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Expanding In Halls



MAYOR RANDALL HARRIS, of Halls, second from right, announced that Anderson Hickey, a Furniture Source International Company, with facilities in Henderson, Texas and Halls, has leased the 120,000-square foot building previously used by the Dura Craft operation in Halls Industrial Park. The new facility will operate independent of the Anderson Hickey casegood plant also in the Halls Industrial Park.

Joe Sorrells, Project Manager, third from right, stated the new facility will provide about 100 job opportunities when in full-operation. The distribution center plans operations to start in mid-year 1997 with about 20 employees, growth should reach full capacity in five years.

Welcoming Mr. Sorrells were, from left, Kerry Watson, Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce Director, Annette Fisher, Director Ripley Economic Development Authority, Richard Douglas, Mayor, City of Ripley, and Rozelle Criner, Lauderdale County Executive.

Anderson Hickey began manufacturing office furniture in 1935. They are an FSI Company, owned by parent company, Hawthorth, Inc.

Receive Promotions



GATES BANKING & TRUST employees receiving promotions are, in upper photo, from left, Elton Jones, with seven years employment, is now senior vice-president; Jane Ann (Mrs. Jerry) Olds, with eight years of service, is now assistant cashier; and Fay (Mrs. Jack) Walden, with 15 years of service, is now assistant vice-president.

Employees with perfect attendance for the past year, in lower photo, from left, are Maxine (Mrs. Gaylon) Hardy, 33 years of service; Marilyn (Mrs. Marty) Buffaloe, 2 years of service; and Rita (Mrs. Shannon) Gillon, 6 years of service. They were treated to a meal at Neils in Dyersburg, a gift and their names were put in a drawing for a 4-day, 3-night trip to Branson, Mo., Nashville, Orlando, Fla., or Gatlinburg. Rita Gillon won the trip and selected Branson, Mo.

to discourage you," says Chad. "Putting God at the top of my list of thank you's, as well as everyday life, is what will help me reach the top eventually."

Chad has music in Long Beach, Calif., Nashville, Branson, Mo., Paducah, Ky., and New Heights, N.J. "It's an honor to me just to have my entry selected to be judged for one of the five top spots," stated Chad.

Manager



GLENN HAMPTON has joined the staff of Bank of Ripley as Branch Manager for their new Highway 51 location.

Mr. Hampton has 27 years experience in the banking and financial industry. He was Investments Consultant for Nations Securities and Edward Jones & Co. in Lawrenceburg, and previously Vice-President of Commercial Lending with Union National Bank of Clarksburg, W.V.

A 1969 graduate of Middle Tennessee State University,

February Grand Jury Indictments

Indicted by the Grand Jury Monday were Reginald Alexander, introduction contraband into penal institution, simple possession schedule VI (marijuana).

Louis Barbee, theft less than \$500 (2 counts), possession drug paraphernalia.

Kevin Bonds, theft, \$10,000 - \$60,000.

Kevin Bonds and Mike Littles, aggravated robbery.

Jason Braden, (counts 1-6), Bessie Benson, (counts 7-9), and Andy Griggs, (counts, 7-12), forgery (12 counts).

Frances Brown, theft over \$500.

Larry Capps, rape of a child (2 counts).

Bawanda M. Carter, AKA Mike B. Carter, Michael D. Eisom, Bob J. Spivey and Danny O. Thompson, first degree murder; attempted first degree murder, (2 counts).

Avery Cobb and Robert Hicks, possession schedule VI (marijuana) w/intent to deliver more than 1/2 oz.

Charles Chipman, robbery.

Tommy Day, DUI, prior DUI, violation HMVO Order; violation of implied consent order; DRL, prior DRL.

Jasper Goforth, Jr., aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary (2 counts).

Danny P. Green, Anthony Long, AKA Tony Long, AKA Anthony Welsh; AKA "Bones", forgery (2 counts), theft under \$500.

Charles Harris, AKA "Bud", introduction of contraband into penal institution, simple possession schedule VI (marijuana).

Jay Haynes, rape of a child.

Henry Holland, violation HMVO Order, DUI (2 counts) prior DUI, DRL.

Sandra Humes, introduction of contraband into penal institution, possession schedule VI (marijuana) w/intent to deliver more than 1/2 oz.

Jamel Rhumone Jelks, possession schedule II (cocaine or co-

where he earned a bachelor of science degree in pre-law, he also attended the University of Memphis Law School.

Mr. Hampton and his wife, Frances, have two children, Harry, 20, and Angela, 19. They

caine base) w/intent to deliver more than .5 grams; DRL.

Jackie Jones, possession of contraband in penal institution.

Lawrence Jones, DUI; prior DUI, reckless endangerment, assault, violation of open container law, violation implied consent.

James Justice, violation HMVO order, DRL, prior DRL.

April Logan, introduction of contraband into penal institution, simple possession schedule VI (marijuana).

James Ray Mason, assault, kidnapping, reckless endangerment.

Teresa Nunnally, introduction of contraband into penal institution, simple possession schedule VI (marijuana), possession schedule VI (marijuana) w/intent to deliver more than 1/2 oz., DRL.

Steven Parker, burglary, theft less than \$500, assault.

Mary R. Richardson, introduction of contraband into penal institution, unlawful possession of a weapon.

James E. Thompson, DUI (2 counts), prior DUI, DRL.

James P. Turner, DUI (2 counts), violation open container law.

Labou D. Turner, possession schedule VI (marijuana) w/intent to deliver more than 1/2 oz., possession of drug paraphernalia.

Lakeisha Renia Tyus, simple possession schedule VI (marijuana), possession of a weapon on school property.

Paul Webb, felony escape.

Martice White (counts 1 and 3), Lance White, (counts 2 and 4), aggravated assault (2 counts), reckless endangerment (2 counts).

Renee A. Williams, introduction of contraband into penal institution, possession schedule VI (marijuana) w/intent to deliver more than 1/2 oz.

Barry Wilson and David Scallions, (counts 1 and 2), aggravated burglary (2 counts), theft over \$500 (2 counts), theft less than \$500, burglary.

Guy Wood, theft under \$500, forgery (2 counts) theft over \$1,000.

are members of Ethridge Church of Christ where Mr. Hampton teaches an adult Sunday School class.

Songwriter



CHAD HOGUE, 19, of Dyersburg, formerly of Halls, son of Suzanne Hogue, of Halls, and Lanny Hogue, of Dyersburg, entered a nation-wide contest for songwriters who have completed thirty or more titles, with his song, *Hold Onto Forever Tonight*.

"I have been writing since August 1995," stated Chad, "and I have completed 89 titles. It just takes a lot of patience and time."

The winner will receive \$10,000 and a contract signing bonus; second place will receive \$7,500; third place, \$5,000; fourth place, \$3,500; and fifth, \$2,000.

"In order to be successful you have to overcome a lot of adversity and the people who try

City Board Names Pollard To Housing

Ripley Mayor Richard Douglas and Board of Aldermen met at 7:30 Feb. 3rd. Aldermen attending included Jimmy Harrison, Billie Ann Hendren, Jon Pavletic, Alonzo Beard, Glardes Thomas and Billy Poston.

R. T. (Freck) Pollard was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Frank Currie for Ripley Housing Authority.

Ripley Police Chief Dennis King discussed the need for new summer and winter hats for police officers. Hats will be purchased at city expense for all officers.

Alderman Poston discussed the need for additional equipment for the Fitness Center. Bids will be accepted for the purchase of a recumbent bicycle and treadmill.

A motion was made and approved for the Mayor to sign a contract with the Department of Transportation for the Industrial Access Road serving S. R. of Tennessee.

There was discussion of the need for monitoring high-traffic areas on Highway 51 and improved lighting.

The Green Coats



AMBASSADOR CLUB members including, Pat Higdon, chairperson, Bonita Fullen, Dot Craddock, Earl West, Frank Currie, Glardes Thomas, Jean Spence, JoAnn Crain, Marva Temple, Mary Ann Jarrett, Roy Thompson, Sandra Steelman, Sharon Crowson and Richard Hackleman, plus, not pictured, Billie Ann Hendren and Carolyn Am-

mons, are official public relations representatives of Lauderdale County. This is an organization within the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce. Ambassadors meet with new and existing business representatives on a professional basis, work to enhance the credibility of the Chamber of Commerce; communicate the needs of mem-

bership are involved in program recommendations and represent the Chamber and Lauderdale County in a professional manner.

Ambassadors purchased the 'Green Coats' to wear to all Chamber-related functions.

To become a Lauderdale County Ambassador, contact the Chamber Office, 635-9541.

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Land Transfers

Jan. 24th -- Rozelle Criner F.C. Company, Frances G. Fitzhugh and James R. Fitzhugh to Janie C. West, Dist. 2, 15 acre.

Leland Jennings and Union Planters Bank of West Tn. and Manson Younger to Leland Jennings, Terry McDonald, and Manson Younger, Dist. 6, lot.

Gerald D. Cherry Sr. and Shir-

Charles Vickery to Charles Vickery and Sheila Vickery, Dist. 12, 2 tracts.

Jo Ann Mackey Chaney to Billy M. Harmon, Brenda Lynn Harmon, William M. Harmon, Willie Mae Harmon and Harmon Enterprises, Dist. 2, lot.

Jan. 25 -- Temple Inland Mortgage Cor. to Housing and Urban Development (secretary of) HUD, lot.

Cherry to Kathy R. Cherry and Robert K. Cherry, Dist. 12, lot.

Mary B. Cates, Bobby E. Ward, Fletcher Sewell Ward, Rufus F. Ward and Theodore R. Ward to Fletcher Sewell Ward, Theodore R. Ward, Dist. 16, 0.82 acre.

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Jan. 28 -- Andrew Loy Lilley, Estate of Bessie G. Lilley and Estate of R. V. Lilley to Bobby R. Vaughn and Carolyn R. Vaughn, Dist. 17, 3 tracts.

Joe H. Barnes III to Stephanie Northcott, Dist. 1, 1.00 acre.

Jan. 27 -- Mary B. Cates, Bobby E. Ward, Fletcher Sewell Ward, Rufus F. Ward and Theodore R. Ward to Fletcher Sewell Ward, Theodore R. Ward, Dist. 16, 1.33 acres.

Beard, Tom Greaves and T. D. Builders, Dist. 6, lot.

Jan. 30 -- Marjorie B. Holloway and William G. Holloway to Dan Coughlan and Mary Lou Coughlan, Dist. 2, lot.

Rubie Carmen Newman to Richard A. Shands, Dist. 14, 11 acre.

Mary Catherine Carpenter, Mary Jill Carpenter and Natalie Rae Carpenter to Famous Gregory Jones, Dist. 3, 0.35 acre.

Jan. 31 -- Millie Jarrett and Millie L. Moore to City of Ripley Mayor and Aldermen, Dist. 2, lot.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETS

Due to scheduling conflicts, the regular monthly board meeting of the Lauderdale County Board of Education will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11th in Ripley Elementary School.

Divorces

Kevin L. Henderson vs Teresa Dyson Henderson.

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Due to rumors that are circulating about town claiming that I will not be a candidate in the Mayor's election in May, I wish to make a statement. **I WILL** be a candidate for Mayor in this year's election.

JAMES L. JONES

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

New manager has cabin fever. Due to the recent ice storm, many of our homes have been reduced. Here are only a few of our many values. There are others, too many to list them all.

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Winners Awarded



SPECIAL GUESTS at Monday's luncheon meeting of the Halls Gates Rotary Club were, in front row, from left, Tyler Daniels, Joshua Alexander and Michelle Meeks, second grade students at Halls Elementary School.

Coloring books about Drug Abuse Prevention have been distributed and a video viewed

Read all about it...

By Pettus L. Read
Tennessee Farm Bureau

It never hurts to give a second chance

In one of his assignments as a young infantry officer, he was sent to the 48th Infantry near Frankfurt, Germany. In the late 1970's, a prize weapon of the army was a huge 280-mm atomic cannon. Guarded by infantry platoons, these guns were hauled around the forests on trucks to keep the Soviets from guessing their locations.

One day Captain Tom Miller assigned the young infantry officer's platoon to guard a 280. He alerted his men, loaded his .45 caliber pistol and jumped into his jeep. He had not gone very far when he realized that his .45 was gone.

The young officer was petrified. In the army, losing a weapon is serious business. He had no choice but to radio Captain Miller and tell him, "You what?" Miller said in disbelief. He paused a few seconds, then added,

"All right, continue the mission."

When the young officer returned, uneasily contemplating his fate, Miller called him over. "I've got something for you," he said, handing him the pistol. "Some kids in the village found it where it fell out of your holster."

"Kids found it?" The young army officer felt a cold chill.

"Yeah," Captain Miller said. "Luckily they only got off one round before we heard the shot and took the gun away." The disastrous possibilities left the young officer limp. "For goodness sake, son, don't let that happen again."

Captain Miller drove off. The young officer checked the magazine and found that it was full. The gun had not been fired. Later he learned that he had dropped it in his tent before he ever got started. Miller had fabricated the scene about the kids to give him a good scare.

The young Army officer

100th School Day



HALLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL students celebrated the 100th day of this school year Thursday last week. The photo, taken in the sixth grade hall, shows a

sample of their creativity. The HES playground has two new basketball goals purchased by their PTO and installed by Ricky Critfield, of Halls.

mentioned in this true story was none other than General Colin Powell, US Army (Ret.). When telling this story, General Powell said, "Today the army might hold an investigation, call in lawyers and most likely enter a bad mark on my record. Miller gave me the chance to learn from my mistake. His example of intelligent leadership was not lost on me. Nobody ever got to the top without slipping up. When someone stumbles, I don't believe in stomping on him. My philosophy is 'Pick'em up, dust'em off and get'em moving again.'"

The wisdom of General Powell is well known across this country. However, if someone like Captain Miller had not given him a second chance when he needed it, I wonder just what direction his career and maybe some of

the events of the "Desert Storm" conflict would have gone.

General Powell recently spoke to more than 7,000 Farm Bureau leaders at the 78th American Farm Bureau Convention held in Nashville at the Opryland Hotel. I had the opportunity to be one of those that day to hear the General speak on what is right and what is needed to make this country continue to be the greatest democracy in the world.

If anyone understands the importance of giving someone a second chance, it is a person reared on a farm. It was very fitting that an individual of the General's character be the key-note speaker for America's largest farm organization's leadership. They fight battles everyday against enemies such as

Skating Party



HALLS TIGER CUBS, Den 167, Pack 1, enjoyed a skating party Saturday morning at Thelma's Skateland in Dyersburg.

Anniversaries

Feb. 8 -- Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shattley.

Feb. 9 -- Mr. and Mrs. Larry Reynolds.

Feb. 10 -- Mr. and Mrs. Tony Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Greg McBroom, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Griggs.

Feb. 11 -- Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Ables.

Feb. 12 -- Mr. and Mrs. Chapman 'Sonny' Thurmond, Mr. and Mrs. James White Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Meyer.

CLARIFICATION

Katelyn Cherry, whose picture appeared in the Jan. 23rd edition, is also the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Buford Cherry of Halls. The article submitted to this newspaper erroneously omitted these names.

Marriages

Jan. 25 -- William Lewis Jones, 34, to Bridget Michele Hill, 23, by Rev. Lee Cook.

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Pharmacy Topics

Pharmacists, from left, Wade Stanley, Jerry Stanley and David Watts

Bone transplants can cure advanced sickle cell disease in some children, researchers at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle report. The trial will be expanded.

Dynamic exercise--walking and cycling, for instance--was more effective than isometric and range-of-motion exercise for patients with rheumatoid arthritis, a Dutch study found.

There seem to be genetic links to both schizophrenia and homosexuality, the journal *Nature Genetics* reports.

For women who are anxious and depressed about not being able to conceive, the best "medicine" seems to be stress management training. A 10-week program at Harvard helped 36 percent of the women get pregnant, as against 18 percent without counseling.

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Breakfast Of Champions



HONOR ROLL STUDENTS, of Halls Junior High School, were honored Thursday morning of last week in the Halls Junior High School cafeteria with a "Breakfast of Champions." Lau-

Learning Points Earned At HJH

Halls Junior High School may earn learning points from AT&T to be redeemed for state-of-the-art technology products and services. School supporters may call 1-800-354-8800 and give the school account number, 02869401, to the operator.

Once enrolled as a supporter, for every dollar spent on qualifying AT&T Residential Telephone Service, HJH will be credited with five learning points. The school will receive 500 points for new enrollees.

The school has accumulated 38,951 points to spend on items in the AT&T Learning Points Catalog.

HHS FORMAL DANCE

Halls High School students will have a Winter Wonderland formal dance from 8 to 11 p.m. Feb. 8th at the Holiday Inn in Dyersburg.

ON DEAN'S LIST

Penelope Gaines, Richard G. Lazure III and Benjamin Schopke, all of Halls, were named to the Dean's List at the University of Memphis for the 1996 fall semester.

DRUGS CONFISCATED

Steve Martinez, of 225 Maple Street in Halls, was arrested after Halls Police officers, with a search warrant, found an ounce of marijuana and drug paraphernalia in his home according to officer Joe Hardy.

Readers Speak

For the past six years, the parents of the graduating class of Halls High School have joined with the school administration in a commitment to Project Graduation. Through this program, the graduating seniors are offered a full night of entertainment, games, recreation, etc. on graduation night. Project Graduation encourages senior to remain tobacco, alcohol and drug free on a night when they consider it acceptable. Instead, providing positive memories and an opportunity to spend one last time together before going their separate ways.

Birthdays

Feb. 6 - Dennis McCaslin, Linda McWilliams, Talmadge Nelson, Addison Hanford, Sidney N. Anthony IV, Hank Thurmond, Jeff Williams, Leslie Sigman, Mary A. Jarrett, Page Box Jr., Dorris Ungerecht, Lori DeSpain.
Feb. 7 - Ronnie Roberts, Randy Hargett, Oneal Kiestler, Gary Drumwright, Kevin Mudd, Johnny Emerson, Cathy Toomes, Kathy Leadingham, Mary Love Piercey, Sandra Britthover, Pam Fitzhugh, Kelley Rae Kirby, Kelly Wade.
Feb. 8 - Gene Sanders, Jimmy Hartman, Melinda Gillion, Cecil Hutchison, Anita Kirkpatrick, Don Kirkpatrick.
Feb. 9 - Bengie Boucher, Carol Woodley, Burrell Lynn Kissell, Phillip Elder, Wanda Faye Hill, Carol Dunaway, Sandy Haggard, Steve Carpenter, Andrea Castel-law, Jerry Sue Criffield.
Feb. 10 - Leon Brassfield, David McCaslin, Jason White, Joni Cook, Lindsay Crain, Robert Pickett, Shirley Brown, Thomas Neil Martin, Kevin Drumwright, Joe Spivey, Paige Henderson, Cora Hiegel, James C. Newman, Rob Revere.
Feb. 11 - Marc Alley, Betty Bernard, John Forrest Douglas, Ernie Ellis, Dwayne Klutts Jr.
Feb. 12 - Sandy Cates, Bill Prescott, James Jackson, Larry Shelby, Bethany Stephens.

Fish Farmers Will Meet In Memphis

The Tennessee Aquaculture Advisory Board will meet from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Shelby County Agricultural Extension Building on Shelby Oaks Drive. Speakers from Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi and Tennessee will discuss some of the successful aquaculture endeavors in their states.

The meeting is open to anyone interested in learning more about the potential for fish farming in Tennessee. Further information from Stanley Trout, secretary of the Aquaculture Advisory Board, (615) 360-0160, or Tom Hill (423) 974-7164.

Mrs. Ellie Clark Celebrates 100th

Mrs. Ellie Clark celebrated her 100th birthday Sunday with a party in Ripley Health Care Center hosted by her daughters, Mrs. Ruth Martin, of Halls, and Mrs. Bobby Emerson, of Forked Deer.

Mrs. Clark was attired in a mint green and off white suit dress. Decorations included balloons and 100 red roses.

About 200 family and friends enjoyed cake, nuts and punch.

Guests came from Jackson, Dyersburg, Brownsville, Memphis, Halls, Gates and Forked Deer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Viar, of Memphis, were among well-wishers.

Mrs. Clark received many floral gift arrangements.

INDUCTED TO SOCIETY

David Christopher Nunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Nunn, of Halls, a senior in Rhodes College in Memphis, has been inducted into the Order of Omega National Greek Honor Society.

Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsbrook
Minnie Throgmorton returned home Saturday after spending two

weeks in Cookeville with her son, Paul, his wife, LuAnn, and their new 8 lb. 13 oz. son, Adam Stecker Throgmorton, born Jan. 18th. He was Mrs. Throgmorton's first grandchild.

Henry and Dianne Austin and daughters, Hailey and Alicia Austin, of Dresden, spent Sunday with Mr. Austin's father, Harrell Austin, and his wife, Virginia.

Forked Deer

By Mrs. 'Red' Williams

Mrs. 'Red' Williams visited her sister, Mrs. Bess Mathis, in Brownsville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard English were in Jackson one day last week for a check-up with their doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McHughes, of Jackson, visited the Allen Birds and son, Will, Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Jimmy Summar, of Ripley, Mrs. Mike Emerson, of Brownsville, and Mrs. Johnny C. Emerson, shopped in Memphis Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Vaden Sr. shopped in Jackson Saturday.

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Billy Griffin's family in the death of their daughter and sister, Barbara, who lived in North Carolina, and to Mrs. Dorothy Jean Warren in the death of her father, John Woodson Keathley, of Brownsville.

A person can safely drink water with a ratio of half a pound of salt to every 100 pounds of water. Seawater has seven times that much salt.

Barr Locals

By Mrs. Ward Hardy

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson, of Memphis, and Gerda Hardy visited the Ihmer Kissells Tuesday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Danny Langley and children, Caleb and Hanna, of Ripley, had lunch with them Sunday.

Margaret Adkins, of Halls, and Gerda Hardy accompanied ladies of First Baptist Church in Halls to Reelfoot Lake Thursday of last week to view the eagles. Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Dyles, of Southaven, Miss., spent Friday night with Gerda.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhea Freeman spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Phillips at Curve. Mr. Freeman saw his doctor in Jackson Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hardy were in Memphis Friday for Mr. Hardy to see his doctor.

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Ag Fraud Sentences Slap Bizzell, Pipkin

Ray Bizzell and Thomas Pipkin, of the Conner-Whitefield community near Ripley, who in October pleaded guilty to filing false claims of about \$300,000 for crop losses, were sentenced Friday in the U. S. District Court in Memphis.

Bizzell pleaded guilty to three felony counts, Pipkin to one.

In addition to repaying the claims, each faced, on each count, up to five years in prison and a fine of \$250,000.

The sentences were: For Bizzell--18 months in prison on each count, concurrently; to pay \$209,980 to the Commodity Credit Association at the rate of 20% of his gross income.

For Pipkin--five months, five months home detention, three years supervised release; to pay \$43,000 to the Commodity Credit Association at the rate of 15% of gross income.

Sentencing of Jimmy and Traicie Hensley, of 2861 Conner-Whitefield Road, and Johnnie Little, of 3765 Conner-Whitefield Road, found guilty, by a jury, of fraud charges, is set for 10:30 a.m. Thursday of next week.

WTRB Outstanding Employees Honored

Don Paris, general manager for WTRB AM-FM, was recognized for outstanding dedication and sales achievement by Williams Communications, Inc.

Bob Fritz, who joined the staff of WTRB in July 1996 as office manager and public relations director, was also awarded as outstanding employee for 1996.

They were awarded plaques and treated to lunch by walt and Melinda Williams.

WTRB AM-FM, owned by Williams Communications, Inc., of

Somerset, Ky., also operates stations in Portageville, Mo and Somerset.

ON DEAN'S LIST

Lauderdale County students on the Dean's List at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville for the fall 1996 term include Carl Anderson, Sabrina Hutchins, Harry Sinis and Rachel Thompson.

Over 400 Teens Coming To Repair Homes Here

John V. Snead, of 303 Lackey Lane, Ripley, executive director of the Delta Human Resource Agency, told Ripley Rotarians Tuesday that 430 to 450 teen-agers and their coaches will arrive in Ripley July 27th and bed down in Lauderdale Middle School to begin a week of work repairing low-income housing.

Each teen-ager is paying more than \$300 for transportation, food, and re-imbursment to the Board of Education for the costs of the school lodging.

Bank Promotions



MRS. ANGIE KOONCE was elected to the Board of Directors of the Bank of Ripley where she serves as First Vice-President in charge of Human Resources and Operations. She has been with the bank since June 1966.

A graduate of the Tennessee School of Banking at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, and Sheshonoff School for Bank Operations in Austin, Tex., she has completed several other banking computer-related courses.

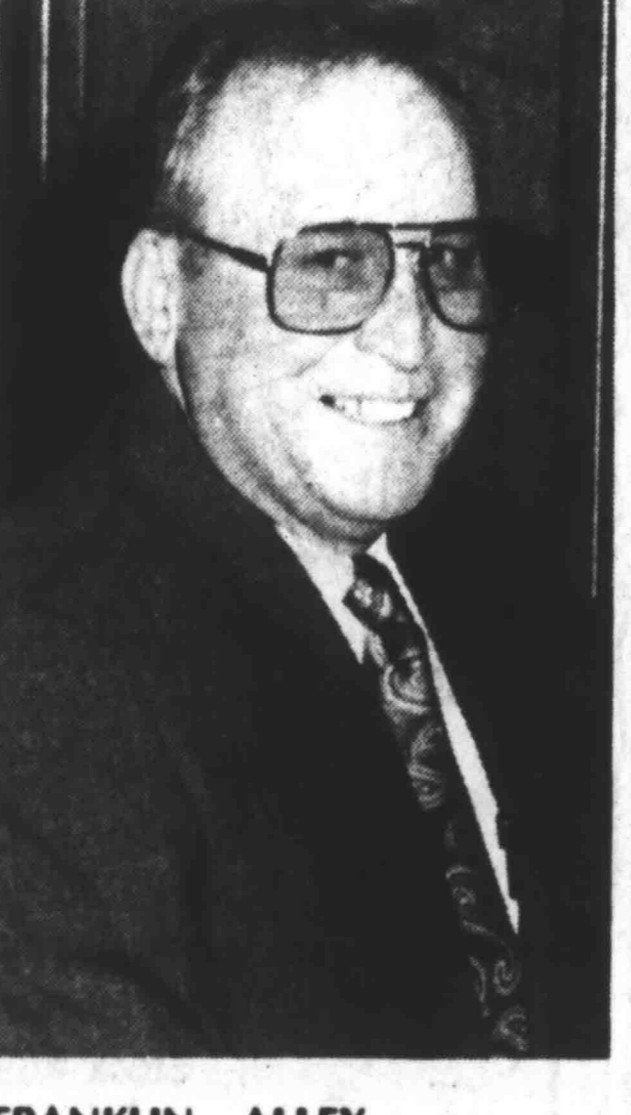
Mrs. Koonce was a charter member of the Lauderdale County Business and Professional Women's Organization.

She served as a board member of the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce from 1989 through 1992, and in 1994 was appointed honorary member of the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce for outstanding work in the community.

She is the President of the Lauderdale County Bankers Association in recognition of efforts to enhance the image of the business of banking.

Mrs. Koonce serves on the committee for Human Resources of the Tennessee Bankers Association. She is vice-president of the Ripley Merchants and Professional Association and president of the Adult Basic Education Council of Lauderdale County.

Mrs. Koonce and her husband, Jimmy, are members of Hurricane Hill United Methodist Church.



LESLIE B. SIGMAN was elected to the Board of Directors of the Bank of Ripley.

He is Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Sigman, a graduate of the University of Mississippi, has been with the Bank of Ripley since October 1990.

Before joining the bank, Mr. Sigman worked with Arthur Anderson and Co. as a certified public accountant and with the real estate development firm of L. D. Aldrich and Company as its Chief Executive Officer.

Since joining the bank, Mr. Sigman has graduated from the Tennessee School of Banking at Vanderbilt University where he finished second in his class. He was a graduate of the WestStar Leadership of the University of Tennessee at Martin and is part of a task force to develop a Leadership Program for Lauderdale County.

Mr. Sigman is a member of the Ripley Rotary Club where he serves as treasurer and a member of its Board of Directors. He coaches in the Dixie Girls Softball League and serves as area chairman for the Lauderdale County chapter of Ducks Unlimited which has been recognized as the top efficiency chapter in the State of Tennessee for the past two years.

He is co-president of the Ripley Elementary School PTO and a member of the cast in the up-coming musical production of Oliver, sponsored by the Lauderdale County Council of Arts. United Methodist Church in Ripley, he has served as Chairman of the Council on Ministries and as Chairman of the Administrative Board. He is the Church Lay

Sheriff's Expenses Troubling County

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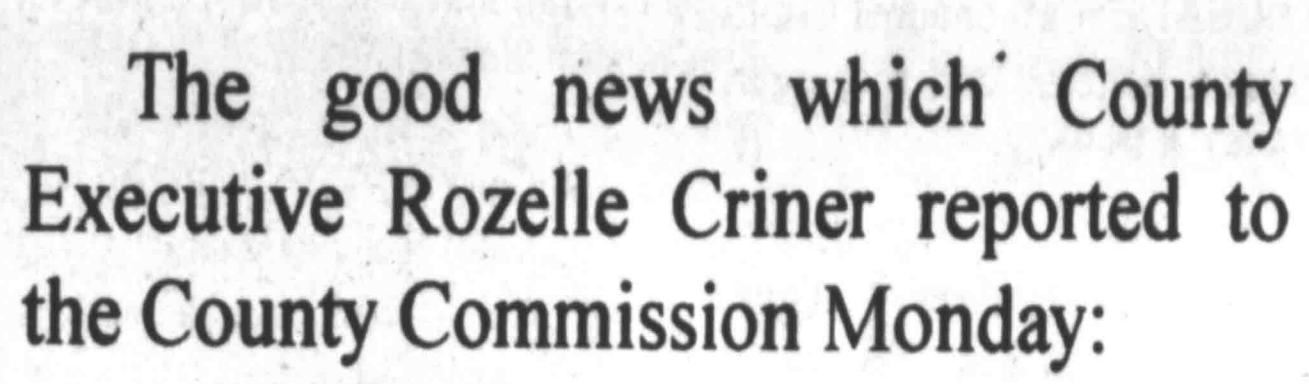
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Lyda Webb

Lyda L. Webb, 85, formerly of Halls, died Jan. 29th in Indian Hills Retirement Village in Chillicothe, Mo.

Services were at 2 p.m. Feb. 2nd in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Green Hill Memorial Gardens in Halls. Lindley Funeral Home, of Chillicothe, Mo. and Halls Funeral Home in Halls, had charge.

She was born Feb. 23, 1911 in Halls to George and Alice Gordon Jackson. She married Blancy Webb in 1928, who preceded her in death. She operated Scott Jewelry Store in Halls for more than 30 years.

She leaves a son, Curtis Webb, of Merced, Calif., a daughter, Letha C. Dowell, of Halls, 15 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren; and 5 great-great grandchildren.

Charles Parker

Charles Parker, 60, of Ripley, retired guard at Cold Creek Correctional Facility near Henning, died Thursday of last week of heart failure in his home.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Runk Funeral Home in Alamo, with burial in Nance Cemetery near Alamo.

He leaves his wife, Margaret L. Parker, two step-sons, Randall and Tim Arnold and two sisters, Joyce Choat and Sue Walker, all of Ripley; three brothers, Bill, Hildrey, and Leston Parker, of Alamo; and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Meacham

Myrtle Irene Meacham, 96, widow of Earnest William Meacham, died Monday of heart failure in Ripley Healthcare Center.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Curve Baptist Church, of which she was a member, with burial in Cross Roads Cemetery. Garner's Ripley Funeral Home in charge.

She leaves a grandson, William H. Meacham, of Collierville, and a granddaughter, Juanita Mashburn, of Collierville, both of whom she reared; a brother, Aubry Watson, of Covington; and other grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Gilliland

Dorothy Gilliland, 86, of Halls, widow of Carl Gilliland, died Saturday, of pneumonia, in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church at Frog Jump, of which she was a member, with burial in its cemetery.

She was a member of United Methodist Women.

She leaves two sons, Billy C. Gilliland and Jerry L. Gilliland, and a brother, Grover Smith, all of Halls; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Viola Harris

Viola Harris, 89, of Halls, died Thursday of last week, of heart failure, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Services were at noon Sunday in St. Luke Baptist Church in Gates,

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The Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department urges families to recognize this year's "National Child Passenger Safety Week" which is February 9-15, 1997. In conjunction with this national campaign, the Sheriff's Department will be joining with law enforcement agencies across the nation in encouraging the proper use of child safety seats and the use of safety belts by all vehicle occupants.

Child passenger Safety Week is an annual campaign to remind the public of the necessity of children always riding "buckled up" while traveling in a vehicle. A major issue of this year's campaign focuses on child passengers and Air Bag Safety. Air bags save lives! But they work best when everyone is buckled and when children age 12 and under are properly restrained in the back seat. An infant riding in a rear facing child seat must NEVER be placed in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger side air bag. The message is clear "Everyone buckled, Kids in back."

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Children must rely on their parents to use safety seats correctly--infant, toddler/convertible or booster seat. NHTSA recommends all children ride in the back seat using - rear-facing seats until a child is 30 lbs. and at least one year of age, forward-facing over one year old and 20 lbs. up to 40 lbs., and booster seats until the child can use the vehicle's lap/shoulder belts. Parents need to read the information provided in their vehicle owner's manual regarding child safety seat placement in the vehicle along with the proper use instructions provided with their child safety seat.

All 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Territories have laws requiring the use of child safety seats. Violators of these laws can face fines, points on their driving record or more serious charges.

Ronnie Rickard Sheriff

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Waverly Meeks

Waverly Violet Meeks, 77, of 595 Meeks Road, Halls, died Tuesday of last week of cardiac arrest in her home.

Services were at 11 a.m. Thursday in Halls Funeral Home with burial in Antioch Cemetery.

She was a member of Antioch Church of Christ.

She leaves a son, Leonard Meeks, of 829 Meeks Road, Halls; two daughters, Jackie Layman and Linda Beard, of Dyersburg; five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

James Robinson

James Edward Robinson, 73, of Brownsboro, died of heart failure Feb. 8th in Methodist Haywood Park Hospital in Brownsboro.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Feb. 15th in Chapel Hill Baptist Church in Brownsboro, with burial in Chapel Hill Church Cemetery. Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

He leaves two children, his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, two brothers, Bobby Joe Robinson, of Ripley, and Sam Robinson, of Gates; two sisters, Mrs. Janice Lucas and Katie Robinson, of Gates.

daughters, Margaret Tipps and Louise Crowder, both of Ripley, and Linda Autry and Kay Bryant, both of Newbern; a brother, James Franklin, of Kentucky; a sister, May Farmer, of Arkansas; 28 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Charles Shoemaker

Charles Michael Shoemaker, 69, of Halls, security guard for Murray Guard, died Sunday of cancer in the Memphis Veterans Medical Center.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Ripley's First Assembly of God, with burial in Memorial Gardens. Garner's Ripley Funeral Home in charge.

He was an Army veteran. He leaves his wife, Willa Dean Shoemaker, a step-daughter, Penny Robison, of Halls; a step-son, Jeff Burroughs, of Romeoville, Ill.; three brothers, David and Lynnwood Shoemaker, of Ripley, and Billy Shoemaker, of Nesbit, Miss.; four sisters, Ellen Cowan, Judy Hargett, Hazel Lively, and Jean Pipkin, of Ripley; and four step-grandchildren.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Halls.

She leaves a son, Lynn Scott Vaden, Jr., of Jackson; a daughter, Betty Frec, of Dyersburg; a sister, Elizabeth Miller, of Dallas, Tex.; and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Lynn Vaden

Ann Conner Vaden, 76, of 731 West Tigrett, Halls, widow of Lynn Vaden, died Tuesday of last week of heart failure in Methodist Hospital in Memphis.

Services were at 3 p.m. Friday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Green Hill Memorial Gardens.

A farm owner, she formerly owned Vaden Cleaners.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church in Halls.

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Mrs. J. A. Biggs

Opal Lucille Biggs, 76, wife of James A. Biggs, died Wednesday of last week in Ripley Healthcare Center, after a stroke.

Services were at 1 p.m. Friday in Garner's Ripley Funeral Home, with burial in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Arp.

Survivors include six sons, Jackie, James, Franklin, and Jerry, of Ripley; Jimmy, of Covington; and Johnny, of Maury City; four

Mrs. Hargett

Martha Jane Hargett, former Riparian, died Tuesday of last week of cancer in Methodist Hospital North in Memphis.

Services were at 11 a.m. Thursday of last week in Grace Baptist Church at Central, with burial in its cemetery. Garner's Ripley Funeral Home in charge.

She had retired as a dormitory

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She was a member of First Baptist Church in Jackson.

She leaves two sons, Rickie, of Ripley, and Gus Hargett, Jr., of Murfreesboro; a daughter, Jan Miller, of Bartlett; a brother, Billy Powell, of Ripley; three sisters, Peggy Lyell, of Ripley; Liz Kerr, of Des Arc, Ark.; and Mildred Griffin, of Crystal River, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A Martha Hargett Scholarship Fund has been set up at Lambuth.

Woodville Locals

By Patricia Hughes

Mrs. Susie Summar remains ill at home. Her brother, Floyd Carroll, of Kentucky, visited her one day last week.

Jim Hughes visited his mother, Mrs. Grace McCloud, in Ripley Friday.

Mrs. Cathy Parrish, of Halls, was ill last week. Pat Hughes visited her Wednesday of last week. Patricia also visited her son, Kevin Newman, in Covington, Thursday of last week and Saturday. She visited Mrs. Anita Harber at the bookstore in Henning one day last week. Mrs. Harber had surgery on her hand.

Mrs. Curt Barnes and children, of Halls, visited Mrs. Barnes' family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith, during the weekend.

Marie McKee, of Henning, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Summar, has re-married.

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KATE ELIZABETH 'LISA' SPENCER AND R. MORRIS ENGLISH will marry at 6:30 p.m. March 22nd in First Presbyterian Church in Brownsboro, all family and friends invited to the ceremony and reception following at the Brownsboro Country Club.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Jayne T. Pemberton and Dr. Donald R. Spencer, both of Brownsboro. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Van D. Spencer, of Brownsboro, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Jack W. Tribble, Sr., of Greenwood, S.C.

A 1982 graduate of Haywood High School, the bride-elect graduated cum laude from the University of Memphis with a bachelor of arts degree in criminal justice and a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She was a member of Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society and Phi Mu Sorority. She is a registered nurse in the Arrhythmia Center at Methodist Hospital Central in Memphis.

The groom-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. English, of Brownsboro. He is the grandson of Mrs. Robert R. English, of Nutbush, and the late Mr. English, and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cogbill.

A graduate of Tennessee Academy in Brownsboro and of the University of Tennessee at Martin, with a degree in agricultural business, he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He works in the family farming business in the Nutbush community.

The couple will reside in Haywood County.

Key Corner D.A.R. Meets In Dyersburg

Mrs. Richard Coleman, of Springfield, was guest speaker at the Jan. 27th meeting of the Key Corner Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Mrs. Coleman, who serves on the Tennessee State Board of NSDAR, talked to chapter members about the DAR insignia, pins, ribbons, and the protocol of wearing and displaying them.

The meeting was held in the home of Mrs. W. D. Michaelcheck in Dyersburg. Co-hostesses were Mrs. David Alexander, Mrs. Steve Carmichael and Mrs. Green W. Smith, III.

Mrs. M. V. Williams, Jr., Regent, presided. Mrs. Robert Patrick was welcomed as a new member.

Mrs. James Homer relayed the thanks of the Crossnore School in Crossnore, N.C., for the Chapter's contributions for dependent mountain children. Members save food labels and cereal box tops that are converted to cash by that school and by Tamassee, a school for Native American children, which the DAR also help support.

Mrs. W. D. Alexander, chapter chairman of Friends of the Library, displayed a book, *The Tennessee Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, 1970-1984*, Volume III, which was contributed to the Melvers Grant Public Library by Mrs. M. V. Williams, Jr. The book contains lines of descent from many Revolutionary War soldiers. It will become part of the library's genealogy collection and will be useful to many patrons doing family research.

Members from Halls attending included Mrs. Charles Alsobrook, Mrs. Neil Dyer, Mrs. O. J. Nunn, Mrs. Tommy Roberts and Mrs. Geth Davis.

National FFA Week



MAYOR RANDY HARRIS, in front row, center, signed a proclamation Friday afternoon making Feb. 15th through 22nd National FFA Week for the Town of Halls.

Celebrating the signing of the proclamation were, from left, to Tanya Marie Bagwell, 20, by Willard Norvell. Shannon Carlton Pittman, 21, by Willard Norvell. Robert Steven Mims, 19, by Amanda Daron Dorse, 18, by Willard Norvell.

Feb. 1 - Terry Deawyne Copeland, 27, to Sarah Ann Harris, 25, by Rev. William Jarrett.

Feb. 2 - Robert Lee Stallion, 51, to Dorsey B. Adams, 44, by Willard Norvell.

Johnny Edward Biggs, 37, to Lisa Gale Pool, 32, by Willard Norvell.

Danny Joe Moore, 44, to Linda May Walls, 48, by Willard Norvell.

Feb. 3 - William Carroll Easler, 42, to Jessica Dale Easler, 42, by Willard Norvell.

Feb. 4 - Joe Perry Jr., 74, to Alma Ree Crawford, 64, by Willard Norvell.

Feb. 5 - William Howard White, 42, to Cynthia Rae White, 34, by Harold Blackwood.

Feb. 6 - Geogery Lynn Lents, 29, to Donna Marie Ellison, 34, by Willard Norvell.

Feb. 7 - Hunter King, Gletta Winn, Amy Mills, Janie Burris, Bunnie Fullen, Jill Hawks, Leigh Kirkpatrick, Louis Kirkpatrick, Jerry Don Trosper, Judson Vaden, Brenda Olds.

Feb. 14 - Lizzie Anderson, Carolyn Bridges, Jennifer Baker, Melissa Olds, Michael Shane Olds, Monty McWilliams, Stacey New-

man, Jean Davis, Bobbie Ann Walker.

Feb. 15 - Justin Ford, Rob Wilder, Marrissa Simmons, Jonathan Hill, Janet Steelman, Adam Akin, Jimmy H. Jones.

Feb. 16 - Virginia Sapp, Michelle Williams, Gail Shelton, Pam Carmack, Carlos McLemore, Jodie Ward, Jeremy Emerson.

Feb. 17 - Dr. B. Wayne Dudley, Keith Smith, Larry Wright, Linda Thurmond, Ricky Cribfield, Kay Handford, Allison Renee Hurt, Angie Layne, Linda Jetton.

Feb. 18 - Dustin Smith, Pam Rhodes, Judy Crook, Timothy Jones, Dr. Bruce Longest.

Feb. 19 - David Burnham, Wayne Barnard, Ray Anderson, Carol Keen, Kevin Kester, Randy Jones, Linda Bernard.

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Feb. 15 - Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hodge.

Feb. 18 - Mr. and Mrs. Carl Newman.

Feb. 19 - Mr. and Mrs. David Jennings.

Barr Locals

By Mrs. Ward Hardy

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Smith visited Mrs. Smith's brother, Rhea Freeman, in the Jackson-Madison County Hospital Sunday. Mr. Freeman is recovering after surgery last Friday.

Margaret Adkins, of Halls, and Gerda Hardy attended a birthday party for Mrs. Hardy's grandson, Justin Newman, in the home of his parents, the Ray Newmans, in Olive Branch, Miss., Saturday and remained for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hardy visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phillips in Ripley Saturday. Ann Reagan and Jane Kitchens visited the Hardys Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Garner Kissell, of Woodville, spent some time last week in their trailer here. Mr. Kissell had breakfast with the Kissells Thursday of last week.

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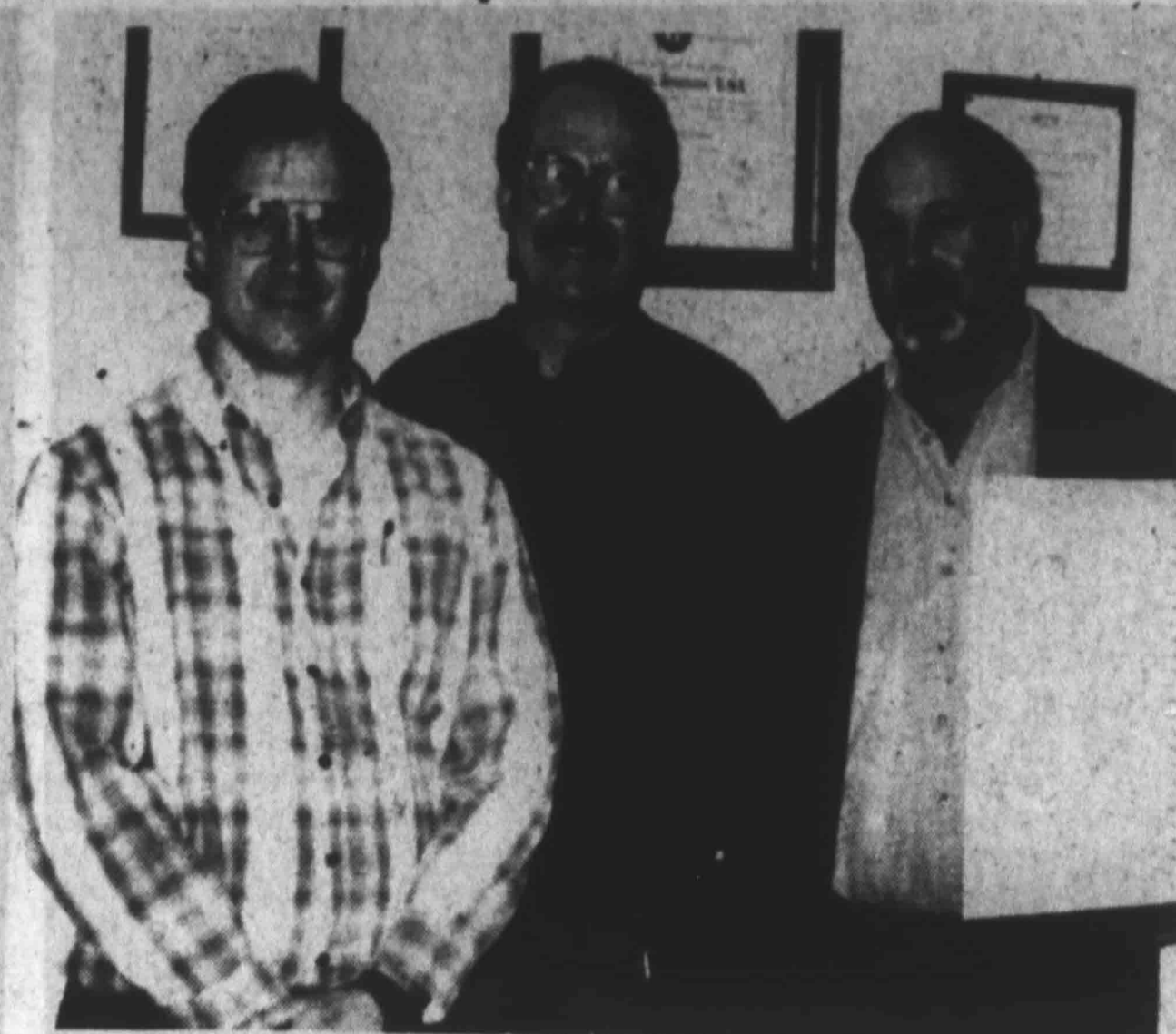
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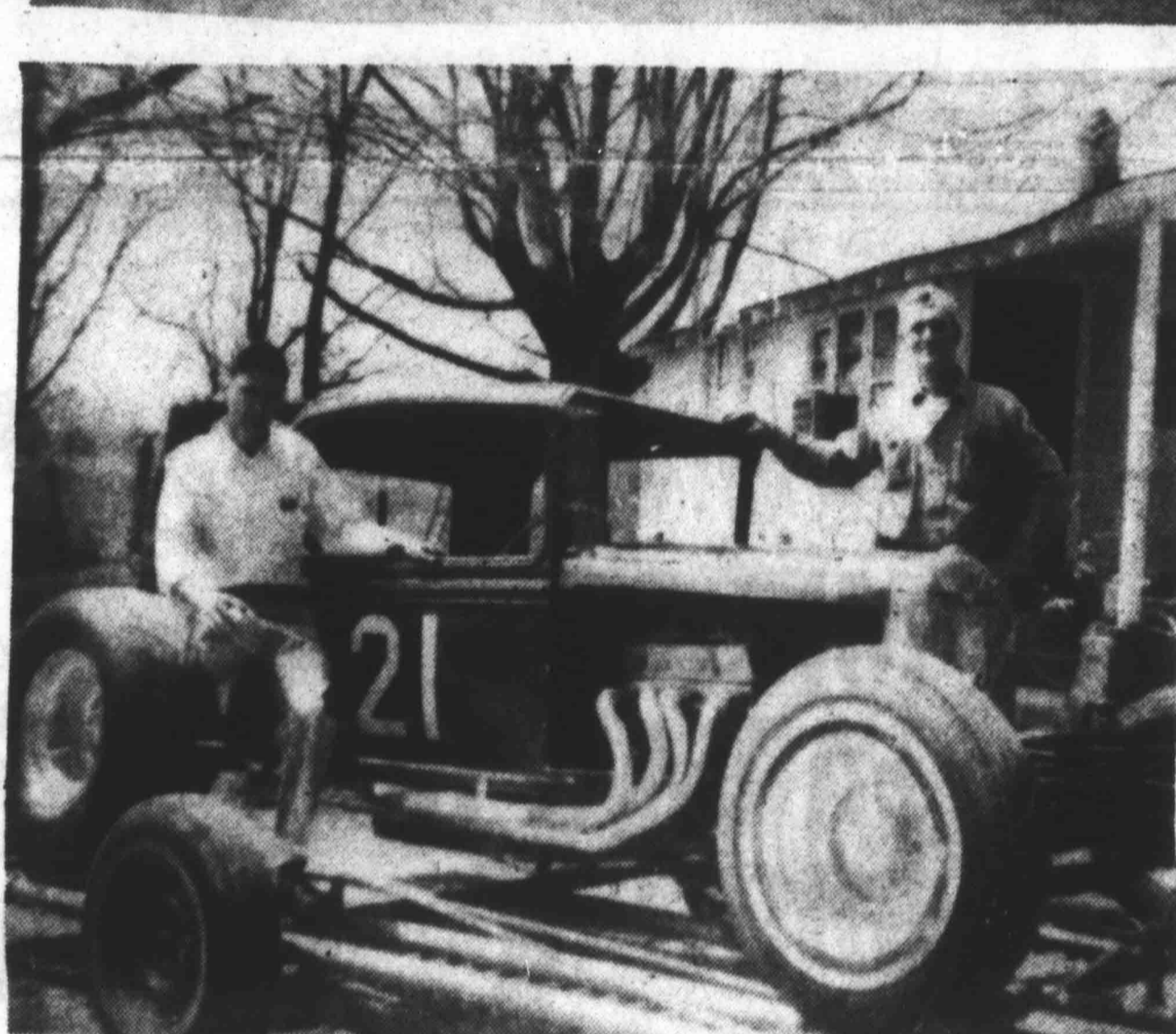
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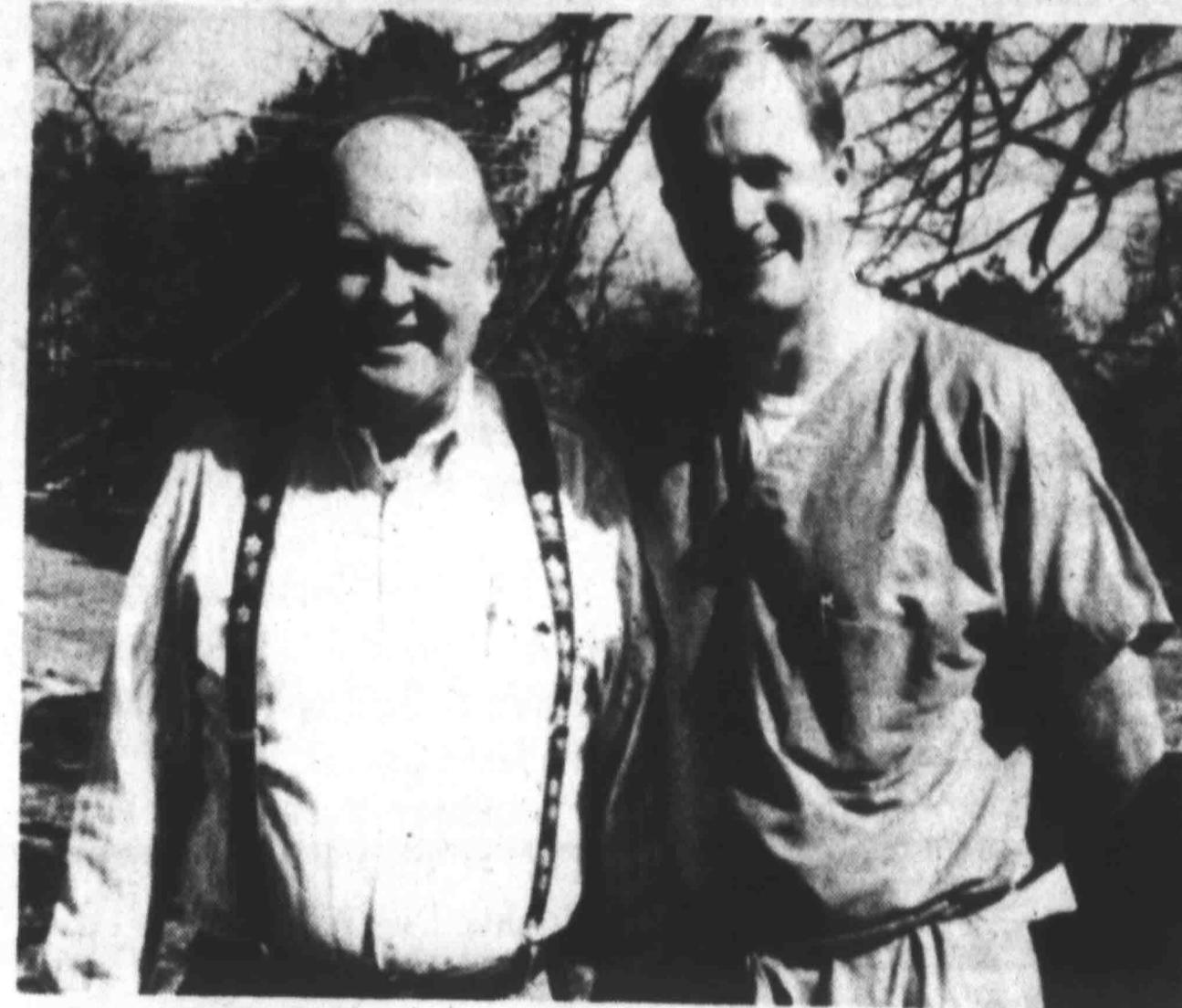
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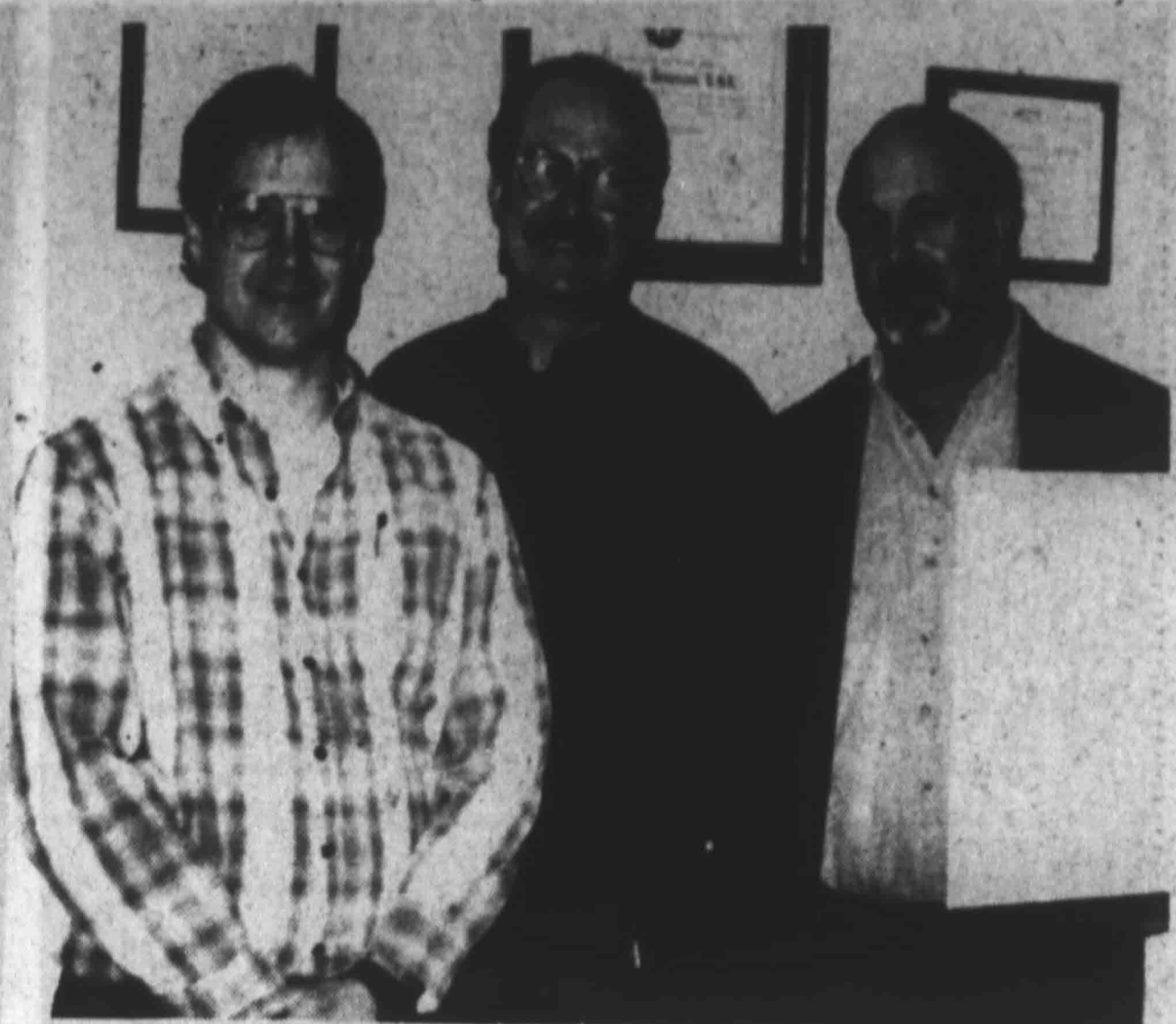
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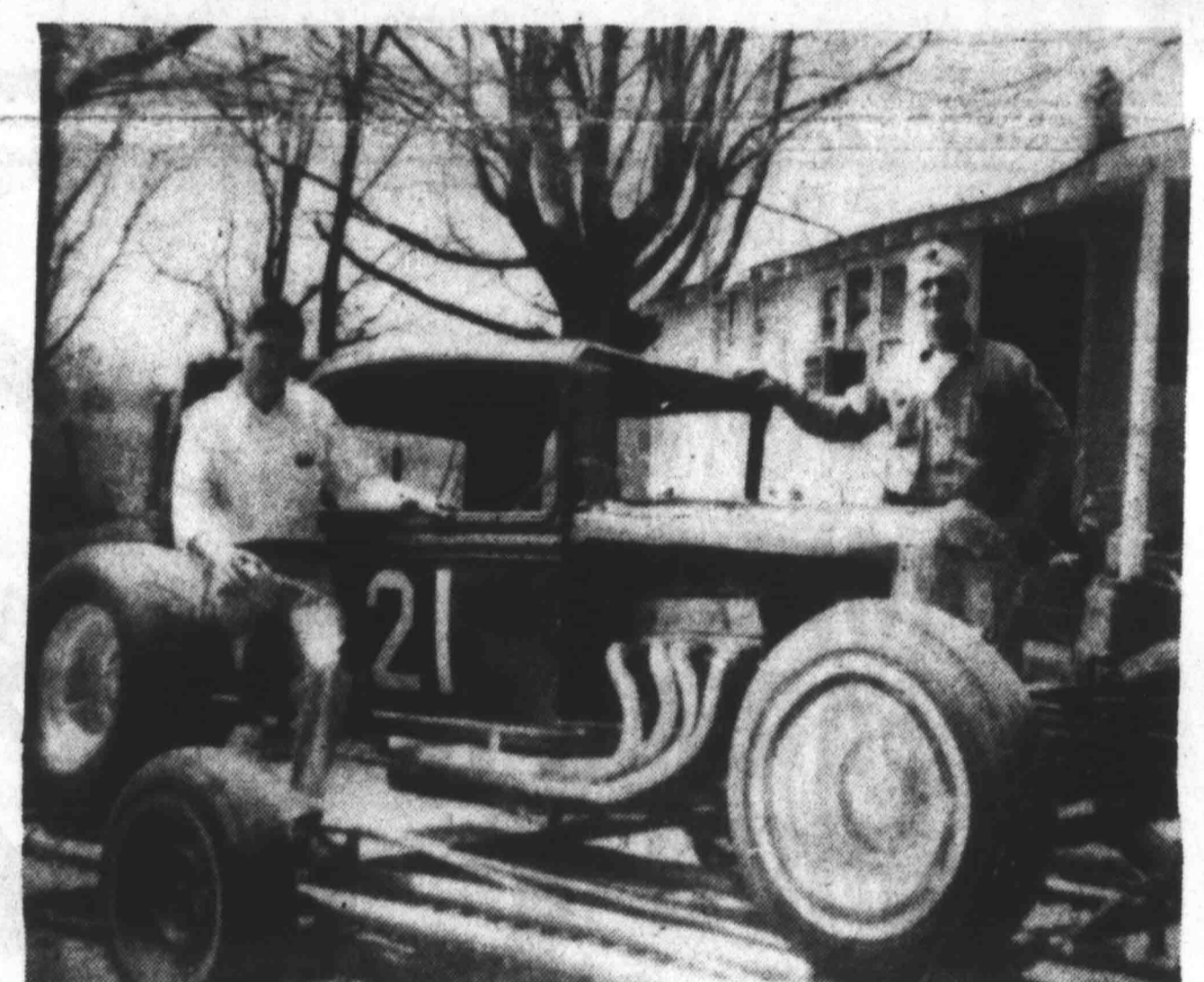
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To Quad State
Band Festival

Jason Davenport, Ashley Jones, Cheryl Edwards, Corum Webb, Steven Mitchell, Justin Johnson, Erica Nance, Todd Seaton and Terry Usleton, Ripley High School students, under the direction of Dee Bishop, will participate in the 49th annual Quad-State Senior High School Band Festival Feb. 20th-22nd hosted by Murray State University in Murray, Ky.

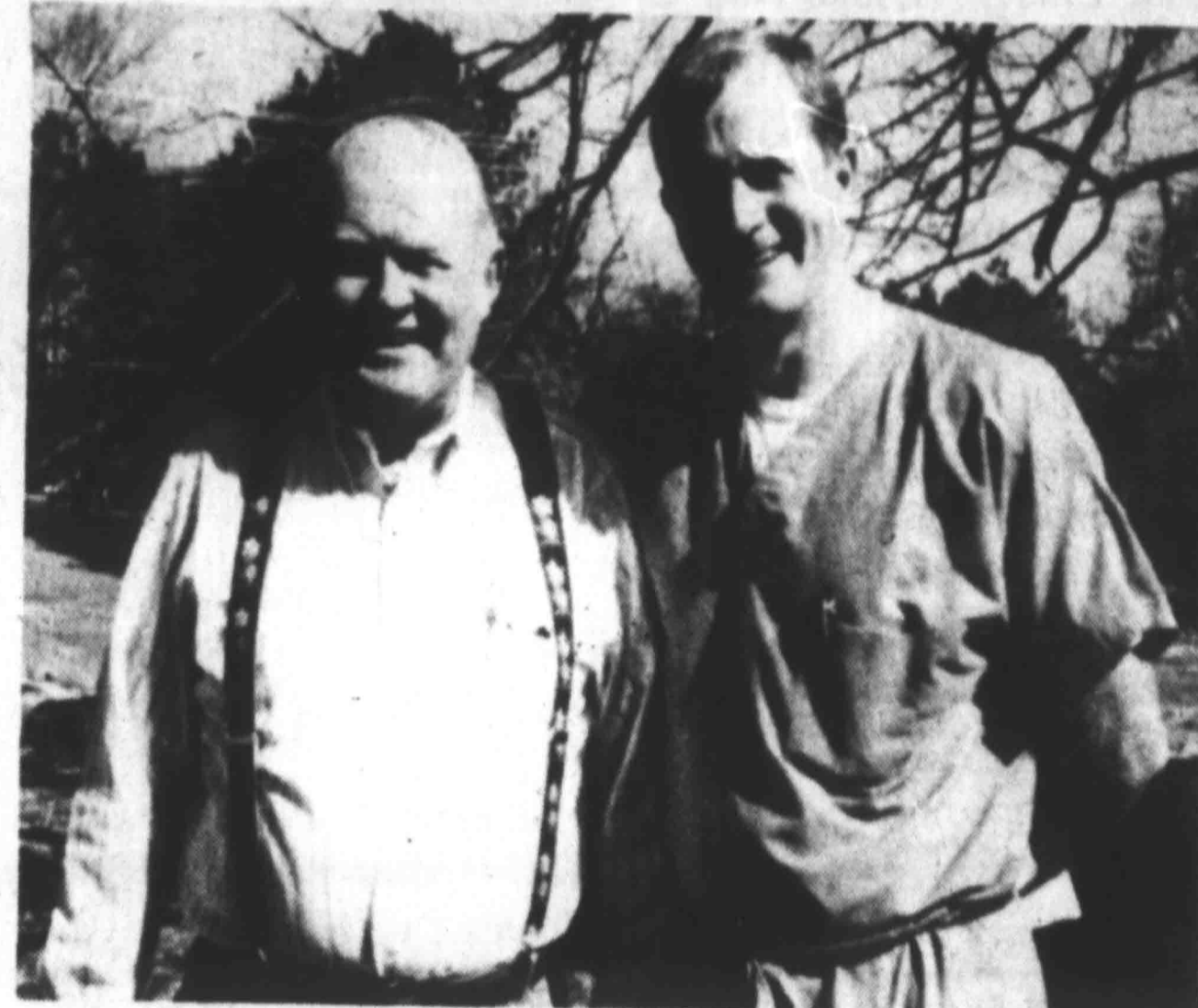
"Almost 70 schools representing six states will be on our campus for one of the oldest continuous running festivals in the South," noted Dennis L. Johnson, director of bands at MSU and coordinator of the festival.

The festival brings together more than 300 high school musicians to rehearse and study with prominent guest conductors, guest soloists and university faculty. Students who attend are recommended by their high school directors and the final selection is made by the wind and percussion faculty at Murray State. Students audition upon arrival for placement in one of three quad-state bands.

Guest conductors this year are Mr. Johnson, Dr. William Clark, of New Mexico State University, and Daniel Wooten, of Colerain High School in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Guest artist is international trombone virtuoso Don Lucas, of Lubbock, Tex. "Mr. Lucas has appeared throughout the world and is recognized as one of the truly great musicians of our time," stated Mr. Johnson. Josh Elliott, 1997 Quad-State Soloist of the Year, of Murray High School, is also a guest artist. The concert will begin at 8 p.m. in the Lovett Auditorium on the Murray State Campus.

Marathon Runner



CHUCK PORTER, right, of Ripley, will participate in a 26-mile marathon run in Anchorage, Ala., June 21st to raise money for the Leukemia Society of America. He is training and running in honor of his friend, Ollie Matthews, left, of Ripley, who has leukemia.

Mr. Matthews was diagnosed with lymphoma, a type of cancer affecting the lymph nodes, in Dec. 1987.

"After many rounds of radiation and chemotherapy," stated Mr. Matthews, "I could continue my job with the Ripley Police Department. Two years later I suffered a heart attack that led to my retirement but my bout with cancer continued.

"Through my steadfast faith in God, support of my family and friends, many prayers and the advanced methods of technology and medicine, I have recently celebrated my fifth year in remission from cancer.

"I believe that God's plan for my life has yet to be fulfilled. Since my diagnosis I have had many friends develop cancer and have already gone to their eternal home. I am saddened by this, however, I cope by keeping myself busy with family, church and community.

"Despite the other medical concerns that have surfaced, I have kept the dream to see our daughter, Elizabeth, graduate from high school. This will become a reality this May.

"In the years I have had cancer, I have seen many new techniques in cancer treatment. These would not have been made possible without funds for research."

Mr. Porter's goal is to raise \$3,000 for leukemia. Please donate for this cause, for Ollie, for St. Jude or someone you know personally. Call or write: Chuck Porter, Pharmacy, BMH-Lauderdale, Ripley, TN, 38063. Phone, work, 635-6446, home, 635-5036.

Womanless Beauty Review



KOMATSU EMPLOYEES presented their "Womanless Beauty Review" Feb. 14th and raised \$689 to benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Winners were, in upper photo, from left, Gerry Lovell, Bill Dickens, Queen Ray Stover, George Hallock, Mike Gulleddge and Colin Alley. In lower photo, Stan Matras, right, is escorted by Anna Morgan.

Ripley TTC Grad
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Clarice Taylor, of Brownsville, who won certification as a Licensed Practical Nurse from the Tenn. Technology Center in Ripley in 1994, has received a maximum \$1,500 scholarship from the Tennessee Health Care Education Foundation to seek an associate degree in nursing from Dyersburg State College in May, 1998.

She is among 17 state winners receiving a total of \$22,500.

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Feb. 10 - Raymond Eugene Smith and Shirley C. Smith to Mark A. Braden and Martha Braden, Dist. 6, lot.

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North Anthony III, Dist. 2, 4 lots.
City of Ripley Board of Mayor and Aldermen to Board of Industrial Development, Ripley, TN, Dist. 2, 25 acres.

Feb. 12 - Ibrahim Naber to Judy W. Nipp, Dist. 6, lot.
Clayton Woodard and Margie Woodard, to Ann Webb and David W. Webb, Dist. 17, lot.

James W. Rogers and Shirley D. Rogers to Martha Jacobs, Dist. 2, 3.40 acres.

Feb. 13 - J. W. Sweat to Elaine Sweat and J. W. Sweat, 100 acres.
Elaine Sweat and J. W. Sweat to Elaine Sweat and J. W. Sweat, Dist. 5, 100 acres.

Debbie C. Mays and William Haywood Mays to Ronnie Elder and Richard Ring, Dist. 6, lot.
Frewl B. Buffaloe to Stacey L. Pike and William C. Pike, Dist. 17, 4 lots.

Barbara Jean Bevis and Richard Jennings to Jackie Wooten and Jerrie Sue Critchfield, Dist. 2, lot.
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Woodville Locals

By Patricia Hughes

Mr. and Mrs. Rickie Summar visited Rickie's brother, Ronnie Summar, at Forked Deer Saturday night. Ronnie visited his father, James Summar, one afternoon week before last.

Larry and Gary Sellars, of Fort Pillow, visited their mother, Mrs. Bernice Sellars, Sunday before last. Susie Summar remains ill in her home.

Patricia Hughes visited her son, Kevin Newman, in Covington, Tuesday of last week.

Blaine Smith is doing fine after a tonsillectomy.

Larry Lemons, of Curve, and Mrs. Curt Barnes and children, of Halls, visited Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith during the weekend.

Divorces

Traci Marie Boyd Smith vs. Jerald Thomas Smith.

Carrie Anne Maharrey McWilliams vs. Kevin Lynn McWilliams.

Chris Neil Robeson vs. Billie Jo Scalfions Robeson.

OMITTED FROM LIST

Heldi L. Strong, of Halls, was among those named to the Dean's List at the end of the fall semester at Tennessee Technological University where she is majoring in marketing. Her name was inadvertently omitted from a previous news release.

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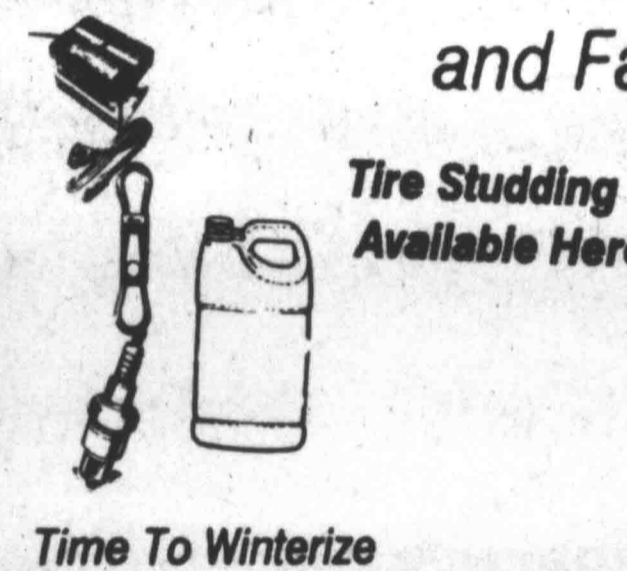
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Frank Baldridge, 73; Halls Leader

Frank Baldridge, 73, of Halls, mortgage banker, real estate dealer, and Postal Service contractor, died Thursday of last week, of pulmonary arrest, in Methodist Hospital in Memphis.

Services were at 3 p.m. Saturday in the First United Methodist Church in Halls, in which he was a steward, with burial in Halls Cemetery.

A World War II veteran he was member of Halls' Masonic Lodge.

He leaves his wife, Anita Jean White Baldridge, two daughters, Amy Roberson and Beth Patterson, of Bartlett; and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Blackley

Lorene Harris Blackley, 77, of Tiptonville, mother of Donna J. Beard, of Henning, died Tuesday of last week in Methodist Hospital of Dyersburg.

Services were at 1 p.m. Thursday of last week in the Tiptonville Church of Christ, of which she was a member. Burial was in Lake Memorial Gardens near Tiptonville.

She was born in Dyer County, Dec. 7, 1919, daughter of the late Bud and Minnie Stewart Harris.

Survivors include her husband, R. E. Blackley, of Royal Care in Ridgely; three other daughters, Brenda Wiggins, of Tiptonville, Mannie Crutchfield, of Camden, and Connie Sandusky, of Hayti, Mo.; a sister, Clarice Hilliard, of Newbern, a brother, Brown Harris, of Florida; 19 grandchildren, and 29 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Hendren

Evelyn Elizabeth Hendren, 75, widow of Lynn Smith Hendren, died Friday, of pneumonia, in Ripley Healthcare at 118 Halliburton. Services were at 4 p.m. Sunday

in Garner's Ripley Funeral Home, with burial in Crossroads Cemetery.

She leaves two sons, Don, of Ripley, and Joe, of Memphis; two daughters, Betty Goodwin, of Ripley, and Joyce Austin, of Bartlett; three sisters, Shirley Nelson, of Henderson, Dorothy Driver, of Glenoiden, Pa., and Maggie Tribble, of Houston, Tex.; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Cliffie Smith

Cliffie P. Smith, 94, of Norman, Okla., died Feb. 15th in Norman.

Services were at 11 a.m. Feb. 18th in the chapel of Havenbrook Funeral Home in Norman.

Born July 9, 1902, to George Walton and Nola Manning Pickering in Mt. Olive, Miss., she grew up in Mt. Olive and graduated from Mt. Olive High School. After graduation she attended Women's College in Hattiesburg, Miss., and received a bachelor degree in education. She was a member of the Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority.

She married William Aubrey Smith in 1928 in Halls where they made their home. She retired June 10, 1969 as a teacher in the Lauderdale County School system.

She moved to Norman there in 1983 and was a member of First Baptist Church of Norman.

Preceded in death by her husband, she leaves a daughter, Carolyn Wesson, of Norman, a brother, Jack Pickering, of Mt. Olive, Miss.; four grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Sammie Palmer

Sammie Louis Palmer, 41, of Haywood County, brother of Arthur Palmer and Betty Gause, of Gates, died Feb. 4th.

Services were at 2 p.m. Feb. 9th in Lower Salem Missionary Baptist Church in Haywood County, in

which he was a deacon, with burial in the church cemetery.

A native of Haywood County, he was a graduate of Haywood High School.

Survivors include a daughter, Shounda Palmer, of Humboldt; three other brothers, Edgar Palmer, Jr., and Billy Palmer, of Brownsville, and Thomas Palmer, of Nashville; three other sisters, Patricia and Sarah Palmer, of Brownsville, and Mary Hicks, of Humboldt; and a half-sister, Alberta Cozart.

William Hendrix

William Earl Hendrix, Sr., 77, of Ripley, died of heart failure Feb. 18th in Ripley Health Care and Rehab Center.

Graveside services are set for 10 a.m. Feb. 20th at Maplewood Cemetery, Yarbrough Funeral Home has charge.

A retired implement dealer, he was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Shriners.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church.

He leaves his wife, Norma D. Hendrix, of Ripley; two sons, Robert E. Hendrix and William E. Hendrix, Jr., of Ripley; a brother, Forrest Walker Hendrix, of Dyersburg; and three grandchildren.

Bobby N. Colvett

Bobby Neal Colvett, 58, of Alamo, brother of James Colvett, of Halls, died Tuesday of last week, of heart failure, in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Services were at 4 p.m. Thursday of last week in Runk Funeral Home, with burial in Oak View Memorial Park near Alamo.

He was the jailer for the Crockett County sheriff's department. Survivors include his wife, Sandra Puckett Colvett; a son, Christo-

pher, of Alamo; two daughters, Cynthia Castellaw, of Alamo, and Leann King, of Jackson; three other brothers, Jerry, of Alamo, Tommy, of Bells, and Dennis, of Moscow; three sisters, Jill Long, of Brownsville, Frances Bushart, of Trenton, and Ruby Vowell, of Huntingdon; and three grandchildren.

Mable Lee Devoto

Mable Lee Devoto, 82, of Memphis, sister of John L. Lee, of Halls, died Wednesday of last week in Methodist Hospital in Memphis.

Services were at 2 p.m. Friday in National Cemetery, Memphis Funeral Home Poplar in charge.

Survivors include another brother, Henry F. Lee, and a sister, Ruth L. Strandridge, both of Memphis.

Mrs. Flowers

Minnie Louise Flowers, 77, wife of Warren Flowers, of 268 Bud Jennings Road near Henning, died Friday, of heart failure, in Methodist Hospital of Dyersburg.

Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Garner's Ripley Funeral Home, with burial in Poplar Grove Cemetery near Henning.

She was a member of Faith United Methodist Church.

Survivors include three sons, Ronnie, of Henning, Stanley, of Brownsville, and Steve, of Covington; three daughters, Jean Hopkins, of Ripley, Beth Esra, of Covington, and Linda Pratt, of Bradford; a sister, Ann Perrigue, of Portland, Oregon; 12 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Maxine Mitchell

Maxine Mitchell, 83, of Halls, former grocery store owner and operator, died Saturday, of cardiac

arrest, in Lauderdale County Health Care Center in Ripley. Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Gates Cemetery.

She was a member of Elton Baptist Church at Double Bridges.

She was the widow of Monroe Mitchell.

She leaves three sons, James and Jerry, of Ripley, and Thomas, of Memphis; a brother, Henry Lee, and a sister, Ruth Standridge, of Memphis; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Concord Locals

By Mrs. Louise Fennell

Mrs. Barry Jordan and son, Caleb, of Memphis, visited her parents, the Floyd Emersons, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Carmack visited their daughter, Mrs. Jimmy Howard, and Mr. Howard in Memphis Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Williams and daughter, Tori, of Byhalia, Miss., and Mrs. Robbie Ann Lee, of Memphis, spent the weekend with the Pharis Escues.

Elizabeth Wright and friend, of Springfield, Mo., spent the weekend with Mrs. Patsy Wright and Mrs. Willie Burks.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Allan, of Mobile, Ala., are visiting Mrs. Mabel Voss this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson, of Memphis, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drumwright, of Gates, and Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Baker, of Memphis, visited Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Jordan and son, Caleb, of Memphis, visited the Floyd Emersons Sunday. They celebrated Caleb's birthday with a

party Sunday afternoon with about 25 attending.
Mr. and Mrs. Junior Beard, of Roelien, visited the J. D. McNeills Sunday afternoon.

Birthdays

Feb. 20 - Roger Charest, Betty Klutts, Hanna E. Moore, Don Smith, Cindy S. Ward.

Feb. 21 - Lee Jennings, E. B. Williams, Pat Carmack, Kathy McBroom, Vicky Emerson.

Feb. 22 - Sherry Morgan, Hal Kirkpatrick, Courtney Johnson, Jessica Broglin, Janice Terrell, Vence Carmack, Christina Stanley, Jimmy Meeks.

Feb. 23 - Darla Best, Lucille Meadows, Carolyn Bradford, Amanda Adkerson, Luke Elder, Austin Monroe Ward, Diane Hayes Akin, Donna Lynn Hawkins, J. W. Warren Jr., Jason Raines, Jason Seacore.

Feb. 24 - Marvin Land, Brent Prescott, Carol Caldwell, J. C. Hendren, Terry Cook, Perry Garrett Jr., Sarah Cherry, Doyle Moss.

Feb. 25 - Adam Houston, Bruce Little, Ricky Rose.

Feb. 26 - Jean Hansford, Josh Vaughn.



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Pharmacy Topics

Pharmacists, from left, Wade Stanley, Jerry Stanley and David Watts

Emotional stress does not increase the risk of breast cancer, say researchers at the University of Wisconsin Comprehensive Cancer Center in Madison who questioned hundreds of women about stressful events over a five-year period.

"Rosemary for remembrance," sang Hamlet's Ophelia--and now nutrition studies at Pennsylvania State University indicate the herb may have cancer-fighting properties, too.

New studies of men in the U.S. and Canada found no association between vasectomy and prostate cancer.

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As the editor of an agricultural newspaper, I often receive books to review that pertain to interesting and unusual topics. As I write this column, there is a book on my desk written for children on how to raise and show a beef and dairy calf. The book is well done, and will become a very useful tool for a 4-H or FFA member who is thinking about getting into a beef or dairy project.

Sometimes the books are humorous, or about someone's remembrances of days gone by. It really doesn't matter what they are written about, I always seem to get a lot of enjoyment out of what other people are writing to express themselves. It really amazes me how folks can come up with all the different books and find someone to buy them. I am still humbled by all the people who read my columns, but appreciate their interest very much.

The other day, I ran across a new book just out on the market. It is a new guidebook entitled *Code of The West...The Realities of Rural Living. I Understand this new piece of literature was recently written to acquaint newcomers to rural living with some of the challenges they may not have expected. The book was written by Larimer County, Colorado Commissioner John Clarke, and contains explanations about rural rules and customs, and how new residents should deal with farms and farmers.*

After working hard on a farm myself, trying to earn enough money to move to the city, and accomplishing that goal, I understand why someone moving to the country just might need a guidebook to understand country living. After I got to the city, (really I just got to the suburbs, but that was close enough for me), I worked hard again to move back to the country, and accomplished that goal. In the city or suburbs, there are things you just can't do like you used to do in the country.

However, that's another column that I may write later, but for now, lets get back to the country living guidebook. Some of the content of the book deals with road and ditch maintenance, water rights, and other day-to-day activities such as more frequent loss of power and other utilities. "The whole basis for *The Code of The West* is honesty and integrity and telling people straight out what to expect if you live in a rural area," said Clarke. "You are not going to get the same services you get in a city."

Since I have moved back to the country, I have noticed several folks who moved out in the fresh air with me could use a copy of this book.

We all seem to forget that both the city and country have advantages and disadvantages. It is important to

remember the old rule, "that when in Rome, do as the Romans."

Agriculture is covered extensively in the book, and it notes farmers may work around the clock during planting and harvesting times. There have already been some problems in Tennessee from folks who bought small acreage lots in rural areas, not realizing that fact. They bought their lots when the crops were in their growing season, and the countryside was quite and peaceful. However, when harvest began, and tractors and grain bins started to run around the clock, new homeowners began to complain. Homeowners in the area called special meetings, and it became quite a problem for all parties concerned. A little understanding about country life could have saved everyone a lot of time and money.

One passage in the book seemed to sum up everything in one sentence. It said, "Animals and their manure can cause objectionable odors, what else can we say?"

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Halls High School will have its fourth annual observance of Black History Month at 10 a.m. Feb. 27th in the new gym.

Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsbrook

Louise Thurmond spent week-end before last with her cousin, Mrs. Gladys Cloys, and husband, Luke, in Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hill returned home last week after a three-week trip to Phoenix, Ariz. They visited Mr. Hill's sister, Martha Taylor, and her husband, Gilbert.

Mary Martha Dyer entertained her bridge club Tuesday of last week. Norene Pugh and her sister-in-law, Dorothy Stuts, a visitor from Dyersburg, were high scorers. The hostess served home-made cookies and fruit drinks during the games.

Marriages

Feb. 7 -- Bobby Gene Maxwell, Jr., 41, to Donna Gayle Brown, 39, by Billy P. Brandon.

Feb. 10 -- Lewis Gene Buckner, Jr., 19, to Candi Lee Von Maurer, 17, by Willard Norvell.

Feb. 11 -- Sanford Wendell Halliburton, 32, to Teressa Delois Dennis, 33, by Willard Norvell.

Feb. 12 -- James Keith Webb, 26, to Ella Ann Elrod, 32, by Willard Norvell.

Feb. 13 -- Donald Allen Morgan, 37, to Mary Josephine Mosby, 42, by Willard Norvell.

Anniversaries

Feb. 21 -- Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jacobs.

Feb. 24 -- Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cook, Mr. and Mrs. James Criner Sr.

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Winning Essays



GOOD CITIZENS AWARDS were presented to Hannah Callender, a Halls High School senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Callender, of Halls, and to Emmie Henderson, center, a Ripley High School senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Henderson, of Ripley, by Ellen Barfield, right, at the Feb. 11th meeting of the Fort Prudhomme Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

Ellen and Hannah wrote winning essays on "Our American Heritage and My Responsibility to Keep It." They have shown outstanding leadership in school, community and their church.

Readers Speak

Editor:

Sixty-three years ago, in Poplar Grove, there lived a poor family of sharecroppers. Rube was the father, Etta the mother, and a boy and girl named Doyle and Jewell. Doyle was ten years older than Jewell and he loved his little sister very much.

One day disaster struck the family. Etta fell dead suddenly on the front porch of the little farmhouse. Rube did the best he could for the next few years, trying to raise two children alone and scratch out a living in the hard west Tennessee dirt. Finally he decided to remarry, a woman named Eoleon, who had a boy and girl of her own. It was agreed that Doyle would go to live with his grandparents in Poplar Grove, and Jewell would move with the new family to a small town in eastern Arkansas.

That is when the trouble began. Eoleon was a cruel woman who hated Jewell from the start. When they arrived at their new home Rube had to work in the field all day. This gave Eoleon plenty of time to exercise her cruelty. She would wake up little Jewell at 5 a.m. with a hard pinch on the leg, to get up and make the fire and do the chores, while her own children slept until breakfast. Not only would she slap and abuse Jewell, but her own children would often join in the fun. When they would go to town, Eoleon could always find a nickle for each of her kids to have candy but never for Jewell. She was warned never to breathe a word to her father or else.

Finally one day a neighbor saw the two kids giving Jewell a licking behind the barn and she wrote Doyle's grandparents a letter. After reading the letter, Doyle set out on foot with his friend, Thomas Smith, a guitar-playing troubadour, to bring his little sister home. They took the ferry across the mighty Mississippi and after several adventures, arrived at the farmhouse. Rube was in the field, and when Eoleon heard why they had come, she began to shriek her displeasure. The thought of losing her kitchen servant was more than she could bear. She swore that Jewell would never leave. That stout young man, only 19 years old, stepped right up to her and said, "There are two things I am certain of. One is that the sun will rise in the morning, and the other is that Jewell will be leaving here with me when it does."

The next morning, Doyle was back at the house, and Jewell, with her belongings stuffed in a croaker sack, was waiting on the front porch. They rode the bus down to Memphis, then back up to Halls.

Jewell found a good home with her loving grandparents, and lived

Merida Hamby, regent, presided. Inez Douglas gave the devotional on "Better Than Gold," using Proverbs 16:16. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the American's Creed were recited.

Liz Craft, secretary, read the minutes from the Jan. meeting. Mary Ellen Carnell read the National Defense message on spending cuts.

Frances Hargett and Mary Ellen Carnell, hostesses, served apple cake, spiced pecans, coffee and Coke.

The meeting adjourned until Mar. 11th, when a tree planting ceremony will be held at Lauderdale Middle School.

until the war, when she went to Washington D.C. to work, and later she moved to Hendersonville with her husband, Bill Powell, and their two sons. Jewell did not let this experience harden her heart, but rather she grew closer to God, and has blessed many people with her life. I know this because I am her son, and Doyle is my uncle. He still lives on the land of his grandparents and is loved by all who know him. I love my uncle Doyle, and in a world where they are getting hard to find, my uncle Doyle is a big, big man.

WILLIAM C. POWELL JR.
Hendersonville

Halls Youth Ski Trip



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J. H. Rochelle Dies, 88; Speaker Educator, Civic Leader

J. H. Rochelle, 88, prominent educator and civic leader, died about 4 a.m. Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital in Memphis, after surgery for a hip broken in a fall the week before.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church in Ripley, in which he had taught the Men's Bible Class for some 40 years and had served as chairman of deacons.

Burial was in Ripley Memorial Gardens, Garner's Ripley Funeral Home in charge. Born in Gibson County, he was reared in Carroll County and was graduated from Trezevant High School in 1927.

He took a bachelor of science degree from West Tennessee Teachers College (now the University of Memphis) in 1931.

He taught mathematics in Trezevant High School for six years, moving to Halls in 1937, teaching one year and serving as principal two years in Halls Grammar School.

Summer studies at Columbia University in New York City earned a master of arts degree in school administration. In Halls, he met a teacher, Kate Pennington, whom he married in 1941, a year after he began 25 years of service as principal of Ripley Grammar School.

In 1965, he became superintendent of Union City schools.

In 1970, he became an assistant professor of education in the University of Tennessee at Martin.

In retirement, he has served as a bailiff in the Lauderdale County Circuit Court.

A past president (1943-44) of the Ripley Rotary Club, he was a Paul Harris Fellow of Rotary International and the senior member of the club, with 55 years of perfect attendance.

A Mason since 1939, he served two terms as Worshipful Master of the Ripley Lodge.

He was chosen Lauderdale County's Citizen of the Year in 1995.

Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, Bill Rochelle, of Los Angeles, Calif., and Jack P. Rochelle, of Forth Worth, Tex.; and two sisters, Martha Blow, of Trezevant, and Janie Morris, of Bon Aqua, three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.



J. H. ROCHELLE

Quail Unlimited To Hold Burn Seminar

Landowners and others interested in learning the benefits and techniques of controlled burning, to make their property more productive and enhancing its ability to support wildlife, are invited to a seminar, sponsored by the local chapter of Quail Unlimited, at 8 a.m. March 8th at the Volunteer Bank in Covington.

The schedule includes talks by local Tennessee Forestry officials, the Tennessee Regional Director of Quail Unlimited and a local TWRA person, followed by a burn demonstration, weather permitting. Further information from Harold Thomas, 635-9515, or Brad Osborn, 837-4773.

Drug Testing Company Meets With Governor

Kelly Stanley, of Ripley, president of Mobile Lab Express in Dyersburg, was in Nashville Feb. 12th to meet with Gov. Don Sundquist and commissioner of policy, Stephanie Barger, about the services of Mobile Lab Express.

Mobile Lab Express was started more than two years ago to serve local businesses and industries with on-site drug and alcohol testing. They have expanded to include follow-up counseling and occupational medicine. They are strictly regulated with Department of Transportation and state requirements.

Farm Service Offers Sign-Up For C. R. P.

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) sign-up number 15 will be from March 3rd through 28th at the Lauderdale County Farm Service Agency.

CRP, a voluntary program offering annual rental payments, incentive payments for certain activities and cost-share assistance to establish approved cover on eligible cropland, encourages farmers to plant long-term resource conserving covers to improve soil, water and wildlife resources. Further information from 635-9091 or 635-0851.

FISH FRY BENEFIT

The Frog Jump Volunteer Fire Department will sponsor a fish fry beginning at 4 p.m. March 1st in Maury City school cafeteria, eat in or take out. Tickets, \$6, may be purchased from Frog Jump Volunteer Firemen or at the door. Proceeds benefit the building fund.

Hee Haw Celebrates Anniversary



JOHN WAGNER, a professional speaker with an entertaining and motivational message about the positive power of humor, will be guest speaker for the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce Annual Membership Banquet at 7 p.m. March 20th in the Ripley High School cafeteria.

Mr. Wagner gained counseling, managing, teaching and coaching experience while working in high school, college and private practice. He earned a bachelor's and master's degree and is a licensed clinical counselor, a nationally certified counselor, and is certified in reality therapy.

Born and raised in Northern Kentucky by Appalachian parents, Mr. Wagner grew up working in his father's small cafe where he learned many business lessons first hand. The food was the usual fare but it was the family's ability to make customers laugh and feel good that brought them back.

Mr. Wagner's interests led him to a day job as a counselor, and an evening job as a stand-up comic at local nightclubs. His dilemma was that his career was taking two very different directions -- one serious, one funny! Feeling uncomfortable and a little schizophrenic, he began to explore humor's positive impact on human behavior. His real life roles as husband and father constantly provide him with a reality check of his work and his family is a great source of material.

Combining his two career directions, Mr. Wagner created his "Seriously Funny" speaking business and has presented his humor programs to many diverse corporate and professional groups. His mission is to help you use the positive power of humor to thrive in times of change.

All members are encouraged to attend the membership banquet. Members will each receive two complimentary banquet tickets in the mail. Additional tickets may be purchased, \$7.50 per person, from the Chamber Office. Further information from 635-9541.

Tanner Seeks Delay In Farm Office Closings

U. S. Representative John Tanner asked the USDA to halt the proposed consolidations and closing of Farm Service Agency offices across Tennessee.

In a letter to Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman, Rep. Tanner stressed the importance of assuring Tennessee farmers they will be adequately serviced. "We have a commitment from members who sit on the Agriculture Committee that hearings will be held to address the disproportionate amount of cuts that Tennessee will bear if the proposed plan is implemented," wrote Tanner. "We should wait for the results of the upcoming hearings."

Tennessee has about 80,000 farms representing about 3.88 percent of the 2.063 million farms nationwide but is only being allocated about 2.08 percent of the Farm Service Agency offices nationwide. The proposal of a total reduction of 66 percent of the 95 original FSA offices would result in a reduction of 40 offices leaving Tennessee 15 percent below the national average.

20 YEARS OF PERFORMANCES

by Hee Haw will be celebrated this weekend with performances beginning at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening in the Ripley High School Little Theatre, \$5 adults, \$2 children. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. Pictured above is the 1977 cast in center photo; lower photo is 1978 cast.

Director, Joyce Pegg, a 20-year cast member and director for the past 13 years, challenges all former cast members to attend at least one night. This performance will be taken from all the script back to 1977 when it all began to celebrate this 20th anniversary. Frances Johnson was the first director, Alice Smith McCoy directed the show for six years.

The Lauderdale County Cancer Society has been a top fund raiser for the past nine years in the state, grossing \$8,100 last year, the most ever raised from our county. This would not have been possible without the many volunteers and without Hee Haw.

"Many cast members have come and gone since 1977," stated Joyce, "there's been lots of joy and happiness in putting on the show, but we have had our share of heartache as well. Six cast members have died of cancer, Everett Agee (Junior); Bill Smith (Archie); Emma Langley (All Girl Band); Jean Sanford, who worked the script scroll; and Harold Pegg, who worked the door; Glenda Simpson (Lulu), died of a heart attack; and Joyce lost her husband, Billy, in November from a heart attack. He helped her in many ways, always by her side in the background at this fund raiser."

As a former cast member, playing the nurse for six years and later joining the cast for a performance, I can say that these people are dedicated. It's fun, but a lot of nights away from your family. As a young mother, it was difficult on the week of practice to leave small children, but the reward was great, to know I may have helped research for the terminally ill or help find a possible cure for cancer from money I helped raise.

A portion of money stays in Lauderdale County for the purpose of helping local cancer patients. The Cancer Society president, Annie Laura Jennings, would like to make Lauderdale County cancer patients aware of the help they may obtain from the local cancer fund. If you need extra money for gas to make trips to the doctor while you are being treated or need nutrients or have a medical need, please call Larry Carden, service chairman for Lauderdale County, 635-1461.

If you attend this show I hope that you will remember that no one gets paid, it's all volunteers. This is serious business but you'll have fun.

The American Cancer Society reports this week that overall an estimated 29,100 new cancer cases and 11,800 cancer deaths will occur in Tennessee this



year, this number is incomprehensible, who knows who will be next.

For a fun packed evening, bring your family this Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. There will never be a dull moment. You'll have a Rootin' Tootin' good time. After all, laughter is the best medicine.

—By Sandra Hughes

MATURE DRIVING COURSE

The Bank of Ripley will host a 55 Alive/Mature Driving Course March 11th and 12th. The eight-hour classroom refresher course, developed by AARP, is designed to

help drivers 50 years of age or older enhance their driving skills and prevent traffic accidents. The class will be four hours each day and will be held in Carney Hall, at the Bank of Ripley, 134 North Jefferson from 8 a.m. to noon. Registration is \$8. Lunch will be provided.

Volunteer instructor, Henry Williams, of Belts, was trained by AARP to lead the course, presented through a combination of slide presentations and group discussion. Participants will receive a certificate of attendance that may aid in discounted automobile insurance.

To enroll contact Sherry Seeley or Beaton Matthews, 635-1230. Class seating is limited.

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Rotary Speaker



Land Transfers

Feb. 14 - Gary Alton Jackson and Connie Sue Jackson to Gary Alton Jackson, lot.
Diane E. Simmons and Ronald B. Simmons to Terry W. Beckom and Corando Y. Malone, Dist. 2, 31 acres.
Laverne Haynes and Mike Shelton to Oliver Lynn Droke, Dist. 2, lot.
Jerry Sue Critchfield to Lisa Hendren and Norman Hendren, Dist. 2, lot.
Betty Hargett and Gus L. Hargett to Lois Sylvester, Dist. 6, 73 acres.

Feb. 15 - Pickens and Associates, Inc. to James W. Scott and Phillip D. Wallace, Dist. 4, 3 tracts.
Feb. 18 - Joe H. Sorrells and Thelma G. Sorrells to Louis G. Chalk, Jr., Dist. 6, 35 acres.
Curry Alan Burks and Kristina Burks to Judy Kay Davis, and Thomas Jeffrey Davis, Dist. 8, 34.30 acres.
Feb. 19 - Clarence Fennema and Clarence Fennema Trust to Don Meacham and Jean Meacham, Dist. 2, lot.
Feb. 20 - Amos T. Atkins and

DR. BUCK TARPLEY, second from left, vice-president of Dyersburg State, introduced by Warren Nunn, second from right, was guest speaker at the luncheon meeting of the Halls Rotary Club. He was welcomed by Ron Goforth, right, president at the club, and visitors, Stewart Cull, left, of Australia, and Howard Guhrie, center, lieutenant governor of the district.

Laverne Atkins to Walter Battles, Dist. 10, 60 acres.
Tony Harrison, Aileen McGlasgow and Pat Parham to Amy Harrison Caldwell and Richard Marvin Caldwell, Dist. 6, 12 acres.

Danny Beard, Joy Beard, Cynthia B. Cherry, Steve Cherry, Maurice Gaines, Memory Gaines, Cynthia M. Greaves, Tom Greaves, Harriet Land and Marvin Land to Kimberly A. Helton and Ronnie D. Helton, Dist. 2, lot.
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GREER TRAINED STAR STUDENT

Army National Guard Pvt. Matthew F. Greer, son of the Elmer Greers, of Hwy. 88 west of Halls, has completed basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. He is a 1994 graduate of Halls High School.

Millsaps College in Jackson, Miss., reports on its fall semester dean's list Jon Ashley Hansford, son of the Jimmy Hansfords, of Halls (grade average above 3.5).

"To Everyone" My Thanks,

For the multitude and multitude of get well cards, prayer cards, telephone calls and visits during the time of my near death illness and while I was recuperating from a ruptured aneurysm of the aorta artery.

For all the ministers from all over that visited me while in the hospital and for all the churches that had prayer for my recovery. I am back at work and glad to be back and lack a little while before I am 100%. Thanks to everyone again for your thoughts, prayers, cards, visits and telephone calls. In the words of the late Minnie Pearl, "So glad to be here."

NOEL SHERROD

Dip the base of a candle in hot water before putting it in a candle holder. This will help it stick.

NOTICE

If you wish to VOTE in this year's Halls City Election, May 1, 1997, you must be registered to vote by April 1, 1997.

Register at Jones Warehouse Foods in Halls between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

March Nuptials Set



DEANNA DIANNE HARRELL, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Harrell, Jr., of Ripley, will marry Ricky Glenn Lawson, son of Don Lawson Sr., and Barbara Lawson, of Ripley, at 1 p.m. March 22nd in Grace Baptist Church in Ripley, all family and friends invited.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Edd Harrell, Sr., and the late Virginia Harrell, and of Bertha Jackson and the late Everette Jackson, of Ripley.

The groom-to-be is the grandson of Elsie Rickman, of Ripley, and of Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Jones, of Alamo.

A 1996 graduate of Ripley High School, the bride-elect was a member of the No. 1 Club, DECA, French, FHA and 4-H Honor Club. She is pursuing a degree in Nursing and Physical Therapy from Dyersburg State.

A 1997 graduate of Ripley High School, the groom-elect is a member of No. 1 Club, DECA and FFA. He is employed with Fred's Discount in Ripley.

The couple will reside in Ripley.

To Wed In Westside



AMY CARRINE PATTON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Patton, of Halls, will marry Danny T. Cates Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Danny T. Cates Sr., of Halls, at 6:30 p.m. March 22nd in Westside Baptist Church in Halls, without formal invitations, only out of town invitations will be sent.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Ruby Garret and the late Marcus Garrett, of Halls, and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Patton, of Halls.

The groom-elect is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Cates, of Halls, and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Don Buckner, of Halls.

A 1995 graduate of Dyersburg State Community College, the bride-to-be received an associate of science degree in elementary education. She will graduate in December from Union University with a bachelor of science in special education and elementary education.

A 1996 graduate of Union University in Jackson, the groom-to-be received a bachelor of arts degree in religion. He is employed with Anderson Hickey and is associate pastor at Enon Baptist Church in Halls.

The couple will reside at Curve until they move to Kentucky to further their education.

50th Anniversary



MR. AND MRS. MITCHELL CAMPBELL, of Gates, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception, hosted by their children, Brenda Holt, Diane Smith, James Campbell, Danny Campbell and Mary Ann Johnson, and their families, from 2 to 4 p.m. March 2nd in Halls Community Center, all family and friends invited. They were married March 7, 1947 in Corinth, Miss. Both are retired from Tupperware.

KING JAMES FELLOWSHIP Bible Fellowship at 7 p.m. Feb. 28th.

Evangelist Jeff Lewis, of Memphis, will be guest speaker. Refreshments will be served following services. The public is invited to attend.

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Woodville Locals
By Patricia Hughes
Mrs. Bernice Hodges, of Henning, and Mrs. Tammy Gay, of Halls, shopped in Halls Thursday of last week. They had lunch with Mrs. Hodges' mother, Mrs. Cloyce Holder, at Curve.
Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Newman and children, Amanda and Victor, of Covington, spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hughes.
Dillon Gay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Gay, and Victor Newman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Newman, of Covington, grandsons of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hughes, will celebrate their sixth birthdays this week.
Anniversaries
Feb. 27 - Mr. and Mrs. Larry McWilliams, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Jones.
Mar. 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Horner.
Mar. 2 - Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Connell.
Mar. 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Joe Norris.

Marriages
Feb. 14 - Stevenson Gromyka Morgan, 22, to Lisa Michelle Dees, 32, by Rev. Tom Sanders.
Alfonzo Lyndell Tyus, 25, to Kishanna Camille Nelson, 25, by Willard Norvell.
Famous Gregory Jones, 31, to Charlotte Annette Broadnax, 26, by Willard Norvell.
Joseph Michael Faulk, 34, to Billie Jean Scott, 36, by Billy P. Brandon.
Tony Darial Alexander, 25, to Anita Faye Williams, 22, by Willard Norvell.
James Michael Groves, Sr., 35, to Gayle Agnes Hirschberger, 39, by Bill Damron.
R.B. Spivey, 33, to Ronetta Suzanne Maclin, 29, by Rev. James Sullen.
Johnny Mack Scobey, 36, to Lanetta Sue Rushing, 32, by Richard Hackleman.
William Earl Hickman, 37, to Paula Jean Jones, 31, by L. C. Seratt.
Billy Joe White, 22, to Susan Faye Henson, 20, by Roy L. Barton.
Feb. 15 - Gordon Bernard Pearson, 21, to Sherri Kyonta Baker, 20, by Rev. Terry D. Barlow, Sr.
Alfred Lee Cooper, 27, to Mary Elizabeth Burnett, 24, by Rev. James N. Johnson.
Feb. 16 - Randy Oneal Paris, Jr., 19, to Kimberly Ann Kirk-

Birthdays
Feb. 27 - Margie Long, Sydney King, Bobby Can, Shirley Garton, Cindy Haynes, Jon Hargett, Neil Dyer, Dana Harden.
Feb. 28 - Kara Hughey, Bennett Bailey, Katharine Meadows, Jeff Shelton, Anthony Binkley, Hal Pennington, Nadine Cannon, Allyson Hartman, Beth Avery Dancy, Jenny Clark, Melissa Hurt, Sallye Rae Hartman, Sue Nelson, Lori Longest, Gina Hurt.
Mar. 1 - Elsie Critchfield, Billy Jean Green, Regina Hamlin, Nick Nunn, Terry Smarzewski, Christopher Paul Reynolds, Nick Nunn.
Mar. 2 - Kenny Parham, Michael L. Gaines, Bryan Harris, Felicia Klutts, Effie Williams, Ruby Stanfield, Kaleb Hamlet, Jack Newman.
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Anxiety can stunt your growth. Studies at Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York found that girls who were chronic worriers grew up about two inches shorter than those with average anxiety levels. Boys aren't affected the same way.
Zinc lozenges can ease symptoms of the common cold and maybe shorten its duration, studies at the Cleveland Clinic indicate. But many study participants got nauseated or disliked the taste, and only zinc gluconate-glycine seemed to work.
High levels of chemokines, natural substances in the immune system, seem to protect some people from HIV despite exposure to the virus, say scientists at the Aaron Diamond Research Center in New York.
Can't sleep? Lavender oil seemed to work as well against insomnia as prescription sleeping pills, a study at the University of Leicester found. Check with your doctor.
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Farm Equipment At School



SECOND GRADE STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School were escorted by FFA members around a display of farm equipment set up on school grounds by a local dealership Wednesday of last week. FFA members spoke to students about farming machines, chemicals and other aspects of farming.

Mrs. Laura Riley

Laura Woodard Riley, 63, of Byhalia, Miss., sister of Marvin Woodard, of 717 Long Hole Road, Ripley, Virginia Burkeen, of 193 Sunset Drive Ripley, and Joe Woodard, of Halls, died Wednesday of last week, of leukemia, in Methodist Hospital in Memphis.

Services were at 2 p.m. Friday in the Church of the Living Gospel, of which she was a member, in Byhalia, with burial in the Byhalia Cemetery. Holly Springs Funeral Home in charge.

She was a retired waitress.

Survivors include two sons, David Wiley and Larry Wiley, of Byhalia; three daughters, Lois Cirrito and Sharon Tacker, of Byhalia, and Jayce Mansfield, of Nashville; two other brothers, Bob Woodard, of Memphis, and Charles Woodard, of Dallas, Tex.; another sister, Katie Woodard, of Memphis; 18 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. David Thum

Madeline North Thum, 91, widow of David Thum, died Sunday, of heart failure, in the Lauderdale Health Care Center in Ripley.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Garner's Ripley Funeral Home, with burial in Memorial Gardens.

She was a member of Faith United Methodist Church.

She leaves two sons, Rufus Thum, of Ripley, and Robert Thum, of Halls; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

SPONSORS TREE DAY

Vernon McBride, chairman of the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District, announced that the Soil Conservation District (SCD) will sponsor a tree day, to promote tree planting in Lauderdale County, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 7th at the SCD office at 162 Randolph Street in Ripley. The District will give away 5,000 White Pines, 1,000 Yellow Poplars, 500 Cherrybark Oaks, 500 Virginia Pines and 500 Autumn Olives on a first come, first serve basis, with a limit of trees per person.

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Mar. 3rd

- Hot Dog on Bun
- Pepperoni Pizza
- Oven Fries
- Baked Beans
- Chilled Applesauce
- Fresh Fruit
- Peanut Butter Cookie Milk

Student Of Month



HANNAH CALLENDER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Callender, of Halls, was recognized by Barry Bates as Ripley Exchange Club Student of the Month in Halls High School. With a 4.0 grade point average, she is second in her class, president of the National Honor Society, class vice-president, student council vice-president, fellowship of Christian Athletes leader, captain of volleyball, softball and basketball, DAR award winner, Miss HHS, and All-American Scholar.

She is president of her church youth group and enjoys playing her guitar and singing at church. She leads the church youth choir.

She plans to attend either Rhodes or Wesleyan to become a computer engineer.

old and older may obtain jobs through Green Thumb. They provide training, work experience, educational opportunities and counseling.

Pam Sirmans, principal at Halls Junior High School, stated, "The best part of the program is the interaction with our students. The students are very respectful toward them and appreciate how they help in their studies. These volunteers are dedicated, hard-working and ask to help in any way they can."

Mary Bernard, at Halls Junior High School, stated, "I am glad to be working and I really enjoy the children. They keep me young. Mrs. Bernard also travels to the Senior Citizens Center on Friday with a class of students and teacher for the Personal Development Program involving seniors and a class of 7th grade students."

HALLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Halls Fire Department responded to a call at 5:30 p.m. Monday at the home of Eugene Meeks, 1814 Meeks Road near Halls. Two small sheds were burned with some damage to the house.

Students Jump Rope For Heart Research

Halls Elementary School students of Mrs. Rita Norvell and of coach Duke will jump rope during their regular physical education classes March 3rd through 15th to support heart and circulatory system research. Teams of six students will jump for three hours to demonstrate the fun and cardiovascular benefits of jumping rope. They will ask for sponsors to pledge a monetary amount for each minute the team jumps or for donations. All proceeds will benefit the American Heart Association.

EVANGELISTIC CONCERT

The New Creations will be in concert at 6:30 p.m. Sunday in Calvary Hill Baptist Church, 1990 Highway 51 North, in Ripley.

With a collaborative experience of more than 100 years, they travel full-time nationwide with their Evangelistic Music Ministry. Audiences are thrilled with their Southern-Style harmony and dynamic expression. This quartet re-

Honored

High School Students Offered Immunizations



SHIRLEY SPILLER, second from left, owner of Halls Insurance Agency, received a plaque Tuesday morning from Ron E. Webb, center, marketing representative for Allied Group Insurance Company. Attending the ceremony were, Nita Harrel, left, with whom she is now affiliated, and, from right, Martha Howard and Dorothy Kiestler.

The hepatitis B series, three immunizations given at one month, two month and six month intervals, will be given at no charge on campus to all Lauderdale County high school students returning the parental consent form through a program co-sponsored by the State of Tennessee Department of Health and the Lauderdale County School System.

Statistics from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) indicate that more than one third of the 300,000 Americans infected each year with hepatitis B are between the ages of 15 and 39.

The hepatitis B virus is 100 times more contagious than HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. Like HIV, the hepatitis B virus is spread through blood and bodily fluids, by sexual transmission, occupational exposure to infected blood, sharing needles during IV drug use or from mother to child during childbirth. It can also be spread through close, continuous, or household contact with an infected person or from exposure to infected blood or other bodily fluids during an athletic event.

"We're participating in this program because it's important that all Lauderdale County high school students learn what hepatitis B is, what behaviors to avoid to reduce the risk of contracting the virus and, most importantly, that hepatitis B can be prevented through vaccination," stated Bobby Webb, school superintendent. "We hope all our students will talk to their parents about hepatitis B prevention."

Further information from the Lauderdale County Board of Education, 635-2941, or Susan Porter, West Tennessee Regional Health Office, 423-6600.

parents, Neil and Mary Martha Dyer, by taking them to the Orpheum Theatre in Memphis to see the musical, "Carousel," Saturday afternoon and then for dinner at Benaha Restaurant.

Mildred and Tiny Pierce, of Millington, visited Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Puckett Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Gene Davis, Mrs. Neil Dyer, Mrs. O. J. Nunn, Mrs. Stewart Gall and Mrs. Charles Alsobrook attended the meeting of the Key Corner National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution at the home of Mrs. W. I. Thornton in Dyersburg Monday afternoon.

4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING contest winners for Lauderdale County, were, from left, Krista Newman, first place, and Alisha White, runner-up. Other winners, not pictured include Trandon Parish, Leigh Ann Harris, Sara Callendar, Kim Neil, Tyler Lynch and Rhonda Linton.

Concord Locals

By Mrs. Louise Fennell

Mrs. Lewis Mills, of Lightfoot, and grandson, David Sanders, were Sunday dinner guests of the Ronnie Carmacks.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Emerson were Saturday dinner guests of the Barry Jordans in Memphis.

Mrs. Virginia Conrad, of Greenville, Miss., spent Thursday night of last week with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Williams visited Mrs. Linnie Mae Archer at Frog Jump Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Allen, of Mobile, Ala., spent several days last week with Mrs. Mabel Voss.

Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsobrook

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Horner visited Mrs. R. J. Nunn in Memphis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Gall, of Belar, Australia, visited Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Nunn from Sunday until Wednesday.

Charlie and Cindy Dyer and children, Amy and Matthew, of Dyersburg, entertained Charlie's

vives memories of by-gone years inclusive of an intense excitement created through the varied song arrangements.

The group's most recent recording venture, their first on The Mark V Company's HeartLook label, is titled, "He'll Lift You Up."

The greatest joy is that "souls are still being born," into God's kingdom through the presentation of the Gospel through song.

The Rev. Wayne Rowan, pastor, invites the public.

Forked Deer

By Mrs. 'Red' Williams

Mr. and Mrs. John Emerson and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Summar were in Nashville weekend before last.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bird attended a birthday party for Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McHughes in the home of the Glenn Birds in Jackson Saturday night.

Adam Camp, of Halls, and Will Bird were in Memphis Saturday to see the Kroger St. Jude Tennis Tournament at the Racquet Club.

Mrs. 'Red' Williams visited her sister, Mrs. Clyde Mathis, in Brownsville Saturday.

Mrs. Johnny C. Emerson attended funeral services for Johnny Carlton at the Brownsville Funeral Home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McHughes, of Jackson, had supper with the Allen Birds Thursday night of last week.

Steve Williams, of Dyersburg, visited his mother, Mrs. Demetra Williams, Saturday.

Barr Locals

By Mrs. Ward Hardy

Mrs. Roy Phillips, of Ripley, and Mrs. Ward Hardy visited Mr. and Mrs. Mike Via and children in Dyersburg Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ronnie Sutton, of Covington, and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Smith visited Rhea Freeman in Jackson-Madison County Hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Freeman, of Dry Hill, visited Floyd Freeman Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Kissell and daughter, Lily, of Halls, visited the Ithmer Kissells Wednesday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Danny Langley and children, Hanna and Caleb, of Ripley, had lunch with the Kissells Sunday.

Mrs. Dale Jones, of Chisholm Lake Road, is in Baptist Hospital Central in Memphis.

Ward Hardy spent Friday in Martin.

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