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Couple, 3 Children Dead In Smoke-Choked Home

Two sons of William E. Britton, of Henning, were among five fatalities in a blaze which swept a residence in Kirby Oaks Condos, in southeast Shelby County, about 5:30 a.m. Monday of last week.

Jonathan "Cody" Britton, 6, and William "Tyler" Britton, 8, first and third graders in Germantown Elementary School, died of smoke inhalation, along with their mother, Christina Michelle Trim Britton, 27, Justin Mabry, and Erin Mabry, 18 months old.

Investigators think the fire started on the first floor of a 3-bedroom apartment in a wood-frame residence, adjoining other residences, while the victims slept upstairs.

Shelby County Sheriff's Lt. J. R. Holland says preliminary investigation indicates the fire started from an open flame, perhaps from the fireplace or from a candle.

Neighbor Brian Hodges said his family was awakened by smoke.

"In a matter of minutes," he said, "there were huge flames coming out of the windows."

Neighbor Ernie Hall, alerted by another neighbor that smoke was seeping into her rooms, was joined by two sheriff's deputies who tried to break down the front door before fire-fighters arrived. They were

turned away by heat and smoke.

The blaze gamed three adjoining residences.

Services for Mrs. Britton and her sons, Jonathan and William, were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Memphis Funeral Home Germantown Parkway Chapel, with burial in Memory Hill Gardens.

Mrs. Britton, a 1989 graduate of Overton High School in Memphis, was a pre-medical student on the dean's list at the University of Memphis.

RETIREMENT RECEPTION

Iris Goodwin has retired after 16 1/2 years as activities director for Ripley Healthcare and Rehab Center. A reception in her honor will be held at 3 p.m. Jan. 13th at Ripley Healthcare. All family, friends and volunteers are invited to attend.

2 Drivers Die In Head-On Crash



TWO DRIVERS DIED when they collided head-on about 11:40 a.m. Saturday on Highway 87 west of Henning.

Highway Patrolman Roy Mills says that Fred Clifford Wright III, 17, of 599 Hanna, Ripley, was driving a 1992 Chevrolet Lumina west when it struck a 1995 Mercedes C22 driven east by Charlie Davis, Jr., 39, of Milwaukee, Wisc., en route to a funeral.

Wright was thrown through the windshield. The Mercedes burst into flames. Davis relatives, who were following the Mercedes, pulled Davis from the wreckage.

Wright, the son of Tammy Wright, of Ripley, and Fred C. Wright, Jr., of Las Vegas, Nev., was born June 20, 1981, in Denver, Colo.

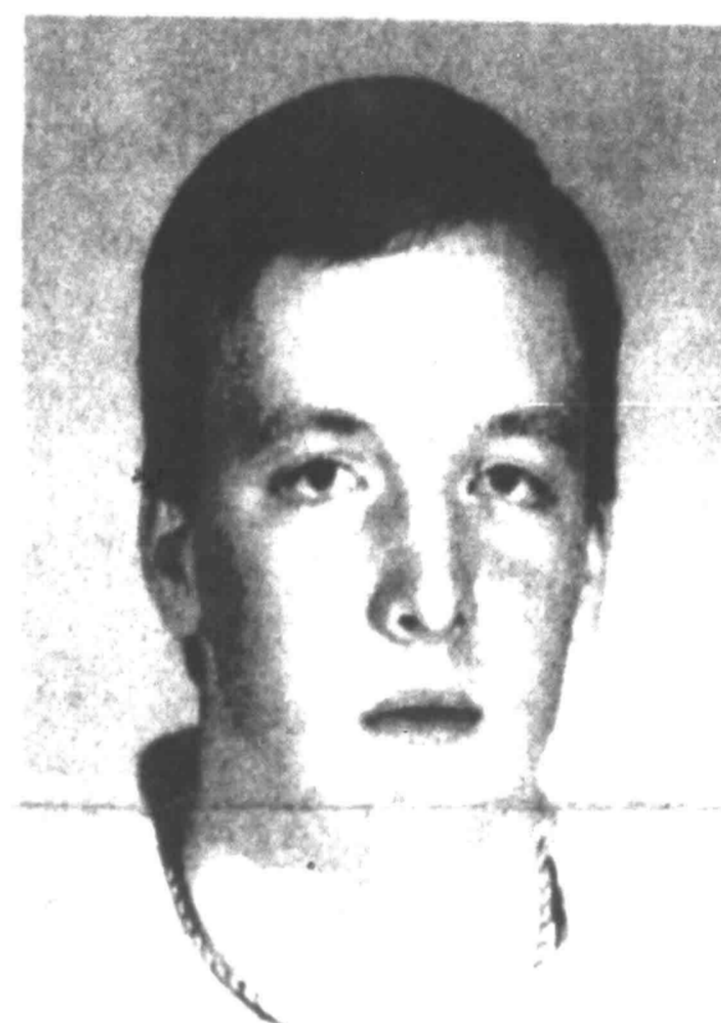
A junior in Ripley High School, he was active in basketball and was a member of Sigma Phi Omega.

Rites were at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Ripley's First Baptist Church, of which he was a member. Burial was in Ripley Memorial Gardens, with Yarbrough Funeral Home in charge.

Besides his parents, Fred leaves a sister, Tia Wright, of Ripley, and his grandparents, The Rev. and Mrs. Gene Sanders, of Ripley.

Mr. Davis, a self-employed carpenter, was born at Ripley March 5, 1959, son of Charlie and Eula Davis, of Henning, who survive.

He was a 32nd degree Mason and a member of Holy Redeemer Church of God in Christ in Milwaukee, where memorial services will be held Thursday, before rites in



FRED C. WRIGHT III

St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning at noon Saturday, with burial in Bluff Cemetery, Thomas Funeral Home in charge.

Besides his parents, he is survived by a son, Charlie III, and a daughter, Tyronzia Da-



CHARLIE DAVIS, JR.

vis, of Milwaukee; three brothers, Anthony and Octavius, of Dyersburg, and Donald, of Milwaukee; a half-brother, Shelton Ruffin, of Henning; and two sisters, Virgie L. Bolden, of Dyersburg, and Emma L. Baker, of Decatur, Ill.; and one grandchild.

Annual Meeting For Livestock Association

The Lauderdale County Livestock Association will hold its winter meeting at 6 p.m. Jan. 19th in the F.O.P. Building in Ripley. A meal will be served, call Richard Buntin at the Lauderdale County Extension Service, 635-9551, before Jan. 15th to reserve your seat.

The livestock association is a group of local citizens concerned with the production of beef and pork. Membership is open. Annual dues are \$30, payable at the door. Payment of dues entitles member to a one-year membership in the Lauderdale County Livestock Associa-

tion and membership in either the Tennessee Cattlemen's Association or the Tennessee Pork Producer's Association. Membership in all three organizations is \$50.

PRE-ANNIVERSARY MUSICAL

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church in Dyersburg will have a pre-anniversary musical, "For The Heaven-Bound Singer Of Ripley," at 6 p.m. Jan. 9th. Special guests include the Spirit of Ripley, Revival Singer, Southernaires, and Heavenly Voices, plus other guest choirs and groups. The Rev. McCadney, pastor, invites the public.

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Land Transfers

Dec. 28 - Billy G. Chapman to Thomas Hall and Deborah C. Me-thina, lot.
Billy G. Chapman to Jacqueline

Bartlett, Dist. 3, 5.06 acres.
Dec. 29 - Bank of Ripley to Gail S. Shelton and Jerry A. Shelton, Dist. 16, 0.83 acre.
Dorothy Bard and James Burris Bard to Juanita Crowder and Willis Crowder, Dist. 5, 3 tracts.
Dec. 31 -- Griggs Lumber Inc. to Grace H. Barbee and Levi Bar-bee, Dist. 2, lot.

Amy J. Richards and Steven M. Richards to Devora K. Brown and Gregg L. Brown, Dist. 2, lot.

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Jan. 11th
Chicken Fillet on Bun
Pepperoni Pizza
Potato Rounds
Fresh Vegetables w/Dip
Fresh Apple
Pear Half
Chocolate Brownie
Milk

Tuesday, January 12th
Tacos w/Trimmings

Chicken Fried Steak
Whole Kernel Corn
Lettuce and Tomato Cup
Applesauce
Peach Slices
Rolls
Milk

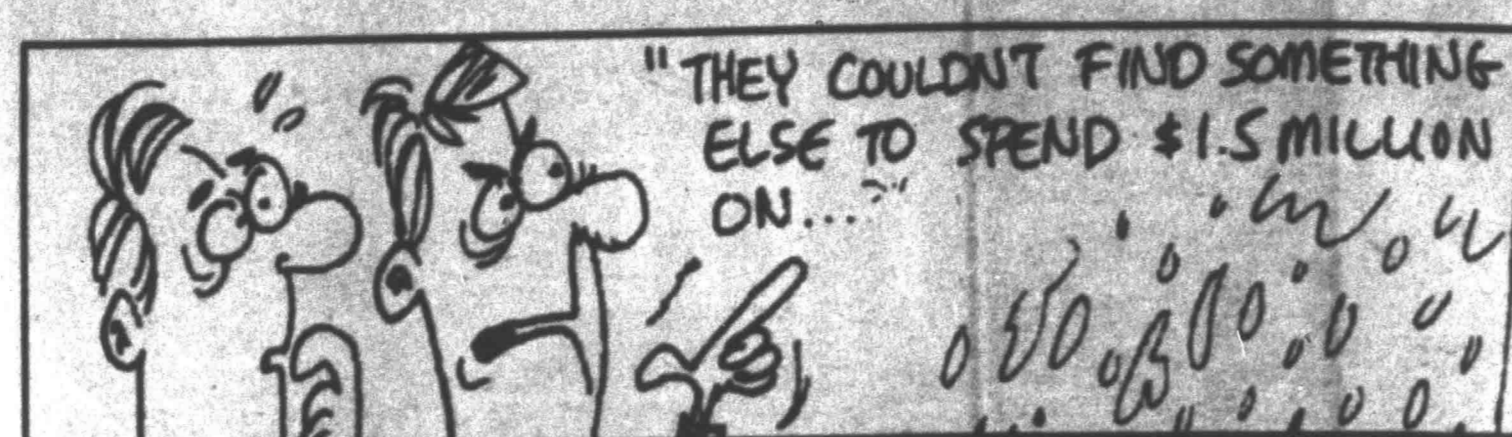
Wednesday, January 13th
Menu - School's Choice

Thursday, January 14th
Sliced Turkey w/Gravy
Corn Dog
Whipped Potatoes
Green Beans
Apricot Slices
Congealed Fruit Salad
Rolls
Milk

Friday, January 15th
Spaghetti
Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich
Mixed Green Salad
Fried Okra
Orange Slices
Fruit Cocktail
Rolls
Milk



Miami, Florida, was developed near the site of a 19th century army post known as Fort Dallas.



The world's tallest fountain is found in Fountain Hills, Arizona. Built at a cost of \$1.5 million for McCulloch Properties Inc., the 564-foot tall column of water weights more than eight tons.

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Will Marry In Halls



MICHELLE MARIE EDENFIELD, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Edenfield, of Halls, will marry **LAWRENCE ARVIN WILES**, son of Sarah Wiles, of Henning, and James Wiles, of Cleveland, Ohio, at 5 p.m. Jan. 23rd in Halls Methodist Church, all family and friends invited.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Edenfield, of Grand Ridge, Fla., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kratochwil, of Pawtucket, R.I. A 1986 graduate of Halls High School, the bride-to-be is employed with Excel Communications, Inc. in Memphis.

The groom-elect is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Forrester, of Memphis, and the late Mr. and Mrs. John Wiles, of Philadelphia, Pa.

A 1984 graduate of Ripley High School, the groom-to-be graduated in 1990 from the University of Memphis with a bachelor of science in Electrical Engineering. He is self-employed as an engineering consultant with S&E Engineering in Ripley.

The couple will reside in Halls.

Stocking Winner



AMBER SEIBER, center, pictured with her mother, **Sherry Seiber**, left, both of Halls, was the winner of the Christmas stocking drawing held Christmas Eve at H & A Partners on Hwy. 88 West in Halls. **Shirley White**, right, is store manager.

of Sheffield, Ala., visited Roger and Lynn Harris Sunday evening and Monday.

Mary Alsbrook fell while in Memphis Monday night of last week. She spent time in Methodist Hospital of Dyersburg and is now in Cane Creek facility at Martin for a six-week stay.

Thomas E. Sanders.

Dec. 24 - Phillip Charles Warwick, 31, to Joy Lynn Goforth, 28, by Rev. Manuel L. Valadez.

Dec. 26 -- Sidney Marshall Cook, 42, to Patsy Lee Rose, 41, by Rev. Jessie E. Kiestler.

Dec. 28 - William Coleman Cain, 22, to Crystal Gail Kirkpatrick, 21, by Rev. Jimmy C. Maples.

Dec. 31 - James Lewis Yarbro, 68, to Myrna Carol Yarbro, 60, by Jeff Huffman.

Denys Alden Yeager, 38, to Juliann Griffin, 31, by Willard Norvell.



The people of India speak 14 major languages and 1,000 minor dialects. Two major languages belong to two language families—Indo-European and Dravidian.

Birthdays

Jan. 7th - Samantha Novie Price, Connie Nelson, Jennifer Webster, Matt Hogue, Louie Lawrence, Kelly Carmack.

Jan. 8th - Lisa Hendren, Jerri Langley, Sandra Jones, Catherine Kirkpatrick, Danny McCaslin, Heather Davis, Tena Terry, Vance Brewster Jr., Lindsey Carrington, Zena Hamlet.

Jan. 9th - Phyllis Mayfield, Randy Lankford, Monica Burlison, Dena Dew, Summer Scott, Annette Maxwell, Annie Summar, Amber Shands, Christopher Morris, Oye Owens, Connie Nelson, Dana Moore.

Jan. 10th - Al Hamilton, David Dunaway, Sara Pilcher, Amanda Crites, Jason Baynes, Amber Dowling, Alex Lance Aitken, Ronnie Rickard, Andrew Thornton, Carmon Reece Belton, Mike Winn, Robert Steelman, Sheryl Belton.

Jan. 11th - Kim Sweat, Stephanie Etheridge, Katrena Walker, Memory Gaines, Lori Kirkpatrick, Stephanie Sanders, Jeff Ezekiel, Rachel Clark, Mary Bernard.

Jan. 12th - Kenneth Daniels, Gary Scheiblein, Jeff Maclin, Greg Summar, Melissa Stutzman, Nicole Griggs, Christal Land, Jeff Maclin, Tim Vincent, Wayne Alley.

Jan. 13th - Susan Patterson, John Whitley Francis, Cheryl Smith, Lera Campbell.

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On Monday, January 11, 1999, at 10:00 a.m., The Lauderdale County Bank will offer for sale at public Auction the following items of property:

1994 Ford Taurus
VIN# 1FALP52UXRA194247

Sale will be held at The Lauderdale County Bank, 305 S. Church St., Halls, Tn., and inspection of the property may be made during normal banking hours prior to the sale. All items are sold "as is" and the Bank makes no warranty except that it has legal right to sell and convey title to said property. The Bank reserves the right to bid or to reject any bid received.

Anniversaries

Jan. 7th - Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Klutts, Mr. and Mrs. William Harold Baker.

Jan. 8th - Mr. and Mrs. Neal Crowder, Mr. and Mrs. Jon Hargett.

Jan. 9th - Mr. and Mrs. Alan Jordan.

Jan. 10th - Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Helton.

Jan. 11th - Mr. and Mrs. Allan

Kiestler, Mr. and Mrs. Rob Burks.
Jan. 13th - Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Hutcherson.

Marriages

Dec. 23 - Perry Lane Max, 37, to Jo Ann Ditto, 28, by Thomas E. Sanders.

Vernon Calvin Lane, 48, to Virginia Lynette Vaughn, 35, by

Brevities

Roger and Lynne Harris attended funeral services for their aunt, Irene Dawn Stallings, widow of W. Frank Stallings, at Brownsville Funeral Home Saturday morning. Other relatives attending were Jerald Daws, of Germantown, and Kathy Daws Gardner, of Memphis. Mrs. Stallings was the sister of Winston Daws, of Halls.

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Hit & Run Victim: Elvy Rorie Dies; Mrs. Woodall, 55 School Principal

Burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens was set for 10 a.m. Thursday for Patricia Lee "Patti" Woodall, 55, of Memphis, employed by Schering-Plough Health Products, a pedestrian killed Monday in a hit and run accident in Memphis.

Roller Family Funeral Home, of Memphis, had charge of services.

An avid golfer, Mrs. Woodall had played in many tournaments.

She leaves her husband, Paul C. Woodall; two sons, David and Marshall Durham, of Memphis; a step-son, Ronnie Woodall, of Durham, N.C.; a brother, Edward Ripley Pollard, of Superior, Colo.; and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Stallings

Irene Stallings, 89, sister of Winston Daws, of Halls, died Thursday of last week, of heart failure, in Douglas Nursing Home in Milan.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday in Brownsville Funeral Home, with burial in Oakwood Cemetery.

She was a Baptist.

She was the widow of Willie Frank Stallings.

Survivors include a daughter, Cora Joyce Graves, of Medina; another brother, Hobson Daws, of Phoenix, Ariz.; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorial gifts to the Alzheimers Assn. would be appropriate.

Frances Carter

Frances Yvonne Ross Carter, 59, of Ripley, died of heart failure Jan. 3rd in her home.

Services were at 11 a.m. Jan. 5th in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

She was a retired bill collector for Nationwide Collection Corp.

She was a member of Raleigh Seventh Day Adventist Church in Memphis.

She leaves two sons, Victor Anthony Carter, of Ripley, and Donald Thomas Golden, of Knoxville; three daughters, Theresa Lynn Quick and Rita McClung, both of Knoxville; and Joyce Woodard, of Ripley; a brother, Tom Ross, of Kentucky; a sister, Edith Mattingly, of Mississippi; and eight grandchildren.

Elvy Rorie, Jr. 65, of 113 Larkwood, Ripley, who closed a long career in Lauderdale County schools as principal of Ripley Elementary School, died Wednesday of last week, of cancer, at home.

Services were at 1 p.m. Friday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

He was born at Fulton, Jan. 23, 1933, son of Elvy and Lena Jenkins Rorie.

He served in the Navy during the Korean War.

He had served as president of the West Tenn. Education Assn.

He was active in founding the Tucker Adult Development Center.

He was the widower of Mildred Williams Rorie.

He leaves a son, Elvy III, of Ripley; two daughters, Margaret Sansom, of North Byrtle Beach, S.C., and Missy Davis, of Vicksburg, Miss.; a brother, C.J. Rorie, of Fulton, Md.; a sister, Virginia Wright, of Mississippi; and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Kitchens

Bertha L. Kitchens, 91, mother of Earnest Kitchens, of Ripley, died Friday, of heart failure, in Ripley Healthcare.

Services were at 4 p.m. Sunday in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in Covington Memorial Gardens.

She was a member of Garland Baptist Church in Tipton County.

She was the widow of Wes Kitchens.

Survivors include four other sons, Leroy, of Covington, Robert, of Bartlett, Tom, of Conway, Ark., and Larry, of Chicago, Ill.; a half-sister, Alice Pearl Stewart, of Louisiana; a brother, Wordie McCullough, of Covington; three step-brothers, Charlie and Jess Coats, of Covington, and Joe Coats, of Pasadena, Tex.; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

James H. Bates

James Herbert Bates, 88, brother of Frances Hoye, of Ripley, died Friday, of heart failure, in

Oakwood Manor Nursing Home in Dyersburg.

Services were at 1 p.m. Sunday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Whitefield Cemetery.

He was a retired farmer.

He was born June 4, 1910, in Crockett County, son of the late John and Eula Swain Bates.

He was the widower of Bertha Lorene Williams Bates.

Survivors include three brothers, Noah, of Dyersburg, Ewell, of Paris, and William, of Chicago, Ill.; three other sisters, Ida Stone, of Kenton, and Martha Bates and Katherine Wheeler, of Little Rock, Ark.; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and 22 great-great-grandchildren.

Patricia Pearson

Patricia Pearson, 32, of Cleveland, Ohio, formerly of Ripley, died of heart failure Jan. 3rd in St. Luke Hospital in Cleveland.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Jan. 8th in St. Matthew Missionary Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in the church cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home in charge.

She leaves three sons, Nicholas, Wesley and Chad Pearson, and three daughters, Tamika, Emily and Sierra Pearson, all of Cleveland, Ohio; her father, Thomas Pearson, her step-mother, Bertha Pearson, a brother, Thomas Pearson, Jr., two step-brothers, James and Curtis Currie, two step-sisters, Carol Franklin and Gloria Webster, and her grandmother, Lillie Mae Pearson, all of Ripley; and four sisters, Jackie Pearson, of Covington, Annie Louise Pearson and Sarah Pearson, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Ernestine Barbee, of Decatur, Ill.

Geneva McDaniel

Geneva McDaniel, 54, of Memphis, sister of Clinton McDaniel, of Henning, and of Willie Earl McDaniel, died Wednesday of last week, of heart failure, in Methodist Hospital in Memphis.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Holy Temple Missionary Baptist Church, with burial in Union Cemetery at Lucy, Jefferson Mortuary, of Millington, in charge.

She had retired as a spot welder for Sandusky Cabinet.

She was a former member of

the St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church in Wilkinsville.

Survivors include her husband, Roy Brown; a son, Elton, and five daughters, Cassandra, Pamela, Paula, Sherita, and Vanessa McDaniel, all of Memphis; another brother, Sidney McDaniel, of Memphis; three other sisters, Ernestine McDaniel, Louise Thompson, and Ruth Fleming, of Memphis; 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. Frank Morgan

Deborah Anita Driver Morgan, 46, of Dyersburg, died Dec. 28th in Methodist Hospital of Dyersburg.

Services were at noon Jan. 2nd in St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in Bluff Cemetery in Ripley, Thomas Funeral Home had charge.

She was an accountant manager with Dyersburg State Community College.

She leaves her husband, Frank James Morgan, Sr., a son, Frank James Morgan Jr., and a daughter, Estellita Morgan, all of Dyersburg; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bumbardy Driver, Sr., of Ripley; four brothers, Bumbardy Driver Jr., of Ripley, Myron and Victor Driver, both of Dyersburg, and Sean Driver, of Memphis; and six sisters, Patricia Wilson, Enor J. Saverson, Rita A. Coleman and Bridgette Muhummand, all of Chicago, Ill., Sherri Vaughn, of Covington, and Tuvetto Clark, of Brownsville.

Concord Locals

By Mrs. Louise Fennel

Mrs. Virginia Conrad and Mrs. Dawn Cole, of Greenville, Miss., were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Williams Tuesday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drumwright and Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Johnson, of Gates, were New Year's Day dinner guests.

Elizabeth Wright, of Springfield, Mo. is visiting her mother, Mrs. Patsy Wright, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Simpson attended the wedding of Steven Burns and Jill Parker in the First Baptist Church in Tunica, Miss. Saturday afternoon.

Joe Simpson returned to Middle Tennessee State University Friday after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, the Danny Simpsons.

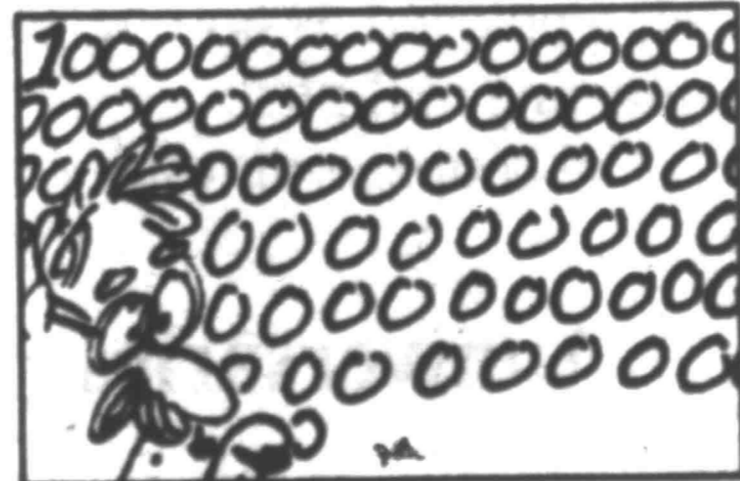
Speaker



ELTON JONES, in charge of the program for the Monday luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club of Halls-Gates, spoke about the importance of attendance.



SARAH WILES will leave this week for a trip to Disney World in Orlando, Fla. She thanks Mrs. Mary Ellen Carnell, Jimmy Douglas, Dr. Bobby Webb, Phillip Jackson and Mary Ellen Poynter for making the necessary arrangements. She thanks Lauderdale Countians for their gifts of prayer and kind deeds.



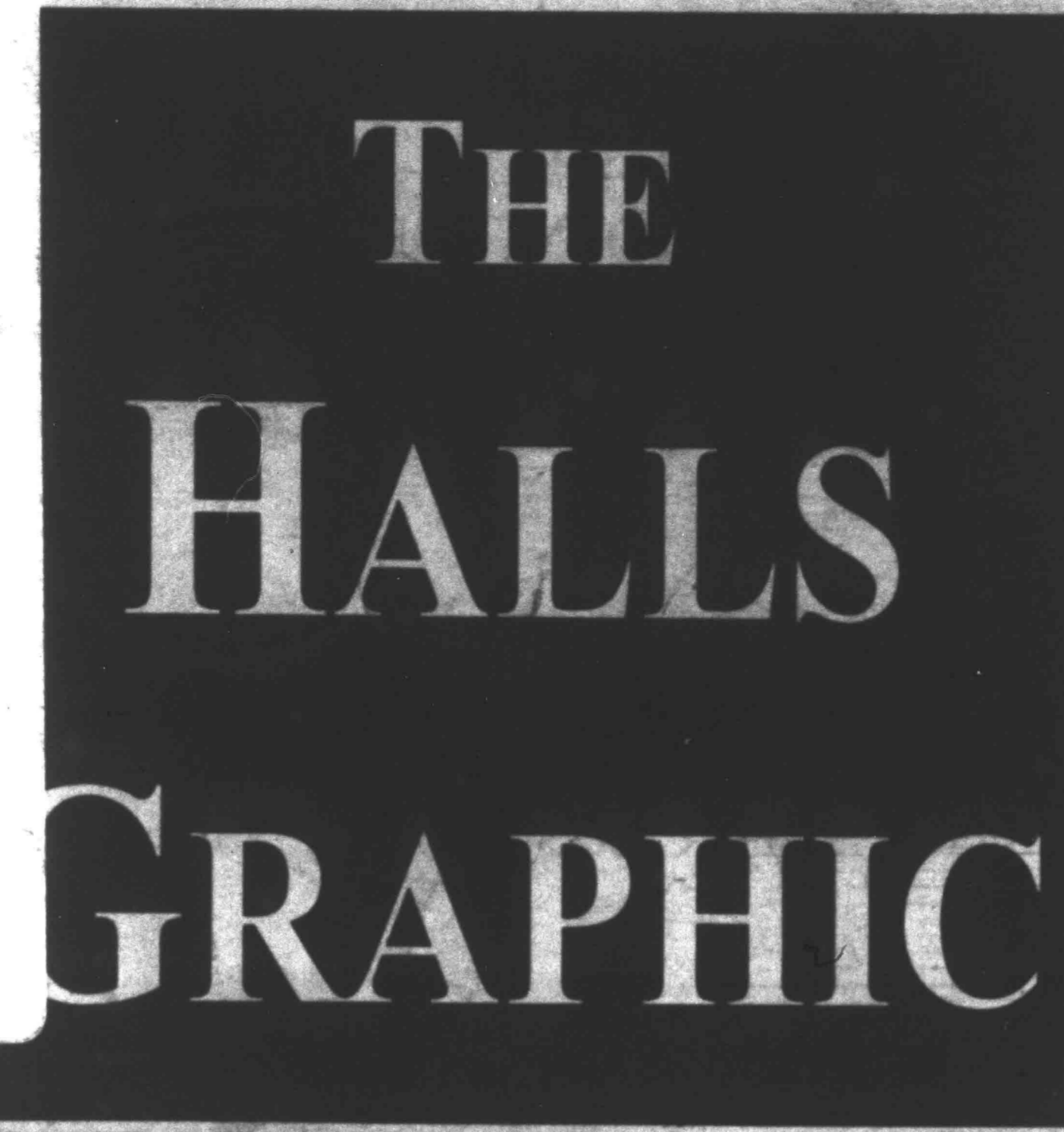
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Bank Rewards Attendance



GATES BANKING AND TRUST employees, from left, Reba Gililand, Stephen Layne, and Jessie Vaden, were recognized for perfect attendance in 1998 and received a monetary award.

Reba will complete five years of service with the bank Jan. 24th. Stephen was hired in June 1997. Jessie will complete 45 years of service March 2nd.

Hit-Run Killer Bait: \$10,000+

Crime Stoppers of Memphis, normally offering up to \$1,000 for a crime conviction, has an additional \$10,000 to offer in the hit-run death of Patricia Lee "Patti" Woodall, 55, who was buried Thursday of last week in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Woodall was the daughter of Ed Pollard, a Riplian before he moved to Oak Ridge in the 1940s.

Her cousins include Riley T. "Freck" Pollard, Joe Beard, and

Gene and Ray Robeson, of Ripley. Virginia (Mrs. Blank) Williams, of Halls, and Freck's brother, "Bud" Pollard, of Dyersburg.

She leaves her husband, Paul C. Woodall, and two sons, David and Marshall Durham, of Memphis; a step-son, Ronnie Woodall, of Durham, N.C.; a brother, Edward Ripley Pollard, of Superior, Colo.; and two grandchildren.

She had left her work at Schering-Plough Healthcare Products in north Memphis and reached the median on Jackson, at 5:25 p.m. Monday of last week, when a white truck with red lettering, northbound on Pope, turned left to head west on Jackson, ran onto the median, struck the woman, and fled.

Chuck Branch, executive director of Crime Stoppers of Memphis, says the additional \$10,000 reward, offered anonymously, is the largest such reward offer his agency has ever received.

To offer any information, call 1-901-528-2274. You need not give your name nor testify in court.

Rotary Recognizes Winners



DRUG-FREE COLORING BOOK winners were, in upper photo, from left, Amanda Belfore, daughter of Paula Hammock; Kristen McCallister, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith McCallister; Joseph Staben, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Stabin; Natalie Grantland, daughter of Jamie Grantland; Rebecca Morris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Morris; and Heather Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill, were recognized at Monday's regular luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club of Halls-Gates. The club sponsored the contest for second grade students at Halls Elementary School.

Andrew Brown, center, in lower photo, minister of youth and children at Westside Baptist Church in Halls, introduced by



Jimmy Taylor, right, spoke about missionary work at the meeting. He was welcomed by Garland Johns, left, club president.

Mrs. Davis Joins Library's Board

County Commissioners, meeting Monday, unanimously elected Betty (Mrs. Gene) Davis, of 957 Doctor Hall Road, Halls, to fill the unexpired 3-year term on the Board of Trustees of the Lauderdale County Library, of Miss Lillian Miller, of 141 East End, Ripley, resigning.

Mrs. Davis is treasurer and news-letter editor of the Lauderdale County Historical Society, and her expertise in genealogy is expected to be of great benefit to the Library.

Roland Henderson, of 1258 Lightfoot-Luckett Road, was unanimously re-elected a Highway Commissioner, to serve on the Commission with Billy Spiller.

Commissioners renewed a contract with the State to house convicted felons in the county jail at \$35 per day.

Best Seller Books At Halls Library

Best selling books now available at the Halls Public Library include *A Man In Full*, by Tom Wolfe, *Bag of Bones*, by Stephen King, *Rainbow Six*, by Tom Clancy, *Mirror Image*, by Danielle Steel, *The Simple Truth*, by David Baldacci, *The Greatest Generation*, by Tom Brokaw, *When the Wind Blows*, by James Patterson, *Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood*, by Rebecca Wells, and *The Millionaire Next Door*, by Thomas J. Stanley.

Halls High School replicas are available at the library. The old school was erected in 1924 with a science lab, a business department, home economics department, assembly/study hall, classrooms, cloak room, two restrooms and offices. An annex was built in 1949. Nearly 4,000 students studied there before the building closed in 1969 and was destroyed by fire 5 years later. Further information from 836-5302.

Membership Open For County F.C.E.

The Family and Community Education (FCE) program, led by The University of Tennessee Agricultural Extension Service, has seven active clubs in Lauderdale County that meet monthly with educational programs on health and wellness, family economics, environmental issues, consumer scans and more.

Martha Reed is president of Bexar, Elaine Jones is president of Curve Woodville, Fannie Williams is president of Do Sew, Lois Gable is president of Gates, Lucy Coughlan is president of Ripley Homemakers, Brenda Tillman is president of Town & Country, and Verna Thompson is president of Variety. "Do Sew and Town & Country meet at night.

FCE club membership is open to all eligible persons. To join an existing club or start a new club, contact Jane H. Connell, Extension Agent, 635-9551.

FCE mailbox membership, for those unable to attend regular club meetings who want to stay up-to-date with educational programs and workshops, is available for \$3 per year.

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Fine to Richard Thomas Fine and Ruth Kimberly Fine, Dist. 12, .37 acre.

Jan. 4 - Bregon E. Helton and Greta Ann Helton to Gary Helton, Dist. 6, lot.

Jan. 6 - Bart C. Durham III to Christi S. Curtis and Lauren Douglas Curtis, Dist. 2, lot.

Jan. 7 - Ronald O. Hartsfield to Milton W. Williams and Wanda G. Williams, Dist. 12, lot. Lynn H. McBride and Vernon McBride Jr. to Billy Joe Harrauld Jr. and Tamara Harrauld, Dist. 3, 73.60 acres.

Divorces

Peggy Ann Tyus Smith vs Curtis Lee Smith.
Kathy Deanna Taylor Reed vs Donnie Franklin Reed, Jr.

SENIOR NEWS FLASH

ATTENTION LAUDERDALE COUNTY SENIORS!

The Senior Center, located at 605 Airport Street is opened Monday through Friday from 8 AM until 4 PM. The number to call is 836-5444.

Director - Sophronia Taylor
Assistant Wendi Henry
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January 14
Professional Home Health Blood Pressure Checks 9:30
Walking Club 10:30

January 15
Grocery Day
Exercise Club 11:00
Hat Day Contest 12:30 1st & 2nd Prizes awarded

January 18 CENTER CLOSED
January 19
Ceramic Day
Exercise Club 10:00
Walking Club 10:30
Bingo 11:00

January 20
Devotion 10:00
Rev. Greer

January 21
Baptist Home Health 9:30
Blood Pressure Checks
Discussion Group 10:00
Topic Changes in Food Stamps/Social Security

January 22
Trip to PIZZA HUT 10:30
Celebrate National Pizza Week

January 25
Exercise Club 10:00
Walking Club 10:30
Bingo 10:45

January Seniors Birthday Party cake donated by Jones Warehouse Foods
CASINO TRIP SHERATON 1:00PM

January 26
Ceramic Day
Exercise Club 10:00
Walking Club 10:30
Halls Elementary School Kids Program 10:40

January 27
Devotion 10:00
Rev. Greer

Double-Ring Vows



MR. AND MRS. ANTHONY SANDERS SR. were married at 3 p.m. Jan. 1st in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Cannon in Halls. The double-ring vows were officiated by Mark Kirkpatrick, of Munford. The home was decorated with magnolia leaves and white candles.

The bride, Angela Hansbrough Finch, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hansbrough, of Halls. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Cannon and Mrs. Helen Ruth Hansbrough, of Memphis, and the late Mac Hansbrough.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Sanders, of Ripley. He is the grandson of Mrs. Margret Crook and the late O.D. Crook, of Henning, and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sanders, of Ripley.

The bride, carrying a single white rose, was given in marriage by her son, Austin Finch.

Jarrold and Nelson Sanders, of Ripley, sons of the groom, served as best men.

Refreshments included a three-layer cake decorated with pink carnations and baby's breath, punch, nuts and mints.

The couple are residing in Ripley.

Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsbrook

Dan Shelton is doing well in Baptist Hospital East in Memphis following surgery.

William and Helen Conyers, of Hwy. 88 in Crockett County, had their children and grandchildren for the Christmas holidays. Visiting were Dinah and her family, of Los Angeles, Calif., John Conyers and his family, of Arizona, and their

niece, Judy, of New Orleans, La. Gilreath Dyer and Susan and Bobby Phillips had their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Lebanon, Concord and Jackson visit them during Christmas.

Mary Jo Crihfield and Jean Spence entertained their bridge clubs for dinner and bridge at the McWilliams lake house.

Visiting Mary Alsbrook at the Cane Creek Rehab Center in Martin last week were Jean Spence and The Rev. Randy Jetton, of Halls,

Basketball Alumni Night Set At HHS

Halls High School will have Basketball Alumni Night Jan. 16th. All Halls alumni who played or coached basketball are invited to attend.

Activities will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the high school gymnasium and will continue with games against Dyer County.

Call 635-0826 or 836-0693 with information on individual or team unique records, statistics, recognitions, or hall of fame awards.

Birthdays

Jan. 14 - Maudie Gates, Virginia Holcomb, Lisa Scott, Mark Brown, R.C. Ward, April Jetton, Bob King, Lorie Lovelace Barnett, Ellis Graham, Drew McDonald, Bobbie Hunter, Thelma Williams, Mary Jean Anderson.

Jan. 15 - Angie Smith, Mary Harrison, Phillip Neal, Melanie Booker, Lynn Shepherd.

Jan. 16 - Bonnie Sanders, Jerry W. Colvin, Nina Carmack, Alna Ward, Danny Bailey, Krishenna Patrick, Melinda Northcott, Caren Ann King, Martha Williams.

Jan. 17 - Leasha Nelson, Alice Meeks, Connie Hutcherson, Reid Hilliard, Terry Troutt, Lloyd Bernard, Drew Wright, Debbie Chipman, Jamie Vaughn, Ronnie L. Ward, Vickie Jo Conrad.

Jan. 18 - Sheila Jurdak, Matthew Cutlip, Jessie M. Craig, Lawson Elder, Kenny Pilcher, Mary Jo Stanley, Pam Jones, Sandy Coss.

Jan. 19 - Verma Alexander, John James, Lynette Currie, Deborah Demeris, Frank Evans, Leona Herron, Perrilyn Cherry, Dianne Yarbrough, Ann Lazure, Carolyn Horner, Gloria Burrough, Krista Hardy, Autumn Sanders, Joann Crabb, Jimmy Taylor.

Jan. 20 - Jerry Sellers, Jamie Gray, Krista White, Joyce Dunaway, Jay Jordan, Deteria Wilder, Lisa Hoffman, Hailee Truelove, Keith Watkins Jr.

and Elizabeth Horner, of Dyersburg.

Jean Spence, Dot Craddock, Mary Jo and Jerry Crihfield and Betty and Sarah Beth Warren attended the musical play "Sunset Boulevard," starring Petula Clark at the Orpheum Theatre in Memphis over the weekend.

Marriages

Jan. 1 - Charlie Edward Farmer, 60, to Katherine Nelson, 55, by Alonza Green, Jr.

Jan. 2 - Leslie Dale Smith, 18, to Brandi Nicole Ross, 19, by Rev. Wayne Rowan.

Jan. 7 - David Boyd Eddlemon, 39, to Tracye Lynn Baskin, 39, by Thomas E. Sanders.

Anniversaries

Jan. 14 - Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Heath, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foster.

Jan. 15 - Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Crihfield, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Sneed.

Jan. 16 - Mr. and Mrs. Jay King.

Jan. 18 - Mr. and Mrs. Jim Best.

Jan. 19 - Mr. and Mrs. Earl West.



The only two changes made in the letter pattern on the standard typewriter keyboard since it was first marketed in the 1870s are the X and C keys have changed places and the M has moved down a line.

HJHS HONOR ROLL

Honor Roll students, with all A's, at Halls Junior High School include, Leighann Harris, Rebecca Cherry, Kari Escue, Julie Pratt, Allison Howell, Kristina Edwards, Blake Brewster, Mary Lee Bales, Jennifer Broglin, Sarah Callender, Crystal Delock, Vincent Dewalt, Leslie Hughes, Rhonda Linton and Kim Neil.

Students with all A's and B's include Jenni Terry, Felicia Thomas, Megan Dudas, Beth Sadler, Jessica Crihfield, Cherita Washington, Braden Burns, Ryan Rodgers, Jason Washegesic, Tyler Moore, Sallye Hartman, Kevin Kesler, Angie Green, Cassie Hinson, Tina Barnett, Kelton Obie, Amber Woodard, Jennifer Akins, Amanda Britt, Alisha White, Lauren Bivens, John Akins, Kim Davis, Eddie Donald, Kristina Climer, Jarvous Glynn, Kimberly Hammock, Dominique Patrick, Keith Young, Lesley McGarity, Amanda Sanders, Andrew Dudas, Savannah Ferguson, Anthony Fisher, Shelbra Halliburton, Megan Henson, Danielle McBroom and Samantha Smith.



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Levoid Young

Levoid Eldridge Young, 76, of Halls, died of cancer Monday at his home.

Services were at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Archer's Chapel Cemetery near Halls.

He was a member of South Fork Baptist Church.

He had retired from Colonial Rubber in Dyersburg and was a World War II Veteran and a member of the V.F.W. of Dyersburg.

He leaves his wife, Virginia Conatser Young; two daughters, Barbara Garrett, of Halls, and Nancy Cook, of Maury City; three brothers, Nelson, of Halls, Royce, of Dyersburg, and Gordon, of Friendship; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

James E. Walpole

James E. Walpole, 55, of Houston, Tex., son of Virginia Paige Walpole, of Halls, died Saturday, of cardio-pulmonary arrest, in Veterans Hospital in Houston.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Thurmond Cemetery near Halls.

A veteran of Army service in Viet Nam, he was employed by the Internal Revenue Service.

Mary Conner

Mary Lancaster Conner, 85, of Ripley, died Tuesday, of heart failure, in Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Yarbrough Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Ripley.

She leaves a son, William Burnell Conner, Jr., of Ripley; a daughter, Lyde Ella Conner Lance, and a brother, James "Bill" Lancaster, both of Memphis; a sister, Margaret Hargett, of Ripley; and two grandchildren.

CORRECTION

Beulah Mae Bogue, whose obituary was printed in the Dec. 31st issue was the daughter of the late Benjamin Franklin and Elmer Irene Blizzard.

Imogene Queen

Imogene Queen, 85, of 7509 Conner-Whitefield Road, died Saturday, of heart failure, at home.

Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Concord Cemetery.

She was a member of the Curve Baptist Church.

She leaves two sons, James and Ron, of Memphis; three daughters, Darlene Newton, of Ripley, Martha Newman, of Curve, and Glenda McCaleb, of Hendersonville; two brothers, Montell Hardee, of Humboldt, and Tracy Hardee, of Brownsville; a sister, Katherine Johnson, of Brighton; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Lena Webb

Lena Katherine Webb, 79, of 1230 Dry Hill Rd. W., Ripley, died Jan. 10th in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were at 11 a.m. Jan. 13th in the chapel of Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Dry Hill Cemetery.

She was born in Halls to Houston Burns and Lola Thurmond.

She was a housewife.

The widow of Allen H. Webb, she leaves four daughters, Birdie Lucille Henson, Katherine Louise Apperson, and Betty Sue Prescott, all of Ripley, and Helen Sue Apperson, of Halls; three sisters, Dixie Herron and Louise Buckner, of Halls, and Dorothy Robison, of Memphis; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Ausie Pitts

Ausie Pitts, 98, of Ripley, retired farmer, died at 2 a.m. Wednesday of last week, of pneumonia, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Canaan Baptist Church at Henning, with burial in its cemetery, Thomas Funeral Home in charge.

He was born at Halls, Jan. 23, 1900, son of the late Algie and Kate Ingram Pitts.

He leaves two sisters, Bertha Amos, of Ripley, and Johnnie L. Jones, of Chicago, Ill.

Miss Greenlee

Elizabeth Ann Greenlee, 65, died Saturday, of heart failure, in Ripley Healthcare.

Services were at 11 a.m. Monday in Ave Maria Catholic Church in Ripley, of which she was a communicant, with burial in Maplewood Cemetery, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

She leaves a sister, Mary Ellen (Mrs. Ned) Poynter, of 299 Lackey Lane, Ripley.

Luther Baker, 100

Luther Baker, 100, of 620 Barfield, Henning, died Monday of last week, of heart disease, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday in New Hope CME Church, where he was a member, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery, Barlow Funeral Home in charge.

He had worked for Raymond-Smith Lumber Co. in Henning

Widower of Lillian Bond Baker, he leaves two sons, Franklin, of Detroit, Mich., and Luther, of St. Louis, Mo., and eight grandchildren.

John M. Flowers

John Marshall Flowers, 79, retired machinist, died Monday of last week, of heart failure, in Ripley Healthcare.

Services were at 11 a.m. Thursday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Poplar Grove Cemetery at Henning.

Born in this county, Sept. 30, 1919, son of the late Francis and Luna Mae Floyd Flowers, he was the widower of Lula Mae Jenkins Flowers.

He leaves two sons, Wayne, of Hickory Hills, Ill., and Jerry, of Beverly, Mass.; a daughter, Wanda Patterson, of Beverly; a brother, Warren, of Pleasant Hill; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Love is an irresistible desire to be irresistibly desired.

—Robert Frost

If you don't say anything, you won't be called upon to repeat it.

—Calvin Coolidge

Smoke Claims Albert Powell

By Louise Fennel

Albert Lee Powell, 38, father of Desmond and Curtine Powell, of Ripley, died Jan. 1st, of smoke inhalation, at his home in Dyersburg.

Services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday of last week in Salter's Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Dyersburg; with burial in East Court Cemetery in Dyersburg.

He was employed by Hog Heaven in Dyersburg.

Survivors include his mother, Catherine Powell, and two sisters, Vera Powell and Martha Green, of Dyersburg.

Joe Sutton

Joe Campbell Sutton, 84, of Urbana, Ill., died Jan. 10th in Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana.

He was born Feb. 12, 1914 in Memphis to Joe Campbell Sutton and Annie May Sutton.

He attended school at Ripley High School and Milligan College. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri and a master's degree from the University of Illinois.

He was editor of the *Covington Leader* from 1939 to 1942. He was a reporter for Lindsay-Schaub Newspapers and served as City Editor at the *Champaign-Urbana Courier*.

He served during World War II as captain in the 2nd Armored Division, returning to his newspaper career after the war.

He served on the faculty of the College of Communications of the University of Illinois from 1948 to 1961, teaching reporting. He was appointed editor of the *University of Illinois Alumni News* in 1961 and served in that position until his retirement in 1979.

He was an elder at the First Presbyterian Church of Champaign.

He leaves his wife, Nadine Wilson Sutton; two sons, Jeffrey Alan Sutton, of Warwick, R.I., and Joel Brett Sutton, of Aurora, Ill.; a brother, Charles A. Montague, Jr., of Memphis; a sister, Katherine L. Montague, of Ripley; and four grandchildren.

A fanatic is one who can't change his mind and won't change the subject.

—Winston Churchill

Concord Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Carmack visited their son, Mike, in Methodist Hospital Central in Memphis several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Baker, of Millington, visited Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Williams Tuesday afternoon of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Williams were dinner guests of the Weldon Heaths in Alamo Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Winston Carmack spent Saturday night with her daughter, Mrs. Jimmy Howard, and Mr. Howard in Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Carmack visited Mike Carmack in Methodist Hospital Central in Memphis Wednesday of last week.

Emmett Ward Jr.

Emmett L. Ward Jr., 63, of Madison, Ill., formerly of Halls, died Jan. 6th.

Services were set for noon Jan. 15th in East St. Louis, Ill., Officer's Mortuary in charge.

A graduate of Lauderdale County High School in Ripley, he was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force.

He leaves a brother, Bobby Ward, of Decatur, Ala.; four sisters, Connie Fisher, of Halls, JoeAnn Johnson, of Mebane, Neb., and Shirley Baker and Kathleen Ward, of Dyersburg; two stepsons, Charles Franklin, of Madison, Ill., and Eddie Smith, of Kansas City, Mo.; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Iowa Mitchell

Iowa Brooks Mitchell, 76, of Chicago, Ill., formerly of Brownsville, died Jan. 8th in Christ Community Hospital in Oaklawn, Ill.

Services were set for 11 a.m. Jan. 16th in Elam Missionary Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in the church cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home in charge.

She taught school in Haywood and Lauderdale County and in Illinois.

She leaves a brother, Phillip Brooks, of Detroit, Mich.; and two sisters, Mrs. Frankie Smith, of Ripley, and Mrs. Margree Florence, of Brownsville.

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THE REV. RANDY JETTON looked over the heavily damaged First United Methodist Church he has pastored for six years after the storm raged through Halls Sunday. "This open space is where beautiful, majestic stained glass windows adorned the sanctuary," he said.

Normally about 40 people would have been in the church on Sunday night but the youth attended a meeting in Jackson.

Halls Area Is Named National Disaster Area

The Halls area has been de-

clared a national disaster area. The Red Cross will set up in the Halls Community Center to accept applications for disaster assistance.

Westside Baptist Church on Sumrow St., Halls, is serving hot meals three times daily for volunteers and homeless disaster victims. Donations of clothing and household articles are being accepted at Westside Baptist Church and at Gates City Hall.

The furniture left in the sanctuary of the Methodist Church was moved to Memphis for storage Monday.

Tornado Rips Through Halls Area



Humphrey's Detail Shop, Pig 'N' Out, Dyer Bro. Lumber Co. and the Railroad Crossing on East Tigrrett Street were also destroyed.

There were 11 people injured, all were transported to hospitals in privately owned vehicles.

McCaslin Returns From Med & Gulf

The Navy reports that Petty Officer 3rd Class Shane A. McCaslin, son of the Dennis McCaslin, of 305 S. College, Halls, has completed a 6-month visit to the Mediterranean Sea and the Arabian Gulf on the aircraft carrier *Eisenhower*, based in Norfolk, Va.

The ship visited Spain, France, Italy, Greece, and Turkey.

McCaslin is a 1994 graduate of Halls High School.



GOV. DON SUNDQUIST, Halls Mayor Eugene Pugh and John White Jr., director TEMA, surveyed tornado damage to Darby's Trailer Park in Halls Monday morning. There were 34 homes damaged, 13 trailers and two businesses destroyed by the tornado at 6 p.m. Sunday evening in Halls with an estimated \$2,000,000 in damage. The First Methodist Church on North Church Street, built in 1907 and pastored by The Rev. Randy Jetton was destroyed.

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School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Jan. 25th
Hamburger on Bun
Pizza
Oven Fries
Lettuce and Tomato Cup
Peach Slices
Applesauce
Oatmeal Raisin Cookie
Milk

Tuesday, Jan. 26th
Country Fried Steak w/Gravy
Corn Dog
Whipped Potatoes
Green Beans
Apricots
Pear Halves

Rolls Milk
Wednesday, Jan. 27th
Tacos w/Trimminings
Entrée - School's Choice
Mixed Green Salad
Whole Kernel Corn
Pineapple Salad
Fresh Apple
Rolls
Milk
Thursday, Jan. 28th
Sliced Turkey
Sliced Ham on Bun
Macaroni and Cheese
Mixed Vegetables
Congealed Fruit Salad
Orange Slices
Rolls
Milk
Friday, Jan. 29th
Menu - School's Choice

FPCS HONOR ROLL

Honor Roll students earning all A's at First Presbyterian Christian School for the third six-week period include first graders, Jacob Clark, Conor Luck, Aaron Morris, Suzanna Stanley and Brittany Tillman; second graders, Holly Arwood, Nicole Griggs, Charlie Hammond, Nell White and Stephanie White; fourth graders, Kelley Crook, Caitlyn Harrison, Emily Herron, Catelyn Meadows and Rebekah Watkins; and fifth grader, Adam Queen;

Students, with all A's and B's include first graders, Mallory Martin and Nicholas Smith; second graders, Devin Blankenship, Samantha Roach, Jonathan Criswell, Hayley Jankovsky, Holly Crook, Gracie Ferrell, Austin Hardin, Karly Hines, John Shelton and Christopher Morris; third graders, Caleb Phillips and Erika White; fourth graders, Hilary Steelman, Sarah Hargett and Michael Jenkins; fifth graders, Sally Jo Turner and Philip Watkins; sixth graders, Kristen Sweat and Walker Ferrell; and eighth grader, Rachel Hammond.

Land Transfers

Jan. 9 - Caldwell Feed & Seed, Inc. and Caldwell Feed & Seed, Inc. II, to Donald R. Dyson and Shirley J. Dyson, Dist. 2, 0.68 acre.
Jan. 12 - Randy D. Miller and Sharon E. Miller to Dorothy A. Clark and William S. Clark, Dist. 12, lot.
Jan. 14 - Dee Hughes and Doris Hughes to Donald M. Johnson and Kimberly Ann Johnson, Dist. 6, 23.0 acres.

Divorces

George William Woodruff vs

WHO'S WHO AT D.S.C.C.

Dyersburg State Community College students, Tina Renee Chalk, of Gates, Charity Lynette Boone, of Halls, and Michael Blane Ammons, Marjorie Morris Gaines, Kimberly Antionette Hess, Danny Keith Langley, Carrie Hearn Lowery and Michele M. Sheetz, of Ripley, are listed in the 1999 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*.

Martha Dell Woodruff.
Marilyn Shoemaker Barber vs William Griffin Barber.
Rhonda Gail Griggs vs Charles Nathaniel Griggs III.

NOTICE

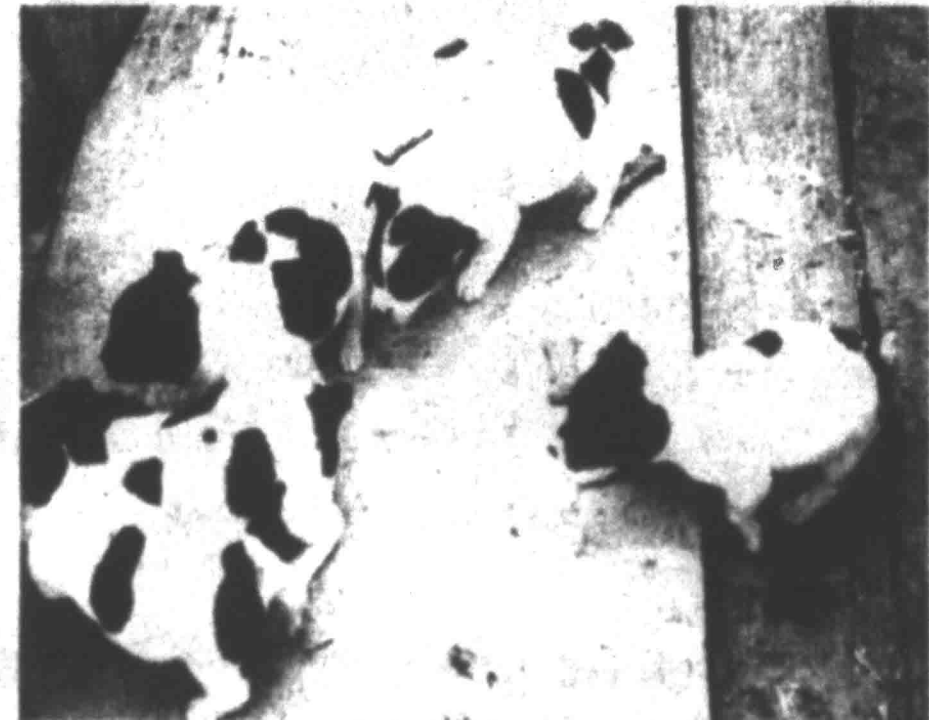
The Town of Halls is accepting bids for two new light-weight pick-up trucks.

Specifications are available at the Public Works Department, 940 Industrial Rd., Halls, Tn. 38040. Allan Cherry, Director, (901) 836-7379.

Bids will be opened at the Town of Halls City Hall at 6 p.m. Feb. 1, 1999.

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Girl Scout Cookie Sale



GIRL SCOUT VOLUNTEERS will direct your cookie order to a Girl Scout in your area. Joni Cook is coordinating the sale in the Halls area and may be reached at 836-7640 or call the Reelfoot Girl Scout Council, 668-1122.

The cookie sale will begin Jan. 31st, cookies are \$3 per box. The product line-up includes the Samoa, Thin Mints, Do Si Dos, Tagalongs, Trefoils, Striped Chocolate Chips, the Lemon Drop and the Apple Cinnamon, a reduced-fat cookie.

This year's theme is "Take It To The Top," planned around the sport of mountain-climbing, girls will participate in activities giving them the resources to chart their course and reach the summit of success. Girls will learn the value of setting, striving for and reaching goals, utilizing both team and individual effort and gain experience to help them achieve their personal best in different areas of their lives.

Woodville Locals

By Pat Hughes

Kevin Newman, of Covington, spent Friday with his parents, Pat and Jim Hughes. His wife, Debra, and a couple of friends she works with spent the day shopping in

Birthdays

Jan. 21 - Pat Watson, Elizabeth Matthews, Jimmy Garrett, Allison Garner, Gayle Walker, Stephanie McCaslin, Barbara G. Ward, Kevin Hardy, Velma Baker.

Jan. 22 - Burnie Norman, Karmryn Lee Gitchell, D. Shane Tutor, Terry Ford, Lindsay Harris, Tracy Davis, Traci Hurt.

Jan. 23 - Austin Powell, Allen Kiestler, Billy Lynch, Pamela Martin, Ree Cates, Jerry Tolene, Trevor Reece Belton.

Jan. 24 - Cindy Cherry, Will Bringle, Rachel Best, Maxine Hardy.

Jan. 25 - Carolyn Vickery, Randy Morris, Lyndsey Thebeau, Mary Demps.

Jan. 26 - Jean Jackson, John Yarbrough, Pete Burks, Waurine Jordan.

Jan. 27 - Mary Younger, Kristina Burks, Lewis Paige, Sandy Ward, Stan Anderson, Clay Dew, Donna Ewell.

the past few weeks.

Dillon Gay was ill over the weekend.

The Keith Gay family were Saturday night before last supper guests of the Gerald Edgells in Henning. The Edgells visited Mrs. Edgell's parents, Ronnie and Donna Summar, Sunday night and remained there until the tornado watch was lifted.

Tammy Gay visited Bonnie Minner on Wiseman Lane one afternoon last week.

Dyersburg and lunched at Ryan's. The Keith Gays and children, Jimmy and Dillon, were Sunday supper guests of Mrs. Gay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes. James Summar has been ill for

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Anniversaries

Jan. 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Roger Pease.

Jan. 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Carmack.

Jan. 24 - Mr. and Mrs. Rob Reviere.

Marriages

Dec. 27 - Donald Earl Herring, 21, to Angela Elaine Mabins, 22, by Pastor Altha R. Maclin.

Jan. 1 - Anthony Jerrod Sanders, 28, to Angela Suzanne Finch, 27, by Rev. Mark Kirkpatrick.

Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsobrook

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Beard and daughter, Debbie, of Memphis, and

Health Department Employees Honored

Teresa Walker and Lisa Burns, employees of the Lauderdale County Health Department, were honored at an awards ceremony at the West Tennessee Regional Health Office in Union City.

Mrs. Walker has been with the health department WIC Program for 21 years. Originally of St. Louis, Mo., she graduated from Ripley High School. She resides in Ripley with her husband, Gifford, and sons, Shannon and Matt.

Mrs. Burns, a nutrition educator with the health department for eight years, holds a bachelor of science degree in home economics from the University of Tennessee at Martin. She is married to Teddy Burns, an environmentalist with the Department of Health.

Jerald Daws, of Germantown, visited Tommy Simmons Saturday afternoon.

Low Interest EMERGENCY LOAN



The Bank of Ripley is offering a Low Interest Emergency Loan to aid in repairing the damage done by the recent tornado. This loan can assist in making emergency repairs, paying insurance deductibles, restoring electrical or cable service and replacing lost food.

We would also like to extend our thanks and appreciation to all the citizens of Lauderdale County for joining together to help all those in need. The efforts that the citizens of our community have made to assist friends and neighbors in their time of need has been overwhelming. A special thanks to all those who helped in restoring electricity, providing shelter, removing fallen debris, donating food, and assisting those who needed medical help. It is great to be a part of Lauderdale County and we as your "HOMETOWN BANK" want to extend this special Low Interest Emergency Loan.

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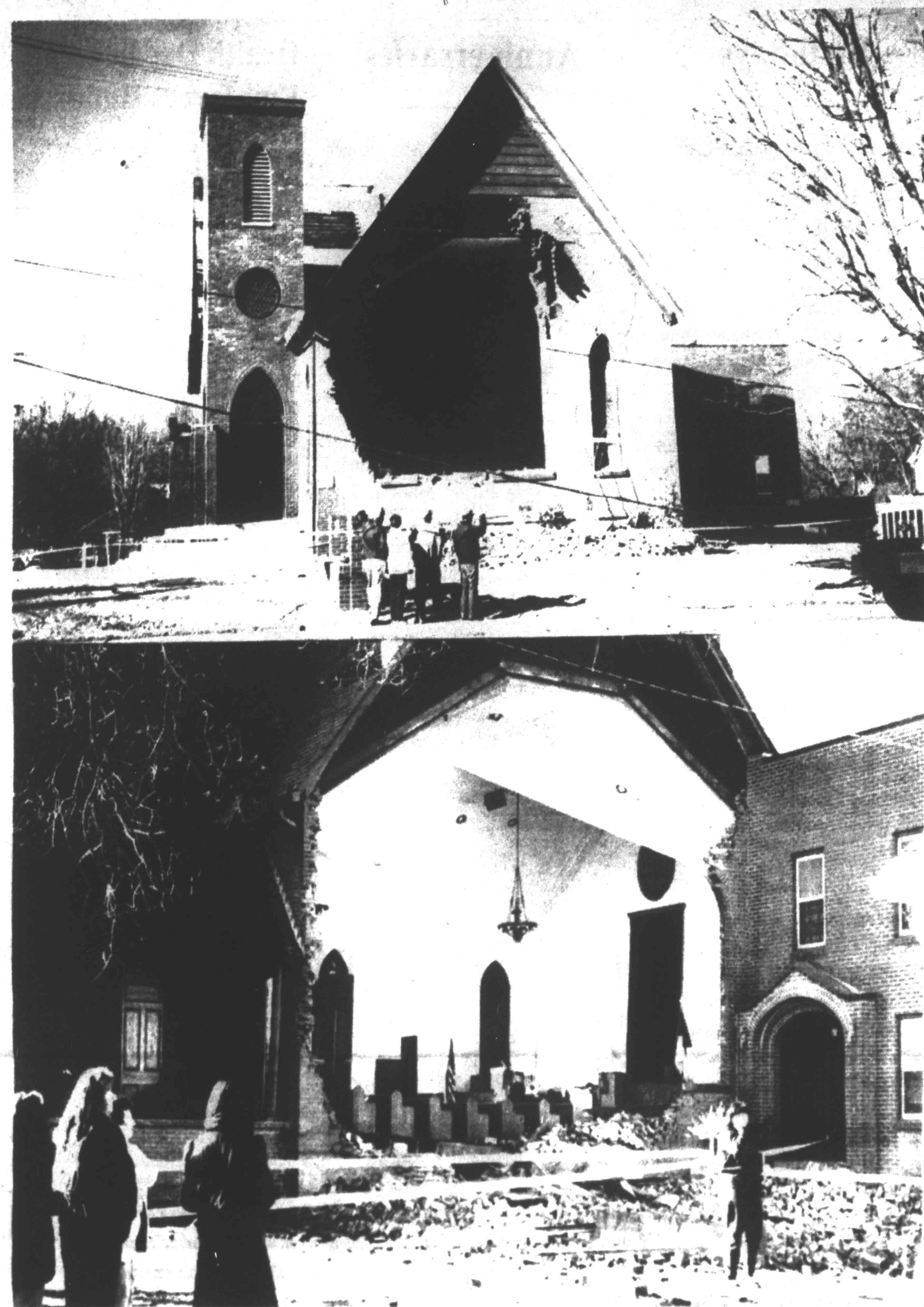
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Disaster Aid For Tornado Victims

Twelve counties in tornado-ravaged western Tennessee were designated eligible for federal assistance by the head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) under President Clinton's major disaster declaration issued for the state Tuesday morning.

FEMA Director James Lee Witt said the President ordered the aid immediately after reviewing the agency's analysis of the state's expedited request for federal disaster relief submitted earlier Tuesday.

The declaration covers damage from severe storms, tornadoes and high winds that struck the state starting Sunday, January 17th.

"The president is very concerned about the tragic loss of life and suffering caused by these disastrous storms," said Mr. Witt, who

accompanied vice-president Al Gore on a tour of the damaged area Tuesday morning. "His quick action helps ensure that assistance will be provided to all those in need as fast and efficiently as possible."

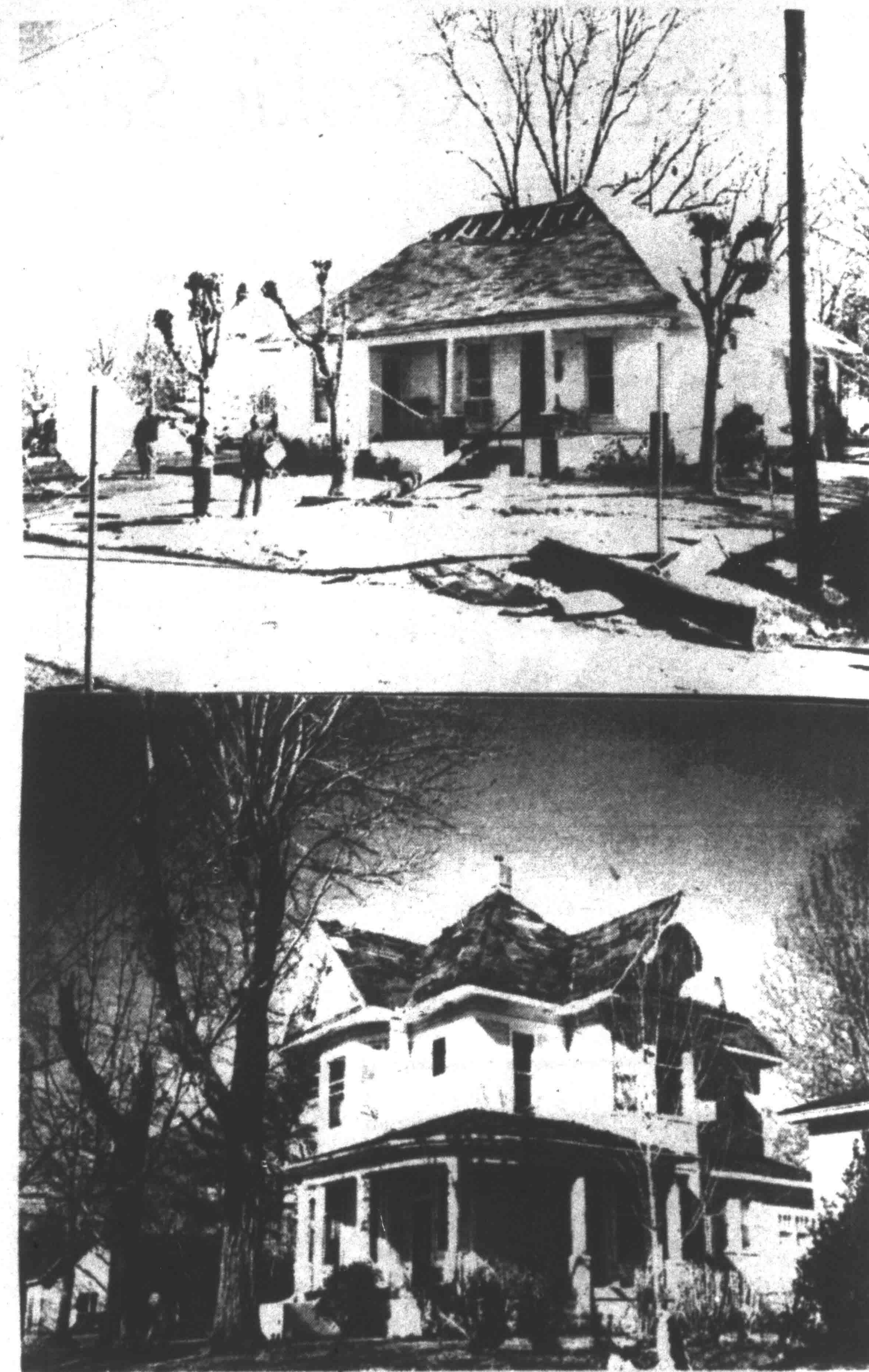
Following the declaration, Mr. Witt designated the counties of Carroll, Crockett, Decatur, Dickson, Hardeman, Haywood, Henderson, Lauderdale, Madison, Maury, Montgomery and Perry eligible for federal funding to supplement the recovery needs of affected residents and business owners. He said that damage surveys are continuing in other areas and more counties may be designated for aid based on the assessments.

The supplemental assistance, to be coordinated by FEMA, can include grants to help pay for temporary housing needs, minor home repairs and other serious disaster-related expenses. Low-interest loans from the U.S. Small Business

Administration also will be available for the residential and business property losses not fully covered by insurance.

Under the declaration, federal funds also will be provided for affected local governments in the same 12 counties to pay 75 percent of the eligible cost for debris removal and emergency protective measures, and for approved projects that mitigate future disaster risks. Other assistance to local and state government agencies may be authorized after further damage assessments are complete.

Paul W. Fay, Jr., of FEMA's regional office in Atlanta, Ga., was named by Mr. Witt to coordinate the federal relief effort. Mr. Fay said residents and business owners who sustained losses in the designated counties may begin the disaster application process starting Wednesday, January 20th, by calling 1-800-462-9029, or 1-800-462-



7585 (TDD) for the hearing and speech-impaired. The toll-free telephone numbers will operate from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (ET) seven days a week until further notice.

The following is a summary of key federal disaster aid programs that can be made available as needed and warranted under President Clinton's major disaster declaration issued for Tennessee on January 19th. Rental payments for temporary housing for those whose homes are unlivable. Initial assistance is provided for up to three months for homeowners and at least one month for renters. Assistance may be extended if requested after the initial period based on a review of individual applicant requirements. (Source; FEMA funded and administered.)

Grants for minimal repairs not covered by insurance to make damaged homes habitable. (Source; FEMA funded and administered.)

Grants to help meet medical, funeral, transportation, home repair, essential personal property replacement and other serious disaster-related needs not covered by insurance or other federal, state and charitable aid programs. Typical grants average about \$2,500. (Source; FEMA funded at 75 percent of total eligible costs; state administered.)

Unemployment payments up to 26 weeks for workers who tempo-

rarily lost jobs because of the disaster and who do not qualify for state benefits, such as self-employed individuals. (Source; FEMA funded; state administered.)

Low-interest loans to cover residential losses not fully compensated by insurance. Loans available up to \$200,000 for primary residence; \$40,000 for personal property, including renter losses. Loans available up to \$1.5 million for business property losses not fully compensated by insurance. (Source; U.S. Small Business Administration.)

Loans up to \$1.5 million for small businesses that have suffered disaster-related cash flow problems and need funds for working capital to recover from the disaster's adverse economic impact. (Source; U.S. Small Business Administration.)

Loans up to \$500,000 for farmers, ranchers and aquaculture operators to cover production and property losses, excluding primary residence. (Source; Farm Service Agency, U.S. Dept. Of Agriculture.)

Other relief programs: Crisis counseling for those traumatized by the disaster; income tax assistance for filing casualty losses; advisory assistance for legal, veterans benefits and social security matters.

Payment of 75 percent of the eligible costs for removing debris



from public areas and for emergency measures taken to save lives and protect property and public health. (Source; FEMA funded, state administered.)

Payment of 75 percent of the approved costs for hazard mitigation projects undertaken by the state and local governments to prevent or reduce long-term risk to life and property from natural or tech-

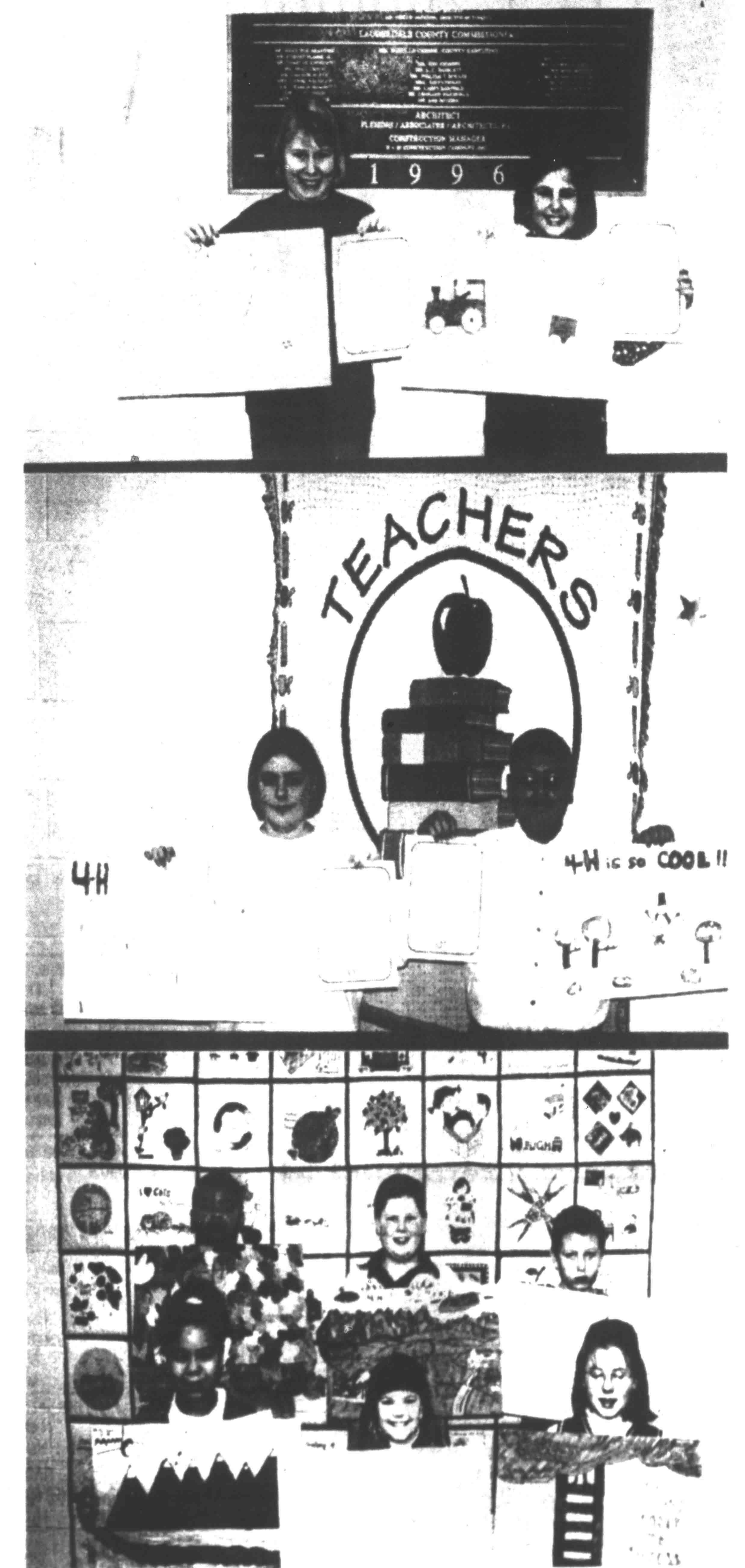
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Those in counties designated for aid to affected individuals, families and business owners can begin the disaster application process on Wednesday, January 20th, by calling 1-800-462-9029, or 1-800-462-7585 (TTY) for the hearing and speech impaired, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (ET) seven days a week until

further notice. Applicants registering for aid should be prepared to provide basic information about themselves (name, permanent address, phone number) insurance coverage and any other information to help substantiate losses.

It is only the ignorant who despise education.
—Publius Syrus

4-H Poster Winners



POSTER WINNERS, in upper photo, from left in front row, Chelsea Crockett, Anna Claire Hartman and Megan Robinson, and, in rear, Justin Sanders, Dustin Curran and Ronnie Flowers, students of Halls Elementary School, were among the top 10 4-H poster winners recognized this week.

Ripley Elementary School students, in second photo, from left, Kallie Glenn and Catherine Carpenter placed in the top five in the poster competition.

Lauderdale Middle School students, in lower photo, from left, Kaylyn Charles and Trey Irigoyen, placed in the top five in the poster competition.

Catherine, Kalli Glenn, Anna Claire, Trey and Kaylyn, were chosen to have their posters entered in District competition in February.

4 From County Excel In Union

Union University in Jackson reports on its fall semester president's list, with a perfect 4.0 grade average, John Thomas Guthrie, of Henning.

On the dean's list, with averages of 3.5 or above, are Barry Lee Britt, of Halls, and April Lynne Smith and Jason Paul Smith, of Ripley.

A fanatic is one who can't change his mind and won't change the subject.

—Winston Churchill

H.H.S. Alumni Night



ALUMNI NIGHT at Halls High School, sponsored by the Booster Club, was attended by a large group including, in upper photo, from left, Shirley Pritchard Roberts, of Halls, Martha Woodard Wenzler, Hope Hall Proctor, and Elizabeth Akin Sudbury, all of Memphis, Peggy Norman Owens, of Huntsville, Ala., Joy

Unemployment Aid For Tornado Victims

Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) benefits will be available to workers in Carroll, Crockett, Decatur, Dickson, Hardeman, Haywood, Henderson, Lauderdale, Montgomery, Perry, Madison and Maury Counties.

"This is a very difficult time for

Watts Hill, of Brighton, and Betty Dunaway Turns, of Memphis. This group, who graduated in 1952, played together for six years without losing a game on home court and never lost a district tournament. All were Beta Club members.

Joy Watts Hill could hit 107 out of 124 free throws in high school and hit two out of three Saturday night when her name was called for shootout, she received a sweatshirt. Peggy Norman Owens received a sweatshirt for traveling the farthest.

James Meeks, in lower photo, a graduate of the class of 1944, received a sweatshirt for being the oldest graduate attending.

The basketball team of 1989, in middle photo, from left, Coach Bobby Cain, Teresa Mills, and Rhonda Phillips Harris, all of Halls, Dawn Pease Orman, of Ecru, Miss., Gina Warren, of Martin, Pam Hutcherson Harrison, of Jackson, Jackie Scott and Meeka Reynolds, both of Halls, Kecia Miller, of Covington, and Gina Gooch, of Halls, had a 25-0 record.

area residents, and we want to make sure that workers who have lost their jobs and are eligible for benefits receive their checks as quickly as possible," said Commissioner of Employment Security, Hazel Albert. "Any workers who feel they may be eligible for benefits should go immediately to their local Employment Security office to register for disaster unemployment assistance."

Benefits will be paid under pro-

Tiger Pride Awards



SASC RESPECT COMMITTEE, of Halls High School, sponsored a second Tiger Pride Awards program Jan. 15th. Students with perfect attendance for the second 9-week period, honor roll students, students with improved grades, demonstrated good citizenship and dedicated vocational workers were recognized. Each of the 187 students were presented a certificate, a Halls High School Tiger Pride folder and a coupon for free bread sticks from the Ripley Pizza Hut. The Lauderdale County Bank gave ten \$20 cash awards to students in a random drawing. Winners, in upper photo, were, in front row, from left, Amber Sauber, Leah Simpson, Annette Haynes, Jackie Rice and Heather Wyrick; and, in rear, J.J. Cox, Ladall Glynn, Caleb Steelman and C.J. Hodges, pictured with Jerry Criefield, bank president, and Kenneth Toomes.

visions of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, which became available when President Clinton granted a Presidential Disaster Declaration in Tennessee at Governor Sundquist's request.

According to Albert, persons unemployed as a direct result of the tornadoes must file their claim for Disaster Unemployment Assistance benefits by February 19, 1999. "Individuals who are not covered for regular unemployment benefits may qualify for disaster unemployment benefits," explained Albert. "This includes self-employed workers and others not covered by the state Unemployment Insurance program whose source of income has been interrupted by effects of the tornadoes."

Individuals should take with them to the local office their most recent income tax returns, a social security number and any papers with wage and employment information prior to the disaster.

Weekly DUS benefit amounts are determined similarly to regular unemployment benefits. DUA benefits may range from \$86 to \$255 per week and are payable up to 26 weeks after the date of decla-

ration which was Jan. 19th. DUA benefits will end if unemployment is no longer caused by effects of the tornadoes. Staff at the local Employment Security office, 164 North Main St., Ripley, 635-3479, will also provide re-employment assistance.

Information on additional programs available to disaster victims from Federal Emergency Management, 1-800-462-9029.

Bexar, Gates And Ripley F.C.E. Combine Meeting

Bexar FCE Club met Jan. 13th with Gates and Ripley Homemaker Clubs at the Lauderdale County Extension Service office.

Extension Agent Jane Connell reported on Radon, a radioactive gas from the decay of naturally occurring uranium in the earth's rocks and soils. Radon is invisible, odorless and tasteless and is the second leading cause of lung cancer. Tests kits for homes, businesses and schools are available at the Extension office. When these gases become trapped in buildings they must be removed by an approved agent.

Following the program, each club divided into their individual groups for their regular meeting. Bexar welcomed Martha Reed as president for 1999.

Plans were made for the annual FCE Banquet to be held Feb. 2nd at Ripley High School and a workshop for March.

Refreshments were served after the meetings adjourned.

Two County Students Are Union Graduates

Stephanie Dawn Young, of Halls, and Ashley England Shirley, of Ripley, were among 88 students graduating in commencement services Dec. 19th in the G.M. Savage Memorial Chapel of Union University.

Board Meeting Will Decide Service Site

Halls First United Methodist Church will have a board meeting at 7 p.m. Jan. 21st in Halls City Hall. A decision will be made as to where Sunday services will be held. All members are urged to attend.

Re-Union Planned For 1960, 1961, 1962 H.H.S.

Representatives of the classes of 1960, 1961 and 1962, of Halls High School, Barbara Vaden Hendren, Patsy Burks Wright, Larry Keen, Auguster Hartsfield, Rita Williams Hargett, Pat Baker Mountjoy, Maxine Burrough Hardy, Roger and Lynne Stallings Harris, Carolyn Campbell Wingard, Mack Stanley, Jerry Buckner and Willie Griggs, met Monday evening in the home of Jerry and Donna Buckner on Hunters Trace Drive near Ripley to plan a three-class re-union.

A letter of information concerning date, time and place will be mailed to individual class members. Anyone who attended Halls High School as a member of any of these classes, who has moved within the last five years, is asked to notify one of the class representatives. Graduation is not a criteria for attending the re-union.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mack and Pat Stanley, 659 Dunaway Rd., Halls, April 1st.

Births

To Andy Griggs and Kelly Simpson, of Ripley, a 6 lb. 15 oz. daughter, Madison Alyssa, Dec. 28th in Baptist Hospital Tipton. Grandparents are Tommy and Jean Mills, Raymond and Michelle Simpson and Monte and Mary Ella Griggs, all of Ripley.

To Kevin and Missy Brogdon, of Halls, a 9 lb. 10 oz. daughter, Kayla Nycrole Brogdon, Dec. 21st in Methodist Hospital of Dyersburg. Grandparents are Jimmy and Brenda Patton, of Halls, and Margie Brogdon and the late Kenneth Brogdon, of Ripley. Great-grandmother is Mary Frances Erwin, of Halls.

Brevities

Bridgett Tims, of Crockett County, daughter of Brenda Carter, Mayor of Gates, sustained cuts, bruises and a knee injury when her rented mobile home was demolished in Sunday evening's tornado in Crockett County.

Bell Ringer Awards



UNION PLANTERS BANK held their annual Bell-Ringer Award Breakfast in December at the Humboldt Country Club.

Receiving awards were, in upper photo, Mike Moore, left, receiving the award from Ronnie Tatum, president; in middle photo, Joan Wheatley, from

Dorothy Stanley, vice-president; and, in lower photo, Lisa Myrick, from Mr. Tatum.

To be selected for the Bell Ringer Award an employee must demonstrate service to customers, community and fellow associates.

17 From County Are UTM Stars

The University of Tennessee in Martin reports on its fall dean's list from Lauderdale County, with

Highest honors (grade average of 3.8 through 4.0) --

From Henning -- David Lynn Castleberry.

From Ripley -- Christopher Allen Butner, Brian Matthew Gil-

liam Jeffery Scott King, Regina Annette Taylor, and Kasey Elizabeth Thompson

High honors (grade average of 3.5 through 3.79) --

From Halls -- Maggie Elizabeth Cherry and Mary Esther Perry

From Ripley -- Alceia Ray Caldwell, Jill Alici Hawks, Laura Megan Mills, Paul Joseph Simon, and Paula Nicole Smith

Honors (grade average of 3.2 through 3.49) --

From Gates -- David D. Dabbs.

Star Player



MOLLY MEEKS, a senior at Halls High School, pictured with her father, Coach Phil Meeks, is a star player for the Halls High School Tiger Basketball Team, scoring more than 1,000 points this season. Her team has won 6 out of 9 games. When asked when she realized that she was good, she modestly stated 5th or 6th grade. She said she probably picked up her first basketball when she was two or three years old and having her dad a basketball coach had greatly helped as well as her supportive team mates.

"I have three older sisters, we all have played basketball. We had our own little team at home," she stated, "and we all have played in school."

Coach Meeks said he was very proud of her. "She plays as an independent and for her team. This score is rare," he stated.

The family moved to Halls from Dresden when Molly was a high school freshman. Her father had coached at Dresden High

From Halls -- Jacinda Leanne Cates

From Ripley -- Randolph Scott Buford and Douglas Ray Crowder.

The first duty of government is to see that people have food, fuel, and clothes. The second, that they have means of moral and intellectual education.

---John Ruskin

How silver-sweet sound lovers' tongues by night, like softest music to attending ears.

---William Shakespeare

Air Force Makes Boone A Captain

The Air Force reports that Christopher A. Boone, son of Jimmy Boone, of Newbern, and Patty Bates, of Halls, has been promoted to captain, as a supply chief at the Arnold Air Force Station in Manchester, Tennessee.

A 1989 graduate of Dyersburg High School, he took an associate degree from the Air Force Community College in 1992 and a bachelor's degree from Faulkner University in Montgomery, Ala., in 1993.

He is the grandson of Pauline Boone, of Dukedom, and of Maggie Bates, of Friendship.

His wife, Kristy, is the daughter of Charlotte Davis, of 1116 Gail Circle, Dyersburg.

It was in making education not only common to all, but in some sense compulsory to all, that the destiny of the free republics of America was practically settled.

---James Russell Lowell

School. Her hobbies are sports, however she does have time for a boyfriend.

We, the people of Lauderdale County, continue to be a blessed people; although we had a great loss of property and things of sentimental value, we had no loss of life in the tornado that struck Sunday night.

We cannot say enough good about the emergency response of our people. We congratulate you on your work and dedication. We would like to thank some in particular:

Our Emergency Management Group, the Fire Departments of Halls, Ripley, Gates and Lauderdale County, the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department, the Rescue Squad, the police departments of Halls and Ripley, the utility departments of Halls and Ripley, the Public Works Departments of Halls, Gates and Ripley, the Town of Gates for the use of the Gates Community Center, Ace Allied Lumber Co., for the use of their large generator and lights used at the trailer park, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, BellSouth, Red Cross, and then, all the volunteers and churches that have been so generous in their support of the response groups and the victims.

We, the people of Lauderdale County, owe our gratitude and thanks for a great co-ordinated effort to help in the time of need. May we all come closer together.

LAUDERDALE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
Rozelle Criner, County Executive

Mourned



Jon Moore

FFA Star, 21, Dies From Meningitis

Jon Michael Moore, 21, a farmer who headed the Future Farmers of America chapter in Halls High School and was FFA State Farmer of the Year in 1996, died Thursday of last week of spinal meningitis, in Baptist Hospital East in Memphis.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in First United Methodist Church in Halls, with burial in the cemetery of Concord United Methodist Church near Gates, where he was a member, with Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves his parents, Michael H. Moore and Donna Eaton Moore, a sister, Kristen Beth Moore, and his grandparents, William Harold and Carolyn Moore, of Gates, and Frank Eaton, of Memphis.

Memorial gifts to First United Methodist Church in Halls or to the Halls FFA Scholarship Fund at Union Planters Bank in Ripley would be appropriate.

Gladyes Young

Gladyes Young, 84, former countian, died Friday of last week in Bryan Memorial Hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska, after a stroke.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday in Elam Baptist Church at Durhamville, where she had served on the Mission Board, with burial in Young Cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

She leaves a daughter, Lois Botts, of Lincoln; a sister, Odell Barbee, of Elyria, Ohio; two grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren.

Heath Smothered In Grain Storage

Roland Harris Heath, 56, of New Hwy. 51 south of Halls, died of suffocation Friday when buried under grain at Continental Grain in Dyersburg.

Services were at 2 p.m. Monday in Friendship Cemetery, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He was born at Orlando, Fla., July 9, 1942, son of the late Harris and Dorothy Heath.

He was the widower of Linda Hale Heath.

He leaves three sons, Roland, Jr., of Asheville, N.C., Gerald Heath, of Orlando, Fla., and Tommy Nowak, of Ohio; six daughters, Julie Helmick and Wendy Johnson, of Halls, Cheryl Wilt, of Orlando, Carolyn Broomfield, of Mayberry, W. Va., Steffany Prokop, of Columbia, S.C., and Jennifer Nowak, of Ohio; two step-sons, Michael Helmick and Daniel Wilt, of Abbeville, Ga.; and 21 grandchildren.

Mrs. Meacham

Edna L. Meacham, 91, of Ripley, retired chief operator for South Central Bell, died Tuesday of last week, of heart failure, in Methodist Hospital of Dyersburg.

Services were at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Yarbrough Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Halls Cemetery.

She was a member of Ripley's First United Methodist Church.

The widow of Pinkney A. Meacham, she leaves a sister, Anita L. Talley, of Dyersburg.

Ferpo Walton

Andrew "Ferpo" Jackson Walton, 84, of Brownsville, died of congestive heart failure in Methodist Healthcare in Brownsville.

Services were at 10 a.m. Jan. 15th in Brownsville Funeral Home, with burial in Trinity Cemetery.

He was retired from the Haywood County Highway Department.

He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

He leaves his wife, Annie E. Walton, of Brownsville; two daughters, Ann Roland, of Bells, and Patsy Carol Weed, of Brownsville; a sister, Faye Poin-dexter, of Memphis; three grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Murphy Newman

Raymond Murphy Newman, 70, retired farmer and school bus driver, of 215 Harvey Newman Road at Curve, died Friday, of respiratory failure, in Baptist Hospital East in Memphis.

Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Curve Baptist Church, where he was a member, with burial in Concord Cemetery near Gates, Garner Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves his wife, Martha; two sons, Clay, of Gates, and McKay, of Maury City; three daughters, Katherine Meadows and Lisa Dunham, of Ripley and Susan Newman-Searce, of Halls, seven brothers, Carl, Thee, and Wilson, of Curve, James, of Ripley, Leslie and Thomas, of Halls, and Harvey Junior Newman, of Palos Heights, Ill.; three sisters, Bessie Mae Barlow and Lil Hunt, of Curve, and Sue Morrow, of Slidell, La.; nine grandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren.

Johnnie Spoon

Johnnie Franklin Spoon, 81, of Halls, retired heavy-equipment operator, died Wednesday of last week, of cardio-pulmonary arrest, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were at 2 p.m. Friday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in the cemetery of Elon Baptist Church near Halls, where he was a member.

He leaves his wife, Bessie Elizabeth Wolf Spoon; two sons, Mike and Vandel, of Halls; six daughters, Charlotte Vowell, of Ripley, Janet Adams and Mable Moore, of Gates, Shirley Adams, of Bruceville, and Robin Mathis and Tammy McClellan, of Chestnut Bluff; three brothers, Bill and Oscar Spoon, of Ripley, and Dewey Spoon, of Parsons; two sisters, Margie Maners, of Vermillion, Ohio, and Marie Nunn, of Las Vegas, Nev.; 14 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Hattie Jones

Hattie Jones, 78, of Henning, widow of President Jones, died Wednesday of last week, of heart failure, in her home.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday in St. Mark's Baptist Church

in Henning, with burial in the Garden of Everlasting Life near Covington, Thomas Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

She leaves a brother, Hughes Jarrett, of Henning.

Max DeLoach

Max Rondle "Ron" DeLoach, 59, of Jackson, brother of Marshall Ray DeLoach, of 180 Thompson, Ripley, died Wednesday of last week, of heart failure, in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday in Englewood Baptist Church in Jackson, where he was a member, with burial in Highland Memorial Gardens, George A. Smith & Sons Funeral Home in charge.

He had retired as operations director of *The Jackson Sun*, a daily newspaper.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Ann DeLoach; three sons, Jeffrey, of Arlington, Troy, of Lexington, and Blane, of San Francisco, Calif.; three other brothers, Harris Damon DeLoach, of Jackson, Harry Lloyd DeLoach, of Fruitland, and William Edward DeLoach, of Beech Bluff; a sister, Linda Merle Taylor, of Jackson; and seven grandchildren.

Patsy Butler Hale

Patsy Butler Hale, 52, of 206 Buchanan St. in Hickman, Ky., sister of Maybell Bushart, of Halls, died Monday of last week in Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah, Ky., after a heart attack.

Rites were at 7 p.m. Wednesday of last week in Strong Funeral Home in Hickman, with burial at 2 p.m. next day in Flatwoods Cemetery north of Camden.

She was born at Camden, Dec. 16, 1946, daughter of the late Joe and May Pafford Butler.

She was a Baptist.

Survivors include two daughters, Donna Buchanan, of Metropolis, Ill., and Janice Bowler, of Dallas, Tex.; another sister, Letha Ogden, of Union City, and three grandchildren.

Maurice S. Gwinn

Maurice Sale Gwinn, 64, of Brighton, formerly employed by Ripley Tractor Co., died Sunday, of

cancer, in Methodist Hospital in Memphis.

Services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in Munford Cemetery.

He had also been employed by Campbell 66 Trucking.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Jean Parks Gwinn; two sons, David Arnold Gwinn, of Brighton, and Phillip Maurice Gwinn, of Covington; his mother, Beryl Walton Gwinn, and a brother, Paul Sanford Gwinn, of Brighton; and a sister, Mary Jane Hayes, of Memphis.

Schools Celebrate School Board Week

The Lauderdale County School District and 137 other school districts in Tennessee will celebrate "School Board Week in Tennessee," Jan. 24th-30th. Local school board members are Maxine Gay, Garry Seller, Eva Drain, Sarah Harrell, Trey Hurt, Richard Lazure, Debbie Mays, Dr. Dave Strong and Glardes Thomas.

"These men and women volunteer countless hours of unpaid time not only providing the best possible education for our students, but also serving as the corporate board of directors for one of our community's largest employers," said Dr. Bobby Webb, Lauderdale County Superintendent. "As your elected leaders they represent you in their continuing commitment to local citizen control and decision-making for our public schools. Even though we are making a special effort during this week to show appreciation for our school board members, we recognize their contributions reflect a year-round effort on their part. They are dedicated individuals who are committed to the continuing success of our students and schools."

SPELLING BEE WINNERS

Spelling bee winners, of Halls Elementary School were, in grades one through three, Craig Davis, in first place, Kristy Lee, in second place, and Paulita Edmondson, alternate. Winners in grades four through six were Brook Hogue, in first place, Mary Williams, in second place, and Erin Cribfield, alternate.

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Supply Dwindles



MARIE SUMROW displays one of the few remaining replicas of the old Halls High School for sale at the Halls Public Library for \$35. Plans are for further replicas to follow. Information from 836-5302.

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE

Saturday Night Live with Jesus services will be held at 6 p.m., January 30th in Williams Chapel Baptist Church, in the Poplar Grove Community in Halls. Rick Odegard will present a puppet ministry, Paul Duncan will be guest speaker.

Reward Offered In Car Doctor Burglary

Crime Stoppers of Lauderdale County will pay up to \$1,000 cash reward to anyone providing information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the January burglary and vandalism at the Car Doctor on Cleveland Street.

To earn reward call 635-4411 for a secret code number. You need not give your name, talk to police or appear in court.

For Double Killer: 2 Life Sentences

Terrance Burnett, 23, Friday pled guilty to first degree murder of Latoria Renee Taylor, 22, and Lexjus Floyd, 22 months old, after the door of a home at 105 Watkins in Ripley was kicked open in May, 1996.

Circuit Judge Jody Walker sentenced Burnett to life in prison, without parole, on both charges, to 20 years each for the attempted murders of Alden Fox and Kim Toomes, who survived the gun-shots in the home, and to eight years for aggravated burglary.

A co-defendant, Bwana M. Carter, was found guilty by a jury and is now serving a life sentence without parole. Another co-defendant awaits trial.

Robbins Makes Dean's List In Washington, D.C.

Blair Robbins, son of Dr. and Mrs. B.G. Robbins, of Ripley, has been named to the fall Dean's List at the George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

A 1996 honors graduate of Ripley High School, he is a junior in the college of arts and sciences.

DEAN'S LIST

Alexis Gaines, Latonya S. Jackson and Tammy J. Nelson, all of Halls, were named to the 1998 fall semester Dean's List at The University of Memphis.

MTSU GRADUATE

Tonia Bond, of Lauderdale County, received a bachelor of science degree from Middle Tennessee State University in fall commencement Dec. 12.

Aid To Disaster Victims



TWO TRUCK LOADS of donations for disaster victims arrived this week in Halls.

A truck arrived Monday at the Halls Fire station from Southaven, Miss., sent by the First Methodist Church Association there.

Tuesday afternoon Averitt Express delivered a load sent by WASL radio station in Dyersburg to Westside Baptist Church in Halls.

Applications were taken last week by the Red Cross at Westside Baptist Church for disaster relief assistance. Anyone needing help may call 1-800-462-9029.

The First United Methodist Church will be holding all serv-

ices and other activities in the recreation building at Droke Roofing Plant (the former Tupperware building).

In 1888 the original building was built on the same site and was destroyed shortly thereafter by a cyclone.

The present brick sanctuary was completed in 1906. The cornerstone says 1907 but, according to church history, it was completed in 1906.

The first annex was completed in 1925. The windows were installed in 1948. First Citizens Bank donated the chandeliers in 1949 when they renovated their bank. The sanctuary was remodeled in 1959 with dedication in 1960.

Reward Offered In Theft Of Boat Motor

Crime Stoppers of Lauderdale County will pay up to \$1,000 cash reward to anyone providing information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the Jan. 1st theft of a 25 h.p. Johnson boat motor from the property of Parnell Webb, 9400 Edith-Nankipoo Rd.

To earn reward, call 635-4411 for a secret code number. You need not give your name, talk to police or appear in court.

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NOTICE - Chitosan 500 mg. fat burner is now available at Arnold's Drug Co., 112 East Main Street, Halls, 901-836-7211. 18-tf

NOTICE - For all your real estate needs call Wanda Brewer, Four Season's Better Homes & Gardens Realty (901) 836-9547 or (901) 286-1234. 19-tf

Land Transfers

Jan. 15 - Thomas Lewis Gitchell and Sharon Gitchell Harrison, to Rebecca M. Gitchell and Thomas Lewis Gitchell, Dist. 6, 2.7 acres.

Betty Jean Tucker to Daniel R. Beard, Dist. 6, .406 acre.
Cynthia Hendren and John P. Hendren to Ann C. Cagle and Austin E. Cagle, Dist. 2, lot.

Jerome Qualls to Jerry Qualls and Pearl M. Qualls Dist. 1, 3.00 acres.

Jan. 19 - Tony Moore and Joey Althea Riley to Bobby Terry and Nadine Terry, Dist. 8, 7.00 acres.

Edward Carmack Brooks to Josephine H. Brooks and William

Carmack Brooks, Dist. 14, 52-3/4 acres.

Jan. 20 - First Metropolitan Financial Services to B.D. Anderson and R.D. Anderson, lot.

J.W. Pittman to Danny R. Tillman and Pam E. Tillman, Dist. 15, 52.7103 acres.

Craig R. Johnson and Stacy Johnson to Roger McCoy and Sara E. McCoy, Dist. 14, 3 parcels.

Edna Scott and William E. Scott to Pamela Northam, 1.277 acres.

Jan. 21 - Leroy Montague and Margaret Floers Montague to Marjorie S. Minner, Dist. 10, lot.

NOTICE

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Readers Speak

Editor:

What is happening to the weather in this country? Why the sudden havoc, destruction and death caused by the recent storms and tornadoes? I believe an explanation can be found in God's word.

The Bible says 'The Lord has His way in the whirlwind and in the storm,' Nahum 1:3. We also know that earthquakes will increase as we near the return of Jesus Christ, Matt. 24:7. I believe these weather conditions are not from 'Mother Nature,' but a warning from God before He sends judgment to this country!

In the days before the flood God gave them 120 years warning. Every dispensation of man always ends with the rebellion of man and the judgment of God. In the Old Testament, God sent plagues to the land of Egypt to warn, punish and

to show them the power of God and the weakness of man.

God not only deals with individuals, but also nations. 'The wicked shall be turned into Hell, and all the nations that forget God,' Psalms 9:17. I believe that our best days as a nation are past if we don't repent of our sins and turn back to God. 'Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people,' Pro. 14:34.

Washington is filled with politicians who have little or no concern for our country or the average American. Our freedoms are being taken away. We are bankrupt both spiritually and economically. We murder millions of unborn babies in the name of 'free choice,' and kicked God, prayer and Bible out of our public schools. We elect to public office the most skilled liar

and God has given us leaders of the 'basest of men,' Daniel 4:7. It is clear we require no more high standards of our leaders and 'when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn,' Pro. 29:2.

But all is not gloom and doom for we who have trusted in the blood of Jesus Christ 'which delivered us from the wrath to come,' I Thes. 1:10. The Bible says 'in the last days perilous times shall come,' II Thes. 3:1. We are now there, but it is good news for the Christian because Jesus said, 'And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth night,' Luke 21:28. Wake up America!

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She's Eight



MARIAH HUDSON, daughter of Victoria Claybrooks, of Gates, and Lewis Hudson Jr., of Murfreesboro, celebrated her eighth birthday Monday. She is the granddaughter of Julia Claybrooks, of Gates, and M.L. Hudson, of Halls.

Birthdays

Jan. 28 - Ray Clark, Wardell Parish.

Jan. 29 - Elizabeth Vaden, Glenda Ward, Charles Stephens, Marcia Kelly, Shareese Jones, Butch Eskridge, Kasie Barnett, John Anthony, Robert Ammons, Hilton Vaughn, Billie Jean Northcott, Don Meadows.

Jan. 30 - Martha Crites Abbott, Sherry Vaden Brown, Virgie Belton, Elizabeth Buffalo, Carolyn Dew, Mark Roy, Janie Little.

Jan. 31 - Chuck Vincent.
Feb. 1 - Donna Blakley, Judy Mills, Hillary Bailey.

Feb. 2 - John Meeks, Natalie Carpenter, Leslie Sigman, Jimmy Patterson, Patsy Stephens, Linda Jones, Dawn Buckner.

Feb. 3 - Adron Wiggins, Jr., Barbara Carmack, Nicholas Wooster, Robert 'Bubba' Lewis, Wayne Voss, Robert Jones, Betty Pease, Susan White, Ivan Criner, Mary Ellen Ratcliffe, Beau Simpson, James Hemby, Paul Douglas Spoon Jr.

Anniversaries

Feb. 2 - Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis McCaslin, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hendren.

Feb. 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hammond.

Woodville Locals

By Pat Hughes

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hardee were in Memphis last week to see their doctor.

Richard and Lisa Chipman honored Lisa's brother, Scooter

Hardee, with a meal at Los Portales in Dyersburg last week in celebration of his 22nd birthday. Lisa had a check-up with her doctor Monday of last week.

Tammy Gay visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hughes, Friday. Cathy Parish, of Halls, and Mrs. Hughes were in Dyersburg Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes visited their son, Kevin Newman, in Covington Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Summar had Mrs. Summar's children as guests during the weekend.

Bernard Leggett remains ill.

EXCELS IN MILLSAPS

Stacy Elizabeth Warren, a senior in Millsaps College in Jackson, Miss., made the fall semester president's list with a grade average of 3.85 to 4.0.

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Westside Baptist Church Says
Thank You To The Community

The people of Westside Baptist Church wish to say a huge thank you to all the people, businesses, churches and other organizations that have given in any way of time, monies, or goods to assist the tornado victims in Halls. There are too many names to mention. Support has come from people and organizations in Lauderdale and Dyer Counties, as well as from many people all over the Mid-South. The outpouring of kindness has been overwhelming.

Because of the kindness of so many people, the following has been accomplished:

- On Monday January 18, approximately 200 victims and relief workers were fed hot meals
- On Tuesday January 19, many were fed, and many were given clothing items and personal items
- On Wednesday January 20, several were fed, and many victims were given an abundance of canned and non-perishable items
- To date, tornado victims have been helped with spiritual guidance, residence relocation, appliances, new clothing, kitchen and bath items, etc. This extra relief has been made possible through gifts to the American Red Cross and to the Westside Baptist Church Tornado Relief Fund. The Westside Baptist Emergency Relief Committee will continue to help these families as they get back on their feet.
- And due to the abundance of items, some surplus items have been used to help storm victims in Alamo, TN and Benton County, TN.

Our desire at Westside Baptist has been to be a clearinghouse of compassion to give and to minister as Jesus instructed in Matthew 25:35-40

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'"

This outpouring of kindness and compassion has been done through Westside Baptist in the name of Jesus Christ. Our prayer is that all victims will find peace for life's storms and ultimately peace for eternity through this Savior.

On behalf of the families that have been helped, we again say thank you to a community brought together by a disaster. We also ask that you continue to pray with us for the people, businesses and churches impacted by the storms. Although Westside Baptist Church will no longer be taking donations of goods or clothing for victims, you may give directly to the American Red Cross or to the Westside Baptist Church Tornado Relief Fund to assist displaced families long-term.



LAUDERDALE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

THANK YOU

To everyone that donated their time, equipment, food, drinks, blankets, flashlights, shelter and so much more during the disastrous storm on January 17, 1999, the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department sends you our heart-felt thanks.

This is another example of our county pulling together to make this a great place to live.

THANK YOU AGAIN,
Louis L. Craig, Sheriff

HHS HONOR ROLL

Halls High School Principal's List students, with all A's for the third six-week period include ninth graders, Richard Dawson, Sara Herder, Allyson Jennings, Tyler Layne, Julie Pickard, Diane Vaughan and Rachel Wilson; tenth grade Principal's List, Deanna Coonts, Rachel Dennis, Leanne Harris, Denise McAlister, Jade Scott, Kimberly Shands, Leah Simpson, Amy Taylor and Ashley Terry; eleventh graders, Amber Bivens, Derek Claybrooks, Katie Cook, Allison Fisher, Melissa Hurt, Leslie Kennedy, Crystal McCaslin, Justin Meeks, Brooke Newsome, John Allen Noblin, Van Piphus, Johnny Stout, Kyle Terry and Ricky Terry; and twelfth graders, Brandon Akins, Colby Baker, Krissy Bowers, Joseph Brown, Jordan Cribfield, Addison Hansford, Bradley Harrell, Amy Luttrell, Robert McDearman, Alan Meadows, Kristen Mitchell, Tessa Moses, April Permenter, Angela Pugh, Jeremania Trevillian and Nicole Ward.

Gold List students, with all A's and B's include ninth graders, Sarah Cates, Kristina Deaton, Keri Ivory, Kristen Throgmorton, Elizabeth Webb, Jessica Yarbro and Holly Young; tenth graders, Natalie Hart, Leah Heator, Megan Jordan, Candie Layne, Will Morris, Jami Kay Nolen, Julie Permenter, April Prater, Kara Steelman, Sam Stenson, Kim Vaughn and Mary Younger; eleventh graders, Aimey Burns, Lakenia Halliburton, Cassie Hartsfield, Anna Holcomb, Jackie Hutcherson, Jameka Reed, Amber Sadler, Amber Sauber and Erin Steelman; and twelfth graders, Brandy Brasfield, William Carroll, Heather Cox, Stephanie Dawson, Robert Finch, Lana Hammock, Christie Harrison, Annette Hayes, Rusty Kesler, Brandy Layne, Tina Luttrell, Leslie McCadney, Trina McCadney, Molly Meeks, Kenny Pridmore, Richard Schoepke, Dorothy Walker, Heather Wyrick, Eric Wright and Brandi Young.



The largest crowd at an Olympic Game was 104,102 in the 1952 ski-jumping competition at the Holmenkollen, outside Oslo, Norway.

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Disaster Aid For Tornado Victims

Disaster assistance is now available for those who sustained losses or damage from tornadoes in Carroll, Crockett, Decatur, Dickson, Hardeman, Haywood, Henderson, Lauderdale, Madison, Maury, Montgomery and Perry Counties.

Paul Fay Jr., the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) official coordinating agency and state recovery efforts, states, "Only by calling and registering can you obtain federal assistance." Apply by phone from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, 1-800-462-9029 or 1-800-462-7585 for the speech and hearing impaired. Be prepared to provide your Social Security number, including spouse, address and zip code of damaged property, directions to the damaged home or property, telephone numbers where you can be reached during the day.

Assistance may include temporary housing or repairs, low interest loans to homeowners, renters and business owners, grants for individuals and families.

Limited aid is also available to local governmental units for debris removal and emergency protective measures.

Disaster Officials Issue Fraud Alert

John White, Jr., director of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency (TEMA), offers a checklist for storm victims to follow to protect themselves from unscrupulous contractors. Check to see if the contractor is licensed, get a written estimate, use known local contractors when possible, check references, require proof of insurance, get a written guarantee on scheduled work, pay by check, never in cash, have an inspection provision in the contract with a three-day cancellation clause, and send all contractual notifications by registered mail. "Check your contractor first with our Division of Consumer Affairs, 1-800-342-8385."

Dan Vaughn, deputy director of the Madison County Emergency Management Agency, recommends that when dealing with an unknown contractor, demand to see a copy of the contractor's license, call the Contractors Licensing Board, 1-800-544-7693, to confirm you are dealing with a legitimate contractor.

REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic subsidiaries of the
THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY BANK of HALLS
in the state of TN, at the close of business on December 31, 1998,
published in response to call made by

Statement of Resources and Liabilities Dollar Amounts in Thousands

ASSETS

Cash and balances due from depository institutions:		
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		2,480
Interest-bearing balances		32
Securities:		
Held-to-maturity securities		353
Available-for-sale securities		4,351
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell		5,367
Loans and lease financing receivables:		
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	20,111	:
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	250	:
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0	:
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve		19,861
Trading Assets		0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)		1,110
Other real estate owned		0
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies		0
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding		0
Intangible assets		864
Other assets		34,418
Total assets		34,418
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		0
Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		34,418

Letters of Credit Dollar Amounts in Thousands

LIABILITIES

Deposits:		
In domestic offices		30,820
Noninterest-bearing	5,230	:
Interest-bearing	25,590	:
Federal funds purchased and Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		0
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury		0
Trading liabilities		0
Other borrowed money (includes mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases):		
With remaining maturity of one year or less		0
With remaining maturity of more than one year through three years		0
With remaining maturity of more than three years		806
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding		0
Subordinated notes and debentures		166
Other liabilities		31,792
Total liabilities		31,792

EQUITY CAPITAL

Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus		0
Common stock		355
Surplus		460
Undivided profits and capital reserves		1,807
Net unrealized holding gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities		4
Total equity capital		2,626
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		0
Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		2,626
Total liabilities, equity capital, and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		34,418

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

I, Sharon Rose

of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

John P. Cribfield
JOHN P. CRIFIELD

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Gerald Cherry
GERALD CHERRY

Sharon Rose
Signature

1-21-99
Date

Delta Agency Adds Vans, Seeks Drivers For Them

The Delta Human Resource Agency, serving Lauderdale, Tipton, and Fayette Counties, has expanded its fleet of vans from 15 to 29 and needs drivers, John Snead, executive director, told Ripley Rotarians Tuesday.

Drivers may be full-time, part-time, or on-call, at an initial \$6 per hour. Only a normal driver's license with an "F" endorsement ("For Hire") is required.

For more information, call 901-476-5226.

Twelve of the 29 vans are lift-equipped.

In the year ended June, vans drove 489,700 miles on 58,344 trips serving 31,674 persons.

Among them were 44 patients visiting 16 different clinics, from Dyersburg to Memphis, for dialysis (the machine removal of impurities from blood, after kidney failure).

Spending Three Million

The Agency spent, in the year ending in June, \$2,930,423.30.

Among major programs--

Child Care -- \$1,226,837.59

Families First (active in education/employment), 651 children.

Transitional Families First--off welfare, fully employed or working while attending school, up to 18 months, 480 children.

Child Care & Development--for fully employed (offered teen parents continuing high school), for six months, 280 children.

With other programs, Delta had served in the year 843 children (421 families).

Community Service--\$213,278.

To pay an average \$11.54 each to 1,751 persons assisting in distributing surplus commodities.

To pay an average \$206.51 to 753 persons for emergency food, clothing, fuel/utilities, and/or rent or mortgage assistance.

To repair 45 houses to cut energy costs or safety hazards, an average of \$915.82 per house.

To pay an average \$216.87 to 126 persons to assist them in "accessing services within the community in meeting their needs."

Emergency Food And Shelter funds aided 15 Lauderdale County residents with utility assistance, totaling \$2,236.64, and 31 County

residents with rent/mortgage assistance, totaling \$9,093.36.

Home Energy Aid -- \$336,090, to 1,799 house-holds, maximum \$250 per house-hold, to heat homes of low income, elderly, and handicapped persons.

Home Partnerships -- On a 4-year, \$500,000 grant from the Tennessee Housing Development Agency, awarded in March, 1996, 12 homes in Lauderdale and Fayette Counties were to be re-habilitated. In the year ending June, six projects were completed--three re-constructions in this county, and three re-habilitations in Fayette, leaving only \$12,358.96 unspent.

Weatherization -- \$95,766.62, to reduce air infiltration into 38 homes (average \$2,520 per home).

Summer Food Service -- To provide meals subsidized during the school year, five sites in Ripley and one in Henning served 3,872 breakfasts and 6,024 lunches.

Commodities -- \$32,426.00

Households served: 5,927; in this county, 2,185. County aid:

	Lbs.
Northern Beans	2936
Apple Sauce	4091
W. Kernel Corn	3408
Peanut Butter	7534
Salmon	1628
Pork	1939
Figs	3802
Navy Beans	2232
Pinto Beans	5591
Corn Flakes	4101
Macaroni	4883
Prunes	1566
Tomatoes	5661
Dried Milk	4424
Vegeterian Beans	1635
Rice	2330

Agency 1 Of 9 In State

Delta is one of nine such agencies in the state. Its Governing

Guest Speaker



CRAIG FITZHUGH, center, State Representative, was guest speaker for Monday's luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club of Halls-Gates. Introduced by Bobby Vaughn, right, in charge of the program, he was welcomed by Garland Johns, left, club president.

Rep. Fitzhugh, appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee this term, discussed education, health, children's welfare, crime and transportation issues.

CARD OF THANKS

My heartfelt thanks I extend to everyone who came, called and sent food, flowers, gifts or cards during my stay in the hospital. I felt the impact of so many prayers during this time and for this I will always be grateful.

Dan Shelton

Adv.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for every act of kindness shown to us during the illness and death of our loved one --Jimmy. Your prayers, cards, visits, food, flowers, love offerings and memorials have been a great comfort to us. Please keep us in your prayers and thoughts in the days ahead. A special thanks to Bro. Randy Jetton for his comforting words, to Barbara Hendren and Jeremiah Cavitt for the beautiful music, to the pall bearers for their support and to Noel Sherrod, Ty Brasfield, and Barbara Mann, of Halls Funeral Home, for their expert care. May God bless each of you.

Virginia Walpole, mother
Helen Hale, aunt

Adv. P.

Cash Payments To Aid Hog Producers

Vice-president Al Gore announced Jan. 8th that the Department of Agriculture will make about \$50 million in direct cash payments to small hog producers to help them weather the current economic crisis.

Producers qualify for payments if they marketed less than 1,000 hogs during the last six months of 1998 and are still in operation. Producers will not be eligible on hogs marketed under fixed-price or cost-plus contracts or any operation whose gross income for 1998 was greater than \$2.5 million.

Eligibility is based on marketings during the last six months of 1998 to avoid distorting current marketings. The six-month period accommodates the marketing practices of small producers who may not market hogs every week or month but who need help to weather the current economic crisis.

Producers will be paid up to \$5 per slaughter-weight hog (or the equivalent for feeder pigs and other swine) multiplied by the number of hogs marketed during the last six months of 1998. The actual payment may be less than \$5 due to limited funding under the law. Producers will only be paid on up to 500 market hogs (or an equivalent number of feeder pigs) so the maximum payment that will be paid on any operation is \$2,500.

Payments will be made through the local Farm Service Agency. The Lauderdale County FSA Office will hold a sign-up from Feb. 1st through Feb. 12th. Further information from the FSA Office.

Thank You

Our family has been truly blessed by the overwhelming concern, support and love of our community.

May God Bless You All.

The Family of
Jon Michael Moore

Mike, Donna, Kristen
William Harold and Carolyn

Board includes the County Executives of its counties (Lauderdale, Tipton, and Fayette); the Mayors of all cities in those counties; State Sen. Tom Leatherwood, who represents part of the Agency's district; State Rep. Jimmy Naifeh, of Covington, speaker of the state House of Representatives; and three "representative members," with Michael Moore as the representative member from Lauderdale County.

The Board appoints a Policy Council: the three County Executives, three mayors, and three providers appointed by Executives.

Lauderdale County Executive Rozelle Criner is joined on the Policy Council by Mayor Fred Montgomery, of Henning, and Charles Cutlip, of 483 S. Jefferson, Ripley.