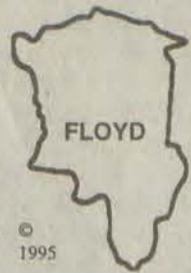


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Man-made 'volcano' lands man in jail

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

The sky was lit up Monday night at Mud Creek and a 49-year-old man is charged with over 50 counts of first degree wanton endangerment for allegedly trying to blow up several homes in the area.

Aaron Tackett of Beaver, is accused of setting fire to several natural gas wells Monday evening near the homes of Larry Newsome, Troy Bentley, James L. Hall and others at Tackett Fork of Mud Creek. Aaron Tackett is also charged with alcohol intoxication.

Kentucky State Police trooper John Hunt said Tuesday that the plugs of two or three gas wells had been pulled from meters owned by Kentucky/West Virginia Gas Company and natural gas had been spewing into the air.

Hunt said that Tackett reportedly told gas company officials earlier that day that he had built a volcano and he intended to light it. The trooper said that Tackett had dug up a gas line and piled rocks around it to make a volcano.

At approximately 8 p.m. Monday, Tackett set fire to an open line which destroyed a meter house and shed near his neighbor's house, Hunt said.

Newsome filed charges against Tackett and he was arrested by trooper Bobby Day.

District Judge James Allen set a \$10,000 cash bond for Tackett, who was arraigned Tuesday in Floyd District Court. A preliminary hearing has been set for February 28 at 2:30 p.m.

Commissioners seek KSP investigation

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Kentucky State Police will be asked to investigate alleged misuse of rural municipal road aide funds by city officials at Wheelwright.

Wheelwright Commissioner Allen Taylor called for the probe of the road department at Monday's city commission meeting. Taylor said that several drain pipes were missing and that Commissioner David Boyd, who supervises the road department, could not account for the pipes.

"I want to know if a drain pipe was put in on 79 Hill," Taylor said. "I want to know if one was put across the road above the second road at 79 Hill. I'd like to see them."

Taylor also said that one pipe

Ambulance driver indicted in deaths of two countians

by Tony Fyffe
Paintsville Herald

Nine months after a Memorial Day weekend traffic accident left two Floyd County people dead, the driver of an ambulance involved in the collision has been indicted on criminal charges.

The Johnson County Grand Jury returned an indictment Friday charging Peggy J. Goble of Wintonsville, a driver for the former River City Ambulance Service of Paintsville, with two counts of reckless homicide.

The indictment claims Goble recklessly ran the ambulance she was driving into a vehicle driven by Milton Earl Mahan, 44, of Harold

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Lee Frazier makes his way through the water hole in Dwale. Residents want the drainage problems there fixed. (photo by Patti M. Clark)

Waterlogged residents want court's assistance

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

Margie and Lawrence Hunter said they almost froze to death during the recent cold weather.

They said it wasn't because they didn't have heat, but because politics have stood in the way of the repair of drainage problems near

their home in Dwale. When it was colder, they said, several inches of the stagnant water that had collected in a low place in the road next to their home and washed into their yard and under their house was frozen.

Now, it's just a green mess and Lawrence Hunter said there are six inches of it standing in his garage.

"We don't have a magistrate who's been out here in nearly ten years," he said. The area is represented by Magistrate Jackie Owens and the residents said they knew of only one visit Owens had made to the Dwale community since he took office in 1985.

Owens, however, said he has a list of times he's had county equipment go into Dwale, including complete road cleaning during the last two major snow storms.

"We've blacktopped roads and cleaned ditches," he said.

Hunter's wife, Margie, said County Judge-Executive Ben Hale had even asked her why she didn't just move out of her home on Monument Street. "If I could sell it, I might just go," she said.

One resident, Eunice Mitchell, can't get to her front door. There are concrete blocks the family walks across and those are nearly covered by water.

Ernest Little said he's called the county every day for the last few weeks. Still, they say, nothing has

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Floyd County deputy sheriff Bobby Hackworth received the 1995 Governor's Award for enforcing the state's drunk driving laws and apprehending impaired drivers. Hackworth won the award in 1994, too. In 1995, Hackworth made over 60 arrests for driving under the influence. Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson presented Hackworth the award Tuesday. (photo by Susan Allen)

State okays imports of medical waste for treatment at Medisin

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

State waste management officials have approved an autoclave transfer station for medical waste for Medisin Inc., which allows for waste from 11 states to be processed prior to disposal.

In a February 7 letter from George Gilbert Jr., solid waste branch manager for the Division of Waste Management, to Medisin vice president Robert Ford, Gilbert said that a permit-by-rule to operate an autoclave transfer station has been approved by state officials.

The granting of the permit has raised concerns among residents of Auxier, who live near Medisin's facility and who have been trying to shut down the company's medical waste incinerator for the past six years.

Barney Walker, an opponent of the permit and vice president of Floyd Countians in Action, said he was shocked to see that medical waste from 11 states can be accepted by Medisin at the Auxier site. Walker, who is a Floyd County Solid Waste Commissioner, said Medisin is not in compliance with the county's solid waste plan.

The county's plan, which limits the amount of waste Medisin can accept to 100 tons for 10 years, is being challenged by Medisin.

Medisin vice president Bob Ford was out of town and could not be reached for comment. A call to Highlands Regional Medical Center administrator Clarence Traum, who is on the board of directors for Medisin, was not returned Tuesday.

Medisin officials have said in the past that neither the transfer station nor the company's medical waste incinerator pose threats to area residents.

Under the conditions set forth

by the state, Medisin can accept waste from all counties in Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, Ohio, Tennessee, Indiana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Maryland for autoclaving.

Autoclaving is a method of sterilizing waste by using superheated steam under pressure. After the medical waste is sterilized, it is to be disposed of at a Mingo County landfill, under the conditions for

the permit. Listed as backup disposal sites are Rumpke of Kentucky's Montgomery County landfill and a landfill owned by Rumpke of Ohio.

Gilbert's letter also points out that the state's authorization of the permit does not supersede any local or county ordinances.

Gilbert's letter was also sent to the Floyd County Fiscal Court and Hazard Regional Office of the Division of Waste Management.

New super to meet public on Monday

Area residents can get an up close look at their new superintendent of schools, Dr. John Balentine, during an informal evening of conversation February 26 at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

The session will be hosted by the Floyd County Education Forum and the Floyd County Af-



Dr. John Balentine, superintendent of schools, will meet with the public on Monday. The session will be hosted by the Floyd County Education Forum and the Floyd County Affiliate of Forward in the Fifth and begins at 6:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

No repairs slated soon on road where couple killed

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

Den Hunter won't get the road fixed where his daughter and son-in-law died in December any time soon.

That's according to a letter from Charles S. Raymer, deputy state highway engineer for project development with the state Transportation Department.

"I know you want someone to

say that all the problems which you describe on your video will be corrected immediately, but as I noted during our recent meeting, this is not a simple problem to address and correct," the letter from Raymer to Hunter dated February 14 states.

Hunter's daughter, Connie Porter, was driving on Route 3379 December 7 when she lost control

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A Girl Scout Scam?

Youthful solicitors are not associated with national organization

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

Floyd County businesses are apparently being hoodwinked by a few fourth and fifth grade girls who are soliciting money as Girl Scouts.

Kim Jones, membership specialist with the Wilderness Road Council's Pikeville office, said the Council received reports that a few girls pretending to be members of junior Girl Scout and Brownie troops had approached businesses in the Harold area and asked for

monetary donations.

The girls presented the business managers with handwritten letters stating that they were Girl Scouts, Jones said.

Girl Scouts do not solicit money, Jones added. If any sponsorship of activities is required, then staff members may approach a bank or business, she said. The annual cookie sale is the only door-to-door sales campaign for Girl Scouts.

Jones stressed that the girls soliciting funds are not "registered

Girl Scouts," and are only fronts for their parents. "In scouting, we encourage girls to be their best," Jones said.

The scam has been going on since Christmas and occurred in Pike County before moving into the Floyd County area, Jones said. Kentucky State Police are investigating the incident.

Anyone who has been solicited for funds by the girls claiming to be Girl Scouts should call Jones at (606) 437-7814 or the Kentucky State Police at (606) 433-7711.

Victims of AmStand layoffs eligible for special benefits

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

The nearly 140 people laid off by American Standard last year and the 100 more who may be laid off by July 1 could be eligible for special unemployment benefits.

Those workers may be eligible for North American free trade Agreement assistance, according to the Department for Employment Services.

The benefits are available, according to Debbie Allen with the local office of Employment Services, because some of the workers are being laid off "due to foreign trade."

The U.S. Department of Labor has certified the company as an "adversely affected employer" under the federal Trade Act, which provides assistance to employees of businesses and industries hurt by import competition.

Bill Hall, personnel director for American Standard, said he had sent a list of potentially eligible employees to the Prestonsburg office. He estimated there had been about 140 people laid off in the last 15 months.

He said an additional 100 will be laid off before the company reaches its target employment of 185 by July 1.

"They way I understand it, sev-

eral of those workers have circulated a petition stating that they are losing their jobs because production has been shifted to Canada or Mexico," Hall said.

He said he was required to write a report verifying that it was true and send it to the state and had done so. The workers then became eligible for the assistance, which pays them benefits for retraining.

"We don't know how many people will take advantage of the program," Hall said. The local office of Employment Services is contacting those individuals on the list Hall compiled and interviewing

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Waterlogged

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been done. Several residents of the small community of 275 people were gathered beside the water hole Tuesday morning watching cars and trucks splash through the water. The rank smell was just short of what one would find outside a malfunctioning sewer treatment plant.

"I live straight across the tracks from it and it's been bad for the last two months," Dennis Goble said. "The water is just standing there."

The residents want something done and they want it done now.

"We don't feel our tax dollars should be spent keeping him in office," Ollie Leslie said of Owens. Leslie lives at the end of the street where the water hole is located. "If they're not obligated to serve us, we shouldn't be obligated to pay our taxes. It's taxation without representation."

Lee Frazier said nothing had been done in the area since 1978 when the community took up a collection and cleaned out the ditch lines. Frazier owns a brick home that fronts on Pollard Street, the street where the water stands.

"If we could do it, why can't the county do it?" Frazier questioned.

Resident Cammie Mitchell said she'd just paid a \$500 property tax

bill, but now wishes she hadn't.

One resident, James Clay, could be replacing a furnace if the rain continues. The water has backed up so much that the back and side yards of Clay's property — three doors down from the water hole — are filled with water. Only an inch separates the top of the water line from the furnace.

"If it rains tonight (Tuesday), he'll be spending big money to replace that furnace," Leslie said.

The problem stems from a lack of drainage in the area and water collects in a low place in the road. The water hole is about 20 feet wide, 100 feet long, and is often more than a foot deep.

"It's way up on the car," Iris Calhoun said. Calhoun said she doesn't live in Dwale, but has to go through the water to get out.

Goble said cars still drive through the water hole, but as it has gotten deeper, they're having more problems.

"One drowned out just the other day," he said. "This is a bad situation."

"The road is impassable. It's covered with sewer water. That street is completely closed," Calhoun added.

"This is our only outlet when it snows or is slick."

"This is ridiculous," Mitchell said. "My kids got to go through this to get to school."

Calhoun also said school children must walk through yards to get around the water hole in order to catch the bus. They can't use the other entrance because the railroad crossing is unmarked and it is illegal for them to walk across the tracks at that point.

Goble said that while the water had been a problem over the last few months while it has been wet, it was also a problem last summer.

"It's running through people's yards. It has to be in their houses," Calhoun said. "We've done everything we can do."

Mitchell said she's lived in the area for two years and the water has always been a problem.

Several residents of the area said they have asked for help from the county, but haven't received the answers they want to hear.

"They tax us but they don't service us," Leslie said.

"I was over there yesterday (Monday)," Hale said. "I know there's a problem and we're working on correcting it."

Hale said he hopes to put in drainage pipe in the area as soon as the weather dries up. But utilities in

the ditch lines are causing some problems.

"There are a lot of utilities there," Owens said. "It's not an easy task."

"I understand their problem and am on top of it," Hale said. "But there's not a simple solution to this problem. We can't go in and unstop a drain because there's not one there."

But residents said they put in drainage pipe themselves several years ago and all the county needs to do is clean out the ditches.

Hale said he didn't think there had ever been a drainage pipe under the road in that area. "If there was one, we can't find any sign of it," he said.

Hale said he has asked the Allen Fire Department to pump the water out of the road. "But it just keeps coming back. The residents have said Dwale has always had drainage problems."

And residents said the man from the fire department said he wouldn't come back to pump the water out because he was pumping off one property owner and onto another.

"It just keeps getting worse," Frazier said.

Owens said the problems stems from inadequate drainage when

To Unite in Marriage



LaDara Janell Neeley and Charles Bryant Rose will be united in marriage on February 24th 1996 at 6:00 in the evening at the Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church on Abbott. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darryl Neeley of Abbott and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rose of Prestonsburg. The bride and groom and their families wish to extend an open invitation.

Investigation

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Commissioner Hall agreed, saying, "if that will satisfy him, okay." Commissioner Jimmy Little voted no, saying he wasn't a member of the commission at the time the pipes reportedly disappeared.

After Monday's meeting, Taylor commented that at times he wasn't taken seriously because of his hearing problems.

"They think I'm a damn fool because I can't hear," Taylor said.

Also Monday, Commissioner Hall distributed copies of state laws regarding the supervision of city employees by commissioners and warned the commission it was illegal to do so.

"We can't supervise city workers on a day-to-day basis," Hall explained. "None of us has no business standing over-top somebody all day long. We shouldn't be slave drivers."

Hall's comments were directed toward Taylor, who customarily supervises the city's street worker. Taylor routinely sets the daily work schedule and supervises the worker, identified as Scotty Ray.

Commissioner Little said that if someone didn't tell Scotty Ray where to work each day, he wouldn't know what to do.

Mayor Sammons commented that he didn't "have a problem" with Taylor overseeing the department as long as the commissioner didn't interfere with other departments.

"It's a violation of the law," Hall told the mayor.

The mayor said Scotty would have to make a complaint and that he thought the issue was brought up to quell Taylor's interest in other departments.

"David (Hall) don't want Alan

sticking his nose in anybody else's department," the mayor said. The mayor then shouted to Taylor, "they want you to keep your nose out of everybody else's department."

Taylor raised a fist in the air and proclaimed, "I can run my department. I don't fool around with anybody else's department."

Commissioners asked the town's ethics board members, Roy Cosby and Charles Wilson, to look into the matter.

Wilson announced that the ethics board holds its regular monthly meetings on the fourth Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at city hall.

In other action:

- Commissioners voted 4-1 to revamp a city ordinance banning mobile homes in the city limits. Commissioner Little said that persons whose homes have burned are not financially able to rebuild a residence in the city. Little added that the utility commission is seeing a drop in revenues as the city population declines.

- Commissioners agreed to send a letter to the utility commission regarding the use of that department's backhoe. Mayor Sammons said the vehicle was not mechanically fit to be in use and suggested that it be fixed or a new one purchased.

- Commissioners agreed to replace steps at Helen Blair's home which were destroyed during grading after heavy snows in the county.

- Commissioners voted to install street lights on Big Hill in Hall Hollow. Taylor commented that if the city authorized installing any more street lights, "we'll be running a street light program instead of a road program." Taylor and Little voted no.

- Commissioner Little reported that utility commissioners were "having a rough go of it and a time paying the bills." The financial woes of the department were not detailed.
- Commissioners voted to put an

Contract will protect residents in North Floyd fire district

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

Finally, the residents of the North Floyd fire district have fire protection.

Monday afternoon, Tom Smith, chairman of the district, signed an agreement allowing for temporary coverage by the Prestonsburg fire department until a full contract can be signed.

That's expected at the Prestonsburg City Council meeting at noon Monday, February 26.

"This is a temporary agreement for coverage. We'll be presenting a full contract at the next city council meeting on Monday," Smith said.

According to Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin, coverage of the district began when the temporary agreement was signed.

"The full contract will take a day or two to get drafted and we're going to be giving them a letter saying we'll cover them until that agreement is signed," Fannin said Monday. "That means those residents now have fire protection."

The district includes Abbott, Watergap, Auxier Road, and the area toward the lake on the east side of Prestonsburg in its boundaries and will now be serviced by the city fire department.

Those residents were able to purchase a subscription for fire protection from the city in the past, but now, any home in the district is covered by city firefighters.

There was some concern on the part of city council members Bill Collins and Dick Clark that the city could not handle the calls in that district. Availability of water, size of roads and bridges, and lack of volunteers were some of the problem areas mentioned at the February 12 meeting of the council by Tom Blackburn, city fire chief.

"We really appreciated what Tom said about what they needed," Smith said. "Until he said that, we didn't know what would

"extreme rush" on getting a deed for the town's old clubhouse, which is expected to be sold to a family to locate a new business in the city.

All commissioners were present at Monday's meeting.

be needed."

A meeting between the district board and the city had been planned but was canceled because of a conflict. It was not rescheduled.

Smith said he hopes the city can expand in the future by adding substations away from the center of Prestonsburg.

"This would help get farther-reaching coverage," Smith said. "But the whole thing is great. We need to give credit to Bob Meyer at the county and Chris Waugh who really got this thing going, as well as the city."

Three of the district board members — Smith, Ron Wright, and Doug Hyden — were appointed by Meyer. The other two — Dickie Hall and Phillip Elliott — were elected in a special election in early January.

"The whole idea was to get fire coverage for areas that don't have city protection," Smith said. "Most had volunteer fire departments prior to having a tax district developed, but there was no universal coverage."

As a result of the agreement, residents of the area can expect the insurance rates on their homes to decrease as the fire rating for the area falls from a nine or ten, the highest available, to a four.

"In the past, few people were paying. Now, everybody who has property will be paying for it, but they'll also have coverage," Smith said.

The tax rate is ten cents per \$100 of assessed property. For a homeowner with \$50,000 in property, the annual cost is \$50. The savings in insurance costs are expected to be much more than that.

The city will get all tax money collected by the fire district to be used to provide the fire services.

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AmStand

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them to see if they are interested in the program, he said.

According to Allen, the benefits from the program kick in after all other unemployment benefits have been exhausted. The payments can be made for as many as 52 weeks and the program runs through February 2, 1998.

The certification covers workers who were involved in the production of plumbing fittings and who were laid off by the company on or after November 16, 1994. Laid-off employees who exhausted their unemployment insurance benefits before they were called back to work or found another job also may be eligible for retroactive benefits.

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Hall said what a lot of people — even employees — don't understand is that many of their jobs were transferred out of the country. "We've farmed those jobs out to other manufacturers in the United States and we buy the products from them," he said. "It lowers our overhead costs. We have continuous ongoing studies in place to look at those numbers."

He advised workers who had been laid off to take advantage of the benefits. Workers should report as soon as possible to the local Employment Services office because of the time limits. Applications may be filed at the Department for Employment Services office in Prestonsburg at 588 North Lake Drive. For more information call 886-2396 or 789-6692.

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Caudill says:

'If state officials can't take the heat, they don't need to be in the kitchen'

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A March 1 hearing is set in Floyd Circuit Court to determine why state Education Commissioner Bill Cody should not be held in contempt of court for a "collateral attack" on an order issued last June by special Judge John David Caudill.

A hearing was held Friday in Floyd Circuit Court on the request of Letcher School Board Attorney Kent Brown to hold Cody in contempt of court for violating Caudill's injunction issued last summer barring the state from usurping the Letcher board's authority.

Brown also asked that an order be issued to show cause why Cody should not be held in contempt.

At issue is a January 27 letter from Cody to the Letcher school board announcing he was taking over the operations of the district and forbidding the superintendent from attending school board meetings or providing board members with information about the district.

Brown argued that Cody's actions were in violation of Caudill's order last year which prohibited the state from assuming total control of the district. Brown added that board members had been "constructively" removed from office.

Cody's attorney, Steve Wolnitzek, countered that Cody had not threatened to remove or suspend board members and Cody's actions were appropriate under the law.

Wolnitzek's arguments did not sway Judge Caudill, who cut the attorney off in his arguments and

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of the car on a slippery roadway and the car ended up on its top in the small creek.

The Porters were trapped by the seat belts in the car and drowned.

Porter, and her husband, Richard, died in the accident. Their sons, Joshua and Christopher, and their niece were also in the car.

Hunter, on behalf of his grandsons, has filed a lawsuit against General Motors because of alleged defective seat belts in the 1991 Chevrolet Cavalier Porter was driving. They are asking for \$37.5 million in damages for loss of companionship of their parents and for reckless and wanton conduct on the part of General Motors for not notifying the Porters of a possible defective seat belt.

Hunter videotaped the roadway January 28 and February 6 to show where the accident occurred and took the tape to Frankfort to show the dangers that exist on the route.

"As I promised you at our meeting, your concerns will be transmitted to the appropriate office for full consideration. I have therefore summarized our meeting and transmitted a report to our secretary," the letter states.

Some of the points the video raises acknowledged by Raymer in the report to Fred N. Mudge, Secretary of Transportation include:

- The road is fairly narrow and winding along the side of the hill and in many locations is adjacent to Branham Creek. The proximity of this creek to the road has resulted in some areas of erosion and undermining of the road itself.

- Rails drilled along the roadway were in some instances left with some length exposed above the ground. While not permitted in most areas, this is an effort to stabilize the roadside.

- A guardrail is missing.
- Signs, particularly those advising of the breaks in pavement, were gone.

- At several locations the road was not separated from the creek or hillsides. This particular situation appears to be common throughout this part of Kentucky and many other locations.

- Fairly substantial cracks in the pavement, due to some loss of

foundation support.

- Cross drains are clogged with debris.

- Cavities have formed under the pavement because of the loss of foundation soils.

"As I noted during our meeting, I will keep the video for a brief period of time for others to review, and then it will be returned to you," the letter states. "I know your loss has been difficult, but you can find some solace in your grandchildren."

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ALLAN S. PERRY III—Publisher-Editor

Liberty of thought is the life of the soul—Voltaire

Take it from us...again

by Scott Perry

That giant sucking sound you're hearing comes from another round of rare Eastern Kentucky manufacturing jobs going down the drain.

Word from American Standard is that another 100 jobs will be lost at the Paintsville plant, bringing the dearly departed total to about 240.

Those laid off workers will be eligible for special assistance in retraining and relocation, though, because their jobs were lost as a result of NAFTA, the North American Free Trade Agreement, which paved the way for American companies to take advantage of low-cost labor in Mexico and elsewhere.

As you will note from a story in this issue, American Standard has confirmed that NAFTA is responsible for the cutbacks here.

And so it goes.

The Big Sandy's crown jewel in the realm of non-mining employment has lost its lustre.

Several years ago, when the Muddy Gut Massacre was fresh

upon our minds, we objected strongly to the characterization that our area was much like a Third World country.

Now it seems that observation was much too kind.

We're worse off than they are.

They're getting our jobs.

Perhaps the economics of a global community require companies to seek cheaper labor to remain competitive.

But how much longer can we stand to be the poster children for big business and their bottom lines?

Since the turn of the century, the coal companies have taken much and returned little and now the lure of low cost labor is taking what little we have left.

Is there no statute of limitations on how long one region can be beaten down to its knees?

Heck, even a possum gets lucky every once in awhile and makes it all the way across the road.

We should be so fortunate.

Instead, we've just grown accustomed to misfortune. We even expect it.

Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor policy

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times. In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author. Letters must be received no later than 10 a.m. Tuesday for publication in Wednesday's issue and 10 a.m. Thursday for Friday's issue. Letters may be sent to Editor, The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Letters may be edited for clarity and length.

Writer says 'errors' in election story; publisher responds

Editor:

The lead story "Petition asks for change in Fiscal Court Make-up" page 1, FCT 2-14-96 contains a number of misleading statements. The first occurs in line 1, paragraph 3, page 1, "Under state law, though the question is to be put on the November ballot . . ." This statement does not accurately reflect the intent nor the content of the relevant state law. KRS 67.050(1) states, ". . . the County Judge Executive, upon an application by written petition signed by one hundred (100) legal voters of the county, shall enter an order on his order book calling an election to submit to the legal voters of the county the following question; 'Are you for or against having a fiscal court composed of three (3) commissioners and the County Judge Executive.' The Order shall be entered at the next regular term after the petition is filed and shall direct the election to be held at the next regular election to be held in the county that does not occur within less than sixty (60) days from the filing of the petition." The petition, containing the names of four hundred and fifty (450) legal voters was filed with the County Court Clerk and the County Judge Executive on February 13, 1996, more than one hundred (100) days prior to the May election. Thus Kentucky state law seems to require that the issue be placed on the May primary ballot for the people to decide.

The article further states that "... under state law commissioners working full time on county business are eligible to receive the same salary as magistrates . . ." So could any other county employee, or elected official! The state law, KRS 67.050 and KRS 67.060 simply do not say anything about salaries or working time or working conditions. Do we have or have we ever had a full-time magistrate on which to base the question of equal salary? It appears that the present magistrate system permits an incumbent to work full time at a commercial job and spend a few hours each month on fiscal court business. Total costs for these service seem to be about fifty to sixty thousand dollars (\$50,000 - \$60,000) per magis-

trate per year, plus salaries, etc. for family members. Other Kentucky counties pay commissioners annual salaries in the ten to eighteen thousand dollar (\$10,000 - \$18,000) range.

The article also states that "... if voters choose to change their government it won't become effective until 1999." Again, this statement is not supported in KRS 67.050 or 67.060. A ruling by the Attorney (AOG 82-598) states that, "where a county votes to install a commissioner form of government, the reapportionment of the justices of the peace districts must still be completed. Incumbent justices of the peace (magistrates) will serve out their regular four-year term, even though elected commissioners will be on the court. AOG 78-282 basically states that commissioners can serve out their terms if the county returns to the magistrate form of government. The commissioners are eligible to take office in January following their election. Thus, if the voters of Floyd County approve the commissioner form of government in May, three commissioners can be elected in November, and assume office in January; alongside the incumbent magistrates, until the later terms expire.

The nature of the Floyd County Times article seems editorial; and prejudiced in favor of the existing fiscal court. This is inherently unfair as it was reported as fact and as news. It seems no less than an attempt to derail the effort to replace the magistrates with commissioners.

The people who make up the organization "United We're Strong" represent a grass-roots effort of Floyd County citizens to legally petition their government for a redress of perceived wrongs or to lawfully change the form of that government. It is a fundamental right, found in the Constitution of the United States and the State of Kentucky. I am immensely proud of them. It is for this reason that our people stood fast at Yorktown, Valley Forge, the Belleau Woods, the Meuse Argonne Campaign, Iwo Jima, Pork Chop Hill, the Tet offensive, and a thousand other nameless places. Indeed this is what we were taught in grade school that democracy was supposed to be —people from our creeks and hollows taking charge of their own affairs; their

own destiny. Again I am immensely proud of them.

Lloyd Goble
Prestonsburg

Editor's note: While it is not the normal policy of this newspaper to respond to letters in the same issue in which they are published, we find it necessary to address Mr. Goble's accusations that our coverage was "unfair," "prejudiced," and an "attempt to derail the effort to replace magistrates with commissioners."

The "misleading statements" to which the writer refers are neither misleading nor inaccurate.

The time of the election on the question is specified in KRS. 67.050: "...to be held at the next regular election to be held in the county that does not occur within less than 60 days from the filing of the petition..."

The next regular election to be held in Floyd County is November 11, 1996. The May election is a primary election.

The selection of commissioners, should voters approve the change, is detailed in KRS. 67.060:

"...the county judge/executive shall, before the next regular election for county officers, divide the county into three districts..." and "At the next regular election for county officers, and every four years thereafter, there shall be elected by the voters...three commissioners..."

The next regular election for county officers will be in 1998. They will assume office in 1999, as noted in our February 14 story.

Mr. Goble's suggestion that newly elected commissioners can "serve alongside incumbent magistrates, until the (latter) terms expire" is another misinterpretation of the law. The attorney general opinion he refers to as support actually applies to the change from commission form to magisterial form, where more districts are created than the three permitted by the commission form of government. In such cases, newly elected magistrates would serve alongside commissioners, but that is the reverse of the issue currently at hand.

Finally, we take personal affront to Mr. Goble's insinuation that his group has sole ownership of the "facts" and exclusive right to the "democracy" won by "our people" or that any contradiction of their beliefs is "unfair" and "prejudiced."

This newspaper prides itself on defending the liberties granted us by the United States Constitution, including Mr. Goble's right to free speech, no matter how inaccurate or hypocritical it may be. ASPIII

(more Letters on A5)

Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

Imagine our surprise last week when we unfolded the paper to find that Paintsville Mayor Robin Cooper was a suspected murderer.

And you think you know some people.

A thief or a con man maybe, but a murderer? No way.

Actually, Cooper was not associated with the murder, it just looked that way with his photo positioned above the story. His picture actually went with another story...we think.

Of course we're in no position to criticize the blooper since we have been guilty of the same thing.

A few years back we ran a photo of Appalred chief John Rosenberg atop a story which suggested he was a suspect in a child abuse case.

Fortunately John, and we imagine Robin, too, have senses of humor that allowed them to take the ribbings they got in stride.

People who can laugh at themselves

as others do are special.

That sense of humor will come in handy, especially for Cooper, when they strap him into the chair.

Besides, it's not healthy to take life too seriously.

If stress doesn't kill you it will certainly drive you crazy. Everybody needs a break now and again.

All these people who are getting so freaked out over the UK basketball uniforms are prime examples of how worked up we can get over nothing.

Critics of the new denim-look duds say they stray too far from the school's traditional colors and that tradition is all important.

Hmm.

Maybe things have changed lately, but back when we attended UK, denim was the most common color on campus...at

least among those students who actually wore clothes.

The federal government could spend more than a half billion bucks over the next several years to turn some Florida farmland into swamps.

No, we don't have it backward.

The project involves restoration of the Everglades National Park, which has been shrinking over the last half century as development blossomed and marshlands dried up, with a little help from developers who diverted the natural flow of water.

While this costly project may be the result of dire ecological concerns, we have to wonder if our environment wouldn't be better served if we directed those federal dollars toward areas like ours, where dozens of streams and water supplies continue to be polluted because we

lack adequate wastewater treatment.

Hey, we're all for providing safe and secure habitats for alligators, snakes and other forms of aquatic life.

Let's not overlook that fact, though, that some of us two-legged critters are endangered species, too.

A Los Angeles freeway driver has provided some timely proof that a well-armed public can, indeed, have an impact on reducing crime.

After his car was banged by a hit-and-run driver, the man chased the culprit down and shot him to death, in front of the victim's four-year-old son, no doubt scoring a double whammy against crime.

Not only did the shooter take one more criminal off the streets, but he also provided an unforgettable reminder to the child that crime does not pay.

A lesson taught, a lesson learned.

Letters

No shoot-out epidemic seen with concealed weapons

Editor:
There are many erroneous rumors circulating regarding the proposed concealed weapons law. Gun fights in the streets at high noon and shootouts reminiscent of the mobster days are all part of the fear tactics that are being used to whip up apprehension about allowing citizens to carry concealed weapons for protection.

Looking at statistics coming from other states that for many years have had concealed weapons laws, we can find no evidence that shoot-outs are occurring or the number of murders has risen. The other states have no plans to rescind their laws, either. Hysteria is a clever strategy for opponents of the legislation. But reasonable, intelligent people should be able to comprehend that carrying a concealed weapon after receiving officially-recognized training, which House Bill 40 requires, provides most people with the appropriate skills to handle a gun properly. And, assuming that we as a country have evolved into a highly adept, sophisticated society that should be capable of using good judgment in handling guns.

We also know criminals already have guns and if guns are outlawed, the criminals would still have the guns leaving us at their mercy, which is where we are at the present juncture. Throughout history man has intuitively protected those things that were his and should still be allowed that right today. Generally speaking, our law enforcement officials are dedicated to law and order. But they can't be all places all the time. That is where House Bill 40 will fill in the safety gaps. It allows us to protect ourselves during those times when a police officer is not immediately available.

The bill itself provides a weeding out process for those individuals who have demonstrated that they are not capable of safely handling a weapon. Those who have a history of mental disorders, those who are habitual domestic violators and those who are convicted felons cannot apply to be licensed for a concealed weapon. And, the ninety-day waiting period allows for even an FBI check.

The "right-to-carry" bill is good legislation designed to assist woman and the elderly who live alone. Statistics show these individuals fall into high-risk categories for victims of violence. Those who do not want that consolation do not have to apply for the license. It is the American way to allow people the freedom of choice.

Gregory D. Stumbo
Majority Floor Leader
House of Representatives

Students solicit help

Editor:
Our third grade class is learning about these United States of America. We know each state is special in its own way, just like us. It would add a lot to our studies if your readers could send us an item representing your state. We appreciate your generosity and look forward to hearing from you!

Mrs. Hutton's Third Grade Class
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Assistance requested

Editor:
I am trying to locate relatives of mine. Steve and Anna Bell Kimberlin. I don't know which one was Kimberlin. They had a daughter named Angie. She was born in 1975 in Martin. Both grandmothers were living at this time. Anyone

knowing or knowing about this family, please write me.

Also, I would like to hear from members of the James Henry Clark family. He married Genna Bell Kemberlin. They are older people.

June Kemberlin
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Thank God for our poor, honest people

Editor:
Well, I guess most of you have received your tax bill. If you all felt like me, I knew someone was going to get it that didn't deserve it, but they would steal it, but no one is to blame for the unlawful act. I wonder who is to blame for it? Maybe some of those fatter cats out of Frankfort will find out.

I believe if I was elected for political office or any other office and I had money that I was supposed to be responsible for, I would know where it went and if I didn't have that much sense they ought to kick my fat butt out.

Our fat cats know they are stealing the poor, honest people's money. They ought to be kicked out of office. Thank God for our poor honest people. These fat cats should realize they're the one's that have kept them living high on the hog. I thought about our old people when our judge said they couldn't go on private property to remove snow. Isn't that degrading? If he had only thought one time, they're the ones that put me in here and they're helping to pay my salary. You can get too big for your britches and some of our fat cats have.

I think this garbage deal is something else. There are poor people that can't afford it. How can they put a man in jail for a \$200 garbage bill when our county officials have stolen thousands and thousands of dollars while they are still running free? If I stole a bar of candy I would be locked up, but that is the difference between a fat cat and a poor cat. Seems like these fat cats can get by regardless of what they do.

That 911 is a joke. Looks like people would quit paying that. I quit a long time ago and I never will pay it. I knew when that gang in Prestonsburg got their hands on that money we would never get it. Where has it all gone? If we had 911 when all that snow was in our driveways it wouldn't have done any good since our fat cats said they couldn't clean the driveways.

I believe people in every precinct ought to take their tax money and buy a grader for their own use and send the rest of the money to our state police. They are the ones that will help us when no one else will. What would the poor people do without them? When our county sheriff is broke and can't hire deputies, we can call on the state police. I am glad they are honest. They haven't stolen anything yet, as far as I know.

We know how crooked they are. Look at our school board. They can't even find a superintendent in Kentucky to run the schools. We know that is a disgrace to our county. I hope this new guy gets rid of these old fat cats and give these young poor cats a chance. We don't need three maintenance men in one school on a big salary. I think one person could put in a light bulb, clean a floor, fix a hinge on a door.

I don't think we ought to pay taxes on a car every year. I think that is terrible. In Columbus, Ohio, you only buy your tags every year and that is an industrial state and this is a poverty state. I think our governor and our representatives

could do a lot for us if they would. Seems like all he is interested in is a poor old black lung person and someone that has had a car wreck. He wants to represent them so he can collect what they get. That's all we hear from him.

We Floyd Countians ought to stand together and be careful who we vote for. Looks like we could see what mistakes we have made.

It would be nice if we had some leaders in Floyd County that we could look up to and say I appreciate you. But instead, most of them won't even speak to you. I don't want some of them to speak to me. I'm ashamed of them. We were all taught to be honest and I'm glad we were.

Nora Martin
Hunter

Parents deserve equal rights

Editor:
The Kentucky PTA passed a resolution at its 1995 Convention to support additional parents on local school councils. State Representative Kenny Rapier has filed House Bill 23. Our support was generated by the experience of many parent members who indicated by testimony that they felt they were "token" council members. The current ratio is one principal, three teachers and two parents. Professional staff has a majority by two. It is a common belief that decisions are already made by staff prior to council meetings and that the meetings are strictly a formality.

A survey conducted by the University of Kentucky shows that seven out of ten Kentuckians support giving parents equality with school employees in the composition of site based decision making councils (SBDM).

Karen Jones,
legislative chairman
Sharon Solomon, president
Frankfort

Higher education: Now is time to act

Editor:
This may be the year that higher education really gets on the track in Kentucky.

Our new governor, Paul Patton, has already made higher education one of his key priorities.

The Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education, an organization made up of some of the state's top business leaders, is pushing for a seven percent increase in funding.

Legislators I talk to feel that the time indeed has come to support our higher education system in a better way.

Why are so many people getting on the higher education bandwagon? I think there are several reasons:

—According to a national study, "State Profiles: Financing Public Higher Education 1978 to 1994," Kentucky ranked at the bottom of the 50 states in the increase in higher education appropriation per full-time equivalent student. Kentucky actually decreased by 35.9 percent.

—Enrollments have increased 40 percent at the public universities and they have doubled at the community colleges, but higher education's share of state appropriations slipped from 17 percent to 14 percent.

—According to the Southern Regional Education Board, the University of Kentucky and its community colleges rank at or near the bottom in funding per student among universities and community colleges in the Southeast.

—Low tuition, the purest form of financial aid to students, has

gone up steadily each year because our universities have needed the increases to provide a quality education. Increased state appropriations would stem the tide of hurtful tuition increases.

The engine of economic development—jobs—will run in the future on the minds of a highly-trained workforce, something we will not have if we stint on our support of higher education.

If you feel as we do—that high-

er education is important and that you have a stake in its success—tell everyone you know, especially our governmental leaders as they continue to deliberate in Frankfort, that higher education needs support.

Our state's future may hang on a well-funded system of higher education, and the time to act is now.

Charles T. Wethington Jr.
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New commissioner, pioneer competition tops tourism meet

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

A new Prestonsburg Tourism commissioner took his seat on the board at a meeting of the commission last Wednesday.

Stan Mullins, with the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn, replaced former commissioner and Holiday Inn representative Gene Luka, who moved to Ireland.

During the business session, commissioner Jim Sparks, who chaired the meeting in the absence of chairman Mark Miller, presented an idea regarding a possible event for the Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival.

Sparks suggested the festival conduct an all-day, two-man team, pioneer competition.

Competition will be rugged, Sparks said, and participants should be age 18 and older. The event will begin with primitive bow shooting, and ax and knife throwing. Contests in cross-cut sawing and muzzle-loader shooting will also be included in the morning contest.

The afternoon events will be the most grueling part of the competition, Sparks suggested. Participants will first take to the water in canoes and paddle downstream. At a marked point, they will make a "u-turn" and navigate through a zigzag course while heading upstream.

At another marked point, they will head for the shore where they trek up the riverbank "just like Daniel Boone did," Sparks said.

The contestants will then go through an obstacle course where they must crawl through tires, climb a rope wall, run across a log suspended above water, participate in an uphill climb through a tunnel, and swing on a grapevine.

After that, participants will have the option to climb a pole for extra points. Then, they head back down

the river bank, get back in their canoe and paddle back to the starting point.

The competition will be based on a point system, and the team with the most combined points wins. Names of these Jenny Wiley pioneers will be permanently recorded on a plaque displayed at the River Park in Prestonsburg.

The idea will be presented to the Jenny Wiley Pioneer Committee for its approval, tourism director Fred James said.

In other business at the meeting, tourism commissioners agreed to purchase computer equipment that will aid in designing and producing tourism brochures. Although the new computer system will not eliminate mass printing, it will save about \$500 per year on design costs, James estimated.

James presented two estimates of a packaged computer system to the members. One estimate was from LexTronics, Inc. in Lexington and the other was from Prestonsburg Computer Works. The estimates differed slightly on products in the package deal and several members questioned the comparison.

After commissioner Sparks explained the purpose and the speed of the various system components, Commissioner Blake Burchett recommended that members vote to purchase the equipment from the Prestonsburg business.

"I like to deal in Prestonsburg. For service, I think we ought to stick with Prestonsburg," Burchett said.

Members unanimously approved a motion to purchase the computer equipment from Prestonsburg Computer Works.

Commissioners present in addition to Mullins, Sparks and Burchett were Tommy Lafferty and Roy Ramey.



Reaching out

On behalf of Jenny Wiley Theatre, Leatha Kendrick accepted the 1995 Governor's Award in the Arts for Community Outreach from then-Governor Brereton Jones.

Jenny Wiley Theatre receives Governor's award

Jenny Wiley Theatre has been honored with the 1995 Governor's Award in the Arts for Community Outreach. Governor Brereton Jones presented the award to Leatha Kendrick, representing the Theatre, on December 8, 1995, at a ceremony during the Kentucky Arts Council annual convention. The award recognizes Jenny Wiley Theatre's commitment to the Big Sandy regional community as demonstrated by its outreach to schools and community organizations.

Most people know Jenny Wiley Theatre's season of summer plays, which is the theater's primary presence in the Big Sandy and across the state. However, an Outreach Program was first envisioned by JWT's Board of Trustees and then—general manager, Tedi Vaughan, at a 1991 planning retreat. Vaughan oversaw the initial implementation of the various facets of outreach, including the Apprentice Program, Summer Arts workshops, and Children's Theatre day-camps.

In 1992, Jenny Wiley Theatre brought expanded opportunities for arts education directly to students in the Eastern Kentucky region, and in June, 1993, the theater committed to funding year-round outreach to schools. An Education Outreach committee was formed, comprised of citizen/educators from five counties around the region, committed to the arts in education. This group makes recommendations to the Theatre Board of Trustees in the areas of outreach and community involvement.

Contributions from local and regional corporations allow the theatre to provide matching money for touring groups like Kentucky's Shakespeare Alive!, the Louisville Ballet, and Poetry Alive!—groups selected because they offer interactive workshops and teaching materials to integrate their performances into the ongoing curriculum. Last year Jenny Wiley Theatre funded performances in 25 schools in four counties, reaching 3750 students.

Though the theater has given scholarships for several years, in 1994 the award was named the Henry A. Campbell Memorial Scholarship and designated for a student from the Big Sandy who intends to pursue post-secondary studies in the arts. Tiffany Hall, of Virgie, was awarded \$500 in May, 1995, to continue her studies in dance at Virginia Intermont College. The scholarship is awarded annually with applications due April 1.

In 1995, the theatre planned and presented a professional development workshop for teachers. In September, nearly 100 high school and elementary teachers from across Eastern Kentucky attended "Experiencing the Arts in the Classroom," a day of state-accredited professional development, featuring Kentucky authors,

George Ella Lyon and Gurney Norman, as well as Poetry Alive! and John McLaughlin. Plans are underway for the 1996 seminar to be held October 18 and 19.

Outreach activities continue throughout the summer also, with the Apprentice Program for eight student performers aged 18-22, the Youth Company of local child actors aged 9-16, who addition to perform in the season's plays, and three-week daycamps in Children's Theatre. This year's Apprentice troupe performed an adaptation of the Jenny Wiley Story, starring local apprentice actress, Emily Damron, twice weekly in free performances at the park's campground. The play, based on the legend of Jenny Wiley (a local historical figure) was narrated by Ron Vanover, a park recreation director and local historian. These popular performances illustrate the strong partnership between Jenny Wiley State Resort Park and the Jenny Wiley Theatre. The apprentice ensemble even toured the performance in Jenny Wiley Theatre's new "Theatre on Wheels," a van provided to the theater under a grant from Ronald McDonald Children's Charities. Beginning in the fall of 1996, a chamber ensemble will tour The Glass Menagerie in the region's high schools. Bookings will be handled through the Director of Development and Outreach at the Theatre.

Current members of the Education Outreach committee include Patricia Watson, Patricia Barnette, and Emma Kriz—Floyd County; Jenny Robinson, M. Michael Conley, Renae Blanton, and John Williamson—Johnson County; Mickey McCoy—Martin County; Mike Mullins—Knott County; and Peggy Davis, Jean Williamson, Bob Boduch, and Glenda Hughes—Pike County. Leatha Kendrick, Floyd County, director of development and outreach for the theater, serves as the committee chair.

The Community Award which Jenny Wiley Theatre received is one of the eight categories of Governor's Awards. Other honorees included Sherry Jelsma (outgoing Secretary of the Education, Arts and Humanities Cabinet) with the Milner Award; playwright Marsha Norman (National Award); Warren Hammack, Artistic Director/Producer of Horse Cave Theatre, Artist Award; Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Business Award; Bige Towery (former Rockcastle County Superintendent of Schools), Education Award; Sue Larison, Government Award; and the Lexington Herald-Leader, Media Award.

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The Piarist School
Autumn Gail Dobson is a 16-year-old sophomore at The Piarist School. She has been on her school's Academic Team for four years and has been a member of both the Y-Club and Drama Club for the past two years. She has also participated in both KYA and KUNA. Last year she earned a gold medal and was awarded the Summa Cum Laude distinction on the National Latin Exam. This year she is a recipient of the National English Merit Award. In 8th grade, she placed second in social studies and first in math at the Governor's Cup District Academic Competition. She is a first honors student at The Piarist School, and her hobbies include reading, dancing, drawing, painting, and "hanging out with friends." She is the daughter of Curtis and Rhonda Branham of Prestonsburg.

CKBC announces annual Children's Art contest

Central Kentucky Blood Center (CKBC) is announcing its third annual Children's Art Contest and a High School Scholarship and Essay Contest based on the theme, "Be a hero. Be a blood donor." The contests are designed to provide blood donor education information to the area's future blood donors and recognize them for their achievement.

The criteria for both contests is as follows:

- Children's Art Contest: Open to all 4th, 5th and 6th graders in Central Kentucky Blood Center's service area. The winning design will appear on a Central Kentucky Blood Center summer campaign t-shirt given in appreciation to all donors who give blood in July and August.
- High School Scholarship and

Essay Contest: Open to all high school juniors and seniors in Central Kentucky Blood Center's service area. Three scholarships will be awarded for \$500, \$300 and \$100.

The entry deadline for both contests is March 31. For a detailed description of rules and prizes, contact Marsha Berry, community relations consultant, Central Kentucky Blood Center, 330 Waller Avenue, Lexington, KY, 40504, or call (606) 276-2534.

CKBC is a non-profit community blood center serving 70 hospitals located in 54 central and Eastern Kentucky counties. CKBC operates six fixed donor sites in Lexington, Hazard, Somerset, Prestonsburg, Pikeville Methodist Hospital and UK Medical Center.



March wedding planned

Billie and Jerry Wright of Nicholasville, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Gwendolyn Wright and Timothy J. Hatfield, son of Leo and Sue Roberts of Harold. Miss Wright is a graduate of Virgie High School and Eastern Kentucky University. She is employed by Mountain Comprehensive Care Center. Hatfield is a graduate of Mullins High School and Morehead State University. He is employed by Kentucky West Virginia Gas. Hatfield is the grandson of Morrow and Loma Hatfield of Prestonsburg and Della Wagner of Pikeville. The wedding will be held March 2 at 2:30 p.m. at the Caney Freewill Baptist Church in Virgie.

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Seniors should aggressively seek financial aid

The number of students seeking financial aid to attend college has risen sharply in recent years, along with the cost of an education. Adding to the dilemma of the college-bound student, Congress is threatening once again to put financial aid to education on the chopping block.

"Students and their parents need to be innovative, aggressive and positive in seeking out all possible sources of financial aid," said Joe Fink, director of admissions for the University of Kentucky.

They should also pursue as many scholarship opportunities as they can, Fink noted. The savvy student can sometimes pull together a very attractive package of financial aid and scholarships. Scholarships are based largely on achievement while financial aid is based on need.

Here are a few guidelines to keep in mind for a brighter financial picture this fall:

- Fill out the free application form for federal student aid at the same time you apply for admission to college. Be sure to meet the pri-

ority deadline for financial aid at the school or schools you are interested in attending.

"At UK, we changed our priority filing deadline from April 1 to February 15 to enable us to provide earlier notification of awards to incoming students," said Lynda George, UK's financial aid director. "Money is awarded on a first come, first served basis, and most schools exhaust available funds by late spring."

- Filling out the application can be formidable, but many high schools offer special help at workshops during January and February.

- In searching for scholarships, check specific colleges for academic or departmental awards. Your high school guidance counselor can also be a resource for this information. Additionally, local civic orga-

nizations and your parents' employers may have scholarships for deserving students.

"Don't look down your nose at a \$200 scholarship for writing the best poem in your school," said Fink. "You can accumulate a very attractive total package from small awards. Many students at UK have aid from a variety of sources."

- Be leery of organizations that offer to help you find sources of aid and scholarships for a fee. You may be paying unnecessarily for a little legwork you could do yourself.

"Many of these organizations just tell a student where to write. They don't actually get the money for you," said George.

College financial aid offices provide the necessary forms at no cost, she noted, and your local librarian can point you to reference books

that list hundreds of college scholarships.

- Keep in mind that most students must assume some responsibility for paying for their education. Grants and work-study opportunities usually go to those families with fairly low incomes.

"These days, a college education is a major investment," said George. "It has to be financed the same way a car or a home does. It's unrealistic for the average family to think they can meet the costs of education without some student loans."

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- Thunder Ridge, 83: Critical violation. Bacon on counter at room temperature. Owner has ten days to correct critical violation.

Not all coolers have thermometers. Plastic jug with coffee creamers stored in ice machine. No hair restraints.

Foil used for tray liner at bar. Wiping cloths not properly stored. Spoons not properly stored. Paper cups in boxes stored on the floor. Outside garbage containers need to be covered. Floor is in bad repair. Ceiling is in bad repair.

- Sav-A-Lot, Martin, 92: Wood cutting board. Wiping cloth should be in chlorine solution. No covered garbage can in women's restroom.

Floors and ceilings need repair. Soiled linen on equipment.

- Chars Place, Eastern, 96: No hair restraints, no self-closing doors in restrooms. Floor in bad repair.

John and Sandy Savage to preach in Floyd county

On Sunday, March 3, at 9:30 a.m. at May Memorial United Methodist Church in Langley, and at 11 a.m. at the Wayland United Methodist Church, Rev. John and Sandy Savage will present a program on their new ministry to Kentucky young people through Aldersgate Camp near Ravenna, Kentucky.

John and Sandy Savage were appointed to this new ministry in June of 1995. After a successful ministry at Hindman United Methodist Church, the Savage family achieved an outreach program through cablevision and newspaper writing. The ministerial career of the Savage family has included pastoring churches in Hindman, Stanford, Burnside, Ravenna, and Sarcouxie, Missouri.

The couple's retirement in June evidently reminded the youth leaders of the Kentucky Conference how much they would be missed as leaders in the district and conference youth fellowships. Their leisurely retirement was short-lived when they were appointed to Aldersgate Camp where they provide a sense of family for the campers with Mrs. Savage overseeing the kitchen and Mr. Savage maintaining the grounds.

The 1996-program at Aldersgate Camp will include ministers' spiritual retreats, eight mini camps, four elementary school-age camps, three middle school camps, four junior high camps, five senior high camps, including such interests as handbells, bicycling, canoeing, backpacking, hiking, and spiritual commitment.

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Obituaries

Feely Prater

Feely Prater, 70, of Clermont, Florida, formerly of Hueysville, died Thursday, February 15, 1996 at South Lake Memorial Hospital in Clermont.

Born April 2, 1925 in Hippos, he was the son of the late John and Liz Prater. He was a World War II Navy veteran and a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Erma M. Prater; three sons, Terrell V. Prater of Wapakoneta, Ohio, Benjamin F. Prater of Georgetown and Dale R. Prater of Clermont, Florida; one daughter, Kathy L. Back of Middletown, Ohio; one brother, Jack D. Prater of Hippos; two sisters, Aery Bailey of Martin and Susie Ferguson of Flat Gap; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 19, at 1 p.m. at the Woodside Cemetery Chapel. Burial was made in the Woodside Cemetery in Middletown, Ohio with military service by American Legion Post 218 Color Guard.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Joseph R. Baker Funeral Home.

Helen Grace Salisbury Webb

Helen Grace Salisbury Webb, 71, of Langley died Saturday, February 17, 1996 at her residence following a sudden illness.

She was born July 29, 1924 in Langley, the daughter of the late Dial Salisbury and Rebecca Hagans Salisbury. She was a member of the Bethel Old Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Claud E. Webb; four sons, Robert Kent Webb of Stockdale, Ohio, Thomas Jackson Webb of Allen; Paul Marcus Webb of South Charleston, Ohio, Claude Jennings Webb of Langley; two daughters, Mary Susan Goins of Langley and Jeanie Katherine Tussey of Springfield, Ohio; four brothers, Thomas Palmer Salisbury, Herman Lamar Salisbury, Amos Dial Salisbury, Frederick Grant Salisbury, all of Stockdale, Ohio; two sisters, Shirley Stewart of Lehigh Acres, Florida and Judy Colvin of Springfield, Ohio; 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 20, at 1 p.m. at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel in Martin with the Regular Baptist Ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Claud E. Webb Cemetery at Langley with Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Jeremy Webb, Marc Webb, John Skeens, Claude Webb II, Gary Webb, Brian Webb, Robert Webb, Roscoe Webb, Jason Webb, Delbert Goins, and Delbert Goins II.

Caroline Stephens

Caroline Stephens, 71, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, February 16, 1996 at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington following an extended illness.

Born November 18, 1924 at Blue River, she was the daughter of the late Henry and Pearl (Carson) Johnson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Darb Stephens.

Survivors include four sons, Charles Edward Stephens of San Bernardino, California, Kenneth Ray Stephens of Lexington, John Graham Stephens of Prestonsburg and Henry Thomas Stephens of Jacksonville, Florida; four brothers, Homer Johnson, Fred Johnson, Henry Johnson and George Johnson, all of Prestonsburg; four sisters, Goldie Justice, Vivian Tussey, Mable McIntosh, all of Prestonsburg and Evelyn Bender of Warsaw, Indiana; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 19, at 11 a.m. at the Floyd Funeral Home with Rev. Arnold Turner officiating.

Burial was in the Johnson Cemetery on Caney Creek. Arrangements were under the direction of the Floyd Funeral Home of Prestonsburg.

Serving as pallbearers were Ruben Stephens, Danny Allen, Ron Tipton, Gary Johnson, Gregory Tussey, George Tussey, Dwayne Caudill and Jared Stephens.

Robert L. "Bob" May pallbearers listed

Serving as pallbearers for Robert L. May were Eddie Williams, Neil May, Delmar Baldrige, Oscar Rice, and Dr. Mark Tussey.

Julia Stephens Helton

Julia Stephens Helton, 86, of Lexington, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, February 15, 1996, at the home of her daughter in Vista, California, following a sudden illness.

Born November 25, 1909 at Risner, she was the daughter of the late Henry C. and Alice Risner Stephens. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph L. "Joe" Helton, on March 10, 1985.

Survivors include three daughters, Lilly Mae Mosley of Baltimore, Maryland, Hazel Buttiker of Cleveland, Ohio, and Anna Grace Knapic of Vista, California; two sons, Franklin D. Helton of Jackson, Michigan, and Michael J. Helton of Lexington; one brother, Harrison Stephens of Hippos; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, February 19, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Mark Tackett officiating.

Burial was in Richmond Memorial Cemetery in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were John K. Pitts, David Pitts, Maurice Allen, Dennis Ousley, Derek Hicks, Charles E. Hackworth, Dr. Grady Stephens, Vernon Helton, Hobart Helton and Gene Helton.



Juanita Horn

Juanita Horn, 65, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, February 13, 1996 at Pikeville Methodist Hospital following an extended illness.

Born April 2, 1930, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Tom and Annie Harmon Horn.

Survivors include three brothers, Merle Horn and Earl Horn both of Prestonsburg, Sam Horn of Trenton, New Jersey; and one sister, Hope Elizabeth Goble Hall of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services were held Thursday, February 15, at 11 a.m. at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin with Roger Hill officiating.

Burial was made in the West Prestonsburg Cemetery under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Thomas Patrick

Thomas Patrick, 90, of Langley, husband of Marie Stephens Patrick, died Monday, February 19, 1996 at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, McDowell, following a long illness.

He was born January 28, 1906, in Magoffin County, the son of the late Thomas H. Patrick, Sr., and Alice Cunningham Patrick. He was a retired engineer, formerly employed by the Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company, a teacher at Wayland High School, Garrett High School, Martin High School and Maytown High School where he taught manual arts, a deputy U.S. Marshall, a member of the Maytown United Methodist Church, for 60 years, and a member of Prestonsburg's Zebulon Masonic Lodge, No. 273.

Survivors include one daughter, Sandra Sue Patrick Dillman, and husband, D. Gene Dillman of Middlesboro; one step-son, Francis Scott Stephens of Louisville; one brother, A. B. Patrick of Manchester, Ohio; one sister, Ruth Patrick Arnett of Salyersville; two grandchildren, D. Gene Dillman, II, M.D., Georgetown; John Patrick Dillman and wife Andrea of Houston, Texas; and three step-grandchildren, Elizabeth Marie Stephens, David Edward Stephens and Kelly Francis Stephens.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his first wife, Shirley Allen Patrick; second wife, Elsie Boughton Patrick and one step-daughter, Elsie Elizabeth Boughton Wilcox.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, February 22, at 1:00 p.m., at the Maytown United Methodist Church at Langley, with the clergymen Bob Green and Troy Poff officiating. Burial will be made in the May Memorial Cemetery at Langley, with the Hall Funeral Home of Martin, caring for those arrangements. Pd. obit.

Lucy Mae Davidson

Lucy Mae Davidson, 85, of Mentor, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, died Thursday, February 15, at the Lake West Hospital in Willoughby, Ohio.

Born July 24, 1910, she was the daughter of the late Tom Campbell and Sue Duff Campbell. She was a member of the Drift Pentecostal Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Davidson.

Survivors include four sons, James Davidson of Mentor, Ohio, Grover Dean Davidson of Painesville, Ohio, Howard Davidson of Lillington, North Carolina and Ronald Davidson of Daytona, Florida; three daughters, Fonetta Bentley of Geneva, Ohio, Georgia Howell of New London, Ohio and Virginia Artrip of Martin; 21 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 19, at 11 a.m. at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel in Martin with the clergyman Ted Shannon officiating. Burial was made in the Drift Cemetery with the Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Robert Davidson, Dan Davidson, Robert Dean Davidson II, Roger Howell, Robert "Bump" Howell, Tommy Howell, Shawn Wright and Ricky Bentley.

Elsie Prater

Holbrook Poe

Elsie Prater Holbrook Poe, 86, of East Mountain Parkway, Salyersville, died Friday, February 16, 1996, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, following an extended illness.

Born October 21, 1909 at Brainard, she was the daughter of the late Ruben D. and Izana Adams Prater.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Ison "Doc" Holbrook and her second husband, Byrd Poe.

She attended the Big Lick Pentecostal Church at Ivyton.

Survivors include one son, Harold Holbrook of North Judson, Indiana; 11 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, February 18, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Adam Dwayne Marshall and Rev. Eugene Haney officiating.

Burial was in the R. D. Prater Family Cemetery at Brainard, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Grover Arnett, Jackie Prater, George Robinett, Ross Allen, Clarence Allen, Kenneth Poe, Henry Poe and Robert Poe.



Gregory Brian Nelson

Gregory Brian Nelson, 22, of Warsaw, Indiana, died Thursday, February 8, 1996 from injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

Born June 23, 1973 in Prestonsburg, he was the son of Randy and Chaddie Vance Nelson.

He was a graduate of Tippecanoe Valley High School and attended Northwestern Business College in Lima, Ohio.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by one brother, Zachary Scott Nelson of Warsaw, Indiana; grandfather and stepgrandmother, Rebel and Ina Jean Nelson of Wheelwright; grandmother and stepgrandfather, Madelyn and Ron Hobbs of Warsaw; and a great-grandmother, Pearlise Nelson of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 12, at 11 a.m. in the McHatten-Sadler Funeral Chapel in Warsaw, Indiana, with Rev. Chad Burkhardt officiating.

Burial was made in the Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, Indiana.

Loren Hackworth

Loren Hackworth, 65, of Homer, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, died Thursday, February 15, 1996 at his residence.

Born February 24, 1930, he was the son of the late Ernie and Drucie (Spradlin) Hackworth. He worked at Calhoun Foundry as a supervisor for 45 years. He was a member of the Albion Elk's Lodge and the Apostolic Christian Fellowship Church in Marshall, Michigan.

Survivors include his wife, Vinetta Hackworth; two sons, Kenneth Hackworth of Columbus, Ohio and Dale Hackworth of Homer, Michigan; one daughter, Lorna McMillen of Homer, Michigan; two brothers, Clois Hackworth and Bruce Hackworth, both of Homer, Michigan; three sisters, Chelcie Justice and Janabee Yates, both of Albion, Michigan and Bonnie Hill of Booneville, Mississippi; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 19, at 11 a.m. at the Homer Chapel in Tidd-Williams Funeral Chapels Inc. with Rev. Ron Hackworth officiating. Burial was made in the Fairview Cemetery in Homer, Michigan.

Margaret Poole

Margaret Poole, 84, formerly of Greenwich, Ohio, died Sunday, February 18, 1996 at Main Street Terrace Nursing Home in Lancaster, Ohio.

Born April 21, 1911 in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Scorch and Nancy Ann (Sloan) Shepherd. She cleaned for several residences and business in Greenwich, Ohio, was a life member of the Shelby V.F.W. Auxiliary and a member of the Olivedale Senior Citizens.

Survivors include two daughters, Geraldine Graf of Lancaster, Ohio and Mary Gibson of Shelby, Ohio; three sons, Gene Collins of Juneau, Alaska, Charles Poole of Columbus, Ohio and Paul Deal Poole of Canal Fulton, Ohio; one stepson, Morris Poole; three sisters, Liza Wallen of Rochester, Ohio, Sally Williams of Shelby, Ohio and Ada Case of Wellington, Ohio; 27 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 21, at 1 p.m., at the Eastman Funeral Home with Rev. Randy Holdman officiating. Burial will be in the Greenlawn Cemetery in Greenwich, Ohio.

Pallbearers listed

Serving as active pallbearers for the funeral of Manis Webb were Ronnie Nelson, Martin Webb, Jason Webb, Donald R. Webb, William Hale, and Charles Hale.

Honorary pallbearers were Cecil Baldrige, Jobie Puckett, John Henry Smith and Willard Smith.

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Lloyd O. Stanley

Lloyd O. Stanley, 63, of Burbank, Ohio died Saturday, February 17, 1996 at Tampa General Hospital in Tampa, Florida.

Born March 22, 1932, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late James and Beulah Wells James. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a retired block operator at the Bliss and Laughlin Steel Company in Medina, Ohio.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy Lois Hackworth Stanley; three sons, Larry Stanley of Detroit, Michigan, Greg Stanley of Zolfo Springs, Florida and Danny Stanley of Burbank, Ohio; two brothers, Scott Stanley of Burbank, Ohio and Elmer Stanley of Ashland; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 21, at 1:30 p.m. at the Murray Funeral Home in Creston, Ohio with Revs. John Castle and Jerry Hackworth officiating.

Burial will be made in the Burbank Cemetery, Burbank, Ohio.

Percy J. Hall

Percy J. Hall, 80, of Pikeville, died Friday, February 16, 1996 at Pikeville Methodist Hospital following an extended illness.

Born May 1, 1915 in Letcher County, she was the daughter of the late Caleb and Hassie Goins Johnson.

She was a former business woman in Vicco.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hasadore Hall Sr.

Survivors include one son, Hasadore Hall Jr. of Harold; one half brother, Jimmy Taylor of St. Paul, Virginia; one half sister, Vivian Taylor of El Cajon, California; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held Sunday, February 18, at 1 p.m. at the Call Funeral Home with Hasadore Hall Jr. officiating. Burial was made in the Rest Haven Cemetery in Jeff.

Serving as pallbearers were Jimmy Taylor, Hasadore Hall, Jr., Hasadore Scott Hall, Estil Stewart, Hubert Hall, Kristin Elizabeth Foor, Lou Ellen Hall.

Card of Thanks

The family of Manis Webb wishes to thank each one who in any way ministered to us during the trying hours of our great loss. It was a great comfort to be surrounded by so many caring friends and family who mourned with us; those who visited; sent flowers; provided food; and, we especially thank you for your prayers.

We also want the young men and women at Respond Ambulance Service to know we appreciate their efficiency and kindness during the many months of transporting Dad to the doctor and emergency room. We also thank the Rescue Squad for their assistance during the recent snow. To the ARH Home Health Nurses, your help and kindness will never be forgotten; to Drs. Caruso and Furcolow and the CCU staff for their medical attention and comforting words. And a special thanks to the ministers and to James Carter, Carter Funeral Home.

God bless you all.

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Next Estimated Jackpot \$10 million

Legislative bill will aid local sheriff's department

by Matt McCarty
Contributing Writer

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department has 100,000 reasons to hope House Bill 396 passes the General Assembly.

The bill, which allows sheriff's departments to receive 4 percent of the total taxes they collect for the school district, would add approximately \$100,000 to the Floyd County Sheriff's budget, Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson said.

Under current law, the school board can give the sheriff's department anywhere between 1.5 and 4 percent. Thompson said up until last year his department had received 4 percent, but the figure was cut in half by the school board.

"I had borrowed \$95,000 to supplement my income, based on receiving 4 percent," Thompson said. "Now around April or May, we'll pretty much be shut down."

House Majority Leader Greg

Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg and co-sponsor of the bill, said it was time the sheriffs got a raise.

"The sheriffs haven't had a raise in many a year," Stumbo said. "They've added responsibilities and haven't raised the money."

Besides being tax collectors, Stumbo said sheriff's departments do a "variety of things other law enforcements don't do," including the DARE program, providing security at high school sporting events and answering domestic violence complaints throughout the county.

"The sheriff's department does a wide variety of things we maybe don't see," Stumbo said.

The Democratic leader said one of the reasons he co-sponsored the bill is "Sheriff Thompson is a friend of mine and I see what he does. He can't continue to provide all these services without some increase in finances."

The money sheriff's departments

receive from tax collection for school districts is their "primary" source of income, Stumbo said.

The Floyd County School System is expecting a \$1 million deficit this fiscal year.

Superintendent John Balentine said he wasn't sure of the impact the bill would have on the school system, but said "I'd want to be fair with the sheriff's department."

"I know (Thompson) has services that he has to do," Balentine said.

Paying an extra \$100,000 a year, however, doesn't fall in line with Balentine's goals.

"I am trying to get as much money as possible for our school system," he said.

Stumbo said since the bill had no impact on the state's budget, it will probably bypass the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee and go directly to the House floor. He said the bill could pass the House as early as this week.

Floyd County dipping bottom of barrel for drinkable water supply

by Patti M. Clark
Staff Writer

When it comes to drinkable water, Floyd County residents are scraping the bottom of the barrel.

That's according to a survey that was recently completed by the Rural Economic and Community Development offices. "The survey was an attempt to determine Kentucky's entire situation," said Jim Letcher, with the state RECD office. "And that situation is not good as far as potable water is concerned."

The RECD looked at census tracts around the state to determine in which ones residents are in the worst shape.

The Risner-Bull Creek census tract in Floyd County made the list of the 50 worst areas for water in the state.

"We were told to come up with the 50 worst census tracts in the state," Letcher said. "That's hard to do in Kentucky because so many census tracts are in areas where residents don't have indoor plumbing."

He said that in Breathitt County, 16 percent of the households don't have "adequate indoor plumbing."

The Nippa area in Johnson County made the list. So did the Blaine division in Lawrence County and the Mousie tract in Knott County. No areas in Martin or Pike counties were listed.

"There's been a lot of money that's gone into those areas to run water lines," Letcher said of Pike and Martin counties.

The survey is part of the Clinton administration's Water 2000 initiative which, according to RECD State Director Thomas G. Fern, "aims to deliver safe drinking water to the estimated one million rural Americans currently living without water piped directly into their homes."

Letcher said improvements in the water systems in the designated tracts would probably get priority when it came to funding. "These are the priorities for the limited amount of funding we will be getting," he said.

Limited, according to Fern, because of a 30 percent cut below 1995 funding levels for those projects that improve drinking water and construct sanitary sewers. "This survey will determine who gets the funds that are available," Letcher said.

The survey shows that while rural towns have come a long way in solving their drinking water problems over the past quarter century, they still have a long way to go.

Those 50 census tracts alone, according to survey results, require a combined investment of \$211.6 million to serve approximately 65,000 people who now have a critical need to improve drinking water quality or dependability.

Additionally, about \$788.5 million would be required to meet the worsening, but not yet critical, drinking water supply situation of about 156,000 Kentuckians in 526 communities.

Water and sewer projects received \$28.6 million in loans and \$17.4 million in grants in 1995 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. About 60 percent of those funds were invested in safe drinking water projects. Based on the funding cuts, Kentucky will lose about \$5.2 million in loans and \$3.1 million in grants for water projects in 1996.

"These cuts will hurt Kentucky towns that need to invest in very basic community drinking water improvements for their residents," Wally Beyer, Washington-based administrator for the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), said. "At the level of funding the Congress has provided for 1996, it will take at least 11 years to solve Kentucky's most critical rural drinking water problems, and at least 41 additional years to make all of the improvements identified in the just-completed survey."

According to 1990 Census data and reports from state and local agencies involved in building oper-

ating and monitoring drinking water systems, at least 400,000 households nationally have no in-house water supply, or suffer from severe quality and dependability problems that their in-house water is seldom drinkable. Those numbers show that 30,921 of those households — about 82,000 people — are in Kentucky.

"Through Water 2000, we are delivering on President Clinton's long-term commitment to invest in rural America's basic community infrastructure," Fern said. "Our Kentucky safe drinking water assessment numbers reveal serious health and other related problems. This is a very real matter of great concern."

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Pauline C. Stumbo would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the Rev. Arnold Turner and Rev. Dennis Love for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The Family of Pauline C. Stumbo

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Gold Shepherd wishes to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help during the loss of our loved one; those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the clergymen Ollie Watts, Bethel Bolen and others for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The Family of Gold Shepherd

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Mollie Stapleton wishes to thank all those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent food, flowers, and gifts of love. We especially want to thank clergymen Tracy Patton, Willis Adkins and Tim McCoy for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance with traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The Family of Mollie Stapleton

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Janet Turner Taylor wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors during the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Rev. Roy Harlow for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The Family of Janet Turner Taylor

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Mada Gibson Meade wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The Family Mada Gibson Meade

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's Note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, the Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to the Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

Parent support group to meet

The Parent Support Group for Handicapped/Special Needs Children meetings will be held on the fourth Friday of each month.

For more information, call Barbara Burchett at 886-8426.

"Classic Home Cooking" to air on WPRG TV-5

"Classic Home Cooking" of Inter-Mountain Cable, WPRG TV-5, with Chef Mark Sohn and special guests will air on:

Thursday, February 22, at 7 p.m.; Saturday, February 24, at 7 p.m.

Producer Donald "Dr. Don" Bevins and guests will join Mark Sohn as Sohn prepares a Southern Country Winter Dinner. The show will be produced in the following order:

- Kentucky Pound Cake
- Hoppin' John
- Charleston Benne Wafers
- Catfish Gumbo
- Boiled Custard

For further information about the show, contact Mark F. Sohn at 437-6467 or Donald Bevins, general manager of Tel Com Inc. at 478-4200.

Rogers' rep will be at Wheelwright

A member of Hal Rogers' staff will visit in Floyd County for the purpose of assisting any individual who has a problem with the federal government.

Rogers' representative will be at the Wheelwright Senior Citizens Center at 10 a.m. February 22.

Health board will hold special meet

The special called meeting of the Floyd County Board of Health has been rescheduled for February 20 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held in the conference room of the health department and is open to the public.

Site-based meeting at Martin Elementary

Martin Elementary will have a

special-called site-based council meeting on Wednesday, February 21, at 6 p.m. in the school library. The meeting is open to the public.

Drug Awareness seminar

The Prestonsburg Youth Service Center and the Mountain Regional Prevention Center is sponsoring a Drug Awareness Seminar Thursday, February 29th at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria at Prestonsburg High School. All students and parents are urged to attend.

Diabetes class

The "Living Well with Diabetes" will be held on Thursday, February 29, at 6:00 p.m., in the Floyd B Room at Highlands Regional Medical Center. The topic for this month will be Meal Planning using New Diabetic Exchanges. Please bring meal plan and exchange booklet currently using. This class is offered free of charge. Anyone with diabetes is encouraged to attend.

Mud Creek Family Resource Center

The regular meeting of the Mud Creek Community Family Resource Center Advisory Council will be held at 4:30 p.m. on February 26, in the John M. Stumbo Elementary library.

Basic CPR classes will be offered March 2. Registration deadline is February 27. For more information call 587-2233. Classes are free.

All interested members of the public are invited to attend.

Advisory Council to Meet

The Advisory Council of Adams Middle School Youth Services Center meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 26, from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. in the Youth Services Center at the school. The public is invited to attend. All council members are asked to attend.

Stumbo Elementary council to meet

The regular meeting of the John M. Stumbo Elementary School-Based Decision Making Council will be held February 26, at 6:00 p.m. in the school library.

All interested members of the public are invited.

Goat Producers Meeting

The Floyd County Meat Goat Producers will meet on February 29 at 7:00 p.m. at the Floyd County Extension Office. Please call 886-2668 for more information.

Beekeepers Workshop

A Beekeeper's Workshop will be held on March 2 at 10:00 a.m. at the Floyd County Extension Office. Dr. Tom Webster, Apiculture Extension Specialist and James Davis, President of the Kentucky Beekeeper's Association will be

guest speakers. Everyone is welcome. Please call the office at 886-2668 to register.

Fruit Tree Pruning Program

A program on fruit tree pruning and pest control will be held at the Floyd County Extension Office on March 7 at 1 p.m. For more information or to register, please call the Extension Office at 886-2668.

Allen Central High School Youth Service Center

• Country and Western Line Dancing every Tuesday Night from 7-8 p.m.—free—Everyone welcome

• Blood Pressure screening is available daily from 8-4. Students and community needing their blood sugar checked on a regular basis may now do so at the ACHS YSC. Please call 358-3048 for appt.

• Basic CPR classes will be offered to Adults March 27. Registration deadline is March 19th, call 358-3048 for details.

• Clothes closet will be open to students and the public upon request.

Floyd County Youth Soccer Association

Registration of players for the second season of the Floyd County Youth Soccer Association will be held at Prestonsburg Community College on Fridays from 3:00-7:00 p.m., March 1st and 8th; and Saturdays from 9:00-12:00 p.m., March 2nd and 9th. The registration fee is \$15.00. The season will begin with team assignments and practices during early April, with the season tentatively set as May 4th through June 22nd. The league will be composed again, as last year, into two age divisions: 6-10 and 11-16. The games are played during the season at Prestonsburg Community College on Saturdays.

Martin Family Resource Center

• We have an assortment of clothing in the center. Anyone needing clothing may drop by the center between 8:30 and 3:00 M-F. If you or someone you know would like to donate clothes, contact the center at 285-2666.

• Dr. Clark will present a Dental Health presentation Friday, February 23 for Headstart and the Primary students.

• Do you need to know how to help your child with his/her homework? Nadine Hicks, Title 1 specialist, will be giving a presentation on "Helping your child with his homework" on Tuesday, February 27, 1996 at 6:00 in the center.

• Check in the FRC if your child has lost a coat or shirt at school.

Courthouse News

MARRIAGES

Laquata Gasparac, 40, of Lowansville and Roy Douglas Daniels, 43, of Paintsville; Helen Sue Hatcher, 46, of Prestonsburg and Linville G. Isaac, 34, of Prestonsburg;

Vickie Marie Hopkins, 18, of West Prestonsburg and Paul E. Poe, 25, of West Prestonsburg; Jody A. Burton, 24, of East Point and Gregory Shepherd, 27, Dwayne;

Marie Elaine Campbell, 36, of Allen, and Charles W. Bauer, 30, Allen; Amanda Renee Tackett, 14, of Grethel and Robert D. Bailey, 18, of Hueysville; Carmen C. Miller, 18, of Hueysville and Willie D. Prater, 21, Hueysville.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Vernie Justice to Archie Justice, property on Left Beaver Creek; Simon Akers and Myrtle Akers to Dwight Akers and Sheila Akers, property at Dana; Jack Jones to James C. and Elaine Ousley, property at New Mayo Cemetery;

Jack Jones to James C. and Elaine Ousley, property at New Mayo Cemetery; Jack Jones to James C. and Elaine Ousley, property at New Mayo Cemetery; Jack Jones to James C. and Elaine Ousley, property at New Mayo Cemetery;

Penny McKenzie Johnson and Lloyd Johnson to Roger Reynolds

and Margie Reynolds, property at Middle Creek; Ivanell Elkins Rice to Janie Tinscher, property on Bays Branch of Little Paint Creek; Rebecca Reed to Carl Reed, property at Brush Creek;

Kennis Blankenship to Lonzie D. Blankenship, property location not listed; Pamela Arnett and James Arnett, Suzanne Spencer and Steve Spencer, to Forrest Music, property location not listed.; Edgar J. Cruey and Joyce D. Cruey to Paul Layne and Janel Layne, property at Harold;

Rebecca Pack Hamilton to Donald L. Shannon and Linda Shannon, property location not listed.; Fred G. Francis and Joyce Francis, William G. Francis and Linda Francis, and D. B. Kazee, A/K/A F&K Enterprises, to D. B. Kazee, Mitchell D. Kinner, John T. Chafin, P. Franklin Heaberlin and Robert J. Patton, property at Prestonsburg;

Roger Goble and Patricia Goble to Billy Joe Rose and Mary Rose, property on Brandy Keg Creek; Gary Wayne Allen to Erma Esrom, property at Ivy Creek; Mary Ann Hall to Benetta Hinchman Porter (AKA Bonita) and Pamela Lynn Porter Hansford, property at Allen;

James R. Guess and Kathlene Guess to Jerald Todd Mullins and Tonia L. Mullins, property on the Right Fork of Bull Creek;

Winnie Greer and Miki J. Thompson to the Mike and Billie B. Little Family Trust, property location not listed; Winnie Greer and Miki J. Thompson to Winnie Greer, property location not listed; Winnie Greer and Daniel C. Greer and Miki J. Thompson and Gary K. Thompson to John W. Marsillett and Carol J. Marsillett, property on the Right Fork of Middle Creek;

Winnie Greer and Miki J. Thompson to the Mike and Billie B. Little Family Trust, property loca-

tion not listed; Winnie Greer and Miki J. Thompson to Winnie Greer and Miki J. Thompson, property location not listed; Winnie Greer and Daniel C. Greer, and Miki J. Thompson and Gary K. Thompson to John W. Marsillett and Carol J. Marsillett, property location on State Road Fork of Middle Creek;

Inez Collins to Charlene Hunter and Tony Hunter, property location not listed; Inez Collins to Larry D. Collins, property location not listed; Allen Volunteer Fire Department to Kinbag Development Company, property location not listed; Rita Jo Lackey Maggard to James Roy Lackey and Barbara Lackey, property location on Left Beaver Creek on Jacks Creek; Lois Jean Daniel and Robert Daniel to Randall Calhoun and Amy Calhoun, property location not listed; Charles Frasure to Donna Faye (Reffett) Frasure, property location at Branham's Creek.



This is to thank everyone who attended the baby shower given for Shauna Ream in November, 1995.

Thanks to all the hostesses who helped give the shower. All gifts will greatly be used.

Thanks again,
Shauna Ream,
Edith (Hager) Dotson
and Robert Conley

Three times early rising makes one whole day.

—Chinese Proverb

Prestonsburg Fire and Dispatcher Log

FEBRUARY 12

6:53 a.m. — Report of a non-injury accident, car hit bridge past PCC. Nothing there on arrival.

8:09 a.m. — Car slid into ditch in Lancer.

7:23 a.m. Caller advised that her mother had fallen and broken her ankle and the bone was sticking through

6:38 p.m. — Traffic stop. Citation issued.

February 13

10:35 a.m. — Caller advised that an older model Oldsmobile was driving at an excessive speed and that it had run a red light.

1:10 p.m. — Non-injury accident in Wal-Mart parking lot.

February 14

10:43 a.m. — Caller advised that there was a non-injury accident in the parking lot of the NAPA store.

1:49 p.m. — Subject came to dispatch and advised that another subject had fallen and broken her ankle and had a fever, but did not want an ambulance.

2:33 p.m. — Non-injury accident.

2:33 p.m. — Caller advised that several drunks were in a stationary vehicle on Hi Hill.

3:01 p.m. — Non-injury accident

at the dialysis unit.

5:25 p.m. — Theft from a patron's car at Allen Citgo.

February 15

6:11 p.m. — Non-injury accident at the high school.

February 16

2:37 a.m. — Report of a bicycle beside the dumpster behind FoodLyon.

3:07 a.m. — Management of Hardees advised someone had rung doorbell. No one there.

3:22 a.m. — Two drunks walking up and down in front of the press office.

3:51 p.m. — EMS run. Assist subject who has a broken leg into residence.

8:26 p.m. — Caller reported several subjects outside business trying to get customers to buy them alcohol. Gone upon arrival.

FEBRUARY 17

3:42 p.m. — Shoplifter in custody at Jeany Wiley Village.

FEBRUARY 18

12:02 a.m. — Caller reported a male subject fell coming out of the restroom at Hardees.

5:18 p.m. — Caller advised that she smelled something burning.

Dewey Lake News

LITTLE KNOWN FACTS ABOUT DEWEY LAKE

Even through many people visit Dewey Lake throughout the year, there are many significant facts about Dewey that most people don't know. These facts include:

Dewey Lake was the first Engineer reservoir in the Big Sandy basin. Congress authorized Dewey Lake to be built in 1938. Work was interrupted in 1941 by the war and resumed in March 1946. Dewey Dam was completed in 1950. Since impounded in 1950, there have been 53 drownings at Dewey Lake. Dewey Lake and Lake Cumberland were the first lakes in Kentucky impounded by the Corps.

Dewey Lake was named after Dewey Post Office. Dewey Post Office was established October 3, 1904 and closed September 30, 1938. It was located on Johns Creek, 3 1/2 miles NNE of Prestonsburg. The site is now under water 1 mile south of Dewey Dam.

In the late 1950s, Dewey Lake State Park changed to Jenny Wiley State Resort Park to commemorate a Big Sandy heroine of frontier days.

Dewey Lake is the only lake in the Huntington District with a scenic roadway on one side of the lake and shoreline camping accessible only by boat.

Seventy-five percent of the lake waters are well-sheltered from the prevailing westerly winds. The area between Arrowhead and Goble Branch are subjected to heavy cross winds at times and subject people, not experienced in boating, to haz-

ardous conditions.

One story says Brandy Keg got its name from a keg of brandy that floated up the creek with backwater from the Big Sandy River. Early maps list the creek as "Cag."

Johns Creek has a total length of about 64 miles with its source in the mountain region of Kentucky just north of the Virginia border.

The largest birch tree in Kentucky is located on Corps of Engineers property at Dewey Lake.

Whether its your first trip to Dewey or you are a regular visitor, these little known facts are interesting to know. To receive a map and more information on Dewey, call (606) 886-6709 or (606) 789-4521.

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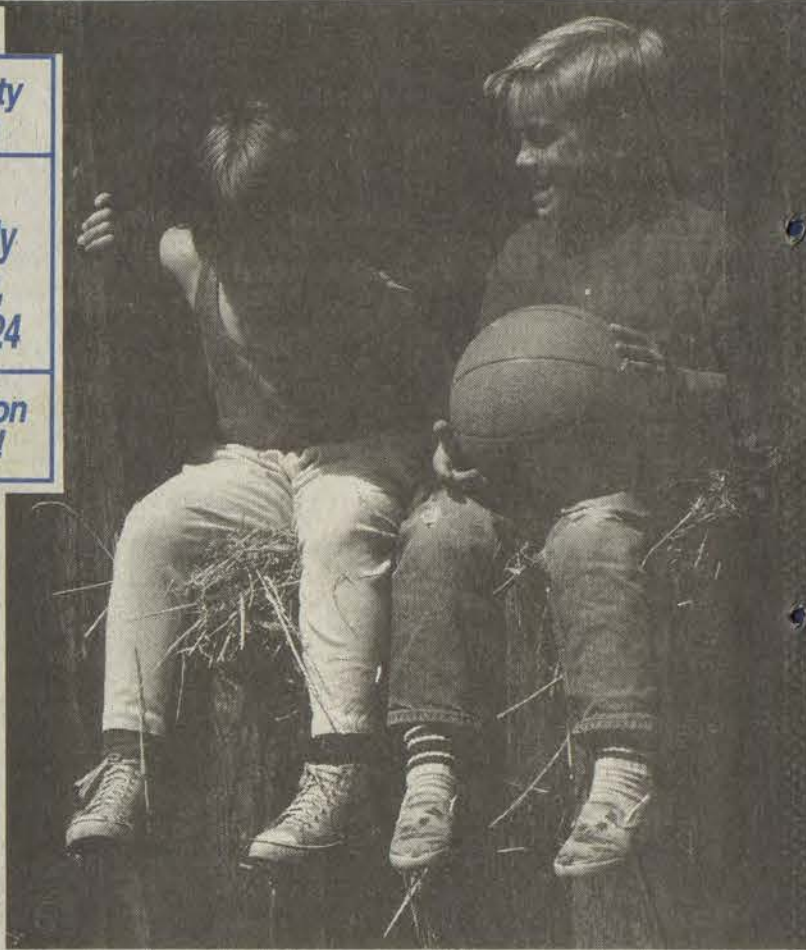
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Skeens powers Prestonsburg past Betsy Layne

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Coach Jackie Pack's Prestonsburg Blackcats spoiled the Betsy Layne Bobcat's bid to go undefeated in conference play this year, but they had to go into overtime to do it.

In overtime, Prestonsburg outscored the host Bobcats 16-7 in picking up their fourth conference win of the season against just two losses. Betsy Layne fell to 4-1 in conference play.

Senior J.P. Skeens scored only four points in the first half, but made up for it in the second half with 20 points, finishing the game with 24 points to lead the Blackcats. Skeens made his presence known by drilling three three-pointers in the early part of the third period.

Sophomore Wes Samons hit two treys and finished with 18 points, but he played a strong floor game as well. Andy Jarvis scored in double figures with ten points.

Allen Central closes door on Sheldon Clark, 60-48

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

All through the first half, Sheldon Clark was scoring consistently with its back door-front door plays, splitting the Allen Central defense for easy inside baskets.

But the Rebels closed the door and locked it in the third quarter when they took a 33-31 lead and were never headed on their way to posting a 60-48 win over the Cardinals this past Friday night in front of a large homecoming crowd where former Lady Rebel Pam Goble was crowned the new queen.

Thomas Jenkins scored 18 points and sophomore Todd Howard added 16 in leading the Rebels' scoring attack. Chris Bailey tossed in nine points.

Rob Duncan led the Cardinals before fouling out in the fourth quarter. Duncan scored 17 points while Erik Marcum netted 11.

Sheldon Clark did not run much back door cuts the first quarter as they trailed the Rebels 11-6 at the first stop. But in the second period, the Cardinals spread their offense and picked apart the match zone of the Rebels. Duncan scored on a back-door play and was fouled on a second

Senior Jason Bevins had only five points in the game, but his work under the boards and on the defensive side of the ball inspired the Blackcats.

Rocky Newsome, a junior, led Betsy Layne with 22 points. Jason Tackett added ten and Willie Meade scored nine.

One thing that has been harped on all season is the importance of free throws down the stretch for any team. That held true for Betsy Layne. Newsome stood at the free throw line with just 41 seconds left to go in reg-

ulation play and his team clinging to a precarious 51-49 lead. But Newsome missed the front end of the bonus shot with Prestonsburg's Jarvis pulling in the rebound.

Prestonsburg called consecutive time outs to set up the final shot. The ball was put into the hands of Samon who, with three seconds showing on the clock, hit a bank shot from four-feet out to tie the game at 51-51 and send it to overtime.

In the four-minute extra period, Prestonsburg stayed at the free throw line attempting 18 charity tosses and

hitting 13. Samons connected on eight straight as Prestonsburg built a 63-53 lead in overtime.

The Blackcats took a 56-51 lead in the opening minute of the overtime on a free throw by Skeens. Jarvis took a nice bounce pass from Bevins and scored. Samons hit the first two of his string of eight straight as Betsy Layne led 56-51.

Prestonsburg's biggest lead came at 66-53 with 26 seconds left to play in the overtime. Jason Tackett hit a three-pointer for Betsy Layne to cut the lead to ten points.

Betsy Layne was held to only two field goals in the extra period.

Betsy Layne needed only to win over the Blackcats to clinch first place in the conference and it looked as if the Bobcats were going to be the surprise of the district this year. But Prestonsburg came out and played a strong first half leading 16-8 at the first stop and 23-20 at half time.

Skeens set the tone to start the third period when he hit a three-pointer for a 26-20 lead. After Tackett hit a trey, Jarvis scored on a layup and Skeens buried his second trey, completed an old-fashioned three-point play and drilled a third trey to give Prestonsburg a 39-29 lead in the third quarter. The Bobcats led 40-33 after three periods.

Skeens continued his personal assault on the Bobcats with two free throws and a layup off a steal for a 44-33 Prestonsburg lead.

But the Bobcats were not ready to concede the victory and made a

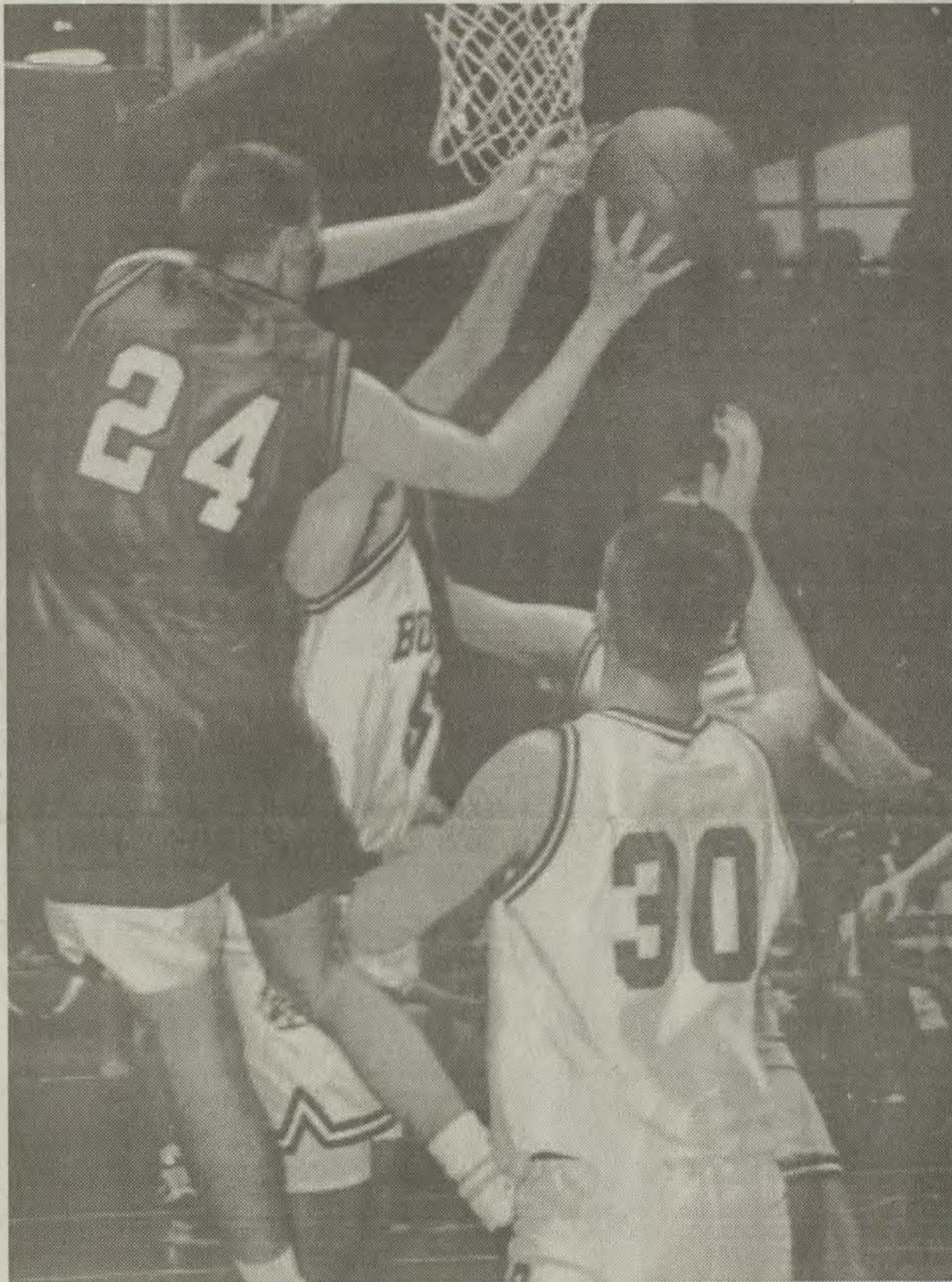
run of their own, cutting the lead to one, 45-44, on Tackett's three-point basket with 4:20 to play in the quarter. The Bobcats caught the Blackcats at 47, again on a three-pointer by Tackett.

Skeens scored on a left-handed layup and Rocky Newsome followed with a ten-foot jumper to stay tied at 49. With 1:14 to play, Prestonsburg turned the ball over and Tackett gave Betsy Layne the lead at 51-49 with a long jumper.

Brett James scored eight points for Prestonsburg, who closed out the conference schedule at South Floyd Monday night. Michael Clark had two points for Prestonsburg.

Seven-footer Jonathan Newman had eight points for Betsy Layne. Randy Coleman tossed in seven and Willie Meade finished with nine. Shawn Rose scored two points.

Prestonsburg (8-15) will close out their regular season on Homecoming night, Friday. The Blackcats will host the Sheldon Clark Cardinals.



Rejected

Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis (24) had this shot rejected by seven-footer Jonathan Newman of Betsy Layne when the two teams met at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse last week in a conference matchup. Prestonsburg went to overtime to hand the Bobcats their first conference loss. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Betsy Layne edges Allen Central on Martin's two free throws

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

When Jessica Johnson stood at the free throw line with just nine seconds left to play, she nor anyone else realized just how important her made free throw would be. It turned out to be the game winner in the Lady Cats' 54-53 win over a gammed Allen Central Lady Rebels team.

Johnson's charity toss gave the Lady Cats a 54-50 lead with only nine seconds left to play. Missy Scott buried a three-pointer for the final 54-53 score. Had Johnson

missed the free throw, the other team would have been celebrating.

The win gave Betsy Layne second place in the Floyd County Conference with a 4-2 record. Allen Central finished third at 3-3. The two teams will meet in the first round of the 58th District tournament next week.

Allen Central held a 49-44 lead with less than two minutes to play when the bottom fell out for the Lady Rebels. They could not handle the full court pressure of Betsy Layne and turned the ball over on four of five possessions, allowing

Betsy Layne to get back in the game.

Jennifer Hopkins had just hit a three-pointer and Amanda Samons' two free throws made it a five-point game.

But Johnson made a steal of the ball and went solo for the layup and with 1:13 left to play, buried a three-pointer to tie the game at 49.

Karen Wallen gave the lead back to Allen Central on a free throw, 50-49. But Rachel Thompson stepped to the charity stripe and connected

(See Betsy Layne, page 2B)

Greathouse basket at buzzer defeats South Floyd, 62-59

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It took a dramatic performance by the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats this past Saturday afternoon in the closing minutes to hold off an upset-minded South Floyd Lady Raider basketball team.

But the Lady Blackcats held their ground and by virtue of a victory over the Lady Raiders locked up first place in the Floyd County Conference.

"South Floyd came out and played us just about as well as anyone in the region,"

Prestonsburg coach Harold Tackett said. "Give the girls credit and give Coach Webb credit, they came out ready to play us."

"Our girls played their hearts out tonight," Coach Henry Webb said. "I'm real proud of them. We were 17 of 35 from the free throw line. That's horrible shooting."

Webb's ballclub, a team that has shown steady improvement over the past five weeks, had the Lady Blackcats on the line and ready to yank them in. But a freshman turned out to be the hero of the day for Prestonsburg as Shelly Greathouse buried a three-point basket just ahead of the horn to sink the Lady Raiders 62-59.

It was Greathouse's two free throws that tied the game at 59 with just 13 seconds left to play.

"I told Shelly in the locker room after the game, that I expected that kind of play out of her," Tackett said. "I did expect that of her. Our inside game wasn't there at all today. Henry saw that and took advantage of it."

"Our press, if you don't score you can't press," he said.

Tackett said the uphill climb for his team started when they came up Mount Raider. "When we started up

this hill to Raider Arena I knew it was going to be an uphill climb and now I'm just glad to be going down the hill."

He said he had warned his team of a possible let down.

"I told my girls after the Allen Central game 'Don't you dare think it is going to be a 20-point game (over South Floyd),' " Tackett said. "You'll go up to their home and they're much improved. I said we would be lucky to get out of there with a four- or five-point win. Sure enough that's what it was. I knew it wouldn't be a cake-walk up here and I knew they would get after us."

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**— Harold Tackett
Prestonsburg coach**

Tackett said he related to his team how South Floyd had an opportunity to knock off the number one team.

"Anytime you mix the opportunity to get beat and the desire of the other team, it makes awful strange Kool-aid," Tackett said.

Greathouse and senior April Newsome led the Lady Blackcats scoring with 21 points, as the only two double figure scorers.

It was a great team effort on the part of South Floyd as they placed eight players in the scoring column. Jenny Meade, who fouled out, topped the Lady Raiders scoring with 12 points. Misty Berger, a freshman, scored ten points and Jo Jo Pack, a freshman, added nine points.

South Floyd gave Prestonsburg all it wanted and more as they dominated the inside game. The 2-3 zone defense kept the Lady Blackcats from penetrating the basket and forced them to shoot from the outside.

(See Greathouse, page 2B)

Organizational meeting set for Floyd County Babe Ruth League

Floyd County Babe Ruth president Harold Case has called for a meeting of the league for the purpose of organizing for the upcoming season.

The organizational meeting will be held at the convention center at the Stumbo Park in Allen this Sunday, beginning at 6 p.m.

All coaches and those interested in coaching in the league are urged to attend this first meeting.

Can Tackett help Rebels to 4th tournament title?

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It has been a long time since an Allen Central team has posted such horrible numbers. The Runnin' Rebels are currently 7-12 on the season and a disappointing 3-3 in conference play.

Allen Central is used to being on top of the heap, not in the middle. But everyone in basketball land knows that when it comes to tournament time, the Rebels are the team to watch for despite their overall records.

There may be some reason for optimism as the 58th District Tournament is only 12 days from beginning. Allen Central lost its three conference games by a total of six points.

The team suffered a three-point loss to

Betsy Layne. They then came home and was defeated by Prestonsburg by one point in overtime and fell to Betsy Layne the second time by two points.

The three games were games the Rebels had won and let get away from them. In two of the three, Allen Central had the lead and failed to preserve it. At Betsy Layne, the team fell behind by 17 points and rallied to almost pull it out.

What has been the problem for the Rebels?

No balance on offense. Junior Thomas Jenkins has had to carry the load all season and the opposition knows that. Therefore, they key on the Rebels' leading scorer. Play at guard hasn't been consistent. No one seems to be willing or capable of stepping up and taking up some of the scoring slack.

Well, that was until recently.

Jason Baker has been playing like a player on a mission of late. Baker's new found offense has shown in the last three games and it can now be spelled "confidence."

Baker admits he is looking to score and seeing the basket very well. That was evident against Prestonsburg Tuesday night when he pumped in 22 points and pulled in 11 rebounds.

Tourney Trail



But the biggest boost for the Rebels has to be the return of, not Batman, but "Beauman." Beau Tackett is just what the Rebels needed. In more ways than one.

Tackett gives the Rebels a solid point guard who can penetrate and dish the ball off. This allows Jenkins to roam the baseline where he performs the best. Tackett has even made Todd Howard, who was logged in a horrible shooting slump, a better two-guard.

What Di-Gel does to an upset stomach, Tackett does to an upset offense. Soothes it. He's quickest at the point, gives the opposition problems and his ability to drive the lanes makes the big men commit early and he just lays the ball off for easy baskets.

Todd Howard is a key to the Rebels offense. Against Prestonsburg he showed

signs of coming out his sleep. Credit part of that to Tackett who gets him the ball off the key.

Chris Bailey has pleased Allen Central coach Johnny Martin. His improved played underneath the basket has made a believer out of the Allen Central coach who decided after the Leslie County game he was going to stick with him the rest of the season. Bailey career high 20 points against Prestonsburg did nothing to dim that view.

With Tackett in the lineup, Brian Crawford, just a sophomore, gives Coach Martin a strong sub off the bench. Edmond Slone, Gary Hunter and Cory Patton will see playing time off the pines.

It's tournament time and watch for the Rebel holler!

Johnson leads Betsy Layne JVs past Pburg

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It was raining treys at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse last Thursday night when the Prestonsburg junior varsity faced Betsy Layne in a game that found the Blackcats a little short-handed. Betsy Layne pulled out a 63-62 win over the Blackcats, hitting seven three-point baskets.

Prestonsburg had a makeshift line up with several of the freshmen basketball players playing in a freshman tournament in Ashland the same night.

Craig Johnson scored a game-high 30 points and connected on five three-point baskets to lead Betsy Layne. Jamie Dale added nine points and Heath Dale scored seven for the junior Bobcats. Tommy Taulbee, who hit two treys, finished with six points and Neil Newsome had six. Brett Tackett scored five and Bryon Stapleton finished with two.

Five players scored in double figures for the Blackcats led by Neil Hamilton's 16 points. Kyle Conley had 14 with Mike Clark and Josh Fitzpatrick scoring 11 each. Gavin Hale had 10 points.



Battle on the glass
South Floyd's Jenny Meade (23) battled Prestonsburg's Amber Leslie (14) for the basketball in conference basketball action at South Floyd last Saturday afternoon. Meade scored 12 points in the game to lead the Lady Raiders, but it was the Lady Blackcats pulling out a 62-59 win. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Greathouse

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Newsome, Prestonsburg's leading scorer, was in early foul trouble and was on the bench for most of the game. Yet she still managed to score her average. It was her return in the fourth period that sparked the Lady Blackcats. She completed a three-point play with 5:40 to play that cut a South Floyd seven-point lead to four. With 2:30 left, her three-point basket gave Prestonsburg a 54-53 lead.

With Newsome in foul trouble and Crystal Layne on the bench, Greathouse took charge in the third quarter with two three-point baskets that kept Prestonsburg from being routed. Her trey with 17 seconds left in the third period kept the Lady Blackcats close at 45-39 after three quarters.

South Floyd's biggest lead was at 11 points on a three-point play by Meade that gave the Lady Raiders a 39-28 advantage.

Prestonsburg led 28-27 at the half, but South Floyd scored the first 12 points of the third period to lead by 11. Tackett said there was a difference in last year's team and this one.

"Last year's team would have folded after getting down by 11," he said. "But this team, I saw in their eyes, they wasn't going to give up. It would have been very easy for them to give up. We got into major foul trouble. We had to go to the bench early."

Tiffany Compton, who went

scoreless in the first half and sat on the bench for most of the first two periods, returned to the floor and took the ball to the basket in scoring eight third-quarter points.

"In a game like this, Tiffany is a big girl. She is a strong inside player and running up and down the floor, she got a little tired," Webb said. "I'm proud of Tiffany, she played a great basketball game."

A basket by Jenna Fannin and Greathouse's three-point basket cut the lead to six, 39-33. But Compton scored in side and Berger hit a layup to extend the lead back to ten for South Floyd.

The Lady Raiders could not stand prosperity and turned the ball over three times, allowing Prestonsburg to climb back in the game behind the play of Ladonna Slone.

South Floyd led 13-9 after the first period, jumping in front 5-0 on a two free throws by Crystal Tackett and Melissa Tackett's three-pointer. All nine Prestonsburg first-quarter points came off South Floyd turnovers.

Newsome had two rebound baskets to start the second period that tied the game at 13. The game was tied at 15 before Prestonsburg went in front 25-21.

South Floyd tied the game at 25, but missed four straight free throws as Prestonsburg led 27-25 on a Slone free throw. Crystal Tackett pulled down an offensive rebound,

put it back on the rim with the shot falling just before the horn to end the first half. The Lady Raiders trailed, 28-27, at the half.

The two teams will square off again in the first round of the 58th District tournament and Tackett said his team is ready.

"I look forward to playing them again, probably in the first round of the district," he said. "I told our girls that we needed a good game and we needed to play hard to win. I look forward to seeing them in the district."

"I give all the credit in the world to Prestonsburg," Webb said. "Prestonsburg is one of the best teams in the region. We had them down by 11 points and they battled back and never quit. The little Greathouse girl really stepped up in the fourth quarter and she was very impressive."

How important is free throw shooting?

"That is a question that I don't know can be answered or not," Webb said. "We shoot from 30 to 40 free throws a day. I work and try to show them the form. But when you get in a basketball game, you have to go to the free throw line and you have got to want to step and hit the shot."

Prestonsburg (12-8) will host Knott County Central Thursday night in the final regular season game. South Floyd will entertain Letcher County.

Allen Central

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such play where he made one of two free throws to pull his team to within one point, 11-10, of the Rebels.

In fact, Duncan scored the first seven points for Sheldon Clark in the third period to tie the game at 13. The Cardinals kept looking for the backdoor passes and down-low screens.

But Allen Central went to a man-to-man defense in an effort to stop the back-side play. It worked. But then the Cardinals started coming in the front door and using Erik Marcum as the doorman. Marcum scored on a good move off a pick and then hit a free throw that netted the Cardinals a 20-17 lead. Jenkins' dunk, off a steal, got the Rebels to within one point, 20-19 at the half.

Allen Central coach Johnny Martin made a change in his defense, moving to a 2-3 zone, trapping out of it, in the third period. The Rebels went on a 10-2 run behind Bailey and took a 27-22 lead. Bailey scored six of the ten points in the spurt with Beau Tackett picking up three assists in the run.

A layup by Erik Marcum and Kevin Moore's three-pointer tied the game at 27 with 3:54 to play in the third. The game was tied again at 31 before Allen Central took the lead for good on a power move by Thomas Jenkins and a 14-foot jumper by Howard to lead 35-31. The Rebels extended the lead to six points after two consecutive turnovers by Sheldon Clark. Allen Central led 41-35 after three quarters of play.

The Rebels took a ten-point lead midway of the fourth quarter on a free throw by Jenkins. Four consecutive charity tosses by Jenkins and Howard gave the Rebels their biggest lead of 12 points, 54-42, with less than three minutes to play.

Sheldon Clark cut the margin down to seven points, 55-48, with 1:23 to play. But Sheldon Clark could not score in the final minute plus as Allen Central reeled off five consecutive points to avenge an earlier loss to Sheldon Clark.

Todd Howard did nothing to hurt his standing as the top free throw shooter in the state. Howard hit all six of his free throw attempts. He continues to return to his earlier form as a scorer for the Rebels. The Cardinals hit 16 of 24 free throw attempts and the Rebels were 16 of 25.

Tackett, who finished with three points in the game, had ten assists for the Rebels. Jason Baker, who had an off night offensively, pulled in eight rebounds and Bailey had seven. Jenkins, one of the state's leading scorers, had 12 boards.

Brian Crawford came off the bench and scored five points for the Rebels. Cory Patton added three.

Sheldon Clark had 15 turnovers in the game and only three at the half. Allen Central turned the ball over 12 times.

Allen Central (8-11) will close out their regular season at Jenkins Friday night. The Rebels finished 3-3 in the Floyd County Conference.

Betsy Layne

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twice for a 51-50 Betsy Layne lead. Jill Martin sank two with 24 seconds to play and Betsy Layne led 53-50 before Johnson's free throw made it four point game.

Betsy Layne owned, what appeared to be, a safe 38-25 lead after scoring the first ten points of the third quarter. But Allen Central, behind Samons, climbed back into things with a 15-4 run that narrowed the Betsy Layne lead to two, 42-40 after three quarters. Samons scored ten points in the run and Natlie Cooley tossed in four points.

The game was marred when Penny Tackett spilled hard to the floor and had to be taken to the emergency room by ambulance. She suffered a slight concussion and a bad bruise, according to her coach Bill Newsome.

"Penny was playing one of her best games of the year for us," said Coach Newsome. "She got hurt when she went in for a layup."

Tackett was released from the hospital.

It was a big night all around for Crystal Gearheart. She continued to dominate the boards, pulling down 15 rebounds. Later, following the Lady Cat victory, Gearheart was named homecoming queen at Betsy Layne.

"This makes two years in a row that a Lady Cat basketball player has been chosen homecoming queen," Newsome said. "Last year it was Jessica Hamilton."

Ashley Tackett tossed in 17 points for the Lady Cats and grabbed 11 rebounds. It was Penny Tackett and Ashley Tackett who carried the Lady Cats in the first half. Penny Tackett scored the first six points of the second quarter when the Lady Cats jumped out to a 23-14 lead. Ashley Tackett had six points in the first quarter, scoring

seven in the first half. She had two assists for the Lady Cats.

"Ashley played a great game for us," Newsome said. "Jessica (Johnson) had some big baskets to tie the game at one time."

After Tackett was taken out of the game, Jill Martin entered and took charge of handling the basketball.

"She also hit two big free throws for us as well," the Betsy Layne coach said. "Rachel had two very big free throws for us and she had three blocked shots. Rachel really helped win this game tonight."

Newsome took notice of the play of Heather Kidd, who started at center for the Lady Cats.

"She had several key rebounds for us that we turned into points," he said. "I feel the real Lady Cats came to the gym tonight and played with confidence and authority."

The game was a switch from the previous game when the Lady Cats could only score 32 points against Paintsville in losing 68-32 to the Lady Tigers.

Betsy Layne got six points from Thompson while Gearheart and Martin scored two each.

Samons 22 points led Allen Central. Cooley finished with 14 and Scott 11. Wallen and Hopkins netted three apiece with Jessica Martin scoring two and Shanna Howell one.

Allen Central (10-9) will close out its regular season with Millard at home Monday night. Betsy Layne finishes with Sheldon Clark Thursday night.

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Lafayette spoils South Floyd homecoming with 88-71 win

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It was homecoming night at South Floyd High School this past Friday night with the Raiders hosting Lexington Lafayette in the annual event.

But it wasn't a happy finish to a glorious night after South Floyd dropped an 88-71 decision to the Generals.

Terrence Mullins scored 16 points to lead South Floyd. Jason Shannon and Michael Stephens added 15 points each. T.T. Pack fin-

ished with 11 for the Raiders.

The Generals were topped in scoring by Mike Stewart with 23 points. Andrew Stephens finished with 19 points, while Chris Wilke and Mike McQuate tossed in 11 each.

Lafayette began to pull away from South Floyd in the second period as they went to the locker room with a 47-36 lead. But the first half was closer than the 11-point difference. The Raiders trailed by four points, 22-18, after the first quarter and fought back in the second quarter to tie the game at 30. A

six-point run by Lafayette gave the Generals a 36-30 lead and they were never headed after that, although the Raiders did stay close.

The Generals' biggest lead came in the fourth period when they went in front by 21 points, 87-66.

South Floyd was out rebounded by Lafayette 32-13. Lafayette hit eight three-point baskets in the game.

The Raiders led twice in the game and both of those came in the first period. Mullins hit two free throws that sent the Raiders in front 7-5 and Stephens' two free throws

gave the Raiders an 11-9 lead. The game was tied seven times in the opening quarter.

Justin Holbrook came off the bench and scored seven points for South Floyd. Nick Little finished with four and Aaron Hall had four points.

South Floyd (5-13) has lost seven consecutive games and will close out the regular season schedule this Saturday night on the road against Hazard. The Raiders, a fourth seed, will face Betsy Layne in the first round of the 58th District tournament next week.

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West Plus 24.5 7.5
Rebel Lanes 22 10
Cha-Chings 21.5 10.5
Gutter Clutter 14.5 17.5
The Intimidators 13.5 18.5
Hard Times 12 20
Poe Folks 9 23
Code Blue 9 19
Rave 4 24

HIGH SCRATCH GAME, TEAM
Misfits 759
Hard Times 664
West Plus 654

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES, TEAM
Misfits 1988
Hard Times 1952
West Plus 1875

HIGH HANDICAP GAME, TEAM
Misfits 799
Rebel Lanes 749
Cha-Chings 742

HIGH HANDICAP SERIES, TEAM
Cha-Chings 2150
Hard Times 2123
Rebel Lanes 2109

HIGH SCRATCH GAME, MEN
Carlos Spurlock 225
Dean Poe 206
Don Shepherd 204

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES, MEN
Carlos Spurlock 564
Don Shepherd 556
Ebo Gibson 554

HIGH SCRATCH GAME, WOMEN
Betty Mullins 200
Shirley Dingus 187
Rudell Preston 183

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES, WOMEN
Rudell Preston 536
Betty Mullins 497
Shirley Dingus 479

HIGH HANDICAP GAME, MEN
Carlos Spurlock 225
Leo Tackett 217
Christian Midyette 217

HIGH HANDICAP SERIES, MEN
Christian Midyette 594
Leo Tackett 581
Don Shepherd 571

HIGH HANDICAP GAME, WOMEN
Mary Goebel 219
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South Floyd's Terrence Mullins (22) scored on this short jumper over Betsy Layne's Rocky Newsome (20) and Jason Tackett (30). Mullins was six of six from the charity stripe and finished with 12 points. The Raiders won over the Bobcats 65-55. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Sports in Kentucky

By Bob Watkins

Denim diversion a Pitino ploy with Billy Packer playing the 'goober'?

Denim. Hardly worth a mention, I thought. If Rick Pitino was intent on a YMCA washed-out look for America's best team, fine. It was better than those tacky Bozo the clown vertical stripe baggies a year ago.

After all, the team is playing like the best in America, and the only legitimate complaint about these Wildcats as March Mania peeks over the horizon, involves consistency, fine tuning.

Besides, who was going to say no to Da Coach's Da Con(verse) decision? In a two-man contest in this state he would have Paul Patton looking for work inside a week. Never mind the governor's honeymoon approval rating.

Protest denim? Not C.M. Newton. UK's vicar of athletics and keeper of the purse, must be in a state of delirium after a rush on football season ticket packets, then guaranteed profits from a national attendance record for games in Rupp Arena, and NCAA Tournament loot still to come.

And certainly not Charles Wethington. UK's president has to be—excuse me, your excellency—in virtual hawg heaven, as he watches the basketball program keep the media's squirrely attentions occupied as a mass exodus of doctors continues from the UK Medical Center.

As UK soared and the national media was going ga-ga over the Wildcats last week — comparing them to the bests there ever were (before the first NCAA tip), I think Rick Pitino needed a diversion. A February ruse, what with nobody in the SEC man enough to muscle the Wildcats.

A ploy. Something for fretful fans (and UK's are No. 1 in America) to bellyache about, be

pre-occupied with. With no pre-tournament upset in the cards, a flap over denim duds would provide Da Coach a chance to get his team's attention. Create a feud with less-than-adoring fans could spawn a siege mentality among the players. Us against them.

Pitino resorted to a fashion statement. And CBS Sports pitchman Billy Packer happened along to be the perfect goober. Lighting a match to look into the gas tank, Packer told a national television audience he thought the new unis looked Carolina blue.

Well. UK fans, on cue (however unwittingly from Da Coach), have taken care of the rest.

A CENTRAL ISSUE ... UK TRADITION

With denim making fans crazy and the media herd freed to do cute denim stories instead of mundane ones about UK beating foes by 23 a game, Pitino supplied a little gospel "we're in a rut," announced a (popular) lineup change — Anthony Epps for Wayne Turner — then allowed the pot to boil on Big Blue Line.

Da Coach can flim-flam and/or out-talk callers to his radio show, dismiss some as worry-warts, imbeciles and idiots, but there is a bona fide central issue that has gone ignored.

Ignored that is, until a rather eloquent letter came to Sports In Kentucky from a fan in Corbin.

"Now Pitino has changed Kentucky's uniforms," Sean Jump writes, in part. "Not merely the design, as was the case last season, but he's actually done away with Kentucky's traditional royal blue in favor of a blue denim which, depending on how the light is when you look at them, makes UK's ballplayers look either like refugees from a North Carolina scrimmage, or the local jailhouse squad.

"But regardless of how the new uniforms look, the point is that Pitino has no business selling out years of UK tradition to Converse. I have already seen

that many fans agree with me, but who call in to Pitino's radio show with anything less than worship for him, they're immediately slammed into a one-sided argument. It is his show, after all.

"Nor does Pitino seem to realize the true nature of his popularity. True, many UK fans hold the Coach in an esteem which borders on the idolatrous, but it's only because he is, in fact, the man who currently holds the title of Head Basketball Coach at the University of Kentucky. I remember well the diehard loyalty fans expressed for Eddie Sutton even when it was clear the end was near for him."

Jump concludes with another volley. "Many UK fans can only hang on Pitino's every word as if it were royal decree and cry about how wonderful the basketball program is now compared to how it was before Pitino arrived.

"Forgetting that the reasons for the program's struggles had nothing to do with Eddie Sutton's coaching and everything to do with the NCAA.

"Fortunately there are not so many of these fans as Pitino thinks. And hopefully the current furor over the new team colors will impress this fact upon him."

Stay tuned.

UOFL'S MINOR VIOLATIONS

When a college coach or athletic official facing an NCAA firing squad uses the spin "minor violations" I always smell a rat. With ceremony last week the University of Louisville, after a lengthy internal investigation, mailed its response to alleged violation of NCAA rules to Shawnee Mission, Kan..

The sum of it seemed to be breaking the rules a little bit is all right with the coach Denny Crum and director of athletics Bill Olsen. Particularly Crum, who suggested that since neither he nor U of L believed Samaki Walker was doing anything wrong, and knew nothing of Larry Gay's alleged clandestine recruiting techniques, they

should not be held accountable.

Minor violations. Must be like when your kid comes out of the dentist office, hands you a bill for his examination and says "my front teeth are fine, but I've got a few cavities in back."

"How come?" you ask and he replies, "I only brush the ones up front that show."

Minor brushing violation.

Because you had no idea what shortcuts your kid was up to, you can expect the friendly dentist to give you a discount.

So, Samaki Walker and Larry Gay took a few shortcuts. So what. Minor stuff.

Probably won't happen of course, but on principle alone, Walker should not be allowed to play basketball at U of L again. At the least, the spirit of his amateur status has been compromised.

In an act of contrition, U of L has already jettisoned Gay and severed Jimmy Thompson's attachment to the school's athletic programs. Fall guys.

Crum and Olsen? Given Thompson's involvement at U of L and the ugly things that led to Gay's departure, the NCAA could justifiably apply sanctions under the auspices, "lack of institutional control." Rightly, apply a paddle to U of L basketball's rear-end.

And, at the same time send an instructional message to young people about the pitfalls of taking short cuts, not caring for their teeth properly, even the ones that don't show.

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

Rodney Perry, (E-Mail): "Unless anything happens, here is my Final Four prediction: I like Kentucky out of the Midwest, UMass from the East; North Carolina as somewhat of a surprise if they (are placed) in the Southeast. And, I like Kansas from the West."

Chris George, Bowling Green (E-Mail): "Watch out for Georgetown (to) be at the Meadowlands in April, along

with Kentucky, Cincinnati and Kansas."

COMMENT: Anyone else?

Next, a letter from a wonderful gentleman and loyal supporter of high school basketball since 1922.

J. Dudley Holland (is 85), Rumsey, Ky. : "We had an argument at the barber shop about the record for high school free throw shooting. I said the record was 30 of 35, set by Hancock County in a game against Cloverport."

COMMENT: Thank you for writing. I'm not sure such official records are kept.

Noting the decline of foul shooting percentages in college basketball this season...

Charlie Rodgers, Elizabethtown: "I wonder how the averages were for free throw shooting during the five years prior to the NCAA putting in the 20-hours a week practice rule."

WESTERN CELEBRATION

Can it be 25 years? Western Kentucky University honored members of its 1971 Final Four basketball Hilltoppers Feb. 18 at halftime and following WKU's game with SW Louisiana at Diddle Arena. The '71 Hilltoppers beat Kentucky in the NCAA Southeast Regional in Athens Georgia on the way to playing Villanova in the national semi-finals.

No contest. Diddle Arena is still the best place to enjoy a college basketball game. Fans at Western games seem to have more fun.

DIS 'N DATA

• Louisville is in. Denny Crum's Cardinals clinched an NCAA berth with a win at UNCC last week, right? Wrong. With their schedule speaking volumes, the Cards were in after beating Memphis Feb. 3. At least ten U of L foes will be in the NCAA next month.

• It should have come as no surprise when the University of Kentucky was recognized for best attendance in college basket-

ball this season. The lone reason Syracuse U., which is half the size of UK in student enrollment, has kept UK second the last five years is the Carrierdome seats 33,000. If Rupp Arena had as many seats, one could still find fans walking the pavement outside with signs saying "Need two tickets."

• UK basketball fans enjoyed a double dip last week. While North Carolina suffered a three game oh-fer, Rick Pitino's team won its 21th game which moves UK within six of UNC, college basketball's all-time leader for most wins.

• Bob Wiggins of Falmouth was recognized at Rupp Arena last week for attending his 600th consecutive UK basketball game dating back to 1977. However, when Milt Wheeler of Camargo, near Mt. Sterling, settled into his seat for the UK-Georgia game last week, it was his 846th in a row going back to 1966.

• Congrats. One of the 115 selected from more than a million nominees to carry the Olympics torch through Kentucky is Priscilla Pursiful of Louisville. A native of Meade County, she is the wife of former UK basketball star Larry Pursiful.

PARTING SHOT

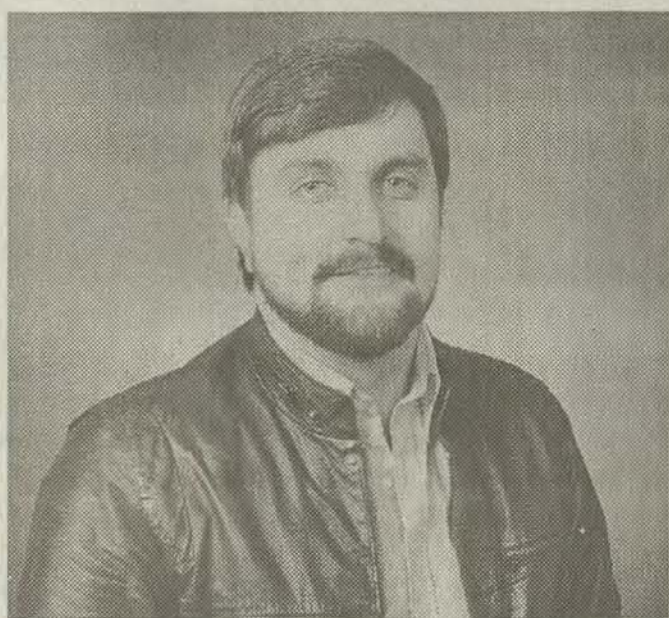
Charles Barkley of the Phoenix Suns had this tongue-in-cheek reaction after rookie Brent Barry won the NBA All-Star Game slam dunk competition: "The NBA is in disarray — a white guy won the slam dunk competition. We need to have another Million Man March." And so it goes.

Have a point of view you would like to share? Write to Bob Watkins, Sports In Ky. P.O. Box 124, Glendale, Ky. 42740. Or, E-Mail SprtsInKy@aol.com.

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Our second big snow was about 10 inches deep. We had to wait for it to quit snowing before we started removing snow. The crews worked around the clock from SATURDAY until WEDNESDAY before the grader was shut off. We covered the ground faster this time because the snow was not as deep. People, with one grader to service ALL OF DISTRICT 2 — IT JUST TAKES TIME — to cover the District. Some of the roads in these hollows that were sliding, we had to skip and come back later because we couldn't afford to get the grader over the hill and then NOT BE ABLE to help anyone. On some of the hills—we just couldn't get the grader up. When you've got chains on your grader and you're going up a hill and you slide backwards — it's not worth getting a man hurt or the equipment tore up. We just had to wait and come back after we covered the district.

People, we've got 5 workers in DISTRICT 2 to service better than 12,000 people. That is a hard job to do even if we never got any snow. I WANT TO THANK ALL of the DISTRICT 2 CREW and ALL THE WORKERS throughout the county for their hard work.

P.S. — You know there are a few people in this county who want you to THINK that the "COMMISSIONER" form of Government would be better than "MAGISTRATES." Right now you have 4 DISTRICTS in this county. Under commissioners you would have only 3 DISTRICTS. Are you going to live in the district that is "GETTING ALL THE GOODS" OR "THE ONE THAT'S LEFT OUT?" Who knows which district you would be in because the county would have to be remapped into thirds. The commissioners CAN MAKE the same amount of money that the magistrates do. IF this county wants to save some money, WHY are we building a 9 1/2 MILLION DOLLAR COURTHOUSE, when with a few repairs, we would have a good courthouse? The third floor will be vacant in a few days when the new jail opens. You know, one of my sons is 15 years old right now. He will be 43 years old when this courthouse is paid off. BOY — he sure has something to look forward to, doesn't he!

THIS IS WHAT I THINK — These same people are out to TAKE OVER the Fiscal Court. Under the commissioner form of government — 2 votes will tie anything. People, they're not worried about you "THE TAXPAYERS" — They're worried about making a few of their friends "VERY RICH!" Their are millions and millions of dollars that come through the Fiscal Court in grants and coal severance monies and they have to be used on certain projects. These people want to decide WHAT "PET PROJECTS" are picked and "WHERE" these projects are located and "WHOSE LAND" it will be hitting. "THESE PEOPLE" — you'll never hear their names mentioned or see their faces — because they're the ones who meet in secret and plot their strategies and use other people to carry out their plan.

PEOPLE, you might be "SNOWED ON" by MOTHER NATURE, but "DON'T GET SNOWED" by a few in this county.

VOTE AGAINST — THE COMMISSIONER FORM OF GOVERNMENT.

Powers' 25 leads Pikeville past Betsy Layne, 59-57

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

While much talk is going around the region about the big men the 15th Region has, one of those has to be Pikeville's Doug Powers. Powers has the moves of a top college forward and although he has still another high school season to go, the college coaches have to be taking notice. Powers, not a flashy type of

player, gets the job done as he did against Betsy Layne Saturday night at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse when the Panthers survived a late Betsy Layne charge by Shawn Rose and Craig Johnson.

Powers led all scorers with 25 points and they were not all put backs underneath the basket. Powers even stepped outside to show that he could play the game facing the basket as well. He

drilled a couple of three-pointers. He also had 13 rebounds (unofficially) in the game.

Frankie Johnson, in a rare display of outside shooting, added 15 points in the win and Eric Ramsey scored 13.

Pikeville did not score a basket in the final two minutes of the game. The Panthers missed three consecutive bonus shots that permitted Betsy Layne to get back in the game. Pikeville owned a 54-44 lead on a three-pointer by Ramsey. But Johnson and Ramsey attempt-

ed three straight free throws, missing on each.

Betsy Layne cut into the lead and almost pulled it out toward the end. Rose grabbed a rebound and scored and later hit a three-pointer that closed the margin to six, 57-51. Off a steal, Johnson buried a trey to make it a three-point game.

After Ramsey hit two free throws with six seconds left to play, Johnson hit another three-point basket and it was a 59-57 game with six-tenths of a second left on the scoreboard. On the

inbound play, Rose intercepted the pass, but his desperation shot was way short as the horn sounded.

The two teams played to a 14-14 tie after the first period. Betsy Layne led early, 8-2, before a three-point play by Scott Justice and Powers' three-pointer tied the game at 8 with 3:46 to play.

The two teams were tied at 10, 12 and 14 in the period.

Powers rebound basket and a three-pointer by Johnson gave Pikeville a 19-14 lead. On one of his patient running one-handers,

Rocky Newsome scored from ten feet out. But Johnson took charge by converting a three-point play and then drilling a three-pointer for a 25-16 Pikeville lead.

Betsy Layne got to within four points twice in the second quarter before trailing 35-26 at the half.

Pikeville built the lead to 11 points, 37-26, early in the third period, but a three-pointer midway of the period by Newsome narrowed the lead to five, 39-34. Back-to-back three-pointers by Ramsey gave Pikeville a 47-36 lead after three quarters.

The biggest lead for Pikeville came in the fourth quarter when the Panthers raced to a 51-36 lead with 6:52 to play. Betsy Layne could not get any closer than the final two points.



In the middle

Prestonsburg's J.P. Skeens (21) had a big night when he scored 24 points to lead Prestonsburg to a 67-58 overtime win over the Betsy Layne Bobcats. Skeens drilled three treys in the game. (photo by Ed Taylor)

In low-scoring affair, McDowell overcomes Melvin, 33-23

Coach Brent Rose's McDowell Daredevils held the Melvin Cougars to two fourth-quarter field goals and outscored the Cougars 15-4 in the final quarter and defeated Melvin 33-23 to capture the championship of the Section 2 grade school basketball tournament.

Neither team burned up the nets in the low-scoring game. Nick Moore led McDowell with ten points and Ryan Shannon was held to seven points.

James Slone could only score eight points for Melvin, but it was good enough to lead the Cougars.

Matt Tackett, Charlie Williams and P.J. Cox scored four each. Dusty Tackett added three points.

It was a raggedy type game for both ballclubs as Melvin held the lead through the first three quarters.

The Cougars owned the 8-5 lead at the first stop. Slone scored four of the eight points for the Cougars.

Matt Tackett and Williams each had two points.

Moore had a basket and one of three free throws for McDowell with Byron Hall scoring a basket for the Daredevils.

Things weren't any better after the first quarter as McDowell was one point better in the second quarter than Melvin, 7-6. The Cougars held a slim 14-12 halftime lead.

Shannon hit a three-pointer in

the third and Moore had the only other field goal for McDowell as they edged closer to the Cougars at 19-18 after three quarters. While Melvin continued to struggle in the fourth, McDowell found there was a basket at the other end and got four points from Kyle Tackett to lead the 15-4 charge.

Hall finished with five points for McDowell. Tackett added four and Jimmy Stumbo scored three. Zack Layne and John Meade had two points each.

McDowell, winner of Section

2, will face Martin, runner-up of Section 1, next Tuesday, February 20 in a 7:30 tip off at Betsy Layne's D.W. Howard Fieldhouse.

Melvin faces Adams Friday night, February 16 at 6:45.

Melvin's coach Tony Isaac was named Coach of the Year in Section 2. The team free throw trophy went to McDowell while Osborne's Jarrod Johnson took home the individual free throw trophy.

MELVIN (23)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
M Tackett	2	0	2-0	4
D Tackett	1	0	2-1	3
Slone	2	1	2-1	8
Williams	2	0	0-0	4
Cox	2	0	0-0	4
totals	9	1	6-2	23

MCDOWELL (33)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Shannon	1	1	4-2	7
Layne	1	0	0-0	2
Moore	4	0	5-2	10
Hall	2	0	2-1	5
K Tackett	2	0	1-0	4
Stumbo	1	0	2-1	3
Meade	1	0	1-0	2
totals	12	1	15-6	33

Melvin	8	6	5	4-23
McDowell	5	7	6	15-33

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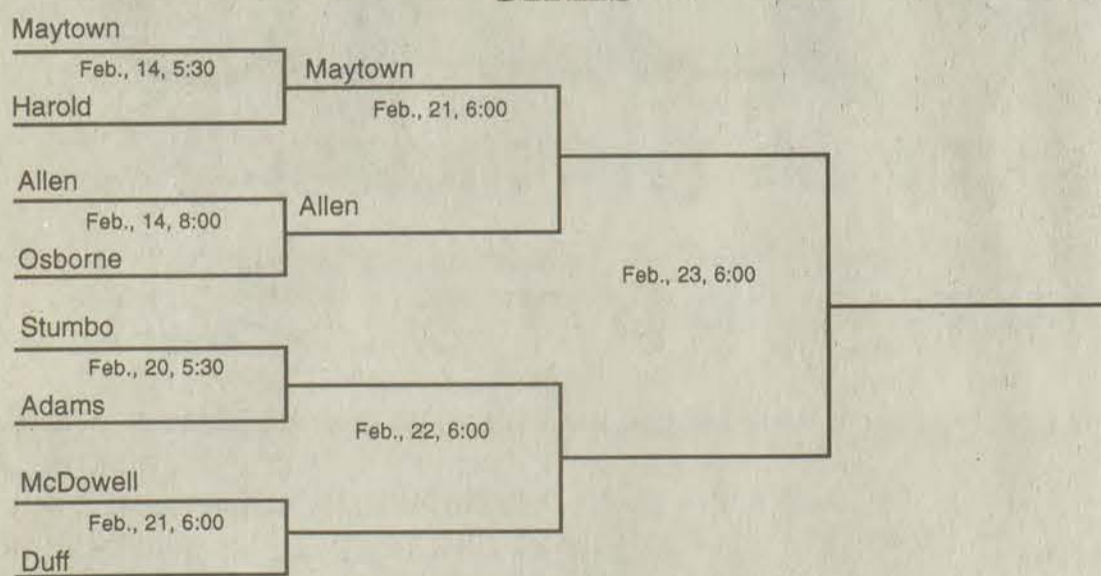
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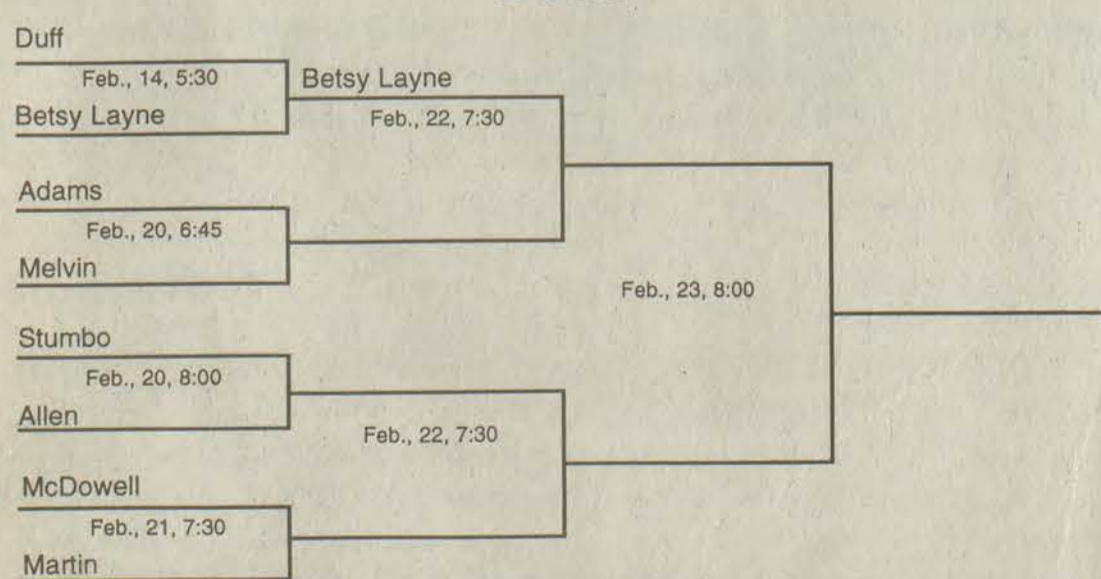
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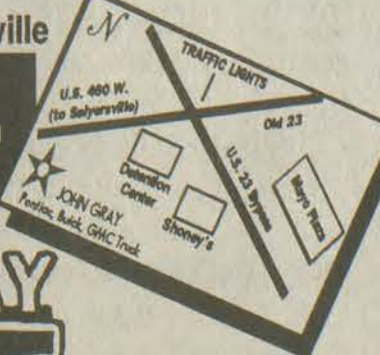
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Prestonsburg, Greathouse stop Magoffin County Hornets, 67-48

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

won their second straight game Monday night by defeating a good Magoffin County team 67-48 behind the 23-point perfor-

mance of freshman Shelly Greathouse.

Greathouse scored 23 points in the game to lead the Lady Blackcats.

Junior Crystal Layne added 14 and senior April Newsome finished with 13 points.

Lee Ann Perkins tossed in 16 points to lead the Lady Hornets. Phyllis Isaac netted 15 points and Nickie Gibson scored ten for Magoffin.

Prestonsburg fell behind after the first quarter 16-15 with Perkins and Isaac scoring six points each in the quarter for Magoffin County. Gibson had a three-point basket in the first.

Newsome hit two free throws and two field goals for the Lady Blackcats in the first period while Greathouse and Layne had four points each.

In the second period, Prestonsburg outscored the Lady Hornets 22-13 behind Greathouse's eight points. Greathouse had a three-point basket in the quarter, as did Layne. Kimi Nunnery scored four points. Prestonsburg led 37-29 at the half.

Outside of Greathouse and

Nunnery, Prestonsburg could not buy a basket as their lead was only seven points after three quarters.

Greathouse hit her second trey and had seven third-quarter points. Nunnery scored two points in the quarter.

The Lady Hornets struggled from the charity stripe hitting only seven of 25 free throws. Prestonsburg attempted only 13 free tosses and connected on eight.

Nunnery finished with six points for the Lady Blackcats. Ladonna Slone had five points and Jessi Burke scored four. Jenna Fannin chipped in with two points.

Layne had four assists in the game for Prestonsburg. Amber Leslie, who did not score, pulled in 12 rebounds. Greathouse had six steals.

Prestonsburg improved to 13-7 overall and will meet Knott County Central Thursday night to close out the regular season.

Prestonsburg will face South Floyd in the opening round of the 58th District tournament next Wednesday night.



Behind the board

Allen Central's Thomas Jenkins (21) plays every where, even behind the backboard. Jenkins had 17 points to lead his team to a 60-48 win over Sheldon Clark last Friday night. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Adams repeats in Section 4 with 55-45 win over Allen

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Joseph Crockett scored 12 points and Jeremy Caudill added 11 as the Adams Middle School Blackcats held back a good Allen Eagle team to post a 55-45 win and repeat as Section 4 champions.

It marked the fourth straight year the Blackcats have won the Section championship. The team has won the Floyd County Grade School Tournament the past three seasons.

Josh Turner hit two three-point baskets and scored ten points for the winner. Lee Spriggs, off the Blackcat bench, had nine points.

Seth Crisp led Allen with his 20 points as the only double-figure scorer. Mark Burchett and Dustin Blanton had six points each for the Eagles.

Adams led 13-7 after the first stop with five players getting in the scoring column early. Turner drilled a three-pointer and Crockett scored four points in the period.

Crisp scored seven points for the Eagles in the second, hitting a three-point basket, but the Eagles trailed at the half 29-21. Spriggs had four points in the second quarter for the Blackcats with Turner hitting his second three-pointer in the half.

Free throw shooting hurt the Eagles in the first half, especially in the second quarter. The Eagles attempted ten free throws and made three.

Adams had built a 16-point lead after three quarters. Allen had only three field goals in the period, all by Crisp, as the Blackcats led 45-29 going into the fourth quarter.

Adams extended its lead to 25 points in the final period and with three minutes to play, Adams coach Neil Turner went to his

bench. Allen came back behind the scoring of Blanton and Crisp to narrow the game to the final ten points. Blanton hit two three-point baskets in the last quarter and Crisp scored six points.

"I wanted to rest my starters because we have to play in the Middle School Tournament this week," Turner said. "We have a long week ahead of us playing there and in the county tournament this week."

Nathan Hall scored five points for the Eagles with Robbie Holbrook finishing with four. Josh Justice added two points and Ryan Turner finished with one, as did Brandon Branham.

Phillip Elliott tossed in five points for Adams with John Dixon scoring four. Hank Mullins also had four points.

ADAMS (55)					
players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp	
Caudill	4	0	3-3	11	
Dixon	2	0	1-0	4	
Turner	2	2	0-0	10	
Crockett	6	0	5-0	12	
Mullins	2	0	0-0	4	
Spriggs	4	0	1-1	9	
Elliott	1	1	0-0	5	
Fannin	0	0	2-0	0	
Hatfield	0	0	1-0	0	
Nelson	0	0	1-0	0	
totals	21	3	14-4	55	

ALLEN (45)					
players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp	
Burchett	3	0	0-0	6	
Turner	0	0	2-1	1	
Holbrook	2	0	2-0	4	
Crisp	5	1	12-7	20	
Hall	2	0	2-1	5	
Blanton	0	2	0-0	6	
Branham	0	0	4-1	1	
Justice	0	0	2-2	2	
totals	12	3	24-12	45	

Adams	13	16	16	10-55
Allen	7	14	8	16-45

NASCAR Connection

By Ben Trout

NASCAR burst out of gate

Like thoroughbreds bursting out of the gate, the 1996 NASCAR Winston Cup season is off and running. And as is the custom following each Daytona 500, it's time to make those keen observations and offer up a healthy dose of insight on what many are already calling one of the most competitive Daytona 500s in history.

Competition, many say that it is the driving force of mean. Well if competition is your cup of tea, then let me borrow the phrase "Your cup runneth over."

Get this my fellow racing fanatics: The Daytona 500 was witness to a phenomenal 32 lead changes among 15 different drivers. The most important lead change? Well, it doesn't take a brain surgeon to realize that it was when Dale Jarrett used the drafting help of Wally Dallenbach to blow by seven-time Winston Cup champ, Dale Earnhardt. Another Daytona 500 victory for one Dale, and for the other Dale? New year, same story.

Sports pages all across the country captured the same headline, "Earnhardt comes up short again." Yes, the man in black has won more races at Daytona than any other driver, past and present. Yet, the title of Daytona 500 winner has eluded him once again. Four second-place finishes in the Super-Bowl of Stock Car Racing, are just a reminder to Earnhardt that even the best sometimes don't win the big one.

Other thoughts from Daytona? NASCAR's tooling with the engines and aerodynamics have dramatically boosted the Ford camp. You don't believe me? Check this stat my friends. Out of the first twelve cars to cross the finish line, only two were Chevrolets. Yes, some big Chevy guns went out early in the race including the likes of pre-race favorites Sterling Martin and Jeff Gordon. But one would think there would be enough Chevy power to at least place four or five drivers in the top ten. Not so.

Surprise driver of the race? None other than Walley Dallenbach. His Bud Moore owned Ford scooted home to a sixth place finish and he was in the mix right up until Doyle Ford waved the checkered flag.

And give a call to the stables of multi-team car owner, Jack Roush. His three-car tandem of Mark Martin, Jeff Burton and Ted Musgrave claimed spots four, five and seven respectively.

Also, regardless of who you actively support, you must agree that after the tumultuous harsh luck

'95 season of Ken Schrader, it sure was peachy to see him return to the lead pack.

No, we didn't see Dale Earnhardt win his first Daytona 500. We were not witness to Sterling Marlin becoming the only driver to win three consecutive Daytona 500 titles. And we didn't partake in the joy of watching Ernie Irvan top off his comeback with a win in NASCAR's most celebrated race.

But what we did witness, was a smart, patient and tactful Dale Jarrett use the horses under the hood of his Robert Yates prepared Ford to hold off the fierce maneuvers of one Dale Earnhardt.

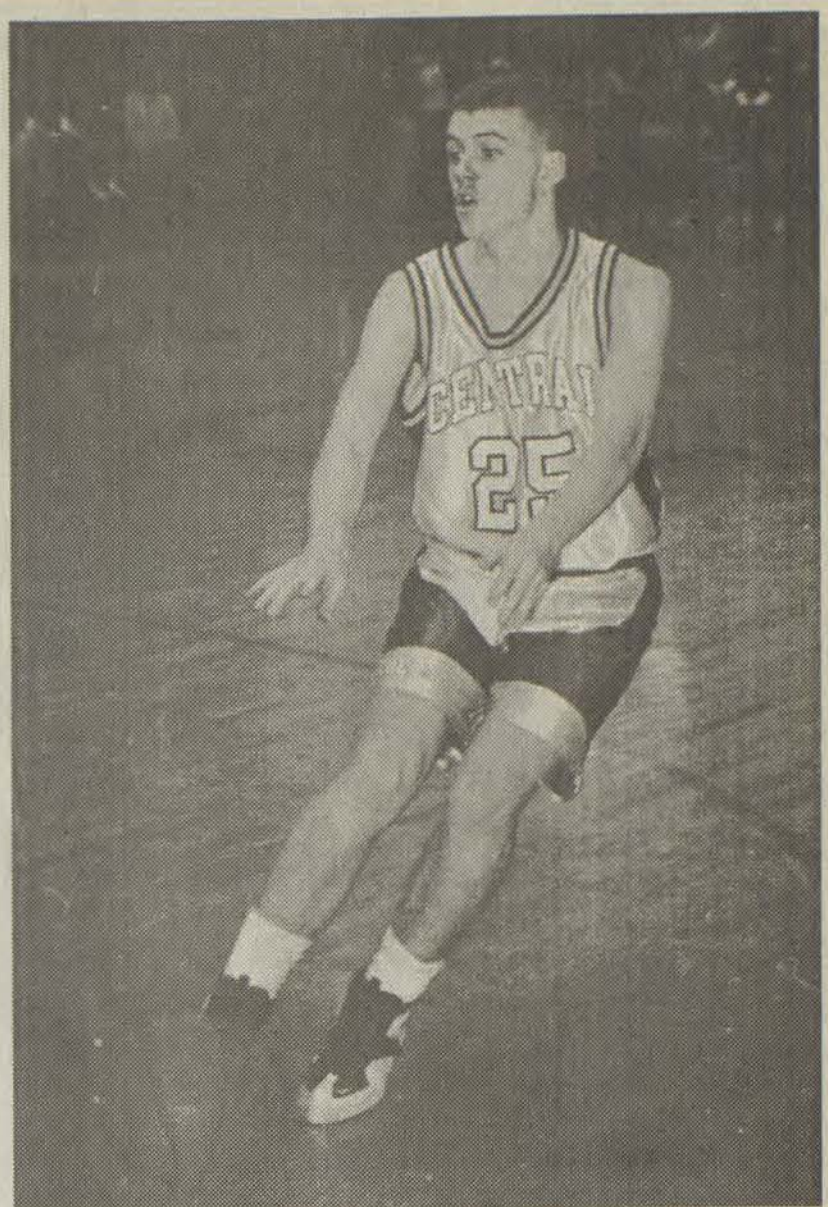
The bottom line? In the field of the cars that were running at the end of the race (keep in mind that many pre-race favorites took an early exit), the best car won. Dale Jarrett summed it up best when he said, "The difference of the race was that Earnhardt didn't have a Robert Yates engine under his hood."

No time to rest, the series returns to action this Sunday at Rockingham in the running of the Goodwrench 400. The race is on.



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Dish off

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Don't waller all over that bed or I'll call the high sheriff

A month of so ago, I asked readers of this column to submit some of the unique expressions they remember the old folks using.

Several did, so now in turn, I'll share them with you.

• Georgia Wallace, of Harold, who says she still uses some of them and she's "not that old," sent us several including smidgen.

I remember that one, too, and I'm not "that old," either. My mother added just a smidgen of pork to every pot of soup beans she ever cooked.

• Elizabeth Bartram, of Ft. Gay, West Virginia, wrote that few expressions she remembers are as funny as one she heard from a neighbor as he described a woman he had seen: "Her face was so ugly," he said, "it would make the dipper jump out of the water bucket."

• Margie Osborne, of Prestonsburg, mentioned spittin' image, as in, "He's a spittin' image of his daddy; right smart, as in, "It's been a right smart bit since I've seen his daddy; and fair to middlin', as in, "I been feeling fair to middlin', how 'bout yourself?"

• Staffordsville resident Arlen Ferguson sent in a

long list of expressions. One of my favorites was, "It's been snowing cross-legged."

I don't think I've ever heard that one before, but

I'm sure that's what it was doing during our last big snow.

Another one that Ferguson mentioned, and one that I often wondered about as a kid, was, "He won't stay gone as long as Pat stayed in the army."

Poison Oak



Clyde Pack

Who was Pat?

• And finally, Bob and Joyce Conley, of Marietta, Georgia, and Scotty McCloud, of Stambaugh, went everybody else one better and sent me a whole book on the subject.

The Conleys sent How to Speak Southern by Steve Mitchell, which contains a bunch of stuff we often heard from old folks in these parts.

They include such phrases as bad off, as in, "He's in the hospital bad off" bound to, as in, "Eating green apples is bound to make you sick"; and waller,

as in, "Don't waller all over that bed."

McCloud's contribution was A Hog on Thin Ice & Other Curious Expressions, by Charles Earle Funk.

It's more than 200 pages of explanations of terms we hillbillies have heard all our lives, yet have no earthly clue as to how they originated. Such phrases as two shakes of a lamb's tail, as in, "I won't be gone long. I'll be back in two shakes of a lamb's tail;" shoot the bull, as in, "Come on in and set a spell and we'll shoot the bull; and to a T, as in, "She fixed them chicken and dumplings to a T."

Also, in the aforementioned column I questioned the origin of the term "high sheriff" and received this possible explanation from W. Thom Skeer, Attorney at Law, in Ridgecrest, California.

"Could it ('high sheriff') be a reference to the William Tell legends? I find in my Oxford dictionary a 16th century reference to the office of high sheriff as one who performs the duties of supervising elections as well as the normal duties of tax collection and preserving the peace."

Anyway, thanks to everybody for sharing.

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The Floyd County Times

Lifestyles

Clinical depression: 'It's not a sin, it's an illness'

Paul Weaver daily battles a debilitating disease that requires medication and regular treatment, and has twice hospitalized him. He also fights the stigma that he and the estimated 80,000 Kentuckians with the disease face.

At first meeting, Weaver's disease is not apparent. His impressive educational achievements, a master's degree in pastoral counseling, and master's and doctorate degrees in education, and a 22-year career in teaching and educational administration do not hint at a person who says his disease has "brought him face-to-face with death."

Weaver has clinical depression and he will stand at any podium before any group to talk about his experiences and the plight of people with depression.

Weaver has been a voice for his fellow sufferers as the state director of the Office of Consumer Advocacy in Kentucky's Department for Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services since 1993. There are 28 of these positions in the U.S. He also represents people with bipolar disorder and schizophrenia.

People often tell him they would not know he has clinical depression if he didn't tell them because the tailored professional does not fit their image of someone with a depressive illness. And that's the point, says Weaver.

"People think that depressed people can't function successfully with these illnesses, but they do every day. You deal with people every day who have mental illnesses. They can be your mother, father, brother, sister, neighbor, friend or co-worker," Weaver said.

Another misconception about people with clinical depression is that they will become violent, but they are no more likely to be violent than anyone else, he said. Any violence is usually directed toward themselves, he said.

People also think clinical depression is not a physical illness. Weaver says it's frustrating when he hears people say that clinical depression is not real or it's all in their minds and they can snap out of it.

"Depression is not a weakness, it's a disease. It's not a sin, it's an illness," Weaver said. "To tell someone with clinical depression to pull yourself up is like telling someone with cancer to be tough and your blood cells will heal themselves."

The advocate says progress has been made in recent years toward correcting misconceptions and dispelling the stigma because several famous people have come forward with their personal stories about depression.

During any six-month period, ten million Americans are suffering from clinical depression, whether they know it or not, Weaver said.

"I want people to face up to the illness before it's too late. When they do that, it's a real sign of courage and intelligence," Weaver said.

"Many of them, particularly those in hospitals, need someone who can speak for them when they aren't well," the soft-spoken advocate said. "I enjoy doing that because I understand, because I've been there. This is the most important thing I've ever done because it impacts so many people. It reaches into so many homes in Kentucky. It is no respecter of persons."

Weaver explained that situational depression involves short-term stress such as

divorce, loss of a job or illness, while clinical depression occurs when stresses mount over a period of time. Situational depression can lead to clinical depression. Clinical depression also is caused by a shortage of the chemical serotonin in the brain or damaged brain cells.

Weaver's disease has led him to learn about depression and



the causes. His family participated in a National Institute of Mental Health study that established genetics as a major factor in clinical depression. His family history of clinical depression was traced back five generations.

"Anyone is susceptible to clinical depression, but someone with a genetic disposition is even more susceptible," Weaver said.

To fight clinical depression, people need medication for the physical aspects of the disease, psychotherapy to help them reorganize their thinking and life, and spiritual healing, he said.

"The combination of spiritual healing and physical and emotional help are a tremendous team when treating depression. The medicine helps the body while the faith helps us to face issues that everyone faces," Weaver said.

A person with clinical depression experiences many losses because of the illness. The losses com-

ound, deepening the impact of the disease.

People with clinical depression lose relationships because they have difficulty expressing their feelings or being intimate. Weaver says that almost 90 percent of married people who have chronic clinical depression will divorce.

They also suffer economically. "Even with insurance, it's easy for someone to spend \$200 a month treating the disease," he said.

Weaver has spent about \$100,000 over the last nine years for treatment, above insurance payments, he said. He wants to see health insurers cover psychological illnesses the same as other physical diseases.

Clinical depression also adversely affects job performance and may cause the person to be fired. Employers often discriminate against people with clinical depression, which is illegal.

"I have zero tolerance for any person or company that would discriminate, intimidate or coerce a person with one of these diseases," Weaver said.

"It's the most gratifying thing to see someone who thinks they have no chance and then use state and federal government agencies to protect them. Often, I can pick up the phone and get immediate help from a judge, lawyer or other official and get quick results. That's state government at its best."

Weaver received about 1,000 calls for assistance last year. While he says that is more than he can handle, he often connects them to a network of resources. He refers callers to regional mental health centers, clinics, hospitals, doctors, and state and national agencies among others.

Weaver knows the importance of helping people immediately. If untreated, their health suffers, problems mount and some people commit suicide. "One out of six people with clinical depression will commit suicide," he said.

As consumer advocate director, Weaver has worked on legislation on mental illness issues, helped study patient treatment in Kentucky's psychiatric hospitals, educated medical professionals, social workers,

police officers and judges on working with consumers and family members, often speaks to groups about the subject, and participates in various mental health associations.

Weaver rebuffs the attitude that someone with clinical depression will get over it or get over a traumatic life-changing experience. "Some people don't get over it, they commit suicide," he said.

"A precipitating factor often triggers depression and our society is full of precipitating factors," Weaver said.

Factors such as demands on relationships, the fast pace of life, and pressure to conform and achieve can drive people to depression, he said.

"I know it's a battle I will fight for the rest of my life, but you can win," Weaver said. "It's the hardest battle I've ever faced in my life and I wake up to it every morning."

As Weaver's life shows, people with clinical depression can be successful. "People assume that they can't have a full, and successful life, but they can, it's just more difficult," he said.

Kentucky was one of the first states to establish the consumer advocate office. Weaver says most of the credit for this forward thinking goes to Margaret Pennington, director of the state's mental health division, and Elizabeth Rehm Wachtel, the commissioner of the department.

"Kentucky is ahead of many states in dealing with mental illnesses because we've had key people in positions who understand or have had personal contact with these issues," Weaver said.

For help or more information about mental illnesses, contact the Mountain Comprehensive Care Center at (606) 886-8572 or Weaver at (502) 564-4448.

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FROM THE MOUNTAINS
by Jadon Gibson



The Monkey Trial of Dayton

The Monkey Trial of Dayton in summer of 1925 had many high points and spell-binding theatrics such as when Dr. Maynard Metcalf of Johns Hopkins was asked by Darrow if he was an evolutionist. Paxton Hibben wrote in The Peerless Leader William Jennings Bryan, "Hardly had the words been spoken before Bryan jumped from his seat and planked himself directly in front of Dr. Metcalf...his gaze fixed immovably on the witness. Now and then his face darkened and his eyes flashed, but he never uttered a sound."

Hibben wrote, "when the fourteen-year-old Howard Morgan was questioned by Darrow as to just what his teacher had taught him, the audience was frankly enthralled and Bryan, cupping his ear to catch every word, 'leaned forward, the lines on his square face deepening, his deep-set eyes under the arched, imperious eyebrows sparkled with determination.'" Clarence Darrow smiled sardonically.

In Bryan's speech arguing against scientific evidence being introduced, he said that Tennesseans had passed the law and "they know the dangers of teaching evolution and don't want it taught to their children.

"They teach that there are 3,500 mammals and that man is one of them," Bryan said. "They teach that man is a mammal and so indistinguishable that they leave him there with other mammals. Talk about putting Daniel in the lion's den! How dare those scientists put man in with lions and tigers and everything that is bad."

Darrow knew he had no chance of winning the case and having John T. Scopes acquitted in the Monkey Trial in 1925, but he sought to have the statute repealed.

An unusual aspect of the case was the questioning of William Jennings Bryan who assisted the state in prosecuting Scopes. Writers at the time said no Hollywood director could stage a more dramatic scene as Darrow asked him more than 300 questions. Judge Raulston had the testimony struck from the record the following day which meant there would be no reason for Darrow to take the stand.

At the closing of the trial, defendant Scopes addressed the court.

"I feel I have been convicted of violating an unjust statute," he told the judge unsteadily. "I will continue to oppose the law in every way that I can. I believe in academic freedom to teach the truth as guaranteed in our Constitution of personal and religious freedoms."

Scopes left Tennessee and attended the University of Chicago. He later worked for an oil company in South America before settling in Louisiana.

Bryan, physically and mentally fatigued following the trial, felt he had won a great victory. He charged nothing for his services perceiving it as a great cause. He spent hours in the preparation of a great speech. When the trial closed abruptly he motored to Chattanooga where he arranged to have it printed for distribution. He had a medical checkup while there before dining with Judge Raulston in Winchester. He then returned to Dayton.

The following day he accompanied his wife to church where he prayed publicly. Later that day he made plans to vacation in the Smoky Mountains the following week before taking a nap.

He would never awaken. Bryan had vowed the trial would be a duel to the death. On July 26, 1925, the Great Commoner was dead. His body was taken to Washington, D. C. and later interred in the Arlington Cemetery.

Following the death of Bryan, Texas and Mississippi passed anti-evolution laws. Nine other states defeated similar legislation before Arkansas also passed the measure. It would never be enforced.

Judge Raulston called Clarence Darrow the most outstanding man at the trial. "He was a very pathetic man though," Raulston wrote. "He had no hope for a future life."

As for the Tennessee law making it unlawful to teach the evolution theory, the measure had originally passed after much debate. Governor Austin Peay signed it reluctantly in fear that a veto of the bill would cost him support for his highway and educational bills. He signed the bill to win rural support of his program feeling that the measure would never be tested. Almost before the ink was dry, John T. Scopes was on trial and the great legalists were in tiny Dayton, Tennessee, for the famous Monkey Trial.

The case was appealed to the Tennessee Supreme Court. The law was upheld and nolo-prossed, blocked from being appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court. It wasn't until forty-two years later—in 1967—that the law was repealed.

Dayton is still widely known for being the site of the famous Monkey Trial. It isn't unusual for visitors there to ask, "Are there any monkeys here?"

Residents like to answer straight-faced, "No, but a lot of them pass through."

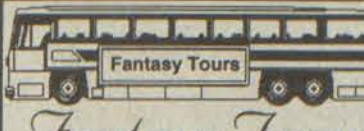
*Jadon Gibson is a free-lance writer from Harrogate, Tennessee. His writings, From the Mountains, are both historical and nostalgic in nature.

Signs of clinical depression

- Inability to have pleasure. Examples, can't relax, have sex or watch a movie
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Visits doctor
Leatha Joy of Prestonsburg was in Lexington last week consulting with her doctor.
She was accompanied by her daughter, Ruth Joy DeRossett.

Valentine luncheon
The staff of the Child Enforcement Division enjoyed a Valentine luncheon on Valentine's Day at their offices on First Avenue in Prestonsburg.

Day homemakers meet
The Prestonsburg Day Homemakers met at the Floyd County Extension office on South Lake Drive in Prestonsburg last week for their regular monthly meeting.

The business meeting was conducted by Dorothy Stover. Devotionals were given by Eleanor Horn who used the poem as her theme, "There are three kinds of people: those who make things happen; those who watch things happen; and those who say what happened."

Mary Sue Moore, secretary and treasurer, gave her reports.
The program, "Buying Appliances," was given by Nancy Webb.

Get well cards were sent to Fannie Runnels and Myrtle Allen.
A \$75 donation was made to send a child to 4-H camp.

Hostesses were Jane Wallace and Dorothy Osborne.

The next meeting will be March 12 with Gypsy Jones, Eleanor Horn and Mary Sue Moore as hostesses.

Members attending were Ann Alley, Eleanor Horn, Jane Wallace, Phyllis Herrick, Nancy Webb, Mary Sue Moore, Gypsy Jones, Hope Whitten, Sarah Laven, Dorothy Stover and Dorothy Osborne.

Visit from Morehead
Linda Carol DeRossett and children, Dakota, Marissa and Morgan from Morehead visited with Ruth DeRossett and Leatha Joy at their home on Riverside Drive in Prestonsburg last week.

May House group meets
The Friends of the Samuel May House met Thursday night, February 15, at Prestonsburg Community College for their February meeting.

Robert Perry, president, conducted the business session.
The group voted to hire Ray Price and Associates, Frederick, Maryland to develop an interpretive plan for the house. A progress report was given on negotiations between the architect and the City of Prestonsburg. The treasurer's report was given by David Hereford.

Officers for the new year are Robert Perry, president; Sam D. Hatcher, vice president; Alice Howard, secretary and David Hereford, treasurer.

Members present were E. B. May, William H. May, Alice Howard, Lillian Baldrige, Mable Lineburger, Roger Recktenwald, Marris Allen May, Sam D. Hatcher, John Rosenberg, Dwight Smith, Robert Perry, Larry Leslie and David Hereford.

Visit parents
Linda Carol DeRossett and children, Dakota, Marissa and Morgan from Morehead visited her parents, Charles "Tooter" and Linda Hall at Bevinsville last week.

Mr. Hall celebrated his birthday while they were there.

New arrival
Charles Thomas and Lauren Rorer of Prestonsburg announce the arrival of their son, Stratton Thomas, born November 3, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz.

His grandparents are B.J. and Nancy Slone of Blue River and Ralph and Judy Rorer of Prestonsburg.

Visit great-grandmother
Ashley Wright and Elizabeth Meade of Pikeville visited their great-grandmother, Kathleen Parker, and their aunt, Elizabeth

Burchett, at their home on Maple Avenue in Prestonsburg last weekend.

Smith-Griffith wedding
DeAnna Lynn Smith and Christopher Allen Griffith were united in marriage on Saturday evening, February 17, at the Wheelwright United Methodist Church.

After a honeymoon in Tennessee, they will reside in Prestonsburg.

Mrs. Griffith is the daughter of George Smith of Bypro.
Mr. Griffith is the son of Doris Griffith of Prestonsburg and the late Domain Griffith.

Visits great-grandson
Alleane Adkins of Weeksbury visited her new great-grandson, Andrew Tye Patrick, in Harlan last week.

The baby is the son of Andrew and Heather Patrick.

Attend UK game
Gary and Robin Johnson of Weeksbury attended the University of Kentucky-Georgia basketball game in Lexington last week.

Church breakfast
The Bypro Freewill Baptist Church will host a breakfast on Saturday, February 24, from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. The public is invited.

Singing Spencers
The Singing Spencers performed before a large crowd last Friday night at the Freewill Baptist Church in Bypro.

Wild turkey
preservatives meet

The Sandy Valley Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation met Friday evening, February 16, for a Super Fund Banquet at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonsburg.

Wildlife prints were auctioned and funds donated to promote the Federation's work.

The Eastern Kentucky counties of Pike, Magoffin, Morgan, Johnson, Lawrence, Martin and Floyd make up the Sandy Valley Chapter.

Approximately 150 people attended.

Auxiliary meets
The Highlands Regional Medical Center Auxiliary met February 13, at 4 p.m. in the cafeteria.

The meeting was called to order by President Garnett Fairchild. The inspiration was given by Jane Back and it was entitled, "Hope."

The secretary and treasurer's reports were given.
An announcement was made that inservice will be given by newsletter. TB skin tests are available to all volunteers.

The next meeting will be April 9, 4 p.m. The annual KHA meeting for Valentines will be May 22, at Hyatt Regency, Louisville, National Volunteer Week is April 21-27.

Present for the February 13th meeting was Garnett Fairchild, Danese Amburgey, Myrtle Burchett, Patty Pack, Dorothy Stover, Shirley Nelson, Elizabeth Ramey, Maxine Martin, Margaret Harris, Kathy Allen, Sarah Laven, Susie Burchett, Annis Clark, Kathleen Setser, Jane Back and Aileen Fitch.

Floyd County
Homemakers meet

The Floyd County Homemakers Council met Thursday, February 15, at the Cooperative Extension Service Office.

After a luncheon for club presidents and leaders the business meeting was called to order by Helen Boyd, county president. During the business meeting Theresa Scott, the newly-appointed agent for home economics, presented the following recommendations to the council: to hold an annual cultural arts compe-

tion and to hold the annual homemakers meeting this spring instead of in the fall. The council approved both proposals. Committees were formed to assist in planning these activities. All the homemaker clubs are encouraged to send an officer or member to the Leader Training Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 28, at 10 a.m. at the Cooperative Extension Service Office on South Lake Drive.

Mrs. Scott expressed her appreciation to homemakers. Mary Zemo and Lucy Waddles for helping decorate the kitchen and to staff member Betty Gayheart for planning and preparing the meal.

Those in attendance were Freda Hicks, Hester Leslie, Mary Zemo, Marena Hale, Sharon May, Garnet Fairchild, Dreama Miller, Iris Calhoun, Helen Boyd, Christine Hunt, Dorothy Harris, Dorothy Stover, Mary Sue Moore, Lucy Waddles, Eileen Martin, Pat Spicer, Theresa Scott and Betty Gayheart.

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Births

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January 30: A son, Robert Tyler, to Carmen M. and Robert T. Lee; a son, Zachary David, to Kristen Noel and David Runyon; a son, Leon Jr., to Elaine and Leon Blankenship and Bailey Coena, to Stephanie Ratliff.

January 31: A son, Jarek Nicholas, to Tina Michelle Burke; a son, Darrell Wayne Jr., to Christy Lynn and Darrell Wayne Varney.

February 1: A son, Dustin Blake, to Amanda Dawn and Ralph Harlan Compton; a daughter, Ashley Paige, to Tabitha Dawn and Michael Kevin Hunt; a son, Robert Kyle, to Tammy Sue and Bobby Gene Tucker; a daughter, Haley Deann, to Deidre Lynn and Michael Dean Taylor.

February 2: A daughter, Kayla Anne, to Diana Kimberly and Luther Dawayne Hopkins.

February 3: A daughter, Karissa Danielle, to Alisha Diane and John Henry Bentley Jr.; a son, Ryan Corey, to Jamie Renee and Brian Keith Bunch; a daughter, Chelsey Renee, to Pamela Renee and Bobby Young; a son, William Blake Anderson, to Paula Jean Childress and Dennis Elvis Anderson; a daughter, Lindsey Sue, to Ilene and Jonathon Harris.

February 4: A son, Jordan Russell, to Kimberly Lavon and Norman Russell Marcum.

February 5: A son, Jordan Ryan, to Bonnie Sue and Randy Kevin Fields; a son, Jordan Cole Ingram, to Marietta Jo Hall and Kirby James Ingram.

February 6: A daughter, Keshia Danielle, to Sabrina Dee and Brian Lewis Edward Wilson; a daughter, Porsha Lasha Payne, to Deanna Lynn Patrick and James Trenton Payne; a son, Wynston Davis McKenzie, to Dianne and Brian Hugh Akers; a son, Brian Anthony, to Jennifer Kaye and David Brian Adkins.

February 7: A daughter, Shyanna Lynn, to Angela Sue and

Brandon Scott Newsome; a son, Jordan Ryan Johnson, to Juanita Faye Stump and Glendon Hayes Johnson.

February 8: A daughter, Jenna Alison, to Paula Ann and Joel Scott Compton; a daughter, Makinsey Leann, to Linda Michelle and Keith Edwin Poskas.

February 9: A daughter Elizabeth Kyndra, to Hazel Denise and Donald Matthew Lell.

February 10: A son, Casey, to Pamela and Christopher Hamilton; a son, Terry Austin, to Charlene and Terry Richard Thacker; a son, Samuel Tyler, to Rebecca Eugenia and William Herman Bevins.

February 11: A daughter, Jami Lauren, to Lisa Lynette and James Luther Young.

February 13: A son, Justyn Scott Potter, to Julie Yvonne Johnson and George Michael Potter; a daughter, Shalyn Brooke, to Mary Beth and Opie Rydell McPeck.

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February 6: A daughter, Taylor Brook, to Misty Sue Knott of McDowell; a daughter, Martina Leeann Stacy, to Heidi Michelle Hedges of Inez; a daughter, Jamee Lea, to Erica and James Odus Prince of Prestonsburg; a son, Austin Chance, to Darlene and Jeffery Dean Cornett of Leburn; a daughter, Eden Cheyenne, to Rengie and Kennel Joe Dye of

McDowell.

February 7: A daughter, Samantha Hope Stambaugh, to Debra Lynn Williams of Flat Gap; a son, Trevor Wayne, to Lisa Gail Thompson of Kite.

February 8: A son, Cecil Brian Lonnie, to Lonnie Machel and Cecil Reed of Warfield.

February 9: A daughter, Casserra Alice, to Robin and Michael Brewer of Auxier; a daughter, Emile Morgan Calhoun, to Scarlet B. Conley of Allen.

February 10: A son, Kenneth Chandler, to Amy Louise and Kenneth Darrell Williams of Matewan, West Virginia; a son, Patrick Allen Ferguson, to Belinda Jean Howard of Van Lear.

February 11: A daughter, Haley Leigh-Ann, to Brandy Lynn and Woody Lee Chaffins of Martin.

February 12: A daughter, Montana Lynn, to Joyce Aileen and Jimmy Porter of Salyersville; a daughter, Makayla Dawn, to Melanie Marie and Kenneth R. Bolden of Harold; a son, Larry Tyler Simpkins, to Flora Mae Mullins of Salyersville; a son, Derek Arthur, to Tina and Brett McKenzie of Meally; a son, Zachary Chase, to Lori Denise and Jason Gwinn of Hager Hill.

February 13: A son, Jacob Ryan, to Tammy Lynn and Jeremy W. Marsillett of Tutor Key; a daughter, Jocelyn Rachelle, to Leslie Dawn and Gary Darrell LeMaster of Leander.

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Sunshine Lines

by Beverly Carroll



Senior citizens, I'm having one of those days we are all experience from time to time. You know the kind of day I'm talking about. That kind when you say to yourself things like, "I shouldn't have gotten out of bed this morning," or I woke on the wrong side of the bed," or "Whatever in the world could go wrong has gone wrong today." Actually, my case of the "blahs" started yesterday.

You can relate to those feelings, right? Are you surprised to learn that I am normal just like you? As human beings we all have a host of good days but then we find ourselves having a bad day or two. Most of the time our "blah" days are not prompted by anything catastrophic. If they were, we would know the reason for our feelings and we would understand why we feel as we do. It's just that life doesn't always flow as smoothly as we sometimes think it should.

For most of us, a bad day now and then is nothing to become alarmed about. If they come often, or if we find ourselves in a depressed state most of the time, then certainly we must take measures to correct our problem. If

one's feelings are repetitive or constant one should go for professional counseling. One may need to be evaluated by a psychiatrist so that the doctor can prescribe a medication to help one cope until the cause is diagnosed and treated. But an occasional case of the "blahs" is perfectly normal. However, as human as this experience is, there are some things we should do to help ourselves overcome it.

Yesterday, when I first realized that I had mild case, I didn't think much about it. Looking back, I recall saying to myself, "Oh well, whatever my reason for feeling this way today, it'll pass." However, today, when they were still "hanging on" I was more concerned. It's not like me to be "down" and certainly not for two days in a row. I began to analyze my inner-self and my surroundings a bit more carefully.

Long ago I learned that looking both inward as well as outward gave me significant clues as to why I feel the way I do at a particular time. This self-awareness helps me to define the problem. Once I know what the problem(s) I am able to deal with it objectively.

Once I made myself aware of the factors contributing to my blue mood, I ask myself, "Now is this really all that important?" "Is this something I really need to be so concerned about?" "Should I allow this to affect me as much as it has?" Usually the answer to all of those questions is "No."

After determining what is causing my unwholesome feeling, I strive to put it in its proper perspective and search for ways to

overcome it. Sometimes it goes away by talking with someone. My husband is a good listener. No matter what, I know he is always there for me. Sometimes I share my feelings with a friend. Perhaps I bend the ear of a relative, or my daughter. Sometimes I call my sister or my brother. I usually don't share my "blah" feeling with them, but by talking with them and listening to what is going on in their lives. I oftentimes hang up the phone relaxed and revitalized.

When the weather is warm, we go out on the lake. Water has always had a therapeutic affect on me. Perhaps this comes from fond childhood memories of living only a stone's throw from the mighty Mississippi. Whether I'm out at Jenny Wiley or on Paintsville Lake, or down on Mud Creek fishing with one of my teenage nephews, I'm in a different world far removed from the one I live and work in every day. After returning from the water, whatever problems I may have had either no longer exist or they were able to be managed by my refreshed state of mind. Another thing I do for therapy when I experience these gloomy moods, especially in cold weather when it is not comforting to go near the water, is drive. Once I get behind the wheel I begin to relax. In fact, driving is sometimes a problem for me because I get too relaxed. This, of course, can be extremely dangerous resulting in serious or even deadly consequences. And, believe it or not, I find my work to be extremely therapeutic.

"Well," you're probably thinking. "I've been reading her article and I can certainly relate to what she is saying because I've been there too. But she hasn't told us what she determined her problem to be now that she's analyzed it. I want to know." (If I were reading your article, I'd want to know too.) This is merely the inquisitive side of human nature.

Well, O.K. It's no deep, dark secret. But you'll have to wait until next week to read the final chapter of my "Bout With the Blahs."

In the meantime, if you are experiencing the "blues" here are some therapeutic suggestions that might help you: Go outdoors for a little when while the sun is shining. Being indoors for long periods of time, like most of us have been this winter, is not good for our moods. Pick up the phone and talk with a friend or relative. This can be uplifting. Volunteer to help someone work through a problem. Yours will seem minor in comparison. Get involved in an organization in your community. Become more people-oriented. Socialize. A good place to do this is at your local senior citizen center.

For the name of the center that serves your area call Carol Napier, your Benefits Counseling Coordinator at 886-3876 or toll-free at 1-800-556-3876.

There are several centers in the Big Sandy area. There's one near you. People are there with whom you can interact. And, there is no charge for membership. It's free!

At your local senior citizen center you have friends there you haven't met yet.

Attending G.E.D. classes at Allen Elementary

John R. Pelphrey is a 67-year-old resident of Allen, attending G.E.D. classes at Allen Elementary's Family Resource Center.

Mr. Pelphrey has been married to Minervia Pelphrey for 49 years. He has four children, five grandchildren, and one great-grandson.

Pelphrey is a retired salesman with 35 years of service with the Jewel In-Home Shopping Company known locally as "Jewel Tea." He is currently employed part-time by the Prestonsburg Food City. He also pastors the United Baptist Church of Paintsville.

In a recent interview by the Allen Family Resource Center director, Pelphrey was asked to comment on the reason he felt the need to attend G.E.D. classes. His first response was that he thought he could learn how to improve his English and language skills so he could pronounce words from the bible more fluently.

Pelphrey's education began at Barnett Creek Grade school at Barnett Creek in Johnson County. He later attended high school at Oil Springs for one semester. His reason for leaving high school was to find a job and to be self-supporting

financially. Pelphrey worked at hoeing corn or carrying wash water for 50 cents a day. At the age of 16 he began working as a shoeshine boy in a local barber shop in downtown Paintsville. At the age of 17, he landed a job at John L. Spears

Service Station in Paintsville.

Even though Pelphrey did not complete his education at a younger age, he and his wife stressed to each of their children the need for a good education. He was quoted as saying "Everyone should take the opportunity to learn." He thinks that age or

income should not be a hindrance to anyone these days.

Pelphrey was asked how he felt about his G.E.D. instructor Joyce Hall, and he said "she has the patience of Job. She is kind, understanding, and she knows her job," he said.

He closed the interview with this quote. "Having knowledge is the closest thing to having money." He also encourages everyone without a high school diploma to get involved in the area G.E.D. programs in Floyd County.

Allen Family Resource Center has G.E.D. classes every Tuesday at 11:30-2:30 located at Allen Elementary. Call 874-0621 to sign up.



GED student

At the age of 67, John R. Pelphrey is studying to attain his GED. He is a familiar face to Food City shoppers. Pelphrey always seems to have a friendly smile and a kind word for the store's customers. Also pictured are Joyce Hall, left, and Cathy Campbell, director.

Reynolds crowned Miss Teen East Kentucky

A Floyd County teenager has won a title in the Miss Teen East Kentucky competition held recently at Pikeville.

Monica Majmundar, the daughter of Drs. Gopal and Mina Majmundar of Martin, placed second runner-up in the pageant.

Majmundar competed with eight other girls from Pike, Floyd, Knott, Martin, and Lawrence counties.

Elishia Reynolds of Meta was

crowned the second Miss Teen East Kentucky.

The pageant, held at Booth Auditorium on the campus of Pikeville College, was hosted by WOWK-TV 13 Action News Anchor Sandra Cole and featured Miss Teen East Kentucky 1995 and the reigning Miss Kentucky Teen Brittany Johnson.

First Runner-Up was Carrie Lee, daughter of Lenville and Elizabeth

Lee of Whitesburg. The contestant-voted prize of Miss Congeniality went to Felicia Wright, daughter of Doug and Regina Wright of Red Fox.

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Up a Tree

TREE TOPPING

by Andy Tuttle

Tree topping is the drastic removal or cutting back of large branches in mature trees. The trees are pruned much as a hedge is sheared and the main branches are cut to stubs. This practice of topping is also referred to as heading or dehorning.

Many people have their trees topped by so-called professionals when they believe their trees have reached an unsafe height. They fear that strong winds or storms will cause their trees to topple. This fear is largely unjustified. The extensive root system of a healthy tree provides adequate support for the tree. An old healthy tree with a good root system is actually less likely to blow over than a smaller tree with a smaller, less developed root system.

Some landowners believe that the stimulation of the new growth associated with topping is actually beneficial to the tree. Although the tree appears rejuvenated with many new branches, this only hides the real damage. Those new branches are referred to a "water sprouts" or "suckers." They are not as structurally sound as naturally occurring branches, and tend to fall off every time the wind blows.

Large trees are also topped because they interfere with overhead utility lines, buildings, or

other areas where sunlight is needed.

In some of these situations, removing large limbs may be necessary; however, correct pruning alternatives such as early training, selective thinning of branches and limbs, or tree removal should be adopted where feasible.

Topping can damage trees in many ways:

- Removing much of the tree canopy upsets the crown-to-root ratio and seriously affects the tree's food supply.

- Removing the tree's normal canopy suddenly exposes the bark to the sun's direct rays, often scalding newly exposed bark.

- Topping removes all the existing buds which would normally produce healthy branches.

- Large branch stubs seldom close up or callus. This leaves the stubs vulnerable to insects and decay.

- Topping stimulates suckers which consist of succulent growth that is more susceptible to disease and insects such as aphids and caterpillars.

- Since sucker growth is rapid and vigorous, a topped tree will grow back to its original height quicker and denser than properly pruned trees.

- Some species such as sugar maple, oak, and beech do not regularly produce suckers. Without the

resulting foliage, the tree quickly dies.

There are situations where reducing the tree crown is desirable and necessary. A less damaging alternative for accomplishing this is "thinning out" which involves removing selected branches by pruning them to the lower lateral branches. This reduces the tree's height and spread while retaining its natural shape. Only selected portions of the tree's canopy are removed, reducing the possibility of sun-scaled damage. Pruning cuts are made close to the trunk, leaving only the collar of the removed branch instead of stubs. These pruning cuts are less conspicuous than those left from topping, and they heal more rapidly and completely, thinning out requires greater skill and time than topping, but in most situations, it is well worth it.

In many circumstances, it may be better to remove a tree you consider too large and replace it with a smaller one.

Before replanting, consider the potential height and spread of the tree at full maturity. Avoid planting where the tree will eventually interfere with utility lines and other obstacles. Careful planning can often eliminate the necessity of drastic pruning in the future.

Topping damages hundreds of large trees in Floyd County. Many people are unaware of the detrimen-

tal effects of topping. Others regard trees as blocks of wood rather than living organisms that can be easily injured.

Properly pruned trees are more healthy and attractive than trees that have been topped.

For more information and assistance on how to properly prune trees, contact a forester with the Division of Forestry at 478-4495.

Editor's Note: Andy Tuttle is a service forester with the Kentucky Division of Forestry in Betsy Layne. He is one of three foresters responsible for providing management recommendations to the landowners in six counties, including Floyd. For more information on forest management call the KDF at (606) 478-4495.

Health Matters

by Christophehr Fleming

EXERCISE AND HDL

By now most people are aware that exercise improves their cholesterol profile, that good versus bad battle that is constantly going on in our bloodstreams.

Just a quick refresher course here. There are several types of blood cholesterol. The two that play the most important role in coronary heart disease are LDL and HDL. LDL is the bad cholesterol that causes plaque to build up in the coronary arteries which may lead to heart attacks. HDL is the good cholesterol that removes LDL.

Here is where exercise comes in. Cardiovascular exercise has been shown to increase HDL levels, even though total cholesterol may be unchanged. The question researchers have yet to answer decisively is how much exercise and at what intensity does it take for this to happen. A study done at the Human Energy Research Lab at the University of Pittsburgh may give us a clue. The study found that it took an intensity of 75 percent of VO2 max to have a significant (13 percent) immediate increase in HDL. VO2 max is a measurement of the maximum amount of cardiovascular work you can do. This would roughly correspond to 75 percent of your maximal heart rate. For the average person this means exercising at an intensity where he/she is perspiring and "can talk but not sing."

Other research has suggested that regular exercise at a lower intensity may also improve HDL levels in the long term.

While much more work needs to be done to give us a clear picture, for now the best advice for someone who needs to improve his or her cholesterol profile is to exercise regularly at a moderate to high intensity unless their physician recommends otherwise.

Tip of the Week: Your HDL to total cholesterol ratio should be less than 4.0.

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Coloring contest winner

Courtney Wireman, daughter of Rondall Wireman of Hueysville was declared the winner, last week, of the coloring contest from the 1995 Shrine Circus sponsored by the El Hasa Jenny Wiley and Knott County Shrine Clubs. She was awarded \$25 by Jerome Hicks of the Jenny Wiley Shrine Club. The 1996 Shrine Circus will be held April 2 at the Knott Central High School at Hindman.

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Sixth birthday

Dane Steven Sizemore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Terry Sizemore of Martin, celebrated his sixth birthday on January 28 at the Archer Park Skating Rink. He was joined by friends and family who helped him observe the occasion. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Merle M. May and Mr. and Mrs. Millard Sizemore of Martin and the great-grandson of Dean R. Merritt of Emma and Rufus Stephens of Martin.



Host families for international students in Floyd

Foreign high school students are scheduled to arrive soon for academic semesters homestays and the sponsoring organization needs a few more host families in Floyd County.

According to Pacific Intercultural Exchange (P.I.E.) Executive Director, John Doty, the students are all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, are English-speaking, have their own spending money, carry accident and health insurance, and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. P.I.E. currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

P.I.E. area representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting.

Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the perfect match. As there are no "typical" host families, P.I.E. can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it be a single parent, a childless couple, a retired couple or a large family.

Families who host for P.I.E. are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, P.I.E. has students from Spain, Germany, Poland, Russia, Finland, Denmark, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Paraguay, Australia, New Zealand, Croatia, and many other countries. P.I.E. has also been invited to participate in a special government-funded program to bring scholarship students from the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union to the United States.

P.I.E. is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 18,000 students from 40

countries since its founding in 1975.

The organization is designed by the United States Information Agency and is listed by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), certifying that the organization complies with the standards set forth in CSIET's Standards for International Educational Travel Programs.

Doty encourages families to contact the program immediately, as it will allow the proper time for the students and hosts to get to

know one another before they actually meet for the first time.

Prestonsburg area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting with a community representative may call P.I.E., toll-free, at 1-800-631-1818 or via the internet at <http://www.pieusa.org>. The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

PCC professor's art featured in traveling exhibit

The work of Tom Whitaker, professor of art at Prestonsburg Community College, is featured in a traveling exhibition which is currently on display at PCC.

Whitaker's work is included in "Images from the Mountains: A Traveling Exhibit of Appalachian Artists." The exhibit opened February 9 at the PCC Art Gallery in the Magoffin Learning Resource Center. It continues there through February 24. Also featured in this exhibit are works by Patricia Kowalok and Regina Smith, both of Pikeville, and Catherine Wells of Flat Gap.

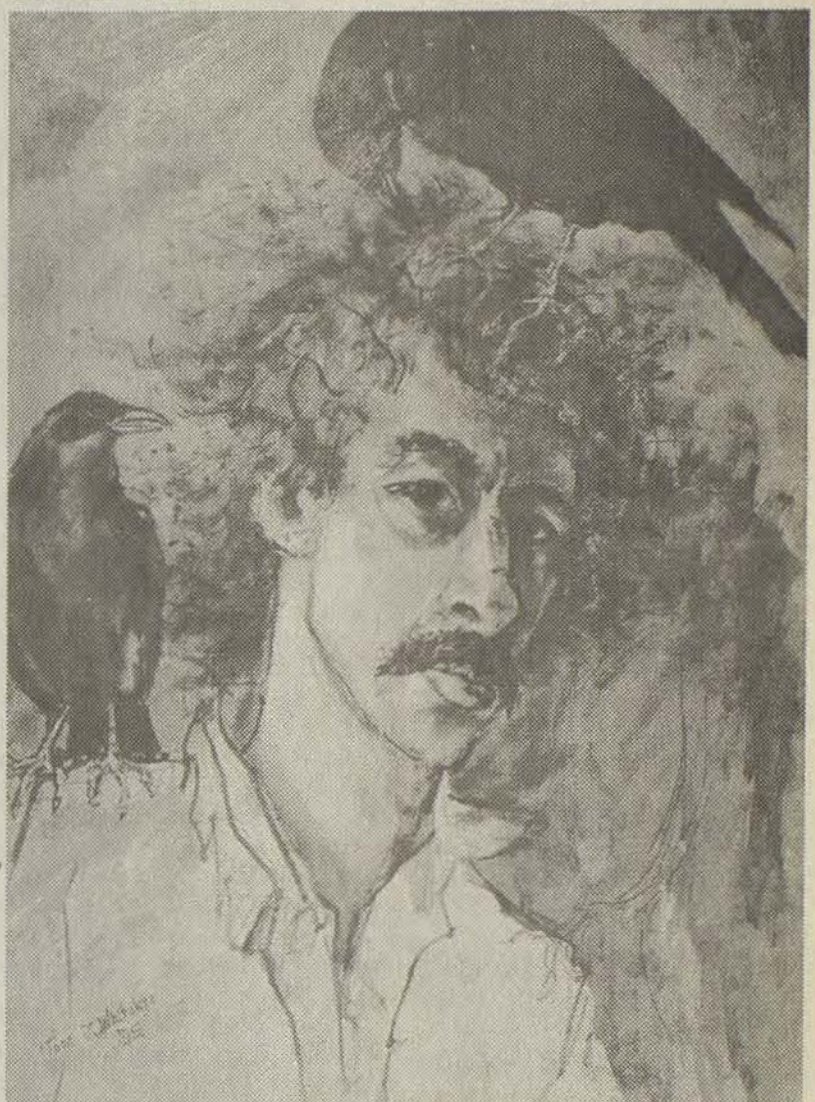
"Images from the Mountains" includes 20 paintings and prints from 16 Eastern Kentucky artists. Now in its 10th year, the "Images" show is the only annual exhibit of emerging and established artists in the region. It is sponsored by Appalshop, the media arts organization in Whitesburg, with support from the Appalachian Center of the University of Kentucky.

Each year a different distinguished juror is chosen to select the show from the entries submitted. This year, Suzanne Stryk, an artist and art historian who teaches at the William King Arts Center in Abingdon, Virginia, chose the work and selected "Awards of Excellence" totaling \$500.

A complete list of artists featured in his exhibit includes Wendy Adams of Richmond, Patricia Kowalok of Pikeville, Sharon Asher of Heidelberg, David Lucas of Haymond, Patricia Chapman of Ashland, Dal Macon of Emyln, Jeff Chapman-Crane of Eolia, William Napier of London, Al Cornett of Slade, Michael Ousley of Morehead, Jamie Cornett of

Hazard, Regina Smith of Pikeville, Robert Franzini of Morehead, Catherine Wells of Flat Gap, Ronnie Gevedon of Cannel City, and Tom Whitaker of Preston-

sburg. The exhibit will tour 12 Eastern Kentucky sites in 1996. For more information, call 886-3863, ext. 417.



"Images from the Mountains"
"I'm Crazy But I Ain't Stupid" is the title of a painting by Tom Whitaker of Prestonsburg, professor of art at PCC. It is on display at the PCC Art Gallery through February 24 as part of the 10th Annual "Images from the Mountains: A Traveling Exhibit of Appalachian Artists."



Turns 100

Grace M. Conley celebrated her 100th birthday January 23 with a party at her daughter's home in Mascoutah, Illinois. She lived on South Highland Avenue in Prestonsburg for more than 40 years.

Conley celebrates 100th birthday

Former Prestonsburg resident Grace M. Conley celebrated her centennial birthday on January 23 at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Glenda and Eugene (Pete) Petrovich in Mascoutah, Illinois.

Mrs. Conley has lived in Illinois with her daughter for the last two years. Before moving to Illinois, she lived on South Highland Avenue in Prestonsburg for more than 40 years.

She was born January 23, 1896 in Knott County. She is one of 14 children born to Andrew and Ellen Mosley. She married her husband, Watt Conley, former resident of Salt Lick, on July 22, 1912. The couple raised 11 children.

Watt died in 1970.

Mrs. Conley credits her longevity to hard work and a strong belief in God. Conley says people should live their lives for the Lord. One of her favorite activities is reading the Bible on a daily basis. She has been a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church in New Salem Association in Kentucky for 64 years. She says she enjoys the preaching and gospel singing services there.

Conley's longevity may also be credited to her family history. Her mother lived to be 104 years old. An uncle died at the age of 102, and her grandfather lived into his nineties.

Conley says she is looking forward to returning to Prestonsburg on Memorial Day weekend when she will attend a family reunion.

In addition to her daughter, Glenda Petrovich, her children include Ann Sparks of Orlando, Florida; Alma Burruss of Prestonsburg; Sylvia Cooley of Jonesboro, Arkansas; and Arvil Conley of Otisco, Indiana.

She has 26 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and 18 great-great-grandchildren.



Slim Goodbody

The McDowell Family Resource Center sponsored a musical health show. The show starred Bill Strong, Slim Goodbody's Best Friend. The show was about the heart, lungs, bones, muscles, senses, digestive system, hands, skin and healthy habits. Songs were sung and enjoyed by all McDowell Elementary and Drift Head Start students.

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Business/Real Estate

TIME magazine honors Paintsville auto dealer

Proctor Brown receives 1996 award

TIME Magazine has named Proctor Brown, dealer and owner, of Brown's Auto Sales Inc., in Paintsville, as a recipient of the 1996 TIME Magazine Quality Dealer Award (TMQDA).



Proctor Brown

The announcement was made February 10th by Jack Haire, publisher of TIME Magazine, and James W. Barnett, Vice President Original Equipment Tire Sales, Worldwide of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, during the National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) Convention in Las Vegas. Brown and other award winners were honored at the opening business meeting of this year's NADA Convention, attended by more than 20,000 individuals involved in the automobile industry.

Brown is one of only 66 dealers, from more than 20,500 nationwide, to be nominated for the magazine's 27th national award. Sponsored in association with Goodyear and in cooperation with the NADA, the annual TMQDA program recognizes outstanding new car dealers for exceptional performance in their dealerships and distinguished community service. Winners are selected by a panel of faculty members from the University of Michigan Graduate School of Business

Administration. In acknowledgment of the University's participation, TIME Magazine makes an annual grant of scholarship funds to the Graduate School of Business Administration in the names of TIME, Goodyear, NADA and all TMQDA winners.

A native of Kentucky, Brown began his automotive career in 1953 as a salesman with Pack Chevrolet in West Liberty. Two years later, he became used car dealer for Brown's Auto Sales in Paintsville. Three years later, he became the new car dealer at Brown's where today he markets the Ford automotive line.

Nominated to receive the 27th annual TMQDA by the Kentucky Automobile Dealers Association, Brown has been a member of that organization for twenty-five years and currently serves on the board of directors and the executive committee. On the board of directors for the Cincinnati Region of the Ford Dealers Advertising Fund, Brown has also been honored with numerous automotive awards throughout his professional career, including the Distinguished Achievement Dealer Award.

Brown is active in his community where he is chairman of the Bobby Mullins Scholarship Fund, trustee of the Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Hospital and a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Bobby Mullins Scholarship Fund is in memory of a boy who was killed in an auto accident. The fund provides full college scholarships to the senior student who shows great potential. Since its inception, the fund has helped over fifteen high school seniors attend college.

Brown resides in Paintsville, with his wife, Hanna. They are the parents of six, and the grandparents of eleven. Two of Brown's sons, Roger and Michael, participate at the dealership.

BellSouth will expand local calling areas under new service

BellSouth customers in Allen, Martin, McDowell, Prestonsburg and Wayland who subscribe to BellSouth's Area Calling Service (ACS) will have their local calling area expanded to include Pikeville on February 22. That's because the Kentucky Public Service Commission has approved BellSouth's proposal to allow customers choosing ACS an expanded local calling area.

"Customers have been asking for a way to lower the cost of calling long distance to nearby communities. This service clearly fits that need," said Paul Smith, BellSouth Regional Manager.

Customers will have three choices. They can stay with their current telephone service or choose one of two new options which offer an extended local calling area.

With one option of the Area Calling Service Plan, the local calling area is extended, the customer's monthly rate is lowered and there is

a charge for each call made in the local calling area. Residence customers would pay \$9 per month (\$8 if they did not want Local Call detail—a detailed list of their calls) plus per-call charges on all local calls based on distance, length and time of day of the call. The monthly charge for business customers will be \$30 or \$27 without the Local Call Detail option, plus per-call charges.

Under the second option, there will be a flat fee of \$28 for residence customers and \$82 for business customers for unlimited calling in the new calling area.

"Area Calling Service helps customers control their telephone bills. It could really benefit customers who now make a great deal of long distance calls to nearby communities each month," said Smith. "And the lower monthly charge could also help some people get phone services who may not have been able to afford it before."



Clinic staff

Dr. Smith, neurosurgeon in Highlands Clinic, is pictured with members of Highlands Clinic staff. From left are Nancy Sparkman; Jeanne LeMaster; Wanda Sublett; Kim South; Dr. Terry Smith; Carolyn Prater, clinic supervisor; and Melodie Blair.

New neurosurgeon in Highlands Clinic

Highlands Regional Medical Center has offered neurosurgery services since early 1986. For patients with disc injuries of the back, head injuries from motor vehicle accidents and numerous other neurological conditions, the availability of diagnostic neurosurgery in eastern Kentucky meant that patients, already in pain from their injuries were spared to travel great distances for evaluation and diagnosis. Neurosurgery services were and are now available in Highlands Clinic.

Neurosurgery is defined as surgery of the nervous system designed to restore normal conductivity in malfunctioning nerve fibers or to improve blood flow in nerve tissue. To date, hundreds, perhaps

thousands of patients have benefited from the University of Kentucky's outreach neurosurgery clinic at Highlands. Terry Smith, M.D., Board Certified Neurosurgeon from the University of Kentucky currently provides medical care in the clinic. He stated that with the capabilities at Highlands to perform in-depth neurological testing, including Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Computerized Axial Tomography (CAT scan), Carotid Ultrasound, and Cardiac Stress testing, patients can receive comprehensive evaluation and diagnosis in Highlands Clinic. Should a patient require a neurosurgery procedure, the procedure could be done at the university with follow-up care provided in

Highlands Clinic, a savings in time and money for the patient and less pain due to travel.

Dr. Smith is from Lexington. He received his bachelor's degree from Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tennessee; received his medical degree from the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond, Virginia; performed his internship in general surgery at the Medical College of Virginia; and performed his residency in neurosurgery at the University of Kentucky, Chandler Medical Center. Dr. Smith received his board certification in neurosurgery in 1994.

Patients seen in the neurosurgery clinic must be referred by their family physician.

Pikeville National Corporation announces two promotions

Terry Coleman, president and CEO of Pikeville National Corporation recently announced two new appointments. Timothy J. Wesley has assumed the position of President and CEO of The Woodford Bank and Trust Company in Versailles, an affiliate of Pikeville National Corporation. Roger Davis has been named senior vice-president/credit administrator for Pikeville National Corporation, headquartered in Pikeville.

Wesley came to Pikeville National Corporation from National City Corporation of Louisville, in 1992 and most recently served as vice-president and chief credit administrator for the corporation. He holds a degree in Business

Administration from Oklahoma State University and has been extremely active in the Pikeville community. His relocation to Versailles will provide the community with an outstanding and active community leader.

Davis also joined Pikeville National Corporation in 1992 as vice president of Commercial Lending for Pikeville National Bank, the corporation's lead bank. Prior to joining Pikeville National he served in numerous lending capacities for Central Bancorporation of Cincinnati, Ohio. Davis, who currently resides in Pikeville, holds a Master of Business Administration from Kent State University.

Money Management

RECORDKEEPING 101

If you needed your 1992 tax return in a hurry, would you know where to look? What about last month's mutual fund statement? Or last year's cancelled checks? If you answered "no" to these questions, you're not alone. Most people amass so much financial documentation, that they don't know how to organize it all. But don't give up. The Kentucky Society of CPAs says recordkeeping is vital to effective money management, and offers this primer on what you should retain, why, and for how long.

YOUR TAX RETURNS

Keep all federal tax returns and supporting documents for at least six years. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) generally has three years after your return is filed to assess tax. (If you filed your return prior to the due date, it's deemed filed on the due date.) This three-year statute of limitations is extended to six years if amounts in excess of 25 percent of your reported gross income have been omitted from your return. If you file a fraudulent tax return, the IRS can come after you at any time. State laws on tax audits vary, so be sure to check with local authorities before discarding old returns.

While it's generally safe to discard tax-supporting documents after six years, it's a good idea to keep your tax returns indefinitely. Copies of past returns can help remind you of carryover items, such as capital losses and depreciation, for your current return.

YOUR INVESTMENT DOCUMENTS

It's important to retain trade confirmation notices you receive from your stockbroker or mutual fund when you buy or sell securities. You'll need the information to calculate your capital gains and losses. When you sell an investment, it's a good idea to attach the buy and sell confirmation form to your copy of your tax return for that year to document the capital gain or loss you reported.

Keep your monthly brokerage or mutual fund statements at least until you receive your annual statement. If that statement summarizes all transactions and related data for the year, toss your monthly statements.

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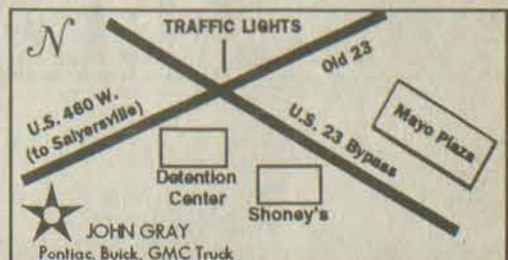
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 436-5121, Amendment #3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 415 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a permit for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining operation located 1.0 miles northwest of Beaver in Floyd County. The amendment will add 0.0 acres of surface disturbance and underlie an additional 335.00 acres making a total area of 2090.55 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.75 mile west from KY 979's junction with Mitchell Branch Road and located 0.75 miles west of Mud Creek. The latitude is 37° 24' 37". The longitude is 82° 39' 55".

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The proposed amendment will underlie land owned by the Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Mary Ann Patrick, John and Ida Keathley, Kay Preston, Blaine Slone, Joseph Mining Company, Jenny Alley, Premium Elk Horn and David Akers. The operation includes room and pillar method of underground mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement for the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Addington Enterprises, Inc., 1500 North Big Run Road, Ashland, Kentucky 41102 has applied for Phase I bond release on Increment 18 of permit number 836-0242, which was last issued on 1/7/85. The application covers and area of approximately 226.16 acres located 1.75 miles northeast of German in Floyd County. The permit area is

approximately 1.0 mile north from Crooked Branch Road's junction with KY 194 and located 0.25 mile east of Copperas Creek. The latitude is 37° 42' 30". The longitude is 82° 36' 57".

The bond now in effect for Increment #18 is a Surety Bond in the amount of \$40,100.00. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$40,000 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading and revegetation and was conducted in Spring 1992.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by 3/28/96.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 4/2/96 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 3/28/96.

LEGAL NOTICE Permit To Fill in Flood Plain Floyd County Board of Education Prestonsburg High School Renovation

Notice is hereby given that the Floyd County Board of Education, Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY, has filed an application with the Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct, in the flood plain, renovations to the existing Prestonsburg High School site, located on North Arnold Avenue in Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky. The construction proposed includes floodproofing of the existing building by construction of a flood wall around the perimeter of the existing building, earth fill in the existing parking lot and other areas, and construction of new building structures along the perimeter of the existing building, fronting State Route 1428. Any comments or objections concerning this application should be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water Resources, 18 Reilly Road, Frankfort, KY 40601; phone number 502-564-3410.

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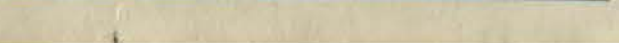
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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Stanford Elkhorn, Inc., Box 1394, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-6582) intends to apply for a Phase I and II bond release for Permit No. 436-7001 which was last issued on September 21, 1994. The permit covers a surface area of approximately 8.95 acres and no underground area. The operation is located approximately 2.8 miles south of Allen in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 2.0 miles south of the junction of KY 1426 and US 23.

The Latitude is 37° 34' 11" and the longitude is 82° 42' 49", and is located on the Lancer 7 1/2 minute U.S.G.S. quadrangle maps.

The performance bond (Surety) now in effect for the operation is \$10,000.00 which approximately 85% is to be included in this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: this permit is for access road only which is to be left as a permanent facility. Results thus far achieved include: establishment the approved post mining land use plan (which is permanent road).

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by March 29, 1996, which is within 30 days of the final advertisement of this application for bond release.

A hearing date for this bond release request has been set for April 1, 1996 at 1:00 p.m., at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Written comments, objections, or requests for a hearing must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601.

The scheduled public hearing will be cancelled if the Cabinet does not receive a request for the public hearing within thirty (30) days of the final advertisement, which is March 29, 1996.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5106 Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Branham & Baker Coal Company, Inc., 148 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has filed for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 1 mile southeast of Pyramid, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 91 surface acres and will underlie an additional 1476.90 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 1567.90 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.75 miles Southeast from Kentucky Route No. 850 junction with Pitts Fork Road and 0.4 miles North of Pitts Fork Road of Left Fork of Middle Creek. The latitude is 37° 33' 50", the longitude is 82° 51' 36".

The proposed operation is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Wendell Watson, Phyllis and Kenneth Reffett, J.T. and Anna Lee Thornsburg, Elmer Ratliff, Billy Reffett, Ina Thornsburg, Peachie Pitts, Oscar Ousley, Mont Ousley Heirs, Dewey Hughes and Glenn Hurd. The operation will underlie land owned by Wendell Watson, Steve Haywood, Phyllis and Kenneth Reffett, J.T. and Anna Thornsburg, Elmer Reffett, Billy Reffett, Ina

Thornsburg, Peachie Pitts, Oscar Ousley, Mont Ousley Heirs, Dewey Hughes, Glenn Hurd, Susie Ousley, Newberry Pitts, Shade Pitts, Richard Pitts, Dave Kilburn, Floyd and Edna Davis, George Thornsburg, Bobby Bradley Heirs, Wayland Pitts, Rufus and Ada Stephens, Jake Halbert, Mary Ratliff, Ed Shepherd, Henry Justice, Cecil Ousley, Alza Click, Cecil David Ousley, Robert Tussey, Jeosey Tussey, Bill Fred Tussey, Ellis Reffett, Julie Ousley, Lou Jean Tussey Donnie Ed Ousley, Taylor Ousley, Cefis Ousley, Kenneth Prater and Gracey Risner.

The application has been filed for public inspection at Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Gas & Go, Inc. doing business at U.S. 23 North, Harold, Kentucky 41635, with officers: Gary K. Coleman, P.O. Box 111, Pikeville, KY 41501 as President; Terrell E. Coleman, 207 Walnut Drive, Pikeville, KY 41502, as Vice President; hereby declares its intention to apply for a license as a retail package beer dealer under the state law.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Surface Mining and Reclamation and Enforcement, Division of Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

Costain Coal, Inc., 436-0044, Issued 1/30/96; Premium Elkhorn Coal, 436-5208, Issued, 1/16/96; Douglas Coal Corporation, 636-5023, Issued, 1/09/96; Vagabond Coal Co., 836-0218, Denied, 1/18/96; Pen Coal Corporation, 836-0241, Issued, 1/26/96; Premium Elkhorn Coal, 836-5059, Issued, 1/02/96; Clark Elkhorn Coal, 836-5196, Issued, 1/22/96; Tram Coal Co., 836-5242, Denied, 1/25/96; MATT/CO., Inc., 836-5271, Issued, 1/26/96; Richardson Fuel, Inc., 836-5273, Issued, 1/22/96. W-2/21

PUBLIC HEARING RESCHEDULED

Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. will conduct a public hearing on **Wednesday, April 10, 1996 at 10 a.m., May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.** The public hearing had originally been scheduled for Friday, February 23, 1996, but had to be rescheduled.

The purpose of the public hearing is for the consideration of an application for federal funds for capital purchases and operating assistance for the time period of July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997, for rural public transportation services for the residents of Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties in Kentucky. There is no significant environmental impact and all policies and regulations

regarding individuals with disabilities and the elderly will be complied with accordingly. Comments may be made in person, or through written submissions. The application will be available for public inspection at SVTS' office, 80 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky on April 1, 1996.

Many Americans Use Herbal Supplement To Improve Memory

(NAPS)—Can't remember what you had for dinner last night? Having a hard time recalling that great joke you heard two days ago? If the answer's yes, you're not alone.

Americans as young as 35 are forgetting more and concentrating less—problems usually seen in older patients. And the prospects for America's mental acuity are growing increasingly dim, says a new national survey of physicians—internists and family practitioners—from across the country.

According to the survey, which was commissioned by Pharmaton Natural Health Products, a division of Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc.:

- Four out of five physicians said people today 35 years and older experience some kind of memory or concentration problem.

- Three out of four doctors expect this trend to worsen in the next ten years.

In fact, the situation may actually be more widespread than many people realize. The survey also found that 90 percent of doctors believe some patients have a memory or concentration problem, but don't discuss it with them.

"It is not uncommon today to hear baby boomers complaining that they can't remember what they had for dinner the night before or that their attention span isn't what it once was," said Paul J. Rosch, M.D., F.A.C.P., clinical professor of medicine and psychiatry at New York Medical College and president of The American Institute of Stress.

"The good news is that often these problems are a matter of lifestyle and, in many cases, are reversible just by making changes in our behavior and habits."

Dr. Rosch offers ten tips to improve mental performance including:

- **Get Your ZZZ's.** Getting enough sleep is a vital step in maximizing mental energy. Sleep deprivation lowers the immune system defenses and leads to mental fatigue, which is often at the heart of poor decision-making. Poor sleep patterns, for example, have been implicated in such disasters as the Exxon Valdez and Three Mile Island. Sleep deprivation headed renowned Harvard University behavioral scientist B.F. Skinner's list of symptoms comprising mental fatigue in a speech he made some years ago to the American Psychological Association. More recent studies show that nearly one out of four adults suffers from some sort of sleep problem, such as difficulty in falling asleep or staying asleep.

- **An Apple A Day.** A well-balanced diet is important to maintain the overall health of bodily systems and functions. Not least of all, proper nutrition is key to keeping our mental abilities functioning at their peak. A diet that is rich in fruits, vegetables, and complex carbohydrates, with a limited amount of protein is recommended by health experts. Some recommend cutting back on fatty meat and other kinds of animal fats that contribute to ath-

eroclerosis or arteries clogged with cholesterol deposits. Clogged arteries prevent blood from circulating freely within the brain and the rest of the body.

If your diet isn't as balanced as it should be, Dr. Rosch advises patients to consider nutritional supplements, including vitamins and antioxidants that help slow the aging process. Interest in dietary supplements, long established in other countries, is now growing in the U.S. For example, a new dietary supplement called ginkoba™, which has been shown to increase blood flow and improve memory and concentration, is now widely available in America. ginkoba is a natural herbal supplement that is also an antioxidant. It has been a part of the daily nutritional regimen of many Europeans for some years now. It contains the standardized Ginkgo biloba extract that has been the subject of more than 400 scientific and clinical studies, making it one of the most extensively researched herbs in the world.

- **Calm Down.** Stress accelerates the aging process; those who reduce stress and/or learn how to handle it better are more likely to stay mentally alert longer than those who don't. Stress causes the release of hormones which are designed to help you deal better with a crisis or a threatening situation. However, when we're under stress on a regular basis, stress hormones take their toll. Prolonged exposure to these hormones can cause damage to cells in the hippocampus, the portion of the brain that is crucial for both learning and memory. Eventually, the hippocampus atrophies and shrinks, reducing learning proficiency and memory skills. This has been confirmed by researchers, who have found a direct correlation between smaller hippocampal size and poor ability to recall words and pictures, sometimes only a few minutes after exposure.

For a free brochure featuring more of Dr. Rosch's tips for improving mental performance, call 1-800-GINKOBA.

Family Facts And Figures

(NAPS)—Although the percent of American children living in single parent households has increased over the past generation, from 12 to 26 percent, so have the resources available to these families. Consider these facts and figures:

Single parent households grew from five percent of all U.S. households in 1970 to nine percent in 1990. In addition, many single parents and their children have moved into the homes of the youngster's grandparents or the households of friends.

Single parent households with children under the age of 18 numbered 8.6 million in 1990.

Twenty-five percent of all births in the U.S. today are to unmarried women, an increase from 11 percent in 1970.

Sixty-one percent of all children can expect to spend at least part of their formative years in a single parent household.

To help single parent families deal with the social and financial problems that can go along with their family status, the organization Parents Without Partners was formed almost 40 years ago.

This 85,000-plus mem-

ber group offers educational activities; family outings such as picnics, hikes, camping, bowling, arts and crafts projects, etc. for children and their parents; adult social activities; cooperative exchanges such as babysitting, clothing or toy exchanges; The Single Parent newsletter/"magazine"; advocacy for single parents and their children on Capitol Hill and elsewhere; scholarships; access to group insurance programs and purchasing

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To learn more or for a membership application, write Parents Without Partners International, Inc., Dept. N, 401 North Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611-4267; or call 800-637-7974.

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FRENCH SILK CHOCOLATE PIE

CREAM:
1 stick margarine
3/4 cup sugar
Beat well.
ADD: 1 egg
Beat exactly 5 minutes.
THEN ADD: 1 egg (2 total)
Again, beat exactly 5 minutes.
MELT: 2 ozs. chocolate
Add to creamed mixture.
STIR IN: 1 tsp. vanilla
Pour into baked 9-inch pie shell.
Chill until set.
Serve with whipped cream and nuts.

DELICIOUS REFRIGERATOR PICKLES

DRAIN WELL, leaving pickles in jar:
1 (24-oz.) jar kosher dill strips
COMBINE in saucepan:
1 1/2 cups sugar
1 cup cold water
Boil 5 minutes. Cool. Syrup must be thin.
When syrup is cool, pour over pickles.
ADD: 1 split clove of garlic, peeled
Allow to stand in refrigerator 4 to 5 days before using.
Note: These pickles will keep indefinitely in the refrigerator.

SPREAD FOR HAM AND CHEESE SANDWICHES

Preheat oven to 350°.
COMBINE:
1/2 cup softened butter
1 to 2 tbsps. poppy seed
3 tbsps. prepared mustard
1 large onion, finely chopped
Spread on buns. Place slices of ham and cheese on each bun.
Wrap in foil.
BAKE in 350° oven 15 minutes.
Note: Sandwiches can be made ahead and refrigerated till used. If so, add to baking time. Other meat can be substituted for ham.

BREAKFAST QUICHE

COOK until crisp: 8 slices bacon
Drain. Reserve 1 tbsp. drippings.
Crumble bacon. Set aside.
COMBINE:
1/2 cup cornflake crumbs
Reserved bacon drippings
Set aside.
In medium sized bowl, **BEAT UNTIL FOAMY:** 5 eggs
STIR IN:
1 1/2 cups (4-ozs.) shredded Swiss cheese
2 1/2 cups frozen hash-brown potatoes
1 green onion, thinly sliced
4 drops liquid pepper sauce
1/2 cup cottage cheese
1/8 tsp. pepper
1/3 cup milk
1 tsp. salt
Pour into greased 9-inch pie plate.
SPRINKLE WITH:
Cornflake crumbs
Crumbed bacon
Cover. Refrigerate overnight.
BAKE uncovered in 325° oven 50 minutes, or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Serves 6.

ITALIAN PIZZA

CRUST
Dissolve in 1 1/2 cups warm water:
1 (1/4-oz.) pkg. dry yeast
ADD: 2 tbsps. shortening
Stir until shortening is melted.
THEN ADD: 6 cups flour
Knead on floured board until

elastic. Roll out to 1/16-inch thickness.
Place on pizza pans or cookie sheets. Chill until ready to use.
SAUCE
COMBINE and heat until flavors blend:
1 tsp. oregano
1 tsp. rosemary
1 (12-oz.) can tomato paste
1 paste can of water
1 tsp. salt
2 tbsps. oil
1 tsp. basil
1/4 tsp. pepper
Place several tablespoons of sauce on each crust.
SPRINKLE WITH:
Shredded yellow and white mozzarella cheese
COVER WITH 1 or more of following:
Pepperoni slices
Beef and onion
Pork sausage
Anchovies
Mushrooms
Note: This is a large recipe. The extra pizzas can be frozen.

OATMEAL MUFFINS

COMBINE:
1 cup quick oats
1 cup buttermilk
Let stand 1 hour.
ADD:
1/2 cup melted shortening
1 tsp. baking powder
1 cup brown sugar
1/2 tsp. soda
1/2 tsp. salt
1 cup flour
1 egg
Mix only until all ingredients are moistened.
Batter will appear slightly lumpy. Pour into greased muffin tins.
BAKE in 400° oven for 20 minutes. Makes 1 dozen.

GERMAN PANCAKE

BEAT until light: 3 eggs
ADD, while beating:
1/2 cup flour
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 cup milk
Generously butter sides and bottom of cold 10-inch iron skillet. Pour batter into skillet.
BAKE in 400° oven 20 to 25 minutes, reducing heat gradually. Pancake will puff up at sides and be crisp and brown. It can be served with confectioners sugar and cinnamon, or spread with jam or preserves, or topped with fruit sauce or rum sauce. Serve immediately. Serves 2.

CHEESE STRUESEL COFFEE CAKE

COMBINE:
1 1/2 cups dry packaged yellow cake mix
(reserve remainder for topping)
1 (1/4-oz.) pkg. dry yeast
2/3 cup warm water
1 cup flour
2 eggs
Beat 2 minutes with rotary mixer. Spread in greased 13x9x2-inch pan. Spread with Cheese Filling (below).
Sprinkle with Struesel Topping (below).
BAKE in 350° oven 40 to 45 minutes. Cool.
Drizzle with Glaze (below).

CHEESE FILLING

COMBINE:
1 tbsp. flour
1 tsp. lemon juice
2 (8-oz.) pkgs. cream cheese, softened

2 eggs
1/4 cup sugar
Beat 2 minutes with rotary mixer.
Struesel Topping
MIX UNTIL CRUMBLY:
Reserved yellow cake mix
6 tbsps. butter or margarine, softened
GLAZE
Combine:
1 cup confectioners sugar, sifted
1 tsp. corn syrup
1 tsp. water
ADD: Enough lemon juice to make glaze pourable
Note: This coffee cake freezes well.

MINIATURE MUSHROOM MUFFINS

DRAIN reserving 1/4 cup liquid:
1 (4-oz.) can mushroom pieces
CHOP mushrooms to a uniform

size.
SAUTE lightly in: 1 tbsp. butter
SIFT TOGETHER into bowl:
2 cups sifted flour
3 tbsps. baking powder
1/4 cup sugar
3/4 tsp. salt
BEAT lightly: 1 egg
STIR IN: 1/2 cup grated cheddar cheese
1/4 cup melted shortening
Reserved mushroom liquid
Chopped mushrooms
1/4 cup milk
ADD to flour mixture. Stir only to moisten dry ingredients.
SPOON batter into greased miniature muffin cups.
BAKE in 400° oven 12 to 15 minutes. Makes 3 dozen.

POLYNESIAN HAM LOAF

COMBINE:

1 (8-oz.) can crushed pineapple, undrained
2 cups dry crisp rice cereal
2 eggs, slightly beaten
1/3 cup brown sugar
1 lb. ground pork
2 lbs. ground ham
1/2 tsp. salt
Pour into 9x13-inch baking pan.
BAKE in 325° oven for 1 1/2 hours. Serves 12 to 15.

CREOLE PORK CHOPS

BROWN on both sides in 3 tbsps. shortening:
6 pork chops, cut 1/2 inch thick
On each chop, PLACE:
1 thin slice lemon (6 in all)
1 thin slice onion (6 in all)
1 tsp. dark brown sugar (6 in all)
COMBINE:
1/2 cup catsup
1/2 cup water

POUR OVER chops.
COOK, covered, over low heat for 1 hour or longer.

HEAVENLY SALAD

COMBINE in saucepan or top of double boiler:
4 tbsps. vinegar
4 tbsps. sugar
2 eggs, beaten
Cook over low heat until thickened.
ADD: 2 tbsps. butter
Cool.
THEN ADD:
2 cups crushed pineapple, drained
2 cups fruit cocktail, drained
FOLD IN: 2 cups heavy cream, whipped
2 cups miniature marshmallows
Chill.

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These grant funds are to be used to help repair or rehabilitate rural housing. Proposals may be submitted which target single family homes owned and occupied by very low or low income rural residents, rural rental properties, or rural rental cooperatives. No combination proposals will be accepted.
Thomas G. Fern, state director for the Rural Economic and Community Development mission area of USDA (RECD), announced that Kentucky's allocation for the HPG Program is \$260,520 for Fiscal Year 1996.
A request from any qualified

applicant will be considered up to 50 percent of the state's allocation of funds. Applicants must demonstrate a need for repair and rehabilitation of the targeted housing type in the area to be served, acceptable plans for selecting recipients and assuring the quality of work performed, support for the program by the local government of the area to be served, and the availability of other funds which would be used to supplement the funds received from RHS.
More detailed information about the Housing Preservation Grant Program, including preapplication packages, may be obtained from the USDA State Office for Rural Economic and Community Development at (606) 224-7325.
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