

This Town— That World

Remember—Safe Driving Day is Dec. 15, next Wednesday. While Floyd county is trying to set records of one kind or another, why not try making it an accident-free day?

If you must live dangerously, try mountain climbing. At least you won't run over somebody coming down.

HE GOT RESULTS

Newspaper advertising gets results. For instance: Only last week it was reported from Istanbul, Turkey that Omer Erkan, a youngster of 113 years, had advertised for a bride promising he would bestow on her a house and \$25,000 worth of land. He specified the lucky gal must be no older than 20.

Well, he got 44 replies, and wound up by marrying a 21-year-old woman—a sister-in-law of one of his 16 grandchildren.

Continuing with the advertising discussion, one appliance dealer advertising consistently with The Floyd County Times has sold major appliances as far away as Pennsylvania, Indiana and Florida, and some of these to total strangers who ordered by mail.

NUTS!

If ever you should be listening in, when you shouldn't be, an overseas call handled by short-wave radio, and hear somebody in this country say something sounding like "Phnl." don't rush to the nearest FBI agent to report a Russian spy. For you'll be hearing plain English badly scrambled by the Bell Telephone System's electronic miracle known as a speech inverter which messes up the message for everybody but the listener at the other end. "Phnl" comes out at the other end as plain "Nuts!" according to Jack Stone, Southern Bell's group manager.

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MISS CONLEY ESSAY WINNER

High School Girl Here Is 'Voice of Democracy' Winner, Jaycees Decide

The Prestonsburg Junior Chamber of Commerce announced Wednesday that Miss Rebecca Sue Conley, 16-year-old Prestonsburg high school junior, is the winner of Floyd county's Voice of Democracy essay contest.

Miss Conley will compete in the state finals in Louisville, December 15, with winning contestants from other parts of the state. Six other Floyd students submitted entries in the local contest.

The "Voice of Democracy" program is part of an educational program designed to give high school students the opportunity to write and speak on the many blessings and freedoms of democracy.

It is a nationwide contest which will end in February, when the winners will spend a week in Washington, D. C. and Williamsburg, Va., and have an interview with the President of the United States.

Barkley Sturgill and Gordon Moore, co-chairman of the contest, said Miss Conley was named winner by a panel of judges. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Conley, of Prestonsburg.

Court House Happenings

Kentucky West Virginia Gas Co. vs. James W. Allen, et al; C. Kilmer Combs, atty. Sally Johnson vs. Jake Hamilton, et al; Joe Hobson, atty. Betty Cox Harrington vs. Billy Joe Harrington; R. S. Wellman, atty. Eamer Halbert vs. Lee Adkins; Jarvis Allen, atty. Mary Johnson vs. Bee Johnson; Clifford Martin, atty. The Bank Josephine vs. Noah Tackett, et al; Joe Hobson, atty.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Orville Tuttle, 24, and Marie Newsome, 15, both of East McDowell; married here Dec. 3 by the Rev. J. D. Payne. Billie Robinson and Betty Robinson. James C. Cline, 27, Endicott, and Edith McPeak, 19, Emma; marriage solemnized at Endicott Dec. 4 by the Rev. Mitchell Salyers. Earl Denver Newsome, 27, East McDowell, and Faye Hall, 24, Topmost; married at Topmost Dec. 4, the Rev. J. C. Mosley officiating. Charles Am-

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BACKERS SAY CANALIZATION IS NECESSITY

Coal Operators, UMWA Join with Officials Others Backing Project

The Big Sandy section presented a united front at Wednesday's public hearing conducted at Pikeville by the U.S. Corps of Engineers on canalization of the river but the Tugli River area was sharply divided on the issue.

Coal operators of the Big Sandy—namely, B. F. Reed, of Drift, and A. H. Mandt, of Manton—presented strong arguments for improvement of the river. And Tom Raney, of the United Mine Workers of America, asked permission to file a written brief in favor of the project.

The opposition was headed by the N. & W. Railway Company. A crowd which overflowed the federal courtroom in Pikeville attended the hearing presided over by Col. G. T. Derby, chief of the Huntington district office, Corps of Engineers. Last of the statements was made after nightfall.

Col. Derby himself, at the outset of the hearing, pointed out that the Greenup highlight dam on the Ohio will eliminate one dam in the Big Sandy and that construction of a reservoir in the Haysl, Va., area may make unnecessary the pumping of water back upstream to maintain a navigable pool. This last operation item has consistently been under attack by opponents of canalization.

Testifying in favor of the project were U. S. Senators Earle C. Clements and John Sherman Cooper, Congressman Carl D. Perkins, Commissioner of Conservation Henry Ward, and Phil Miles, of the Kentucky Agriculture & Industrial Board. Among the Floyd countians who testified, in addition to Reed and Mandt, were Circuit Judge Edw. P. Hill, Marvin Music, State Senator Doug Hays and Barkley Sturgill.

"I am firmly convinced it is not just in the interest of this valley, but of our entire nation, that the Big Sandy River become a useful and integral part of this industrial empire to more fully utilize its great resources," Clements said. "Making this stream navigable is the necessary start."

Senator Cooper called attention to the fact that new developments might cause a substantial reduction in the cost of the project, which was last estimated at \$160,000,000 for two locks and dams on the Big Sandy, four on each of the two forks.

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ONE SAMPLE NOT ENOUGH

Says Mosgrove of Test For Gas in Floyd Mine; Appeal Heard by Board

One sample of mine air fails to give a true picture of the presence or absence of explosive gases in dangerous quantities, J. S. Mosgrove, safety director of the Big Sandy-Elkhorn Coal Operators Association, told the Federal Coal Mine Safety Board of Review this week.

Mr. Mosgrove made the statement as a witness for the Princess Elkhorn Coal Company, David, which was appealing from a finding that one of its mines has shown a presence of gas. The mine so described after one sample was taken is the company's No. 2 operation.

Princess Elkhorn contends a Bureau of Mines inspector failed to take a sample properly from the mine. A finding of 0.27 per cent of methane led the bureau to classify this mine as gassy.

Mosgrove said in answer to a question of the Review Board that he doubts if one sample gives "a true picture."

"I feel that more than one sample would give you a better indication because there might be variations," he added.

Previous witnesses have testified one sample usually is taken. Federal safety laws require that a mine shall be classed as gassy if the methane content is 0.25 per cent or more.

Mosgrove said if he found 0.27 methane it would "indicate some action should be taken." If later samples showed negligible quantities, he said, it would be still necessary to keep a close watch.

He was questioned in detail concerning photographs of machine cuttings in the mine. The company contends the sample was taken over freshly cut coal which would tend to boost the amount of methane in the sample.

Officer Slays Insane Man Here

Rice Says He Thought Man Might Wrest Gun from Him

Deputy Sheriff Rice, of Prestonsburg, said he thought a madman might wrest a gun from him during a recent shooting.

SHOTGUN FIRE ENDS FLIGHT OF MADMAN

Deputy Sheriff Rice Fires Blast Killing Whicker This Morning

A lunatic, who had escaped shortly before noon today (Thursday) from the circuit courtroom here when Jailer Prock Hayes attempted to handcuff him prior to his removal to the Eastern State hospital, Lexington, was shot and killed a few minutes later by Deputy Sheriff W. L. Rice, of Allen.

The victim, 40-year-old Reedy Whicker, of Martin, was dead on arrival at the Prestonsburg General hospital. The full charge of a shotgun, fired at a distance of a few feet, struck him in the face.

The shooting took place in front of the Dairy Queen at the corner of Lake Drive and Friend street after Deputy Sheriff Frank Blackburn had unsuccessfully attempted to lasso the crazed man and bring him under control.

Whicker, a poolroom employe at Martin, was brought to the county jail here Tuesday by Martin Police-man Herschel Lester and was booked on a charge of disturbing the peace. His violence increased during the night, and he wrecked everything he could lay hands on, Jailer Prock Hayes said. Placed in a cell without a stove, he tore his clothing to shreds and spent most of the night nude, the Jailer added.

A lunacy inquest was held this morning. Then began the series of incidents leading to his slaying.

Deputy Sheriff Rice, who is 63 years old, told The Times, he thought he could bluff Whicker by producing the shotgun and that he fired after backing several steps, telling Whicker not to come nearer, and only when he feared the man would take the weapon from him and turn it on him and others.

Some witnesses said they were horrified by the shooting.

When Jailer Hayes attempted to handcuff Whicker in the circuit courtroom, preparatory to taking the man to the Lexington hospital for the insane, Whicker walked out of the courtroom and downstairs. A crowd followed him toward the bus station, and while he was in the area between the bus station and the rear of the jail he struck Commonwealth's Detective Alex L. Davidson in the face, knocking him to the ground. From there he headed down the highway, Deputy Jailer

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Prestonsburg's Mayor Clark, Choice Of Senator Cooper for Marshal Post

Mayor Curtis Clark, of Prestonsburg, has been recommended by Senator John Sherman Cooper for appointment by President Eisenhower as U. S. Marshal for the Eastern district of Kentucky.

TOY DRIVES BEGUN HERE

Spirit of Giving Marks Season As Groups Call For Aid to Needy Tots

Var-colored street lighting, Christmas shop windows and early work to collect toys and clothing for needy children—these mark the Christmas season here more emphatically than the week's winter weather.

Saturday afternoon from 2 to 3 has been designated as the time for the collection of new or used toys by Prestonsburg Boy Scout Troops 20 and 21 under the direction of Mack Harmon.

At the same time, Prestonsburg Aerie No. 2860, Fraternal Order of Eagles, called on all who want to contribute either new or old toys that can be repaired to call telephone 6921 or 6011 "to make some child's Christmas happier."

Local churches meanwhile were conducting their own drive for toys and clothing—all to reach youngsters who might be denied their rightful part of Christmas.

The Boy Scout Troops asked those having a toy to contribute to their drive to call Radio Station WPRF (Telephone 5951) between 2 and 3 p.m., Saturday. Trucks then

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Court Fines King \$50, Dismisses 6 Warrants In Unemployment Case

Six of seven warrants accusing Willie King, of Harold, of drawing unemployment overpayments in the sum of \$24 were dismissed here Saturday by County Judge Henry Stumbo, but on the seventh he was fined \$50 and costs.

The seven warrants represented seven unemployment compensation payments. King, however, had already repaid \$84 of the amount due and agreed to pay the remainder in monthly installments of \$28.

He filed for unemployment pay in Pike county, but the charges against him were preferred here because of his Floyd county residence.

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Teaching Veteran Waits 49 Years But Not in Vain



—Polaroid 1-Minute Photo by The Times

Calling from the telephone at the end of the recently constructed Bell system line on Little Paint Creek, is Joe S. Dingus, retired teacher. His wife, Mrs. Mollie Wilson Dingus, looks on.

Last week when a telephone was installed in the home of Joe S. Dingus on Little Paint Creek it not only brought another modern convenience to a house already filled with them but it added what Dingus considered the crowning convenience. He and his wife had always wanted a telephone, had wanted one for the 49 years they had lived there.

"Now I can call the boys in Chicago, or my daughter in Florida," says Dingus, who is 74 and has retired from 48 years of teaching. "I can call them any time I'm lonesome, can even reverse the charges if the Scotch in me gets the upper hand," he laughed.

Joe Dingus laughs a great deal now mostly at the many little struggles he and his wife have had to make a home from a cabin built 70 years ago. "I'm an optimist," he

MELVIN MAN IS FUGITIVE

Two-time Mayor here, the 46-year old Clark has twice been the Republican nominee for Congress from the Seventh district and at the recent November election waged a militant campaign for Senator Cooper as well as for himself.

Hassel Tackett Sought After Pike County Break Friday at Chloe Creek

A Floyd countian, one of two men to escape from a Pike county road gang at Chloe Creek last Friday, is still sought by authorities, it was said here Tuesday.

The fugitive is Hassel Tackett, of Melvin, Roy Justice, of Elkhorn City, who escaped with him, was recaptured a few hours later by Deputy Sheriff L. Robinson. The two fled while working at the Chloe Creek state garage.

A third escape attempt, this from the Pike county jail itself, was thwarted Friday night when Jailer Frank Coleman heard sawing at the cell while he was making his round at 10 o'clock that night. Investigating, he found Henry E. Davidson, 28, busily at work.

Coleman found 11 pieces of saw blades in the cell which he theorized had been smuggled to Davidson by women visitors. Davidson had been arrested for escaping from a North Carolina prison, where he had been serving 25 years for armed robbery. He is now in solitary confinement.

BIG BUILDING JOBS HELD UP

Two buildings which could in the next few months mean a quarter-million dollars in construction here still remain on the doubtful list.

One of these is a \$155,000 auditorium-gymnasium proposed for the new Floyd county high school building here. The other is a \$100,000 county health center planned for location on the grounds of the present Prestonsburg high school.

The gym-auditorium work is, first of all, stalled in the absence of a Court of Appeals ruling asked to clarify the responsibility of the Prestonsburg independent district for the special 5-35-cent levy it voted for the job.

The high court now has under consideration arguments on the case, and has been asked to fix the district's responsibility in the event of the merger of the independent district with the county system. If a ruling is not handed down by next week's end, the case will in all probability be carried on into January before the question is settled.

Once this decision is handed down, bonds must be sold to finance the construction and other details are to be cleared away.

The health center awaits approval by the State Building and Properties Commission and the Division of Hospital Services, State Board of Health, of the site. That done, it is

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COUNTY BOARD IN LAST MEET

Of 1954 Considers Only Routine Matters; Work On School is Approved

The Floyd County Board of Education's last meeting of 1954, held here Tuesday afternoon, produced little news. Only routine matters were considered.

An order accepted the bid of Frank B. Groves, contractor, on supplying materials and making the installation of an acoustical tile ceiling in the auditorium of the Wheelwright school. The bid was \$716—a figure far below what the job would normally cost, since Groves is the contractor at Wheelwright on the Inland Steel Company's new store which is replacing the structure destroyed by fire several months ago.

Bids were asked on high school diplomas, and 10 seats were purchased for the McDowell school. A tape recorder for use in the county school system will also be bought after bids are received, the Board ordered.

Next meeting of the Board will be on Tuesday, Jan. 4.

Jones' Store is Sold To London Merchant

Jones' Store, a retail clothing outlet operated here for the last four years at the corner of Court and Third streets by Verne and Hazel Jones, was sold last week. The purchaser is W. G. Caldwell, of London. Mr. Caldwell, a native of Pike county, has been engaged in merchandising at London for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones, though natives of Eastern Kentucky, came here from California, to which state they will return next week. They spent several weeks there this fall and bought a home at Hemet. The ill health of Mrs. Jones was given as the reason for selling their business here.

Floyd Club Re-Elects Newman and Turner; Dr. Savage Named

George W. Newman, of Hi Hat, president, and A. J. Turner, Eastern, treasurer, of the Floyd County Fish & Game Club, were re-elected Monday night at the annual election of club officers. The new club official named at the meeting is Dr. Paul Savage, of Wayland, vice-president.

The new board of directors named at the same time is composed of L. G. Mayo, Auxier, James D. Fitzpatrick, Garrett, and J. C. Moore, McDowell.

Holiday Spirit Cache Uncovered by Officers Here Tuesday Afternoon

Twenty-seven cases of beer, all done up in Christmas colors, about three cases of whiskey and three automobiles which held a part of the alcoholic haul were confiscated here Tuesday afternoon, and officers jailed S. D. Hughes, of Prestonsburg as the owner.

ORDER ASKS MAY'S NOTICE

Among the last orders of the December term of the Floyd circuit court before its adjournment Friday was one directing that a subpoena duces tecum be issued for Magistrate May, of Langley, seeking his appearance before the grand jury Jan. 3, the first day of the next court term.

The order, made on motion of Commonwealth's Attorney Burnis Martin, directed that the official bring with him his criminal order book, cash book, execution book, docket book and his receipt book.

The action is a follow-up of a move begun in October to have such records produced before the grand jury.

The only convictions in closing days of session last week resulted in \$50 fines for Mack and Marvin Johnson, who were charged with assault and battery. Drunk driving charges against the two were dismissed. Jack Howard was acquitted of possessing alcoholic beverages, and the jury failed to agree on the guilt or innocence of Chuck Justice, who faced the same charge.

The indictment accusing Ballard Williams of having alcoholic beverages in his possession for beverage purposes, was dismissed.

Special Judge J. K. Wells sustained the defense demurrer to one cold check indictment against Homer J. Thacker on the grounds that the \$563.50 check on which the indictment was based was issued to pay

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Hughes Named Captain Of All-State Eleven

Lowell Hughes, Prestonsburg's versatile junior quarterback, was named captain of the 1954 all-state high school football team announced in last Sunday's Louisville Courier-Journal.

By virtue of polling the largest number of votes of Kentucky coaches, sportscasters and sportswriters, Hughes was named captain of the all-state organization.

Senior end Bert Dixon, also of Prestonsburg was named to the third team, and five other members of the 1954 Black Cat squad were given honorable mention. They are half-backs Ronnie and Clifford Goble, tackle Donald Puckett, guard Randall Wells and center Donald Gene Reatherford, deceased.

Lowell is the second member of the Hughes family of Prestonsburg to be named to the all-state team. His elder brother, John Delmar, now a quarterback on the University of Kentucky eleven, was named to the dream team in 1951 and 1952. He was also named captain in his junior as well as his senior year.

Lowell scored 116 points during the season from the quarterback post. He completed 84 of the 116 passes for 1,416 yards, with 17 going

for touchdowns. He was selected on the All-Eastern Kentucky Mountain Conference team at quarterback and was tabbed as the outstanding player in the '54 Recreation Bowl game in Mt. Sterling.

He averaged 32 points a game last basketball season and also lettered in baseball and track. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Thurman Hughes, Prestonsburg.

Dixon scored 63 points during the season, was named at end on the all-E.K.M.C. team and is a center on the cage team. He also lettered in baseball and track. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dixon, David.

Lowell Hughes is the only junior on the 1954 star-studded team. Other members of the eleven—all seniors—are:

Doug Shively, of Lafayette and Dale Alexander, of Murray, ends; Vince Lococo of Flaget and Bobby Watts, of Mayfield, tackles; Buddy Lewis, of Mayfield and David Mason, of Bowling Green, guards; Granville Taylor, of Russellville, center; Bobby Cravens, of Owensboro, Ronnie Cain, of Cumberland and Kenny Kuhn, of Male, backs.

We Salute The Youngsters

This week's edition of THE TIMES reproduces a photograph of a youth group, the Patsy Teen-Agers, which has gone far toward creating an altogether new and more pleasing picture when residents of other sections think of this region.

Wherever they have been heard—in Chicago, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Niagara Falls, wherever—they have been hailed by their hearers as "goodwill ambassadors" from Eastern Kentucky. Their poise that is as much their trademark as is their inherent mountain friendliness has brought up sharp those listeners in many cities who thought no good thing could come out of Eastern Kentucky; their talent and the charm of their music have served well to dispel the cloud of misunderstanding hung over our area by what we charitably refer to as sensational journalism.

When we think of youngsters such as these we also consider those other youths who are playing a big part in lifting Eastern Kentucky out of its sometimes sordid past, and we cannot refrain from comparing the work of these, and their opportunity to develop through such work, with the inactivity and lack of opportunity of similar age-groups farther back in our memory. At the same time, we voice complete disagreement with those who are pessimistic about youth as a whole and stand ready to declare modern boys and girls are literally "going to the dogs."

In such mood we look backward to the day when the role of the child strictly was to be seen, not heard; when, outside of work at home and school and a rare Friday afternoon school "program", the youngster was pretty much of a non-entity. Only the most gifted or the extreme extrovert could ever overcome the spirit-shackling experiences of such early years.

To continue the comparison, we consider such movements as Scouting now gaining greater impetus yearly in our section, and its great training in Americanism and plain John Doe citizenship; the 4-H clubs which bring farm boys and girls together in development of their fine talents and energies through productive work, study and human relationships; church youth who put to shame their more passive elders by their enthusiasm and leadership and by those eloquent testimonials they voice through works; and all those others who are taking an active part in the good life.

Behind these fine youngsters, of course, are adults who are leaders who believe in them, and these deserve a big part of the credit. But never sell the boys and girls short. All they need is a chance. They are doing a great job—never forget that.

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off a series of cold checks. Another similar indictment against Thacker on a \$82.51 check was dismissed on the grounds that evidence was lacking.

The return of off-flavored milk has created interest in controlling wild onions in Oldham county.

In Kenton county, 194 women had perfect attendance at homemakers club meetings last year.



Monumental achievements have marked each era of mankind. One such achievement within reach of future generations is the conquest of tuberculosis.

This year is the 50th anniversary of the organized fight against TB in our country. In these years the TB death rate has been cut 90%; yet TB strikes every five minutes.

It is within man's power to eradicate tuberculosis—Your purchase of Christmas Seals will help to make this possible.

This year put two Christmas Seals on every card, letter, and package.

buy Christmas Seals

PICKED UP IN PASSING

By James Taylor Adams

BIG MAN OF BIG SANDY

Henry F. Scalf, of Prestonsburg, tells the story of Rev. Simeon Justice, "The Big Man of Big Sandy."

The subject of the narrative was born in Pittsylvania county, Virginia, June 4, 1765. While still a small boy, he moved with his parents to Rutherford county, North Carolina, and later to Ninety Six, South Carolina.

In 1777, at the outbreak of the Revolution, and when he was but twelve, he enlisted and was made a drummer boy. His father, John Justice, and an older brother, John, Junior, enlisted at the same time.

It is not definitely known, but is believed that the John Justice, famous in early Wise county, Virginia, history was a nephew of Simeon's.

Simeon's term of enlistment expired in 1780, after having been taken prisoner and paroled. After his discharge he lived in South Carolina for a few years. Then he moved to East Tennessee; from there to Buncombe county, North Carolina; and, in 1807, he moved to the Big Sandy country and settled in what is now Pike county, Kentucky, where he lived out his days.

Tradition tells us that Simeon Justice was a delicate and small boy, for his age, until he was in his late teens. Then he began to put on flesh. From the time of his settlement in the wilderness of East Kentucky, he increased in stature both physically and spiritually.

He was ordained a minister of the Baptist church and assisted Elder William Salisbury and Elder Elecius Thompson in organizing two congregations, the Indian Bottom and Sandlick churches both in Letcher county, Kentucky. Elder Spencer Adams, who led the colony from Western North Carolina, to settle the North Fork of Kentucky River country, also assisted in constituting these two churches and some years later he and Elder Thompson constituted the Providence Baptist Church on the Alabama River in Dallas county, Alabama.

When Elder Justice was 69 he married the widow Sarah Dotson Johnson of what is now Knott county, Kentucky. Sarah was a daughter of Andrew Jackson Dotson and granddaughter of Simon and Phoebe Hollingsworth Dotson, both natives of Patrick county Virginia, and the mother of Fielding Johnson, first county attorney for Knott county, Kentucky. Fielding Johnson was a son of Thomas Johnson, of Roaring River, Wilkes County, North Carolina, who moved to Kentucky as a part of the Spencer Adams colony about 1803.

At the time of his marriage to the widow Johnson, Elder Justice weighed over four hundred pounds and he had a special chair made for himself. This chair was later used as a sort of settee by the young folks and was known as "the courting chair." It is preserved in the collection of Jethro Ambury on Dead Mare Branch, near Littcarr, Kentucky.

Elder Justice probably married more couples than any man who ever lived in Floyd and Pike counties. It is said that when he died it took twelve strong men to carry the body of the graveyard.

HEALTH NOTES

By Floyd County Health Department

Provision to increase the fee to \$1.00 for certified copies of birth and death certificates was made in House Bill 177 which was passed by the General Assembly and became effective July 1, 1954. J. F. Blackerby, Director of Vital Records, Kentucky State Department of Health, reports.

Previously the Kentucky fee was 50 cents for each certified copy of a birth and death certificate but for a number of years most other state health departments have charged \$1.00 for this service.

An application to receive a photostatic copy of a birth or death certificate may be obtained from the Floyd County Health Department, or the Division of Vital Records, Kentucky State Department of Health, 620 South Third Street, Louisville 2, Kentucky.

If the date of birth is prior to 1911 a delayed certificate form with affidavits of the nearest living relative and a non-relative at least ten years older than the applicant is necessary. An item of documentary evidence such as a baptismal record or family Bible is also required, Mr. Blackerby says.

Health information pamphlets titled "How Birth Certificates Are Registered" and "How Death Certificates are Filed" are also available at the Floyd County Health Department.



BY WILMAY

One of the most discussed aspects of the modern educational program is competition. Many national leaders favor abolishing it. Some results from attempts to do this are beginning to backfire.

Experts who oppose competition state that they believe in high standards. Are any standards possible without competition? Don't standards depend on comparison? One cake is good, another better, and a third is best. Can one find which is best without comparing the three? Is a norm possible without comparison, and isn't comparison the essence of competition?

Doesn't Mother Nature employ competition in plant and animal life? Can anyone remove it from life? Mustn't everyone face it daily in adulthood? May not many spared it in childhood grow up weaklings? And many others not suffer if some are permitted to believe that D grades are A's or B's?

For years national authorities have urged educators and teachers to give grades to pupils who do not make them. They say, "The poor boy can do no better. When he does his best, that is HIS A." Often pupils who make D's or F's receive A's or B's instead. If Dickie gets four out of twenty-five words spelled correctly I give him a B, because he can do no better. If Suzie has three out of ten problems right she gets an A, because she has a low IQ. This is the same principle many recommend. Isn't it a case of teaching dishonesty in an indirect way? How many consider the ultimate dangers that can result from instilling such ideals into youth?

Recently an outstanding educator said, "I am sick and tired of seeing teachers almost everywhere give grades and bouquets where there is no merit."

Recently Doctor Chase, of the University of Chicago, said, "You hear children say, 'Well, I passed, but I didn't deserve it.'" He added that youngsters take no satisfaction in grades they know they did not make.

Isn't children thus pampered acquiring a false sense of values? When we overlook or praise shabby work, or low standards in anything, or give grades and recognition that are not deserved, doesn't worse trouble lie ahead for those we seek to help?

Experts think it unfair to require slow pupils to compete with those who advance more rapidly. To prevent this they advise separate systems of grading, or no grading other than promoting and failing.

Don't all students compete with the best in athletics, on the same basis, without special consideration? Does anyone make allowances for a small guy who cannot compete with one of powerful physique? What coach gives a man a spot on his team because it is the best he can do? How would the town feel if he did? Players must be good to make the grade and no one pities the losers.

The same applies to music. If a girl does not learn her notes, practice and play well, she suffers the consequences. No band master gives her high marks and uses her on the band, because it is the best she can do. How would her off-notes sound? Application of this philosophy elsewhere is just as irrelevant as here, no less detrimental.

Two home ec pupils make identical dresses. One is perfect, the other an utter failure. But one of the girls has a low IQ, so the teacher gives each dress a blue ribbon. Is either girl or anyone else fooled?

Workers assemble a plane. One does shoddy work, but his foreman is sorry for him. He lets him remain on the job. That plane plunges to earth on its first flight out. Investigation shows this man's poor work was responsible for the loss of life. How does the public feel? If you employ who paper-hangers, and one piddles while the other does a grand job, do you pay them the same wages? How would you feel if your co-worker did almost nothing but earned what you did? Pupils who forego pleasure to study and make good marks feel the same way when some who never open a book make the same grades they get. How long would you report to duty if you could get the same pay and stay at home? How long will backward pupils try if they can receive passing marks without doing so?

Doesn't this policy place a premium on laziness? Isn't it true that more children make low marks because of faulty habits, failure to study, than because of low intelligence? Have you ever noticed the high percentage of poor pupils who are the best at borrowing, loafing, wasting time, not knowing lesson assignments and caring less? Don't we encourage these traits when we give them something they do not make?



Eastern Kentucky's most traveled and most widely known group of individuals, young or old, is the Patsy Teen-Agers, a group of youthful singers sponsored by the Princess Elkhorn Coal Company at David.

Organized by Mrs. Harry Fiedler, formerly of David, and now under the direction of Mrs. Chalmers H. Frazier, of Prestonsburg, who is their accompanist, the group improves as time passes. In Pittsburgh, where the Teen-Agers sang for almost an hour at last month's National Coal Association convention, one hearer remarked that he did not believe they came from a coal mining community. They have too much ability and poise," he said.

This year has been their most active. In addition to their Pittsburgh appearance, their most recent, they have sung before the Canadian Retail Dealers Coal Association's 50th anniversary meeting at Niagara Falls, Ontario; the American Retail Coal Association's 19th annual convention in Cincinnati; the Indiana Coal Merchants convention, French Lick, Ind.; the Rotary Club, Huntington, W. Va.; the Foreman-Managers Club, Huntington.

Saturday of this week, they are booked to appear at the Foreman-Managers Club meeting in Huntington again, and on the same day they will sing on Farmer Click's program over WSAZ-TV, Huntington.

Next Sunday evening, the Teen-Agers will present a program of Christmas songs at the David Baptist Chapel at 7:30 and on Dec. 18 they will appear

at the Pecco Club's annual Christmas party at the Paintsville Country Club.

Next Year's plans are not yet developed, but the Teen-Agers already have an invitation to sing in Charleston, W. Va., before a Rotary Club convention.

Shown in the photograph (above) are:

Clara Hager, Shirlee Hager, Nancy Marshall, Joe Marshall, Gwen Wells, Ralph Wells, Ballard Wright, Gene Wright, Cora Ruth Wright, Rex Music, Dexter Music, Joyce Puckett, Barbara Prater, Tobey Bussey, Viola Dawson, Randall Wells, Doris Stapleton, Tommy Harmon, Diana Garrett, Mary Lou Miller, Johnnie Everly, Curtis Tussey, Jr., Charlotte Deboard, Sally Hill, Mrs. Chalmers H. Frazier, director, at piano.

CHARLESTON WAS NEIGHBOR OF PRESTONSBURG IN 1800

BY HENRY P. SCALF

It is a distance of 158 miles by the present highways, between Maysville, county seat of Mason county, Kentucky, and Charleston, county seat of Kanawha county, West Virginia, but there was a period in history when the two counties adjoined on the Big Sandy River. There was also a time when Floyd county, Kentucky, bordered on the county of Kanawha.

In between the two counties now are packed eight counties in Kentucky and two, plus parts of others in West Virginia. A straight line would cross five large counties, which, of course, in itself, doesn't give much of an indication of the distance by road. Kanawha county, Virginia (it wasn't West Virginia until 1863), and Mason county, Virginia (it wasn't Kentucky until 1792) were both created by the Virginia Legislature in 1788. Kanawha county, Virginia embraced the western and southern section of what is now West Virginia and bordered on Big Sandy.

The act creating Kanawha county by the Virginia Legislature, approved Nov. 14, 1788, may be found in Henning's Statutes of Virginia, Chapter XIV. Entitled "An Act for forming a new county out of the counties of Greenbrier and Montgomery," it reads: "Be it enacted by the General Assembly, That from and after the first day of October next, those parts of the counties of Greenbrier and Montgomery, within the following bounds, to wit: beginning at the mouth of Great Sandy in the said county of Montgomery; thence up the said river with the line of the said county to the mountain generally known by the name of Cumberland mountain; thence a north-easterly course along the said mountain to the Great Kanawha, crossing the same at the end of Gawley mountain; thence along the said mountain to the line of Harrison county; thence with that line to the Ohio river; thence

down the said river, including the islands thereof to the beginning shall form one distinct county, and be called and known by the name of Kanawha." By this act, the site of Prestonsburg was in Kanawha county, Virginia.

The Mason county line was partly designated "thence along the said line to Big Sandy, and down the same to the Ohio." Effective date of the act was May 1, 1788. Mason was created by a subdivision of Bourbon county that had the Big Sandy for a border and Kanawha county was carved from Greenbrier and Montgomery counties, both in Virginia then but in separate states now.

The two counties bordered each other for ten years. Then in 1798 the Kentucky Legislature created Fleming county, Kentucky. Again Big Sandy became a border line, this time between Fleming county, Kentucky and Kanawha county, Virginia. The act created Fleming county approved by the Governor of Kentucky, Feb. 10, 1798 stated "Thence with the dividing ridge between the waters of Licking and the Ohio until it strikes h waters of Sandy, thence down such branch, east to Sandy." The obscurity of this designated line didn't bother the Kentucky legislators. They didn't know nor care much about Eastern Kentucky.

Kanawha and Fleming counties remained with common border until the year 1800 when Floyd was formed. The eastern boundary of this new Kentucky county was at the forks of Sandy, the present Louisa. If you had lived at or above The Point on the Levisa Fork of Big Sandy in 1800 and had business to transact at the county seat you would have had to come to Prestonsburg, either on foot or horseback. If you had lived across the river near the present site of Fort Gay, originally called Cassville, and had business to do at the county seat you would have had to make

a hazardous and weary journey to the Kanawha River, where Charleston now stands. Nearly a hundred miles! Only it wasn't Charleston. It was Charles Town, a struggling frontier village, founded by George Clendenin and named for his father, Charles Clendenin. It had been chartered in 1794. Originally the place was the site of Fort Lee.

Some of the original names of the present city of Charleston were "The Town at the Mouth of Elk," Clendenin's Settlement," and "Clendenin's Fort." When Kanawha county was formed, the justices named, in "the commission of peace," met "at the house of William Clendenin."

Southern West Virginia was for the first years of the nineteenth century, an almost empty land. When the Indians were pushed out, the ruggedness of the terrain discouraged home seekers. This accounts for the late subdivision of the vast area of original Kanawha county. But slowly settlers filled the narrow valleys and bottoms. Cabell county, named for William H. Cabell, who was governor of Virginia from 1805 to 1808, was formed from Kanawha in 1809. Barbourville remained the county seat until 1837 when it was moved to Huntington. Floyd county, Kentucky, now bordered Cabell county, Virginia.

The Big Sandy River remained the border between Floyd county and Cabell county until Lawrence county, Kentucky was created in 1821. In 1842 Wayne county, Virginia, was formed. It was named for Gen. "Mad Anthony" Wayne, of Fallen Timbers fame. The county seat was laid off at the forks of Twelvepole Creek and named Trout's Hill, honoring Abraham Trout, owner of the land. The name was changed to Wayne in 1832 when it was incorporated. Many of the settlers from Floyd county helped people Wayne county, among the families being the Sellards, Sullivans, Fraleys, and Deans. Wayne, originally a part of Kanawha and Lawrence (originally carved from Floyd and Greenup), remain today with the Big Sandy separating them.

The Virginia legislature created two Mason counties, both named for George Mason, author of the Virginia Constitution, and a member of the convention that framed the Constitution of the United States. The first was Mason county, Kentucky, in 1788, but four years later Kentucky became a state and Virginia had no county honoring him. In 1804, the first partition of Kanawha took place and a new county was created which the Virginia legislators named Mason. Virginia lost this county to West Virginia in 1863. Although Virginia created a number of counties in her later history, she claims none now named Mason. But she tried twice.

Both early Floyd and early Kanawha counties were a vast area of wilderness when their borders joined on the Big Sandy. But today between the two lie the county of Martin, in Kentucky, and the counties of Boone, Mingo and Logan, in West Virginia. Some of the early settlers of Cabell had to travel a hundred miles or more to vote, an old history informs us. Which, is of course, a great distance. But if, in that period between 1800 and 1809 you were living in Prestonsburg and had wanted to visit the seat of a neighboring county you would have had to travel a "fur piece," indeed.

Ranking ROTC officer among those who were designated distinguished military students at Eastern State College, Richmond, last Friday was Col. Ronald H. Smiley, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Smiley. He and others honored by Dr. W. F. O'Donnell at a formal review in Hanger Stadium, Richmond, were presented medals.

BOYS IN PIG CHAIN The Martin County 4-H Council has distributed pigs to 10 members of a pig chain. Each boy will return a pig from the first litter, which will be given to another 4-H'er. The chain serves two purposes, UK County Agent Charlie Mason said. It teaches proper management of hogs and helps to put good herds on farms.

Incomes of \$234 to \$337 a cow over feed costs were reported by dairymen in Grant county.

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Robert Maddox of Boone county, state champion 4-H club poultry raiser, has made a net profit of \$3,076 on 29 4-H club projects.

The first monthly exhibit of work done by Calloway county homemakers was a display of tailored suits and coats.

Knox county farmers have purchased lambs to rough through the winter and breed to lamb early 1956.

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This \$5.00 represents my annual dues, divided as follows: \$2.50 to the above county farm bureau; \$1.75 to the Kentucky Farm Bureau, of which \$0.50 is for a year's subscription to the Kentucky Farm Bureau News; \$0.75 to the American Farm Bureau Federation, of which \$0.25 is for a year's subscription to the Nations Agriculture.

It is my understanding that this membership entitles my entire family to the privileges and benefits of the organization. (Eligibility for all insurance services must be established.)

SIGNED _____
Member

W. B. STURGILL LEAVES POST

As Coal Association Secretary To Become Sales Firm Executive

William B. Sturgill, for four years executive secretary of the Hazard Coal Operators Association, has resigned his Hazard post to become executive vice-president of the Columbus Sales Co. with headquarters in Columbus, Ohio.

The Board of Directors of the Association accepted his resignation with "deep regret". It named Frank M. Medaris, former president of Harvey Coal Corp. to succeed him not later than Feb. 1, 1955.

With the resignation, it became known that Sturgill and L. A. Hopper, vice-president of the Columbus Mining Co., have taken over the operation of the sales company. Hopper will remain in Hazard. The company, formed in 1916, maintains offices in Chicago.

Sturgill's resignation came as a surprise to many of his friends and associates. He only recently had a leading role in the promotion of the foreign export market contract now held by the Hazard field, receiving outstanding recognition last week from the Perry County Development Association for his efforts.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy B. Sturgill, of Prestonsburg, he is a graduate of the University of Kentucky where he was a member of the basketball squad that won the National Invitational tournament in 1946.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Snively, of Abingdon, Va., announce the birth at the Prestonsburg General hospital on Friday, Dec. 3, of their first child, a daughter—Karen Jean, Mrs. Snively is the former Anita Compton, of Prestonsburg.

REWARD—For the arrest of Fred Newsome, Jr. \$100. and for James Robert Lucas, \$50.
LEE FITZPATRICK
West Prestonsburg, Ky.

Mrs. Roberts, Woman Who Was Guardian Of Telephone Switchboard for 26 Years, Succumbs at 73 after Illness of 6 Weeks

Mrs. Columbia Johnson Roberts, 73, of Harold, telephone switchboard guardian for eight Floyd county communities for 26 years, died Saturday afternoon at the Methodist hospital, Pikeville, after an illness of six weeks.

She owned and was chief operator of the little exchange which for 26 years served 125 telephones in the Pike-Floyd area.

The communities served included Harold, Betsy Layne, Mare Creek, Tram, Ivel, Amba and Honaker.

The exchange, until she sold it last year, was located in the living room of her home. Friends said Mrs. Roberts slept near the exchange at night and always got the messages through by both day and by night.

Mrs. Roberts who knew the communities she served well, often received calls for persons who had no telephones. She would contact the telephone located nearest such persons and "leave word" for them to call her.

She handled the exchange night and day and, except for some help from members of her family, was the sole operator on duty most of the time.

Mrs. Roberts in 1928 bought the assets of another rural telephone company which was serving her area, and started her own company with her daughter, Mrs. Olga Conn, as a partner. The firm was known as the Roberts-Olga Telephone Company.

She sold the exchange last year to her grandson, Paul Gearheart, of Harold, who after moving it from her home, now operates the exchange as the Harold Telephone Company.

Born in Pike county, she was a daughter of John and Malinda Sturgill Johnson. Her husband, James Roberts, died 25 years ago. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a son, Walter Roberts, of Ashland; two daughters, Mrs. Fred Gearheart, of Harold, and Mrs. Olga Conn, of Price; a brother, John J. Johnson, of Osborne, and a sister, Mrs. Mabel Patrick, of Hattiesburg, Miss.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Church of Christ on Toler Creek under the direction of the Baker Funeral Home.

Henry Ward, of Woods, Is Victim at Home; Was Retired Farmer

Henry Ward, 84, of Woods, died from the infirmities of old age at home, Thursday last week. He was a farmer and a member of the Preswitt Baptist church. A son of the late Alfred and Margaret Baldrige Ward, he was married to Sarah Elkins Ward, who survives.

Sons and daughters surviving are Kelly and Sonny Ward, both of Woods, Mrs. Gracie Hunt, of Ivel, and Mrs. Laura Price, of Johnson county. One sister, Susan, of West Virginia, survives.

Funeral services were conducted at home at 2 p.m. last Friday, and burial followed in the family cemetery under the direction of Carter and Callihan Funeral Home.

SWISS YOUTH IS VISITOR

UK County Agent Thomas L. Pirtle, of Livingston county, says both adults and 4-Hers appreciated the visit of Jean Evenoge, Swiss International Farm Youth exchange. He visited schools, 4-H clubs and other farm agencies and told about life in his native land. He made many friends in Livingston county, Pirtle said.

BUY APPLES

Members of the Pendleton County Farm Bureau cooperated in the purchase of 265 bushels of apples from the Browning orchard in Fleming county.

Friday noon is the deadline for FAB box tops to be turned in to either Gordon Moore or Barkley Sturgill, of the Prestonsburg Junior Chamber of Commerce. For every four small box tops, or for every two large ones, the Jaycees will receive from the manufacturer of FAB a doll to be given to an underprivileged child on Christmas. Telephone calls from persons having these box tops should be made to 4191 or 2629 not later than Friday morning.

Warren county has a 4-H club membership of 883 boys and girls.

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Employe of Local Man Dies in Turner Hotel

George W. Brooks, 41, of Pikeville, died at the Turner hotel, Wednesday. A coroner's jury, presided over by Coroner James Carter, found the man was the victim of a heart attack. The body was removed to Pikeville by Call Bros. Funeral Home ambulance.

Mr. Brooks was a bricklayer and was an employe of J. L. Meade, a building contractor.

In Campbell county, 199 members made 260 hats, and 247 members made purses.

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—Thomas B. Reed.

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EDW. P. HILL
Prestonsburg, Ky.

Palmer Scutchfield, 77, Dies at Jeffersonville; Was Floyd County Native

Palmer Scutchfield, 77, of Jeffersonville, Ky., but a native of this county, died at home last Saturday. His wife, Mrs. Mary Stephens Scutchfield, preceded him in death a few weeks ago. Mr. Scutchfield was a retired farmer.

Surviving are the following sons and daughters: Green Scutchfield, Knox, Ind., Camellus Scutchfield, and Beckham Scutchfield, both of Watergap, Mrs. Katie McGuire, Willow Run, Mich., and Mrs. Ellen McGuire, Jeffersonville.

Funeral rites were conducted Monday, at 11 a.m., at the schoolhouse on the Right Fork of Bull Creek, the Revs. Frank McGuire, Floyd Lafferty and Ira Fields officiating. Burial followed in the family cemetery at Watergap under the direction of Carter and Callihan Funeral Home.

CLUB HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Prestonsburg Woman's Club held its annual Christmas party Thursday night, Dec. 2, at the home of Mrs. John Allen, with Mrs. W. W. Wallen, Mrs. E. S. Collins, Mrs. Merle Wilson and Mrs. Lon Hill assisting. The business meeting was dispensed with in favor of a Christmas program and an exchange of gifts.

Mrs. E. D. Roberts, program chairman for the evening, introduced Mrs. Tom James who presented a program of Christmas folklore. She was assisted by Katherine Roberts, Winnie Sue Cooley, Elizabeth Burchett, Valerie Warrick and Margaret Ann Collins, all of whom wore colonial costumes.

They gave a collection of old English folksongs and Christmas carols including, The Joys of Mary, I Wonder as I Wander, Jesus, Jesus Rest Your Head, Twelve Days of Christmas, the Cherry Tree Carol and God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen.

The gifts were hidden under a quilt on a table, as was the custom in the olden days, and were then distributed by the program group. A Christmas collection was taken which will be sent to spread Christmas cheer to the patients at Veterans' hospital, Fort Thomas, Ky. A donation was also made to the county T. B. fund.

After Christmas games were enjoyed, dessert plates were served to the hostesses, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. James, Misses Cooley, Burchett, Warrick and Collins, Mesdames John H. Keenon, Val Strahan, Lida Spradlin, W. H. Brown, A. C. Harlowe, Ed Music, Clifford Baldrige, Dave Stepaens, R. V. May, M. Robert Regan, Edward Leslie, Herbert Salisbury, Jr., W. E. Hunt, Fannie Rannels, John Hale, Wm. Pettrey, Paul Combs, Newton May, Zella Archer, Byron Nunnery, Grover Lowe, James Donahoe, Robert Sirkle, Raymond Sirkle, Greenville Spradlin, Eva Hyden, Winnie Judd, Carol May, H. L. Ley, Virgil Goble, Woodrow Allen, Harold Dorsey Victor Hale and Miss Margaret May.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Francis returned to their home here Tuesday from Miami, Florida where they spend the winter months. Mr. Francis will be occupied at the Francis Store during the month of December. They will return to Miami after the holidays.

VISIT IN LOGAN

Mrs. Molly J. Johnson and Joe W. Horn spent the week-end at Logan, W. Va., guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Patton.

About 50 farmers in Wolfe county set two to 12 fruit trees each, on suggestion of County Agent Hays Pigman.

SERVICE GUILD MEETS

The Wesleyan Service Guild met at the home of Mrs. Charles Welch on Highland Avenue, Tuesday, November 30. Mrs. Scott Harkins, president, presided at the business session. Plans were made for the annual Christmas party of the Guild and the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The party will be held December 7, at 8 p.m., each member will bring a toy for an underprivileged child.

"We Hear Thy Voice" was the title of the November program presented by Mrs. Henry Harris, leader, assisted by Mrs. Fred Francis, Mrs. George Archer and Mrs. Fannie Rannels.

Mrs. Harris displayed the flags of India, Pakistan, and Ceylon at the worship center. Mrs. Francis told the story of the Wesleyan Service Guild and displayed the emblem, telling of its significance.

Mrs. Harold Dorsey led the devotionals, assisted by Mrs. Regina Mayo.

Following the meeting, a dessert course was served to Mesdames Claybourne Stephens, Charles Weichers, Wall Hamilton, Arthur Haywood, Fred Francis, George Archer, E. Dick Roberts, David Herndon, Harold Dorsey, Henry Harris, George Alley, Val Strahan, Walter S. Harkins, Mrs. Fannie Rannels and Mrs. Regina Mayo.

IN LOCAL HOSPITAL

Mrs. Mary Thompson, of Mare Creek, has been confined to the Prestonsburg General hospital, since last Sunday. Her condition, it was said, was improving.

Andrew Jackson Frasure, Aged Bonanza Resident, Dies at Home Monday

Andrew Jackson Frasure, 88, of Bonanza, died at home, at 4:20 p.m., Monday. Death was due to the infirmities of old age. He was a son of Noah and Milly Frasure. His wife, Mrs. Lilly Glick Frasure survives.

A daughter, Mrs. Hager May, and three sons, Willie, John and Andrew Frasure, all of Bonanza, survive. Brothers and sisters surviving are George and Bob Frasure, both of Bonanza, Mrs. Emma Osborne, of Prestonsburg, Mrs. Dora Hackworth, and Mrs. Mollie Short, both of Cliff, Mrs. Margaret Spradlin and Mrs. Katie Harmon, both of Bonanza.

Funeral services were conducted at the Freewill Baptist church, at Bonanza, of which Mr. Frasure was a member, at 10 a.m., Wednesday, the Revs. Claude Preston and Charley Lemaster officiating. Burial followed in the family cemetery under the direction of Carter and Callihan Funeral Home.

A Times Want Ad is a powerful salesman who works for little pay.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

A surprise birthday party was given Mrs. Charles T. Halfhill, by his wife, Jean, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Goble, Saturday evening. After the many gifts were opened refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Don Woods, Mrs. Junior Fields and Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Goble.

BABY DOING NICELY

Friends and relatives who have been so anxious about the condition of little Ray Davis, Jr., who has had two operations within the past few weeks, will be glad to learn that the second operation performed last week at St. Joseph's hospital, Lexington, was a success. It is hoped that he can return home soon.

BAKE SALE

The Ladies Sewing Circle of the Community Methodist Church will hold a bake sale at the Fountain Corner, beginning at 9:30 Saturday morning.



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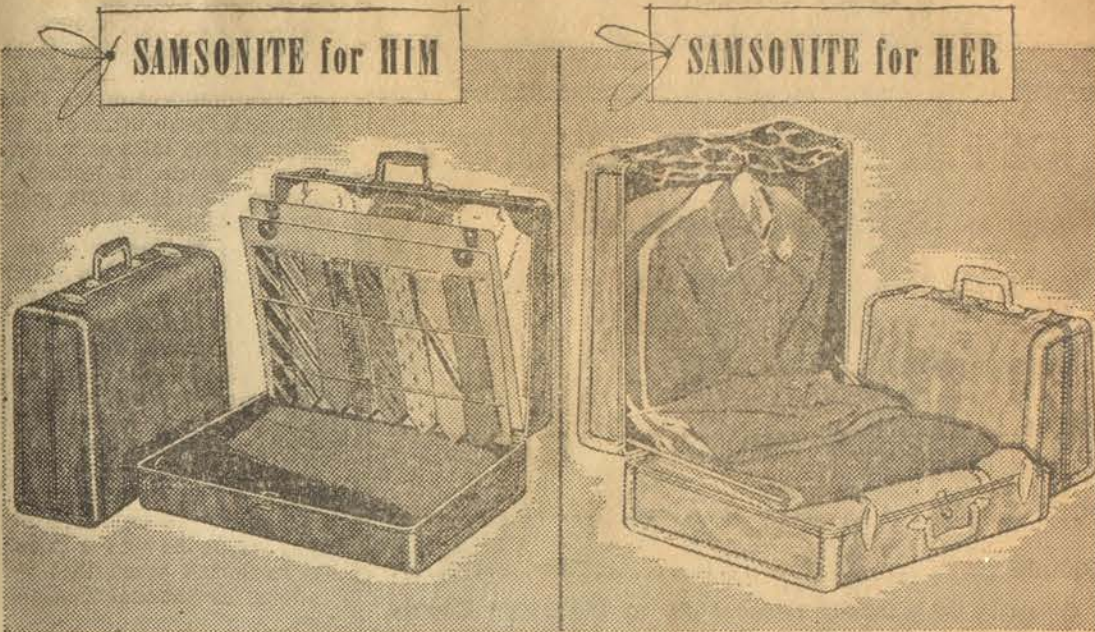
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SECOND OPERATION AT LEXINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Laura Boulas, of Hazard, who had minor operation recently at the Prestonsburg hospital, submitted to a second operation last Thursday. Her cousin, Miss Laura Virginia Roberts, accompanied her to Lexington and remained with her for four days. She was able to leave the hospital Sunday. She is convalescing nicely. Miss Roberts arrived here Sunday evening. Mrs. Robert Miranville, remained in Lexington with her mother.

SUBMITS TO APPENDECTOMY

Little Elizabeth Lynn Frazier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chalmer Frazier, submitted to an emergency appendectomy last Saturday at the Prestonsburg General hospital. She is doing nicely, her many friends will be glad to learn.

SUFFERS STROKE

Friends and relatives here of Elmer McCombs, San Bernardino, Calif., are sorry to learn that he suffered a stroke last week at his home. Mr. McCombs, a brother of Mrs. A. J. Davidson, visited her here two years ago. He resided here in his early manhood.

PRESEBTERIAN AUXILIARY MEETS

The Christmas program of the Presbyterian Auxiliary was presented Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Marvin Music on North Lake Drive. Mrs. Frank H. Layne, the president, presided, opening the meeting with the Scripture, John 6:35. Mrs. E. R. Burke, finance chairman, introduced several ideas for helping the budget. An attractive recipe file box was displayed, and will be available for sale before the holidays. It is hoped that a number of these can be sold for gifts at a normal price. These file boxes are filled with choice recipes from famous cook books in the Presbyterian Church, local friends and good cooks from elsewhere. She announced that all the rummage that had been collected for a sale had been given to a family that had lost all they had in a recent fire. Anyone having any rummage for the church may call Mrs. Burke. Mrs. Ray Howard presented an interesting Christmas program, "Christ Calls Us To Witness." The Family Home and Church was presented by Mrs. Ralph Davis, assisted by Mrs. Ernest Osborne.

The holiday motif of cedar, red candles and barberry was used throughout the living room for decorations. A dessert course was served to Mesdames Orville Pearson, E.R. Burke, Frank H. Layne, Harold Ensminger, Art Hager, Everett Sowards, Carey Martin, Rainley White, George Sizemore, Glenn Anderson, Ray Howard, Cecil Willis, Wm. R. Kendrick, Ernest Osborne, Ralph Davis, Marvin Music, W. E. Hunt, Miss Mary E. Powers and Mrs. Jo M. Davidson, a guest. Mrs. Frank H. Layne will entertain the Auxiliary in January.



Miss Mary Louise Branham and Dave Olinger, of Dayton, O., spent the week-end here, guests of her mother, Mrs. Mabel Branham.

Mrs. Paul W. Simmons, of Huntington, W. Va., is spending the month here with her mother, Mrs. Mabel Branham, while convalescing from a recent operation.

Mrs. Ralph Davis, Mrs. Ray Davis and Mrs. Harris Stephens Howard spent Wednesday in Huntington on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kendrick, of Pikeville, spent the week-end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hobson and J. O. Webb visited Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Hobson in Pikeville last Thursday.

Clifford Goble has been in the Prestonsburg General hospital, suffering from an ear infection.

Richard Pittman O'Neal, of Orlando, Fla., spent the Thanksgiving holiday here with his aunt, Mrs. W. C. Rimmer, and Mr. Rimmer. He is a student at Centre College, Danville. His mother is the former Elizabeth Pittman.

Fred Wells has been in the hospital here for several days' observation.

Mrs. Denver Crabtree and grandson, Tommy, have been medical patients at the Prestonsburg hospital.

Mrs. Jenny Staten, of Mossy Bottom, spent last Saturday and Sunday here with her sister, Mrs. Myrtle Weddington.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex L. Davidson went to Huntington Sunday on business.

Miss Ella Noel White was in Huntington on business two days this week.

Mrs. N. M. White is improved this week from an illness which confined her to her bed for several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Smiley had as their guest during the Thanksgiving week-end their sons, Ronnie Smiley, of Richmond, Yvonne Alan, of Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. Donald G. Smiley and baby son, of Cincinnati, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Mitchell, Gayle, Sue and Joe Mitchell also of Cincinnati. On last Sunday the Smileys' table seated 23.

Mrs. A. C. Carter has been in Bluefield, Va., for the past month, visiting relatives while she has been receiving medical treatment there.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jackson, of North Lake Drive, have returned from a two weeks' vacation trip to Phoenix, Arizona.

Mrs. E. D. Stephenson, Mrs. H. C. Robinson and Mrs. Edith Carney, of Pikeville, were here shopping recently.

Mrs. J. R. Herron and Miss Lena L. Porter, of Pikeville, and Mrs. W. K. Allen, of Frankfort, were here recently visiting Mrs. George G. Alley and calling on other friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Ley were in Ashland Saturday on business. Mrs. Ley shopped in Huntington, spending the night with Mrs. William Stringham in Ashland.

Mrs. Joe A. Spradlin was in Lexington Tuesday for a post-operative examination. She was accompanied by Mrs. Greenville R. Spradlin.

Mrs. Minta Hammond and Mrs. Frank Neeley last week accompanied Mrs. Rose Ida Neeley to Portsmouth, Ohio, where she enrolled as a student at Portsmouth Interstate Business College.

Mason Miller, of Huntington, was here Wednesday and Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Layne went to Harrodsburg last week on business.

SIX YEARS OLD DEC 4

Bobby Goble was host to 45 little friends on December 4 at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Goble, on North Lake Drive. The afternoon was spent playing games. The occasion was his sixth birthday. Many gifts were presented to him before refreshments were served. A birthday cake holding six candles centered the gift table.

EIGHT YEARS OLD

Charles Paul Tackett observed his eighth birthday anniversary recently, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herschell Tackett, of Francis Court. A large group of his little friends brought him many gifts, for which he expressed his appreciation. The afternoon was spent playing games. Refreshments were served at 5 o'clock.

OBSERVE 91st BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Laura M. Davidson observed her 91st birthday anniversary Sunday, December 5, at her home on First avenue. All day long and into the night, friends and relatives called to see her, wishing her many happy returns of the day. Many gifts were given her in addition to flowers sent her. Everybody calling on her was served punch, cake and candy. "Aunt" Laura, is in excellent health and enjoyed the occasion in every way.

SUFFERS STROKE MONDAY

Mrs. Myrtle Weddington is critically ill at the Prestonsburg General hospital, having suffered a stroke last Monday at her home on South Lake Drive. Her many friends are concerned about her.

FIRST CHILD IS BORN

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Heinze are announcing the birth of their first child, a son born December 7 at the Paintsville hospital. The babe has been named John G. Heinze, Jr. Mrs. Heinze is the former Barbara Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Allen.

D. A. R. TO MEET

Mrs. E. R. Burke will be hostess to John Garham Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, next Tuesday, at her home on Arnold avenue. Mrs. O. T. Stephens will present the program on "Patriotism through Religion."

BUSINESS VISITOR HERE

Mrs. Iley E. Browning, of Ashland, chairman of the board of The Bank Josephine, was here last week attending to business pertaining to the bank and also to personal affairs. She was overnight guest of Mrs. Reba B. Harkins, Wednesday, and luncheon guest of Mrs. Jo M. Davidson and Mrs. Everett Sowards on Thursday.

PATIENT AT ST. MARYS

Charlie Alley submitted to a foot operation at St. Mary's hospital, Huntington, Saturday. He is doing nicely.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Shivel were called to Grayson last Wednesday on account of the death of an uncle, Sam Shivel. Mr. Shivel, 87 years old, had been ill about a month. He is survived by one daughter, Miss Wilma Shivel, of Grayson, two sons, Victor Shivel, Pikeville, and Harry Shivel, Huntington, W. Va.

SUBMITS TO SURGERY

Mrs. Charles Rowe submitted to an operation for gallstones, Thursday of last week, at the Prestonsburg General hospital. He is doing nicely, her numerous friends will be glad to know.

RETURN HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Mark Reed has returned home from a Huntington hospital, where she submitted to surgery. She is doing nicely.

ATTEND FAMILY CONCERT

Among those who attended the family concert presentation at Pikeville Monday evening were Dr. and Mrs. George P. Archer, Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers Frazier, Kay Ann Frazier, Mrs. Fred Francis, Mrs. Harold Dorsey, Mrs. E. D. Roberts, Mrs. George G. Alley, Mrs. W. W. Cooley, Winnie Sue Cooley, Harold Cooley, Mrs. J. H. Keenon, Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Davidson, Misses Margaret Ann Collins, Joy May and Dorothy Herald.

PASTORS EXCHANGED PULPITS

Rev. James DeFriend, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Pikeville, was visiting pastor of the Presbyterian church here last Sunday. While Rev. Orville Pearson, the local pastor, filled the Pikeville pulpit in order to moderate a congregational meeting there. Rev. DeFriend is leaving the Pikeville church and will return to Oklahoma.

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Pageant Event That Attracted Thousands To Be Sponsored Next Year by Kiwanians

The board of directors of the Mountain Passion Pageant voted Sunday to accept the offer of the Martin Kiwanis Club to sponsor the event that attracted 10,000 persons to its initial performance in 1952.

C. R. Marshall, president of the Kiwanis Club, had asked the organization to assume the leadership. The invitation was accepted. The president-elect of the club, Daniel A. Reed, of Drift, who takes office in January will appoint leaders, and new pageant officials and committees will be chosen.

The Martin Kiwanis Club has

already done some outstanding work. Its president-elect, Mr. Reed, is active in the Presbyterian Church. Outgoing directors believe original plans for a permanent site and home can become a reality with this strong civic organization in charge.

The directors met at the home of Mr. Marshall.

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TIDBITS OF KENTUCKY FOLKLORE

By GORDON WILSON, Ph.D.

Western Kentucky Teachers' College Bowling Green, Ky.

"THE OAKEN BUCKET"

Again and again I have said in this column that my language has to be interpreted almost daily to my students, not because it is not English but because it has so many words of other times in it that practically nobody understands me any more. It used to be easy to teach Wordsworth's "The Old Oaken Bucket," for most of my students, forty years ago, had seen old-fashioned wells and had drawn up water in just such a bucket as the nostalgic poet sang about. If these older students had not drawn up water at their own homes in an oaken bucket, they had visited Grandma and had been introduced to an older way of living. Now the water, on nearly every farm, is pumped by an electric pump, which is certainly more effective and sanitary but hardly so poetic yet. Maybe some future poet will sing about the old electric pump in some such nostalgic way and make his hearers shiver with memories and maybe cry a little. But my younger students are caught halfway between the old oaken bucket and the electric pump and can hardly be expected to shiver with emotion over something that they have never seen. And, besides, they have been taught, rather correctly, about germs and have learned to shiver, not with poetic emotions, at seeing several people in succession drink from the same container. I must confess that I had rather poetize about the old oaken bucket than drink from it, unless I had a certificate from the department of health showing that I was drinking water rather than sewage. That is the way of poetry of one age after it had been taken apart by the enlightened ones of another age.

One of Chaucer's favorite figures is "Now up, now down, like bucket in a well." This is even more puzzling to many of my contemporary students, for they have not seen a two-bucket well, where one comes up filled while the other one goes down to the water. If possible, a two bucket chain, probably invented by Scotchman, is a bit more poetic than a single-bucket rope or chain. Certainly a moralist can watch the coming and going of the buckets without ever running out of material for appropriate morals.

Some years ago the last two-bucket well that I had known at all intimately was dressed up with a pump, and another connection with my childhood vanished. When I am at that same place now, I sometimes find myself wondering what has gone, for the striking location of the house has not changed, the river flows by as majestically as ever, but a pump seems a poor substitute for the old oaken bucket.

stitute for the old oaken buckets on their chains.

And while we are talking about buckets, it might be well to take one more look at the bucket that used to sit at the back of the schoolhouse to be used by all and sundry. It was picturesque, too, but hardly so poetized about as the one that hung in the well. Somehow it soon acquired characteristics that made it a menace, though few people of other times would have believed it. But what was more poetic than carrying the water bucket from the well or cistern or spring into the hot, dirty schoolroom and seeing children who were dying of thirst brought back to life. Nobody at Fidelity School could have had a greater honor than to go for water, especially when we had sat on the hard seats until we had begun to doubt whether learning was worth it. Our school cistern was nearly always out of order, so that it was necessary to go to the public cistern, in the village, some quarter of a mile away. That gave us a chance to see who had come to the village to get the mail or to exchange some eggs for some sugar and coffee. Very seldom did the teacher scold us for loitering along the way or spilling out much of the precious water. Maybe she understood how hard it is for little wild animals to sit cooped up in an unattractive country schoolhouse when all the outdoors calls to them to come out and continue to be natural wild animals. The water bucket is gone, along with the rusty dipper with the hole in it; better health certainly has come, but what do little restless fellows do to get away from it all comparable with going after a fresh bucket of water?

Mrs. Hazel Adkins, 39, Succumbs to Cancer; Burial Made in Pike-co.

Mrs. Hazel Hall Adkins, 39, of Beaver, died at the Paintsville hospital, at 11:25 a.m. last Sunday. She was a victim of cancer. She was a daughter of Joe Hall and the late Mrs. Rebecca Tackett Hall. Her husband, Guy Adkins, survives.

Mrs. Adkins had been ill sometime, seriously so about a month. She was a member of the Church of God.

Surviving children are Asher, Jimmie, Joseph, Kenneth, Guy, Jr., Donald Ray, Eddie Wayne, and Alice Yvonne, all at home. Brothers and sisters surviving are Mrs. Alvin Johnson, of Melvin, Mrs. Cecil Wright, of Hi Hat, Belbert Hall, Hassell Hall and Lacy Hall, all of Detroit, Roy Hall, Ogdenburg, N. Y., and Herbert Hall, Syracuse, N. Y.

Funeral rites were conducted at 10 a.m., Tuesday, from the Church of God, at Hi Hat, the Rev. George Smith officiating. The boy was removed immediately after the funeral to the family cemetery on the Long Fork of Shelby Creek, Pike county, at Hartley, Ky. Burial was under the direction of Hall Bros. Funeral Home.

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held, architects can proceed with the plans and bids can be sought.

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THANKSGIVING DAY GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Samons, formerly of Dana, but now residing in Detroit, had as Thanksgiving weekend guests, their seven children, Mrs. Travis Conn, of Betsy Layne, Mrs. Mont Gibson, Jr., and son Greg, of Dana, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Sammons, of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Lafon Ball and daughters, Cheryl and Paye, of Detroit, Mrs. Charles T. Halfhill and daughter, Sandy, of Prestonsburg, Mrs. D. L. (Snookie) Goble and Dennie V. Sammons, Detroit. The family spent the weekend with their guests shopping and sight-seeing.

DAY-OLD BABE DIES

Judith Ann Little, day-old daughter of Edsel Ray and Marie Hall Little, of Wheelwright, died at the Beaver Valley hospital, at Martin, Wednesday, at 4 p.m. Besides the parents, one brother survives. Funeral services were held this afternoon (Thursday) at the home and burial followed in the family cemetery at Wheelwright under the direction of Hall Bros. Funeral Home.

B. C. Williams of Lewis county purchased 150 lambs from a rancher in Wyoming.

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V. A. Hayes, Ray Click and others following.

Hayes and Click said they sought to keep him from being run down by an auto and that they stopped him near Curtis May's store where he talked with them and both gave him a small amount of money. From there he went on down the highway to the Dairy Queen, a few yards away, and where Deputy Sheriff Blackburn attempted to rope him. Tearing free, he swung two or three times at Blackburn.

Whicker was unarmed, as also was Blackburn and were the two men from the jail, Hayes and Click.

A jury empaneled by Coroner James J. Carter held that "Reedy Whicker came to his death by gunshot wounds fired by Deputy Sheriff Leva Rice, of Allen, Ky. This happened on the Mayo Trail in front of the Dairy Queen, Prestonsburg, Ky." Rice himself, Sheriff Gorman Collins, Alex L. Davidson, V. A. Hayes, Ray Click, Jay Salyers and Melvin L. Goble testified at the inquest.

The consensus of this testimony was that the shot was fired from a distance of no more than five feet.

At the inquest Deputy Sheriff Rice said he saw the commotion in front of the Dairy Queen and saw Deputy Sheriff Blackburn attempt to lasso Whicker. He said he thought he could intimidate Whicker with the gun. He added that he did not know the man and that "I used my best judgment."

Deputy Jailer Hayes testified he yelled to Rice, "Don't shoot." He added that he saw Whicker start toward Rice but would not say if he walked toward the officer. He expressed the opinion five or six strong could have overpowered Whicker but no three men could have.

Ray Click, a deputy jailer, said Whicker was "making for Rice" when the shot was fired. He estimated he was within three feet of the officer.

Jay Salyers said "It looked like he was trying to get hold of Leva." He placed the distance between the two men at about five feet. Melvin S. Goble, service station attendant, said Whicker was "going around the car on Leva."

Of the actual shooting Deputy Sheriff Blackburn said Whicker cursed Rice and threatened to kill him and that he was about four feet from the officer when the shot was fired.

The shooting was witnessed by 25 or more persons. Several of these told THE TIMES Rice leveled his shotgun and made no attempt to lower it and shoot Whicker in the legs.

Whicker a native of Pike county, had resided at Martin about five years. He is survived by his widow and five children. Funeral arrangements were incomplete this afternoon, it was said at the Hall Brothers Funeral Home.

Six farmers in Casey county produced over 2,000 pounds of tobacco an acre, despite the unfavorable season.

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Miss Linda Sue Hutchinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hutchinson, Ashland, was united in marriage to Benjamin Marshall Spradlin, S. A., U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus D. Spradlin of Ashland, Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25.

The Rev. L. H. Tipton performed the double ring ceremony at 10 a. m. in the home of the bridegroom's parents before an improvised altar decorated with vases of chrysanthemums, stephanotis and gladioli, against ferns and palms in the background.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a two-piece winter white silk fallie suit, fashioned with a semi-flared skirt and tight fitting jacket with three-quarter length sleeves and rhinestone buttons. Her small matching hat was accented with a tiny rhinestone pin and attached veil. She carried a cascade bouquet of white carnations and stephanotis centered with pink carnations and tied with pink satin streamers and forget-me-nots.

Mrs. Ralph Boggs, sister of the bridegroom, was matron of honor. She wore a dress of periwinkle blue wool flannel, styled with a fitted empire waist, full skirt scooped neckline and short sleeves. She carried a colonial bouquet of pink carnations tied with pink streamers.

The bridegroom was graduated from Ashland high school and completed her commerce course in Ashland Junior College. She is employed by the Ashland Oil and Refining Co.

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The couple spent several days at the Netherland Plaza in Cincinnati, O.

Mr. Spradlin is the grandson of Dr. M. M. Collins, of Lackey, and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn C. Spradlin, of Prestonsburg, Ky.

Tom Dallas served as best man for Mr. Spradlin.

A reception, for members of the immediate family, was held following the ceremony. The bride's table was covered with a lace-cloth and was centered with a three-tiered wedding cake, surrounded with baby chrysanthemums, and accented by white tapers in crystal candelabra on either side. Assisting at the reception were Mrs. Joyce Sorrell and Mrs. Jane Mullins.

The bride's mother wore a navy blue wool dress with matching accessories and a corsage of white carnations. The bridegroom's mother was in an Oxford gray cashmere wool dress with gold satin trim and a corsage of bronze baby chrysanthemums.

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William F. Hall, 70, Of Mare Creek, Victim Of Heart Condition

William Fillmore Hall, 70, of Mare Creek, died at home, at 7:30 p. m., last Saturday. A heart condition was given as the cause of death. He had been ill for two years. He was a farmer.

Mr. Hall, a native and life-long resident of this county, was married to Mrs. Myrtle Howard Hall, of Magoffin county. She survives. His mother, Mrs. Artie Stratton Hunt, preceded him in death several years ago.

Surviving is one daughter, Mrs. Amy Thompson, of Mare Creek, a brother, Rev. Penn L. Hunt, of Mare Creek, seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral rites were conducted from the home, Monday noon, the Rev. Isaac Stratton officiating. Burial followed in the Hunt cemetery on Mare Creek under the direction of the Baker Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith, of Hi Hat, Succumbs in Huntington; Native of West Virginia

Mrs. Ernestine Smith, 37, of Hi-Hat, died at 9 a. m., Monday, at St. Mary's hospital, Huntington. The cause of death was given as cerebral hemorrhage. Mrs. Smith was a daughter of the late Jesse and Lilly Trent Vance, natives of Logan county, West Virginia, and was married to Jay Smith, who survives. She was ill two months.

Two children, Harold Smith, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Lana Smith, at home, survive. Surviving brothers and sisters are Bill Vance, of Hi Hat, Jack Vance, of Chickasaw, Ala., Charles Vance, of Brooklyn, and Danny Vance, U. S. Army, Topeka, Kans.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, at 10 a. m., at the Church of God, at Hi Hat, Rev. George Smith officiating. The body was removed to Logan, W. Va., and burial followed in the family cemetery there under the direction of Hall Bros. Funeral Home.

EABE DIES

Kathleen Robinson, one-day-old daughter of Cpl. Luther and Betty Akers Robinson, of Banner, died at 2 p. m. last Saturday. Cpl. Robinson is stationed with the U. S. Army at Ft. Bragg, N. C. Funeral rites were held Monday at 10 a. m. at the graveside at the Jones cemetery near Banner, Rev. Carl Layne officiating. Burial was under the direction of Hall Bros. Funeral Home.

RENOVATE PASTURE

Montgomery county farmers sowing grasses and alfalfa in the pasture-meadow renovation program include A. E. Walker, G. W. Greer, H. F. Howell, Roy Morris, and Sam Taylor. UK County Agent Floyd McDaniel reported 110 soil tests in October, with many farmers spreading limestone and seeding cover crops.

A pig chain is helping 4-H club members in Webster county start registered Hampshire herds.

Fraternal Order Joins Safe Driving Campaign; Dec. 15 Set as S-D Day

Continuing its efforts to promote safety on the highways of the Nation, and as part of their international campaign of this nature, Prestonsburg Lodge No. 293, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has joined with the President in the campaign for safe driving.

A proclamation issued by Noel Patton, grand master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Odd Fellows, has requested the cooperation of every Odd Fellow in the state in "S-D Day," Dec. 15, and their continued efforts in the future.

Originated through the Sovereign Grand Lodge, the international governing body of the Odd Fellows, a campaign, "BE ODD—BE COURTEOUS," has been adopted by all states and the provinces of Canada. This campaign of the Odd Fellows is in direct accord with the proclamation of the President.

The Odd Fellows campaign, in connection with "S-D Day," is under the direction of James Cecil, Jr., noble grand, and Menis Conley, secretary, of Prestonsburg Lodge.

Floyd County Farmers Buy Quantity Supplies

Floyd county farmers have bought in 1954 to date 19,000 pounds of Ky. 31 Fescue, says County Agent O. E. Boggs. This represents a considerable increase over last year's purchases, he says.

Other supplies, including seeds, also bought by the farmers this year are the following:

- 80,500 pounds small grain and vetch;
- 20,000 pounds legume seed (Korean, alfalfa, red clover, and others);
- 11,084 pounds other grasses (orchard grass, timothy, red top, etc.);
- 283 bushel hybrid seed corn;
- straight fertilizer, 45 T ammonium nitrate, 98 T phosphate, 10 tons potash;
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Dock Ratliff Succumbs At Alphoretta Residence; Was Merchant 31 Years

Dock Ratliff, 73, Alphoretta, died Tuesday evening, at 6:45 at home. He was the victim of a heart attack. Death, it was said, came instantly, while he was talking to friends. He had been ill three years.

Mr. Ratliff was well known in this county, having engaged in the merchandising business for 31 years, chiefly at Alphoretta. He was a son of the late Wess and Cynthia Stephens Ratliff. His wife, Mrs. Sarah Owsley Ratliff, survives. He had no surviving children.

A brother, Grant Ratliff, of Pulterton, Ky., and a sister, Mrs. Nora Hicks, of Willard, Ohio, survive. Funeral rites will be conducted tomorrow (Friday) at 10 a. m. at Dinwood, the Revs. Willard Akers, M. C. Wright and others officiating. Burial will follow in the Dingus cemetery under the direction of Hall Bros. Funeral Home.

Pvt. Helton Found Dead In France, His Parents Told By Defense Dept.

Pvt. L. Helton, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Helton, of Little Paint Creek, was found dead in bed in France last Saturday, according to a Defense Department telegram received late Monday by his parents. Cause of death was given as unknown.

His death occurred on the same day his family received a letter from him stating that he was getting along fine.

The soldier and his family formerly resided on Friend street in Prestonsburg before moving to the Elza Conley farm near the head of Little Paint Creek at the foot of Abbott mountain, about two miles from here.

Young Helton was home on furlough about three weeks ago and had been overseas a week when he died. The elder Helton said his son's was the first death in a family of 12 children.

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burg, 23, Tram, and Velma New-some, 22, Printer; married at Me-dowland Dec. 4 by the Rev. Pink Os-borne. E. L. Cline, Jr., and Bertha Stapleton. Bill Parsons and Eunice Blevins. Alex Wallen, 77, and Linda Jarrell, 64. James Slone and Louisa Lou Johnson.

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"Construction of the new Ohio River dam at Greenup, I am told, will push water far enough up the Big Sandy to eliminate the first of the dams proposed on this project," Cooper said. "Moving the locks into the stream of the river might cut the cost still more.

"A reduction in the costs and in increase in the benefits must be fully established before the project will be approved."

In 1949, the project was ruled on unfavorably by the engineers. It was estimated, then that only 63 cents in benefits would result from each \$1 spent figured over a period of 50 years. Since that time, other pro-ponents said, construction costs have dropped.

After lunch James W. Wine, Pike-ville attorney introduced local wit-nesses—county and city officials, coal operators—favoring the project.

B. P. Reed, secretary-treasurer of the Turner-Elkhorn Coal Company, said:

"There is a vast quantity of coal in the Big Sandy area that never will be mined, unless a home market can be developed or unless it can be moved to the Ohio Valley at rates that enable it to compete for mar-kets there at a rate similar to coal from navigable fields."

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Mr. Dingus likes to tell of the start he had to make from "minus 13," as he terms it, for when the ceremony was said and the preacher was paid he was in debt that many dollars. He was a teacher himself with four years' experience. He had begun in 1900, and after that he continued his chosen profession. The names of the creeks he has taught in sound like a recital from the geography of the county. He names Abbott, Little Paint, Brandy Keg, Mare Creek, Right Fork of Middle Creek, Jennie's Creek and likes to recall that he filled the position on Little Paint Creek for 32 years.

His first school was on Open Fork of Middle Creek. He split the five-month term with another teacher. Had to do it, was glad to do it, for there "was a great scramble then" for schools. He got the munificent sum of \$30 per month.

But not all the time was spent in "scrambling for schools." He wanted a road up Little Paint Creek, wanted a good church house, dreamed of a telephone. "I've ridden horseback to school, waded the creeks, too, get-ting there," he recalls. "I walked all over the section around here trying to get signers on a postal route petition. I got 'em too. All but one old man, worth \$50,000 who wouldn't petition for a route be-cause he thought it would raise his taxes." He has the rural route now. It goes in a circle, passes his home on the way to Whitaker postoffice. There is a good farm-to-market road too. Roads were always one thing on the Dingus program.

The old Wilson home, in which Joe and Marie Dingus were married, has come a long way, like the community of Little Paint Creek. It is now weatherboarded, has on either end an old stone chimney, hewn from native stone by a mason, Milt Music, now dead. Both insisted, when the house was being modern-ized, the chimneys be retained. In the house is electric power, hot and cold water, a bathroom, refrigeration and a television set.

The telephone, installed Nov. 29, was the last convenience added.

Retired from teaching, Mr. and Mrs. Dingus are enjoying life, are going gracefully into old age, happy and contented. A good home, modern conveniences, a church bus nearby, a good road and a rural mail de-livery contribute to that. He looks back on his teaching career with the nostalgia of an old pedagogue. "I cried when I quit," he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Dingus have six children, four sons and two daugh-ters. Two of the boys are in Chicago, one is at South Point, O., the other is at Cincinnati. One daughter is living in Huntington, the other at St. Cloud, Fla. He doesn't say, but you could safely bet he has their telephone numbers. They are fond of those children, fond, too, of the grands and greats. "There are ten grandchildren and four great-grand-children," Mr. Dingus said. "May the tribe increase."

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THE DESPERATE RACE

The following was found in my typewriter Wednesday afternoon. It was written by a friend whom I know well, whom I perhaps know better than he knows himself. It is a self-portrait, and should be of in-terest to folks who know others who are fugitives from something or from themselves.

"A fello w'hat's running away from something, trying to get just as far from that something as he can; seems like he never does get quite far enough away so he can quit running. Not until he finds what he's looking for, and if he doesn't even know what that's going to look like, hows he's ever going to recognize it? Because he doesn't know what he's looking for; he's never seen it.

"So, he'll stop every once in a while to catch his breath, and he'll look all around him quick—and kind of desperate, and he'll say to himself, is this it? Does this look like it? Maybe this is it, maybe I can stop here.

"So he stops and rests a little while, but doesn't feel comfortable; you know? He can feel this isn't it, yet. He doesn't dare look over his shoulder, but he knows if he did dare, there it'd be, just what he's been running away from right behind him, and catching up fast, so he says, 'O, Lord, I'm so tired, but I got to run some more!

"So the fear of running from the unknown amounts to the fact that he is trying to escape from himself. If he would only find peace of mind with something to do, something to love, and something to look forward to maybe his running would stop."

I suggest the writer go back to where he says, "O, Lord," and try saying that again and again, with deep earnestness. He'll not be run-ning while he's saying it—he'll be searching.

Mrs. Laura Crager, 67, Of Gunlock, Succumbs; Was Victim of Diabetes

Mrs. Laura Crager, 67, of Gunlock, died at 10:30 p.m., at the Stumbo Memorial hospital, at Lackey, Wed-nesday of last week. Diabetes was given as the cause of death. Mrs. Crager was a daughter of the late Albert and Vicie Marshall Shepherd and the widow of Bill Crager. She had been a member of the Regular Baptist church for 18 years. Mrs. Crager was ill ten years ago.

Surviving children are Jimmie Crager, of Hueysville, Joe Crager, of Gunlock, Melvin Crager, of Gary, Ind., Mrs. Perry Ousley, of Risner, Mrs. Chester Shepherd, of Gunlock, and Mrs. Hayden Allen, of Albion, Ind. Surviving sisters are Mrs. Milly Vanderpoole and Mrs. Wilson Van-derpoole, both of Gunlock.

Funeral rites were conducted at 10 a.m. at the Grassy Creek school-house at Gunlock, Revs. Banner Manns, Andy Moore, Russell Jacobs and James Vanderpoole officiating. Burial followed in the family cem-etry there under the direction of Hall Bros. Funeral Home.

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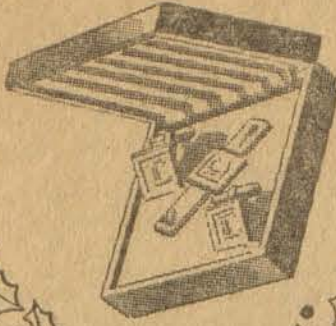


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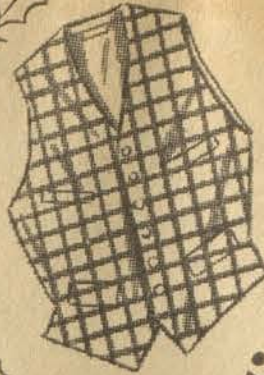


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Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 1 — The Kentucky Court of Appeals dismissed the attempted appeal of the State Tax Commission from an order of Franklin Circuit Judge William B. Ardery which invalidated its 70 per cent assessment raise on all types of property in Daviess county. The appeal was dismissed because the Commission had not taken its appeal for review within the ten days allowed by law.

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Elliott Falk, director of Accounts in the Department of Finance, reported that the state spent during the 1952-53 fiscal year, which closed last July, \$208,583,889.71 for these services.

General fund expenditures — including the cost of essential governmental services, such as the judiciary, welfare and educational pro-

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W. G. Biggers, representing the Fraternal Order of Eagles here, delivers an insurance check to Mrs. Billie Harkins, of Prestonsburg. She is the widow of Joseph D. Harkins, Jr., Prestonsburg attorney, who died several weeks ago.

grams, cost \$81,049,789.43 of which \$76,639,835.79 was in current operating costs.

An additional \$4,410,153.64 was for public buildings—capital outlay expenditures—authorized by the State Property and Buildings Commission.

The road fund outlay for the year—the cost of constructing and maintaining a network of more than 15,000 miles of roads and bridges—amounted to \$71,507,312.70.

Agency fund expenditures, representing earmarked funds and receipts from various sources such as fishing and hunting licenses, fees and tuition, accounted for an additional \$58,006,787.58.

Falk explained that reports of State expenditures are always late in being made because books are not closed on a previous year until 90 days after it ends and because of the work involved in getting a final report.

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Four Floyd Students In Morehead Chorus

Four Morehead State College students from Floyd county are appearing with the college chorus this month in its pre-Christmas tour presentation of Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah." Seven Kentucky communities are included in the schedule.

The Floyd students are Kathryn Stewart, of Langley, Frank D. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Demra Taylor, of Martin, Franklin Honeycutt, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Honeycutt, of Auxier, and Barbara Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Campbell, of Weeksbury.

The 45-member chorus is under the direction of Dr. Leroy Weil, head of the college Music department.

Soloists are Rosemary Barker, soprano, Ashland; Joe Huffman, tenor, Markle, Ind.; Bernard Kautz, baritone, Morehead; Alnora Johnson, contralto, St. Clairsville, Ohio; and JoAnne Ramey, contralto, Harlan.

The schedule includes Louisa high school at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 5.

CRAFTWORK

Craftwork among Metcalfe county homemakers included leather bilfolds and purses, aluminum trays, woven baskets, etched glass and Swedish weaving on towels.

HOMEMAKERS WORK

In Harrison county, 23 homemakers worked with other agencies in fertilizing and cultivating all plantings at the Harrison county high school.

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Two Floyd County Men Assigned to Victory Div.

Hakata, Japan — Privates First Class Bob Hall, son of Edgar H. Hall, of Banner, Ky., and Clifford Crum, 18, son of Mrs. Stella Crum, of Martin, Ky., recently left Korea with the 24th Infantry Division, which has been assigned to Kakata, Japan. The "Victory" division has been in the Far East since World War II.

Crum, a member of the 34th Regiment's Headquarters Company, arrived overseas this August after completing basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. He entered the army late in March. Hall, a gunner in Tank Company of the 1st Regiment, entered the army in June, 1953, and completed basic training at Fort Knox, Ky.

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Woman in the Well, Latest Eastern Kentucky Mystery

By CLYDE C. BALL
(In The Huntington Herald-Advertiser)

GRAYSON, Ky., Nov. 27 — A strange, new case — the case of the woman in the well — was added this week to a growing list of baffling deaths in eastern Kentucky.

The well, a bridge, a brown suit, two trains—these have figured in some of the most celebrated, recent, unsolved cases in an area that has known much violence.

To police the answer to the question "What?" has generally come easy: it is almost always murder.

More difficult to find are answers to "whodunit?" and "why?" and, some times, "how?"

THE WELL

Take the case of the well, the most recent baffler:

On the morning of November 16 fire destroyed the two-story frame home of Jack LeMasters, 55, and his divorced — but recently reconciled — wife, Grace 61. LeMaster, intoxicated, escaped with minor burns. He was jailed on a drunkenness charge.

Six hours later searchers found Mrs. LeMasters' body submerged at the bottom of a well located on the spot where the back porch had once stood. The body was upright. A scarf was over her head; pocket-book over one arm; eyeglasses in place. She was fully clothed, even to topcoat. It was as if she had started a trip — and stepped into the well feet-first.

LeMasters, when he could be questioned, could offer no explanation. He said he might have started the fire with a cigarette but he had no recollection of doing that.

In an effort to end the mystery, the odd-jobs man voluntarily underwent a lie detector test at Lexington last Monday. The test, said Carter county sheriff Chester Greenhill, revealed "nothing to indicate he wasn't telling the truth."

An autopsy showed Mrs. LeMasters died of a ruptured vessel in the heart, perhaps from overexertion. The coroner expressed the belief she was dead before submersion. But no one yet has been able to explain how she—or the body—got into the well.

THE BRIDGE

At Prestonsburg, Floyd county, a bridge spans the Levisa fork of the Big Sandy river. One night in June, 1949, 17-year-old Muriel Baldrige, popular and pretty cheerleader at Prestonsburg high, left her home on the opposite side of the river. Later that night she waved goodbye to three companions and headed back across the bridge to her home.

Some eight hours later, a bright morning sun bore down on the battered figure of Muriel Baldrige, found lying under the span at the western end. Police said she had not been criminally assaulted but was believed to have been slain with a blunt instrument while resisting a criminal attack.

More than a dozen persons have been arrested in the case. Two men were tried and freed. Two others "confessed" the crime, then repudiated their statements.

A few days ago, on information supplied by a Kentuckian now living in Florida, police picked up a man in Meridian, Miss. One man said the other had admitted killing Miss Baldrige. Two Kentucky officers, although going against their better judgment, traveled to Meridian to interview the man detained. They said they were quickly convinced that neither he nor the man in Florida knew anything about the case except what they had read in newspapers and magazines.

The search for the Baldrige slayer continues.

THE SUIT

Two men named Damron are or were principals in Pike county murder mysteries—one the accused; the other the victim:

Awaiting trial at this session of Pike county circuit court is Willard (Catfish) Damron, about 28; a Boldman, Ky., poolroom operator who has served time for bootlegging. Damron is charged with the torso slaying of a former convict the Commonwealth has identified as Clyde Jack Clements, about 48, believed originally of east Tennessee.

Clements made his way out of the Pike county jail May 22, 1953, while awaiting court action on a charge that he possessed burglary

tools. He was not seen alive again. A farmer's dog uncovered a shallow grave on Johns Creek near Pikeville last March 31, revealing a man's body—without head, hands or feet—clad in a double-breasted brown suit. The extremities and head, needed for positive identification, were never found.

But Billy Delaney, 26, Perry county serving time at LaGrange reformatory on a bad check conviction, was taken to Pikeville during the torso investigation and testified that he had traded the brown suit to Clements while both were in jail there. He said Damron was in jail at the same time and that Clements and Damron had played cards in the cell.

State Police Sergeant E. L. Cornette testified at a June 5 preliminary hearing that a laundry mark, found in the brown suit had been traced to a Martin, Ky., dry cleaning place. Records at the establishment showed the suit had been picked up at Damron's pool room—in Damron's name—August 8, 1953, and returned August 14.

Coroner John George Call estimated the torso victim had died about August 15, 1953. Damron says he had nothing to do with the slaying.

THE TRAINS

The murder victim was Damron—Hermit Damron, 27, a coal miner of Belcher, Pike county boarded a Chesapeake & Ohio Railway train bound from Pikeville to Elkhorn City on the night of February 11, 1945. When the train stopped at Regina, Demron, who had just been paid his miners wages, got off. Pike county authorities say it has been established that at least two other men left the train with Damron. They returned but he did not.

Two halfbrothers — William Hurt, 35, and Henry Jennings, 39, then of Auxier, Floyd county—were indicted for Damron's murder. The body could not be found at that time, however, and both subsequently were freed.

Last month two groundhog hunters came upon the remains of a man in the woods near Regina. From a billfold and other personal effects nearby King Damron identified the body as that of his son Hermit.

Reopening the nine-year-old case, King Damron swore out murder warrants against Hurt and Jennings. They were arrested at their home, in Hillsboro, Ohio; returned here and re-indicted earlier this month. The old indict-

ments somehow had been misplaced at the courthouse, County Attorney Kelsey Friend explained.

Just this week still a third former Kentuckian, Earl Sexton, was arrested in Detroit on a charge that he aided and abetted in the Damron slaying. Sheriff Alex Blackburn said authorities were pretty certain Sexton was on that same train nine years ago. He said the slaying motive was robbery. . .

Turn now to another C. & O. train in another town—Ashland—and the strange case of the toilet stall shooting. It happened early in the afternoon, March 27, 1951. The victim was Stuart M. Craft, 40-year-old former mining engineer at Wayland. He was shot in the head with a .38 caliber revolver. The gun was found beneath the body in the men's restroom at C. & O. passenger depot in Ashland.

Police could find no one who heard the fatal shot. How or who fired it never has been established.

Glenn Harold Hall, former Floyd county deputy sheriff, then 31 years old, was indicted for Craft's murder, tried and acquitted at Catlettsburg in May, 1952.

The state's evidence was circumstantial. Hall admitted on the witness stand that he had sold Craft the revolver at Ashland the morning after Craft got off a train on his return from a job-hunting trip to Detroit. He said he delivered the gun to Craft at the station the afternoon of the shooting and later me Craft coming into the rest room as he—Hall—was going out. He said he and Craft were friends; had met in Ashland casually.

Three prosecution witnesses told of seeing the two men enter the rest room together.

The jury weighed the evidence for two hours and five minutes—then set Hall free. No murder motive was established at the trial.

Craft's death never was solved.

City Can't Appropriate Money for Vote Machines

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 6—A city can not appropriate money for the purchase of voting machines to be used by a county, this expense being entirely up to a county, Assistant Attorney General Walter C. Herdman ruled in advising Daviess county officials that a proposed agreement which the City of Owensboro would pay a portion of such expense, was illegal.

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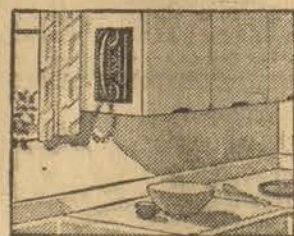
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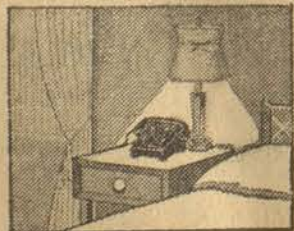
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Mr. Seldon said it appeared that a large majority of the roles could be cast from this group. Besides the 20 major speaking parts, there are openings for singers, dancers, bit-players, and walk-ons in the entire company of approximately 100 people. There are also openings for technical work behind the scenes of the drama, in staging, lighting, and properties.

Mr. Seldon will hold further auditions for alumni in Charleston, W. Va., and Asheville, N. C., in January. In February he will hold more tryouts in Berea, and at that time will consider students from other Kentucky colleges. Final casting will be completed by March 1, 1955, and rehearsals will begin June 7.

Mountain Mission Starts Funds Drive



—Polaroid 1-Minute Photo by The Times
Receiving the first contribution, from Dr. John Sizemore, (left), of Prestonsburg, for the Goodwill Mountain Mission in its annual drive for funds, is Rev. Howard C. Church (right), of West Prestonsburg. Rev. and Mrs. Church, who conduct the Mission, collect funds for the purchase of clothing, particularly shoes, for the needy children of the county.

Ninety children were able to re-enter school in 1951 through the efforts of the Mission, 269 received assistance in 1952 and 163 in 1953. Rev. Church says the number aided and returned to school this year will finally depend on funds raised.

"We find a greater need for shoes this year than any previous year," Rev. Church says. "Much clothing and medicine has been distributed already."

"In each community there will be someone assigned to solicit your contribution," the minister says, in an appeal for funds. "Your contribution will be acknowledged. Funds may be mailed to Henry P. Sealf, Prestonsburg, who is treasurer of the Mission."

BOOKLET SHOWS KENTUCKY RANKS LOW IN EDUCATION

Kentucky school teachers were told this week by the State Teacher Retirement Board that they may not avail themselves of federal social security payments in the absence of action by the General Assembly.

A new federal law provides that certain groups not now covered by social security may avail themselves of its benefits upon the holding of a referendum which shows a majority of the participants favoring such a plan.

N. O. Kimbler, secretary of the Teacher Retirement System, explained that many teachers have been laboring under a "false impression" that all that is needed for teachers to supplement their teacher retirement benefits with social security benefits is to conduct a referendum.

"Our office is besiged with letters asking why federal benefits are not available," said Kimbler. "The reason is that any benefits of this sort can not be had unless the General Assembly takes action. The state can not obligate itself to pay out money to this group of people, or to the federal treasury to finance such a

program, unless the General Assembly authorizes such action.

"Any machinery for a referendum likewise would have to be approved by the state's law makers."

The state's Teacher Retirement System, which provides annuities for teachers up to \$1,200 a year in given cases, certainly "fills a long-felt need" and is "big business" in the opinion of Kimbler who pointed to an approximate reserve of more than \$28,000,000—chiefly invested in government bonds and approved corporate securities.

Any action by the General Assembly, too, should be carefully thought out, making certain that "gains already established" are not discarded, for a system yet to be proven, according to Kimbler.

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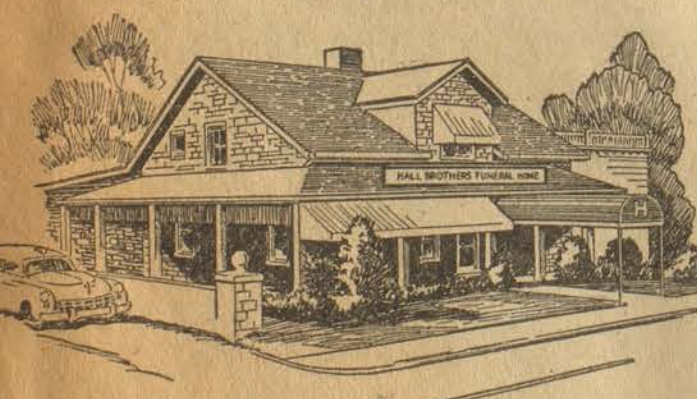
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Twenty thousand jobs a year, on the average, will have to be created in Kentucky during the next 20 years as a result of population growth if Kentucky is to maintain its proportionate share in the nation's industrial growth, the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce announced last week.

Approximately \$26,000,000 a year in new capital will be needed to supply the jobs for this addition to the state's labor forces, Harper Gattton, executive vice-president of the Kentucky Chamber, estimated. Surveys show that the average investment required to create a new job in industry has now reached about \$13,000 in manufacturing, according to a recent survey made by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

There is apparently no serious shortage of loan funds, but there is a shortage of risk or venture capital, Gattton continued. The switch from risk to loan capital is indicated by the decrease in the proportion of national income paid out in dividends, he said. In 1939 dividends represented 5.2 per cent of national income and in 1953 only 3 per cent—a drop of more than 40 per cent.

Federal tax policies are a primary cause of the switch, which took place despite prosperity, Gattton continued.

"Interest paid on loan capital, such as bonds, is deductible from the tax base," Gattton said. "Except for corporations earning \$25,000 a year or less, corporate earnings are subject to a tax rate of 52 per cent. Thus the cost of raising risk capital may be almost three times as much as raising the same amount by a bond issue."

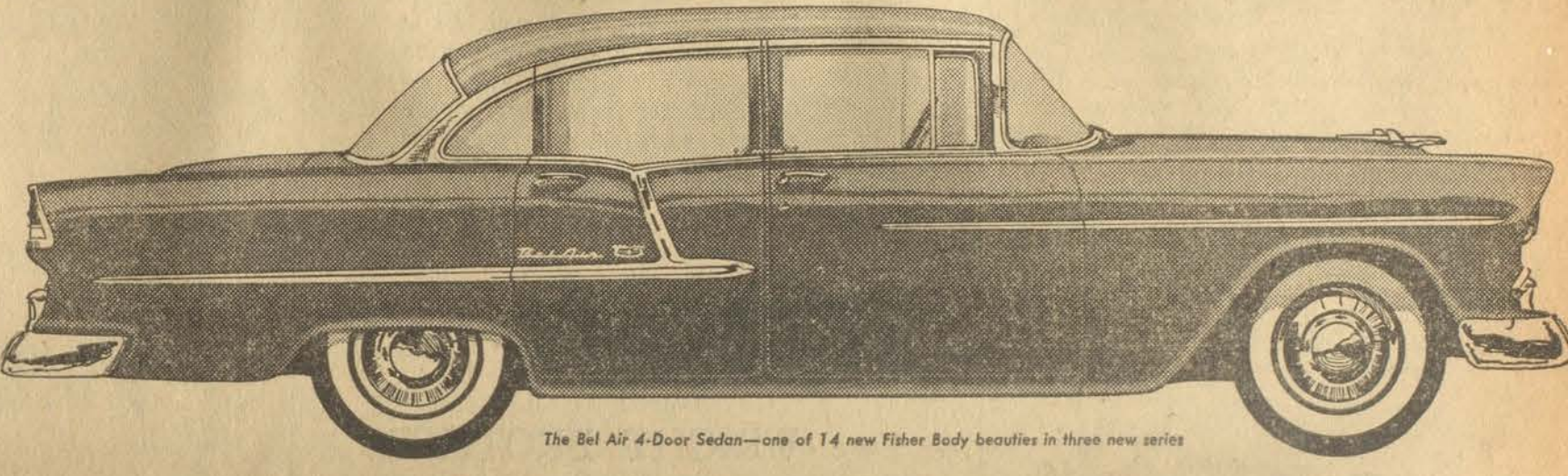
The Chamber termed "imperative" a reduction in government expenditures, followed by these tax changes to increase the incentive for risk investment:

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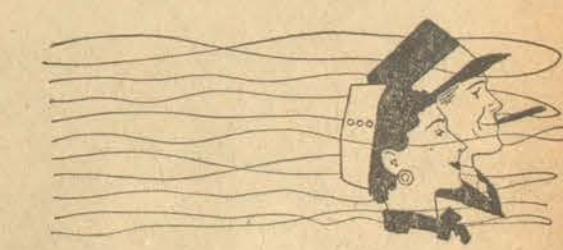
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Prestonsburg's Black Cats basketball team began Wednesday night its 1954 season under the tutelage of a new coach, Wm. O. Goebel, Jr., in that first game meeting the Auxier Hornets which have been giving a good account of themselves against strong opposition.

Coach Goebel's boys are traveling daily to Paintsville for practise sessions, since they have no gym. Seven lettermen are back for the campaign. They are Lowell Hughes, Bert Dixon, Dee Caldwell, Ronnie Goble, Thurman Laferty, Joe P. Tackett and Clifford Goble. Remaining members of the squad are Lowell McKenzie, Ronnie Leslie, Dickie Leslie, Paul Phillip Hughes, Melvin Stewart, Carl Sizemore, Johnny Cook, Joe Jack Harris.

Caldwell will be ineligible till January, and his spot in the starting lineup will be taken by Joe Tackett.

The team's schedule, in addition to the opener against Auxier: Dec. 10—Flat Gap; Dec. 14—Paintsville; Dec. 17—Meade Memorial; Dec. 27-30—Pikeville Invitational; Jan. 5—Martin; Jan. 7—Maytown; Jan. 11—Pikeville; Jan. 13—Garrett; Jan. 15—Wayland; Jan. 19-22—Paintsville Invitational; Jan. 25—Wheelwright; Jan. 28—Betsy Layne; Feb. 1—Flat Gap; Feb. 4—Meade Memorial; Feb. 7—Pikeville; Feb. 11—Inez; Feb. 15—Belfry; Feb. 22—Wayland; Feb. 25—Paintsville.

SPORTS AFIELD

By TED KESTING

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In most places, mixed with the original brush, there are a vast number of good wildlife plants: cover for conifers and evergreen shrubs, shrubs and vines that furnish browse in winter and berries in the fall. But after blanket spraying, this plant life that is so beneficial to game usually doesn't get a chance to reseed. And the land is pretty much useless.

Here, according to Dr. Frank E. Egler, of the American Museum of Natural History, is an example of what could be done: Transmission lines of electric power companies run all across this country. The right-of-ways vary from 10 to 250 feet wide, and the brush must be controlled to let crews in for maintenance and emergency repairs. Plants must not get in the way of the wires. This calls for a footfall, or better still a truck trail. A strip 30 to 50 feet wide right under the wires should have no plants that grow more than two to three feet high. Low-brush blueberries and huckleberries, which grow from coast to coast, could be left in this strip while other plants are eliminated. On the outer edges of such right-of-ways, the main problem is to keep tree sprouts from growing up into the wires. Out there you can leave blackberries, viburnums, cornels, junipers—plants that make excellent habitat for many kinds of game.

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11:00 a.m. Worship. Sermon: "The Supreme Beatitude."

6:30 p.m. Baptist Training Union. 7:30 p.m. Worship.

Sermon: "The Way of Peace." Members of the congregation are asked to bring their gifts of food for the White Christmas baskets.

All of these gifts must be in by December 19 in time for processing and distribution before Christmas.

ENFORCE DOG LAW

Sheep breeders, the Farm Bureau and the Fiscal Court are cooperating in enforcing the dog law in Nicholas county.

Sports Flashes

From THE SPORTING NEWS

By J. G. Taylor Spink

Many baseball fans are wondering why only 13 minor leaguers were taken by the majors in the recent draft. The reason, says Farm Director Lee MacPhail of the Yankees, is that there are fewer good players around. The Sporting News points out that only \$122,000 was spent in the draft, by nine clubs. Seven teams weren't interested enough to bid.

The Texas League has long been recognized as a "pitchers' circuit." But, says The Sporting News, it has produced two of organized baseball's outstanding slugging performances. On June 15, 1952, Nig Clarke was credited with eight consecutive home runs in one game, when Corsicana beat Texarkana, 51 to 3. On August 6, 1950, Gene Rye of Waco hit three straight homers to drive in eight runs as his team beat Beaumont, 20 to 7.

While Manager Paul Richards of the Baltimore Orioles has been taking quite a beating from Baltimore fans because of his recent deal with the Yankees, The Sporting News gives Paul a sympathetic pat on the back. While the baseball weekly says that the trade is regrettable from the standpoint of strengthening the strong Yankees in the pitching department, it says Richards had to take the gamble. In an editorial on the trade, The Sporting News winds up with the guess that neither Richards nor Baltimore will regret the daring gamble.

Pitcher Gene Conley of the Milwaukee Braves has been conducting a weekly radio program on a Milwaukee station. He allows youngsters to ask questions. One youngster, says The Sporting News, asked Conley, "What do you consider your best pitch?" Gene had an easy answer, though perhaps not an enlightening one. He said: "The one that gets the batter out."

General Manager Hank Greenberg of the Cleveland Indians is tired of hearing complaints that he made a mistake in buying Ralph Kiner from the Chicago Cubs. He has a ready answer for those who say that, "all Kiner can do is hit that long ball." "Yes," says Greenberg, "and all Bing Crosby can do is sing."

STUDY ALFALFA PROBLEM

Four crops specialists from the UK College of Agriculture and Home Economics were called to Washington county to determine the cause of irregular growth of alfalfa. In some fields there were spots where the alfalfa was several times the size of the crop in other parts of the field.

HEARING SET

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 8 — The Kentucky Railroad Commission scheduled for hearing at Paducah February 16 the application of the Illinois Central Railroad Company to drop the last two passenger trains serving the West Kentucky area—trains that now operate between Louisville and Fulton. The Company claimed it lost \$700,000 last year in operating the passenger system through Western Kentucky.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many friends and relatives of our beloved father and stepfather, Jeff Gray, and to the Revs. George Wright and Charlie Rowe for their consoling words in our hour of bereavement, and especially to the Moore Funeral Home for its efficient and courteous service and to all our friends for their floral offerings.

The Family

OBITUARY

Herbert Prater was born Oct. 8, 1917 and deceased Dec. 1, Tuesday night, at 12:30. He was married to Dorcie Williams Oct. 2, 1935. To this union was born three children, Earle, Earmon and Joyce, all of which are at home.

He was preceded in death by his father, Millard Prater, leaving his mother, Eva and one brother, Hoover J. Prater, and six sisters. Herbert was a kind father and a helpful neighbor.

He trusted God for his eternal home. He left this world praying and saying he was going home to God.

In his dying hour he bid them good-bye, shaking hands with his wife and Charlie Prater saying he was going home to God. Besides these relatives, he leaves a host of neighbors and friends to mourn his loss. "We trust our loss is Heaven's gain."

MADE DISPLAY

Woodford county Negro 4-H'ers made an elaborate display of their projects at a community show of the Versailles Homemakers Club.

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SPORTS CHATTER

By Gordon Moore

Now that the Floyd county pre-season basketball tournament is over and John Campbell's Garrett Black Devils have grabbed their second successive crown, they will be the target for the other eight page teams during the hectic season.

Every fisherman should delight in reading two articles, "Can We Farm the Ocean?" and "How To Fish in French," in the December issue of Reader's Digest. A German scientist, Dr. Konrad Kreutzer, may revolutionize anglers' pastime with his electric current control method.

Another item of interest in the article is that there are 16,000 known varieties of marine fish, but only 200 are used by man.

The Black Cats football team placed Lowell Hughes on the first team, end Bert Dixon on the third team, and in addition, five Prestonsburg players received honorable mention: Halfbacks Clifford and Connie Goble; tackle Donald Puckett; guard Randall Wells and deceased center, Donald Gene Reathford.

Whitesburg diminutive guard, Ron Caudill, was named to the second team and Buddy Fields to the third team, as the only other players in the entire Eastern Kentucky area to make one of the three best teams.

The new one-plus-one if the first shot is made has created a situation in which you must hit your first shot if you expect to win, and is drawn out the game longer as players display their free-throw talents to the leary spectators. In the recent McDowell-Betsy Layne game, which lasted an hour and 55 minutes, both teams took a record-breaking 96 free throws and connected on only 53 attempts for a 53 percent.

Saturday night in Portsmouth, Ohio, the local five downed Ashland, 46-46, in a 75-total personal four contest. Both teams pushed up 115 free throws and connected on 64 attempts for a 55 percentage. The game lasted one hour and 50 minutes.

The pre-season tournament unveiled many scoring stars to be watched throughout the season until district tournament time. The most promising of the group are Martin's Delmar Thompson, Maytown's Alvin Lafferty, Betsy Layne's Davis and Williamson, Wayland's Kelly and Lowell Gibson; Auxier's P. Wells, Wheelwright's Homer Osborne, McDowell's M. Martin, and Doug Chaffins and Edgar Rister of Garrett.

ARCHER NAMED CAPTAIN
Pottstown, Pa., Nov. 30* (Spl.)—Raleigh R. Archer, son of Dr. and Mrs. George P. Archer, Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, Ky., was recently elected co-captain of one of the football teams at The Hill School here for the 1955 season.

Archer, a sophomore, entered The Hill in the fall of 1953. He is a member of the Outing Club.

Homemakers of Breckinridge county have made about 200 leather articles, including coin purses, bill-folds, handbags, key cases, belts and moccasins.



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Sgt. Boyd at Fort Riley With 10th Infantry Div.

Fort Riley, Kan.—Sgt. Jess W. Boyd, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Boyd, Hueysville, Ky., recently participated in a three-day combat test at Fort Riley, Kan., with the 1st Battalion of the 10th Infantry Division's 87th Regiment.

The exercises, held to test the fighting efficiency of both the men and the unit, required that Boyd's battalion stay in the field under simulated combat conditions.

Sergeant Boyd, a weapon platoon sergeant in Company A, entered the army in 1949. He previously served in Germany with the occupation forces.

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BASKETBALL

FLOYD COUNTY STANDINGS (58th District)

Team	W	L
Garrett	9	0
Martin	5	2
Wayland	5	3
Wheelwright	5	3
Betsy Layne	4	4
Maytown	3	4
Auxier	2	4
McDowell	2	5

FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

Prestonsburg at Flat Gap. Garrett at Dilce Combs. Maytown at Wheelwright. McDowell at Wayland. Auxier at Martin. Greenup Co. at Betsy Layne.

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE

Wayland at Martin. Greenup Co. at Wheelwright. Garrett at Maytown. Betsy Layne at McDowell.

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Name	G.	TL.	Av.
Osborne, Flat Gap	5	180	32
Butcher, Meade Mem.	3	96	32
Coleman, Wayland	8	208	26

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FFA 'Greenhand' Degree Conferred on 10 Boys

The Prestonsburg Chapter of Future Farmers of America held their annual "Greenhand" initiation last Thursday. The membership in this club is made up of four degrees: Greenhand, Chapter Farmer, State Farmer and the American Farmer. Qualifications for the Greenhand degree are: Be regularly enrolled in a vocational agriculture class; be familiar with the purpose of the F. F. A. and the program of work of the local chapter; recite the creed.

Among those initiated were Johnny Jackson, Ralph Little, Thomas Graham, Billy Rice, Denver Music, Clellis Richardson, Elzie Prater, Mabry Holbrook, Sanford Burchett, and Harry Branaham. These boys are now working for the Chapter degree.

CHRISTMAS TREES

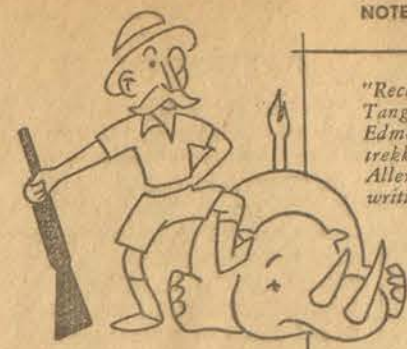
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Davidson Cemetery, Near Site of Civil War Battle

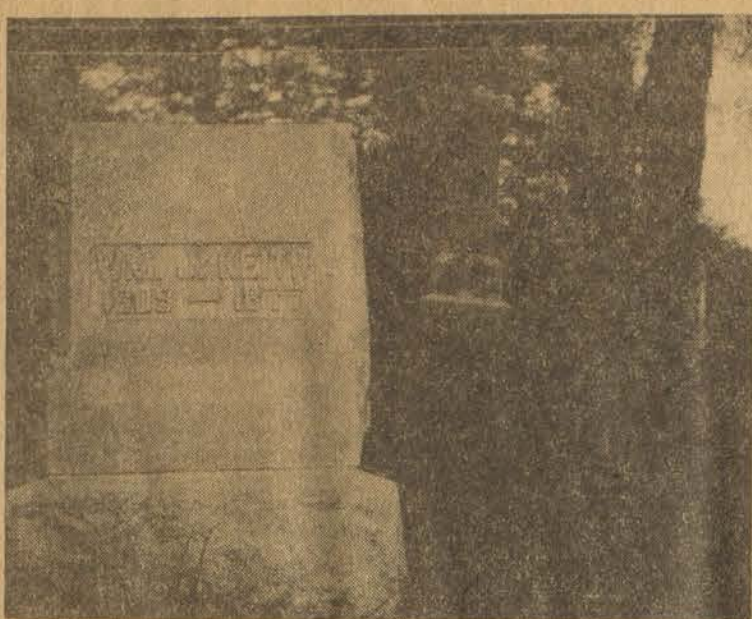
BY HENRY P. SCALE

The first grave dug on the Davidson cemetery at Ivel, 141 years ago, was the earthy mausoleum of two men. They were Col David Morgan and William C. Morgan, his son. Both were killed in a murderous rage by Edward Osborne in October, 1813. While the burial was taking place, Osborne stood on a far off wooded hill and watched while his victims were lowered into the earth. He escaped later from the log jail at Prestonsburg and was never seen in Kentucky again. (See "Murdered Father and Son Buried in a Single Grave," Floyd County Times, Feb. 5, 1953).

Since then many representatives of the early-settler families found here a last place to rest. It is a beautifully wooded slope, shaded with cedars. Myrtle covers the old graves. Raw earth indicates recent interments. Many of the dead here wrote history for the county. Many are the unsung who left no mark except the record of well-spent lives as good citizens. All here, though, contributed, each in his or her own way, to the record of things.

Here lies Rev. William J. Keith, the "marrying parson" of a century ago. He was a Methodist minister who lived in the vicinity, Floyd county records bear his name on more marriage records during his ministry than any other man. Born in 1809, he died in 1877. Everybody called him Preacher Billy. His grave was unmarked for half a century but western descendants came back a few decades ago and erected a stone to his memory. Where his wife lies buried, even who she was, no one in this county seems to know.

He lived, oldsters say, at the mouth of Ivy Creek. He had several brothers and sisters. One was Elizabeth (Betty) who married Hawkins Jackson of Johns Creek, Pike county. Another sister married a Ball on Tug River. There was a Louise Keith, who married the Rev. Aquilla Harman. Descendants debate whether Louise was a daughter of Preacher Billy or a niece. Nancy Jackson James, daughter of Hawkins and Elizabeth Keith Jackson, was wont, years before she died, to reminisce of her girlhood, of how she and her brothers and sisters made a yearly visit from Johns Creek to Ivy to visit their Grandfather Billy. These are but tiny bits of data, crumbs from the history of a man's life, a life that was a long consecration to his Master's cause. The legend carved on the stone reads as if the old minister was speaking



Granite stone erected on the Davidson cemetery to the memory of Rev. William Keith, early Big Sandy Methodist minister. The marble shaft in the background marks the grave of Samuel Patton Davidson (1800-1854).

—Polaroid 1-Minute Photo by The Times

to us: "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith."

Near the Morgan grave lies buried Alexander Lackey, born May 25, 1772, in Pittsylvania county, Virginia, married Judith Morgan, a daughter of Col David Morgan, March 17, 1798. Floyd county did not exist then, the state of Kentucky was six years old. Lackey came to the Big Sandy and served in more official capacities than any other man. He was a magistrate in 1817. He was Sheriff, 1827-1829, sworn in as tax commissioner Jan. 24, 1827, succeeded by James P. Harris, March 17, 1828. He may have resigned to become sheriff. He and Electus Howes were joint Tax Commissioners in 1840. His first important office in the county though, was that of Circuit Judge, a job he held three times, being sworn in June 23, 1808, July 25, 1814, and July 24, 1815. Since there are no Floyd records of any consequence antedating 1808 when the courthouse burned, Lackey may have served other terms as judge. He was State Senator from 1819 to 1823, served five terms as a member of the lower house of the Legislature. No one since, perhaps will ever, approach the Lackey record for office holding. He died in December, 1862.

Sleeping under the cedars on the cemetery skirting U. S. 23 lie members of the Davidson family. Samuel Patton Davidson, who married Judith Lackey, daughter of Alexander, acquired the land around the cemetery, probably through his marriage. Samuel P. was born in Tazewell county, Virginia, June 6, 1800, a son of Joseph Davidson, who also was born in Virginia in 1759, but who never came to Kentucky. Samuel died Aug. 8, 1854. His wife, born Oct. 11, 1809, in Floyd county, survived her husband 20 years, dying at Prestonsburg, Oct. 10, 1874.

One son of Samuel P. and Judith Lackey Davidson was Alexander Lackey Davidson (1827-1911), who lived on the farm nearby and was

a merchant. He married Lou Walsh from West Liberty. She died in 1900. They had no children. Both are buried here. Other children of Samuel P. Davidson and Judith Lackey Davidson are Greenville R., who served in the Civil War on the Confederate side and later as County Court Clerk for years; Andrew Jackson Davidson; John Preston Morgan Davidson; Jane Davidson (Hill); Matilda Davidson, who married Col. Andrew Jackson May, the Confederate leader in Big Sandy; Martha Davidson (Kendall); Victoria Virginia Davidson, who married George Marion Hatcher, died May 24, 1888 and is buried with her people; Joseph Morgan Davidson, and Samuel P. Davidson. This Samuel P. lies buried on a small cemetery nearby, adjacent to the old burial place.

Walk around the old cemetery and you see familiar Floyd county names, other than Davidson or Morgan: Stephens, Lewis, Dillon, Caldwell, Williamson, Rice, Ratliff, Osborne, Brown and many others. Here lies Lawrence Porter, a soldier, son of Farris and Martha Porter. A sailor Graham Williamson (1908-1945), is also buried here. Here are the stones of Ada Calvert (1898-1839) and her husband, James Calvert (1890-1935). Nearby lies John Monroe Ratliff (1887-1952) and Will Brown (1878-1952).

One stone marks the resting place of Sam and Rachel Dillon. Many an old person remembers them. They were tenants for a lifetime of the Davidsons, lived beside the road under the shadow of the old cemetery. She was born 1803, died 1934. Uncle Sam, as everyone called him for he wore always lush whiskers, typical of many a mountain oldster, was born Feb. 22, 1850. There is no death date. John Wes Dillon was young when he died, being born in 1880 and dying in 1900. Susan Dillon Caldwell, wife of Andy Caldwell, lies buried here, her stone giving her natal day as March 5, 1876, her death his Aug. 11, 1915.

General Lafayette Amburgey (1859-1901) is buried on the Davidson cemetery as are Samuel Endicott (1864-1941) and his wife Alice (1871-1945). They lived for years on the northern extremity of the big bottom that marked the Davidson acres.

The initials, A. L., or the full name of Alexander Lackey, is on several stones as the Christian name of many. There is Alexander L. Hill, born Feb. 14, 1852, died June 20, 1876. There is A. L. Witten (1844-1875) who sleeps besides his mother, Polly Lackey Witten (1800-1877). A single stone marking the graves of the two was erected by A. J. Davidson, of Prestonsburg, perhaps at the same time in 1932 that he erected a stone to mark the grave of two Morgans. Another member of the Hill family buried here is Elizabeth J., wife of T. R. Hill. She was born March 5, 1834, died Sept. 9, 1875. Her husband (1824-1854) is buried nearby but not at her side. Alice Walsh (1855-1875), a daughter of John and Sarah Walsh, lies near the Hills.

Buried on the Davidson cemetery is J. W. Hatcher, born Feb. 17, 1870, died March 16, 1935. His wife, Emma May Hatcher, who was a daughter of Thomas and Jennie Booten May, survives and lives with her son, S. R., at Allen.

Lots of history in the Big Sandy was written by these dead. Some of them were pioneers, other early settlers who came to preempt the great bottoms, all founded homes and helped to develop the valley.

But long before that Alexander Lackey served in the Revolutionary War. Decades later, when the first grave was dug to bury the Morgans, the War of 1812 was raging. The old cemetery was there when the boatsmen dropped down the Big Sandy on their way to Newport to sign up for the Mexican war. Nearby, almost at the foot of the cemetery hill, Gen. "Bull" Nelson planted his cannon in late 1861 to fight the Battle of Ivy Mountain and banded away at Col. Andrew Jackson May, the Confederate.

Lots of history, too, occurred around the old cemetery in the 141 years of its existence.

Opticians Must Get Licenses by January 1

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 6 (Spl.)—All dispensing opticians—those who fill prescriptions for eye glasses—must procure licenses by January 1. Robert J. Ball, Jr., Louisville, secretary of the State Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers, declared today.

Ball called attention to a new law, passed by the 1954 General Assembly, requiring annual licenses of \$10 from each dispensing optician to be procured through the Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers, 633 South Fourth Street, Louisville. Licensing provisions of the law take effect the first of the year.

CONTRACT AWARDED

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 6—Contract for construction of a 2.8 mile section of Kentucky Turnpike between the Ford Plant access road and Henry Watterson Expressway in Louisville was awarded to R. B. Tyler Company and Breslin Construction Company, Louisville, on its joint bid of \$2,127,582. The contract includes initial grading and drainage work, cement concrete paving and construction of elevated grade separations and cloverleaf intersections.

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The exercise designated LANTFLEX (Atlantic Fleet Exercise) began early in October and will end Nov. 20th.

Two amphibious landings will highlight the operation. More than 20,000 Marines from the Air-Ground Task Force, supported by a task fleet and opposed by air and submarine forces, will assault Onslow Beach, Camp Lejeune, N. C., to climax the exercise.

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TEACHERS' SOCIAL SECURITY AWAITS ASSEMBLY'S ACTION

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (Special) — How does Kentucky rank in the nation as far as education is concerned? These questions are answered by the National Education Association in a booklet entitled, "Educational Differences Among the States."

Educational status of the population of Kentucky as compared with other states: (a) Median number of years completed by persons 18 years of age or older (1950 census) — Kentucky 8.4 years, compared with national average of 9.3, 11th in a list of 48 states.

Percent of population of Kentucky with substandard education (less than 5 years of normal schooling) as compared with other states: — Kentucky had 16.8% of its population in this class, compared with the U. S. average of 11.0 and ranking 5th in 15 other states below the average.

Percent of population with a college education (4 or more years of college): Only 3.8% of Kentucky's population holds college degrees. Ours is 23rd of 26 states below the nation's average of 6.0%.

Percent of Kentucky's draftees rejected for falling Armed Forces Qualification Test: Kentucky had 22.2% of its draftees rejected, compared with U. S. average of 16.4%. However, Kentuckians ranked only 4th below the average of 26 states.

Teachers were paid an average of \$2,300 per year in Kentucky as compared to the national average of \$3,605. The state was in 28th place in the 30 below average.

Fifty-eight percent of Kentucky teachers had not completed 4 years of college. National average 20.8%. Ours 20 states below average, Kentucky ranked 18th.

Kentucky schools had 26.2 pupils per teacher in 1951, compared with U. S. average of 24.1. Of 20 states above the average, ours ranked 11th. The state's ability and effort to put education (ratio of school children per 1,000 wage-earning adults, 1950 census): Kentucky had 537 pupils per 1,000 employed adults, compared with U. S. average of 403. Ranked 22nd in 32 states having average above national.

States income per capita is only \$1,135 as compared to the nation's average of \$1,639. Thirty-one other states are below the average—Kentucky ranking 23rd.

Income payments per school child in state: The national average was \$7,712, and Kentucky's \$4,529 placed it 23rd in a field of 29 below the average.

Kentucky ranks 21st of 27 states below the national average of \$10,662 income payments per pupil in average daily attendance in 1951. Our payments were \$6,536.

Kentucky raised \$44.15 per capita on public schools, compared to \$33 for U. S. average and stood 12th in the 13 below average.

The average expenditure per pupil in average daily attendance, Kentucky spent \$122 per pupil to rank 16th of 20 states below the average of \$217.

Yet Kentucky has made a financial effort to support its schools. The state spent 2.16% of its income for schools, compared with the national average of 2.27%. The state of Kentucky ranks 4th in 17 states below the national figure.

Median expenditure per classroom in 1950: Kentucky spent \$18.47 per classroom, compared with the U. S. average of \$43.91, ranking 20th in 21 states below the average.

Only 75.6% of Kentucky's children of school age attended school in 1950, compared to a national average of 82.7%. The state hit the bottom here; in a field of 21 states below the average, Kentucky was last.

School property in 1950 was worth \$233 per pupil in Kentucky, compared with a U. S. average of \$454. State ranked 22nd in 27 below average.

Estimated school building needs (1953) based on a U. S. Office of Education survey undertaken last week: Kentucky needs exceeded available capital by 76.94%. The U. S. average was only 38%. State ranked a list of 20 states.

States in Kentucky were only 11th in 1952, compared to the national average of 65.3%.

The National Education Association, consisting of members, school

teachers and administrators all over the country, compiled the statistics to show the government and the people that federal aid is definitely needed for schools. They ask for a minimum standard below which no school would be allowed to sink—a guarantee to every American child that he shall have at least a minimum acceptable educational opportunity, no matter where he happens to live.

Master Commissioner's Sale

FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

Pond Creek Pocahontas Coal Co. Plaintiff
Vs.: NOTICE OF SALE
Arthur Hughes Defendant

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered and entered at the November term, 1954, in the above styled cause I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 27th day of December 1954, at 10 o'clock, a.m., same being the first day of the regular term of the Floyd County Court, upon a credit of three months, the following described property, to-wit:

- One Zenith television set & antenna.
- One Maytag washer No. 393825.
- Four blankets.
- One heating stove.
- One Knox Stove range.
- One living room suite.
- One coffee table.
- Two end table.
- One breakfast set.
- One Chiffonette.
- One maple bedroom set.
- One box springs and mattress.
- One kitchen cabinet.
- One Westinghouse refrigerator.
- One metal cabinet.
- One ironing board and iron.
- Three rugs.
- Five plastic shades.
- One Philco radio (table model).
- One used Maytag washer.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 6th day of December, 1954.

J. B. CLARKE,
Master Commissioner
Floyd Circuit Court.

(Adv. Cost, \$18.00) 12-9-31

REPORT OF PROPERTY
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AS OF JULY 1, 1954

Property held by individuals, financial or other institutions turned over to the Department of Revenue. Claims for refund are to be filed with the Department of Revenue, Frankfort, Ky.

Estate of Louis Cascareto, Prestonsburg, Ky., \$577.95.
Gorman Collins, Sheriff,
Floyd County, Ky.
12-9-21.

Nine 4-H club members in Simpson county sold pickles for \$1,483.

State Highway Deaths May Show Drop

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 6 (Spl) — As Kentucky motorists enter the last month of 1954 they have a good chance of lowering the year's highway death mark set in 1953, Charles B. Jones, executive secretary of the Governor's Committee for Highway Safety, said here today.

Jones pointed out that there had been 775 fatalities on Kentucky highways during the first 11 months of 1953, compared to only 667 in the same period this year. The total last year was 864.

"This gives us the best chance we have had in a long while of bettering the record of a previous year," Jones said. "There have been past instances when a better mark has held up during most of the year but always there has been a flurry of late deaths to offset the better record of earlier months. December would have to be an extremely bloody month if last year's death record is exceeded."

Jones said that highway fatalities have mounted steadily, year after year, during the last decade. He warned that it will take careful driving during what will probably be hazardous weather for this year's record to show a great deal of improvement over 1953. December is always a dangerous time on the highways because of ice, snow, a prolonged twilight period and increased holiday traffic, he pointed out.

Reports from the State Police through September, the last month for which mileage totals were available, show that for the first nine months of the year there was one fewer life lost for each 100 million miles of travel than in 1953. The fatality rate for last year was 8.8 for each 100 million miles, against a new figure of 7.8.

Master Commissioner's Sale

FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

General Motors Acceptance Corp. Plaintiff
Vs.: NOTICE OF SALE
James B. Hall Defendant

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered and entered at the November term, 1954, in the above styled cause I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder at public auction, on the 27th day of December 1954, at 10 o'clock, a.m., same being the first day of the regular term of the Floyd County Court, upon a credit of six months, the following described property, to-wit:

One 1953 Buick automobile, 2 door sedan, motor No. 69690674.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 6th day of December, 1954.

J. B. CLARKE, Master Commissioner of Floyd Circuit Court.
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BIDS ASKED
Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 6—The State Department of Highways called for bids to be received December 17 for improvement of 27,498 miles of roads and bridges in Bell, Bracken, Carroll, McCracken, Pike, Graves, Henderson, Hickman, Jefferson, Marshall, Metcalfe and Union counties.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank all for kindness and sympathy shown in the death of our dear husband and father, William C. Johnstone. We also thank the many friends for the beautiful flowers and food, also the fine attendance shown, and the ministers who were so good and faithful in our sorrow, the Kelly Funeral Home for the wonderful service rendered. All have our everlasting gratitude.
Lorena and Douglas Johnstone

Princeton Speaker Will Appear at UK

All Kentuckians are invited to attend a lecture by Dr. John Alexander Mackay, president of the Princeton Theological Seminary, scheduled for Wednesday night, Dec. 15, in the University of Kentucky Guignol theater. The talk is being presented as a program in the Blazer Lecture Series. These lectures are made possible through a fund established by Mr. and Mrs. Paul G. Blazer, Ashland.

Many ladder-back and slat-back chairs in Scott county are being restored to usefulness since homemakers club members learned to weave new seats for them.

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DAVID

Richmond Shepherd, Rev. Elliot Stephens and Rev. Paris Music were visiting close friends at Inez recently.

Members and friends of the David Baptist Chapel attended the evening service at the Irene Cole Memorial Baptist church and had charge of the baptismal service that followed. The David pastor, Rev. Vernon Perkins baptised the candidates.

The Patsy Teenagers will appear on station WSAB-TV Saturday, Dec. 11 at 1 p.m. The group is made up of the children of the employees of the Princess Elkhorn Coal Company.

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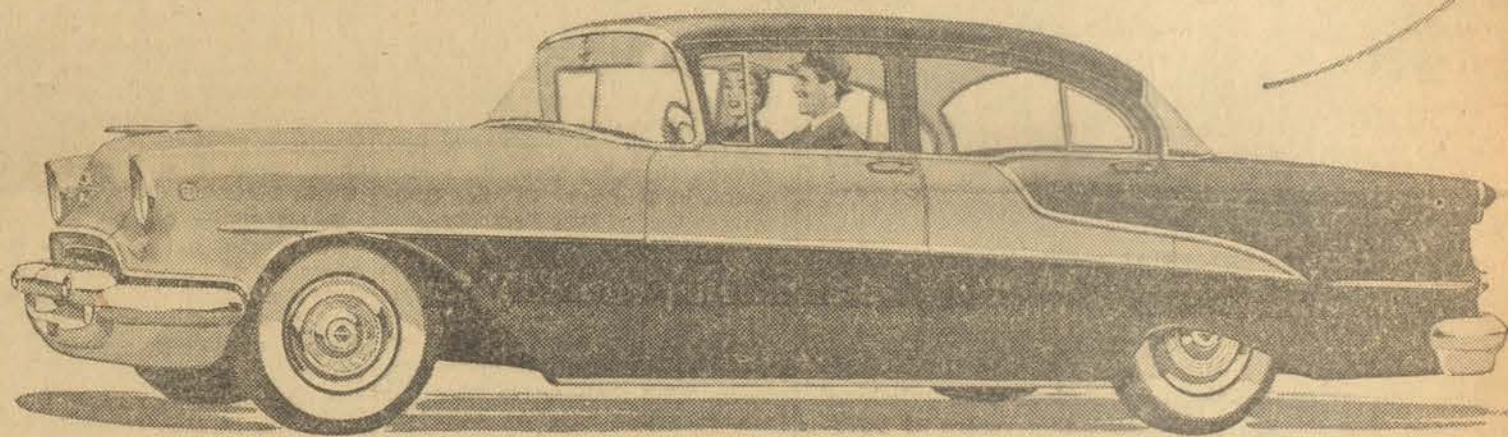
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Floyd Brother, Sister To Have Pageant Roles

Pikeville, Ky., Dec. 6 (Spl.)—A Floyd county brother and sister will have parts in the one-act Christmas pageant, "The Shepherd Who Watched," to be presented next week as part of the annual Christmas concert by Pikeville Junior College and Academy choruses. The concert will be given at 8 p.m. December in Wickham Chapel.

Coyet Bolen and Eweleen Bolen, son and daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. French Bolen, Garrett, will have the parts of a wise man and an angel, respectively in the traditional Christmas scene which forms an important part of the pageant, Dr. A. A. Page, college president, said. Both are members of the college class in public speaking, which with the Academy speech class is staging the pageant under the direction of Miss Katharine Griswold, Pikeville speech instructor.

For the second successive year the two mixed choruses will join to sing the Christmas cantata, "Child Jesus," by Joseph Clokey, which includes interpolated carols from half a dozen countries. Three numbers by the 28-voice Pikeville College Academy chorus and soprano solo by a special voice student also are on the program.

DRIFT

Miss Betty Turner has returned from Louisville where she has been employed and is now working in Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Martin were business visitors in Prestonsburg, Saturday.

Mrs. Belle Turner and Mrs. Harry Martin were shopping in Pikeville Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hewlett have returned from a two-week vacation spent visiting relatives in Mt. Sterling, Paris, Ashland, Huntington, Springfield, O., and Louisa, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Cline Salyers and son Ronald Dean, were shopping in Faintsville Saturday.

Archie Fugate is employed in Louisville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Diersing, of Louisville, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fridley and sons of Huntington and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Salisbury, of Pikeville, were guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hewlett over the week-end.

Earvin Moore, of Columbus, O., spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Burton were shopping in Huntington, Monday.

The Drift school entertained the David and Bonanza schools last Friday with a forty-five minute program, under the direction of Jesse Elliot and Edith M. Hopkins. Music was furnished by the 21 members of the flute class and 18 members of the band. The five majorettes were present and led the band with two marches. The children enjoyed their trips and are looking forward to visiting other elementary schools.

TAX NOTICE

Your 1954 Prestonsburg grade school taxes are now due. Penalty of 2% will be added on Jan. 1, 1955.

ADRIAN COLLINS, Collector
11-11-77.

Power To Start Flowing from World's Largest Co-op Plant

Electricity started flowing Dec. 1 for the first time from the world's largest rural electric co-op owned steam generating plant to the homes of its member-owners.

The plant is the William C. Dale power station, located about 10 miles south of Winchester, at Ford. Fittingly, this pioneer venture in rural electrification in Kentucky is but a short distance from old Fort Boonesboro.

Alex B. Veech, Finchville, president of Shelby Rural Electric Co-operative Corporation and East Kentucky, closed a switch at the Dale Station, symbolizing the official start of operations of the East Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative.

The East Kentucky Rural Electric Co-op, headquartered in Winchester and operator of the Dale Station and transmission system, is composed of 18 distribution rural electric cooperatives. These co-ops serve about 125,000 members in two-thirds of Kentucky's counties. Organized in 1941, the East Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative voluntarily delayed operation due to the shortage of materials created by the war effort.

An additional delay was brought about by several years of litigation to which the Co-op was subjected by the commercial power interests in the East Kentucky coverage area. Kentucky Utilities Company, one of the protesting utilities, was able to work with East Kentucky officials at the invitation of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, to iron out their differences.

From these negotiations came an operating agreement between the two firms which will be to the advantage of both parties. The members of East Kentucky's member distribution co-ops will receive better service because of this agreement, than would have been possible under any other method of operation. Joint use of certain facilities, made possible by the agreement, presents many operational advantages to both the Co-ops and KU in the way of better service at lower cost. It was claimed.

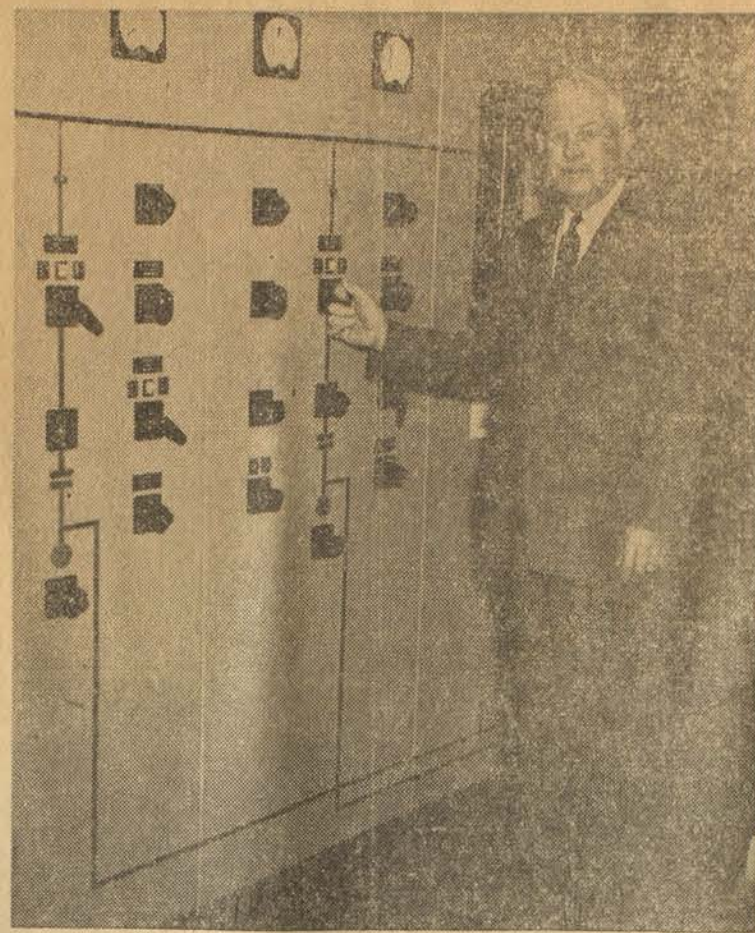
The generation-transmission system of East Kentucky is the only such system designed specifically to serve this rural load, and as such is unique. All through its long period of planning and construction the accent has been on developing a system that could give the best service to the member cooperatives at the lowest cost possible.

Work is now underway at 25 substations changing them from the system of Kentucky Utilities Company to that of East Kentucky. Approximately 50 other substations on the systems of East Kentucky's member co-ops, including Big Sandy Co-op, will be served by more than 1,000 miles of transmission lines now constructed or under contract. The change-over from the present power suppliers will take place as soon as work is completed on certain transmission facilities.

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Alex B. Veech, president of the East Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative, closes a switch at the Co-op's Dale power station, Ford, Kentucky. This act symbolizes the start of power flowing from the new 40,000 KW generating plant to the 18 distribution co-ops it will serve.

ALLEN

Mrs. G. B. Auxier was hostess to the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church at her home Thursday for the regular monthly meeting. Mrs. G. L. Gray presided over the meeting, with Mrs. Tincy Crisp in charge of the worship program. The subject was the Prince of Peace. Special music was by Mrs. Virginia Lushbaugh; Scripture reading, Mrs. Galloway Laferty; prayer for peace, Mrs. Harry Snodgrass; introduction, Tincy Crisp; "Peace Among the Nations," Mrs. Iva Carr; "Peace in Industry, Business and Politics," Nancy Louder; "Peace in Community and Church," Peggy Sexton; "Peace in the Heart," Virginia Lushbaugh; poem, "And the Word Was Made Flesh," Euna Laven; quartette, Prayer for Peace, Mesdames Flora Gray, Maude Snodgrass, Tincy Crisp, Virginia Lushbaugh; Christmas Story, Flora Gray.

Secret Sisters for the past year were revealed and new names were drawn. All who were unable to guess their secret sister for the past year were fined a dime, which went to the treasury. Gifts were also exchanged.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Pearl Kinzer, Mrs. Grace Lafferty, Mrs. Lucy Kinzer, Mrs. Ethel Ratliff, Mrs. Sallie Bingham, Mrs. Edna Mae Callison, Mrs. Martha Murphy, Mrs. Jewell Allen, Mrs. Wanda Clay, Mrs. Nellie Laferty, Mrs. Maude Snodgrass, Mrs. Tincy Crisp, Mrs. Nancy Louder, Mrs. Peggy Sexton, Mrs. Virginia Lushbaugh, Mrs. Euna Laven, Rev. and Mrs. John P. Carr.

Mr. and Mrs. David Louder were visiting Mrs. Gertrude Louder in Augusta, Ky., Wednesday night.

Mrs. Bennie Lafferty and Mrs. Clarence Salyers were shopping in Paintsville, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels and children, of Cliff, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Galloway Laferty, Saturday night.

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Wyatt Martin has returned from a visit with his sister, Mrs. Jack Malone and Mrs. John Harry, and families in Philadelphia.

Forrest Westfall underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Beaver Valley hospital, Martin, Tuesday.

Rev. Hiney, of Hindman, was guest speaker in the Methodist Church Sunday night and at Martin Sunday morning, due to the illness of the pastor, Rev. J. P. Carr. He was accompanied by his wife and son.

Pfc. Russell Parsons arrived here Friday night from Korea where he has served several months. After a week-end leave here with his mother, Mrs. Allie Parsons, he returned to Ft. Knox and will receive his discharge this week.

Mrs. Euna Laven was shopping in Huntington, Thursday.

Burt Allen has resumed his duties as C. & O. track supervisor after a two-week vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Hughes of Prestonsburg, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Auxier, Friday. On Thursday the Auxiers' guest was Mrs. Rebecca Harmon, of Maytown.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James David Salisbury a daughter, Saturday, at the Paintsville hospital, Mrs. Salisbury is a teacher in the Martin high school and is band leader. She is the former Betty Lou Hall.

G. L. Gray accompanied George Gray and Bill Laferty, of Sloan, to Whitesburg, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Laferty, Mrs. G. L. Gray, Mrs. Millard Thomas, Klora Laferty, Pauline Campbell, Pauletta Spurlock, Sally May and Palmer Crisp to the Emma Methodist church, Wednesday night. Mrs. Crisp was in charge of the services with baptismal rites by sprinkling administered to Vernon Garrett by Mrs. Crisp.

APPROVES CAB PURCHASE

Commissioner of Motor Transportation John M. Kinniard last week approved purchase by Melva Hughes, of Prestonsburg, of a taxicab certificate now operated by Charles D. Hall, also of Prestonsburg.

PRESENT ALL THE TIME

Mrs. Elbert Dowden and Mrs. M. J. Abbott of Henry county were awarded engraved plaques for 16 years' perfect attendance at home-makers club meetings.

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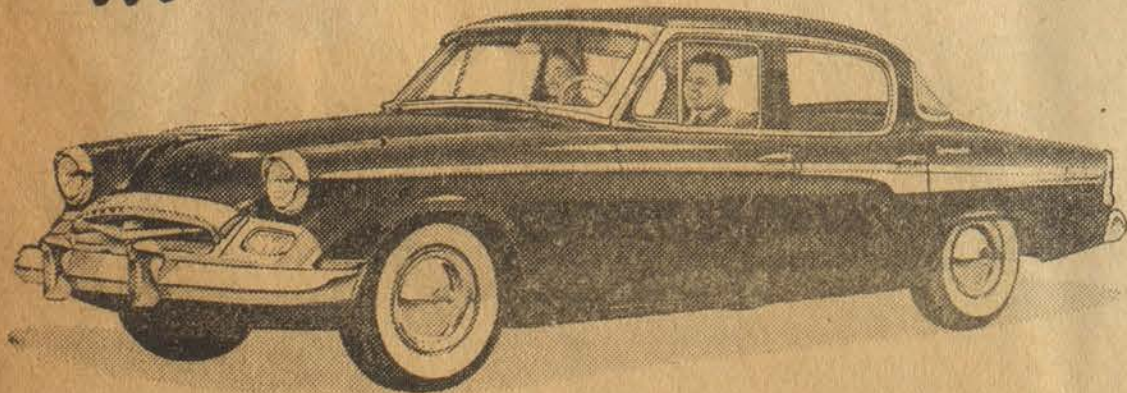
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