

# THE HALLS GRAPHIC

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## With Czech Band



**JASON (JPYSY) WHITE**, right, son of Mr. and Mrs. James White, of Asbury, has come a long way from his graduation from Ripley High School in 1989. In Prague, capital of the new Czech Republic, he has joined an 8-year-old band, *Sons*; other members are, from left, Jareoslav Smejkal, Radevan Brila, and Jiri Skela. Their first cassette was banned for anti-Communist ideas, but they plan a U.S. tour next year. Meanwhile, they are joining an effort to open a private radio station in Beneshov, 20 miles south of Prague, and demos, with photos, are welcome at Kvetnevehe Vitezsti 1742, Prague 4, 14900, Czech Republic.

## Citizen Of The Year



### Halls High Seniors Get Tandy Awards

Two seniors in Halls High School have received certificates from the Tandy Technology Scholars program.

Ashley Hansford, named the school's outstanding student in math, science, and/or computer science, was considered for one of 100 \$1,000 scholarships, but the only scholarship winner from Tennessee was Benita Albert, of Oak Ridge.

Chris Nunn received a certificate as ranking in the top 2% of seniors in his school.

**DARYL WALKER**, right, athletic director and assistant principal at Ripley High School, received the *Outstanding Citizen of the Year* award from Ripley Rotary Club president Franklin Alley, in Tuesday evening's banquet of the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce in RHS.

Born in Independence, Miss., he was graduated from its high school in 1970, attended Northwest Jr. College on a football scholarship, and was graduated in 1972, when he married Jackie; both took education degrees from Delta State University in 1974.

He coached and taught in Independence High School until 1976, when he joined the RHS staff.

He co-ordinated the RHS grid defense which led the state with the least points scored by foes, in 1982, 1983, and 1984. The 1980, 1981, 1982, and 1984 Tigers made the state play-offs.

In 1977, he was named *Outstanding Educator of the Year* and was ordained a deacon in First Baptist Church in Ripley, in which he works with the College and Career Sunday School Class and drives the church bus. He is also active with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Named head football coach and assistant principal at RHS in 1986, his gridgers were 7-3 that fall, losing to Germantown, 20-0, in the play-offs, and were 6-4 in 1987.

He became athletic director, as well as assistant principal, in 1988.

The Walkers have three children, Darren, 14, Jaclyn, 9, and Kristen, 5.

## Halls Mayor Race Slated

Halls Mayor Randy Harris, seeking re-election May 6th, is challenged by alderman Noel Sherrod, owner and operator of Halls Funeral Home.

Harris, Ripley rural mail carrier, has served two 2-year terms. Six candidates are on the ballot for six alderman's seats.

Four aldermen seek re-election - Barry Britt, Eugene Pugh, Mack Stanley, and James Tyus. Alderman Stan Young isn't running.

Candidates to join the board are Jimmy Jones, employed by Cook Implement Co., and Thomas Pipkin, employed by the state.

## Leatherwood Says Term Curb's Alive

State Sen. Tom Leatherwood, of Bartlett, one of six state legislators who campaigned in favor of limiting the number of terms a state legislator can serve, reports that one term limits bill has died in the Senate's State and Local Government Committee.

But others are pending in that committee and in the Senate's Judiciary Committee.

The Senate's Energy Committee has urged Congress to limit dumping of out-of-state waste in Tennessee. The resolution was sponsored by Leatherwood and Sen. Randy McNally, of Oak Ridge.

Leatherwood was joined by all other Senate and House members in allowing out-of-state "driving under the influence" convictions to be considered to increase penalties for in-state convictions.

## Wilder On State Team In Frisco

Robert C. Wilder, of Ripley, a leader in the Tenn. Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, was chosen by state Supreme Court Chief Justice Lyle Reid, of Brownsville, to join a state team attending a national conference in San Francisco, Calif., last weekend, on "Courts and Communities: Confronting Violence in the Family."

### FILM AT FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship Baptist Church in Ripley offers a film, *Eye of the Storm*, at 7 p.m. Saturday, admission free.

## Feeding The Poor

Bosnia isn't the only place getting air-lifts.

The *Dyer County Tennessean*, published weekly in Newbern, reports that Bob Poor and Fred Gelzer were standing in Fred's driveway when an eagle dropped to them a flopping crappie, 15 inches long.

## HJHS Gets Grant To Aid Volleyball

Halls Junior High School has received a \$1,000 Women's Sports Foundation Grant to provide a volleyball program for seventh and eighth grade girls.

Spring practice and a fall conference are planned, with purchase of competition balls and a referee stand.

Tambrands, Inc., is providing \$100,000 for 100 such grants in 46 states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

## Halls Beautifying Meeting Planned

A new Halls Beautification Committee will meet at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 3rd, in City Hall, all interested invited to attend.

Information from Windy Cherry, 836-9509.

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Ripley's First Baptist Church invites you to:

-The Adult Choir's Easter cantata, *God's Almighty Son*, in the 11 a.m. service April 4th.

-The Sr. Adult Choir's first Easter musical, *Resurrection Praise*, at 7 p.m. April 7th.

-The Adult Ensemble's "Last Supper" presentation at 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday, April 8th.

Nursery will be provided. Information from 635-0551.

### THE PASSION PLAY

The choir of Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, at Frog Jump, will present *The Passion Play* at 7:30 p.m. April 9th and 10th, public invited.

## Miss Halls Chosen



**MISS HALLS**, chosen Saturday in the Halls Junior High School gym, is Dawn Moore, second from right, daughter of the Larry Don Moores, of Gates, attended by, from right, Kirstie Humphrey, first maid, daughter of Patricia Taylor, of Halls, Natalie Pipkin, second maid, daughter of the Tommy Pipkins, of Halls, and Shawna Carmack, Miss Congeniality, daughter of the Bret Carmacks, of Halls.

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### HOLY WEEK SERVICES

First United Methodist Church in Halls plans special services for Holy Week - at 7 p.m. April 8th, Communion plus a musical program, and at 7 p.m. April 9th, a candle-light service. The public is invited.

## Mills Bros. Are Doubling Area

Mills Bros. Food Fare, on Old U.S. Hwy. 51 at Williams Switch Rd., south of Ripley, is more than doubling its square footage, from 5,700 to 11,700, to handle larger volumes of products and pass savings along to customers.

We regret that last week's report garbled this information.

Mills Bros. is expanding when many independent groceries are closing.

We apologize for a miserable attempt at reporting a major improvement for this area.

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church at Three Points, brought an invocation.

The Rev. W. H. Jarrett, pastor of St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning, delivered summary remarks.

Jaimey Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Anderson, sang *My Heart Is Filled With Praise*.

Anita Lee sang *One Day At A Time*.

Four representatives from this workshop (one of 25 in progress) will attend a Capstone Leadership Conference in Nashville June 3rd-5th.

## County Increasing Ambulance Rates

Lauderdale County ambulance rates rise April 1st from \$105 to \$125 per trip, with mileage rates rising from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per mile.

County Commission approved the increase to compensate for many fees due the service which are never paid.

## FmHA Committee Campaigns Open

Lauderdale County farmers are invited to run for the County Committee of the Farmers Home Administration.

Generally, farmers who are residents of the county but not borrowers from FmHA may run.

Nominating petitions must be in the county FmHA office by May 19th. Information from 635-4331.

### AUDITIONS

The Lauderdale County Council of Arts will be holding auditions for a late spring production of the play "Pillow Talk".

Needed are six men and 15 women, ages teen and older.

Auditions will be held at the Nelson St. Community Center in Ripley, on Friday, April 16th, from 6 to 8 p.m., and on Sunday, April 18th, from 3 to 5 p.m.

Information from Gloria Williams, 836-9787, after 6 p.m.

## Banquet Honoree



**GAILON CARTER**, of Halls, received the Conservation Farmer of the Year award, presented by Talmadge Criffield, Jr., at the county's Soil Conservation District banquet Thursday of last week in Ripley High School.

Adam Ballinger, publisher of *Cotton Farming* magazine, was featured speaker.

## Speaker



**DR. JOSEPH W. MORRIS**, resource specialist and promoter of public service at Tenn. State University in Nashville, was keynote speaker to some 60 persons (30 more than last year) attending a Leadership Development

Workshop Saturday in Lauderdale Middle School in Ripley, sponsored by the TSU Cooperative Extension Service and co-ordinated by Virginia Tech University.

The Rev. J. McBride, pastor of

















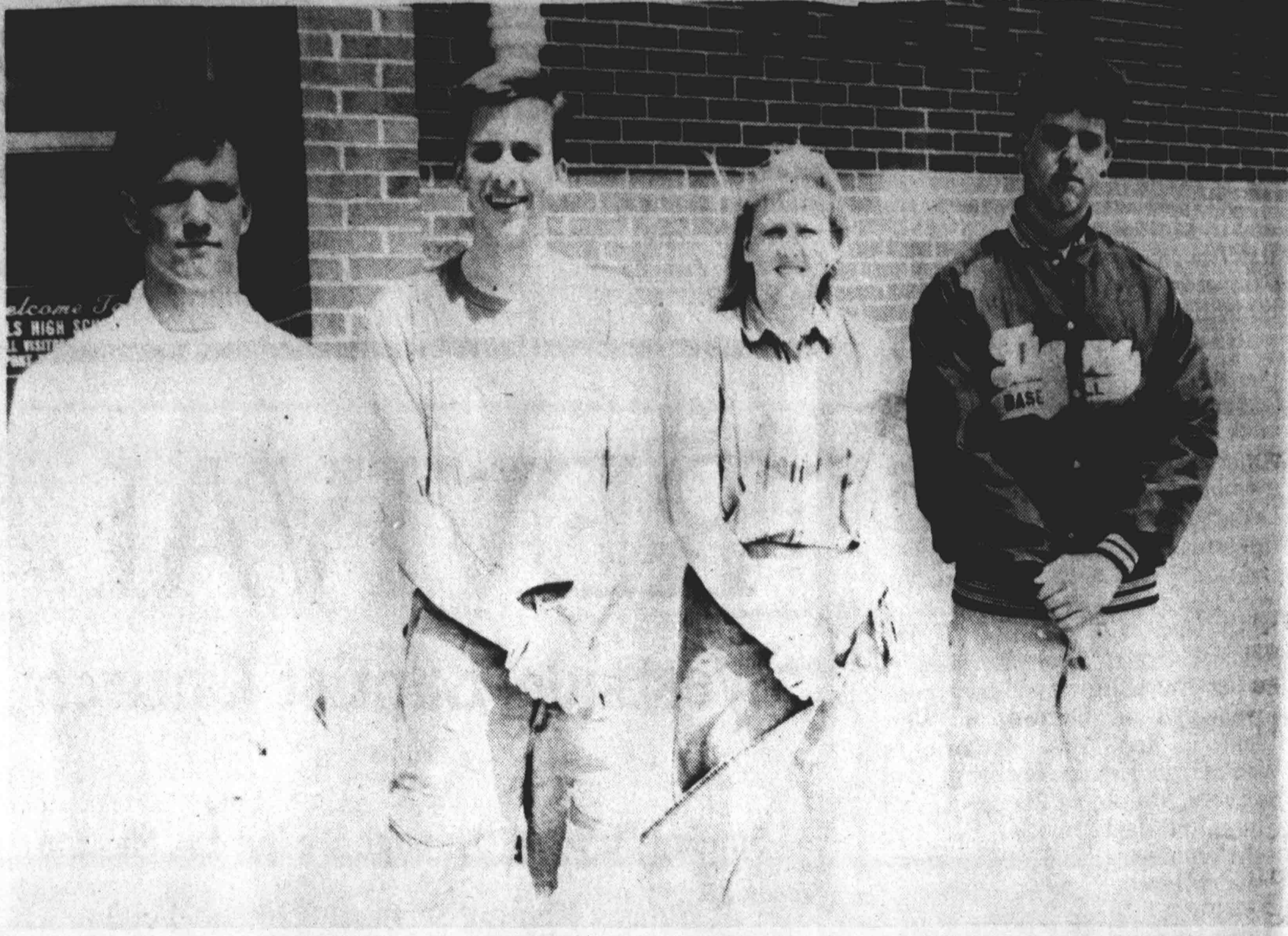








## In Regional Competition



### MOVING TO HALLS

Mr. and Mrs. Montelle Parsons, of Ripley, are moving this week to 225 Pine Hill Drive in Halls, the former home-place of the late Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Stallings.

They have three sons, Graeme, age 13, Brian, 12, and John, 4.

Mrs. Parsons is the former Rita Petree, of Fulton, a home-

maker who is currently home-schooling their three children. Montell is the son of Mrs. Bill Parsons, of Ripley, and the late Mr. Parsons, who operated the Parsons Men's Store in Ripley for many years.

Montelle is a student of radiography.

He and his wife are members of Walnut Grove Baptist Church.

**ASHLEY HANSFORD**, second from left, placed first in the senior division and first over-all in regional English competition in Bradford High School April 15th, sponsored by the University of Tennessee in Martin. From left, Chris Nunn was 7th in the senior division, Dawn Ezekiel 7th in the junior division, and Clint Hendren 12th in the junior division.

### Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsbrook  
Mrs. Mary Elmore, of Memphis, and Mrs. Jerre Jordan returned home Sunday after a ten-day vacation at Mrs. Elmore's condominium in Gulf Shores, Ala.

Mrs. Roy Patton was in Memphis Tuesday to see her doctor. She was accompanied by Mrs. Sue England and Miss Louise Thurmond.

Miss Oliver Nunn, Mrs. Neil Dyer, and Mrs. Gene Davis attended the Key Corner Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution at the home of Mrs. Anne McColgan in Dyersburg Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Sam Woodbury presented the program 'Quilts at the DAR Museum.' Some members brought old quilts telling brief stories about them.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. M.V. Williams, Jr., Mrs. Joseph M. Riddick, Mrs. C.W. Gilley, and Mrs. T.E. Culp, of Crockett County.

A dessert course was served at the close of the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Calhoun left Huntsville, Ala., Monday for Kwayakin Island, which is one of the Marshall Islands in the Pacific Ocean. They will be gone for two years. Alice is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilkes, of Dyersburg, and the granddaughter of Mrs. Kitty Brown, Dyersburg Manor, Dyersburg, formerly of Halls.

The Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Gunter, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Stanley, J.H. Brown, Mrs. Minnie Throgmorton, Miss Louise Thurmond, Mrs. Billy Spence, Mrs. Bill McGarrity, Mrs. Jerry Puckett, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Henderson attended the annual Brownsville Laity Banquet in Milan Sunday evening.

Music was provided by Bill Kelly, organist of First United Methodist Church in Ripley. Mr. Stanley, Lay Leader of First United Methodist Church in Halls, welcomed the congregation; Mrs. Dorothy Hargrove, of Rutherford FUMC and district president of United Methodist Women, gave the invocation; The Rev. David Morris, of Salem-Walnut Grove, led congregational singing; Mr. Stanley recognized special guests; Lambuth University presented special music *The Spirit Wings*; Dr. Willis Gilliland, district superintendent, gave the introduction; Bishop Kenneth Corder, of Nashville, was guest speaker; *Blessed Be The Tie That Binds* was the closing hymn; and Mark Hardaway, Lay Leader, First Church in Trenton, gave the benediction.

Mrs. Lurline Walker, of Memphis, and Mrs. Nell Long, of Arlington, visited Mrs. Elvis Cannon Monday afternoon.

William Manuel, of Halls, and Janet Cates, Elaine Throgmorton and little granddaughter, Katie Throgmorton.

The Rev. and Mrs. Bill Dameron, of Trenton, were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Evelyn Cates. Visiting earlier in the

Cates home were Mr. and Mrs. Olen Olds, of Nashville, visited in the community last week.



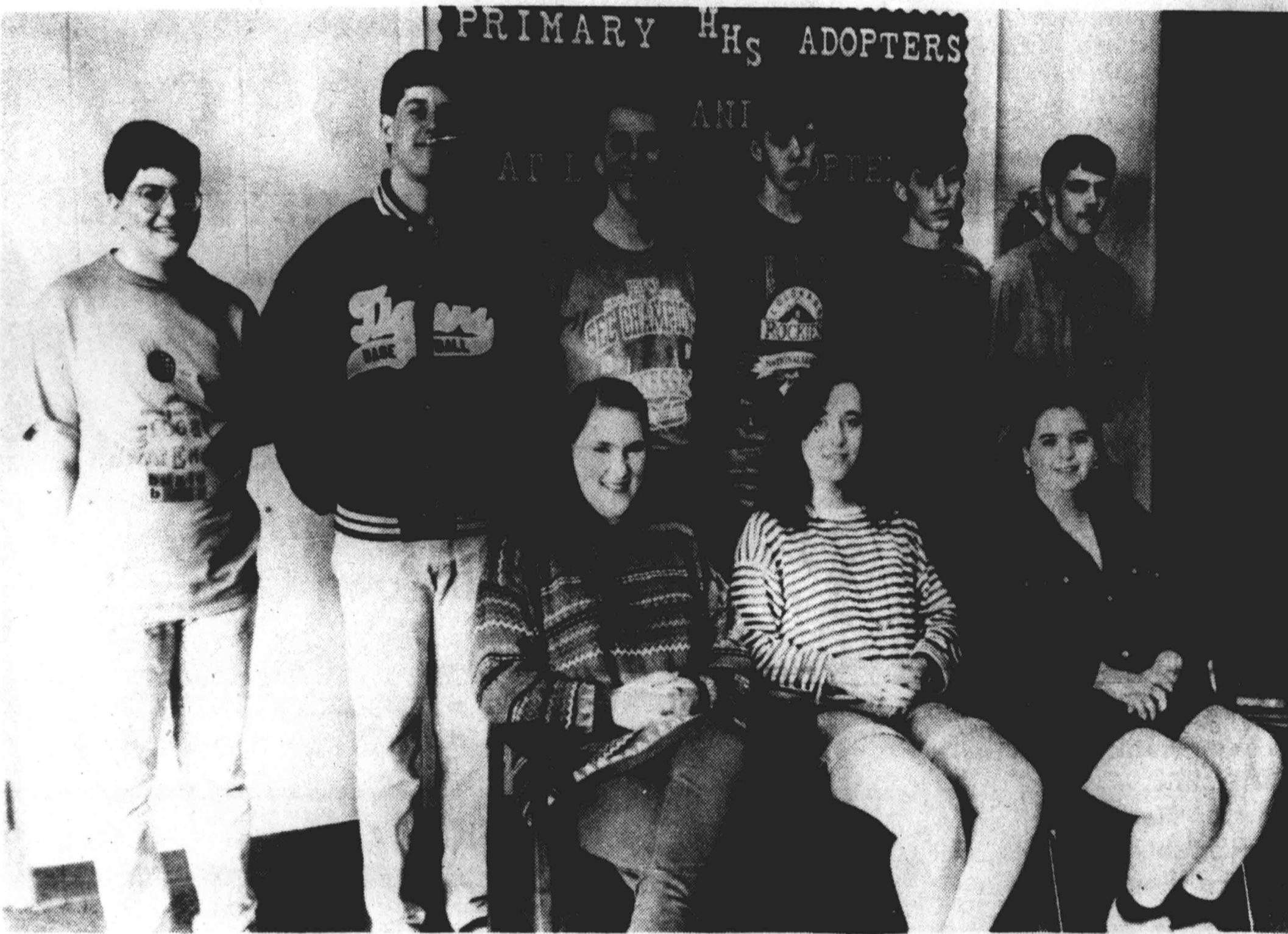
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## In Math Contest At DSC



**MATH CONTEST** at Dyersburg State College April 6th drew these students from Halls High School—from left, seated, Summer Dukes, 1st in Algebra II, Amber Terry, 5th in Geometry, Jennifer Akin, 7th in Algebra II; standing, David Hogue, 1st in Algebra I, Clint Hendren, 3rd in Geometry, Ashley Hansford, 9th in Advanced Math, Glenn Lazure, 3rd in Algebra I, Timmy Davis, 1st in Geometry, and Brian Bailey, 8th in Geometr.

## Write-In Advice



**ELLA MAE ESCUE**, county Election Registrar, demonstrates to Halls High School senior, Susan Smith, how to write in the name of a candidate who did not qualify for the ballot.

Government Classes at Halls High School are studying the procedure a candidate follows from the time the candidate presents the petition of 35 registered voters for qualification to the time the voters cast ballots.

Research shows that in November 1992, only 8,395 of the 13,280 registered voters voted in Lauderdale County elections. In the Halls election in 1991, only 596 of the 1,725 registered voters actually voted. In Gates, in 1991, only 188 of the 638 registered voters actually voted.

'Should a voter wish to vote for someone not named on the ballot the voter must inform the precinct election registrar when they enter the polling facility.'

Escue said that if a write-in candidate wins and the Election Commission finds the candidate did not meet the requirements of residency, etc., votes for that candidate would be voided. If a write-in candidate won who would not accept the office, the office is considered vacant.

### Concord Locals

By Mrs. Louise Fennell  
Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Johnson, of Gates, were dinner guests Monday of last week of Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Howard, of Memphis, were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Willie Burks.

Mrs. Lee Williams and Mrs. Annette Brown and baby, of Byhalia, Miss., were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pharis Escue.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Haskins, of Jackson, were Friday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Baker, of Memphis, visited Friday night.

### Nankipoo Locals

By Mrs. Evelyn Cates  
Mrs. Laura Frances Domm, of Battle Creek, Mich., and her sister, Mrs. Lucille Crews, of Jackson, were Thursday afternoon of last week visitors of Mrs. Evelyn Cates.

Visitors of Mrs. Effie Emma Williams Wednesday afternoon of last week were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Smith, of Trenton, Mrs. Edna Stone, of Tulsa, Okla., Mrs. Nell Clayce and Holland Ferguson, of Union City, Mr. and Mrs.

## To The Citizens Of Halls:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you, the citizens of Halls.

My name is Thomas Pipkin, and I am 46 years of age. I am married to the former Sandra Jennings, and we have a daughter, Natalie, who is a freshman in Halls High School.

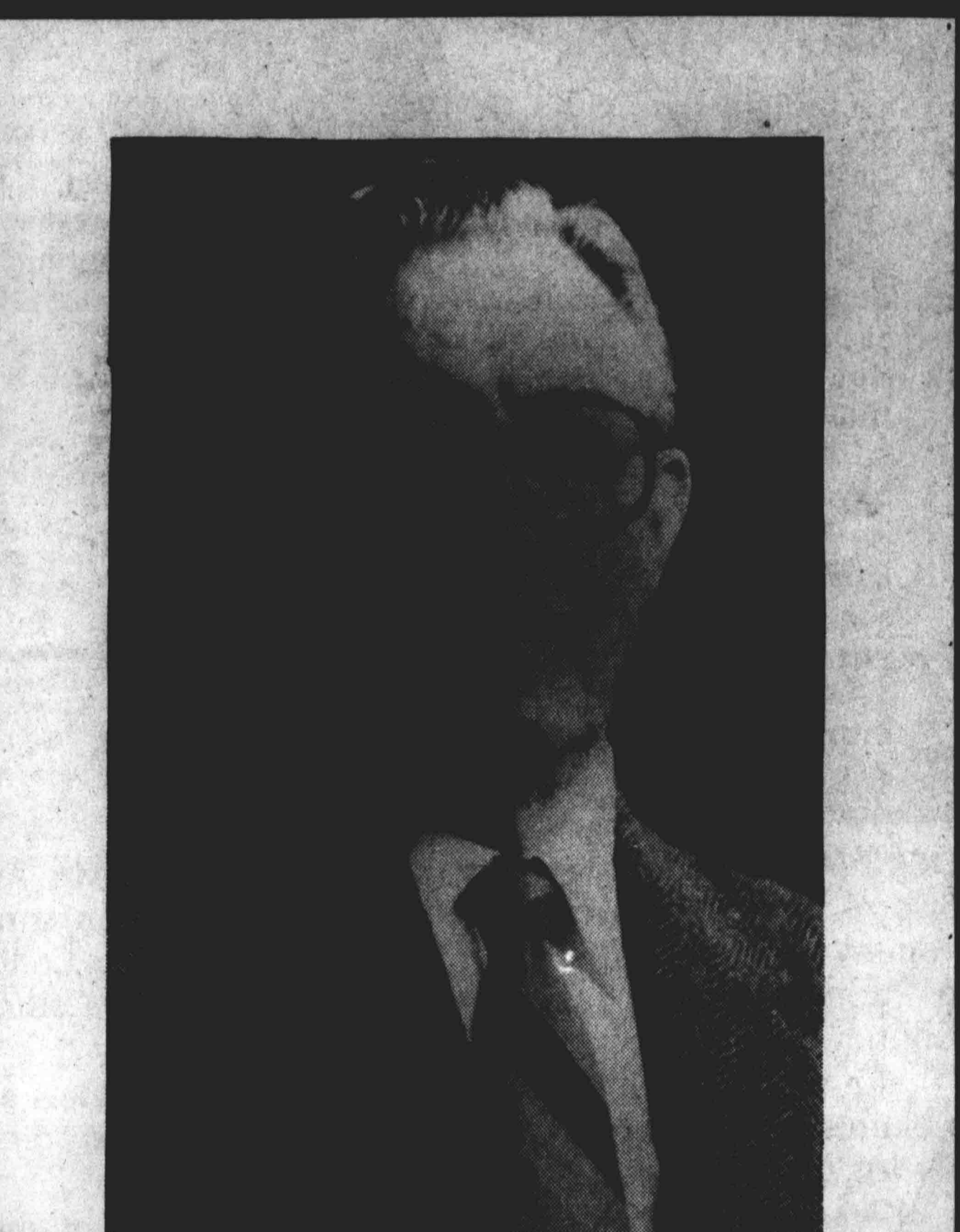
I have been employed by the State of Tennessee Public Service Commission as an enforcement officer for the past seven years. I am also a retired officer with over 22 years of service from the Tennessee Army National Guard. My family and I are active members of First Baptist Church in Halls.

I am very much concerned about our town and feel that we should all be more concerned and more active in the issues affecting our town.

I ask for your support, your suggestions and your vote for alderman of Halls.

Thank you.

**Thomas R. Pipkin**  
Candidate For Alderman



To the voters and citizens of Halls, Tenn.:

Time is drawing near to May 6, 1993 and I am appealing to you to consider these facts before you make your decision who to vote for. In the past, here are some things that have happened that should not have:

I said NO to increased property taxes. (We got them, and there will be more if I am not elected, count on that.)

I said NO and have said NO to wild spending of your tax dollar.

I said NO to the purchase of a new police car, and it was a unanimous decision by all board members to not accept the car, and then, when it was delivered, the question was asked who authorized it, and the Mayor said "I DID." It had to be paid for by the City of Halls (no grants, your hard-earned tax dollar). If the board said NO, and we got it anyway, why do we need a board?

I have said no in the past and will still say no to buying what we don't need and fixing things that don't need fixing, needless to say it has been out of control.

I said NO to putting the town in debt to over one million, three hundred thousand dollars (water system not that badly out of shape, a little but not that much). The one million, three hundred thousand would put Halls in debt for the next 30 years, and where would the money come from (higher water rates). Retired people on fixed incomes couldn't pay, and we have a lot of them in Halls just barely getting by now, much less paying more.

We have houses in the Halls city limits (taken in not long ago) that are paying sewer taxes and don't even have a sewer (that's not fair)!

I just found out within the last few days that a corporation (Advantage Manufacturing Co.) tried to get some help in locating a plant here (couldn't get it) (they would employ about 100 to 125 people), and WENT TO FRIENDSHIP, TENN. Had I of known about it (this was never brought up at any board meeting), I could have made available to them the following deal. In the limited time that I had to research this, I have found out this, and I think it would be worth passing it along to you, the citizens of Halls.

There is a program that will loan up to \$400,000.00, and get this, INTEREST FREE. These funds may be used for a variety of things, community development, parks, factories, etc., to mention a few. Instead of going in debt, we should take the time and effort to see what and how we can save the taxpayers money and develop our community at the same time. Friendship, Tenn., got what we could have had, and was glad to get it.

There have been some wild rumors going around, saying that if I am elected, I will get rid of some old employees, I HAVE MADE NO SUCH STATEMENT, NOR HAVE I EVEN THOUGHT IT.

So please, when you go to cast your vote, remember the above facts, and that your town is a multi-million dollar business and should be run like one...so you need to vote for Noel Sherrod, a successful business man for many years in Halls. Let's put Halls back to the basics and spend within our means.

I am available 24 hours a day in person and not by radio, and I can promise that there will be no job discrimination.

**NOEL SHERROD**  
**FOR MAYOR**  
**OF HALLS**