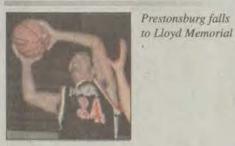


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photos by Kathy J. Prater Above, members of the Martin City Council were administered the oath of office Tuesday evening by Circuit Judge John David Caudill. From left are Dr. Mahendra R. Varia, Eulene H. Ratliff, Bruce Salisbury, Mike Robinson, Joe Hall and Charles Justice. At letf, **Thomasine Robinson** is surrounded by family members and friends as her daughter, Rita Whicker, swears her in as mayor of the City of Martin at a ceremony held Tuesday evening at the Martin Senior Citizens Center.

cleanup will continue

by KATHY J. PRATER STAFF WRITER

A major cleanup effort along the banks of Left Beaver Creek in recent weeks has held the attention of many, if not practically all, of the area residents.

So, when the work halted, people noticed.

Many members of the community were "just a little upset," according to Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson. His office, he said, has received "many" phone calls from citizens who are concerned about the halt.

Thompson said funds allocated to the cleanup project were to be used toward "environmental enhancement." He said some disagreement occurred between his office and the Division of Water in regard to some trees and brush that were cleared from an intersecting area of Frasure's Creek and Left Beaver Creek.

According to Thompson, the trees and brush were cleared in an effort to prevent the collection of debris along the banks of the creek, along with aiding in the prevention of water backup.

Thompson said that no stumps were removed and that the area was re-seeded and re-planted with approximately

(See CLEANUP, page three)

Audit: Boyd owes \$195,000, is owed \$10,000

Times Staff Report

A state audit of the Floyd County Clerk's Office has been released, with some recommendations for the office, as well as a statement that a former officeholder both owes and is owed money.

The 1999 audit, conducted by State Auditor Edward Hatchett's office, examined the records kept by Floyd

The responsibilities of the county clerk include the collection of certain taxes, the issuing of licenses, and the

County Clerk Chris Waugh as well as records kept by for-

Briefs Girl Scouts begin annual cookie sale

Giraffes and lions and pandas ... yum, yum.

Giraffes, lions and pandas are just a few of the endangerered animals you'll find in every box of Animal Treasures, the latest addition to the Girl Scout Cookie line and the first introduced in celebration of the new millennium. A combination of shortbread and rich fudge, each Animal Treasures cookie is embossed with an endangered animal

"We're very excited about Animal Treasures," said Wendy Henry, communications manager of the Wilderness Road Council. "We introduced this cookie last year and it was extremely popular. Imagine a large square of shortbread dipped in a luscious layer of fudge. It doesn't get much better than that."

Two Day Forecast...

(See COOKIES, page two)

Today

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Tomorrow



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by RALPH B. DAVIS MANAGING EDITOR

Picking up where he left off a year ago, state Rep. Greg. Stumbo is resurrecting his fight to overhaul the way the state looks at garbage.

On Friday, Stumbo, the majority floor leader of the state House of Representatives, prefiled a bill which is virtually identical to a measure which was defeated during the 2000 General Assembly.

Stumbo's bill would, in part, require five- and 10-cent deposits on beverage containers in an effort reduce roadside litter and fund recycling programs in all of Kentucky's 120 coun- other methods.

attached to each can and bottle of soda, beer, wine, liquor, water, drinks and juice between four and 20 ounces. A fee of 10 cents would apply to all such drinks juices between 20 ounces and one

ties.

Milk, infant formula, weight-

and juices over 24 ounces would be exempt from the fee.

consumers would be able to recoup the fee by taking the empty can or bottle to redemption centers. Under the bill, each county would be required to provide at least one such center. The centers would be funded by deposits which go unclaimed due to littering or disposal by

In addition to the deposit on Under the provisions of the canned and bottled beverages,

bill, a five-cent fee would be the bill also would require nonrefundable quarter-cent fee to be levied on drink cups and other fast-food packaging sold in restau-

rants.

It was the bottle deposit and fast food packaging fee requirements which caused the bill to run into stiff opposition, primarily from softbottlers, drink

who likened the deposit to a tax. But the so-called "bottle bill" also goes further by requiring mandatory garbage collection throughout the state.

If approved, counties would be required to either operate or contract garbage services, and those services would additionally be required to collect trash from at least 85 percent of the

(See TRASH, page three)

Damron proposes 'sales tax holiday' on back-to-school costs

mer Clerk Carla Robinson Boyd.

Back-to-school costs for close the "digital divide" by Kentucky families could be a bit lower if a bill prefiled by Rep. Bob Damron, D-Nicholasville, becomes law.

Books, backpacks and clothing are all among the items Damron wants to exempt from the state's six percent sales tax during the first week of August, a time when many family budgets are strained by back-to-school costs.

Damron's legislation - Bill Request 45 - also would remove the sales tax from purch, es of non-business computers during the annual "sales tax holiday."

"School expenses can really add up quickly," Damron said. "Lifting the tax burden on schoolrelated items for one week each year is a fairly modest way to directly help families getting ready for a new school year."

By exempting computers, the sales tax holiday could also help ensuring more Kentuckians have a chance to boost their technological skills, Damron said.

(See AUDIT, page two)

"Kentucky should have a goal to have a computer in every child's home," Damron said. "This is a step in that direction."

Sales tax holidays similar to the one Damron is proposing have boosted computer sales - especially among first-time buyers -Carolina and in South Pennsylvania.

A national survey conducted by the Consumer Electronics Association also indicated the benefits of sales tax holidays for computer purchases. The survey found that more 27 percent of families with household incomes of less than \$25,000 would be more likely to buy a home computer if they did not have to pay

(See HOLIDAY, page three)



Stumbo



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gallon.

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After paying the deposit,

Audit

maintenance of county records, along follow the Uniform System of with the provision of some other services

The clerk's office is funded through statutory fees collected in conjunction with these duties.

The audit in question was conducted for the period of April 16, 1999, through December 31, 1999.

note that Waugh did not prepare a financial statement until the auditors arrived to do the audit. In addition, there were several material errors present in the statement. However, the clerk's private CPA was able to identify and correct the errors.

the clerk's financial statement did not a timely basis.

Accounts, but the clerk was again able to correct the statement upon the auditor's request.

The state auditor recommends that the clerk should publish his annual financial statement within 60 days after the close of the calendar year.

Waugh was appointed to the office Summary findings include taking of county clerk on April 16, 1999, after the resignation of Boyd. Waugh told the state auditor that he was unaware that he needed to publish a financial statement and that he would do so the following year.

Additionally, the state auditor recommends that the clerk should pre-Also, the state auditor found that pare monthly bank reconciliation's on

The Auditor of Public Accounts requires monthly bank reconciliations and if the official fails to prepare the reconciliation, he or she may be subject to an audit comment relating to noncompliance with accounting and documentation provisions.

Waugh's comment on this matter was to explain that due to having one day's notice in taking over as county clerk, he was unable to prepare bank reconciliations on a timely basis. He further said that his office is currently in compliance with the statute.

In an overall review, the state auditor found Waugh to be in compliance for the calendar year 2000.

However, the findings of the audit conducted for the same time period for Boyd were not so favorable.

Findings show that for the calendar years 1992 and 1993, the fee audit reports that Boyd had a minimum deficit of \$195,126 in her official

vears

The state audit report says that due to inconsistent, incomplete and inaccurate records, the office was unable to determine within normal auditing procedures that \$195,126 was the total deficit.

Upon conducting as complete an examination as possible, the state auditor determined that his recommendation would be that Boyd deposit her own personal funds in the amount of \$195,126 into official bank accounts in order to eliminate the deficit in the 1992 and 1993 fee accounts.

Boyd's officially recorded statement on this matter was to say that she "totally" disagreed with the recommendation.

The state auditor then went on to past that her own accountant or CPA by the salary schedule.

bank accounts for the combined fee had done work that refuted the Auditor of Public Account's findings about the deficit. He then asked Boyd if the information could be made available to him.

> Boyd replied that she would check with her firm to see what they had

The report continued to state that during the period of January 1, 1999. through April 15, 1999, the former clerk's office fee account expended \$10,781 more for allowable expenditures than it received in fees and other revenue receipts.

The report goes on to say that the then-current fiscal condition prevented Boyd from receiving her full statutory maximum salary in accordance with the salary schedule set out in KRS 64,5275, which states that the clerk shall receive a monthly salary of remind Boyd that she had said in the -one-twelfth of the amount indicated

The statute mandates that the former clerk is entitled to receive her stantory maximum salary, even if her office failed to generate sufficient fees and other revenues to cover all allowable expenses of her office.

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Thus, because the former clerk's office had a revenue shortfall and was unable to pay all allowable expenses. the state auditor says that it is the responsibility of the fiscal court to provide funding for the former clerk's 1999 statutory maximum salary.

The state auditor recommends that the Floyd County Fiscal Court pay Boyd's salary for the period of January 1, 1999, through April 15, 1999, by covering the former clerk's office fee account shortage of \$10,781.

ing. However, Thompson had no comment in regard to the matter,



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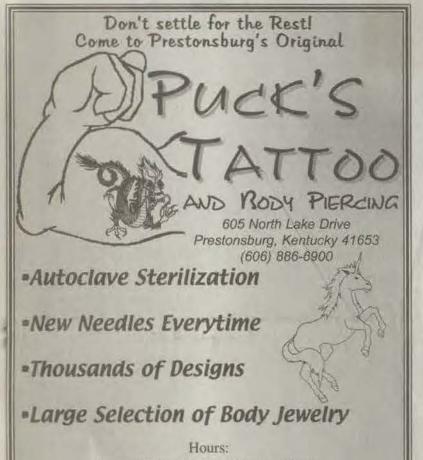


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Constitutional amendment proposed to extend Kentucky's voting hours

Sen. nounced Tuesday he will propose extending voting hours in Kentucky through an amendment to the Kentucky Constitution.

Speaking at morning press conference in the Capitol just hours before the General Assembly's 2001 legislative session convened, Scorsone announced the introduc-

extend Kentucky's voting hours to ensure that people in line by 8 p.m. have the opportunity to cast their ballots.

"We should do all we can to encourage voting and to ensure that anyone standing in line to vote before the polls close isn't turned away," Scorsone said. "Adding a

Ernesto Scorsone an- stitutional amendment would Representatives, and George Russell, former executive director of the State Board of Elections, also participated in the press conference to show their support for extended voting hours.

"More people than ever are commuting long distances to work each day and have difficulty finding the time to vote in their precincts,"

Boyd agreed with the latter find-** Gordons Vodka | Doral Cigarettes S1399 1/2-gal. S1459 ctr. + tax J & J Liquors Betsy Layne • 478-2477



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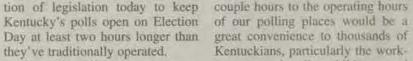
The smallest cordage that is technically called "rope" is about 1/2 inch in circumference and 3/16 inch in diameter. Manila rope is the strongest and most durable rope made of natural fibers. Made of abaca (a relative of the banana plant), it is commonly called Manila fiber because it is shipped chiefly from the port of Manila Sisal rope (often made from a related fiber, henequen) is next in importance to Manila rope and is about 80% as strong. Nylon rope, made from synthetic fibers, is more expensive than Manila rope, but about twice as strong. It has the unique property of being able to stretch about 8% and then return to its original length upon release of its load.

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Rep. Joe Barrows, D-Versailles (left), and Sen. Ernesto Scorsone, D-Lexington, announce their intention to file a consitutional amendment that would extend the hours voting booths remain open during elections.

Tuesday-Saturday 11a.m.-7p.m.





Currently, polls open at 6 a.m. on Election Day and stay open long enough for people in line by 6 p.m. to vote.

Scorsone said his proposed con-

Cookies

Animal Treasures will be available through the Girl Scouts Wilderness Road Council beginning Friday, January 5, along with other perennial favorites: Thin Mints, Caramel deLites, Peanut Butter Sandwich, Shortbread, Peanut Butter Patties, Upside-Down Frosted Oatmeal Cookies and Reduced Fat Lemon Pastry Cremes. All varieties will be sold for \$3 a box.

"Although our annual cookie sale is an important fundraiser, it means much more to the girls than just selling cookies," said Henry. "The girls are involved in every aspect the sale - from planning, to selling, to deciding how the money raised is spent. In the process, the girls learn some very valuable life skills.

couple hours to the operating hours great convenience to thousands of Kentuckians, particularly the working parents juggling child care and work responsibilities."

Rep. Joe Barrows, who will introduce the legislation to extend voting hours in the House of

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Russell said. "Extending the voting hours would give more people the opportunity to cast their votes on Election Day."

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Assessment Center will test on Friday,

January 5, so that students who make a

last-minute decision to start school may

test in the morning and then register for

classes. Those interested in taking the

test should come to the center before 8

Blood drive at Osborne

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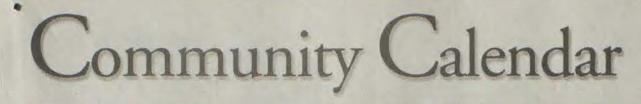
will co-sponsor a blood drive at

Osborne Elementary School on

Tuesday, January 16, from 10 a.m. to 3

p.m., in the parking lot near the play-

Vet rep available



Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

over the telephone.

Mud Creek Clinic

A Social Security Representative will visit the Mud Creek Clinic each Tuesday during the month of January.

The Representative will be in the Clinic to assist people in filing Social Security claims and appeals.

People can also apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Black Lung and Social Security numbers. You can also pick up booklets on Social Security and get questions answered.

Lawmakers unveil four bills targeting state's death penalty

renewed their efforts last week as to: state lawmakers unveiled four pieces of legislation targeting capital punishment in Kentucky.

At a press conference in the State Capitol, lawmakers



Edith Lawson Jan. 1, 1919 - Oct. 13, 2000



HE ONLY TAKES THE BEST God saw she was getting tired, and a cure was not to be. So, He put His arms around her and whispered, "Come with me.

With tear-filled eyes, we watched her suffer and fade away, Although we loved her deeply, we could not make her stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard-working hands put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

-author unknown Happy Birthday, Mother, we miss you, terribly.

Opponents of the death penalty announced they will introduce bills

Prohibit using the death penalty against juveniles.

Make Kentucky's ban against executing people with mental retardation retroactive.

Declare a moratorium on the death penalty in Kentucky.

Abolish the death penalty in Kentucky and replace it with the punishment of life without parole.

"With the introduction of these bills, we're gearing up for the most focused, comprehensive effort to oppose the death penalty that we've ever seen in the Kentucky General Assembly," said Rep. Jim Wayne, D-Louisville.

Lawmakers will consider the anti-death penalty legislation during the 2001 legislative session, which begins today.

Special meeting called

A special meeting of the board of commissioners of the Prestonsburg Housing Authority has been called for Wednesday, January 3, at 6:30 p.m., at the Green Acres office in Prestonsburg.

PCC testing announced

Prestonsburg Community College will hold orientation and assessment testing on the Pretonsburg Campus, according to the following schedule: Orientation: Friday, Jauary 5, 9 a.m. to noon.

Assessment Testing: Thursday, January 4; Monday, January 8; Wednesday, January 10; and Thursday, January 11, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 606/886-3863, ext. 249.

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The Mayo Technical College

Garbage

households in their counties.

Those refusing to pay for garbage service would find the fee placed on

their property tax bills. Stumbo prefiled the garbage bill on the last day prior to this year's session, which began Tuesday.

Stumbo is also heding his bets against an outcome similar to the one in last year's session. In addition to the measure filed last week, he has also filed a bill which would decide the bottle bill requirements at the voting booth, rather than in the legislature.

The session is the first of its kind because it marks the first odd-

session since voters approved annual legislative sessions in the November election.

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leave a message and he will return your

Under the constitutional amendment authorizing annual sessions, the General Assembly will continue to meet for 60 days during evennumbered years, but will additionally meet for 30 days in odd years. odd years.

This week, legislators' primary duties will consist of selecting leaders, setting rules and making committee assignments. They will adjourn on Friday, only to return on February 6 to conduct the main business of the session.

MSU slates local registration

conduct registration on Thursday and Friday, January 11 and 12, for its spring 2001 classes, which will be held at MSU at Prestonsburg, 719 University Drive.

Students may register from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days, at the center, or by mail to Extended Campus Program, 215 Allie Young Hall, Morehead State University, Morehead, Ky. 40351. Current students, with an official checksheet on file, may register via MSU's web site (www.moreheadstate.edu)

Morehead State University will choose on when they log onto the ies, psychology, real estate, science, student user page.

Classes begin Tuesday, January

More than 100 classes, including undergraduate and graduate offerings, will be available this spring, Among the disciplines represented are accounting, agriculture, art, biology, business information systems, computer information systems, communications, criminology, economics, education, English, finance, geography, government, history, health, human sciences,

sociology, social work, speech and vocational education.

Textbooks for the classes are available from the University Bookstore. Orders may be placed by calling (800) 786-7305 or via the Internet at bookstore.moreheadst.edu. Materials will be sent to the student's home address.

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Earn while you learn

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Agency is taking applications for the senior training program. For information, call Tammy Jervis, 606/886-2929. The program's primary goal is to create employment for those 55 and over. SCSEP helps prepare older workers to compete for jobs by providing minimal training and placing eligible applicants into permanent employment. Training sites are expected to develop the participant's skill and hire or release them.





The family of Goldie B. Vincent wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the Clergymen Jimmy Hall, Clifford Williams, and Homer Howell, for their comforting words, the Steeles Creek Regular Baptist Church, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

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200 small saplings. He attests that

damage to the area was at best minimal and that care was taken to pre-

serve the natural beauty and ecosys-

by the Division of Water and a formal violation is forthcoming.

Division of Water officials were not

happy with the trimming of vegeta-

tion, saying in essence that the garbage collecting in the brush was not the fault of the brush, but,

rather, the fault of those who

deposited the garbage into the

upcoming, Thompson said he has been given the okay to continue

with cleanup work. The present delay in activity has to do with the fact that the weather has been much

too cold for work crews. Thompson said workers have to actually "get in

the water" in order to clear garbage from the area and that the tempera-

tures have simply been "too cold" to

expect workers to subject them-

Thompson said that as soon as

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the weather conditions improve,

sales tax. In addition, almost half

(49 percent) of all households who

do not own a computer, but plan to

buy one in the next year, say that a

sales tax holiday would improve the

during the 2001 legislative session,

which began Tuesday. Cosponsors of the bill include Rep. Jim Bruce, D-Hopkinsville, Rep. Carolyn

Belcher, D-Preston, and Rep. Paul

Damron represents Kentucky's

39th House District in Jessamine.

Marcotte, R-Union.

and Fayette counties.

The Kentucky General Assembly will consider Damron's legislation

likelihood of such a purchase.

selves to the frosty conditions.

cleanup work will resume.

Holiday

Although the formal violation is

Still, the county has been cited

According to Thompson,

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The secret of a leader lies in the tests he has faced over the whole course of his life and the habit of action he develops in meeting those tests,"

-Gail Sheehy

-Editorial-

Making legislative history

Tuesday marked a historic moment for Kentucky: the beginning of regularly scheduled annual sessions of the General Assembly. In November, Kentuckians voted to go modern - to believe that in this age of computers, lightning-fast communications and high expectations, state government should be capable of responding to public needs more often than once every two years.

The constitutional amendment that voters passed is a conservative one. It continues the tradition of a 60-day legislative sessions every two years, but adds 30-day session in the years in between.

This year's session will be the first of the 30-day variety. Almost everyone agrees on the strategy: to proceed conservatively.

As House Speaker Jody Richards says. "The General Assembly has a great deal at stake to make sure this new session is a success." Speaker Richards, Senate President David Williams and other legislative leaders worked hard to get Kentuckians to approve annual sessions. The last thing they want is for voters to regret going along. Lawmakers' pride is on the line. So is their credibility.

If this change had occurred at another point in history, lawmakers might have chosen a different strategy - for example, to dazzle voters by passing a collection of progressive programs and laws.

But at this moment, the smarter approach is probably to be cautious - to aim to get out of Frankfort without doing their reputations any harm. After all, relations between the branches, with a Democratic Governor and Democratic House but a Republican Senate, may be at an all-time low. Only two months ago, Gov. Paul Patton characterized Senate President Williams as being untrustworthy and a liar. Sen. Williams responded by describing him as having been "mouthy drunk."

Further, the Governor alienated the few Republican friends he had in the Senate by campaigning hard against them in November's election. He took a gamble that the Democrats could win back control of that chamber, and he lost. The result is that relations between the Governor and the Senate are even cooler.

This week, lawmakers will elect leaders, set rules, appoint committees and attend ethics sessions. Then they'll go home for a few weeks, returning to Frankfort only for occasional committee meetings, and then come back on Feb. 6 for the real work.

Don't expect much - maybe some adjustments to the worker's compensation system, which Republicans and Democrats agree need to be made; approval of gubernatorial appointments and executive orders; review of regulations; a look at how the budget enacted last year is holding up to the realities of the revenue coming in.



Guest Column

No one runs the country

by SHELDON RICHMAN

Memo to pundits and politicians: You didn't need to say that we had to finalize the presidential election because it's important to know who's going to run the country beginning January 20.

The president doesn't run the country. This country comprises 284 million people who make billions of decisions every day. Among those decisions are the most important ones that get made: what to produce, what to buy, what jobs to create, what job to take, what investments to make, what house to buy or apartment to rent, what associations to join, how to raise the children. and on and on. The president doesn't make those critical decisions for us ... yet, thank goodness.

It's true that the president runs one branch of the federal government, which does much more than the Constitution authorizes. But let's not confuse the executive branch with the whole country. Presidential conceit may infect the chief executive, but let's immunize ourselves against such folly. At least since World War II, the American people have been sold a bill of goods (apparently to make us forget the Bill of Rights). They have been told repeatedly by the Eric Severeids and David Broders of the world, along with the various television court historians, that the federal government, especially the president and the chairman of the Federal Reserve, are the stewards of the economy. They can keep on dreaming. The "economy" is so hair-raisingly complex that no one could possibly steward it. Anyone who thinks he can do so is delusional. How does that expression go? It would be like herding cats - only worse, because no one possesses the information that constitutes the "economy," much less the knowledge of what will happen in the future. While the marketplace has no steward, and needs none, those who fail to understand this are capable of causing much mischief. For example, President Clinton and many members of Congress believe that the legal minimum wage should be raised. "The people making the minimum wage have not had a raise in many years." they are fond of saying. That is patent nonsense, of course. No one who was making the minimum wage many years ago is still mak-

ing it today. That is entry-level pay for the least-skilled workers. Only someone who refuses to accumulate skills and experience would be stuck at the minimum wage. Moreover, in these days of labor shortages, many entry-level jobs pay more than the legislated minimum.

None of this means that a minimum-wage law is irrelevant. It is potentially devastating to its supposed beneficiaries. Wages are not set by employers arbitrarily. When hiring someone, an employer is bound by at least two considerations based on his estimate of the worker's productivity: if he pays the employee less than he is worth a competitor might hire the worker away; if he pays more than the employee is worth, the business will lose money and its existence (and the job) will be threatened.

It is not the boss who pays the wages. It's the consumers. They buy a product only if they believe it is worth more than anything else they can spend their money on. If an employer pays his workers more than is justified by their value to consumers, and tries to recoup the money by charging high prices, consumers have the power to veto his policy by buying elsewhere. The workers would then have to take a pay cut or lose their jobs. If the law sets the minimum wage higher than what the market would have set, it will have the same effect as just described. Workers will lose jobs, and new jobs that might have been created won't be. Intended beneficiaries become victims. The minimum wage is just one of myriad ways that presidents attempt to steward the economy. The results are always similar. The effects are contrary to the stated goals, and the most vulnerable members of society suffer

A bigger and bigger surplus?

by ROBERT LINNELL

The Clinton administration has just announced new budget projections that increase the budget surplus to \$5 trillion over the next 10 years. This is an increase of \$800 billion, almost 20 percent, over the forecast last year.

Is this just a nice gift to President-elect Bush? Hardly. The fact that this number. can change so drastically in just one year should make us suspicious.

Budget projections are made by the president, by Congress, by both political parties, and by others. Keep in mind that all of these different projections have political goals, use different assumptions and result in different numbers. Looking back on earlier projections we find that they all have been so far off the mark as to be meaningless, but each served a political purpose.

Clinton, in burnishing his record, points out that the senior Bush left office with a growing annual deficit of over \$200 billion and eight years later he leaves office with an annual surplus of over \$200 billion. A great record. President-elect Bush wants to have a large 10-year surplus to justify a major tax cut. Congress likes a large surplus because it gives them more freedom to curry voter favor with popular spending programs. All three, Congress, the outgoing administration and the incoming administration have a common goal large surpluses.

But are these surplus projections realistic? The answer is no. To demonstrate this we need to understand the federal budget process and how surplus numbers are generated.

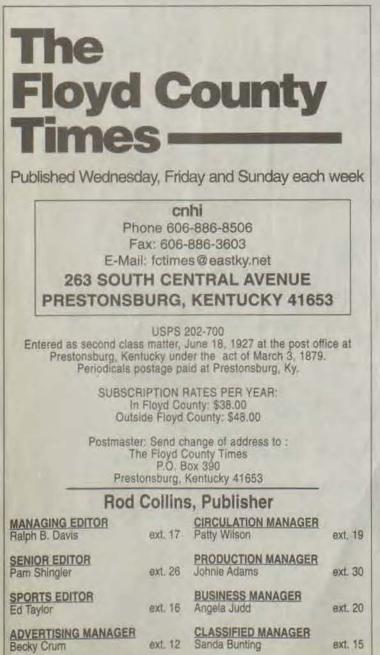
Congress passes an annual budget for the 12 months from October 1 of each year through September 30 of the next year. We are currently in fiscal year 2001.

The income side of this budget includes estimates of taxes (income, Social Security, Medicare, federal gasoline and airport) and a host of other revenues. On the expenditure side Congress makes annual appropriations for government departments (Agriculture, Defense, Housing, etc.) and agencies. Because Social Security and Medicare benefits are specified by law, they are not part of the annual appropriations but the current taxes earmarked for these programs far exceed annual expenditures, creating large surpluses; as the population ages these annual surpluses will decrease and eventually become deficits. These two programs alone account for \$3 trillion of the new 10-year surplus, reducing it to \$2 trillion. Proposed increases for defense (plus missile defense), domestic programs (education, drug benefits, etc.) and continuation of popular expiring tax benefits will easily use up another \$800 billion, leaving \$1.2 trillion. And if Bush follows through on his promise to help low income families obtain health insurance this could take another \$600 billion which would leave just \$600 billion before any new tax reductions. Add in the fact that these large surpluses over 10 years are highly speculative. These annual surpluses are real cash, money coming in and being paid out. There is another side to the government fiscal picture, total federal public debt. Total federal public debt is now \$5.666 trillion, consisting of \$3.38 trillion marketable (held by the public) and \$2.286 trillion non-marketable (held by the government). Although this is the fourth year in a row we have had a cash annual surplus, the total debt has not been decreasing but is increasing. How can this happen? The earmarked part of the surplus of income over expenses in the annual budget is put in the non-marketable government debt as IOUs (trust funds), increasing the total public debt. Social Security and Medicare are not the only surplus generators: Taxes collected on gasoline and airports, civil service retirement/disability (now with almost \$500 billion of IOUs), military retirement, and many others (over 150 funds). These are firm commitments that future taxpayers must honor and simply transferring bookkeeping surpluses to future obligations is a political move for current advantage and not a prudent move for the best interest of our country. In reality this is a "sleight of hand" operation with a cash surplus (which can be used at the discretion of Congress for

Then perhaps by the end of the session we might see a warming trend, if the two parties begin to trust each other again and the reality of having to work together settles in.

That might be the most Kentuckians should hope for in this historic session of 2001.

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The free-market economy is an example of something that may seem impossible at first glance: Undesigned order. It achieves incomparable cooperation and consumer welfare precisely because it has no steward. To the extent the president tries to run it, we are in for a heap of trouble.

Sheldon Richman is senior fellow at The Future of Freedom Foundation in Fairfax, Va. (www.fff.org), and editor of Ideas on Liberty magazine.



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MSU to offer classes at SFHS

Morehead State University their Personal Identification address. will offer three graduate-level Number (PIN). Those who do not education classes in Hi Hat during the spring 2001 semester.

Students may register by fax to Tina M. Stafford, regional campus coordinator, at 606/783-5083 or by mail to Extended Campus Program, 215 Allie Young Hall, Morehead State University, Morehead, Ky. 40351.

Current students, with an official checksheet on file, may register via MSU's web site (www.moreheadstate.edu) using mailed to the student's home

have a PIN are given the option to choose one when they log onto the student user page.

Classes begin Tuesday, January 16, at South Floyd High School

Textbooks for the classes are available from the University Bookstore. Orders may be placed by calling (800) 786-7305 or via the Internet at bookstore.morehead-st. edu. Materials will be

The cost per credit hour for Kentucky residents and non-residents is \$105 for undergraduate courses and \$151 for graduate courses at the regional sites.

Additional information is available from Stafford at 606/783-2605, or toll-free at (800) 585-6781.

> The spring schedule includes:

EDSP 350, Characteristics

of Individuals with Mental Retardation and Orthopedic Handicaps, 4:10-7 p.m., Wednesdays, pre-requisite EDSP 230.

EDSP 370, Asssessment of Students with Moderate and Severe Disabilities, 7:15-9:45 p.m., Thursdays, take with EDSP 371, pre-requisite EDSP 350.

EDSP 371, Field . Experiences in Assessment of Students with Moderate and Severe Disabilities, 7:15-9:45 p.m., Thursdays.

Regional Obituaries

Magoffin County

Forn Salyer Carlson, 78, of Morehead, formerly of Magoffin County, died Sunday, December 24, at the St. Claire Medical Center. Morehead.

Roy Arnett, 54, of Gauge, died Tuesday, December 19, in Breathitt County. Funeral services were conduct-Fied Friday, December 22, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Pike County

Grady Bevins, 85, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, Deember 20, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Ruby Justice Bevins, Funeral services were conducted Friday, December 22, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services.

Orbin Ratliff, 63, of Ashcamp, died Wednesday, December 20, at his home.

He is survived by his wife, Fayetta Home. Wellman Ratliff. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 23, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Helen Taylor, 66, of Steele, died Wednesday, December 20, in Grundy, Virginia. She is survived by her husband, Arlin Taylor. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 24, under the direction of Bailey Funeral

George G. Bentley, 72, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, December 20, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Mildred Little Bentley. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 23, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

James Palmer Akers, 84, of Pikeville, died Thursday, December 21, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 24, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Carl Edward Slone, 51, of Shelbiana, died Wednesday, December 20, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife Connie Thacker Slone. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 23, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Functal Home

Jerry Neal Edmonds, 53, of Harold, died Tuesday, December 19, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Wayne, West Virginia. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 23, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services.

Nonna C. Meade, 81, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, December 19, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday,

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bituaries

Hicks pallbearers listed

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Louise Hicks were Scott Bellamy, Robert Prater, Robbie Prater, Rodney Bradley, Shannon Adkins, John Goble, Stevie Allen, Jerry Rice, Terry Bellamy, Stephen Blevins and Leroy Prater.

William "Bill" Perry

William "Bill" Perry, 99, of Harold, died Saturday, December 30, 2000, at his residence, following an extended illness.

Born on March 8, 1901, in Clinchport, Virginia, he was the son of the late Thurman and Metilda Rogers Perry. He was a disabled coal miner.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Roxie Lawson Perry.

Survivors include one daughter, Geneva Welch of Kingsport, Tennessee: one half-sister, Katie Iams of Amherstdale, West Virginia, two grandchildren, three greatgrandchildren and one great-great-

Birtha Henderson

Birtha Henderson, 57, of Deane, died Friday, December 29, 2000, at her residence.

Born on September 8, 1943, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Robert and Tippy Ann Mitchell Newsome.

She is survived by her husband, Charles Meade.

Other survivors include three sons, Joe Hall and Madison Hall, both of Taylor, Michigan, Ronald Hall, both of Deane; one daughter, Teresa Gibson of Knott County; three brothers, Frank Newsome of Johnson County, Andy Ray Newsome of Meade County. Robert Newsome of Hi Hat; two sisters, Marie Gilliam and Pluma Jean Gilliam, both of Floyd County; 15 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 31, at 11 a.m., at the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church at Hi Hat, with Spencer Hall and other Regular

Elizabeth Sue Henson

Elizabeth Sue Henson, 24, of Wallingford, died Friday, December 29, 2000, in Fleminsburg.

She was born July 7, 1976, in Millersburg, Ohio, the daughter of Jeff D. and Gleema G. Henson. She was a retail merchant.

Survivors, other than her parents, include one brother, Jeffree D. Henson of Wallingford; one sister, Jessica Derkis of Toledo, Ohio.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 2, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial was in the Greenbury Hall Cemetery, McDowell, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Pallhearers were Sandy Henson I Mark Henson, Matthew Henson Waverly Henson, Chuckie Austin, J.D. Adams, Jeffrey Henson, Ernie Blevins and Don Derkis.

James Monroe Powers

James Monroe Powers, 92, of Auxier, died Monday, January 1, 2001,

grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, January 2, 2001, at 11 a.m., at the Upper Toler Creek Church of Christ, at Harold, with Tommy Bush and others officiating.

Burial was in the Roberts and Howell Cemetery, at Harold, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Alvin P. Fields

Alvin P. Fields, 68, of Allen, died Friday, December 29, 2000, at his residence, following an extended illness.

Born on December 31, 1931, in Allen, he was the son of the late Ara and Cynthia Louranie Porter Fields. He was a retired veteran of the United States Army, and was a member of the Emma United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Judith Diana Hager Fields

Other survivors include one son, Larry H. Fields of Garrett, three stepsons, Ronald Frasure Jr. of Prestonsburg, Dwight Alan Frasure of Allen, Barry T. Frasure of Martin; two daughters, Sandra Yocum of New Jersey, Sharon Wilfong of Illinois: one step-daughter, Shari Crisp of Winchester; one brother, Claude Fields of Titasville, Florida; six grandchildren, one great-grandchild, two stepgrandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 2, 2001, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Paul Aiken officiating. Burial was in the Davidson

Memorial Gardens, Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home

Baptist ministers officiating

Burial was in the Drift Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Clayton Edward Wills

Clayton Edward Wills, 90, of La Grange, died Friday, December 29. 2000, at Homestead Nursing Home in New Castle.

Born on December 13, 1910, in Water Gap, he was the son of the late Josie Jarrell and James Hiram Wills. He was a correctional officer, KY State Reformatory, at La Grange, and was a member of Pewee Valley Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Louise Nichols Wills of La Grange; two sons, James Donald Wills of Frankfort, Rodney Wills of Prestonsburg: one daughter, Carolyn Rowe of Prestonsburg; three stepsons, Merlin Woods of South Haven, Michigan, Sturgill Woods of Louisville, Lloyd Woods of New Castle; three stepdaughters, Ellree Hyden of Prestonsburg, Nellie Woods of La Grange, Lucille Robertson of Crestwood; one brother, Ollie Wills of Oak Hill, Ohio; one sister, Alberto Calhoun of Oak Hill, Ohio; 17 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 30, at the Arch L. Heady Radcliffe Funeral Home, La Grange, with Mike Carpenter of Good Shepherd Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Valley of Rest Cemetery, at La Grange, under the direction of Arch L. Heady Radeliffe Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

The family of Andrew Childress would like to express our thanks to friends, relatives and neighbors who comforted us during our time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, cards, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We would like to extend our deepest appreciation to Hospice of Big Sandy for their loving care and medical assistance. We are especially grateful to Evangelist Tracy Patton, for his comforting words, Cooley Medical for their kind service, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service

The Family of Andrew Childress

at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born on August 8, 1908, on Johns Creek, he was the son of the late David ad Jennilee Honeycutt Powers. He was a disabled coal miner, and was a member of the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ronnie Privette Powers.

Survivors include four sons, Richard Dean Powers of Auxier. Robert Keith Powers of Abbott, Glenn Powers and William James Powers, both of Prestonsburg; three daughters, Deanna Harless of Hager Hill, Charlene Harless of Dayton, Ohio, Maggie Collins of Auxier; one brother, George Powers of Auxier, 52 grandchildren, 85 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, January 4, at 1 p.m., at the Auxier Freewill Baptist Chuch, with Rev. Bobby Spencer, Shane Powers, and James Mollette officiating.

Burial will be in the Auxier Relocation Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin

Active pallbearers were Roger Collins, Micheal Harless, Scott Powers, Mark Harless, Dean Harless, Wayne Harless, Shane Powers, Glen Jr. Powers, Shawn Powers, George Hiriess and Charles Powers.

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paying down marketable debt, tax reductions or programs) and a growing government non-marketable debt.

If the economy stays strong it is possible for a real surplus to develop but there is wisdom in the old saying, "don't count your chickens until they hatch".

As citizens, we need to press our new president, his administration and Congress for sound fiscal policies that will not only benefit the nation now but have longrange benefits for our children and grandchildren.

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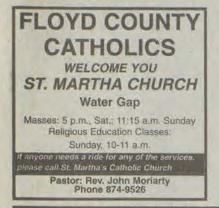
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December 22, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Ollie Mae Scott Hite, 83, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, December 19, at the Riverview Health Care Center. Prestonsburg, Funeral services were conducted Friday, December 22, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.



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Monday, December 18, at the Parkview Nursing & rehabilitation Center, Pikeville. Graveside services were conducted Thursday, December 21, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Home.

Shirley Fields Ball, 80, died Tuesday, December 19, at Norton Community Hospital, Norton, Virginia. Graveside services were conducted Thursday, December 21, under the direction of Sturgill Funeral Home.

Edna Johnson Akers, 99, of Louisville, died Wednesday, December 20. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 23, in the Schoppenhorst, Underwood & Brooks Funeral Home Chapel.

Grover Roy Bishop, 78, of Lorain, Ohio, died Tuesday, December 26. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 30, under the

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Card of Thanks

The family of Virginia K. Meade would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to Clergyman Bob Cunningham, for his comforting words. the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Virginia K. Meade

AUXIER FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Mike Blanton and Singers will be appearing Sunday, January 7th, at 6 p.m.

THE FLOYD COUNTY FREEWILL BAPTIST CONFERENCE will be held at the AUXIER FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH Saturday, January 13th, at 10 a.m.

Goldie Murphy, 86, of Belfry, died direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Home.

> Paul Greer, 59, of Alexanderia, Virginia, formerly of Beefhide, died Tuesday, December 26, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 31, under the direction of Delinger Funeral Home.

> Ellen Keene, 75, of Phyllis, died Thursday, December 28, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 1, 2001, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Marie Wolford Mikoch, 64, of Pikeville, died Sunday, December 24, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral

Obits

Mathew Watkins Mathew Watkins, 60, of Teaberry, died Saturday, December 24, 2000, at his residence.

Born on May 16, 1940, in Salyersville, he was the son of the late Enoch and Julia Barnett Watkins. He was a retired factory worker.

His wife, Edith Marie Watkins, preceded him in death.

He is survived by one son, Gary Dale Watkins of Teaberry; two daughters. Vicki Lynn Adzic of Hillsdale, Michigan, and Vicki Marie Watkins of Teaberry; one brother, James Watkins of Muskeogen, Michigan; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 28, at the Samaria Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Denzil Hall Cemetery, at Grethel, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Pallbearers were Clyde Hamilton, Chris Rudd, Randall Greg Bowling, Robinson, Glendale Osborne, Brad Hamilton, Kenny Hamilton, and Gary Kiser.

Palmer Frasure

Palmer Frasure, 65, of Teaberry, died Saturday, December 30, 2000, at his residence, following a sudden illness. Born on January 17, 1935, in Galveston, he was the son of Verlie Hamilton Frasure of Galveston and the late Troy Frasure. He was a disabled coal miner.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dollie Blankenship Frasure.

December 30, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Charles Wayne Long, 60, of Marrowbone, died Friday, December 29. at Cabell-Huntington Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Howard Godfrey Blankenship, 72, of Edgarton, West Virginia, died Friday, December 29, at St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia. He is survived by his wife Phyllis Sanson Blankenship. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 1, 2001, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

E Continued from p5 Claude Hall

Claude Hall, 58, of Logansport, Indiana, formerly of Betsy Layne, died Wednesday, December 27, 2000, at Memorial Hospital, Logansport.

He was born August 6, 1942, at Betsy Layne, the son of the late Langley and Roxie Workman Hall. He was a die-cast supervisor at SUS Die Cast Products; a member of the Calvary Baptist Church; and had worked at Alpha Industries for 29 years.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Hall.

Other survivors include one son, Michael David of Logansport, Indiana; two brothers, Lloyd Hall of Warsaw, Indiana and Bill Hall of Betsy Layne; one sister, Orma Jean Holbrook of Betsy Layne; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 1, 2001 at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin. Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Jordan Compton, William Layne, Bryan Layne, Eddie Clark, Justin Kidd and William Holbrook.

Hubert Clayton Gambill

Hubert Clayton Gambill, 81, of Paintsville, died Friday, December 29, 2000, at the V.A. Medical Center, Huntington, West Virginia. Born December 9, 1919, in Pike County, he was the son of the late Lawrence C. Gambill and Oma Drago Gambill. He was selfemployed at Gambill's Electric. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Leona Painter Gambill. Other survivors include one son,

Genetta Mullins, 86, of Pikeville, died Friday, December 29, 2000, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 1, 2001, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Janet Sue Whitten

Janet Sue Whitten, 62, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, December 29, 2000, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born on May 5, 1938, in Emma, she was the daughter of Hope Sherman Whitten and the late Denzil Keith Whitten. She was a former office manager of Prestonsburg City's Utilities, an announcer WDOC for Radio/Prestonsburg. secretary/treasurer for Whitten's Taxi, Inc.; she was a member of First United Methodist Church, Prestonsburg and a member of Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31.

Survivors, other than her mother, include one sister, Judith (Judy) Irene Garrett of Ypsilanti, Michigan; two brothers, Philip Keith Whitten and



opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of their loved one: Those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to Clergyman Bennie Blankenship for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The Family of Abbie Gail Akers Shultz



Card of Thanks

The family of Beulah Stapleton Allen wishes to gratefuly acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives and neighbors in the loss of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Clergymen Bob Varney and Roy Harlow for the comforting messages, Tom Martin. Van and Susan Ramey, for the beautiful songs, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The Family of Beulah Stapleton Allen

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Highway, died Friday, December 29, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Clovis Tackett. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son

Denzil (Denny) Curtis Whitten, both of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 1, 2001, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, Prestonsburg, with Rev. Wayne Sayre officiating.

> Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were Bryan Whitten." Chris Whitten, Clinton Vernon Garrett, Darrell Prater, Bryan Whitten Jr., Scottie Hamilton, Danny Hamilton and Granville

Honorary pallbearers were Philip Whitten, Denny Whitten, Vernon Garrett, "Little" Philip Whitten, Jeff Whitten, Cory Prater, Jackie Wright, Roger Wright, Greg Shepherd and

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Anna Ruth Tackett, 51, of Caney

Meade. Bill Potter.





As the New Year begins, we would like to send Greetings to our many friends As we pause and reflect on the value of friends like you, we wish to restate our continuing policy of service to the public

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ARTER FUNERAL HOME PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY



Survivors include one son, Harm Frasure of Paintsville; one daughter, Diana Burchett of Ivel; six brothers, Ed Frasure of Pikeville, Tom Frasure, Glen Frasure, Charles Frasure, and Garrett Frasure, all of Galveston, Eddie Frasure of Collinsville, Virginia; one sister, Geraldine Blankenship of Galveston, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, January 3, 2001, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Monford Howell and other Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Michael Gambill, and one stepson, James G. Prater, both of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Virginia L. Gambill and Kathy Kirk, both of Paintsville; two brothers, Frank Gambill of Berea, Marvin Gambill of Cincinnati, Ohio; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 1, 2001, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Chapel, Paintsville, with Rev. Wayne Fields and Rev. Jimmy Jennings officiating.

Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park, at Staffordsville, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Andrew Granville Childress

Andrew Granville Childress, 96, of Banner, Ky., died Friday, December 22, 2000, at his residence, following an extended illness.

Born on January 22, 1904, in Grundy, Virginia, he was the son of the late Sparrell and Martha Owens Childress. He was a retired electrician, a veteran of the United States Army and Merchant Marines, and was a member of the Baptist Church in Mississippi.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Kelsy Childers Childress.

Survivors include two daughters, Janet Sue (Gregory) Hall of Banner, Betty Jane Arrington of Augusta, Georgia, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 23, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Tracy Patton officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

D.A.V. funeral was conducted by Chapter 169, Betsy Layne, Paid obituar Ky.

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A Look at Sports

Happy New 'Year!

> by ED TAYLOR SPORTS EDITOR

From the first column of the New Year. let me wish everyone of you the very best in 2001

With the holidays behind us, it is time

now to return to a normal schedule. Certainly things are hectic at a newspaper when all the deadlines are changed and take you out of your routine.

But, I enjoyed the holidays as Nancy and I celebrated our 42nd anniversary. My, how time flies.

There will be some sort of sanity returning to the basketball season as we head toward district tournament time next month, and it will be upon us before we know it.

However, we still have several tournaments to be played in the next three weeks.

Tournament-wise past, four of our teams were in action over the holidays and Coach Johnny Martin's Runnin' Rebels

suffered their first loss of the season to a good Counsel. Va., team in the Hobert Potter Classic at Shelby Valley. The Rebs won two of their three games and finished third in the tournament.

It was the first time I had seen Shelby Valley this season and I was impressed with Coach Rodney Rowe's ballelub. They have all the ingredients for a regional championship team.

The Wildcats like to shoot the treys and they scored with them as well in putting the points on the board.

Shannon Akers reached a milestone in his career when he scored his 1,000th point of his career in the tournament. Play was halted as he received recognition for

his feat.

But watching Akers on the court, he is more than a scorer. I watched as he passed up wide open shots, dishing off the ball to a teammate who perhaps had a better shot. The kid is tremendous on the boards, scoring and playing unselfishly.

More and more as I watch this Allen Central team, they just keep impressing me. This is a legitimate contender for a regional championship.

Coach Harold Tackett's Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats won one of three games

they played over the weekend beating. Lewis County in their third encounter. Coach Tackett said his team played against some tough competition.

"We learned a lot from the losses," he said. "We will go back home and see how we do against county teams. We got beat by good some teams. Paul Dunbar is a big team with three

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Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats **Prestonsburg** salvages third game of tournament

by ED TAYLOR SPORTS EDITOR

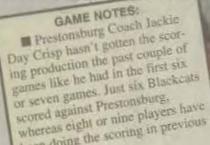
It wasn't a good road trip for the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats basketball team over the holidays as Coach Harold Tackett's ballclub dropped two of three games, salvaging a 52-41 win over Clark County in the final round Friday afternoon.

'We played well," said Prestonsburg. "We should have beaten Russell and did beat a good Clark County team."

Prestonsburg posted a 52-41 win over Clark County behind Ramanda Music's 20 points. Amelia Conley tossed in 14 for the winning Ludy Blackcats, who

improved to 6-4 on the year. Megan Hyden, who was injured in the game, finished with El points.

"We don't know the status on Megan



Prestonsburg falls 69-55 to Lloyd Memorial

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS WRITER

The Prestonsburg Blackcats took to the Shelby Valley High hardwood last Friday night for a second round Hobert Potter Classic game against Lloyd Memorial.

The Blackcats had the unenviable task of facing 15th Region favorite Shelby Valley in their first game. It was a tall task to say the least, as the Blackcats fell hard, losing by 36 points to the Akers brothers and company.

The Blackcats would fare somewhat better against Lloyd Memorial, as they would play Lloyd Memorial close

the break.

Coach Jackie Day Crisp saw his team of Prestonsburg Blackcats play a muchimproved brand of basketball in the third quarter of play, following the halftime break. Coach Crisp got a big third quarter effort from seniors Matt Clay and Brandon Branham. Both seniors stepped up big on both ends of the court in the second period.

The Prestonsburg defense handled and contained Lloyd Memorial for most of the third quarter, before a series of runs put momentum back on Lloyd Memorial's side.

Lloyd Memorial regained some of the momentum they had going for them in the first quarter, and ventured into the fourth



right now," said Coach Tackett last Friday, "She may be out for a couple of weeks.

Hyden led a first quarter charge for Prestonsburg that netted them a 12-10 lead. She hit a three-point basket and scored five points in the opening period. Music had four in the quarter as Prestonsburg hu five of six free throws.

Clark County struggied in the second period with Music scoring six of her 20. points in the stanza that gave Prestonsburg a 22-16 half time lead.

Clark County picked up their pace in quarter three with a 16-11 run, narrowing the Prestonsburg margin to one. 33-32. Jenny Stewart, who led all scorer's with 21 points, pumped in nine in the third including a three-point basket. Sibble Marsh hit a three-point basket that made it a one point game.

Prestonsburg defense picked op in the fourth quarter when Prestonsburg made a 16-9 run to put the game away. Prestonsburg. hit 12 of 17 free throws in the final quarter in winning by 11. Conley scored six of her 11 points in the final quarter hitting eight of 11 free throws for the game.

From the charity stripe, Prestonsburg was 25 of 36 attempts. Brook Coleman finished with five points while Heather White netted two.

Prestonsburg opened the tourmament against a tall Paul Dunbar team. Dunbar was too much inside for Prestonaburg in a 78-42 win.

"Dunbar is a legitimate team and they were bigger than we were," snid Coach Tackett. "There are not too many teams going to beat them. You will see them in the Sweet Sixteen this year."

Prestonsburg failed to put a player in double figures for the game with Music leading the Lady

been doing the scoring in previous

Lloyd Memorial junior Michael Hopkins is one of the best game of the best players in the 9th Region, Coach Bryan Gillis' Lloyd Memorial squad was a 34th District runner-up last season and has a legitimate shot at winning the district this season.

LLOYD MEMORIAL (69) -M. Hopkins 21, Mullins 10, Fox 11, Hollencamp 9, B. Hopkins 9, Quinn 5.

PRESTONSBURG (55) -Justice 13, Clay 11, Branham 10, Powers 10, Music S, Allen 3



photo by Ed Taylor MATT CLAY (12), of Prestonsburg, skies high for a layup. Clay, a senior, netted 11 points in a losing effort as the Blackcats fell to Lloyd Memorial.

Hobert Potter Classic at Shelby Valley

Allen Central drops first game of season to Council, VA.

Hayes tosses in 23 as Runnin' Rebs fall

by STEVE LOMASTER SPORTS WRITER

A team with a perfect undefeated record makes for a good target, just ask the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels.

The Runnin' Rebels went into Friday night's second round of the Shelby Valley High School's Hobert Potter Classic against Council High School

Council, a small Class A school located in Virginia, has a small enrollment of just 160 students, and like Allen Central, is located on Route 80.

Oh, yeah, the Council boys' basketball learn is pretty good, too.

Allen Central went in against Council, the No. | ranked Class A team in Virginia, knowing they were in for a battle. It was a battle the Runnin' Rebels got, as they

were defeated 76-58.

The Cobras of Council were slow coming out of the gates and struggled against a good Allen Central first quarter offensive team. Allen Central came out of the first quarter of play with a 16-14 lead. It was in the second quarter where things began to come undone for Allen Central as the Cobra offense struck often.

Council netred 21 second quarter points, opposed to just nine from the Allen Central contingent.

The Runnin' Rebs were taken out of their game as Conneil executed well on offense and played a stingy style of defense that had Allen Central second guessing. The Cobras limited Allen Central to few open shots. The Runnin' Rehs went into the halftime break trailing 35.25.

Being behind at halftime was an unfamiliar position for this year's Runnin'

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through three quarters, before being outscored 20-7 in a final fourth quarter that ultimately decided the basketball game. The lopsided fourth quarter of play gave Prestonsburg a loss and gave Lloyd Memorial a 69-55 win.

The Blackcats played good sound defense in the first period, but lagged behind a little bit on offensive end. Prestonsburg went into the second quartet trailing by just four points, 16-12. It was

there, in the second quarter, where the offensive continued and worsened for the Blackcats. Lloyd Memorial equaled their first quarter point total of 16 points.

Prestonsburg totaled 11 points in the quarter, just one point shy of their first quarter total. Although the victims of a slowstart and a stingy Lloyd Memorial defense, the Blackcats trailed by just nine points at



quarter with some renewed confidence despite being outscored. Prestonsburg (2-7) outscored Lloyd Memorial 25-19 in an up and down third quarter and went into the final period trailing by a slim, three-point 51-48 margin. The three-point deficit was the closest the Blackcats had been to a lead since the midway point of the opening quarter.

Some individuals, in this case, some teams, often save their best for

last. Lloyd Memorial (7-3) did just that, they saved their best for last against Prestonsburg. Lloyd Memorial played stellar defense in the final quarter and put up a huge fourth quarter offensive on defense, holding the Blackcats to just seven points.

(See PRESTONSBURG, page two)



STEVE'S SIDELINE SHOTS A toast to a bright New Year!

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS WRITER

Happy New year! Out with the old, and in with the new.

By now, everyone has rung in the new year, and sports fans are anxious to see what the year 2001 has in store.

I sincerely hope that everyone enjoyed the recent holidays, I know I did.

I had a virtual smorgasbord of sports from the beginning of last week, through the weekend, and up until now when the action is halted somewhat with the recent snow that has blanketed the area.

For five or six days last week. i spent the majority of my evenings at Shelby Valley taking in the Hobert Potter Classic and watching college football bowl games.

The high school basketball up at Shelby Valley was great. The Wildcats continue to impress with each passing game.

The Allen Central Runnin' Rebels stumbled in the tourney, losing to a very good Council in a hard-fought contest.

Valley quietly. Coach Johnny Martin's bunch played hard in a third-place consolation game and scored a win over Lloyd Memorial, one of the top teams in the 8th Region.

Allen Central junior Shawn Newsome continues to impress everyone. Newsome is averaging over 20 points per game.

The college football bowl season, if you haven't heard by now, is one of my favorite times of the year. This college football bowl season has been a good one.

Marshall's Thundering Herd. with Prestonsburg High alumnus Nathan Leslie, battled back to beat the University of Cincinnati Bearcats 25-14, in this year's Motor City Bowl; The Thundering Herd obviously like the Motor City Bowl, they've fared quite well there in recent appearances over the past three or four years.

The Louisville Cardinals came out on the losing end of things in the Music City Bowl against Coach Sonny Lubick's Colorado State Rams. The Cards fell 22-17,

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the distribution of the second s contantinenconstantinence of the contagone returns next season Allen Central didn't leave Shelby to guide a team that finished 9-3

this season.

Did anyone catch the Snow Bowl, I mean the Independence Bow1?

If not, you missed a rare site. It was snowing in Shreveport. Louisiana, of all places. The game pitted the Mississippi State Bulldogs against the Aggies of Texas A&M in what played out to be a classic. The 2000 Independence Bowl was the best football game played in snowy conditions on any level that I have ever seen. MSU battled back and tied that game at 35, forcing an overtime period. The Aggies scored first in the extra period, but had their field goal attempt blocked. The Bulldogs scored on the return of the blocked kick and then in two plays found touchdown paydirt, posting a 43-41 win.

The win was sweet for State Head Coach Jackie Sherrill, considering he coached the Aggies for seven seasons. Sherrill's record in bowl games as head coach of Mississippi State now stands at 2-4. He is 8-6 overall in postseason bowls. Sherrill is beloved by his players and is respected by other coaches across the nation.

Staying in the SEC, South Carolina capped off a miraculous

season with a 24-7 Outback Bowl win over Ohio State, Former Notre Dame Couch Lou Holtz and his USC staff have done a tremendous job with the Gumecocks football program.

And just think, we have local ties to the University of South Carolina football program right here in our area. Current Pikeville College coach Zak Willis spent the 1999 college football season at South Carolina as an assistant coach under Holtz. Coach Holtz. was very instrumental in helping Coach Willis land the Pikeville College job.

Tonight's the night

Well, tonight is the night when all college football fans will have their eyes peeled as the No. 1 Oklahoma Sooners will do battle with the No. 3 Florida State Seminoles in the Orange Bowl. The 'Noles are an 11-point favorite coming into the game although the top-ranked Sooners boast an undefeated record. Is it just the fact that Florida State has been on top for so long, or is it because the 'Notes are simply better? Well, in this case, it's probably the latter. Oklahoma, led by quarterback Josh Huepel, will have to play a near-perfect game in order to pull off an Orange Bowl win and a national championship. It's possible, and if the Sooner offense out and plays well against the FSU defense their first couple of possessions, it could be very probable. If your like me, and you can't make it to Miami for the game, be sure to tune-in or set the VCR. The 2001 Orange Bowl, like most Orange Bowis before it, promises to be a dandy.

Random Notes

How can a 2-9 college football team get caught up in a \$1400 worth money orders recruiting scandal? Answer-Kentucky.

A Paintsville-Allen Central. or a Pikeville-Allen Central match-up will make for a good game if either or both come to be in the upcoming All "A" Tournament. Paintsville and Pikeville have met twice this season, each beating the other on their home court.

The recent snowfalls have me wishing for the first pitch of any upcoming baseball season, be it youth league, high school, college or pro. I just want Spring-like conditions. It's cold, we all have to deal with it. Take a quick retreat this week, to a nice warm gym. High school basketball will be played in the comfort of a warm gymnasium near you all this week. The Madness of March is now less than two months away.



photo by Steve LeMas CLOSELY GUARDED was Allen Central senior Jeremy Hayes (35) in a game last week with Trimble County.

Tourney

Blackcats scoring with nine points. Angie Howell and Coaley tossed in seven each with White scoring five. Coleman finished with five and Hyden totaled six points. Chrissy Nelson hit a three-point basket in the fourth quarter and finished with three.

Dunbar used their quickness and inside game in building a 20-7 first quarter lead, Brooke Monitz, who led Dunbar with 22 points, scored nine of those in the first period. For the game, Monitz buried three of her team's seven three-point baskets.

Prestonsburg trailed 33-19 at the half but never could get any closer to Dunbar.

Prestonsburg got 12 points apiece from Coleman and Hyden in a 72-52 setback at the hands of Russell. Music finished with 10 points. Conley netted eight before fouling out.

Prestonsburg

games in the Hobert Potter Classic the Prestonsburg scoring. moved the Blackcats into a fifth and

line where they hit 27 of 40 attempts. The Lady Red Devils hit 12 of 17 attempts in the fourth period, a quarter they outscored Prestonsburg 22-14.

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All-State candidate, Samantha Nester, pumped in 29 points for Russell with nine of those coming in the first quarter and eight in the fourth.

The game was close through the first two quarters with Russell leading 17-16 at the first stop and took a 36-28 lead to the locker room at the half.

It was the final two quarters that did the Lady Blackcats in as they were outscored 36-24 in the second half.

Nelson finished with four points for Prestonsburg while Amanda Webb scored two. White added four.

Prestonsburg will host Betsy Layne tonight in an important con-Russell lived at the free throw ference game, weather permitting.

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The second loss in as many good for three points to round out

Junior Michael Hopkins led



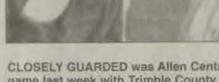


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DANIEL SAZABO (52), looks over the opposing team's defense in recent high school roundball action. Sazabo is a force on the inside for Allen Central.

Eikhorn City	15th Region Girls Tournament Paintsville High School January 8-13, 2001	
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Allen Central

Rebels to say the least. Allen Central' has very rarely trailed in ball game this season, let alone been behind by ten points at halftime. Adjustments need to be made and Allen Central Head Coach Johnny Martin was the one to make them, and make them he did.

Allen Central came out of the halftime break and played with the elusive mixture of intensity and poise they had played with in the first quarter, Senior Jeremy Hayes played big in the quarter, as did the other four Allen Central starters who graced the third quarter floor for the majority of the period. Council found themselves trying to combat a serious Allen Central comeback attempt throughout the fourth quarter. The Runnin' Rebels outscored Council 21-16 in the third period and went into the final period trailing by just five points. Momentum was definitely on Allen Central's side going into the final eight minutes, but it was all for naught as the Cobras turned it up a notch in the final quarter and fended off any comeback the Rebs had mounted.

Council standout Brandon Knuckles continued his strong play in the fourth period. Council outscored Allen Central 25-12 in the final period en route to the 76-58 win.

Hayes paced Allen Central with a team-high 23-point performance.

Allen Central's leading scorer for the season, junior Shawn Newsome, finished the Council game with 15 points. Senior point guard Larry Mullins tossed in 12 points. Another Allen Central senior, Travis Francis, chipped in with four points, while Daniel Sazabo and Josh Yates contributed

sixth place game with Trimble County.

Josh Justice led the way for Prestonsburg, Justice finished with 13 points. Clay turned in a strong performance, finishing with 11 points. Branham and another senior Ricky Powers finished with 10 points apiece. Dustin Music tossed in eight points and Josh Allen made

The loss marked the Runnin'

Rebels first setback of the season. At 7-1, the Runnin' Rebels went

into a third-place consolation game

against Lloyd Memorial, a team that began the tournament with a

loss to host Shelby Valley, then

Council moved into a Hobert Potter

Classic championship game with

GAME NOTES:

Allen Central guard Shawn Newsome's 15 points in the

the host Shelby Valley Wildcats.

With the win over Allen Central,

rebounded to beat Prestonsburg.

two points each.

Sports

Lloyd Memorial with a game-high 21 points.

The loss to Lloyd Memorial was the third loss in a row for the Blackcats. The losing skid began back on Friday, Dec. 22 against Sheldon Clark, a game which the Blackcats hosted.

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Council game was one of the lowest point totals he's produced this season. Newsome is averaging around 26 points a game for Allen Central.

The Runnin' Rebels remain a perfect 7-0 against in-state talent.

Many Allen Central fans are looking forward to the upcoming All "A" Tournament. 'The Runnin' Rebs are favored to take the 15th . Region All "A" crown.

COUNCIL, VA. (76) - Raznick 24. Knuckles 20, Harmon 13, Ratliff 12, Jackson 5, Tiller 2.

ALLEN CENTRAL (58) -Hayes 23, Newsome 15, Mullins

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Cardinals, once one of the nation's top teams, have not played well nor advanced as before.

But he is still a quality coach and has proven he can put a winner together. Fans are calling for a change, as UK fans are calling for

SPORTS OF SORTS

at UK.

The 13th top national sports story for 2000 was the Reds signing of Ken Griffey, Jr.

UK football fans are wondering if Mumme is all that clean at UK

What was it, a \$1,000 Emery sin when Eddie Sutton was at UK?

Betsy Layne at The Prestonsburg game was canceled last evening but will be made up tonight at Prestonsburg.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

players over six-foot. We should have beaten Russell but we did beat a nice Clark County team."

The weather hasn't been that great, but it could have been worse, and that has dampened the interest in basketball over the holidays. Several of the Lady Blackcat fans made the trip to East Carter to watch the Prestonsburg team play.

Up at Louisville, veteran coach Denny Crum seems to be in a hot seat as his Cardinals are 4-8 (not counting last night's game with Kentucky) and fans, as well as columnist, are calling for the head of Crum.

Billy Reed, in his Herald-Leader column Tuesday, said, "It's time for Crum to go!"

Well, Billy has gotten himself in trouble before with such calling's. True, Crum has not recruited the caliber of players he has become accustomed to getting. True, the

LOUIS AND THE LADIES

Girls' Basketball - Ky.'s No. 1 Fan

by LOUIS MEADOWS

Accolades to Lexington Catholic's coach Greg Todd and the whole LC community,

The Prime Time Classic (PTC) was superb. The quality of the teams, facilities, and parental support to ingenuity, leadership, personality, carry off such a gigantic endeavor were top-of-the-line.

Basketball-wise, I get around as much as anyone from Kentucky and have for several years, including regular season and summer basketball. I can tell you that Coach Todd's influence is felt statewide. He coaches AAU in the summer, coaching teams that have players from all over Kentucky. Also during the summer, he forms teams from statewide players to compete nationally and internationally. He runs a successful summer camp that attracts players from across the state. Last summer, he was assistant coach for the Kentucky All-stars and is head coach this summer. Any given year, if you look at the top 40 players in Kentucky, you will find

Coach Todd's influence somewhere in most of their backgrounds. I know he gets a special joy out of competing against these players when they play Catholic (or when he coached at Berea)

Hats off Greg to your insight, and hard work.

If you are a true fan of Kentucky high school girls' basketball, and you attend an event such as PTC, the great games hit you in such a rapidfire motion that, after a couple, your brain can become numbed to what is going on. Games that you would ordinarily drive 150 miles to see during regular season, you take for granted because there are so many of them in such a short period of time.

Coach Todd indicated that he would probably continue the format he established for this, the first year for the PTC. That format includes inviting the very top teams and players, all from Kentucky, to give everyone a chance to see where they stand against the other best early in the sea-



photo by Steve LeMaster GIMME THE BALL was the call of Allen Central's ZW Chaffins (50) as he posted up against a Trimble County defender in the recent Hobert Potter Classic at Shelby Valley High School.

Not only did Jackson Co. win the PTC the week before Christmas (beating Lexington Catholic in the championship game), they also won the prestigious Pickerington Christmas. This is the first time a Kentucky team ever won the event. honors in the Ohio Tourney.

When I predicted a few months ago that I thought Jackson Co. was number 1, I had dozens of nay-sayers. They said Jackson had a history of bickering among themselves; that they could not take the pressure; that the players would not follow Coach Greg Parrett's game plans. So far, I have seen none of that. Keep up the good work, Jackson. My hat's off to you. I love good movies, songs, and basketball teams (and players).

359 days(leap year) and 38 wins: That is what happened between West Carter's last 2 losses. Their next-tolast loss was to Hart Co. in the finals of the Lady Invitational of the South on Dec. 30, 1999. Then came a 38-0 run, including a state championship, that ended exactly a week short of a year when WC loss to Lexington Catholic on Saturday morning, Dec. 23, 2000.

To be fair to West Carter, one of their early-season starters is out of the the lights out and all will work your line-up and one could tell that their team chemistry was not the same.

Brooke Mullis, who slid into the starting line-up off the bench from last year, went down with a knee injury in a game against Raceland before the PTC.

At the time I talked to the coaches, it was undetermined how long Brooke would be out. The doctors had scheduled more tests. If it is an MCL, then it might be a few weeks. If it is a ACL, she will be out the rest of the season.

Interesting Christmas Tournament moment 1: Actually, West Carter's win streak almost came to an end 2 days earlier. They are down by 4 points against Clinton Co. with 20 seconds to go. WC point guard Megen Gearhart drives the length of the court and gets off a desperation 3pointer with one second to go. She is fouled on the shot by a Clinton Co. player. The 3-pointer goes in. She

Carter wins.

players, I would just as soon have Megen Gearhart as anyone in the state. I have seen it too many times. Example: Last year, in the second Tournament (Ohio) the week after round of the State Tournament, Hart Co. is playing WC. At one point, Hart's Leslie Logsdon goes flying out Lexington Catholic took third place of bounds and tips a loose ball back toward her own Krystal Gardner. But in steps Megen, hanging over the sideline herself, to intercept the ball before it can reach Krystal's hands. That was the play that broke Hart's back and WC went on to win by a few points. Example: One day later, in the championship game against Shelby Co., Megen drives for a hook lay-up that bounces high off the glass and into the basket. A crucial play that helps break Shelby's back.

But talking about Clinton Co., you had better get them now. Coach Gary Abbott has eight players platooned. He starts juniors and seniors along with his 6-4 pivot, Angel Brown. And some of them can shoot the lights out. But then he brings in 4 different players, (leaving Angel in). These include twin 8th graders Amber and Paige Guffey (daughters of boys' coach Ronnie Guffey) and Coach Abbott's own 8th grade daughter, Brittany Abbott. They can also shoot tails off to keep up with them. Look for Clinton Co. to take over Queen of the Hill when Jackson Co. finally falters.

Interesting moment 2: Male vs. Henderson Co. in the Lady Invitational of the South: In the first half, Male's point guard Nickie Fahey hits 3 of 4 three-pointers, guard Connie Neal hits 5 of 7 threes, and pivot Sharell Shardon hits 6 of 7 two-pointers. To close the first half, Henderson's PG Princess Wimsatt hits a desperation shot from the midcourt line. But Male is up by 16. Second half, Male falls apart and loses the game by 1 point.

Other interesting moments: In the PTC, Holmes is behind Shelby Valley by 6 points with a minute to go. Holmes' Erica Hallman scores 2 three-pointers and a 2-pointer to win the game. In the PTC, Clinton Co. is down to Boone Co. by 12 points with 4 minutes to go. Clinton comes makes the foul shot. Overtime. West storming back to take the game into

overtime and win it. Angel Brown If you want to talk about pressure with 43 points and 19 rebounds. In the LIS, Campbellsville shoots over 80% field goals the first half and goes on to beat Knott Central. Campbellsville's Tasha Phillips ends up with 35 points.

> Tournament winners: Presentation won the Lady Invitational of the South. Marshall Co. won its own tournament, as did Male. Assumption won the Queen of the Bluegrass and Garrard Co. won the Berea Christmas Tournament. Henry Clay won a tournament in Florida. Sacred Heart also won a tournament in Florida and its freshman pivot, Crystal Kelly, was named MVP.

> One more Christmas tournament winner: All the pre-season talk was that the 15th region was going to be a 2-team race between Sheldon Clark and Shelby Valley, Not so. In winning its own Christmas tournament, Johnson Central ran its record to 13-

1. I saw JC play in the Berea Christmas Tournament. Some of the best team play I have seen all year. Every player handled the ball, filled

the lanes, and knew where each other was on offense and all played that nice position, man-to-man defense as well as I have seen team-wise for awhile. No big stars. Just a bunch of hard workers. Their only loss was to Rockcastle Co. in the Berea Tournament. I am predicting look out for Phillip Wireman's team come district and regional tournament time.

Jim Underwood, as he was last year, has again been enpowered by the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation to form the sophomore and junior allstars teams. Underwood, manager of the Blue Chip Camp and Blue Chip Tournament, will be in charge of getting players and coaches and will be games' director. There will be at least 2 soph and 2 junior teams. They will play a full schedule of games this summer against each other and will also include games with this summer's Kentucky All-stars (including the junior-senior all-star games).

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Sports In Kentucky

UK football caught in the headlights, choose your spin

latest University of Kentucky football flap, but I can't see it yet.

Pick your spin today. There will be garden variety to choose from in coming days.

We columnists line up, doing deep knee bends, side-straddle hops, and fingers calisthenics, anx-

There must be a bright side in the ious as giddy kids to draw your attention with prose about Hal Mumme's Little Big Horn.

> Maybe you will be intrigued, entertained or embarrassed first by the SFMA - sports fellowship of moral authority a.k.a. national sportswriters - who will make UK's demise into a litany of prison-

stripe jokes as in:

· UK Football 101 syllabus ought to include a guest speaker, Dwane Casey, on how to use the U.S. Postal Service without leaving a paper trail.

. UK football will be compared to UNLV basketball.

* Sports nation will be reminded

NASCAR in Kentucky

By AMANDA VINCENT

All Michael Waltrip wanted for Christmas was a new crew chief. Bobby Kennedy, formerly a Winston Cup crew chief who worked with Waltrip at Ultra-Motorsports, will make a move to the Busch Series in 2001 to be crew chief for the No. 99 Aaron's Rent Chevrolet owned by and driven part-time by Waltrip.

"The chemistry between Michael and I was real good," Kennedy said. "But neither one of us was able to see the results because we had a lot of motor problems."

Perhaps the Waltrin-Kennedy team will fare better in a 2001 Busch campaign. In 2000, Waltrip drove his Busch car to two top-fives and four top-10s in twelve races

"I think we can be successful and win mees," Kennedy said. "It didn't take me long to make the decision to make this move?

Kennedy cited the expansion of the Winston Cup. schedule, family situations, and a desire to win with Waltrip as reasons for the move.

Christmus may be over, but here are a few Christmas gifts that will have to await the arrival of the 2001 season. Perhaps these warm wishes could be better classified as New Year's resolutions to work toward next season: Michael Waltrip - that first Winston Cup points race win.

Waltrip's chances are drastically improved to reach this fete in 2001 with Dale Earnhardt Inc. Darrell Waltrip - a long, successful, fun career in the broadcast booth. I think I speak for a lot of NASCAR fans in the Bluegrass and beyond when I say that we're looking forward to D.W.'s colorful commentary to put an interesting spin on race coverage.

Jeremy Mayfield - a top-10 finish in the final points. standing. If Mayfield can avoid the bad luck and DNFs he suffered through in 2000, he could finish very strong. Bad luck seemed to be the only thing keeping him out of the top-10 in 2000.

Jeff Green - how can the guy top his 2000 performance? Maybe he can become one of a select few drivers who have won consecutive Busch Series championships.

David Green - to give Jeff a hard time Jeff and David competed near the front of the pack a couple of times in 2000. More of that in 2001 would make for an exciting season for the Green family

Mark Green - constistently good performances. It's been awhile since we've seen a third Green near the front.

Kevin Grubb - that first Busch Series win. Grubb has steadily improved over the past couple of seasons. It's only a matter of time.

Jamie McMurray - a successful rookie season. Maybe this young driver can capture Rookie of the Year honors for Brewco in 2001.

Kentucky is the state that sent farmer putting the fox on the pay-Dwane Casey to UK, Clem Haskins to Minnesota, and sent Fran Curci packing for cheating too.

· And, as surely as Claude Bassett will define himself as John Dean, a clever lyricist searching for a different angle will dig up Adolph Rupp.

Closer to home, those columnists who barely 10 months ago sang tribute to King Hal, and odes to Air Raid, and painted Bassett as a good old bodacious cowboy from Texas now must change tunes and octaves. From quieting trail ballads to frantic Pink Panther music searching in dark corners for more Tim Thompsons.

Ah yes, Tim Thompson, Slick high school coach in Memphis who (allegedly) has been on the take from Alabama recruiters and now UK's. He denies everything naturally and won't talk.

Not that a forthright answer would come of it, but someone in authority must pose the Howard Baker question: What did Hal Mumme know and when did he know it? We might be seeing more of: deniability, accountability, responsibility.

Permit me to be among the first to wonder: "So, who hired the guy who hired this Bassett fellow in the first place?

Spinnings?

You may prefer: "It isn't fair to blame Mumme because one of his assistants turned rogue." Maybe. But then we must square Thompson's claim that Mumme

offered him a job on UK's coaching

staff. Isn't that sort of like a chicken

roll?

Poor Larry Ivy. C.M. Newton's successor inherited a not-so-taut ship after all. UK's director of athletics got a headache last summer when Tubby Smith bumped into Josh Carrier and family at an arranged workout during the NCAA's no contact period. Then Jules Camara was convicted of DUI, Next, Tubby Smith - a man who sequestered his freshmen from talking to reporters - went to the same reporters to say he wanted more clout in making the basketball schedule. Tubby also wants a new practice floor. Also, the anemic women's basketball program needs new faces. Then came a 2-9 football season and firing four assistant coaches.

All were Ivy headaches, but this one is a migraine. When the word money gets onto a "list of allegations' it's five-alarm fire time.

Says here, as well as assistant Sandy Bell served her boss by getting Jason Parker eligible, she failed badly this time, being beaten to the discovery punch by newspaper staffers making a few telephone calls and confronting Bassett with money order receipts.

All of which left Ivy, as he wrapped up his internal investigation, looking like Floyd the barber saying, "all is safe in Mayberry tonight."

UK's director of athletics had taken Bassett at his word when the assistant coach issued UK jackets to a three from Melrose High visitors and said he got them back before the kids left Lexington.

If Bell had done her job, Ivy could have followed with: "So, did you send money orders from the UK football department for \$1,400 to Tim Thompson's home in Memphis?"

Boom! Nipped in the bud, sort

of.

Instead, it's time for some serious spin doctoring.

Spin this: Mumme had a loose cannon assistant coach who had gone into the investment business. Buy a high school coach's pipeline to talent today, pick up bonus checks from bowl trips tomorrow.

Spin this: Could be Mumme whispered to his assistant: "... we've got to win! Get players in here who can pass the test and play. Get 'em! Don't bother me with how, just get 'em."

A strategy employed at the University of Kentucky before.

Spin this: Maybe Mumme told his assistant coaches, "no hankypanky, no deals, no promises." But, if I can sign 2-3 outstanding players by dangling a carrot in front of a high school coach - an assistant coaching job --- then that's legal."

Whatever spin you choose, for UK football, this is a five-alarm fire?

Stay tuned. Listen for the sirens, And so it goes.

District Standings

Kentucky Sportline

by TOM LEACH

Boy, how things can change in only one year. Exactly 12 months to the day that Kentucky lost 20-13 to Syracuse in the Music City Bowl, the football program was the subject of a front page story in the Courier-Journal alleging serious NCAA rule violations and I think anybody who tells you they KNOW the full story is probably as reliable as your friendly neighborhood weather forecaster.

Unless somebody admits to

headquarters and that's a trust that should not be breached just for the sake of expediency.

The idea of patiently awaiting an outcome has never been too well received among sports fans and that's a trend that is only more prevalent with each passing year, You can count on the rumor mill churning out tons of material to fill the vacuum of uncertainty that now exists, so this situation is likely to get worse before it gets better for

the folks at the NCAA investigative for now and focus only on the issue of bouncing back from such a disappointing season. Is that easier said than done?

> "It's extremely difficult Winning is habit forming. But so is losing," said former UK and NFL star Jeff Van Note, who also serves as my broadcast partner on the Kentucky radio network.

"The lack of confidence, not only in yourself, but in those around you and those that are leading you. It is a dynamic that is ever present. Can ing up when I was at Kentucky back Kentucky do that (bounce back)-1

Van Note thinks Florida State is in line for a second straight title.

"I certainly like Florida State. Florida State has some of the best athletes in America. Oklahoma is working its way back, but I just think Florida State has better players and when the coaching is good, athletes seem to win out." he observed.

"And I think Weinke is a guy on a mission in life, to show that 28years old doesn't mean anything. (Of course) it does. I remember linin the 60's and the guys from Ole Miss for Johnny Vaught all had beards. They had come back from the army and they were more mature and they showed it when they kicked me up and down the field," recalled Van Note.

MEN

Team	Overall	Conf
Allen Central	8-1	3-0
South Floyd	5-2	2-1
Betsy Layne	5-3	1-2
Prestonsburg	2-8	0-0
Piarist	0-8	0-7

WOMEN

wrongdoing, then these things generally proceed a lot more slowly than any member of the Wildcat family would like.

Yes, it hurts recruiting, but it's most important for UK to complete a thorough investigation. Given the school's track record over the last decade, Kentucky officials should have a good deal of credibility with

The new year is a time for making predictions, but I'll steer clear of any speculation on this matter for approach next (season) as opposed now-there's just still way too to what they did last year," he much we don't know to either malign anyone's character or assure anyone's innocence.

NEXT SEASON

don't know.

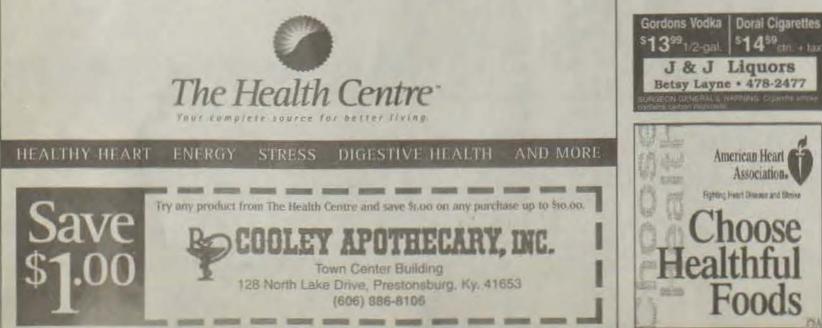
"It'll be interesting to see their added. "Coach Mumme has got his work cut out for him."

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

College football will decide its Let's put the investigation aside national champion this week and

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But eventhough his respect for the Seminoles is high, he would have voted Miami into that slot in the BCS standings if he had had a ballot.

"I think if you beat somebody, you beat somebody. I don't care when you beat them or how you beat them, you beat them. And I think you should always be rated ahead of somebody when you beat them and I think that's one of the weaknesses of the BCS," Van Note said.

So is a playoff imminent?

"I'm not a national championship guy. I like the bowls. Although I think there are too many bowls. there's no doubt about it. The SEC this year is very average, other than Tennessee and Florida. What's Arkansas doing in a bowl game? They're not a very good football team. Nine SEC teams in a bowlthat's not right.

"I think eventually (we'll see a playoff)," Van Note added. "I don't know when or why. It's all about money. When the money is right, you'll see (a playoff system). I don't think that necessarily answers it. That's the beauty of football. You have to be at your zenith every week to win (it all)."



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Betsy Layne	8-2	3-0
Prestonsburg	6-4	0-0
Allen Central	4-5	1-1
South Floyd	3-6	0-2
Plarist	0-5	0-3

Tuesday night games not included

Betsy Layne rolls over Lewis County Lykens connects on four 3's in 79-52 win

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS WRITER

The Betsy Layne Ladycats continued their winning ways in the recent Queen of the Bluegrass Tournament at Kentucky Christian College, with a 79-52 win over Lewis County

The Ladycats jumped on the Lady Lions of Lewis County early in the contest. Betsy Layne took a commanding 35-21 lead into the half and went on to outscore Lewis County in each of the last two quarters for a 79-52 win.

Betsy Layne Ladycat Whitney Lykens put on a three-point shooting clinic by connecting on four-of-six from behind the three-point line, good for 66.7%. Lykens was a perfect two-for-two from the free-throw line and finished the contest with a team-high 20 points

Lykens and her Betsy Layne teammates hit 5-11 from the free-throw line in the contest.

Betsy Layne held Lewis County to just nine points in the first quarter. The Lady Lions of Lewis rebounded to score 12 points in the second quarter. Ladycat Amber Roberts hit for a big-eight-point second quarter to propel the Ladycats to the 14-point lead at the intermission.

Lykens came out firing once again in the third quarter as she connected on both of her two three-point tries. Lykens' teammate Jenny Parsons hit for six points in the third frame. Betsy Layne played tough in the third period against a determined Lewis County squad that rebounded to score 19 points in the quarter. The Ladycats took a 57-40 lead into the fourth quarter; a quarter where they outscored Lewis County 22-12 to post the 27-point victory.

Betsy Layne finished the Lewis County contest hitting 28-62 fieldgoal attempts, for 45.2% The Ladycats were 6-15 from beyond the three-point line, good for 40%,

Roberts complimented Lykens' team-high 20-point performance with 15 points of her own. Parsons finished with 14 points and Tabitha Mitchell chipped in with eight points for Betsy Layne. Kim Tackett and Natasha Stratton ended the contest with six points each. Devon Reynolds tossed in five points against Lewis County, while Tiffany Meade hit on a trifecta for three points and Tahitha Witt chipped in with two points to round out the Betsy Layne scoring.

The Betsy Layne Ladycats were back in action last night against 58th District rival Prestonsburg, Results from the Betsy Lavne-Prestonsburg girls game will appear in Friday's Tunes Sports Section.

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Local man writes memoir of experience with state politics

Wayland native Paul R. Jordan reported on and hobnobbed with some of Kentucky's most noted and colorful leaders.

A 1943 graduate of Wayland High School, a World War II veteran and a University of Kentucky journalism graduate, Jordan went to Frankfort in 1952 to work with The Associated Press, covering governors and men who wanted to be

governor. He left AP to serve as advisor to two governors, Bert Combs and Ned Breathitt, and later worked in communications for the state government and then for the federal government in Washington, DC,

before retiring in 1981 Now living in Youngsville, North Carolina, Jordan has written a manuscript

for a book, tentatively titled "The Damndest Politics: A Memoir." He has agreed to share a couple of chapters with The Times. The first, which follows, concerns the late A.B. "Happy" Chandler, and includes a section on the naming of Jenny Wiley State (Resort) Park.

The Chandler Mystique

by PAUL JORDAN

Chandler pinned all his future aspirations on Waterfield, a landowner from Hickman County in far western Kentucky, and well respected across the state. He was a former member and presiding officer of the General Assembly. And now, as lieutenant governor, he was poised to win his lifelong ambition of being governor from a position of great strength.

As governor, Waterfield would control the Kentucky delegation to the 1960 Democratic National Convention-and thereby enhance Chandler's run once again at the U.S. presidency as a "Favorite Son" for the nomination.

the other newsmen were playing on the offense-he was constantly on the defense as a public figure. And while he stroked the press both personally and through intermediaries, he was never one to become buddy-buddy in an adversarial relationship. He seemed to always keep a safe distance from would-be enemies, no intimate conversation on or off the record. But he could be charming.

I remember in particular the day in 1958 when I took my two-year-old son, Paul the Second, on a tour of the capitol offices. We stopped by the governor's office and he insisted on sharing time with us; in fact, he summoned a state photographer for a picture with the chubby little guy wearing a string tie.

On one memorable occasion, he invited me to a Kentucky basketball game in Lexington-the best seats, naturally. We rode over in a limousine accompanied by his old friend and highway commissioner, Bob Humphreys. Not much conversation, just Happy making jokes and always smiling-a stark contrast to his friend's dour countenance in deference. I suppose, to his boss. Not much for me to say and I didn't.

I even went to the Kentucky Derby with the Chandler and First Lady entourage. I rode in the lead car of the gubernatorial procession with a state police captain driving. Sirens screamed most of the way to Louisville, and the policeman escorted me into the clubhouse of Churchill Downs-without a ticket in sight.

Heady stuff for a thirtyish reporter, even knowing the attention was bestowed on the AP, not a mere mountain boy who had happened along in this particular time zone.

In a more expansive mood, Chandler



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But before we get too far into aught-one, please allow a first-time papaw to reflect on the final holiday of double-zero.

Instead of buying the traditional presents for each other, Wilma (make that mamaw with a capital M) and I "rented a Delta jet" for four hours and spent Christmas in Florida with Alison, our 11-1/2month-old granddaughter, and what a memorable Christmas it was.

Despite the fact that the temperature was in the 70s and the only suggestion of a white Christmas came from Bing Crosby via the radio, we spent a wonderful holiday, which included watching our toddler tear into those brightlywrapped packages.

Of course, a lot of the times, she seemed to enjoy the crinkle of the wrapping paper as much, or more, than the gift it was hiding which had, no doubt, been painstakingly selected by some caring adult.

But even without her knowing it, the big Christmas hug, and just her being there, was our best gift ever.

Well, January means that we've officially got him (or at least we'll have him in a couple of weeks), so what are we going to call him?

President Clinton's friends tagged him with "slick Willie." But, whatever shall we call Mr. Bush?

"Dubya" sounds OK, but so does "Shrub" (defined as a small bush), which is what Molly Ivans and Lou Dubose called him in the title of their book about the latest Texas governor. (A must read for friend and foe alike)

I'm sure that with all the media harassing him for the next four years, some clever reporter will tag him something that will stick and be more than appropriate.



POLTICS

When former Prestonsburg attorney Bert T. Combs became governor, Wayland native Paul R. Jordan, left, was asked to be one of his advisors. This photo was taken in 1960. Jordan had worked as a journalist with the Paintsville Herald, Huntington Herald-Dispatch and The Associated Press. He went on to serve Gov. Ned Breathitt and then to work in state and federal government.



Writer Jordan served in the US Army from 1944 to 1946, fighting in Europe and earning two battle stars. Now living in North Carolina, he is a life member of the Frankfort VFW Post 4075, having served as a district commander. He is completing a book about his coverage of and work in state government.

Waterfield knew the legendary Happy Chandler represented the ultimate support-an enviable asset by most political standards. Yet, paradoxically-as Waterfield must have known-the governor was a liability of huge proportions as well.

Chandler himself was a paradox of sorts. He could act friendly and jovial, especially with the press, but he could turn vicious toward those he perceived as opposed to his self-serving motives in or out of office.

When I first knew him in 1956, we were friendly combatants. He knew I and liked to boast about his physical fitness and assure one and all he was a healthy and hardy specimen. Bending his arm and flexing his biceps, he would ask you to check out his muscle power. "If you don't believe me, just feel this, feel it," Yeah, solid as the Rock of Gibraltar, governor.

He rarely referred to press people by their names. He called Jim Renneisen "The Round Man" and the United Press correspondent-short and heavysetwould laugh along with his peers.

Yet, on the campaign trail, pounding a point, Chandler would gesture toward a

(See POLITICS, page three)

I'm just glad we live in a country that allows us the freedom to say what we want about our leaders, but I wonder just when it so blatantly began. It certainly wasn't permissible when I was a kid.

I mean, I once faced the ire of an angry parent just because I said that UMW president John L. Lewis looked like an ugly ol' bulldog. I probably would be nothing more than a mere memory had I referred to FDR as "that old crippled man in the White House."

The times they are a changin.'

It appears that the new year will also bring an end to the company that provided my basic wardrobe for the first half dozen years of my life., I saw on TV last week that Montgomery Ward (We called it Monkey Ward.) was going belly

"Where'd ya get those new overalls?"

"Monkey Ward."

"They shore are purty."

I suppose that in these days of super-shopping malls the company has outlived its usefulness, but there was once a time when its new, thick, slick-paged catalog was an important part of our decor, and the outdated version an essential part of our outside library. Again, Happy New Year.

Auxier center announces classes

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> Photography (four): January 11, Thursdays, 6:30-8 p.m., \$10.

- Knitting (six): January 9, Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., \$15.
- > Crochet (six): January 13, Saturdays, 1-2:30 p.m.,

➤ Weight Loss (four): January 30, Tuesdays, 6-7:30

Line Dancing: January 12, Fridays, 7-9 p.m., \$2 per class

> Art (six): January 8, Mondays, 1-2:30 p.m., \$10. (Bring two No. 2 pencils and sketchpad.)

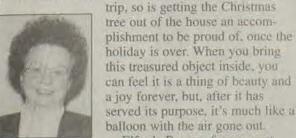
GED Classes are offered Thursdays, 1-4 p.m.; Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., and the second and fourth Saturday of each month, 10 a.m.-noon, starting January 4.

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Small World

The Christmas Tree

Just as coming home again is the best part of any



holiday is over. When you bring this treasured object inside, you can feel it is a thing of beauty and a joy forever, but, after it has served its purpose, it's much like a balloon with the air gone out

by Alieen Hall

Elfreda Bowen, former postmaster of Bonnyman, had an expression about time frames or

about opportunities gained or missed. She would say, "Just remember, every little dog has its day." I suppose that could be said of the Christmas tree - and a short day at that!

I once knew a lady who, with her husband, moved here from another state. I believe it was Connecticut. She told about one holiday when she had wanted to have a Christmas tree, only the guy wouldn't help her with getting one.

Finally, she took it upon herself to get a live cedar and even to decorate it herself. She also thought it was a thing of beauty and placed it by a front window where all the neighbors could see it as they passed by.

Once the holiday was over, she decided that she had done all the work in getting the tree in and it should be his part to take it out again. He didn't do it right away. In fact, January came, then February, March and April, and all the time the neighbors were still seeing it by the window. They would refer to the residence as "the house with the tree."

Then a job opening came for her in Kentucky, and they needed to sell the house for the move. She said, "I'm going to need your help, but we have to get this

tree out of the house."

He had become a little disenchanted with it, anyway, and agreed to help. The whole thing had stayed intact, but, as soon as he touched it to lift it out, every needle fell to the floor and left only the dried trunk of a tree.

I'd say they got their money's worth out of that tree, and maybe a little more.

Holiday Visit

One of our special pleasures of the holiday season was having granddaughter Leigh Ann home for a few days.

With the crowded airline schedules, she spent a part of her vacation in St. Louis because of missed connections and overbooked flights. She was due in on Friday and finally made it Saturday, and, even then, her luggage was four days longer in catching up. Good thing she can wear her sister's clothes. Good, too, that she is young and can roll with the punches. Leigh Ann is now an area sales manager for

General Electric in San Francisco, but I reminded her of the time she helped me wrap packages when she was four years old. She had such a curiosity and wanted to know what each gift was. I would tell her the things I had for the girls I worked with at the post office, but I knew she wouldn't see them to tell.

I started to wrap a sweater for her grandfather and she asked what it was. I said, "I can't tell you what it is, for you would be sure to tell him."

"Oh, no, Nanny," she pleaded, "I promise 1 won't tell."

We seesawed a while about the gift, and she continued to press me to tell her, all the while promising she could keep a secret. Finally, I said, "OK, it's a top to be worn with slacks."

There was an immediate change in her expression, and I saw the look on her face that asked, "How can I find him quick enough to tell him what his gift will be?

She rolled her eyes around toward me and said, "You KNOW you shouldn't have told me to

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ATLA Consumer News Be cautious with portable heaters

by FREDERICK M. BARON AND PENNY GOLD

As America heads into the depths of its first winter of the 21st century, it still faces a deadly safety hazard nearly a century old: portable space heaters which can kill either by asphyxiation or by household fires.

These portable heaters, usually either electric or fueled by kerosene or natural gas, are especially popular with families trying to keep winter heating costs to a minimum in climates which do not feature lengthy, severe winters.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) estimates that electric space heaters alone each year are associated with at least 2,700 domestic fires resulting in 70 deaths, 200 injuries and more than \$47 million in property losses.

Fire safety experts advise never running portable heaters to warm



Is one year old

Hannah LaSha Comba celebrated her first birthday on December 15, 2000, at the Lackey Church kitchen. She is the daughter of Michael and Jennifer Combs of Lackey. Her grandparents are David and Jamie Combs, Angelia Reynolds and James Music, all of Lackey. She is the great-granddaughter of Carol Dooley of Lackey and Clinton (Buddy) and Wanda Jones of Hueysville, and Lee Ona Music Roop of Lawrence County.

bedrooms through the night while occupants are sleeping. When turned on, they must be kept at least three feet away from bedding, furniture or any other combustible materials, according to the National Safety Council (NSC).

Portable electric heaters should have a guard around the heating element and should never be used to dry clothes-or in a bathroom where the risk of electrocution is much higher. Only heavy-duty extension cords should be used with these heaters and the cords must never be run under rugs or carpeting

According to Selby Jacobs, retired Chief of the Prince William County, Virginia, Fire & Rescue Department, who serves as the president of the Virginia State Fire Chiefs Association, the combination of kerosene space heaters and new, tightly insulated homes has too frequently proven lethal.

"No fresh air from the outside leaks into these rooms and the kerosene heater can consume all the oxygen in the room, killing the occupants in their sleep," Jacobs reports.

Jacobs recommends that windows be opened an inch in all rooms where such heaters are used. Gasoline must never be used in such heaters and they should never be refueled while indoors and never while in use. Only water-clear grade 1-K kerosene from certified dealers will be free of harmful indoor air pollutants.

The main pollutants from unvented kerosene and gas space heaters (as well as wood stoves and fireplaces) are carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, and small particles which can contaminate the air. Carbon monoxide can cause flu-like symptoms ranging from headaches and nausea to dizziness and confusion-and in high concentrations can cause unconsciousness and even death.

Consumers purchasing gas-fired portable heaters should ensure that the new heater is equipped with an "oxygen depletion sensor" (ODS) which warns of carbon monoxide dangers, according to the CPSC. An ODS detects a reduced level of oxygen in the zone where the heater is

operating and shuts off the heater before a hazardons level of carbon monoxide can build up.

Also, smoke alarms reduce the chance of dying in a fire by fully 50 percent; but they do get old and should be replaced at least once every 10 years. Batteries should be replaced annually and tested at least monthly

Just hit the test button-a "chirp" indicates a low battery. Checking your smoke alarms should be done regularly whether you have a portable space heater or not-it will go a long way to keeping your family safe.

For more health and safety information and tips, visit ATLA's "Keep Our Families Safe" Web site at http://familysafety.aila.org.

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Skyler Alyssa Hackworth

Skyler Alyssa Hackworth was born November 10, 2000, at 6:29 p.m., at Highlands Regional Medical Center, She weighed six pounds, 13 ounces, and was 19-1/2 inches long. She is the daughter of Lonnie and Missy Hackworth of Prestonsburg. She is the granddaughter of Gold and Betty Slone and of Homer and Lydia Hackworth, all of Prestonsburg.



(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago (January 2, 1991)

A Martin doctor who is a Ligutenant Colonel in the Army Reserve has been called to active duty to participate in Operation Desen Shield., Martin doctors Mahendra and Chandra Varia presented Prestonsburg Community College president Henry Campbell with a \$10,000 check Saturday during a comhination birthday party and check presentation... There died: Ermine Hall, 85. Prestonsburg, formerly of Wheelwright, Wednesday, December 26. at Riverview Manor Nursing Home: Kermit Lee Rowe, 67, of Garrett, Thursday, December 27 at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Danie Meeks Bingham, 93, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, January 1, at HRMC: Lutiral Bentley, 74, of Martin, Tuesday, January 1, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Jack Hill Sr., 75, of Luling, La., formerly of Prestonsbure, Monday, December 31 at Oschner Foundation Hospital in New Orleans; Timothy James Hunter, infant son of Jimmy and Rebecca Lovely Hunter of Lackey, Sunday, December 30, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Leonard Clayton Skeans, 58, of Hunter, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Richard (Dick) Wallen, 65, of Dana, Sunday, at HRMC.

Twenty Years Ago (January 7, 1981)

Deregulation of oil and natural gas prices has resulted in an upsurge of drilling for both fuels, but little drilling will be done in Floyd County this year, according to a Kentucky-West Virginia Gas Company spokesman. Thieves took un undetermined quantity of drugs from the Mud Creek Health Project pharmacy over the weekend, Intruders "cleaned the shelves" of the pharmacy and took the drugs away in garbage pails stolen from the clinic ... Dewey Lake is holding steady at winter pool, but the Big Sandy river and almost all other lakes and streams in Kenfucky are lower than usual as the result of a heavy drought which began in October and continues into the new year... Four new businesses are in various stages of construction along US 23 in Prestonsburg as the new year begins, Pizza Hut, Wendy's and Captain D's restaurants and Save Mari filling station are in various stages of construction. Some 14 David families in Schoolhowse Hollow are fusing difficulty gesting plione service because of an apporent lack of cable... A hearing was held Daesday to decide the fate of a pony mine owned by Old Style Mining Company near Ball Alley Curve on KY 1428. The hearing followed complaints by Prestonsburg city officials and citizens that the operation of the minewould be detrimental to public interest... There died: Otis Prater, 74, of Hacysville, at Highlands Regional Medical Center: Woodrow Rogers, 67, of Grethel; Maryland Craft, 62, of Wayland, at home; Billie Wills, 56, of Prestonsburg, at HRMC; Rilda Coburn, 57, of Van Lear, at her home: Glenn Collins, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of the Garrett-Wayland area, at Veteran's Hospital, Columbus, Ohio; Gladys Moure, 55, formerly of Hueysville, at a Willard, Ohio hospital; Dicy Wagner, 67. of Cow Creek, at HRMC: Sarah Porter, 70, of Marino at UK Medical Center; Nancy Adkins, 94, of Harold, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital: Delutes Gomes, 46, of Perrysville, Ohio, formerly of Eloyd County, at Samardim Hospital, W Walter Roberts, 80, of Lake Wales, Fig., formerly of Ployil County, at his home; Poggy Hall, 82, of Bellefonte, at King's Daughters' Hospital, Ashland; Mary Green, 82, of Betsy Layne, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Birchie Caudill, 57, of McDowell, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital: Woodrow Crum, 69, of Prestonsburg, at his home, Bobby J. Meade, 15-month-old daughter of Ben and Annie Meade of Prestonsburg, at Home of the Innocent, Louisville; Mark Carroll, infant son of John and Marlene Carroll of Honaker, stillborn at Pikeville Methodist; Ina Owens, 76, of Blue River, at HRMC

his home; Bill Gibson, 67, of Price, at McDowell ARH: Ballard Setser, 77, of Endicott, at Prestonsburg General; Julie Bell Edwards, 68, of Estill, at McDowell ARH; Daniel Osborne, 79, of East McDowell, at McDowell ARH; Jake Click, 68, of Manton, at the UK Medical Center.

Forty Years Ago (January 5, 1961)

The Floyd County Board of Education, in its first meeting of the year, named a new chairman Tuesday evening, and voted a sweeping reorganization of practically all school services... Employment of Commissioners of Property and Buildings of the Floyd County school system, the creation of the commission and the naming of a director of personnel were attacked in circuit court on Tuesday... A committee was named Wednesday by the Prestonsburg Community Development Council to promote a state-operated junior college, and a move was instituted to ask that US 23 and 460, as well as the new road from the Bluegrass to the mountains, be routed through Prestonsburg ... Bids on construction of the 40 low-rent housing units planned for Prestonsburg are to be opened Aug. 20., Robert Maynard Briggs, 34, of Water Gap, was killed, and Henry Robinson of Dwale, was seriously injured in a slatefall Wednesday morning in the Russell Laven Coal Company near Emma... The Teen-Age Drive-In on Abner Fork, near Melvin, was the scene of this county's lone outburst of Christmas violence, as Russell Isaacs, 25, of Bypro, was shot and killed on Dec. 23... One man was killed and three others injured when two automobiles collided on KY 114 near Prestonsburg. on Dec. 28. Instantly killed was Norman Lee, 48, of West Van Lear. The injured were Herbert Deskins and Winifred Holbrook, 32, both of West. Van Lear, and Radford Knox Barnett, 42, of Martin... There died: Mary H. Austin, 60, of Guthrie, formerly of Allen in a Clarksville hospital; Jonas Slone, 62, of Raven, at his home; Joe H. Johnson, 61, of Melvin, at a Martin hospital; Lillian Keenon, 75, in a Prestonsburg hospital; Emma Hall, 66, of Wheelwright, at a daughter's home; Sam Elliott, 69, of Printer, at home; Will M. Smith, 94, formerly of Pike County, in Winchester.

Fifty Years Ago (January 4, 1951)

Beginning the new year in his new work as Commonwealth's Attorney, Bert T. Combs of Prestonsburg, in a court opening statement on Tuesday morning, listed four offenses on which he will center the fire of prosecution. They were perjury, child desertion, carrying concealed deadly weapons and drunk driving ... The new line-up in the Floyd County Board of Education since a fifth member was supplied by appointment, was regarded as anti-administration when John E. Campbell, the new member, joined Dr. J.H. Allen and James Greene, the original "anti" members, in signing a letter addressed to County Superintendent Palmer L. Hall asking for his resignation from office... A total of 43 Floyd Countians are scheduled to leave this month to begin service in the armed forces, according to Gladys S. Allen, clerk of Draft Board 25... Coach "Copper" John Campbell's Wayland Wasps swept through the Pikeville Invitational Tournament and defeated the Ashland Tom Cats for the third tourney championship in a row ... There died: Wootsie Moore, 19, of Price, in a slatefall; Chauncey L. Hyden, 59, of West Prestonsburg, at his home; Harry Gearheart, 52, of Worthington, formerly of Floyd County; Cynthia Justice Hunter, 25, of Emma, at her home; Oliver Slone, 56, of Garrett, at his home; Chester Akers, formerly of Prestonsburg, in the furnace of one of the ovens at the Hellier Coal and Coke Company; Von Moore, 58, of McDowell, at his home; John Menifee Laferty, 89, at Emma, at his home; Dock Click, 84, of Arkansas Creek; John Walker Spears, 70, at a Paintsville hospital.

School happenings...

Adams Middle School

p.m., school days, openings available.

Prestoneburg Elementary PTA

Youth Services Center Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. or later by appointment.

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Allen Central High School

ACHS Band is collecting Pepsi Musical Points, which enable the purchase of instruments. Points are on 12-pack cubes, 20 oz. and liter bottles of Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Mountain Dew and Diet Mountain Dew. Give to any ACHS band member or mail to Eastern Band Boosters, PO Box 156. Eastern, KY 41622

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uled. 886-0815.

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Comprehensive Care is at the center one day a week to see students in need of counseling. Parents are encouraged to stop by the center if they think their child can benefit.

GED classes, free, Mondays, 8 a.m. -11:30 a.m. Instructor, Linda Bailey of The David School.

Child Care, from school dismissal -5 p.m., \$20 per week/per child. For possible fee assistance, call East Kentucky Child Care or 9607, ext. 243 or 242. Coalition, 886-1280.

PTA Dairy Oueen Punch Cards for sale; \$10 for 18 uses between now and July 2001; buy one item, get the next free. Good at Prestonsburg, Martin and Pikeville Dairy Queens.

Prestonsburg FRC

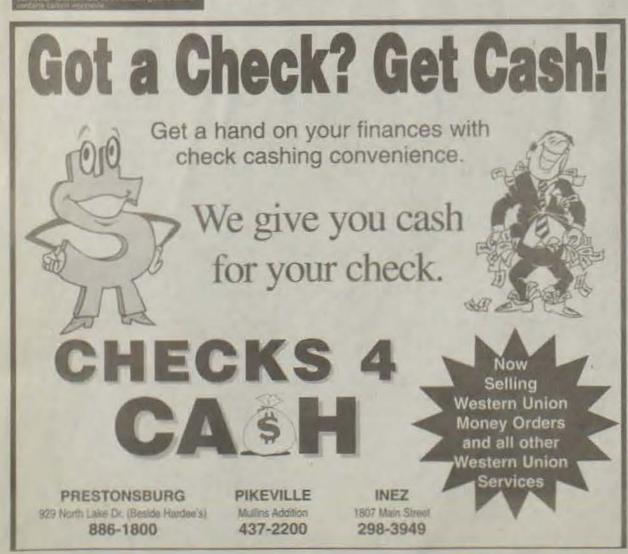
 Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

Counselor from Mountain A counselor from Mountain Comprehensive Care at center one day a week to see students in need of counseling. Call 886-7088 or stop by.

1-9. Family Reading Night, 6-7 p.m., library.

South Floyd **Youth Services Center**

 Walking track open to public. One stop career station satellite and adult education available. 452-9600



Thirty Years Ago (January 7, 1971)

Heavy snow fell in the county last Wednesday with some sections reporting as much as 11 inches accumulation. Preston-burg is included in the list of six Kentucky communities which the Kentucky Water Pollution Control Commission last week said are due for a warning to have secondary sewage treatment plants working by December 1975... Now it's official-Ployd County's population is 35,889, according to the Census Bureau., Hamp Rollins of Belley, formerly of Floyd County, was the 10,000th person to apply for Black Lung benefits at the Pikeville district Social Security office ... There died Maxie Hall, 46, of Teaberry, at her home; Louie Parsons Meade, 89, of Harold, at her home; Lula Prater, 39, of Garrett, at Our Lady of the Way; Betty Bailey, 88, of Hippo, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Colonel H. Harrington, 66, of Craynor, at his home; Jesse J. Caudill, 74, of Estill, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Wilma Hayes Slone, 59, of Garrett, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital: Charlie Hamilton, 56, of Teaberry, at his home; William J. Hall, 63, of Prestonsburg, at Prestonsburg General; Lindsey Spears, 51, of Weeksbury, at Jenkins; Beckham Blankeuship, 67, of Weeksbury, at McDowell ARH, Houser R. Walker, 71, of Garrett, at his home: Airon Burr Plannery, 89, of Martin, at

Sixty Years Ago (January 2, 1941)

"We will try or dismiss," Circuit Judge Henry Stephens Jr. declared this week in announcing his determination to clean up the criminal docket of the Floyd Circuit Court at the term beginning next Monday... Opposition to canalization of the Big Sandy River from Catlettsburg to Pikeville was expressed Monday by representatives of four Kentucky railroad employee brotherhoods meeting in Louisville... Jake Nester, 25, of Lick Fork, was shot and killed Christmas day on the middle fork of Quicksand Creek in Knott County... Deputy Constable Richard Harrison of Allen died in the Beaver Valley Hospital after being shot, fired at close range from a sawed-off shotgun in the hands of a 68-year-old man whose name was not released... Professor George Clarke died on Christmas Day in Hindman, which he transformed from a hotbed of feudism to an educational center ... There died: Alex L. Crisp, 93, of Allen, at his son's home; Jacob M. Porter, 82, of Prestonsburg, at his home: Walker French Harris, 21, of Brandy Keg, in an auto accident at Eureka; Polly Spencer, 87, of Drift, Minerva Sizemore, 74, of Water Gap, at her home: George Fannin, 68, of Johns Creek, at Prestonsburg General; Rudy Ratliff, 39, of Hueysville, at home: Romba Childers, 79, of Dwale, at home.

Politics

crowd and exclaim: "Ain't that right, George?" "Ain't that right, Joe?" No doubt some George or Joe was whooping it up out there

Chandler always had a ready repertoire of witty sayings for standard affairs. Awarding a could have whipped the Yankees Kentucky Colonel commission, for example, he'd say: "Getting

Organizations

Lodge elects officers

The East Point Masonic Lodge 657 FAM elected officers on December 27, for the year 2001.

The new officers are Don Hughes, master: Chuck Gibson, senior warden; Bill Dotson, junior warden; Clyde DeRossett, senior deacon; Herman Wells, junior deacon; Robert Peters, treasurer; James E. Goble, senior steward; Jim Ramey, junior steward; Ben Smith, tiler, Tilden R. Ellis, chaplain; and W.L. Baldridge, secretary,

Public installation will take place January 13. Other Masons, their families and friends may attend. Bring a covered dish:

Nutrition Notes

one of these is just like belonging hostile Indians; she is renowned into self-serving nuggets of perto the Baptist Church-once you're in grace, you can't get out."

He also liked to tell about his grandfather who was shot at Shiloh "shooting for the South:"

"I was told as a boy that we fight with cornstalks.'

The governor had no reservations about laughing at his own jokes, but he would respond to another's with just as much slapping the knee.

During our time as friendly rivals, I asked Chandler for one favor-not for myself but for the enhancement of a state park near Prestonsburg in my home county. The name, Dewey Lake State Park, meant little to the dramatic history of that area, so why not flavor the name with meaning?

In the waning days of the 1958 Legislature, I asked the governor to sponsor a resolution for naming the park as "Jenny Wiley State Park." She is a legendary figure in the area who was held captive by

for her bravery in escaping from captivity after seeing her brother and children killed by Indians.

Chandler said he would gladly put the request in the right handsand he did so. In the chaotic last session of the Assembly-somewith cornstalks. Only trouble was, time after midnight-the resoluthe Yankees would never agree to tion passed without opposition. And today the park is a year-round resort preserving the memory of a heroic pioneer woman.

> The name change was a winner among many losers during that raucous legislative session. My part in the matter had deep roots - dating to my first job in 1950-51 on The Paintsville Herald, owned in part by John and Douglass Wheeler, and John's daughter, Hermalee. I worked five days a week with the distaff side and, like them, I was an enthusiast of Jenny Wiley.

> In 1960, the Wheelers presented me with the 1958 edition of a book about Jenny Wiley, entitled "White Squaw," written by Arville Wheeler (a relative, I think).

Chandler is one of the more colorful figures in the history of any era. He left the U.S. Senate in 1945 to become U.S. commissioner of major league baseball. Six years later, the club owners terminated his contract, giving him the opportunity to resign on July 15, 1951. He wept upon visiting managers and players for the last time.

The owners said Happy was presenting an image not in the best interests of baseball, that he was attempting to make decisions rightly belonging to club owners. Happy, in turn, claimed he was the victim of men who cared nothing

By mid-January, 1955, their names announced, the candidates used highly contrasting styles and approaches to hammer the issues

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While Chandler poured it on, lambasting Wetherby's rug and referring to Combs as the "Little Judge," Combs stuck to the issues and openly admitted the urgent need for a tax increase to move Kentucky forward.

Chandler campaigned at length on his record as governor in 1936-39, a term that most agreed had been more productive than average, buoyed to a large extent by FDR's New Deal innovations. Chandler liked to remind voters he was the first to "turn on electric lights for our farmers," that he had built the LaGrange Reformatory following its inundation in Frankfort during the 1937 floodlater erecting a 13-story state office building at the old prison site in Frankfort-and that he had built a four-lane highway from his hometown of Versailles to Lexington, about 15 miles.

Above all, Chandler promised he could operate the state government without new taxes.

Combs pegged his campaign to a platform for future progress, encompassing a plea for more taxes to finance education.

Combs of planning to invoke a never alluded directly to a sales the Ohio Legislature would permit for one from Combs or Breathitt.

that Kentucky needed new revenue sources to keep pace with the times.

> When the sound and fury had subsided, the voters unsurprisingly had tolled the death knell for Combs and his tax pronouncements. Chandler won the Democratic nomination by 18,000 votes, then won a landslide victory over republican Edwin Denney in the fall.

> The new governor plunged into his duties with characteristic zeal. submitting a progressive program for action by the 1956 Legislature. He soon revealed, however, that for him the governor's chair was only a way station en route to the most alluring prize of all-the U.S. presidency.

> Seeking higher office or not, Chandler was a staunch defender of tradition, most assuredly the rank of Kentucky Colonel, a lighthearted issue that came up at midterm. A colonel could pull rank on a Buckeye General any old time, he said with a twinkle.

As I recall it, the colonels' commander-in-chief had learned that

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tax, saying instead at Shelbyville the governor to confer such a title for noteworthy achievements.

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Chandler, back in his office the "economicallyfrom depressed" mountains, was in fine fettle as he pooh-poohed the idea of any rank higher than a Kentucky Colonel. "Ohio can't create a synthetic general to outrank a colonel," he said with a laugh. "This is not just a new thing, you know; we've been making colonels since 1792."

He added, obviously enjoying a hit at the Yankees: "Why, if it hadn't been for Kentucky Colonels and long-riflemen, there wouldn't be an Ohio. They're just youngsters-like acorns. They'll grow but it takes time. We're proud of our striplings, but they're (Ohioans) just striplings."

Chandler was never one to bestow the title of coloncley generously. In his first term, he averaged about 10 commissions per year. "This time, though, we've been more generous. There has been a great public clamor from people who want the honor. And when we make a colonel we make a friend. I don't believe there's any doubt about that."

P.S.-I'm really not sure I have Chandler repeatedly accused the state of Ohio might come up a Kentucky Colonel's commission with the honorary title of Buckeye from Happy Chandler. If so, I didretail sales tax if elected. Combs General. A pending resolution in n't ask for it. And neither did I ask

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for baseball, who were interested only in making money. He returned to Kentucky to seek a second term as governor, the first hurdle being the Democratic primary in August, 1955. Waterfield, of course, wound up being Chandler's running mate on that first Saturday in August. Combs didn't endorse a candidate for lieutenant governor, playing his hand alone with the Wetherby administration support.

Seeking to define risk

by Karen Collins, M.S., R.D., C.D.N. AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER

The term "risk factor" often comes up when we're discussing things like cholesterol and blood pressure. Yet researchers continue to identify risk factors for not only heart disease, but other common health problems as well. While identifying these factors is an important step towards preventing diseases, much of the public is still not really clear on what a risk factor is.

A risk factor is not a signal of what is sure to happen, but a sign ing red meat and fat in the diet may that someone's chance of developing a health problem has increased. Risk factors can be considered red flags that call for extra attention by doctors so that if a medical problem _ develops, it can be treated promptly, and they serve as a warning to do what we can to reduce risk before problems develop.

"modifiable" they are warning untangle the web of lifestyle choicsigns that we need to change our es that are most important, overlifestyle habits. Modifiable risk fac- weight, excess alcohol (more than tors for heart disease include smok- one drink a day), and a diet low in ing, high levels of LDL ("bad") vegetables and fruits are probably cholesterol, low levels of HDL ("good") cholesterol, high blood pressure, sedentary lifestyle, and weight more than 20 pounds above a healthy level. These are all things cise and an appropriate amount of that can be controlled, ideally through changes in exercise, eating and tobacco habits, or by medicines when necessary. be changed. Those who have a mon cancers to diabetes and osteoclose relative-mother, father, or porosis, research has also identified sibling-who had early heart dis- modifiable risk factors that give us ease also face an increased chance the chance to exert some degree of of heart attack. A family history of colon or rectal cancer or polyps increases risk of colon cancer. Odds of developing breast cancer are greater in those whose mother or sisters have had breast cancer, and those who either started menstruating before age 12 or stopped menstruating after age 55. Sometimes when people learn of risk factors like these, they give up a public service by the American on preventive health efforts, believ- Institute for Cancer Research, ing themselves to be doomed. But researchers say that our reaction

should be just the opposite, having one or more nonmodifiable risk factors should make someone more careful about the risk factors that

they can control.

We do have control over some risk factors for colon cancer, such as a sedentary lifestyle and poor diet. The American Institute for Cancer Research's report on diet and cancer prevention, Food, Nutrition and the Prevention of Cancer: a Global Perspective, concludes that regular physical activity and a high-fiber; plant-based diet rich in vegetables offer convincing benefit in decreasing risk for colon cancer. The report notes that limitalso reduce risk.

While women often place large emphasis on family history and other nonmodifiable risk factors for breast cancer, 75 percent of women who get breast cancer have none of these. That places heavy emphasis on identifying factors that women can control to reduce their risk. Some risk factors are called While research is still trying to among them. Scientists say that a woman can lower the risk of breast cancer by changing those risk factors, and advise that regular exerfat in the diet may also help. While family history is listed as a risk factor for many of today's chronic health problems, in virtual-"Nonodifiable" risk factors can't ly every case, from our most comcontrol over our health risks. For a free brochure, Reducing Your Risk of Breast Cancer, send a self-addressed, stamped, businesssized envelope to: American Institute for Cancer Research, Dept. BHB, P.O. Box 97167, Washington, D.C. 20090-7167.



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Pageants

Pikeville club sponsors pageant

The GFWC/KFWC Pikeville Junior Woman's Club is seeking must be between the ages of 17 contestants for the 2001 Miss East Kentucky Scholarship Pageant and Miss East Kentucky Teen Pageant, to be held Saturday, March 3, at (eighth grader) and 16 (high school Booth Auditorium at Pikeville junior) College.

franchise of the Miss Kentucky Scholarship Pageant, which is a franchise of the Miss America organization.

Each contestant is required to have a community service platform, to which she will devote herself during her reign as Miss East Kentucky or Miss East Kentucky Teen.

Each contestant participates in a personal interview with the fivejudge panel, a talent presentation, and apparel presentations.

The pageants are open to residents and students in the counties of Pike, Floyd, Knott, Martin, Johnson, Magoffin and Letcher,

Miss East Kentucky contestants (high school senior) and 24. Miss East Kentucky Teen contestants must be between the ages of 13

For more information, call Cathy The scholarship pageant is a Derry at 606/437-4454, after 6 p.m. Deadline for entry is February 2.

Pageant set for Hazard

The third annual Kentucky Sweetheart Pageant is scheduled for February 11 in Hazard.

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BUSINESS

Miller new commissioner of **Department of Insurance**

Janie A. Miller as commissioner of the Department of Insurance, succeeding George Nichols III as chief regulator of Kentucky's \$10 billion insurance industry.

Miller has been serving as the department's Deputy Commissioner of Health Insurance and has nearly 24 years of experience in the develop-

Gov. Paul E. Patton has named ment and administration of health Gov. Patton said. "Janie has the leadcare programs, including for two ership ability and skills to keep the major hospital systems and a Kentucky health insurer.

The governor's appointment is effective January 1, 2001, and is subject to Senate confirmation.

"We're fortunate to find someone who can make such a seamless transition at the Department of Insurance,"

department moving strongly forward in its vital role for all consumers."

Secretary Ron McCloud, of the Public Protection and Regulation Cabinet, said: "I'm confident Janie will provide the same outstanding leadership as Commissioner Nichols. She brings to this job a working knowledge of health care from the perspective of consumers, the industry and providers."

In addition to health insurance, Miller said she would focus on agent licensing and market conduct.

"At least 65,000 agents in this state are the key contacts for consumers and the industry and we must continue making progress in how we process their paperwork, license and regulate them," Miller said. "We also

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must continue to strengthen our market conduct programs because these exams are the key to monitoring how companies really do business with consumers," Miller said.

Miller expressed appreciation to Patton and outgoing commissioner Nichols who ends four years and eight months with the department on December 31.

'With the governor's backing and

support, George set the stage for this transition, preparing all of us at the department to further his vision and leadership," Miller said.

Miller was instrumental in developing Kentucky Access, a health insurance pool focused on providing more affordable insurance to Kentuckians with high-cost medical conditions who must buy their own insurance. She also oversaw the

implementation of all health-related patient protections from the 1998 and 2000 legislative sessions, including external appeals rights and patient access to adequate provider networks.

Miller, 45, lives in Shelbyville with her husband Gary and two sons, Andrew, 17, and Brett, 11. She is a native of Stearns in McCreary County.

Local residents recognized



Glenn Tackett receives Road Master designation from Sec. James Codell.

For Floyd Countians earned the designation of "Road Master" from the Kentucky Transportation Center at the University of Kentucky.

They are Walter Akers and Dennis Huff, both Highway Superintendent II: Darvene Hamilton, Highway Superintendent I, and Glenn Tackett, Highway Equipment Operator V. All are with the Department of Highways District 12.

The designations were presented by Kentucky Transportation Secretary James C. Codell III at the 36th annual Transportation Forum on November 28 at UK.

Each of these individuals have already become Roads Scholars, by completing a training course presented by the center in cooperation with the state Transportation Cabinet.

The program consists of a series of management and operations training courses designed to provide the basic knowledge necessary to manage a roads program. The training, which began in 1988, has produced 589 Roads Scholars across the stafe. An additional level of training, Road Master, provides a higher level of technical information and is targeted toward those who want to become managers. About 255 local and state government employees have earned the Road Master designation.





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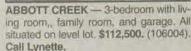




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Porter, along with his wife, Angela, own and operate Porter Studio and Associates in Prestonsburg.

(Reprinted because of identification error.)

Transportation Secretary James C. Codell presents Road Master designation to Walter Akers.

KDMC among top 200 companies to work for

year, King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland has achieved national recognition as one of Fortune magazine's top companies to work for in America. KDMC was among the 200 finalists from more than 1,000 entries representing all industries that entered the prestigious competition.

"We are very pleased to, once again, be included among Fortune's top 200 employers," said President/CEO Fred L. Jackson. "This honor further positions KDMC as the 'employer of choice' in our region."

Fortune evaluated companies on criteria such as turnover, growth, salary and training. Officials say this year's winners offer employees a "culture" - an environment in which staff feel cared for and respected.

Learning and Human Resources vice president Larry Higgins says Fortune representatives were particularly impressed with KDMC's addition of 332 new employees and a highly-competitive pay program, coupled with an extensive benefits package and a variety of special events for employees and their families.

"This year, we added several family-friendly features to our tices, and includes supplementary benefits program, including the opening of our new Child Development Center that provides on-site child care services," said Higgins. "We also provided a number of fun events and outings for our team members, including holiday meals and tickets to local con-

For the second consecutive certs and sporting events. A popular event we added this year was an ice cream social designed to recognize the parents of our team members.

> Higgins also cited other new enhancements to the benefits package, including expansion of a flexible shift program that accommodates employees' family needs, and a computer purchase plan that enables employees to buy home computers through interest-free loans.

> To qualify for Fortune's list, an organization (for-profit, not-forprofit, or governmental agency) must have a minimum of 500 employees and be at least seven vears old.

Finalists in the competition undergo considerable scrutiny. First, businesses agree to allow Fortune to survey a randomly selected group of their employees (at least 250 employees per firm). The survey, which accounts for two-thirds of the scoring, evaluates trust in management, pride in work and the company, and camaraderie. The remainder of the score is determined by each company's responses to the Institute's Culture Audit, in which organizations explain their philosophy and pracmaterials - employee handbooks, company newsletters, and videos.

King's Daughters Medical Center (KDMC) is a locally controlled, not-for-profit, 363-bed regional referral center, offering comprehensive cardiac, medical, surgical, pediatric, rehabilitative,

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employees, is the largest employer west of Charleston and east of Center for Advanced Care, offer- also a recipient of the 2000

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CALENDAR UPDATE

 January 8, 11 a.m. — Chamber board meeting, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

 January 9, 1 p.m. — Regular membership meeting, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Guest Speaker: Ron Crouch, director of the Kentucky State Data Center. The change of the regular membership meeting was because of a conflict with the East Kentucky Corporation annual meeting January 8 at noon.

• February 5, speaker Tom Jones, executive director of the East Kentucky Corporation.

• March 5, Secretary Allen Rose with the Cabinet for Workforce Development.

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce encourages interested and concerned businesspersons to attend a membership meeting and see how we can assist you.

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the total bid. A 100% Performance Bond and Payment Bond shall be required of the successful Bidder. All bonding and insurance requirements are contained to the instructions to Bidders and/or the General and Supplementary Chapter 424. Conditions of the Contract Bids must be submitted, in duplicate

originals, on Bid Form included in the Project Manual, Mailed Bids shall be addressed to the office of the school board at the address listed above. Submission of a bid shall be construed as confirmation that the bidder has visited the site and satisfied himself as to the extent of work required. No changes to the contract will be considered based on misunderstandings of the scope of the work if such misunderstandings could have been addressed by a site visit.

Any bid received later than the time specified for receipt of bids or any bid which is not submitted in the proper form, shall not be considered.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to walve any formalities in the bidding. Bids received after the sceduled closing time for the receipt of bids will be returned unopened to the bidders. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 30 days subsequent to the opening of bids without consent of the Owner.

POLICE OFFICER (A) The office of city

police officer is hereby established and shall consist of a minimum of two (2) officers

Package #9 - includes (B) The powers and furnishing duties of the office of installing a PA System city police officer shall and other miscellabe as stated in the neous adopted position items. description for said received position as contained in the classification plan for city employees, or as otherwise provided by the City. (C) The individual holding the position of city police officer shall take the following oath upon assuming office I, (state your name), do solemnly swear to faithfully execute the duties and fulfill the responsibilities of the office of City Police Officer to the very best of my abilities and with honesty, dependability and integrity. I do solemnly swear to uphold in the conduct of my office, all ordinances of the City of Allen and all laws of the Commonwealth 01 Kentucky and of the Government of the United States, I do further solemnly swear to conduct myself at all times with a dignity of purpose and manner which will bring credit to the citizens of the City of Allen (D) The city police officer shall, before entering the duties of office, execute a bond to the city in such penal SUM of \$5,000.00. conditioned for the faithful performance of duties, including the duties of all offices of which he is ex officio incumbent. The bond shall be approved by the City of Allen. (E) The individual holding the position o city police officer shall be compensated for his efforts in accordance with the adopted pay plan, or as otherwise provided by the City of Allen.

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payable to Johnsonimmediately upon its passage, its having Romanowitz been read on two (2) Architects, Inc. After receipt of deposit by separate occasions and upon the signing Lynn Blueprint & of the mayor of the Supply Company, documents may be City of Allen Kentucky obtained from Lynn and upon its publication pursuant to the **Blueprint and Supply** Company, 328 Old provisions of K.R.S. East Vine Street, Done this 13th day Lexington, KY 40507, (606) 255-1021. If of November, 2000. Sharon S. Woods, Documents are to be mailed, a non-refund-Mayor City of Allen, KY able charge of \$10.00 per set is required Attest: made payable directly Bill Parsons, Clerk First reading: to Lynn Blueprint & 11-13-2000 Supply Company, Inc.

Second reading:

Publication date:

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Immediately follow-

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All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond of not less than 5% of the amount of the total bid. A 100% Performance Bond and Payment Bond shall be required of the successful Bidder. All bonding and insurance requirements are contained in the Instructions to Bidders and/or the General and Supplementary Conditions of the Contract Bids must be sub-

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Copies of the document may be obtained by contacting the Huntington District Office of the Corps of Engineers at 304-529-712. Comments pertaining to the documents should be directed by letter to:

Ms. Lucile V. Mullins Chief, Environmental Analysis Section, Planning Branch Huntington District, Corps of Engineers 502 Eighth Street Huntington, West Virginia 25701-2070

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, HC 64 Box 915. Debord Kentucky 41214, has applied for a phase III bond release on a surface coal mining and reclamation operation permit number 836-0262, Increment #5 which was last issued on 03/09/00 Increment #5 covers an area of approximately 94.14 acres of surface area locate

6.27 miles northeast Prestonsburg of Kentucky, in Floyd, Johnson and Martin Counties The permit area is

approximately 3,98 miles southeast of Ky.

MENT. W.D **OSBORNE ELEMEN** TARY SCHOOL, until 2:00 p.m., Local Time, January 10, 2001, at the offices of the school board located at 108 North Front Street, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1124. Immediately following the scheduled closing time for reception of bids, all proposals which have been submitted in accordance with the Contract documents be publicly Will opened and read aloud.

> PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Project consists of the removal of existing roofing and insulation and the installation of a sloped insulation system, adhered EPDM roofing and sheet metal drainage system. Bidding Documents may be examined at the following places: F.W. Dodge Planroom, 132

Venture Court, Suite #12, Lexington, KY. F.W. Dodge Corporation, 303 N. Hursborne Lane, Louisville, KY. Builders Exchange, 2300 Meadow Drive, Louisville, KY. Kentuckiana ABC, 425 W. Lee, Louisville, KY. Kentuckiana ABC, 1051-F1 Newtown Pike, Lexington, KY. Associated General Contractors of KY, Inc., 3830 Taylorsville

Road, Suite 11, Louisville, KY. Associated General Contractors, 2331 Fortune Dr.

Lexington, KY, Construction Market Data, 1951 Bishop

Main St., Lexington, to Bidders and/or the KY.

Architects, 300

Bidding Documents may be obtained upon deposit of \$25.00 per set cash or check, payable to Johnson-Romanowitz Architects, Inc. After receipt of deposit by Lynn Blueprint & Company, Supply documents may be the office of the obtained from Lynn Blueprint & Supply Company, 328 Old East Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507, bidder has visited the (606) 255-1021. If documents are to be mailed, a non-refundable charge of \$10.00 per set is required, made payable directly to Lynn Blueprint & Supply Company, Inc. Deposit will be returned upon receipt of Bidding Documents ings could have been in good condition addressed by a site within ten days after Any bid received bid opening. If more later than the time than one set of **Bidding Documents** are desired, the cost is not submitted in the of \$25.00 per additional set must be remitted by separated check. Deposits for The Owner reserves additional sets will not be returned. Deposits of Contractors bidding on the work will be returned upon the return of Bidding Documents in good condition within ten days after bids are opened. Documents must be returned to Lynn Blueprint and Supply, not to the quent to the opening of bids without conoffice of the Architect. Deposits will also be returned for documents returned not less than one week prior to the bid date. all other deposits will not be refunded.

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This ordinance shall effective become

November 16th, 2000, for other areas of work.

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Dodge F.W. Corporation, 303 N. Hurstborne Lane, Louisville, Kentucky Builders Exchange, 2300 Meadow Drive, Louisville, Kentucky Kentuckiana ABC, 425 W. Lee. Louisville, Kentucky Kentuckiana ABC, 1051-F1 Newtown Pike, Lexington, Kentucky

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Ben Cook, Director,

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC **OF INTENT** TO REQUEST A RELEASE **OF FUNDS** January 3, 2001 Kentucky Housing Corporation 1231 Louisville Rd. Frankfort, KY 40601 F. Lynn Luallen, **Chief Executive** Officer TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, **GROUPS AND** PERSONS: On about OF January 2001. 12. Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

to release Federal funds for the following project Project: Low Income Housing

Coalition of Floyd County, Inc., Houses of Hope Project. Purpose:

This Project will rehabilitate and/or reconstruct the homes of four low and moderate-income families in Floyd County, Kentucky. Location: **Unspecified** locations

in Floyd County, Kentucky. Approximate HOME Funds in Project: \$134,968 An Environmental

Review Record respecting the within project has been made by KHC which documents the environmental review of the project. The

Environmental **Review Record is on** file at the above

address and is available for public examination and copying upon request during normal business

hours All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by KHC to the Executive Chief Officer, Attention: Michael Dant, Such written comments should be received at the above address on or before January 10, 2001. All such comments so received will be considered and KHC will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence. KHC will undertake the project described above with HOME funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban development (HUD) under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. KHC is certifying that KHC as State Particpating Jurisdiction consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, KHC may use the HOME funds and HUD will satisfied its have responsibilities under National the Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other related laws and authorities. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of lunds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) That the certification was not in executed by fact

Certifying Development, U.S. Officer, or (b) that Department of KHC has failed to Housing & Urban make one of the two Development, P.O. findings pursuant to Box 1044, Louisville, 24 CFR Part 58 Sec. KY 40201-1044. 58.40 or to make the Objections to the written determination release of funds on required by Secs. bases other than 58.35, 58.47 or 58.53 those stated above will not be considered for the project, as by HUD. applicable; or (c) KHC has omitted one or No objection more of the steps set

received after January 26, 2001, will be considered by HUD.

> NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF INTENT TO **REQUEST A** RELEASE **OF FUNDS**

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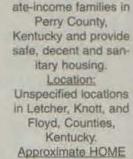
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Chief Executive Officer TO ALL INTERESTED

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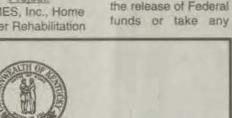
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Frankfort, KY 40601 F. Lynn Luallen,

> AGENCIES, GROUPS AND

On or about January 12, 2001, Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) will request the U.S. Department of Housing an Urban Development (HUD) to release Federal

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EDWARD B. HATCHETT, JR. AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNT

To the People of Kentucky Honorable Paul E. Panon, Governor John P. McCarty, Secretary

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mental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, KHC may use the HOME funds and HUD will satisfied its responsibilities under National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other related laws and authorities. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases; (a) That the certification was not in

fact executed by KHC's Certifying Officer; or (b) that KHC has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58 Sec. 58.40 or to make the written determination required by Secs. 58.35, 58.47 or 58.53 for the project, as applicable; or (c) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts E of 24 CFR Part 58 for the preparation, publication and completion of an Environmental Assessment; or (d) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts F and G of 24 CFR Part

58 for the conduct, preparation, publication and completion of Environmental an Impact Statement, if applicable; or (e) KHC has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release ol funds and approval of the environmental certification by HUD; or (1) A Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submit-

ted in accordance

with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to: Mr. Ben Cook, Director, Office of **Community Planning** & Development, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, P.O. Box 1044, Louisville, KY 40201-1044. Objection to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD. No objection received after January 26, 2001, will be considered by HUD.

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Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying statement of receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the County Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky, for the period April 16, 1999 through December 31, 1999. This financial statement is the responsibility of the County Clerk. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for County Fee Officials issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and sign)ficant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the County Clerk's office is required to prepare the financial statement on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the cash basis and laws of Kentucky, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. This cash basis system does not require the maintenance of a general fixed asset group or general longterm debt group of accounts. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statement is not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the County Clerk for the year the period April 16, 1999 through December 31, 1999, in conformity with the basis of accounting described above.

Based on the results of our audit, we have presented the accompanying comments and recommendations, included herein, which discusses the following areas of noncompliance:

- The Clerk Should Publish His Annual Financial Statement
- · The County Clerk Should Prepare Monthly Bank Reconciliations On A **Timely Basis**

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated July 25, 2000, on our consideration of the County Clerk's compliance with certain laws and regulations and internal control over financial reporting

Respectfully submined,

molece Edward B. Hatch Auditor of Public Accounts

Audit fieldwork completed July 25, 2000

The above transminal letter accompanied the audit report presented to the fiscal court. KRS 43.090(2) requires that this letter be published in this newspaper. Copies of the complete audit report, including the accompanying financial statements and additional information, are available in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.kyauditor.net or upon request by contacting the Auditor of Public Accounts, 144 Capitol Annex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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