral. Plan ahead to attend this service. Put Christ into your Christmas by coming to church and worshipping Him. Hear Brother Litteral, one of the greatest young preachers in all this section. Service will begin at 7 o'clock.

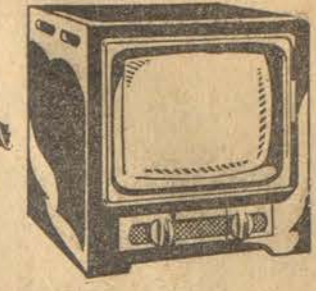
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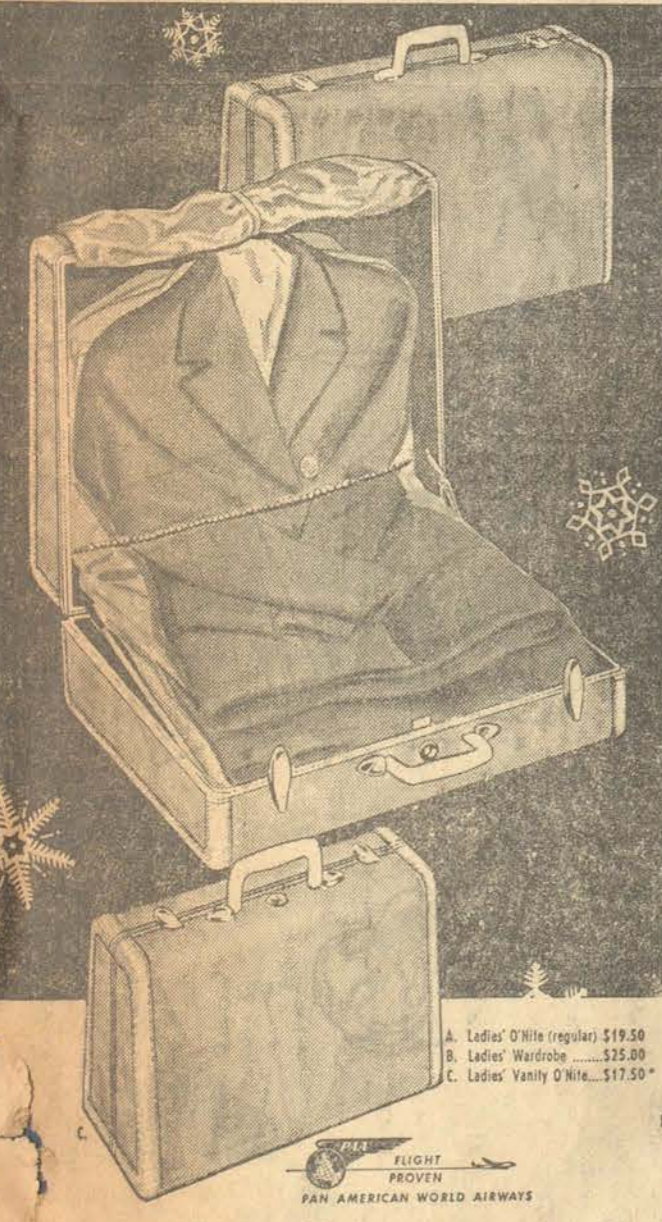
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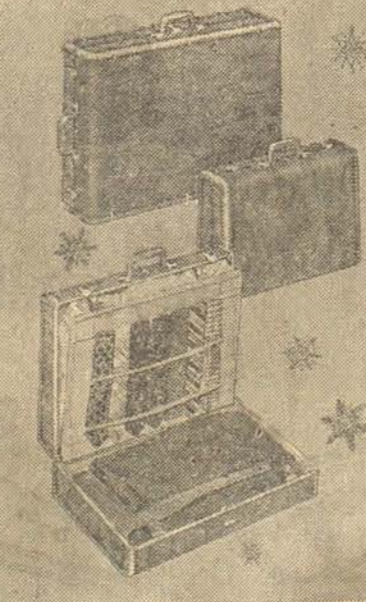


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Application forms for the renewals have been mailed all "for hire" operators in the state. Other licenses required of these operators may not be issued until the certificate or permit from this department is issued, Kinnaird said.

Last year, there were 1,558 tags issued to common carrier truck operators; 5,100 to contract carriers; and 2,266 to taxicabs.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETS

The Altar Society of Martin held its annual Christmas party, Dec. 9 at the home of Mrs. L. E. Brashear, of Manton, with Mrs. J. C. Cahill as co-hostess. At the brief business session Father Joseph Wimmers, of Paintsville, gave a report of the Lexington convention of the D.C.C.W. Games were enjoyed and gifts were exchanged.

Members and guests attending the party were:

Father Joseph Wimmers, Father George Nertonne, Mesdames Virgil Peters, Pat Crowley, George Evans, Jr., James Camicia, Byron Nunney, Bill Ackerman, Wm. Goble, S. D. Dermont, Betty Prefatish, C. Hale, W. L. Gilson, C. J. Cahill, L. B. Brashear

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IT'S A GOOD WORLD BY WILMAY

As Christmas draws near we need to think to include and emphasize its central figure. To do so we must not leave out the Bible. We quote here an interesting article about God's word, which should impress even the skeptics.

WHY I BELIEVE THE BIBLE
By M. H. Duncan, B.A., A.M. (Yale)
Fellow in Pol. Science, Yale

Persons who doubt the Bible's being the divinely inspired word of God should note how often the number SEVEN is found in it, as seven is God's perfect number. Seven days of the creation, 7 days Noah was in the ark, 7 years of plenty, 7 years of famine, 7 years Jacob served for Rachel, 7 more for Leah, 7 years Solomon took to build the temple. In Revelation, 7 churches, 7 candlesticks, 7 stars, 7 trumpets, 7 plagues, 7 thunders, 7 vials, 7 angels and the 7-headed beast.

A study of the 17th chapter of John in the ORIGINAL Greek should convince anyone that the Bible was fresh from the hand of God Himself, for the following facts about this chapter show clearly that the number seven could not have found its way into the structure of John 17 in the original Greek without its having been placed there by an all-wise being. This chapter has seven sections, 7 sections each. The first chapter has 91 (9x13) words, 406 (7x58) letters. Second section has 49 (7x7) words, 217 (7x31) letters; third section, 35 (7x5) words, 140 (7x20) letters; 4th section, 63 (7x9) words, 259 (7x37) letters; 5th section, 70 (7x10) words, 287 (7x41) letters; 6th section, 119 (7x17) words, 511 (7x73) letters; seventh section, 63 (7x9) words, 259 (7x37) letters. The chapter has 49 (7x7) sentences, 490 (7x70) words, and 2,079 (7x297) letters. It has 595 (7x85) long and short vowels, 567 (7x81) doubtful vowels and 917 (7x131) consonants. 2,079 letters in this chapter equals 7x11x the cube of 3, and 3 is the number of the Trinity. The chapter contains 98 (7x14) verbs and participles, 77 (7x11) nouns, 126 (7x18) pronouns, 70 (7x10) conjunctions, 70 (7x10) articles and adverbs, and 49 (7x7) prepositions and double-form words. Persons of the Godhead are mentioned 31 (7x13) times in the chapter. Pronouns referring to Jesus, 49 (7x7) times.

Is it not incredible that the number seven and its multiples appear so often in one chapter without divine intervention? Some persons may believe the marvelous arrangement in the scriptures is a mere "happen-so," but it is much easier for me to believe that a higher hand than the hand of man had its shaping. Those who look at the Bible through the clouded vision of others may doubt its origin, but those who come up close to it and look into its structure and message cannot doubt that it is a book from God. Its wonders are too many to have come from the mind of man.

It contains dozens of prophecies about the Jews, God's chosen people of Israel, which are being fulfilled this very day in current history.

The ark was built on scientific principles, with God and not man its architect. In 1919, the U.S. government launched its first concrete ship, whose dimensions were 300x50x30 feet. Change those feet to cubits and you have the exact dimensions of the ark, built in the same proportions by the same scientific laws as the modern American vessel, with all the scientific knowledge of the ages behind it, for God is the Architect of the Ark, just as He is the Architect of the Bible. The Bible is thoroughly scientific. It never grows old. Twenty centuries have not improved it. It has withstood the hatred of men. The fulfillment of its prophecy is evidence that the Bible is true.

All of us need to make it a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our pathway. Then Christmas will be more spiritual and less commercial.

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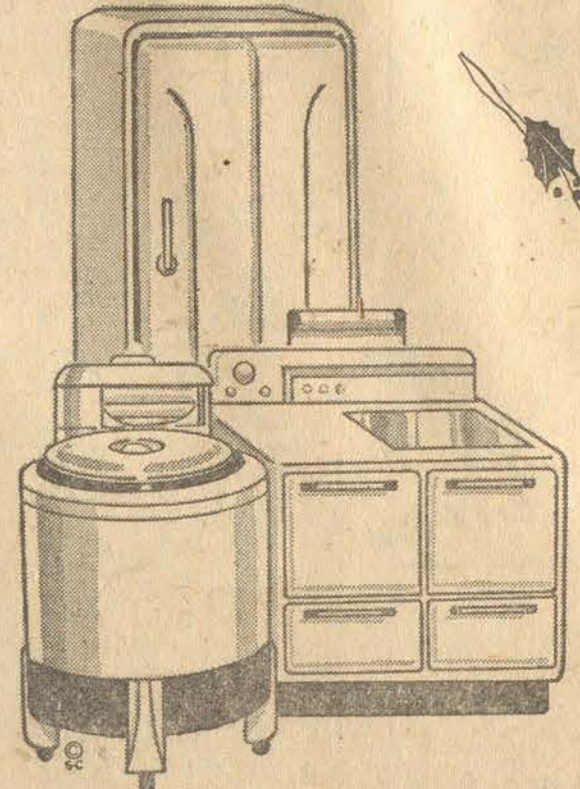
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