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PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

DECEMBER 18, 1952

THURSDAY

## This Town... That World

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

## DRAFT EM WE SAY

You're men are forced by your country's law to leave their homes to bear arms, to go to foreign countries and fight, even die. Even if they go through their armed service unscathed, there's a bit of discomfort and unpleasantness about it. Some of us—w reach this conclusion after watching folks thru the simple act of giving a part of the blood would demand a medal for taking all the "blows" they receive.

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

Now that another year for the blood we give, that making gamma children for us in immunizing our children's resist pool, has been found, we wonder if many of us parents will continue to be shirkers and slackers?

## THANKS!

We have received many Christmas cards this year for the first time. The friends and acquaintances who sent them. All we have received concern the Christmas message, admirably.

Not one has one in for a card showing the Christ-child or the Babe in the mangerhood cloud of an A- bomb's explosion. Thank you all.

We are just old-fashioned enough to like the old Christmas. A few people recently showed the modern trend in Christmas art, frankly, it left us cold. Real cold, instead of the simple picture showing the Wise Men, their camels, the night-shouldered desert-land and the Star overhead, this modernistic job had some of the same old-fashioned ideas to be horse and all three descending an impossible backbone of a ridge toward a place where something not unlike a television screen sprang up toward the Star.

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

C. T. "Tom" Wright, 51, a rate clerk for the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company, suffered a heart attack Monday while at work in the Ashland C. & O. freight depot and was pronounced dead upon arrival at King's Daughters hospital here. Wright, a C. & O. employee for 30 years, lived at Caldwellville. He was a native of Burns, Mo., and formerly resided at Martin, Ky.

## Court House Happenings

**SUITS FILED**  
Mack Marshall vs. Richard Arnett; P. K. Damon, atty. Gypsy Higgins vs. Essell Higgins; Hollie Conley atty. Associated Dry Goods Corp. vs. James Webb, Jr.; Robert Weiman, atty. Linda Sue Mosley vs. Clark Mosley; W. W. Burchett, atty. Bonnie Baskay vs. Mike Baskay; W. W. Burchett, atty. Norman Prater vs. W. B. Prater; W. W. Burchett, atty. Conley Motor Co., Inc. vs. L. Spradlin and Gomer Martin, Jr. (separate cases); S. C. Ferguson, atty. Evelynne Hill Martin vs. Thorne Martin; W. W. Burchett, atty. Valley Motor Car Co. vs. Harmon Stone; W. W. Burchett, atty.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Charles Edward Reynolds and Elaine Jones. Arbie Lyman Prater, Jr., 29, West Van Lear, and Anna Lee Thickett, 23, Martin. James Isaac, 16, Hunter, and Ruby Hall, 15, McDowell, married here Dec. 15 by the Rev. Alex Stephens. Henry Edmond Blankenship, 22, McCombs, Ky., and Eunice Edmonds, 18, McCombs, Ky., married here Dec. 15 by the Rev. Alex Stephens. Raymond Helton, 18, and Loreta Cobb, 16, both of Wheelwright, married here Dec. 17, by the Rev. Alex Stephens officiating.

## CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET HERE AT NEW LOW

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

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

## COLLISION OF AUTO, TRUCK

### Results in Confiscation of 3 Cases of Whiskey; Sone Is Hospitalized

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

## HARRIS DEATH BEING PROBED

### Detroit Police Suspect Foul Play; Floyd Native Skull Fracture Victim

Ernest B. Harris, 42 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Harris, of Prestonsburg, died in a Detroit hospital last Thursday, after a skull fracture sustained in a fall from a building. Harris was a member of the Detroit Police and was widely related in this section.

## MASONS PLAN JAN. 3 FETE

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

Invitation of Zebulon Masonic lodge to attend its 25th annual banquet will be extended to all members of the lodge, it was said here this week. Dr. Robert M. Sirlie, of Prestonsburg, is grand master of the Grand Lodge.

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

The winter issue of the Commonwealth's official magazine, "In Kentucky," which comes off the press this week, contains articles about fishing in Kentucky's five major lakes. Kentucky's warfare against tuberculosis and conserving activities at state parks that remain open the year around.

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

Floyd county this week was almost two-thirds the way to its hoped-for goal of \$3,000 to continue the work of the Floyd County Tuberculosis Association and its special 7th nurse on fulltime duty, Mrs. A. C. Harlowe, Association secretary, said. \$1,867 worth of Christmas Seals had been paid for by residents of the county as of Wednesday afternoon. The returns to date have been very encouraging, and are ahead of year's Seal purchases at this date, it was said.

## MOTORCYCLIST KILLED HERE

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

Fred Mullins, 30-year-old Prestonsburg auto body shop operator, succumbed at 8:20 p.m. Wednesday to injuries sustained about an hour earlier in a motorcycle wreck. His neck broken and skull fractured, Mullins died without regaining consciousness.

## NAME STUMBO DEPUTY JAILS PARTY LEADER BOY AND GIRL

### At Democratic Caucus; Rivals for Secretaryship Compromise on Hays

Although County Judge Henry Stumbo is leading a giant community Christmas tree for the party, the Democratic party caucus held here Saturday afternoon, and was virtually without opposition from the time of the precinct election, a scrap developed for the post of secretary of the party organization in the county.

## Allen Lumberman Dies, Heart Attack Victim; Funeral Rites Today

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

## Clark Tells Game Tub Dewey Fish More Plentiful Than in TVA Lakes

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

## Blaze Claims Four Workers In Breathlit Mine; Fire Under Control As Debris Cleared

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

## AUDIT REPORT BY JANUARY 1

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## Spirit of Giving Is Strong As Christmas Drawing Nigh

Floyd county is feeling, this pre-Christmas week, the universal appeal and spirit of the Yuletide. Over the county, few were the churches and schools and other groups that were not planning a Christmas observance of one kind or another.

## FIRES CAUSE \$14,500 LOSS

Such is the picture in only two communities in the county. Plans for others are not known. And there was the Christmas look, too. One Prestonsburg business (See Story No. 1, Page 2)

## Restaurant at Allen, Tram Residence Burns; Loss Partly Insured

Two fires in the county within the week destroyed property valued at \$14,500. One was the business of Callen's Restaurant at the "Y" at Allen, and the other was the home of Oyle Hamilton in Tram Bottom.

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## Churches To Present Christmas Cantatas

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## SURVEY PLANS TO BE TALKED AT JAN. MEET

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### It's Christmas!

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

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

So doing, we are reminded  
at every Christmas-time  
of our obligations to the peo-  
ple of Floyd county, to those  
who have been our friends  
over the years, helping out  
with a bit of news here, an  
encouraging word there. And  
while we consider such mat-  
ters we naturally think of  
those who have made possi-  
ble any improvements which  
may have benefitted this  
newspaper. We refer, specifi-  
cally, to those who have ad-  
vertised consistently in The  
Times and have favored it  
otherwise.

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

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

### TURKEY and Hen SHOOT

SUNDAY, December 21  
Starting at 9 a.m.

At home of AD WARRIX  
Bull Creek

### The Bright Promise of Help In Big Sandy's Battle

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

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

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

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

Take the figures on freight  
rates in 1949, for instance.  
The Lake cargo rate from the  
Big Sandy was \$2.71 a ton.  
At the same time the most  
any Northern area paid was  
\$2.50 a ton while Big Sandy  
had an expense in that de-  
partment of \$2.71.

Then too that freight dif-  
ferential add the cost of pro-  
duction:  
The mining cost per ton of  
coal in the Big Sandy at that  
time was \$3.57. The max-  
imum cost for any Northern  
field was \$3.44 per ton in  
Pennsylvania, with Ohio's  
lowest at \$3.02.

And here's how Eastern  
Kentucky compared with  
Western Kentucky in freight  
and production costs:  
Western Kentucky's rate  
to Chicago was only \$3.28 as  
compared with \$4.12 for the  
Big Sandy. And mines of  
the western part of the state  
were producing coal for only  
\$2.50 a ton while Big Sandy  
had an expense in that de-  
partment of \$2.71.

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

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

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

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

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

At Martin, under the direction  
of James Salisbury, principal of the  
school, and Mrs. Dorthea Allen, fac-  
ulty-member, the boys and girls had  
done already this week a magnifi-  
cent job. Across the top of the high  
school structure there appeared, life-  
size, the figure of the Manger  
Scene, the Shepherds, the Magi and  
the Star, and all this spotlighted.  
Outside the building is the big 50-  
foot Christmas tree, resplendent in  
its lights. Cost of the scene, it was  
estimated, was \$60.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Also surviving are the following  
brothers and sisters: Warney Fra-  
sure, Columbus, O.; Emma Frasure,  
Martin; Mrs. Myrtle Wood, Charles-  
ton, W. Va.; Mrs. Maude Price,  
Norton, Va.; Mrs. Alma Meade,  
Wheelwright; Mrs. Besse Porter,  
Haven Hill, O.; Mrs. Zetty Turpin,  
Garrett.

Funeral rites were conducted at  
the Preswell Baptist church at East,  
Dec. 14, the Rev. Adon Osborne,  
officiating. Burial was in the Frasure  
cemetery at Martin under the direc-  
tion of the Turner Funeral Home.

RETURN TO HONG KONG  
HONG KONG, — The Norwegian  
ship Nidar has returned to Hong  
Kong from a projected voyage to  
Japan because of the discovery of  
six pistols and a large quantity of  
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Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Collins were in Huntington, Saturday, on business. George Humphrey, Huntington, Kenneth Gould, Lexington, Herbert Brentlinger, Huntington, were here on business, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gross, Ashland, were luncheon guests of Mrs. J. M. Davidson, Saturday. Mrs. Forest Skaggs and children have returned to their home at Lynch after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Sturgill.

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

Mrs. Forest Skaggs, Lynch, and Mrs. Tom G. Dings were in Huntington, last week, shopping. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ley returned Sunday from Louisville.

Miss Burieta Gearheart was a business visitor in Huntington, Saturday. Mrs. T. J. Allen, Martin, visited her sister, Mrs. T. B. Sturgill, here Friday.

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

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

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

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

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Salisbury and Miss Marion Salisbury were in Huntington, shopping, Saturday. Mrs. E. A. Smith left Friday for Norfolk, Va., for an extended visit with her son, Eason E. A. Smith, Jr., and Mrs. Smith. She was accompanied to Huntington by her daughter, Mrs. John G. Archer, and Miss Jackie Hensley.

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

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Orville Pearson, Pastor  
Sunday—  
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—"Will Your Christmas Be Big Enough?"  
7:09 p.m.—"The Star."  
Wednesday—  
3:15 p.m.—Junior Choir.  
7:30 p.m.—Midweek service.  
8:30 p.m.—Senior choir.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**BIRTHDAY PARTY**  
The little friends of Billy Frazier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers Frazier, of Lanzer, gathered for a party in honor of his eleventh birthday, Dec. 6, at 2:30 p.m. They were entertained with games and television. Mrs. Billy Richmond Pruitt and Mrs. James Miller served refreshments. The following were present: Judy and Douglas Dixon, Janet and Herschel Pannin, Douglas and Carol Wells, Ronald Hunt, Winston Dillon, Linda Whitaker, Janet Goble, James, Jr. and Joyce Eager, Rhoe Lynn Blackburn, Jimmy Eager, Bobby Camelia, Cora Ruth Wright, Barbara Price, Patsy Pruitt, Mrs. Dayna Montgomery, and Mrs. Fred Wells.

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

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
Dr. Gerstie M. Haggard, Minister  
Sunday—  
9:45 a.m.—The Church at study.  
10:15 a.m.—The Church at worship. "Christmas Is for Christ."  
6:15 p.m.—Senior and Intermediate M.Y.P.  
7:30 p.m.—Christmas Cantata: "Chimes of Holy Night," by the Chancel Choir.  
And don't forget your White Christmas gifts. We want to do our part in spreading Christmas cheer.  
Monday—  
3:30 p.m.—Girl Scout Troop 2.  
6:30 p.m.—Boy Scout Troop 21.  
Tuesday—  
3:30 p.m.—Girl Scout Troop 6.  
Wednesday—  
3:15 p.m.—The Wesley Choir.  
3:45 p.m.—Girl Scout Troop 8.  
7:30 p.m.—Bible study and prayer.  
8:30 p.m.—The Chancel Choir practice.

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CINCINNATI — Blackie, the talking crow who loved to quaff an occasional beer, gave up his feathered host a victim of the season's first big snow storm two weeks ago. The bird died of pneumonia early at the home of Dr. Lester McDevitt. Regular doses of whiskey toddies failed in Blackie's fight for life.

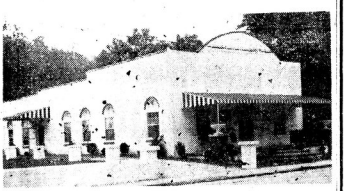
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**BUCK FIGHTS BACK**  
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Another motorist said his car was damaged in similar amount when he swerved into a bridge support to avoid collision with a deer.

The following representatives of the general offices of the Charleston group companies of the Columbia Gas System have been invited: R. W. Hitchman and E. C. Stump, vice-presidents; H. C. Mcford, Jr., manager of production; V. E. Frazer, manager of transmission; J. S. Motesheard, land agent; J. I. Spitzer, employment director; R. K. Talbot, attorney; H. H. Vincent, superintendent of right-of-way department; P. A. Jesser, treasurer; Ira Cook, superintendent of operations; C. P. Brisley, assistant manager of transmission lines, and J. T. Kay, assistant chief clerk, compressor department.  
J. H. Hussey, division superintendent, who is chairman of the committee in charge, said no speaking is planned but a representative of the Charleston offices will bring seasonal greetings and best wishes from the system.  
Perry Hall, the "Mystic Mountaineer," a magician, and Col. Jack Major, a humorist, will be presented following the awarding of door prizes. Richard Cox and "The Harsters" will provide music for the dinner and dancing.  
Other members of the committee in charge are Glover Spencer, Edwar May, Clyde Strother and Wilbur Siles.

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**United Fuel To Be Host To Employees at Dinner**

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

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

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**Lou S. Price, 79, Glo, Succumbs to Old Age; Rites Held at Estill**  
Lou S. Price, 79, of Glo, died at her home, December 11, of infirmities due to old age. She was the daughter of James and Elizabeth Salvers deceased. She was married to Daniel Price who survives.  
One daughter, Mrs. Ellen Smith, of Glo, survives. There were no surviving brothers and sisters. Funeral rites were conducted at the Frewell Baptist Church at Estill, the Revs. Douglas Burkett and Green Boyd officiating. Burial was in the Collins cemetery at Droma, under the direction of Turner Funeral Home.

**RUPP SPEAKS AT GRID MEET**

**Coaches, Team Honored At Banquet Sponsored Here by Kiwanis Club**

It wasn't yet Christmas, but the spirit of giving was much in evidence, just the same.  
Prestonsburg's annual football banquet was held last Thursday evening, and to the coaches, Doc Ferrell and Bill Damon, and the speaker of the evening, Kentucky's famed basketball coach, Adolph Rupp, went prized gifts, and the football team was given high praise for its great 1952 record with letters being awarded to 19 of the boys.  
And Coach Ferrell gave his praise not only for his team's performance and great team spirit but also for the support given by the community, singling out the Prestonsburg Kiwanis Club for its sponsorship of the team at football camp. "A team is just as strong as its support," he said. The football mentor also had high praise for the freshmen backfield. Delmar Hughes was mentioned in particular for his versatility at several positions and his mastery of the split-T this year when the offense was changed from the straight T which he had played the previous three years.

Ferrell assumed the blame for the Prestonsburg defeat by Jenkins, the only loss of the team during the regular season. He explained that the team had built up a high ambition not to be scored on through the entire season and that when Jenkins did score the Cats lost their plom and became so confused that their attack suffered enough to drop the game by the margin of an extra yard. "I should have prepared them for such a thing," Ferrell remarked.  
Coach Rupp was at his entertaining best, drawing on a rich store of anecdotes and interspersing this with pointed remarks, such as: "Our Kentucky basketball team has the distinction of having already finished its season and without playing a game ranking fourth in the nation, with players named to the All-American team."  
And the Coliseum erected at the University was not Rupp's folly, a mere basketball building, he declared. It is a war memorial and is deeply appreciated as such by thousands of Kentuckians.

Mr. Rupp was presented a pen and pencil set. He was accompanied by his assistants, Harry Lanaster, Coach Ferrell received a watch, which was presented him by H. C. Francis, Jr. on behalf of Prestonsburg business men, and to Bill Damon, his assistant coach in football, wearing apparel was presented. Johnny Hill presented on behalf of the team gifts to both Ferrell and Damon.  
In his review of individual accomplishments, Coach Ferrell announced that Johnny Hill and John Gordon Gebbe were elected by their fellow-players at the end of the season as team co-captains; that J. R. Dixon was voted the team's best defensive player and Delmar Hughes best on offense.  
Letters were awarded to these members of the team:  
Tom Spradlin, Delmar Hughes, Stanley Prater, John Gordon Gebbe, Johnny Hill, John Harris, James Yonah Baldridge, Roy Crigby, Lowell Hughes, Charles Salvers, Jeep Alexander, Don Puckett, Randall Wells, Paul Ousley, James Chadlas, Adrian Bradley, James Branchman, Thurman Lafferty, J. R. Dixon.  
Marvin Music presided at the banquet, and Chalmers H. Frazier, superintendent of Prestonsburg schools, acted as toastmaster.  
Continuing in the spirit of giving, Prestonsburg Lincoln-Mercury presented each woman-guest a small orchid corsage.

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5:00 p.m.—"Assembly Time," radio broadcast, WPKT.  
6:30 p.m.—Choir practice.  
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic services. Also an hour's singingspiration of Christian songs by choir. Sermon, "He Tried To Stop Christmas."  
Wednesday—  
7:30 p.m.—Prayer and praise service.  
6:30 p.m.—Choir practice.  
(Note: Church bus runs for all Sunday services up to Middle Creek garage and to Sugar Leaf curve.)  
Thursday—  
7:30 p.m.—Prayer and praise service. Sermon, "The Meekness in Martin B. . ."  
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**Salysersville Firm To Repair Bridge**

Contract on repair of the bridge across the Big Sandy river here, connecting Prestonsburg with West Prestonsburg on the route to Salysersville, has been awarded to the Robertson & Harper Company of Salysersville on its bid of \$7,673.83, W. P. Curdin, commissioner of highways, announced this week.  
A sag in the roadway of the span caused the highway department a few months ago to declare the bridge unsafe for heavy traffic.

There was no explosion in the mine and state mine inspectors said the cause of the blaze, which spread to the coal seam and mine timbers, has not been determined.  
Reconstructing the tragedy Elmer Layne, senior inspector of the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals, said the victims probably never realized they were in danger even while breathing the deadly fumes. Carbon monoxide is colorless, odorless and tasteless.  
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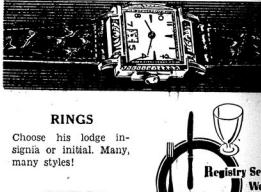


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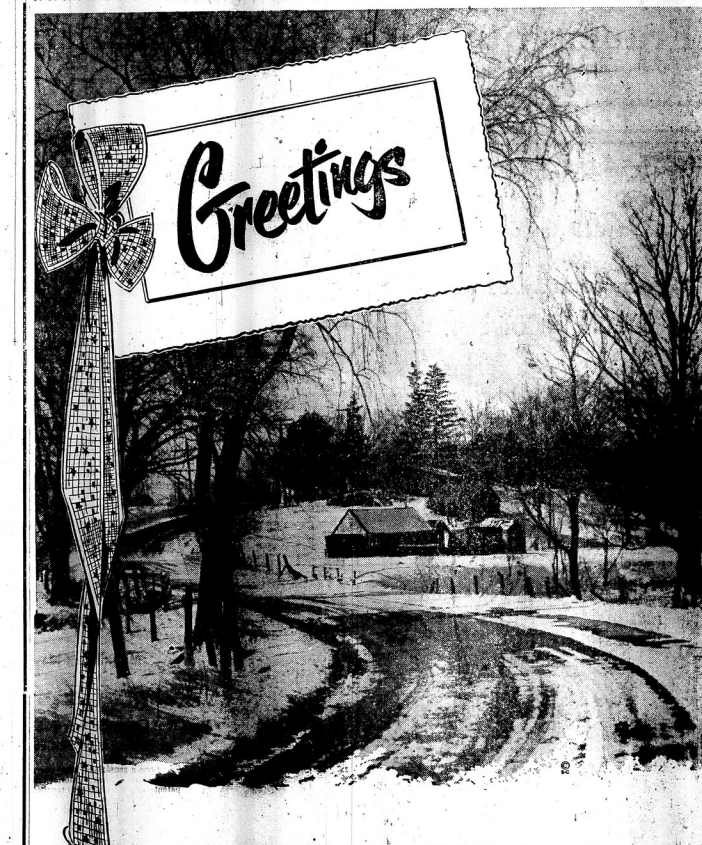
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**"Carson City"**  
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#### TUES-WED—

**"Lure of the Wilderness"**  
Jean Peters, Jeffrey Hunter,  
Walter Freeman.  
Comedy.

#### THURSDAY—Double Feature—

**Two Good Pictures**

### IN KOREA



Pvt. Robert H. Hackworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hackworth, of West Prestonsburg, is in Korea. In a recent letter to his parents he asked for letters from friends. His address is U.S. 32174662 Cas. Pers. and Repl. Co., APO 468, 7 P.M., San Francisco, Calif.

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

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

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

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### MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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

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

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

"How much were you offered the friend asked."

### THE STORY OF A LITTLE AD

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**DRIFT THEATRE**  
DRIFT, KY.

FRIDAY, 7 p.m.—  
"Red Mountain"  
Alan Ladd, Elizabeth Scott.

SAT, 7 p.m.—Double Feature—  
"Flying Squadron"  
Massimo Serato, Dina Soffici.

"Down in Arkansas"  
Ralph Byrd and the Weaver Bros.

SAT, 10:30 p.m.—  
"The Scarlet Angel"  
Vivian de Carlo, Rock Hudson.

SUNDAY, 1 and 7 p.m.—  
"What Price Glory?"  
James Cagney, Dan Dailey.

MONDAY, 7 p.m.—  
"The Scarlet Angel"  
Vivian de Carlo, Rock Hudson.

TUES-WED, 7 p.m.—  
"Encore"  
Glynis Johns, Kay Walsh.

THURS-FRI, DEC. 25-26, 7 p.m.—  
"Somebody Loves Me"  
Betty Hutton, Ralph Meeker.

### DRIFT

### WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

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

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

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

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

### Prestonsburg's Cats Lick Tigers, 62 to 58

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

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

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

**PRICE THEATRE**  
Code 1091  
Through our doors pass the finest of people—Our Customers.

#### FRIDAY, DEC. 18, 7 p.m.—

"The Golden Hawk"  
Rhonda Fleming, Sterling Hayden.

#### SAT, 7 p.m.—Double Feature—

"Ivory Hunter"  
(Technicolor)  
Anthony Steel, D. Sheridan.

#### "Blue Canadian Rockies"

Gene Autry.

#### SUNDAY—

"Scaramouche"  
(Technicolor)  
Stewart Granger, Eleanor Parker.

#### TUES, 7 p.m.—Double Feature—

"Lost Train from Bombay"  
(Technicolor)  
Jon Hall, Christine Lerson.

#### "Army Bound"

Stanley Clements, Karen Sharpe.

#### WED, 7 p.m.—

"The Story of Robit Hood"  
Richard Todd, Joan Rice.

#### THURS, DEC. 25—Christmas—

"Dreamboat"  
Clifton Webb, Ginger Rogers.

#### FRIDAY, DEC. 26—

"High Noon"  
Gary Cooper, Grace Kelly.

#### SAT, DEC. 27—Double Feature—

"Fargo"  
Wild Bill Elliott.

#### "Tropical Heat Wave"

Estelita, Robert Hutton.

#### SUNDAY, DEC. 28—

"Affairs of Trinidad"  
Rita Hayworth, Glenn Ford.

#### TUESDAY, DEC. 30—

"Navajo Trail Riders"  
Allan (Rocky) Lane.

#### "The Sniper"

Arthur Franco, Marie Winsor.

#### WED, DEC. 31—

"One Minute to Zero"  
Robert Mitchum, Ann Blythe.

#### FRIDAY, JAN. 3—

"Woman of North Country"  
Rod Cameron, Ruth Hussey.

#### COMING SUNDAY, JAN. 5—

"Greatest Show on Earth"  
Betty Hutton, Cornel Wilde, James Stewart.

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

**CHRISTMAS EVE DANCE**  
At the EAGLE'S CLUB, Prestonsburg, Ky.  
DEC. 24—10 to 12  
To the music of  
**WILLIE KATE'S COLORED ORCHESTRA**  
STAG \$2      COUPLE \$3  
Sponsored by the Dewey Lake Inn

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

**TRUCKS**  
New 1953 1/2-ton GMC Pick-Up.  
New 1953 GMC, 2-ton, 2-speed axle.  
1949 CHEVROLET 3-4 ton Pick-Up.  
1947 FORD 1/2-ton Stake.  
1946 FORD 1/2-ton Pick-Up.

**Hughes Motor Co.**  
Phone 2170 • Prestonsburg, Ky.

# \$1,125.20 in PRIZES

The six Martin stores listed at the bottom of this advertisement will give merchandise prizes worth \$1,125.20 to their customers on

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24th --- 3 p.m.

AT THE

# Martin High School



For each dollar in trade at any of these six stores in Martin you will receive a chance on the prizes which that store gives. All stores will award prizes at the same time and place—Wednesday, Dec. 24, 3 p.m., at the Martin school grounds.

Cooperating Stores and prizes follow:

**EVANS DEPARTMENT STORE**  
Radio, \$75 value

**KEATHLEY JEWELRY STORE**  
Bulova Wrist Watch, \$150

**EARLE MARTIN SHOE STORE**  
SHOES, \$25

**GRIGSBY'S 5 & 10 AND FEDERATED STORE**  
21-inch Westinghouse a b l c model TV set, \$325.95; 5 \$50 bills

**DERMONT'S**  
17-inch Sylvania TV set, \$269.95; Sylvania table Radio, \$44.95; 9x12 Linoleum Rug, \$7.95.

**SNODGRASS INSURANCE AGENCY**  
"Dependable Since 1906"  
POST OFFICE BOX 5  
ALLEN, KY.

# FLOWERS

## NORTON FLORAL CO.

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Free Delivery.



Read this little story. You can't help liking it. It was clipped from the Union Messenger, of Hazard:

"The Letcher County Master Patricianman is a full-time coal miner. He is Willie Hampton, of Jeremah, on Rockhouse Creek.

"In 1926, Hampton bought an acre and built a house on it. Twenty years later he bought an adjoining 60 acres, covered with sumac, sage grass, sumac and sawyers. He began at once to clear it, fertilize it and sow cover crops and grass.

"He has a half-acre tobacco base which last year produced 600 pounds selling for 59 cents a pound, and which this season may make 1000 pounds. He has four acres in Kern and red clover to provide winter hay for his cattle. Seven beef calves were sold this year weighing an average of 575 pounds.

"Mr. County Agent Robert H. Pike notes that Hampton in every way does a fine job at farming and has demonstrated what can be done on a small acreage in a section of the state not usually considered an agricultural region."

"I have always insisted that a farmer with sixty to a hundred acres and plenty of energy and know-how can be the most independent person in the whole agricultural sphere.

With two or three good horses or mules he can get along beautifully without the usual \$7,000 worth of power implements. The family can produce all its own food but dry groceries. This farmer's income may be small, but his outgo leaves a substantial margin. In hard times most of the trouble he sees are on the other side of his line fence.

**DR. G. C. COLLINS**  
DENTIST  
MARTIN, KY.

Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
After 5 p.m. by appointment.  
PHONE 2293

### MAYTOWN

#### P-T-A MEETS

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

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

The buying of the Soussphone for the band was discussed. The purchase will be made at a later date if the money is available.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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### BANNER

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

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

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

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

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

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

Your purchase of Christmas Socks will help to stamp out tuberculosis. Buy them generously!

### ENROLLS AT MAYO

According to Lloyd Hamilton, head of the Guiding and Testing Service of Mayo State Vocational School, Palmville, six new students were enrolled at Mayo, December 1. Included in the new enrollment is one from Floyd county, Leonard D. Belcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Belcher, of Betty Layne. Belcher is a graduate of Betty Layne high school, class of '47, and a veteran of four years' service with the Air Force in Okinawa, Japan and Korea, where he attained the rank of sergeant. He is enrolled in the auto body mechanics department.

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**Firestone SERVICE TRUCK**  
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Every Kiddie Will Want One  
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It's a Streamlined, Speedy Plastic Jet Plane with a Built-In Pencil Sharpener in Pilot's Compartment!

**CHINA CABINET**  
With Accessories  
Everything for the Young Hostess! Equipped with Plastic Dishes, Kettle, Forks, Spoons, etc.  
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**DOLL CARRIAGE**  
The Pride of "Little Mothers" Has Rubber Tires, Tool

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Walking, Flirting SAUCY WALKER DOLL 995  
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**MUSIC MAKER MAN**  
His Head Moves and He Turns the Crank and Up Jumps the Monkey.

Everything for Making Formula and Feeding Dolly  
**DOLL-FEEDER SET**  
Includes Bottle, Nipples, Sterilizer, etc.  
298

Big 15 1/2-in.-  
**DOLE DOLL**  
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She Cries—Eyes Move—Dressed so Pretty!

**395**  
**PITCHIN' PAL GAME**  
Teaches 'Em How to Throw and Catch!

**\$2.50 HOLDS IT ON LAY-AWAY!**  
**LIONEL 3-CAR FREIGHT TRAIN**  
Locomotive Has a Headlight and Puffin Smoke... There's a Tender, Gondola, Box Car, Caboose, Track, Transformer.  
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**4-PLAY ALLEY GAME**  
Play Baseball, Skill Ball, Shuffleboard or Horse Racing.  
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21 Pieces in All!  
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Includes Saw, Hammer, Pliers, etc.  
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**DOEPKE SCALE MODEL Tractor-Bulldozer**  
Adjustable Scale Model with Rubber Tread!  
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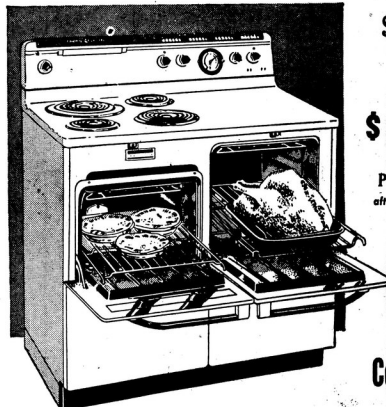
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**Notice to Warrant Holders**

Floyd Fiscal Court warrants Nos. 23456 to 23642 are hereby called for payment. Interest on same ceases Dec. 23, 1952.  
W. J. May, Treasurer  
Floyd County, Ky.

**RETURN TO HONG KONG**

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



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

**MARTIN IS SERGEANT**

With the 3rd Inf. Div. in Korea—Paul N. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cary Martin, of Allen, Ky., recently was promoted to sergeant first class while serving in Korea with the 3rd Infantry Division.  
Martin, a chief mechanic in Heavy Tank Company of the 15th Regiment, arrived in Korea last February. Before entering the army in May, 1951, he was employed by the Gulf Oil Company in Prestonsburg, Ky.

**A/SG GUNTER AT BENNING**

Lawson Air Force Base, Ft. Benning, Ga.—A/SG Joe E. Gunter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gunter, of Wheelwright, Ky., reported for duty last week with the 494th Maintenance and Supply Group, 494th Troop Carrier Wing, Lawson Air Base, Ft. Benning, Ga.  
Airman Gunter enlisted in September, 1952 and took basic training at Sampson Air Force Base, New York.

**THE CHURCH OF GOD**

Lancaster, Ky.  
Guy Rorer, Pastor  
Wednesday night—prayer meeting. Saturday night—Evangelistic services, message by pastor. Sunday, 10:30—Sunday School.  
The church will have a Christmas program under the direction of "Wanda Hunt," "The Blech of Christ," and many poems and recitations. Santa Claus will be present to greet the kiddies with a Christmas tree and treat for our Sunday School. Come and be with us on the 23rd of December, starting at 7 o'clock.

**HALE-CRISP WEDDING IS ANNOUNCED**

Mrs. Virgie Hale, of Ounlock, Ky., is announcing the marriage of her daughter, Miss Bonnie Mae Hale, of Prestonsburg, to Cpl. Richard Crisp, of Mr. and Mrs. Ganer Crisp, of Alpharetta, on Dec. 18.  
Cpl. Crisp recently returned from 10 months duty in Korea, and will report to Fort Knox in January, where his wife will join him.

**WARNS OF DANGER**

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

**CARD OF THANKS**

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

**TIMES WANT ADS PAY!**

Please him this Christmas—give him a



A man's man likes a man's gift. What could be more suitable than the finest powered Johnson—the finest outboard made for the finest man you know!



The amazing Sea-Horse 25—equipped for new Johnson Remote Control.

- 4 GREAT CHOICES**
- Sea-Horse 25—25 H.P. Speeds to 30 mph, gear shift, twist-grip speed control, adjustable 5-gal. Mile-Master fuel tank. \$395
  - Sea-Horse 10-10 H.P. New twist-grip speed control, gear shift, separate fuel tank and equipped for Johnson Remote Control. \$295
  - Sea-Horse 5-5 H.P. Neutral Clutch, positive cooling, World's Greatest Fishing Motor. \$185
  - Sea-Horse 2-3 H.P. Standard Remote Control Drive. For weedless, ahead-riding dependability. \$145

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**MUSIC MOTOR CO., Inc.**  
PRESTONSBURG, KY.

**Harold Man Succumbs At Pikeville Hospital After 10-Year Illness**

Robert Mulkey, Pike county native who had resided at Harold the last four years, died at the age of 64 years, Dec. 14, at the Methodist hospital, Pikeville. He had been ill for 10 years but pneumonia was given as the direct cause of death.

Mr. Mulkey was a retired miner. He was a son of Felix and Louise Caldwell Mulkey, was a member of the Church of Christ and of the United Mine Workers of America.  
Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Lona Roberts Mulkey, three sons and three daughters, J. D. Mulkey, Strinman, Va., E. F. Mulkey, Kopperston, W. Va., Sgt. Willie W. Mulkey of the U. S. army in Europe, Mrs. Cora Evans, Boldman, Mrs. Avis Hill, Van Sant, Va., and Mrs. Lucile Spikes, Martin, Va. He also leaves two brothers and a sister, John Mulkey, Hutchinson, W. Va., Levi Mulkey, Martha, Ky., and Mrs. Georgia Owsoway, Ashland.  
The funeral was held Sunday from the church at Boldman, the Revs. Adam Osborne, Orison Chaffins and James O. Caldwell officiating. Burial in the Porter cemetery at Boldman was directed by the Baker Funeral Home.

All Retail products are guaranteed to give satisfaction or your money will be cheerfully refunded.—Roe Drug Store, Phone 6141.



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

at prices actually below 1952 2-door prices in comparable style series.  
"The extraordinary gas economy of this car has been demonstrated over and over again by owners, dealers and independent testers," states Phil Schroeder, manager of Jeep Motor Sales. "For example, a leading scientific magazine recently polled

1,000 Aero Willys owners who reported that they are averaging over 27 miles per gallon of gas in country driving under all weather and road conditions. In 31 states, records reported by dealers showed that test cars with overdrive delivered 35 miles or more per gallon at 30-miles an hour"

**JEEP MOTOR SALES -- Prestonsburg, Ky.**

(Advertisement)



May the joyous spirit of Christmas light your future, and bring you the many blessings of friendship to illuminate this happy season.

**HOME APPLIANCE CO.**  
PRESTONSBURG, KY.

**KEATHLEY'S JEWELRY STORE**  
MARTIN, KY.

here's a timely tip from Santa...

**WATCHES**  
the perfect gift!

Open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., starting Friday, Dec. 12.



BULOVA • GRUEN • WALTHAM  
ELGIN • HAMILTON



**ALL NEW 17-JEWEL WATCHES**

**\$33<sup>75</sup>** up

Also Diamond-set Elgins and Hamiltons, \$100 up.

An exciting opportunity to choose men's and women's watches for Christmas gift giving of tremendous savings! A special purchase makes this voice-packed event possible! Be sure to shop early!

Be sure to see Keathley's Keepsake Diamond Sets, \$50 and up.

**L-O-O-K!**  
—AT THESE—  
**CHRISTMAS SPECIALS**

Yes, at The Leader—just in time for Christmas. You can make a big saving on the following items:

MEN'S JACKETS		LADIES' GOWNS	
MANY STYLES TO SELECT FROM		Rayon, Satin, Beautifully Lace Trimmed	
\$ 7.95 Value	Now \$ 5 <sup>96</sup>	CHRISTMAS SPECIAL	\$1 <sup>98</sup>
\$ 8.95 Value	Now \$ 6 <sup>71</sup>	<b>MEN'S DRESS SLACKS</b>	
\$ 9.95 Value	Now \$ 7 <sup>46</sup>	Gaberdine Slack—Good assortment of colors	
\$10.95 Value	Now \$ 8 <sup>21</sup>	\$6.95 Value	Now \$5 <sup>21</sup>
\$12.95 Value	Now \$ 9 <sup>71</sup>	\$7.95 Value	Now \$5 <sup>96</sup>
\$13.95 Value	Now \$10 <sup>46</sup>	8.95 Value	Now \$6 <sup>71</sup>
\$14.95 Value	Now \$11 <sup>21</sup>	<b>BOYS' JACKETS</b>	
\$16.95 Value	Now \$12 <sup>71</sup>	Satin and Tackie Twill with Mouton Fur Collars.	
<b>LADIES' SLIPS</b>		\$ 6.95 Value	Now \$5 <sup>21</sup>
Lace Trim—by Mojud 3.85 value		\$ 7.95 Value	Now \$5 <sup>96</sup>
CHRISTMAS SPECIAL \$2 <sup>95</sup>		\$10.95 Value	Now \$8 <sup>21</sup>
MANY OTHER CHRISTMAS SPECIALS		\$12.95 Value	Now \$9 <sup>71</sup>
LOOK THEM OVER			

**THE LEADER**

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**GARRETT**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**A THOUGHT FOR CHRISTMAS**

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

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

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

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

CONTRIBUTOR

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

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

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

CITIZEN

**ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT**  
Mr. and Mrs. George B. Humphrey, of Maton, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty Lee, to Mr. John A. Campbell, of 421 E. Broadway, Mishawaka, Indiana. Miss Humphrey is a graduate of Illinois State Normal University, Normal, Ill., and last year taught in the Home Economics department of the Bloomington, Ill., high school. Mr. Campbell is employed by the Stadar Oil Company at South Bend, Ind., after having served two years with the army during World War II. In January he will enroll at Morehead State College for his senior year's work.

The wedding is planned for Jan. 10.

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Left, above, is Pvt. Candy Blankenship, East McDowell, with an army tank driver friend. Pvt. Blankenship took his basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. He is currently with the 2d Division. Recently, he visited his parents before re-assignment to the army in Germany. Pvt. Blankenship is the son of Wm. Blankenship, of East McDowell.

**Membership Drive of District Legion Begins at Meeting**

Opening of the membership drive of the 10th District American Legion was staged at Martin, Dec. 15 and 16. State Commander Harry Hansbrough and State Adjutant Tom Hayden were speakers with J. B. Wells, Paintsville mayor.

Emphasis was on the part the legion should and could play in community affairs, said Tom James, former 10th district commander. Dinner was served by the Legion Auxiliary and Martin Post No. 233 was host.

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

**CRISP GETS 8-POINT DEER**  
Clarence Crisp, formerly of Martin, was one of the recent lucky deer hunters in West Virginia when he killed an eight pointer while hunting in Roane county. Mr. Crisp and family have been living for awhile in Clendenin, W. Va.

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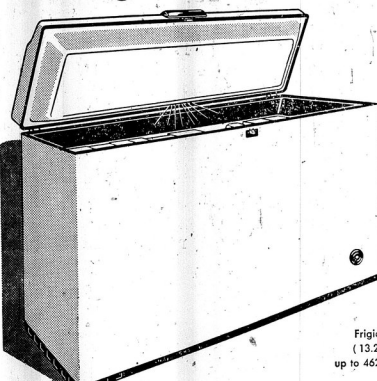
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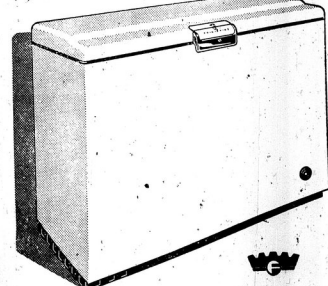


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### NOTICE

The 1952 Prestonsburg grade school taxes are now due. Pay now and save the 2% penalty that goes on Jan. 1, 1952.

ADRIAN COLLINS, Collector

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

### ALPHORETTA

Miss Naomi Fannin and Miss Katherine Shepherd were visiting Miss Sadie Sturgill, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sturgill, of Eastern, were visiting relatives here, Sunday.

Little Georgia Ann Adams underwent an eye operation in Louisville, Wednesday. Mrs. Dona Clink has been a patient at Our Lady of the Way hospital, Martin, for the past week. Little Perlina Derossett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walk Derossett, is a patient in Our Lady of the Way hospital, but is recovering nicely. Mrs. Edith Daniels and daughters, Miss Ada Hall and Miss Hope Hampton, were visiting here Sunday. Lenora Crisp and Freddy Douglas Crisp were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willie Crisp, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ousley and son, Michael, and Mrs. Willard Ousley motored to Pikeville, Saturday. Richard Crisp and Adam Sturgill were in Pikeville on business Saturday.

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

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

### TIDBITS OF KENTUCKY FOLKLORE

By GORDON WILSON, M.D.  
Western Kentucky Teachers' College Bowling Green, Ky.

#### 'Becoming a Back Number'

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

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

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

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

### ALLEN

Billy Pat Malone, of Kentucky Military Institute, is here for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Malone. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jarrell have moved to Newark, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Snodgrass and children, Charlotte and Ronnie, were shopping in Huntington, Saturday. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crisp a daughter, Margaret Ray. Mother and babe are doing fine. Mr. and Mrs. Crisp have as their guests now her sister, Mrs. Howard Moore, and children, of Adams, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. David Louder were shopping in Pikeville, Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Mitchell and son, Vickie, have returned from St. Paul, Minn., where Vickie underwent examination at the Mayo Clinic.

Mrs. Betty Stephens and daughters, Laberta and Karen Sue, have returned from a visit with relatives in Ashland. Mr. and Mrs. James Webb, Jr., and daughters were in Huntington, Saturday. They spent the week-end with her parents in Wayne, W. Va. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Kinser and sons, Terry Gene and Jerry Dean, spent Friday through Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller, at Lima, Ohio. Ben S. Westfall and Irving Owens have returned from a deer-hunting trip.

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

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Mrs. Palmer Crisp, Mrs. Virginia Linebaugh will be pianist. Song service will be by the church choir. There will be presentations of gifts at the Sunday School hour, Sunday morning, and a Christmas message by the pastor, the Rev. M. N. De Haven, Sunday night, 7 o'clock. Bennie Loferty and J. W. Laferly attended the wrestling matches at Wheelwright, Friday night.

**WE'VE GOT 'EM ALL!** Practically every type of fish that inhabits the waters of the southern United States may be found in Kentucky waters. Kentucky Lake has three types of black bass, stripers, crappie, bream, catfish, carp, and a sprinkling of walleye and pickerel. Many lesser known fish also inhabit these waters, but are not common.

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**PVT. COLE COMPLETES BASIC**  
Third Armored Division, Ft. Knox, Ky.—Pvt. Monroe Cole, 24, husband of Mrs. Gladys Cole, Martin, Ky., has completed army basic training conducted by the Third Armored Division here. As a prospective tank crewman he received special training in tank crew platoon tactics and in driving of army wheeled and tracked vehicles. He entered the army in July, 1952.

**GARRETT BAPTIST CHURCH**  
E. C. Brewer, Pastor  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning worship.  
2:30 p.m.—Mission service at Salters Branch.  
6:00 p.m.—Baptist Training Union.  
7:00 p.m.—Evening worship.  
Christmas Program Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

## Homecoming Victory Is Scored by Martin In Overtime Thriller

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

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

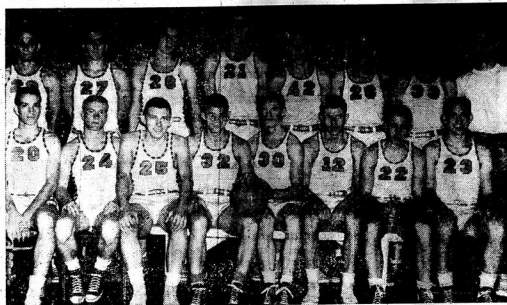
Ronald Tackett, big Martin center, led his team's scoring with 23 points. Ralph Turner, forward, was best for the visitors with 13 points.

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

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

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

## PIKEVILLE HAS ENOUGH FLOYD PLAYERS TO FIELD COMPLETE BASKETBALL TEAM



### Wheelwright Next On Blackcat Card; Play Here, Friday

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

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

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

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

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

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

Line-ups in the three games follow:  
Pburg (52): Pos. Auxier (49); D. Hughes (25); F. P.B. Wells (4); Caldwell (11); G. Music (6); Woods (5); C. Baldridge (12); Dixon (11); S. P.H. Wells (12); Waddle (6); B. Wells (13).  
Substitutions: Pburg—Rowe (2); Lafferty (3); Auxier—Curran (2).  
Quarter scores:  
Prestonsburg ..... 8 21 42 63  
Auxier ..... 9 22 37 49

Pburg (68): Pos. Maytown (59); Hughes (29); F. B. Lafferty (9); Caldwell (7); F. K. Eklins (8); Woods (11); C. D. Ratliff (18); Lixon (12); G. Caudill (10); Rowe (7); S. D. Prater (4).  
Substitutions: Pburg—T. Lafferty (2); Maytown—Fralley (10); A. Lafferty (3).  
Quarter scores:  
Prestonsburg ..... 11 22 51 68  
Maytown ..... 12 25 39 59

Pburg (55): Pos. Wayland (49); Hughes (20); F. H. Hall (10); Caldwell (3); F. L. Gibron (4); Woods (8); C. Polly (10); Dixon (6); G. Bentley (12); Rowe (5); G. Webb (14).  
Substitutions: Pburg—Waddle (1); Lafferty (2); Wayland—Bates (3); E. Hall (6).  
Score by quarters:  
Prestonsburg ..... 15 25 40 55  
Wayland ..... 8 22 35 49

The Prestonsburg "B" team defeated the Auxier reserves, 29-26, last to Maytown, 35-22, and also lost to Wayland, 34 to 23.

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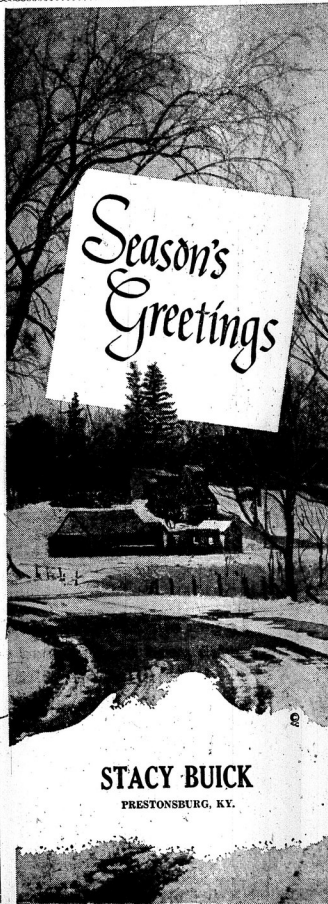
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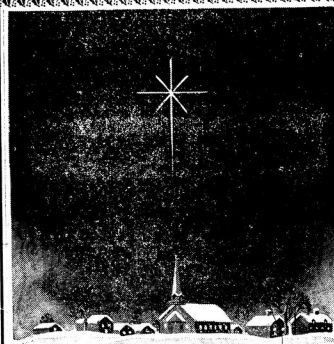
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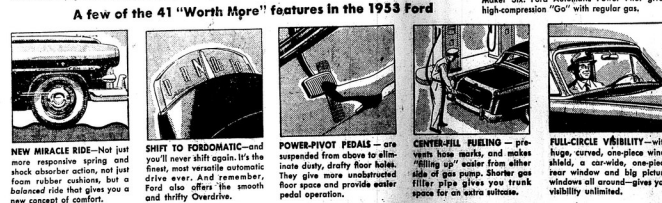
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Lieut. Clotis Crain, of David, is in a hospital in Saka, Japan, suffering from a serious wound received in September. He has been awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star. The parents of Lieut. Crain were notified by the army of their son's wound,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

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

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## SPORTS AFIELD

By TED KESTING

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### To Property-Owners

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

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Morning sermon by pastor, 10:55, at church, "Back To Bethlehem." Afternoon service at Slick Rock, 3:15. Christmas program and treat. Christmas cantata, "Glory to God," 7:30 p.m., directed by Franklin Moore.

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

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

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

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



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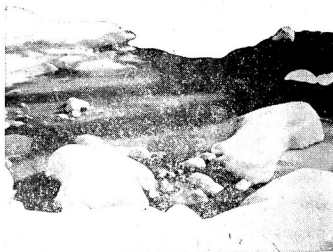
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## The Metal That Promises A New 'Gold Rush' in Coal

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

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

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

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

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

Germanium was predicted by Mendeleeff 13 years before his discovery in 1886 by the German chemist Winkler. It is difficult to credit all groups for their contributions in a development that has taken place over a long period of time and over such a wide geographical area. It appears, however, that the following specific contributions are reasonably clear-cut. About 1930 Cornell University and several European groups simultaneously realized there was a wide distribution of germanium in trace quantities particularly in silicate minerals. About the same time, Goldschmidt first discovered that certain coals contained germanium. Purdue University made important discoveries about the electrical properties of germanium in 1942 and embarked on a systematic investigation of

germanium's chemical, electrical, and physical properties.

Eagle-Picher brought the process of germanium extraction to a state of high perfection. Germanium purification was a joint accomplishment of Eagle-Picher and the University of Purdue and Eagle-Picher. Purdue University patented the Germanium high voltage diode. Bell Laboratories invented the famous transistor. General Electric developed the germanium power rectifier. Western Electric continuing the research initiated at Purdue University, perfected the germanium crystal rectifier and adopted it in quantity production. Mass production techniques are being perfected by Bell Telephone, General Electric, and many others.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

It was discovered in 1920 that certain coals contain germanium. Germanium is concentrated in the ash from coal burned at low temperatures and in some fine dusts. According to Headlee and Hunter of the West Virginia Geological Survey, economic recovery of germanium from coal ash is expected and is already in the pilot stage.

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

Headlee and Hunter report that germanium concentration in coal seams occurs in the organic matter with the mineral impurities removable by the mined impurities. They report that the highest germanium concentration is in the bottom three inches of a coal seam, with most of the germanium occurring in the seam's bottom and top three inches. Gravity separations of the coal rather than associated with the mineral impurities have given low-ash coal whose ash contains 3 per cent of germanium dioxide. The ash is worth \$750 per ton as an ore. To get the 3 per cent concentration of germanium in the ash, the coal must be burned under controlled conditions. Much of the germanium would be lost by volatilization if the coal were burned at usual high furnace temperatures.

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

## DRIFT

### WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS

The Drift Woman's Club met at the Turner-Elkhorn office building, Dec. 1. Mrs. Howard Stuckler was hostess. Members brought Christmas stockings for the Veterans hospital in Louisville. The club voted to fill and distribute baskets for the needy. The club is also sponsoring a community Christmas tree which will be erected on the Drift playground.

Members present: Medames Lloyd Stumbo, Alan Reed, Joe C. Moore, H. D. Hewlett, W. L. Reed, C. J. Cahill, Ben Martin, Alvin Reed, Ray Turner, Bobby Hall, F. T. Jones, R. Ankrom, H. Stuckler, Misses Ruby Akers and Bernierie Reed.

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

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**ALLEN**

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

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

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

The committee for the community Christmas tree in Martin has asked the club to have 50 Christmas tree carols printed and distributed to them. The Christmas party was planned, the date to be changed from Dec. 22 to Dec. 15. The president appointed the following committees: Food—Mrs. Mack Elliott, Mrs. Ray Beckham, Nell Musie, Mrs. John P. Sammons, Mrs. Wm. Martin and Mrs. W. O. Huddleston; Decorations—Mrs. George Sims, Mrs. Fred Gross and Mrs. Earle Martin; Christmas—Mrs. Walter Frasure, Mrs. George Laven, Mrs. Ann Scott. Motion was made that each member bring \$1 to the party to give to the Girl Scouts in Allen and Martin to buy gifts for needy children.

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

**BLADES OF BLUEGRASS**

By J. ALLAN SMITH

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

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

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

Well, aside from a few observations into the nature of pigs, I learned nothing from my project. I learned on disease control; nothing about adequate rations and costs; nothing about systematic business procedure; nothing of what constitutes a good pig. I kept no records. Though a few playmates and an occasional grown-up cast a glance at my pigs, I never knew the thrill of showing them. Nor did my project lead in any way toward training and experience in the arts of social conduct and group living.

No devoted local leader or county agent guided my steps. No club meetings for exchange of information and ideas. No training in demonstrations, in public appearances, in leadership, in recreation, in manners and morals, in citizenship. In fact, all these attributes and values which we look upon today as the core of 4-H training were lacking.

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

**GOBLE COMPLETES BASIC**  
Lackland Air Force Base, Texas—Lloyd Goble, 19, son of Mrs. John L. Goble, Lancer, Ky., is completing his AF basic-armsmen indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, the "Gateway to the Air Force."

**Court Records Going To Library at U. K.**

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

Records of appealed cases from 1892 to 1929 were burned when the gutted the court building during the Civil War.

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

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

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

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

**NOTICE**

Found 9:00x20 truck tire and wheel near Eastern, Ky., Nov. 27. Owner is notified to call for same before Dec. 30, 1952, after which date tire will be offered for sale.

DENVER MOSLEY,  
Deputy Constable  
Lackey, Ky.

**GOVERNOR A YEAR**

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

**BOARD ACTION REQUIRED**

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

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**KOREANS TO SEND LETTERS TO INK**

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

**TAGS EFFECTIVE DEC. 29**

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

**Sunday—**

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Worship service.  
7:00 p.m.—Evening worship.

**Thursday—**

7:00 p.m.—S.C. Honegcutt preaching. Every one invited to attend these services.

**A STUDY IN CONTRASTS**

(An editorial from The Courier-Journal)

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

Let's look at some of them, and at what they signify, as set down so dramatically there. Per capita income ranges from \$377 a year in Martin county, in the eastern mountains, to \$1,700 in Hardin (Jefferson's per capita is \$1,659). Where six per cent of farms in Jessamine county, seven per cent in Shelby, Spencer and Woodford have cash incomes less than \$600 a year each, 88 per cent of Martin's farms are in this poor group.

What do we see next, as a natural result? Forty-four per cent of Martin county's people 65 years old or older receive public assistance. The same average is 22 per cent. Eleven per cent of Martin's children are dependents, getting help from the state. The average for 129 counties is five per cent.

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

Why, asks the report, does the percentage of old people on public assistance rolls vary from 46 per cent in Campbell county to 68 per cent in Elliott? Is there not an explanation in that Campbell per capita income is \$1,622, Elliott's only \$377?

In Jefferson and Kenton counties, only ten per cent of families have incomes under \$1,000 a year. In Breathitt and Cumberland counties, there are 69 per cent. Only nine per cent 65 years or older are on assistance rolls, in Kenton—63 per cent in Breathitt.

It seems to us that the planners of ways to improve the condition of areas would do well to start from reports like this one. The most serious note is not that which relates to public welfare and the tax drain of checks that went out in November to 128,526 persons in Kentucky (55,948 old people, 52,108 dependent children, 18,142 unemployable adults responsible for these children, and 2,418 needy blind persons). Rather, the serious thought is of a way to remove the causes of this need. It must be assumed that the need, or the vast proportion of it, is real.

There follows the startling thought of waste of human resources and human productiveness that occur because of small opportunity. The "underemployment" of people in Kentucky's 34 counties with per capita incomes less than \$500 a year—in the 30 counties where 45 per cent of families have less than \$1,000 a year—is the tragic thing.

There are some prosperous citizens and taxpayers who will never cease grumbling at the bill for welfare, holding it to be money wasted on middle and children. We wish they would think of the tremendously larger waste in human productiveness which is lost for their lack of ways to produce. What 91 per cent of Jefferson county workers make their living in manufacturing with its high pay scales, only one per cent are so employed in Robertson County.

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

**MARTIN**

Mrs. John Paul Biller and two small sons were recent houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Murphy, of Pikeville.

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

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

Miss Magdalene Branham was in Pikeville, Saturday, shopping.

**WILL TEST AMENDMENT**

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

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**QUESTION DEFERRED**

The Public Service Commission deferred action on a request of Western Kentucky Gas Company, Owensboro, to increase its rates \$568,000. The company serves some 25 cities in Western Kentucky.

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

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

The U.S. 23 Association was organized a few years ago to work for a super highway along the Big Sandy. Already the state and federal governments are rebuilding 14 sections at a cost of five million dollars. The Ky. 15 Association has just been organized and is proposing construction of a super highway from Hazard to Lexington at a cost of 25 million to be amortized by tolls. The Association also proposes to press for rebuilding many sections on U.S. 460.

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

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

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

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

If the route is not rebuilt in many places, traffic soon will be routed over other more modern highways even if the distance is a little greater.  
United action by towns along the route is needed. This calls for organization of an association to express the desires of all in an effective manner at Frankfort.

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

**Appellate Judge Sims To Be Chief Justice**

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

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

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

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

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**DAVID**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Mrs. Wm. McKinney and daughter, Billie and Jean, were visiting in Wheelwright, Friday of last week.

Mrs. Walter Ward was visiting in Huntington, Friday.

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

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

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

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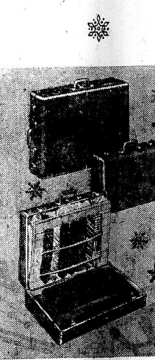
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**TRUCK, TAXI TAGS NECESSARY BY JAN. 1**

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 12 (Sp.)—Commissioner of Motor Transportation John M. Kinnaird today reminded all for hire truck operators—both common and contract carriers—and taxicab operators that their annual certificates, permits and tags must be procured from the department before Jan. 1. Cost is \$25.

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

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

**MARTIN**

**ALTAR SOCIETY MEETS**

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

Members and guests attending the party were:

Father Joseph Wimmers, Father George Nerbonne, Mesdames Virgil Peters, Pat Crowley, George Evans, Jr., James Camilla, Byron Runney, Bill Ackerman, Wm. Goble, S. D. Dermont, Betty Preflatish, C. Hale, W. L. Gilson, C. J. Cahill, L. B. Brashers.

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**IT'S A GOOD WORLD BY WILMAY**

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

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

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

A study of the 17th chapter of John in the ORIGINAL Greek should convince anyone that the Bible was fresh from the hand of God Himself, for the following facts about this chapter show clearly that the number seven could not have found its way into the structure of John 17 in the original Greek without its having been placed there by an all-wise being. This chapter has seven sections, 7 sections each. The first chapter has 91 (9x13) words, 406 (7x58) letters. Second section has seven sections, 7 sections each. The first chapter has 91 (9x13) words, 406 (7x58) letters, 217 (7x31) letters; third section, 35 (7x5) words, 140 (7x20) letters; 4th section, 63 (7x9) words, 259 (7x37) letters; 5th section, 70 (7x10) words, 287 (7x41) letters; 6th section, 119 (7x17) words, 511 (7x73) letters; seventh section, 63 (7x9) words, 259 (7x37) letters. The chapter has 49 (7x7) sentences, 409 (7x58) words, and 2,079 (7x297) letters. It has 595 (7x85) long and short vowels, 567 (7x81) doubtful vowels and 917 (7x131) consonants. 2,079 letters in this chapter equals 7x11x the cube of 3, and 3 is the number of the Trinity. The chapter contains 58 (7x8) verbs and participles, 77 (7x11) nouns, 126 (7x18) pronouns, 70 (7x10) conjunctions, 70 (7x10) articles and adverbs, and 49 (7x7) prepositions and double-form words. Persons of the Godhead are mentioned 31 (7x13) times in the chapter. Pronouns referring to Jesus, 49 (7x7) times.

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

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

The ark was built on scientific principles, with God and not man its architect. In 1919, the U.S. government launched its first concrete ship, whose dimensions were 120x63x30 feet. Change those feet to cubits and you have the exact dimensions of the ark, built in the same proportions by the same scientific laws as the modern American vessel, with all the scientific knowledge of the ages behind it, for God is the Architect of the Ark, just as He is the Architect of the Bible. The Bible is thoroughly scientific; it never grows old. Twenty centuries have not improved it. It has withstood the hatred of men. The fulfillment of its prophecy is evidence that the Bible is true.

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

**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FOR SHERIFF**  
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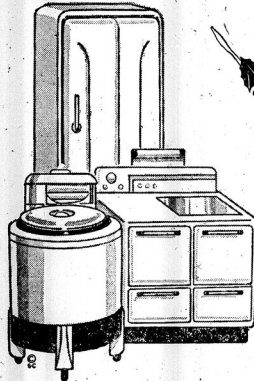
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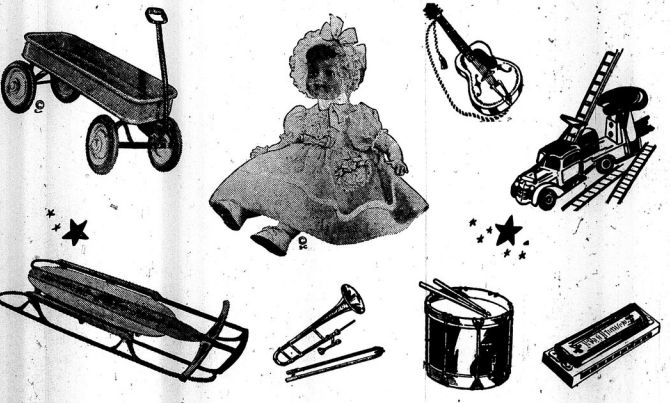


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