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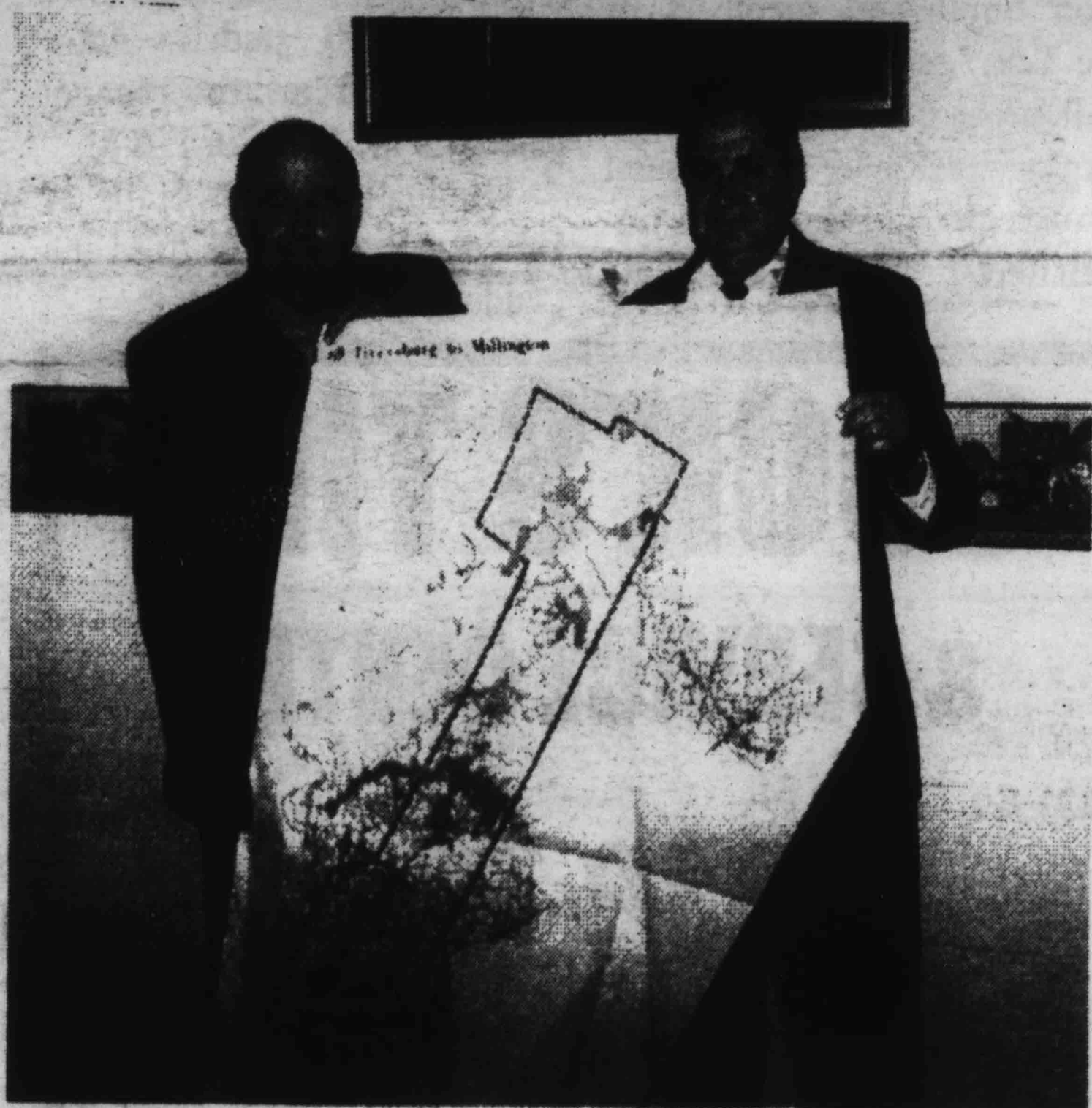
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Viewing I-69 Route



ROZELLE CRINER, right, Lauderdale County Executive, and **Billy Poston**, left, Alderman, attended a briefing at the Region 4 office in Jackson Monday to view the proposed route for the I-69 corridor. In the present plan, Lauderdale County is inside the outlined area. The new route will run parallel with Highway 51, with no definite site selected. Plans call for the middle of 2002 to be finished with the environmental study and by the end of 2003, if federal funding continues, to start the turning of dirt in Tennessee. Representatives from Shelby

to Dyer Counties attended the briefing.

Bird Scholarship Recipient at UTM

William Bird, son of Allen and Janice Bird, of Halls, received a scholarship for the 2001-2002 academic year at the University of Tennessee at Martin. Bird, a freshman probable agricultural science major, received the UT Martin Freshman Scholarship/Workshop.

Mrs. Davis On A State Board

Bettie (Mrs. Gene) Davis, of 957 Dr. Hall Rd., Halls, has been appointed by Gov. Don Sundquist to represent the Delta Area Agency on Aging on the board of the Tennessee Commission on Aging.

She joined the Delta board last year.

Active in many areas of community service, she edits the *Newsletter* of the Lauderdale County Historical Society and is a trustee of the Lauderdale County Library.



BILLIE MORRIS, in upper left photo, received the Chamber Citizen of the Year Award. She was born and raised in Ripley and graduated from Ripley High School. She served as general manager for Todd Uniform in Henning, where she worked for 25 years. Mrs.

Morris serves as president of the Lauderdale County Historical Society, president of Friends of the Library, is a long time member and secretary-treasurer of the Ripley Rotary Club, serves on the Board of Directors for the Lauderdale County Educa-

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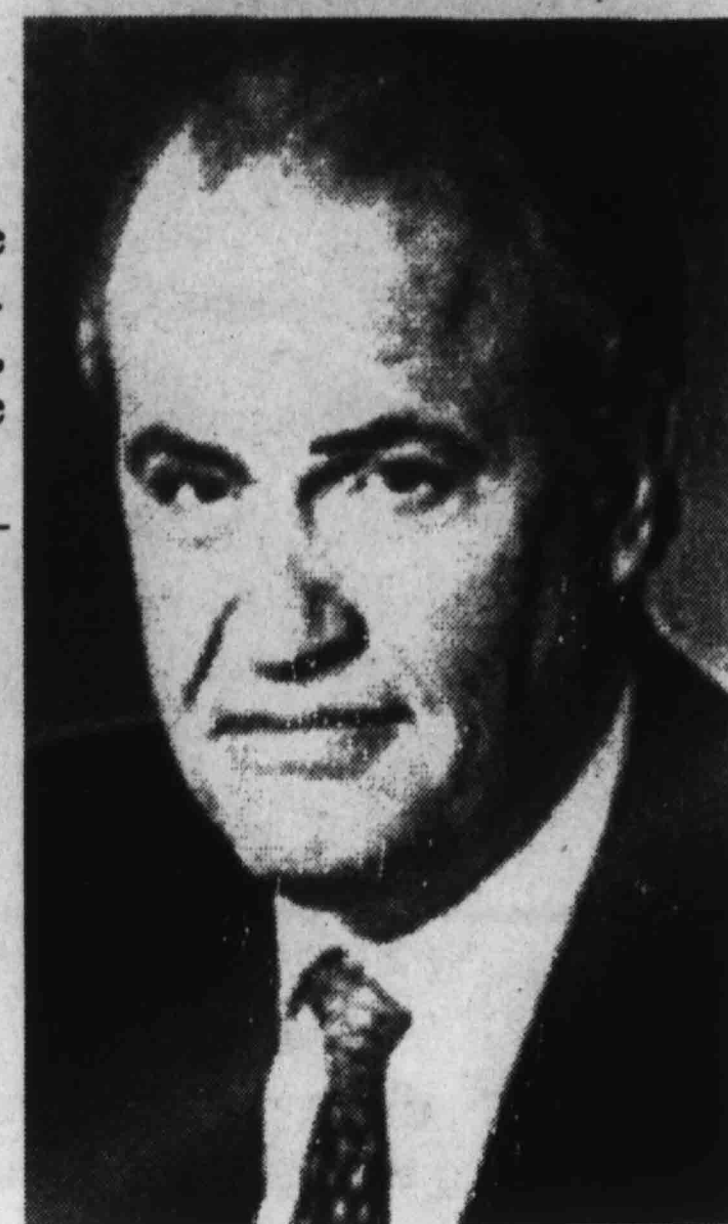
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HHS HONOR ROLL

Halls High School students on the honor roll for the fifth six-weeks include, Gold List, 9th grade, Kari Escue, Allison Howell, Rávin Moses, and Beth Sadler; in 10th grade, Mary Lee Bales, Amanda Britt, Sarah Callender, Jason Chambers, Kristina Climer, Kim Davis, Anthony Fisher, Shelbra Halliburton, Kimberly Hammock, Lesley McGarrity, Krista Newman, Eboni Overall, Amanda Sanders, Jessica Stitles, and Keith Young; in 11th grade, Christy Bucey, Sarah Cates, Marquita Holloway, Courtney Moses, Miranda Strayhorn, and Diane Vaughn; in 12th grade, Will Bird, Vance Brewster, Chad Burns, Deanna Coonts, Natalie Hart, Will Morris, Amber Newman, Kim Shands, David Simpson, Chris Stallings, Samuel Stenson, Ashley Terry, Kim Vaughn, Tristan Vaughn, and Rachel Ward.

Principal's List, 9th grade, Kyle Blackwood, Heather Cowan, Kristina Edwards, Sallye Rae Hartmen, Tyler Moore, Ryan Rodgers, and Kevin Ward; in 10th grade, Crystal Delock, Rachel Hammond, Leighann Harris, and Alisha White; in 11th grade, Jessica Barnes, Lauren Bray, Kyle Chessor, Kristina Deaton, Brittney Eison, Allyson Jennings, Tyler Layne, Mark Simpson, and

Speaker



FRED THOMPSON, U.S. Senator and Republican from Tennessee, will be the commencement speaker for the University of Tennessee at Martin's spring ceremony at 11 a.m., Saturday, May 12th in the Kathleen and Tom Elam Center.

A reception will follow the ceremony in the Duncan Ballroom in the Ed and Carolyn Boling University Center.

Divorces

Bret Grant vs. Melissa Riley Grant.

Shelia Ann Barnes Gause vs. Charles Edward Gause, Sr.



The word cabbage comes from the Latin word 'caput' which means head.

EXTRA CHECK

Social Security recipients will be getting an extra check in July to adjust for a \$1 billion shortfall in payments, caused by a computer glitch last fall, stated Social Security Administration officials April 27th.

The error caused Social Security to pay the cost-of-living increase, starting in January 2000, at 2.4 percent instead of 2.5 percent.

Most beneficiaries will receive a one-time payment of \$19, along with a written explanation. Correct adjustments will appear in monthly checks starting in August.

People should contact their local Social Security office with any questions.

Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsobrook

Norma Jackson, of Gates, is in stable condition in the Intensive Care Unit of Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Frankie Jackson is improving in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

NOTICE

The Town of Halls regular board meeting of Mayor and Board of Aldermen will be held May 7, 2001, at 7 p.m. in City Hall.

Countians Receive New Appraisal Notifications

Most Lauderdale Countians received their property appraisal cards this week notifying them of the new property values. The state is appraising every parcel in the state, with the last County's appraisal in 1995. New appraisals show property values went up 20-35%, based on the value to build new houses. The County sets tax rates based on these new appraisals. If you have any questions about your appraisal, call 731-221-8268 between 8:30 a.m. and noon or 1 and 4 p.m., Mon.- Fri. Seventy-five percent of the questions can be handled by phone. If you need to see someone about your questions, call this number and make an appointment to see Don Smith and members of the Tax Assessors office, who will be at the National Guard Armory in Ripley for the next two weeks. For those still unsatisfied, the Lauderdale

County Equalization Board will start hearings after June 1st. The County Board of Commissioners will set the dates later.

GRADUATES

Forty-seven bankers completed the Southeastern School of Consumer Credit, conducted by the Tennessee Bankers Association at the Owen Graduate School of Management of the Vanderbilt University campus in Nashville. Graduates represented banks in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and Tennessee.

The TSSCC is an intensive one-week school that exposes students to the major issues consumer credit managers face on a daily basis. Approximately 1,200 students have graduated from the school since its inception in 1987.

Graduating from Halls is Gregory P. Crihfield from the Lauderdale County Bank.

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Guest Speaker



BEN MEHR, center, of the Credit Bureau of Jackson, was introduced by Jerry Hughes, right, at Monday's regular luncheon of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club at the Halls Community Center.

Mr. Mehr spoke to club members about the rules, codes, and other aspects of the Credit Bureau.

The club decided to continue meeting at the Halls Community Center on North College Street in Halls with the meals catered by Key Corner Exxon.

Joe Eskridge, left, is club president.

Blackwood to Dell Robert Salemi and Anna Francene Salemi, Dist. 8, 1.750 acres.

Brian Bratschi and Kim Bratschi to Paula Brill, Dist. 2, lot.

April 26 - Owen Ward Hardy and Edna E. Hardy to

Crihfield Receives Teaching Award

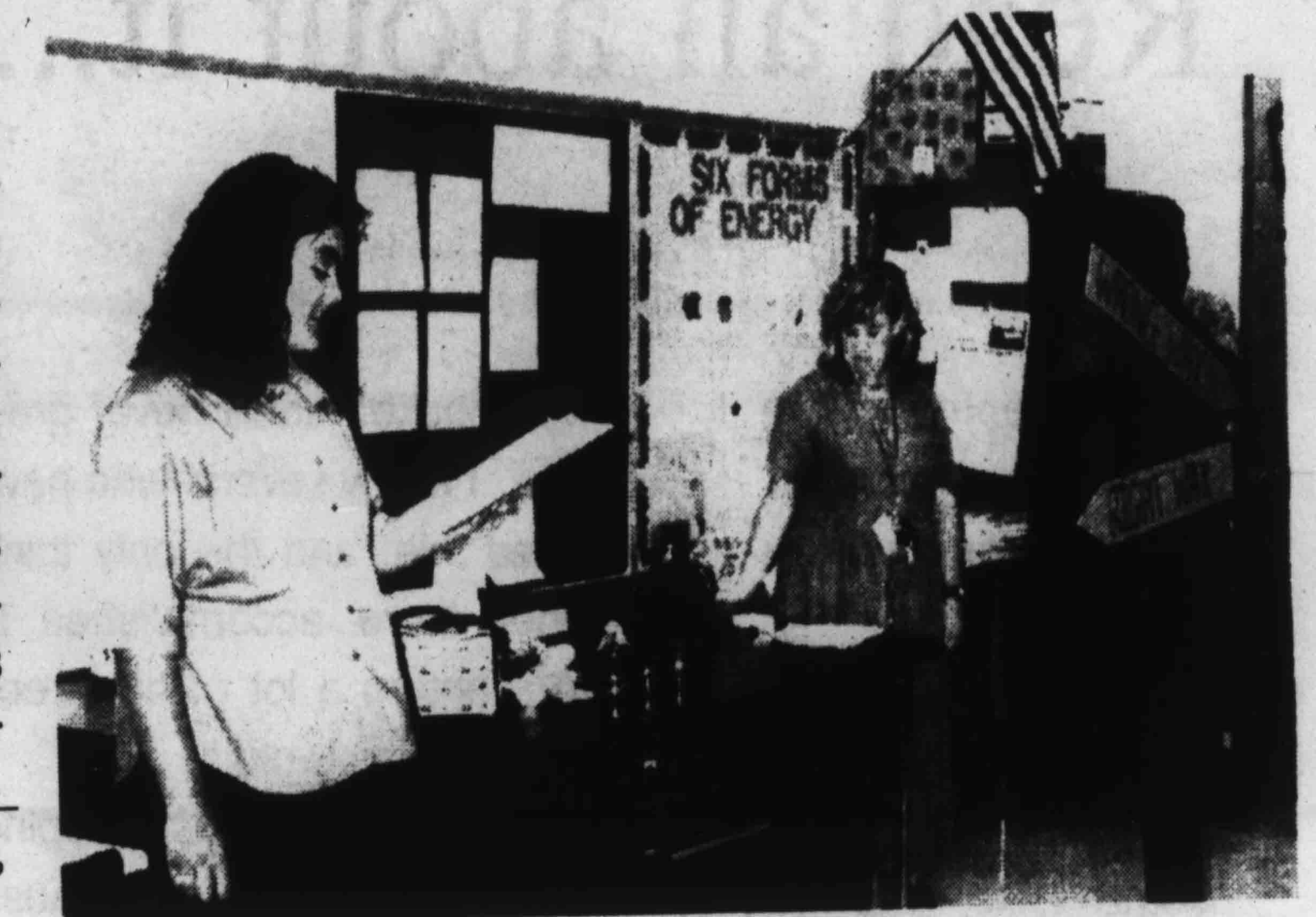
Patsy Crihfield, of Ripley, Assistant Professor of Nursing, received Dyersburg State Community College's Outstanding Faculty Award, sponsored by Bill Adcock. Mrs. Crihfield was recognized for her dedication to her students and her commitment to meeting the training needs of this area's healthcare professionals.

United States of America, Dist. 9, 105,000 acres.

Paul Stafford and Catherine Stafford to Blaine Murphy and Dottie Murphy, Dist. 4, 3 tracts.

Joyce Neal and Charles Neal to Mike Douglas and Leigh Douglas, Dist. 11, lot.

Class Skits



JULIE PERMENTER, in Mrs. Jean McDearman's sixth grade class at Halls Elementary School, is shown with Jennifer Friedman, teacher at Halls High School, performing a skit portraying various people in history. Each student in Mrs. McDearman's class did a skit. Mrs. Friedman's Marketing class went to HES Friday morning to watch the performances.



LAUDERDALE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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Louis Craig, Sheriff

Dear Friends,

There are no words to express how my family and I feel about the concern you have shown for us in the past couple of weeks. We sincerely appreciate the beautiful flowers, the phone calls, the cards of encouragement, the many visits, the delicious food, and most of all "your prayers".

I would like to take this opportunity to let the people of Lauderdale County know that on April 16th I was diagnosed with Colon Cancer and underwent surgery on April 17th. I will be taking precautionary treatments but my Doctors are sure that I will make a complete recovery. I want to assure you that The Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department and I will continue to serve you to the best of our ability.

Once again, my wife Marilyn, my daughter Melissa, my son Mike, and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts and please continue to keep us in your prayers.

Sincerely,

Louis L. Craig
Louis L. Craig, Sheriff, Lauderdale County

Land Transfers

April 23 - Louise T. Weaver to Verble M. Mueller and Frances K. Mueller, Dist. 2, lot.

Wilma L. Land to Joe F. Tidwel and Janene R. Tidwel, Dist. 12, lot.

Grover Eugene Espey to Joan E. Buckley, lot.

Andrew Brown and Amy Brown to Lana C. Collins, Dist. 12, lot.

Washington Mutual Finance to Ronald F. Fisher and Pamela Fisher, Dist. 12, lot.

Vincent Pitts and Prentise Pitts to Lavonne Richardson, Dist. 2, lot.

Davenor E. Caldwell, Peggy B. Caldwell, and Delia Caldwell to Jerry Bryant Hughes and Cathy L. Hughes, Dist. 3, 1.700 acres.

April 24 - Lauderdale County Bank to Trustees of New Life Fellowship Church, Dist. 2, 0.744 acres.

April 25 - David L. Blackwood and Jennifer

Read all about it...

By Pettus L. Read
Tennessee Farm Bureau

Sleeping In The Moonlight Can Cause Insanity

In this day of computers, modern science, and economic well-being for some folks, one fact still remains, the folklore and superstitions of one generation continues to be passed down to the next.

Just as in years gone by, "old wives' tales" still help many of us explain life and just why some things happen. How many times during the day, do you avoid stepping on a crack, breaking a mirror, walking under a ladder or drive out of your way to keep a black cat from crossing your path? To many of us, these avoidances are second nature and are something we practice because we have been taught that they are all bad luck.

Whether they are fact or fiction, these old wives' tales are here to stay, even for those of us who are the more cynical non-believers. We may not believe them, but we don't want to take a chance just in case there may be something to all of the many different folklore sayings.

Superstition and folklore are used to pick the right time to plant and harvest crops, achieve good luck or bad, and even to predict a certain action or happening.

Over the years, I have filed away several of the familiar and not-so-familiar tales. For example, if a woman carries an acorn in

her pocket, she'll never grow old. I know several who have tried this, and the only thing they have accomplished is preventing a lot of oak trees from growing old.

Another one is sleeping in the moonlight can cause insanity. That reminds me. I have got to get that shade in our bedroom fixed.

If you happen to be a single woman, there are a few things you may do to find Mr. Right.

One is to put a four-leaf clover on your door and you'll marry the first bachelor who comes in that particular door. As I have said, I am a cynical non-believer and if this was true, four-leaf clovers would soon become a curse to bachelors like garlic is to vampires. Round-Up would become a rare item due to over purchasing by single guys.

If you want to know the name of your husband-to-be, put a snail in a plate of corn meal and leave it overnight. The snail will spell the initials of the person you'll marry. If the snail does not write out the initials, he is already breaded, so enjoy some escargot.

If you are looking for rain, here are a few things to watch for.

When the dew is on the grass, rain will never come to pass. Cute poem, huh?

If it rains before seven, it'll quit before eleven.

It will rain within three days if you see a black snake in a tree. When I see a snake in a tree that I am under, rain is the least of my worries.

Trees with the underside of the leaves showing mean a "bad" storm is on its way. However, a tree without leaves and limbs, means a bad storm has already happened.

When the grass is dry at morning light, look for rain before the night. Another cute poem, huh?

The one that always confuses me, is how to tell the weather from a wooly worm. I never know if it is going to be a bad winter if he is all black or all orange. So I looked it up. Here is what a famous folklore book said, "The black band on the wooly worm is wide if there is going to be a bad winter. The more black than brown he is, and/or the wider the black stripe, the worse the winter. If he's black in front, the bad weather is to come; and if he's black behind, the worst weather is past. If he's brown at both ends and orange in the middle, the winter will be mild.

It'll be a bad winter if you see him crawling before the first frost." However, if he is flat, it means he is too slow for a fast car.

Being a cynical non-believer causes me to ques-

tion many of these, but the one about the snail still has my attention. I am still trying to figure out how that snail in the cornmeal knows how to write English.

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June Vows Set



MELINDA PATRICIA SHAW, daughter of retired Colonel and Mrs. Johnny D. Shaw, of Fayetteville, N.C., and Russell Turner Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack R. Henderson, of Halls, will be united in marriage on June 16th in Fayetteville.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fixsen, of Milford, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Johnny H. Shaw, of Memphis, and the late Mrs. Dorothy Woodruff Shaw, of Corinth, Miss.

She is a 1997 graduate of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, where she received a bachelor of science in biochemistry, and a 2001 graduate of Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Ga., where she received her doctor of medicine. She is employed as an internal medicine resident with the University of Chicago Hospital.

The groom-elect is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Paul Henry Henderson, Sr., of Halls, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Rozelle Turner, of Curve.

He is a 1984 graduate of Halls High School and received a bachelor of business administration in finance degree from Memphis State University in 1988. He is employed as a product manager in the Team Sports Division of Wilson Sporting Goods in Chicago, Ill.

The couple will reside in Chicago.

Marriages

April 21 - Christopher Blain Rose, 24, to Dana Carol Clement, 28, by Billy P. Brandon.

John William Yarbrough, 31, to Mindy Rene Mayfield, 21, by Terry Hunt.

April 23 - Robert Lynn Ray, Jr., 27, to Misty Shannon

Owen, 22, by Thomas E. Sanders.

Birthdays

May 3 - Max Hutcherson, Bill West, Charlie Cherry, Louise Best, Barbara Anderson, Stacy Warren, Chris Burrough, Garret Steelman, Jesse

Anniversaries

May 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Coy Summar.

May 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith.

May 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Paul Spoon.

May 8 - Mr. and Mrs. Martin Herron, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edens.

May 9 - Mr. and Mrs. David Cove, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Terry.

James, Zachary Vaughan, Florine Pierce, Steven Hensley.

May 4 - Harley Patterson, Grant Caldwell, Tina Shands, Marshall Jennings, Paul Reynolds, James Pipkin, Jean Burns, Curt Rhoads, Tommy Chipman, Lita McBroom, Judy Moore Crowder.

May 5 - Aaron Dannelley, Steve Vandergriff, Kelli Haislip, Mary Porter, Kathy Ballard, Tyler Newman, Joni Emerson, Rachel Roberts, Virgie Tarpley, Brandi Young Northcott, Josh Sills, Odessa Gay, Tatum Carmack, Zavier Harvey, Cole McAdams, Cassie Burnham, Jenny Wren Nunn.

May 6 - Barbara Anthony, Roger Treadway, Beccah Mitchell, Jimmy Kiestler, Kayla Heath, Burl Carson, Gara Strong, Regina Stanley Castellaw, Scott Crowder, Vickie Jones, Brenda Ables, Nathan Vickery, Mary Sue Cooper, Synthia Gibson, Shayondra Henderson.

May 7 - Matthew Reviere, Billy Maclin, Carla Ross, Lana Nichols, Paul Jordan, Susan Simpson, Leslie Voss, Emily Terry Taylor, Logan Reynolds, Walter Hunt, Lindsey Jackson.

May 8 - Parker Fullen, Nancy Etheridge, David Meeks, Jordan Crihfield, Kevin Jones, Robbie Summar, Ann Robeson, Jerry Summar, Jr., Hortense Butler.

May 9 - Claire Mills, Chris Poyner, Jerry Shelton, David Jones, Leigh Ann Smalley, Annie Laura Jennings, Sophia Lorane Bonds, Alex Stanley, Major Williams.

Vintage Auto



LOUIS WILLIAMS, of Ripley, is now able to drive his "dream car," a 1956 Crown Victoria. A sharecropper's son 44 years ago, he was unable to afford one. At the time, the cars cost an average of \$2,000. Williams never gave up his dream of owning one. After saving parts for over 10 years, he

obtained the body for the car four months ago and put the parts together. The 1956 auto is the only one running in Lauderdale County, that he knows of. Williams has been offered \$16,000, but has turned it down. He said his only advice is "never give up your dreams."

Republican Women Meeting Is May 7th

The newly chartered Lauderdale County Republican Women Club meeting is at 7 p.m., Monday, May 7th, in the home of Mrs. Page Box, 92 William Switch Road.

All women interested in

supporting the Republican Party of Lauderdale County are invited to attend.

For further information, call 635-2857.

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—Willie Mays

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Obituaries

M'cycle Crash Kills Countian

Thomas Edward Robinson, Jr., 29, an aeronautical engineering technician in Waldorf, Md., son of Deborah Brown Pearson, of Gates, died Monday of last week, in the District of Columbia Hospital, of injuries in a motorcycle accident.

Rites were at 11 a.m. Saturday in Matthew Zion Baptist Church in Halls, with burial in Old Chapel Cemetery. Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

He was an Air Force veteran.

Survivors include a brother, Marc Anthony Parr, and his grandmother, Jewel Brown Halliburton, of Gates.

Rufus Thum

Rufus Thum, 72, of Ripley, retired from the Department of Corrections, died Thursday of last week in Gibson County Hospital.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Ripley Memorial Gardens. Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include a niece and nephew.

Rosie L. Brown

Rosie Lee Brown, 59, of Atwood, sister of Una Dyson, of Gates, died April 22nd in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Rock of Ages C.M.E. Church in Tiptonville, where she was a member, with burial in Citizens Cemetery there.

Survivors include two sons, Terry, of Dyersburg, and Richard, of Lafayette, Ind.; three daughters, Cheryl, Deneen, and Sandra Fisher, and a brother, Henry Fisher, of Battle Creek, Mich.; three other sisters, Elizabeth Fisher, Christine Jackson, and Mattie Avery, of

Tiptonville; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Louise T. Dean

Louise T. Dean, 78, of Memphis, sister of Lucille Haynes, of Halls, died Monday, of cardiac arrest, in her home.

Rites were entrusted to N. J. Ford & Sons Funeral Home.

She had retired from employment by Memphis schools.

She was a member of the Usher Board of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Chalmers Dean; a daughter, Dovie A. Dean, of Memphis; a step-daughter, Mary Louise Brazzil, of Flint, Mich.; another sister, Thelma Crook, of St. Louis, Mo.; and a grandson.

Tanner Hedgepeth

Tanner Jarrett Hedgepeth, son of Russ and Lea Jarrett Hedgepeth, of Collierville, was stillborn Thursday of last week, at Methodist Hospital Germantown.

Graveside services were at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Memphis Funeral Home Cemetery.

He leaves grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jarrett, of Ripley, and Doris Hedgepeth and the late Jack Hedgepeth, of Cordova.

Elnora Jones

Elnora D. Jones, 77, of Memphis, sister of Myrtle Ditto, of 215 Paris Road, Ripley, died Saturday, of heart failure, in Baptist Hospital East in Memphis.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Monday in Forest Hill Funeral Home South, with burial in its cemetery.

She was a member of Eastside Baptist Church and of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She was the widow of Floyd T. Jones. Survivors include five sons, Buddy Jones and Carl Mount, of Southaven, Miss.; Richard Barrett, of Oakland, Russ Stilwell, of Jackson, and Tommy Jones, of Grenada, Miss.; three daughters, Lucky Ford, of Collier-

ville, Sherca Roberts, of Bartlett, and Vickie Perkins, of Grand Junction; 18 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

Amber Stewart

Amber Marie Stewart, 8-month-old daughter of Johnathan and Tabitha Stewart, of Ripley, died Saturday, of heart failure, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Yarbrough Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Asbury Cemetery.

Survivors include a brother, Brandon Stewart, and grandparents, Tom and Gail Daniel, of Ripley; her great-grandmother, Melba Daniel, of Obion; and her great-great-grandfather, Ned Fuller, of Lobelville.

Marie Hopkins

Artie Marie Hopkins, 73, of Nashville, sister of Eleanor Harper, of Henning, died Thursday of last week, of kidney failure, in Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Poplar Grove Cemetery.

A 1945 graduate of Ripley High School, she had retired as a certified public accountant.

Survivors include other sisters, Amelia Wrye, of Goodlettsville, Bonnie Duke, of Nashville, and Annis Mosher, of Miami, Florida.

Mrs. Gibson

Alice Sue Gibson, 53, of Maury City, sister of Jimmie Lee Twitty, of 213 Roy Crain Road, Ripley, died Tuesday of last week in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Hudson Funeral Home directed rites Sunday in Community Church of God at Maury City, with burial in Buck Chapel Cemetery.

Survivors include her hus-

band, Jerry Gibson, a son, Fentress Anthony Gibson, another brother, Sammy Posey, and a sister, Judy Posey, of Maury City; her mother and step-father, Geraldine and Anais Procks, of Cheyenne, Wyo.; another brother, Fentress Posey, of Dyersburg; and another sister, Lula Posey, of St. Paul, Minn.

Alma Smith

Alma Marie Smith, 93, of Gates, widow of Montell Smith, died Wednesday of last week, of kidney failure, in Methodist Healthcare Brownsville.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Woodville Cemetery.

She was a member of Grace Bible Baptist Church.

She leaves three sons, John, of Gates, Don, of Ripley, and Jerry, of Somerville; a daughter, Ann Marie Mills, of Ripley; nine grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Winbush

Mrs. Yoular V. Winbush, 89, of Ripley, homemaker, died Friday, of cardio respiratory arrest, at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were at 1 p.m. Monday at Thompson's Mortuary, Ripley, with burial in Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery.

Survivors include a brother, Austin Friend, of Milwaukee, Wis.; a niece, Elnora Whitelaw, of Henning, and a friend, Dorothy McVay, of Ripley, who jointly cared for her.

ATTENDS CONGRESS

Local 4-H'ers from Lauderdale County attended the 54th annual Tennessee 4-H Congress in Nashville April 8-10th, where members learned about the workings of state government. Ripley High students Jamilah Holloway and Matt Harrell, along with Gwen Holloway, 4-H volunteer

leader, were among 500 4-H members and volunteers who participated in the 4-H Congress.

The students met state government officials and learned about their rights and responsibilities as citizens. Holloway and Harrell visited with Representative Craig Fitzhugh and Senator Mark Norris while in Nashville. Among the speakers at the event were Governor Don Sundquist, Lt. Governor John S. Wilder, Jimmy Naifeh, speaker of the House of Representatives, Dan Wheeler, commissioner of agriculture, and Carol White, executive director of the Tennessee Commission on National and Community Service. Captain Pete Collins, retired from the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, spoke to the group.

Local sponsors for the State 4-H Congress were Union Planters Bank, BankTennessee, and Gates Banking and Trust Company.

Luncheon Helps Companies Grow

A Manufacturing Means Jobs (MMJ) luncheon was held Tuesday, May 1st, at the Lannom Center for Business Development, in Dyersburg, to help manufacturers grow their companies.

The MMJ luncheon, themed Resource Partners for Success, was one in a series of 15 to be held throughout the state.

Representatives from economic community development and local agencies in Lake, Dyer, Obion, Crockett, Lauderdale and Gibson counties participated in the program.

Participants received the new Tennessee Resource CD-ROM, a comprehensive resource guide to the MMJ initiative and support services available for Tennessee manufacturers.

The luncheon was sponsored by ECD, Tennessee Valley Authority, West Tennessee Industrial Association and the Dyersburg/Dyer County Chamber of Commerce.

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tion Foundation, where she is treasurer, serves on the Board for Partnership Lauderdale, and has helped obtain and renovate the Sugar Hill mansion for the Chamber. She is currently working with the Historical Society to launch the Lauderdale County Museum. Mrs. Morris is married to Joe Morris and has two daughters, Melissa Anthony and Debra Smith.

Judy Conrad, in upper right photo, was honored as a 2001 Honorary Member of the Chamber of Commerce for her contributions to the community at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet Tuesday night of last week. Mrs. Conrad, a life-long resident of Lauderdale County, is a graduate of Ripley High School and the Tennessee School of Banking. She has worked in the banking industry for 31 years. She is on the Board of Directors for United Way, served as Chairman of the Lauderdale County Heart Association, served on the Advisory Board for the Lauderdale County Community Living Center, currently serves as a Lauderdale County Commissioner for District 5, is a member of the Ripley Rotary Club, where she is a Paul Harris Fellow, is a former member of the Lauderdale County Junior Auxiliary, is a member of the First United Methodist Church, and has been a member of the Hee Haw cast for 14 years; raising money for the American Cancer Society. She is married to Don Conrad and has five children, Tammy Williams, Eric Conrad, Kim Patterson, Kim Fain, and Rachel Fain. Mrs. Conrad is the president of BankTennessee.

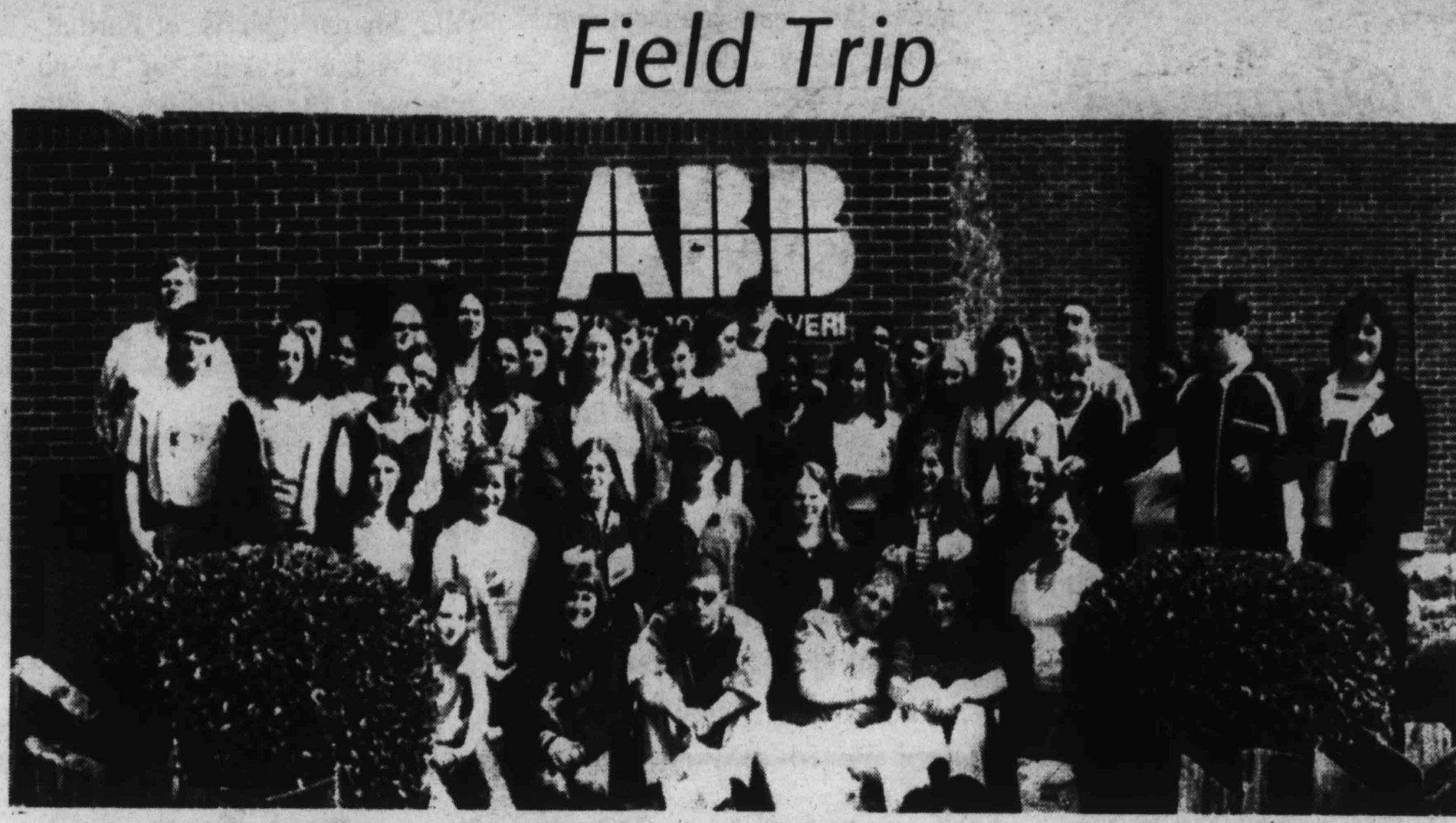
Mike Harris, not pictured, was the second honoree. He graduated from Halls High School and has worked at Tupperware and Allen Stone Box Company. He started his own pallet business in 1981, and expanded the business in 1987-88 to what is now H & H Packaging Company. Mike serves as Chairman of the Board for the Forked Deer Electric Cooperative, is on the Industry Board for the Town of Halls, plays an integral part in the

Halls Airshow and serves on their advisory board. He has three children, Kim Dew, Shane Harris, and Justin Harris, and two stepchildren, Hank and Chris Thurmond.

The winner of the Small Business of the Year Award is F & K Jewelry. Betty Klutts, in middle left photo, accepted the award for F & K. The business was started by William Klutts and Sam Forsythe in 1984. The Klutt's bought out the business in 1991 and have been an active member of the Chamber. Betty's son, Bubba Klutts, and his wife, Felecia, help run the store. They help plan the Tomato Festival, provide crowns for pageants, help with the Business Expo, and Bubba, an alumni of Leadership Lauderdale, is on the Board of Directors for Leadership and is a member of the Chamber Board. Bubba and his father have done many renovations at the Chamber's new facility.

The Large Business of the Year Award went to Marvin Windows and Doors. Wally Burdette, in middle right photo, center, receives the award for the company. Marvin Windows has been in Ripley since 1981, employing approximately 800 people. They have been an active member of the Chamber for 18 years and have played a major role in many programs and projects that the Chamber has sponsored. Marvin Windows is active in Relay for Life, serves as a sponsor for Youth Leadership Lauderdale, serves as a sponsor for Dixie Youth Baseball, participates in the area Christmas parades, has someone on the Board of Directors for the Education Foundation, and is actively involved with the schools, serving on the new Economic Summit committees.

Several businesses donated centerpieces for the banquet. Bubba Klutts, in lower photo, second from right, of Bubba's Home Improvement, received 1st place for his centerpiece; Angie Phillips, right, of Lynwood's Market, received 2nd place; and Mary Jo Stanley, second from left, of Arnold's Drugs, received 3rd place. Lisa Hankins, left, is the Executive Director of the



HALLS HIGH SCHOOL students in Mrs. Renee Harber's physical science class and John Porter's physics class traveled to Alamo to tour the Asea Brown Boveri plant, in conjunction with their studies on electricity and power. The trip was designed to stress the importance of math and science in the students' education. They toured the testing area 'Star Wars', where they saw, from behind a glass enclosure, 1.5 million volts of electricity.

School Lunches
Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, May 7th

- Stuffed Crust Pizza
- Chicken Fillet Sandwich
- Oven Fries
- Baked Beans
- Choice of Fresh Fruit
- Double Chocolate Cookie Milk

Tuesday, May 8th

- Foot Long Hot Dog
- Chili Pie
- Steamed Corn
- Lettuce & Tomato Cup
- Peaches
- Applesauce
- Milk

Wednesday, May 9th

- Menu-School's Choice

Thursday, May 10th

- Fried Chicken
- Beef Pattie w/Gravy
- Whipped Potatoes

Chamber and Regina Fleming, center, is the president.

Field Trip



- Green Beans
- Pear Half
- Pineapple Rolls
- Milk
- Friday, May 11th
- Choice of Sandwich
- Corn Chips
- Congeaed Fruit Salad
- Lettuce & Tomato Cup
- Cookie Milk

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Halls Votes Replace Pipkin With Sadler

A light turn-out of voters Thursday of last week re-elected Halls Mayor Eugene Pugh, unopposed, and re-elected five of six aldermen.

Defeated for re-election was incumbent alderman Tom Pipkin, who drew 131 votes.

Dennis Sadler received 217 votes to win his seat. Votes re-lecting aldermen were: Stan Young, 229; David

Jennings, 216; Randall J. Harris, 202; James Tyus, 198; and Barry L. Britt, 159.

Unsuccessful candidates for alderman were Harry Hughes, with 150 votes, and Leslie Newman, with 135.

Warren Nunn cast his absentee vote to annex 18 acres of his property adjoining Halls. The parcel will be zoned light residential. The vote was the only one required.

Of 1,433 registered voters, only 379 cast ballots.



OUTSTANDING TEACHERS from Lauderdale County were honored by the Bank of Ripley with a dinner at The Hut. Attending were Bobby Webb, superintendent; Frances Young, Ripley Primary School; Martha Webb, Ripley High School; Janene Tidwell, Halls Junior High; Kellie Cavitt, Ripley Elementary School; Lillie Treadway, RES; Pam Green, Halls Elementary School; Gara Strong, Halls High School; and Craig Fitzhugh, Bank of Ripley; plus not pictured. Donna Reaves, HES; and Carla Moody, Lauderdale Middle School. The teachers were awarded a crystal apple plaque and a certificate. Principals of perspective schools, members of the bank staff, and spouses/friends of the honorees also attended.

NSDAR Tour Homes



JANICE CRAIG KOONCE, in upper photo, left, Mary Helen Pugh, center, and Jean Spence, right, along with, in lower photo, Liz Craft, left, and guest, Ann Dunavant, right, toured the 63rd Annual Holly Springs Pilgrimage of the historic homes in Holly Springs, Miss., on April 21st for their regular meeting of the Fort Prudhomme Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Diane Maness, not pictured, also attended. They toured seven homes, built in the mid 1850's, had lunch at the historic First Presbyterian Church, and drove through Hillcrest Cemetery, established in 1837.

The event will include demonstrations, information booths, Pepsi stand, Jimmy Dean hotdogs, flea market, health screenings, and a country store with homemade goodies.

The fee is \$10 for anyone wanting to set up a booth, and donated flea market items will be accepted.

For further information about the Fair Day or services available for senior citizens, contact Wendi Henry, director, at 836-5444.

The next meeting was May 8th, when the outstanding ROTC members were honored.

Halls Senior Center Heritage/Fair Day
The Halls Senior Center, under the Commission on Aging of the Mid-South, is a multi-purpose senior center, serving all Lauderdale County seniors, age 60 and older.

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NOTICE - Chitosan 500 mg. Fat burner is now available at Arnold's Drug Co., 112 E. Main St., Halls. 836-7211. 7-tf

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Three To Face Meth Charges

Joey Norman Young, 19, of Joanne Drive, Michael William Kirkland, 19, of Highway 19 W., and Corey Jarrod Walker, 20, of Craig Rd., were arrested at 12:20 a.m. Saturday according to an article in the Dyersburg State Gazette.

The three, arrested on the parking lot of Gwaltney's BP on Highway 211 in Trimble, have been charged with criminal intent to manufacture methamphetamine after a search of their automobile turned up a gallon sprayer, funnel, latex gloves, six lithium batteries, three cans of starter fluid, a two gallon jug, a bag of white powder, believed by Dyer County Sheriff's deputies, to be crushed antihistamine tablets, a bottle of isopropyl alcohol, two mason jars, and other items associated with the manufacture of meth. Young gave officers permission to search the truck according to the article. All three were placed in the Dyer County Jail.

more accurately reflects the values and priorities held by most Americans, and adopts a more realistic and responsible course for projected budget surplus.

Tanner said this new agreement would be a victory for fiscal responsibility that would leave more of the on-budget surplus for debt reduction and strengthening Social Security and Medicare than the House or Senate versions would have done.

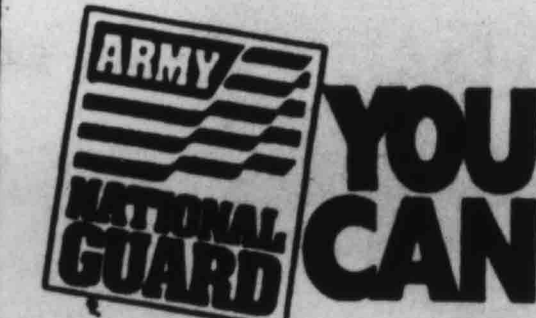
POSITIVE STEP

U.S. Rep. John Tanner announced May 1st that he will support a compromise budget framework in the House that

Tanner is a member of the House Ways and Means Committee.

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7 Cotton Sprayers Fined As Weevil Kill Resumes

Of 19 pilots suspected of mis-applying Malathion in last year's boll weevil eradication program, seven have been fined \$250 to \$750, nine have received warnings, and three cases remain un-resolved.

Any of the pilots could be among about 90 resuming spray in late May.

Last year, the first year of a 5-year program sprayed cotton north of the Hatchie River every five to seven days from Aug. 7th until Oct. 1st.

Ron Seward, Tennessee manager, estimated 79% kill, enhanced by winter weather.

His firm has placed more than 450,000 green plastic cones in cotton fields to trap weevils. More than two weevils per field (fields run from

half an acre to about 40 acres) will bring spraying this year.

Good timing could require only one additional spraying.

HHS SERVICE

The baccalaureate service for Halls High School will be at 7 p.m., Tuesday, May 15th at the First United Methodist Church in Halls. The program will include members of the graduating class and their parents. The speaker will be The Rev. Randy Jetton. Bill Kelly will provide the music. The public is invited to attend.

FOR SALE

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Timothy Wayne Henson Fatally Injured In Crash

Timothy Wayne Henson, Jr., 18, of 8777 Forked Deer Road, near Gates, was fatally injured about 9:50 p.m. Saturday when a 1993 Nissan, north-bound on Edith-Nankipoo Road, left the road near its intersection with Jeff Webb Road, struck a utility pole, and came to rest upside down, according to Tennessee Highway Patrolman Roy Mills.

Also injured were the driver, Chad Riddick, 17, of 230 Elementary Road, Halls, and Jessica Spencer, 13, of 1443 Porter's Gap Road, Halls.

None wore seat belts.

Henson was air-lifted to the Regional Medical Center in Memphis, where he died next day.

He was employed by Tennessee Electroplating in Ripley.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

He leaves his parents and a



TIMOTHY W. HENSON, JR.

sister, Amanda Dawn Henson, of Gates, and his grandparents, Molly Henson, of Ripley, Jeannie Dunavant, of Henning, and William Campbell, of Dyersburg.

Evelyn Escue

Evelyn M. Escue, 75, wife of James Buddy Escue, of 242 Lackey Lane, Ripley, died Wednesday of last week, of heart failure, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were at 11 a.m. Friday in Yarbrough Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

She had been a medical records librarian and co-owner of Ripley Bean and Junk

She was a member of Immanuel Episcopal Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Pam Tillman, and two sisters, Ann Halliburton and Betty Sanders, of Ripley, and one grandson.

Beatrice Shaw

Beatrice Palmer Shaw, 68, sister of Arlene Bond, of

Mrs. Stewart

Shirley Ann Stewart, 62, of Ridgely, homemaker, mother of Lisa Ann Reynolds, of Henning, died April 29th at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were at 3 p.m. May 1st at Willingham Memorial Baptist Church, in Ridgely, where she was a member, with burial in New Haven Cemetery, Dyersburg Funeral Home in charge.

Other survivors include two sons, William Gene Stewart and Charles Stewart, both of Ridgely; a half-brother, Harold Pilgrim, of Dyersburg; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Jarrett

Vadie Jarrett, 66, of Ripley, retired factory worker, died Sunday, of cardio pulmonary arrest, at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Friday at St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, in Henning, with burial in the church cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

She leaves three sons, Paul Jarrett, of Ripley, Robert Jarrett, of Jackson, and James Jarrett, of South Bend, Ind.; four daughters, Sallie Jarrett, Jackie Glass, Sadie Clark and Betty Jarrett, of Ripley; three brothers, James Jarrett, Jerimiah Jarrett and Bud Jarrett, Sr., of Ripley; two sisters, Fannie Henning, of Henning, and Gloria Miller, of Ripley; and a special friend, J. H. Chaney, of Henning.

racc Hotel in Tunica, Miss.

N. J. Ford & Sons Funeral Home, of Memphis, is arranging services.

She was a member of Melrose Baptist Church.

Survivors include another son, Michael, of Memphis, two brothers, Robert Bell, of Memphis, and Willie Preston, of Ashland, Miss.; six sisters, Dorothy Bell, Peggy Bell, Clara Smith, Frances Beasley, and Gladys Wilson, of Memphis, and Cindy Taggart, of Detroit, Mich.; and 12 grandchildren.

William Smith

William Roy Smith, 81, of West Memphis, Ark., formerly of Ripley, widower of Ruth Smith, died Tuesday of last week, of renal failure, at Baptist Hospital East, in Memphis.

Services were at 2 p.m. Friday at First United Methodist Church, in West Memphis, with burial in Crittenden Memorial Park, in Marion, Ark., Roller Citizens Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves a daughter, Frankie Smith Rains, of West Memphis, and one granddaughter.

Memorials may be sent to the West Memphis First United Methodist Church or to the West Memphis Humane Society.

Mrs. T. E. Olds

Christine Olds, 73, of Halls, widow of Thomas E. Olds, died Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley, after a heart attack.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Beverly, Ill.

She was a member of Enon Baptist Church near Halls.

She leaves two sons, Thomas, Jr., of Plainfield, Ill., and Donald, of Fox Lake, Ill.; two daughters, Barbara Garcia, of Oak Lawn, Ill., and Judy Reimcr, of Chicago, Ill.; three brothers, Ernen Riley, Jr., of 413 Patton, Halls, Cleveland Riley, of 4145 Garrett Ball Road, Gates, and Clyde Riley, of 4369 Concord Road, Gates; three sisters, Buton Ward, Laverne Reynolds, and Ruth Stidant, of Halls; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

John Walk

John Walk, 82, of Henning, retired factory worker, died Saturday, of cancer, at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Saturday at Cannan Baptist Church, in Henning, with burial in the church cemetery,

Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

Survivors include a first cousin, Mariah Cohill, of Florida; a brother-in-law, Abner Dewalt, of Milwaukee, Wis.; and a special friend, Florida Gingery, of Ripley.

George Moore

George Harding Moore, 80, of Memphis, formerly of Halls, a retired shop foreman, died Sunday, of heart-lung failure, in Hermitage Garden Assisted Living in Southaven, Miss.

Rites were at 3 p.m. Monday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Archer's Chapel Cemetery at Frog Jump.

A Mason, he was a member of Concord Baptist Church.

Widower of Virginia Young Moore, he leaves a sister, Flora Mullins, of Clinton, Miss.

Billy Joe Moore

Billy Joe Moore, 62, of Ripley, a farmer, died Tuesday of last week, of cancer, in his home.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Thursday of last week in Yarbrough Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Edith Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Linda L. Moore; a daughter, Anita Jackson, of Unionville; his mother, Pearl V. Glower, of Gideon, Mo.; two brothers, Marvin Moore and Johnny Jackson, of Ripley; two sisters, Susie Burnett, of Gideon, and Pauline Goforth, of Caruthersville, Mo.; and two grandchildren.

Divorces

Shoundra Yanders Barlow vs. Timothy Leonard Barlow.

James Thomas Dixon vs. Cammie Halliburton Dixon.

William C. Stowers vs. Tina Tjinkonfat Stowers.

Anita Williams Alexander vs. Tony Darial Alexander.

Searching For Veterans



MRS. LIZ CRAFT, right, and Judge Janice Craig, Regent of Ft. Prudhomme Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, left, are searching for the graves of veterans from the county who have served in World War I, WWII, Korean, Vietnam, and Desert Storm. Two casualties have been recorded for Desert Storm and Mrs. Craft is searching other cemeteries for the location of other veterans.

The project began in 1996 when preparing for the Bicentennial celebration, veterans asked Mrs. Craft to display the easel that once stood on the courthouse lawn. After the easel could not be found, Craft decided to rectify the situation. State Representative Craig Fitzhugh helped her gain permission to do the project. The Veterans Administration has asked for a copy of her work when it is finished. She hopes to compile all the records of veterans by Memorial Day or Veterans Day at the latest. A history of each veteran compiled from personal interviews, family, discharges, newspapers, and the Veterans Administration will be included in this history.

Craft and others are planning to visit every cemetery in Lauderdale County, but due to health concerns that may not be possible. If anyone has the name of a veteran, whether living or deceased, please call Mrs. Craft at 635-1636.

Mrs. Craft feels that this is a tribute to our veterans. Each week she picks up the

paper and sees where another veteran has died. "The time is now to honor these men and women. This project has been done with love so that our veterans will not be forgotten," Craft said.

Marriages

April 27 - Johnny Wayne Glass, 36, to Tracy LaRae Gray, 21, by Rev. John R. Sherod.

April 28 - Johnnie C. Russell, 50, to Bessie Ann Scott, 50, by Ollie J. Allen.

May 1 - Joseph Edward Ellis, Sr., 30, to Heather Marie Glover, 21, by Thomas E. Sanders.

May 4 - Willis Karl Noel, 34, to Sheltonia Marie Phillips, 27, by Thomas E. Sanders.

HONORS VETERANS

Walk Back in Time, sponsored by Crockett Storytellers, will honor Crockett County veterans by having a cemetery walk at 1, 2 and 3 p.m., Wednesday, May 26th, at the Alamo Cemetery, West Park Street.

Six presenters will relate historical information as they introduce veterans who served in the Civil War, WWI and WWII.

Carriage rides will be available, and an authentic Civil War cannon will fire a memorial salute for all veterans of all our wars.

Art Winners



THE FCE CULTURAL ART and Pot Luck was held April 23rd in Carney Hall of the Bank of Ripley. Winners of the annual Cultural Art competition included, in upper photo, from left, Mary Harrison in chairs and stools; Ann Walker in fine art painting and dolls; Julia Alley in other hand stitchery (smocking); Barbara Sumrow in small quilted items; Elaine Jones in spinning and weaving; Dean Davis in holiday decorations and miscellaneous; Janette Kirby in crocheting; Ann Dunavant in needlepoint, cross-stitch, and embroidery; and Kathryn Anthony in hand-crafted toys; plus not pictured, Joyce Wakefield in decorative paintings, photography, ceramics, and pottery. County winners will compete in Jackson on July 30th in all areas except miscellaneous. Other participants included Inez Hanson, Fannie Williams, Verna Thompson, Katie Chisholm, Harriet King, Doris Dormayer, Margaret Cepparulo, Polly Dziedzic, Vi West, and Karen Webb. Amy Cox with the Air Evac Lifeteam, of Jackson, presented the program. Extension Agent, Jane Connell, and FCE

County Council Officers Carolyn Simpson, Mae Dunaway, Ellouise Paige, Janette Kirby, and Betty Chipman coordinated the activities.

Clara Silliman, in lower photo, a member of the Bexar FCE Club, demonstrated the 'Quilt in a Weekend' to homemakers on March 20th at the Extension office.

The next workshop, sponsored by Town and Country FCE, will be a demonstration on making the 'Chenille Vest' on May 24th. Pre-registration is required by May 15th by calling 635-9551.

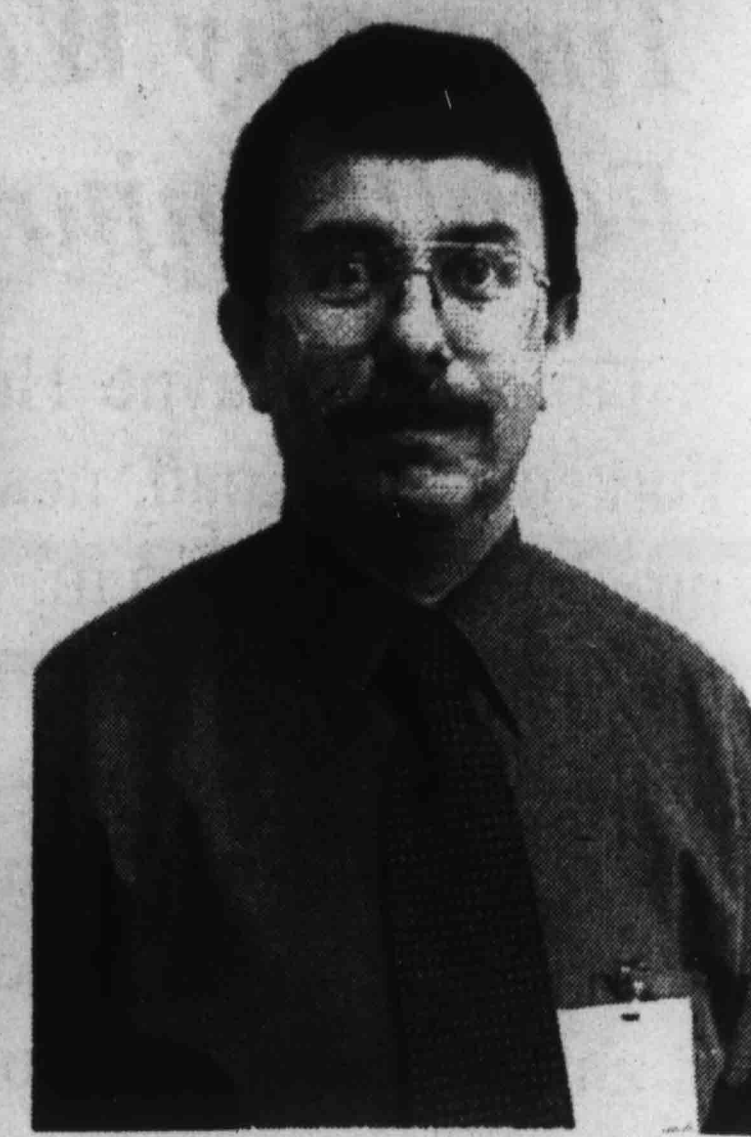
Land Transfers

May 1 - Alan R. Newman, Richard K. Newman, and Randall L. Newman to Randall L. Newman and Shelia D. Newman, Dist. 6, lot.

May 2 - Robert Patrick to Martha M. O'Dell, Dist. 8, 42.820 acres.

Jesse Edwards, JFE Properties, and Linda Edwards to Tanzy Henson, Dist. 10, lot.

Nance's Construction and Contracting, Inc. to Mary L.



JOE LEWIS is the new administrator at the Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, where he majored in psychology. He and his wife, June, who are natives of Lawrence County, have three children and are in the process of moving to Lauderdale County. Joe is a veteran of the U. S. Air Force and the U. S. Navy. He was welcomed to the facility by the staff on April 30th.

Baker, Dist. 17, lot.

John B. Anthony to Eric J. Groenke and Stephanie Groenke, Dist. 2, lot.

May 3 - James T. Dunavant and Beverly Dunavant to Thomas L. Welsandt and Lyndsay Grantham, Dist. 2, 0.819 acres.

Pritchard Trust and Sylvester B. Pritchard, Jr. to William D. Klutts, Jr. and Dwain Klutts, Sr., Dist. 2, 0.294 acres.

Barry Armour McWilliams, Linda McWilliams, Monty Carson McWilliams, Emily McWilliams, and Ricky Joseph McWilliams to BDMR Leasing Company, LLC, Dist. 2, 0.650 acres.

Calvin Dowell to Greg Summar and Rebecca Summar, Dist. 12, lot.

Curt Rhoads and Betty J. Rhoads to United States of America, 21.480 acres.

Anthony, Lankford, and Poston, LLC to Brian Bratschi and Kim Bratschi, Dist. 2, lot.

May 4 - Thomas B. Stanley and Suzette C. Stanley to Luis L. Wong, M.D. and Pam C. Wong, Dist. 2, 31.200 acres.

Birthdays

May 10 - Gifford Walker, Elizabeth Noblin, James Tolene, Crystal Hatfield.

May 11 - Traci Ing, Darlene Burchett, Melissa Meadows, Rodney Hemby, Jr., Fern Hardin, Hollis Luton Belton, Patty Hogue, Traci Bates, Elizabeth Moore, Donny Armstrong, Janie Sweat.

May 12 - Shannon Griggs, Billie B. Kitts, Gordon Rice Taylor, Steve Martin, Susan Tolene, Ann Colvin, Beverly Wakefield, Matt McWherter, Kayla Morris, Linda Williams, A. J. Buchignani, Shannon Vowell.

May 13 - Richard Webb, Jennifer Dudney, Jerry Buckner, Danny Burnham, Michael Galloway, Tammy Carroll, Emilee Moore, Amy White, Matt Harper, Carla Prater.

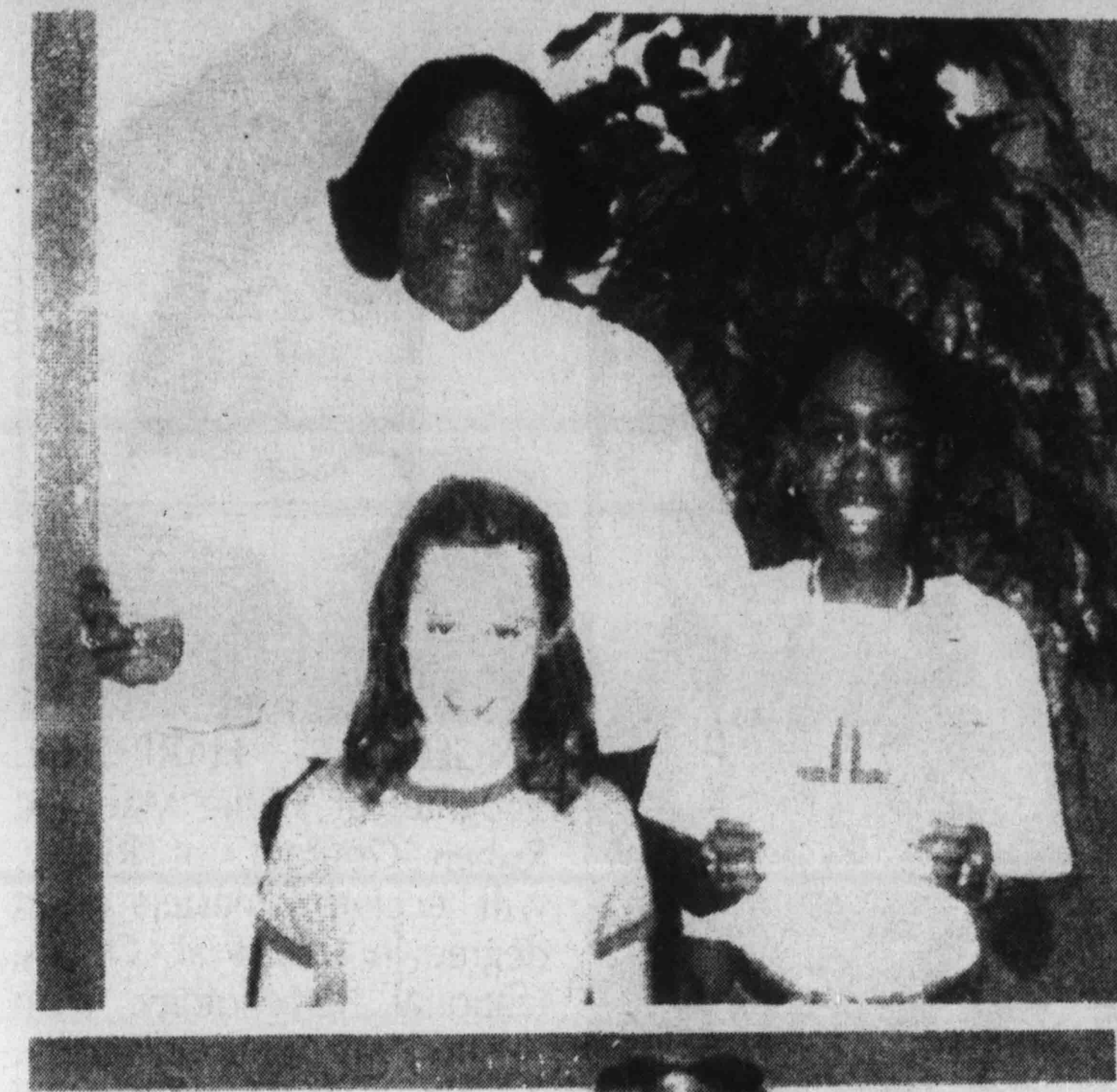
May 14 - June Bailey, Tom Garner, William Wray, Alisha Midkiff, Amy Newman, Ann Smith, Cleve Crook, Tim Castellaw, Kathryn Cepparulo, Tracy Kee Childress, Pam Jackson.

May 15 - Deanna Rollins, Peggy C. Webb, Billy Hunter, Marshall Hendren, Noah Nix, Wade Hendren, Mary Elizabeth Hughes.

May 16 - Tabatha Ford, Cindy Greaves, Judy Newman, Vicki Heath, John Olds, Ruby Solomon, Dawn Hemby, Sissy Steelman, Virginia Simmons, Dot Henderson, Christi Meeks, Sharon Belton, Arula Rutherford.

COMMODITIES

Delta Human Resource Agency, funded by DHS and USDA, will distribute commodities from 8 until 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 16th at the following locations: Ripley Senior Center, 142 Nelson Street; Rice Park, Watkins Street; Halls Senior Center, 605 Airport Street; and the Palmer-Turner Community Center, 655 Church Street, Henning. All eligible clients must bring proof of income to the site. Commodities will be given on first come, first serve basis. You must have someone to carry the bag to your car.



HALLS ELEMENTARY School was the top collecting school in the county for the Tina Turner Family Center's 'Help Can the Abuse' program in March. Accepting the award are Mrs. Phyllis Barlow, in upper photo, rear, assistant principal, 1st grader, Chelsie Hill, left, 1st place winner, and 5th grader, Phylcia Richmond, 2nd place winner. Mrs. McDearman's 5th grade class at HES won a pizza party for being the top collecting class in the county, with the most students participating.

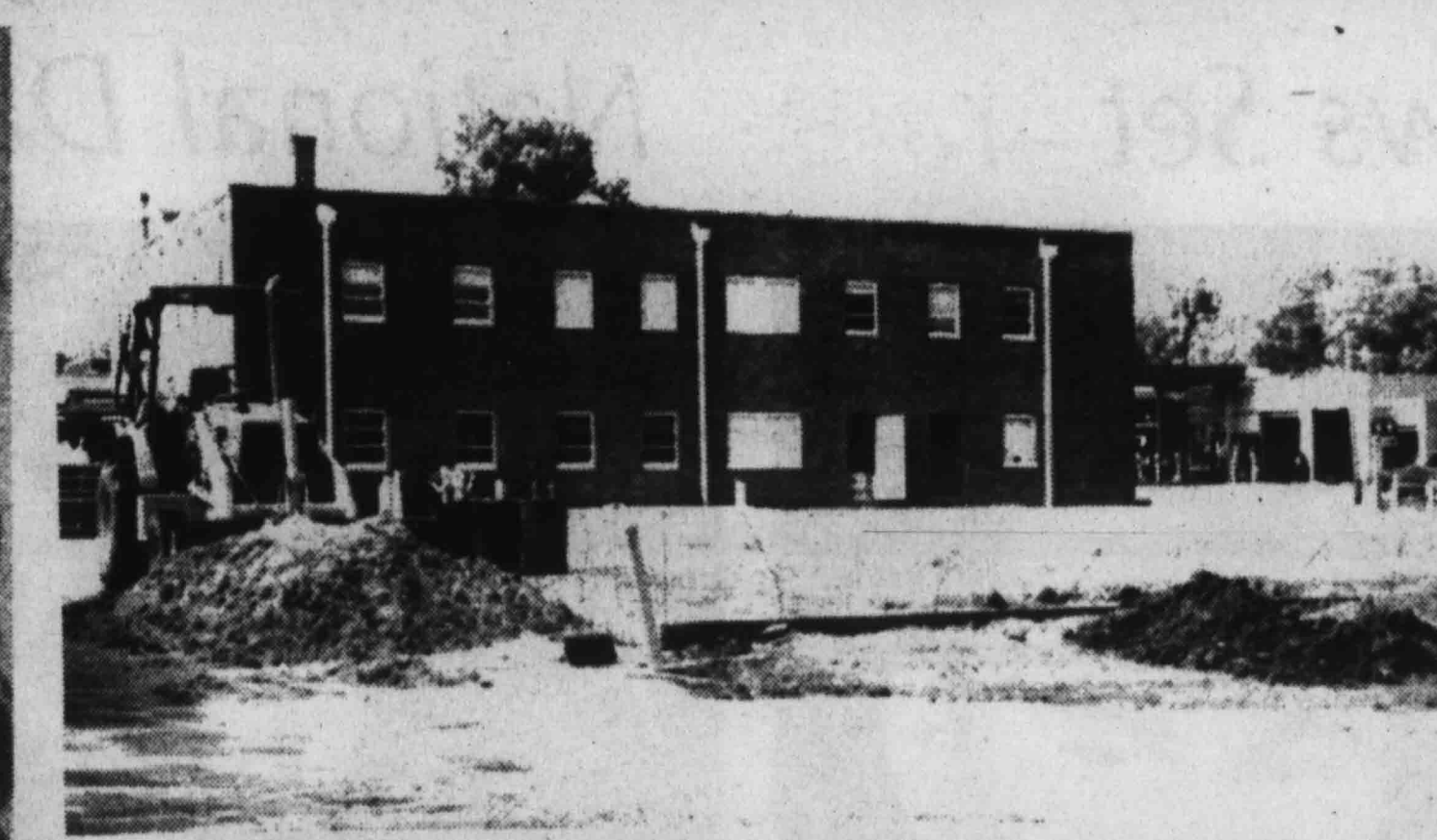
Annette Maxwell, right, in lower photo, Executive Director of the Tina Turner Family Center, is pictured with Caley Lane, left, a 1st grade student at Ripley Primary School, who won 3rd place in the 'Help Can the Abuse' program.



ROGER CHAREST, right, in charge of Monday's regular luncheon meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club, presented a club assembly for the 2001-2002 Rotary year. He also introduced

Bob Stephens, center, Assistant Governor, as guest speaker. Mr. Stephens outlined goals for the upcoming year.

Joe Eskridge, left, is club president.



A GROUND BREAKING ceremony was held March 4th for the new Halls First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

The last church addition was in 1954, and there was a need for more Sunday School space and more room for fellowship.

The 9,450 square foot

steel building will add a fellowship hall, kitchen, bathroom, storage room and six additional Sunday school rooms to the church.

The projected four-month project is expected to be completed by Labor Day. A dedication service and open house are planned when it is finished.



WINNERS at the 2000-2001 Young American Bowling Alliance Awards program and pizza banquet held Saturday at the J. C. Bowling Lanes in Dyersburg include, from left, the Sharp Shooters League, Robert Newsome,

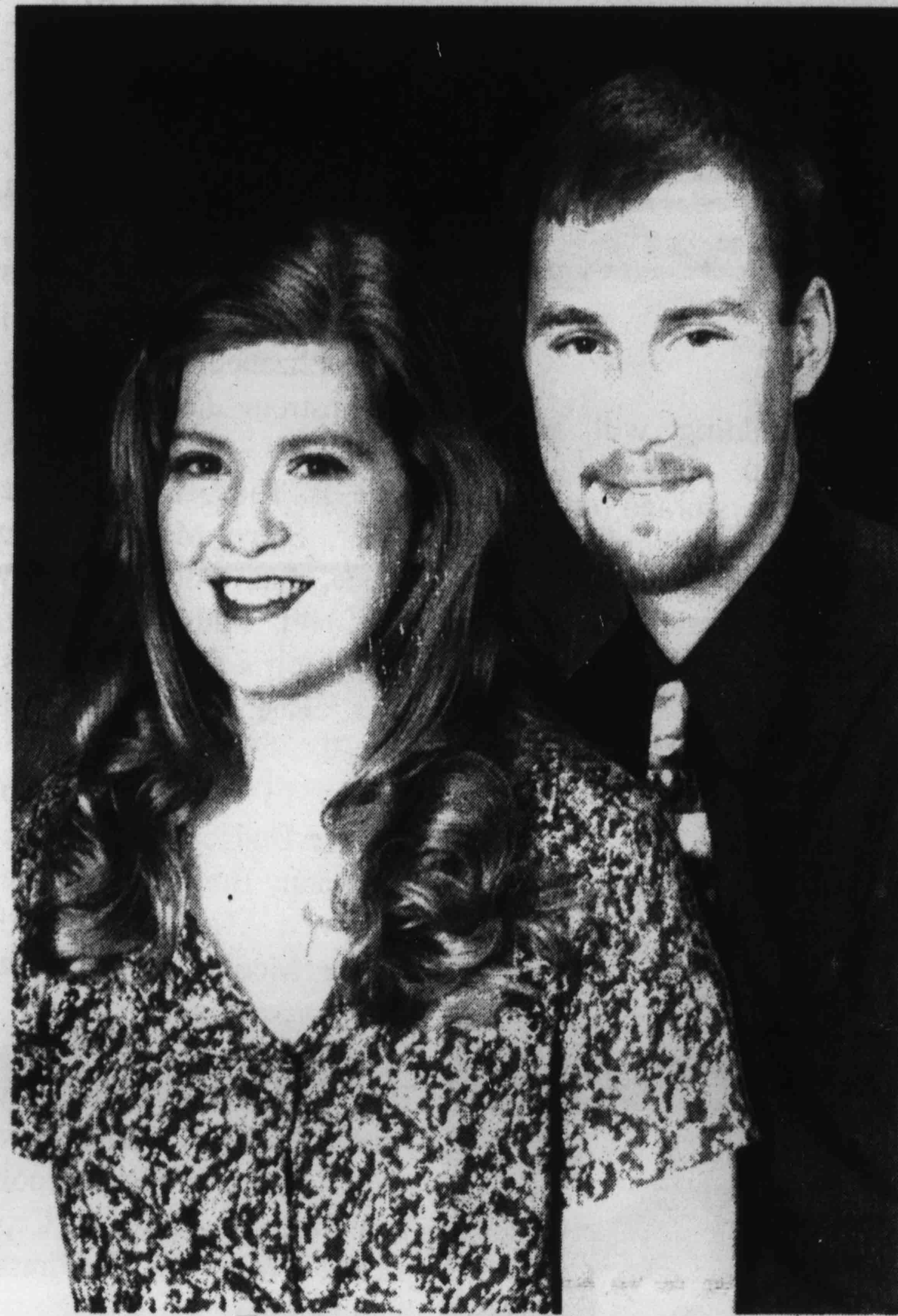
of Dyersburg, and Tyler Rose and Houston Watson, of Halls, plus not pictured, Robert Crutchfield, of Halls. They were the 'Extremes' and ended their season in 1st place.



HALLS HIGH SCHOOL Government Class, taught by Pat Higdon, participated in a local government simulation where the class members competed for office and held regular Mayor and Board of Aldermen meetings during a nine-week course. The class

met at City Hall May 3rd, with Mayor Daniel Hoge-Pat Higdon, participated in a local government simulation where the class members participating were Stewart McLemore, Quincy Pearson, Dustin Pickard, David Simpson, Chris Stallings, and Will Wright.

June Vows Set



LAUREN ELIZABETH CLIMER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Climer, of Halls, will marry Nicholas Wayne Wooster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wooster, of Halls, at 3 p.m., June 16th at the Tucker Street Church in Dyersburg with formal invitations.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Climer, of Springville, and the late Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hartsfield, of Halls.

A 1998 graduate of Halls High School, the bride-elect is attending Arkansas State University, majoring in animal science.

The groom-elect is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Wooster, of Summerville, N. C., Pansy Wooster, of Millington, and Mrs. Iuta Nolen and the late Bobby Nolen, of Halls.

A 1996 graduate of Halls High School, the groom-elect will graduate in May, 2001, from Arkansas State University with a degree in music education.

Anniversaries

May 10 - Mr. and Mrs. Reid Hilliard.

May 11 - Mr. and Mrs. Vernon McBride, III, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Belton.

May 12 - Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hankins, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barnes.

May 13 - Mr. and Mrs. Danny Beard, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Booker.

May 14 - Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Nichols.

May 15 - Dr. and Mrs. John English, Mr. and Mrs. David Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baynes.

May 16 - Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Howard.

National Day of Prayer



CHURCH AND COUNTY leaders, with approximately 100 countians in attendance, led in prayer and intercession for the nation and Lauderdale County on the courthouse lawn May 3rd, in celebration of the 50th annual National Day of Prayer.

Pictured, in upper photo, in front, from left, are Kathy Spicer, Pastor, New Beginning Christian Center; Mayor Fred Montgomery; Judy Groenke, Day of Prayer Coordinator; Ollie Fields, Director, Family Services; Paula Hamby, Even Start Coordinator; Floyd Crain, former State Representative; and Ellena Gooch, Day of Prayer Coordinator. Second row, from left, are Cyronoise Spicer, Pastor, New Beginning Christian Center; County Executive Rozelle Criner; Lisa Hankins, Executive Director, Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce; Janice Craig Koonce, General Sessions Judge; and The Rev. W. L. Reed, Holly Grove Baptist Church. Third row, from left, are The Rev. Willie Pounds, New Victory Baptist Church; Mayor Richard Douglas; The Rev. Gary A. Green, Ripley First Assembly of God Church; Dr. Bobby Webb, Superintendent, Lauderdale County Schools; and Ron Goforth, HRL-TV. Fourth row, from left, are William Terrell, Pastor, Shower of Blessings Church; and The Rev. Abe F. Silliman, Jr., Macedonia Baptist Church, and president, Lauderdale County Ministerial Alliance.

In lower photo is the Ripley High School ROTC Color Guard, who led countians in the Pledge of Allegiance.



ANGELA S. HARRISON, daughter of Willie Mae and Ruben Graham, of Ripley, will receive a masters of art degree in Industrial, Organizational Psychology from Austin Peay State University. Angela, a 1984 graduate of Ripley High School, received her bachelor of science degree from Tennessee State University. Her career plans include corporate consulting. She is the granddaughter of The Rev. and Mrs. William Carter, of Halls. She and her husband, Robert, have two daughters, Myranda and Nathalie.

Teresa Pennington, 6th grade teacher, Lauderdale Middle School, is not pictured.

The Lauderdale County Ministerial Alliance, a non-denominational group of area-wide ministers and chaplains, hosted the event.

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Attends Conference



HALLS FFA CHAPTER, along with their advisor, Missy B. Hammond, attended the 73rd Annual Tennessee FFA Association's Convention in Gatlinburg from April 30th to May 2nd. Sixteen members were present. Receiving their State FFA degrees were seniors, Stuart McLemore, Leanne Harris, Mark Dew, Will Wright, Chad Burns, Rodney Moore, and Will Bird. The Halls Chapter was also recognized for having 100% membership.

Woodville Locals

By Pat Hughes

Tony Garrett, of Brownsville, graduated from the police academy in Donelson week before last. Tresa and Tracie Summar, of Woodville, attended the ceremony and celebrated with a cook-out at home afterward. Debbie Smith, of Covington, also attended.

Mrs. Odessa Gay, of Whitefield, celebrated her birthday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Adron Newman celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary week before last.

Tresa and Tracie Summar and their mother, Tensie Summar, of Ripley, and Lisa

Pennington and son, Gage, of Dyersburg, visited Reelfoot Lake last week. Tensie and Pat Hughes dined out Saturday night and attended the Boogie Barn at Central. Tensie spent Saturday night with Mrs. Hughes.

Kevin Newman, of Covington, visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Adron Newman, and his mother, Pat Hughes, last week. The Newman's are recovering from recent illnesses.

Bessie and Algae Summar returned home to Indiana last week.

Pat Hughes will see her specialist in Memphis next week for a check-up. Her brother, Ricky, visited last week.

O'Dell Scallions has opened a general shoe repair shop under the hill from his home at Curve.

Mr. and Mrs. James Summar had several guests during the weekend. James has been ill.

Pat Hughes visited Mrs. A. Barnes Saturday morning and brought her some homemade soup. Mrs. Barnes had eye surgery and is unable to cook.

Amanda Newman, of Covington, granddaughter of Pat Hughes, attended her senior prom last week. Amanda is graduating this year.

Visits Campus



HALLS FFA MEMBERS visited the campus of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, where they met with U. T. head football coach, Phil Fulmer, center. Attending were, from left, Cheshier Criehtfield, Jacob McNeil, Wade Privett, president of the Halls chapter, and Will Bird, past president of the chapter.

Aaron Patterson; 2nd grade, Caleb Langley; 3rd grade, Brittany Tillman; 7th grade, Anthony Jones; and 8th grade, Elliott Martin.

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in 2nd grade, Chase Bowers; 3rd grade, Conor Luck; and 6th grade, Kelly Crook and Sarah Hargett.

Students with perfect attendance include, pre-kindergarten, Zack Harris and Tyler Wiggins; kindergarten, Hannah Langley; 1st grade,

Kevin W. Geary, son of James W. and Linda Geary, of Halls, was promoted to the rank of technical sergeant in the U. S. Air Force. He is chief of contingency contracting with the 55th Contracting Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base in Omaha, Neb.

HONOR ROLL

First Presbyterian Christian School students on the honor roll for the fifth six-weeks include, in 1st grade, Aaron Patterson, and Hunter Talley; 2nd grade, Caleb Langley; 3rd grade, Brittany Tillman; and 4th grade, Holly Crook.

On the A/B honor roll are,

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Armyworms Invade Lauderdale County

Armyworms, one of a farmer's worst nightmares, have invaded Lauderdale County and most of West Tennessee. Farmers have reported to the Lauderdale County Agricultural Extension office that the insects resemble a newly paved (black-topped) road as they cross the highway. Most of West Tennessee's crops, fields, pastures, and lawns are being destroyed by the millions of insects. Once they strip a field, they move on to new vegetation.

According to an article in Dyersburg's *State Gazette*, no one knows why the armyworm is so prevalent this year, even Gene Miles, the extension office's integrated pest management specialist. Perhaps it's the spring weather, the warm days and cool nights, ideal armyworm feeding conditions. Perhaps it's the winter weather, which has been warmer than normal and not cold enough to reduce the insect population. Perhaps it's a result of no-till farming. Perhaps it's a combination of factors, even the experts do not know.

The only thing farmers can do is spray and pray. Reports are that once the weather heats up the worms will go away, but the damage they have inflicted will stay.

"Pay attention to lawns,

fields, gardens, and pastures, the bugs are having a good time. Make sure that any product used is labeled for the crop and or plant sprayed," said Jerry Parker, extension agent.

"Click It or Ticket" Enforcement Blitz

In the weeks leading up to the Memorial Day holiday, eight states are banding together to save lives.

The enforcement blitz is called "Click It or Ticket." Every law enforcement agency in Tennessee, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, and North and South Carolina are preparing to participate in the first-ever region-wide crackdown on

Registration Held For Kindergarten

Halls Elementary School will have Kindergarten registration from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m., Friday, May 18th. Bring a shot record, birth certificate, social security card, and proof of physical and custody.

adults who don't buckle up and don't buckle up kids.

Officers will run an unprecedented 16,000 safety checkpoints, and participate in stepped-up enforcement patrols, to ensure that residents are not riding unrestrained during the Memorial Day holiday.

It's zero tolerance for adult drivers who recklessly put children in danger. If you violate seat belt or child restraint laws, you'll get a ticket.

Traffic crashes are the No. one killer of kids and are among the leading causes of death to teens and adults. Safety experts predict "Click It or Ticket" could prevent an estimated 10,427 injuries and save more than 600 lives each year as a result of increased seat belt use.

Grants from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration provide funds to law enforcement for programs that increase seat belt usage.

Commissioners Okay Youth Service Officer

County Executive Rozelle Criner and Board of Commissioners, at the regular monthly meeting Monday, granted authority to Judge Rachel Anthony to file a grant to hire a youth service officer for Lauderdale County Juvenile Court.

Commissioners were presented a packet with material justifying the request. Anthony said the number of juvenile cases increased from 802 in 1996 to 1,500 in the year 2000.

County will not match any funds for the \$36,424 dollar grant the first year, but will pay \$9,100 the 2nd year, 50% the 3rd year, and 100% the 4th year and thereafter, if approved.

Authority was passed to file for a juvenile supplemental grant of \$10,000.

County passed a request to approve bond resolution of the water plant and well, along with authority to borrow in-

terim financing on the water project and approval of bond anticipation notes totaling \$782,500.

The Barker Brothers contract on door to door garbage pickup was increased from \$10.80 per month to \$11.10, a \$.30 increase, beginning July 1st.

Other business included approval of Dr. Joe Hunt as medical examiner; reappointment of Maurice Gaines to board of zoning appeals; passing a resolution to claim unclaimed property from the state totaling \$5,373; and approval of private act for the Highway Dept., reducing the number of commissioners to one.

A map of tentative I-69 and its route through western Tennessee was on display after the meeting.

Ripley and Halls high school graduates were applauded by all in attendance.



ENGLISH STUDENTS, in the 10th grade at Halls High School, perform their favorite poems for their classmates, and spend some time in rhythmic interpretation using bongo drums.

Each student becomes the poet and "teaches" his or her poem to the class.

Their classroom, converted into a coffee house

atmosphere like those of the 60's in Greenwich Village, New York, is enhanced by black lights, a water fountain, candlelight, beads surrounding the doorway, and tables for four.

In addition to rhyme and meter, the students are learning about symbolism, figurative language, imagery and dialect.

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and Shirley Jean Bester to Terry Lee and Leakisha Lee, Dist. 6, lot.

Bobby J. Wright and Marty Wright to Joe Patrick, Dist. 12, lot.

William Andrew Tate to Mary Jane Webb, Dist. 3, 60,000 acres.

May 10 - Billy G. Chapman, Trustee and Billy G. Chapman Living Trust to Brenda Dosier, Dist. 3, 5.860 acres.

Billy Prescott, Betty Lee Prescott, William Prescott, Betty Sue Prescott, Windell Prescott, Brenda Prescott, May 8 - Larry J. White and Susan E. White to Alice Faye White Meeks, Dist. 12, lot.

May 9 - David Gordon Meeks and Alice Faye White Meeks to Garland Hargett, Dist. 16, 12.796 acres.

Thomas Hurlean Bester

Lula B. Miller to Geneva Pilcher, Gaston Garrett, and

Bobby G. Wheat, Dist. 1, 1.380 acres.

Marriages

April 11 - William Guy Taylor, 38, to Sophia Dianne Taylor, 31, by O. C. Parker, Jr.

May 4 - William Lee Hammock, 56, to Martha Lee Stephens, 57, by Jerrell Dawson.

May 9 - Charlie Edward Pilkington, III, 21, to Tiffany Dawn Conaster, 18, by T. L. Criehtfield.

Divorces

David Keith Gay vs. Tammy R. Gay.

Carrie Ann Maharrey Cannon vs. John Roland Cannon, Jr.

Sara Elaine McCoy vs. William Roger McCoy, Jr.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated Section 13-7-203 notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of Halls, Tennessee on Monday, the 4th day of June, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. at the Halls Town Hall. The hearing is to receive public input into proposed rezoning of areas located on the west side of U.S. Highway 51. There are two areas proposed for rezoning:

1. R-1 (Low Density Residential) to R-3 (High Density Residential): Parcel 18.01, as depicted on Lauderdale Tax Map 19, south of Viar Road and U.S. Highway 51.
2. R-1 (Low Density Residential) to B-1 (Neighborhood Business), U.S. Highway 51, Parcels 18, 18.05, 18.04 and a portion of Parcel 19.01, as depicted on Lauderdale Tax Map 19.

An illustration and location map may be viewed at City Hall during normal business hours. All interested persons are invited to attend and comment.

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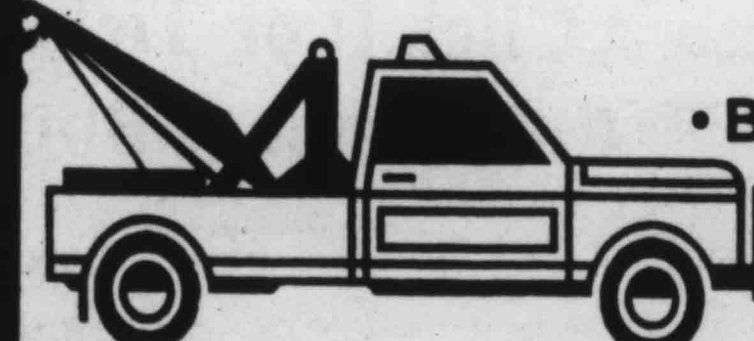
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Lauderdale County officials have told the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations that the county needs \$8,000,000 in infra-structure improvements for the 5-year period ending in June, 2004.

This figure is \$329 per Lauderdale County resident, compared to \$3,317 per resident for state-wide needs put at 18.2 billion dollars.

Top three needs cited:

-- Transportation, in this county, \$1,000,000, \$41 per resident, vs. \$1,183 state-wide.

-- Waste and waste-water disposal, \$500,000 here, \$21 per resident, vs. \$517 per resident, state-wide.

-- Public schools, zero here, vs. \$4,167 per student, state-wide.

The report says Lauderdale County schools can be maintained in good condition through 2004 without major improvements.

The figures were provided by county executives, mayors, school superintendents, and utility district managers.

DSCC HONOREES

Dyersburg State Community College recognized outstanding students and community leaders at its annual Honors Convocation. Lauderdale County students recognized include, Phi Theta Kappa, Ewelina Suchacka, service vice-president; and Bradley Harrell, president; Minority Association of Successful Students, Erica Nance, president; and Latasha Wright, providing dedicated service to MASS; Foreign Language, Natalie Dean and Jonathon D. Mooney, outstanding Spanish students; Management Information Systems, Kimberley Moeller, G.P.A 3.8, outstanding student; Karen A. Bowyer

Presidential Scholarship to the University of Memphis, Ewelina J. Suchacka; Dean's List, Arts/Sciences division, Nathan Brooks Martin and April Diane Dowell; Dean's List, Division of Nursing and Allied Health, Jennifer Lynn Ziemann; Dean's List, Business/Technology division, Wade Lindsey Deaton and Roger A. Meadows, Jr.; and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges, 2000-2001, Terry Lynn Beard, Bethany Jill Carmack, Carla Sue Dew, Bradley Ray Harrell, Nita Faye Lee, Kimberley D. Moeller, Jewell Stone, and Ewelina J. Suchacka.

Woodville Locals

By Pat Hughes

Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. James Summar were Mrs. Summar's children.

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Newman and children, Amanda and Victor, of Covington, spent Mother's Day with Mr. Newman's mother, Pat Hughes. Pat visited her mother-in-law, Mrs. Gracie Hughes McCloud, at the Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center Sunday. Tresa and Tracie Summar and their aunt, Pat, were supper guests Monday night of last week of Mrs. Tensie Summar. Tensie's friend, David, also attended. Tracie, who was ill last week, has returned to work. Tresa spent Tuesday of last week with her friend, Lisa Pennington, and her son, Gage, in Dyersburg.

Keith Gay and sons, Jimmy and Dillan, and Keith's fiance,

Banquet



THE HALLS BAND'S 2000-2001 banquet was Friday night in the Halls High School cafeteria, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Finley, directors. The meal was catered by Mr. and Mrs. Gary Baker. Attending were, from left, senior class band members, Bryan Jetton, Jade Scott, Kara Steelman, and Mary Younger, plus not pictured, Jonathan Woodard.

Susan, and her children, Jennifer and James, of Ripley, visited Susan's mother in North Carolina during the weekend. Jimmy and Dillan are Pat Hughes' grandsons.

Victor Newman, of Covington, won two more trophies at the Golden Gloves Boxing matches in Jackson. He had a video of the event made for his grandmother, Pat Hughes.

SEEKING PHOTOS

The Lauderdale Council of Arts is seeking photos that depict the past events of Lauderdale County. This is in conjunction with the annual Tomato Festival. Photos being sought are from individuals, businesses, and farming interest events. The photos will be used in the 'Home Grown' exhibit in the lobby of the Bank of Ripley July 6-31st. Contact Beaton Matthews at 635-1230 for more information.

RECEIVES DIPLOMA

Brian Martin, son of Patricia Martin Patrick, of Memphis, and grandson of Eugene Meeks, of Halls, graduated with honors May 4th from the University of Memphis with a bachelor's of arts degree in foreign languages and a minor in English. He will begin work this fall on a master's degree in international business, and hopes to participate in an internship program in Germany. Brian is employed with Federal Express.

Joins Staff



BEVERLY FERGUSON has joined the staff at Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center as the Director of Nursing Services. Beverly, a graduate of Dyersburg State, majored in nursing. She and her husband, Rickey, reside in Trimble, and have two children residing in Dyer county. Beverly is an American Red Cross nurse and an active board member of the Dyer County Chapter. She has served as a State delegate for the Tennessee Nurse Association for the past two years, and is an officer of the Dyersburg State Nursing Alumni Association. She is also a recipient of the Dyersburg State Outstanding Alumni Award. Beverly was employed at Wesley at Dyersburg Nursing Care as the assistant director of nursing prior to joining the staff at the Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

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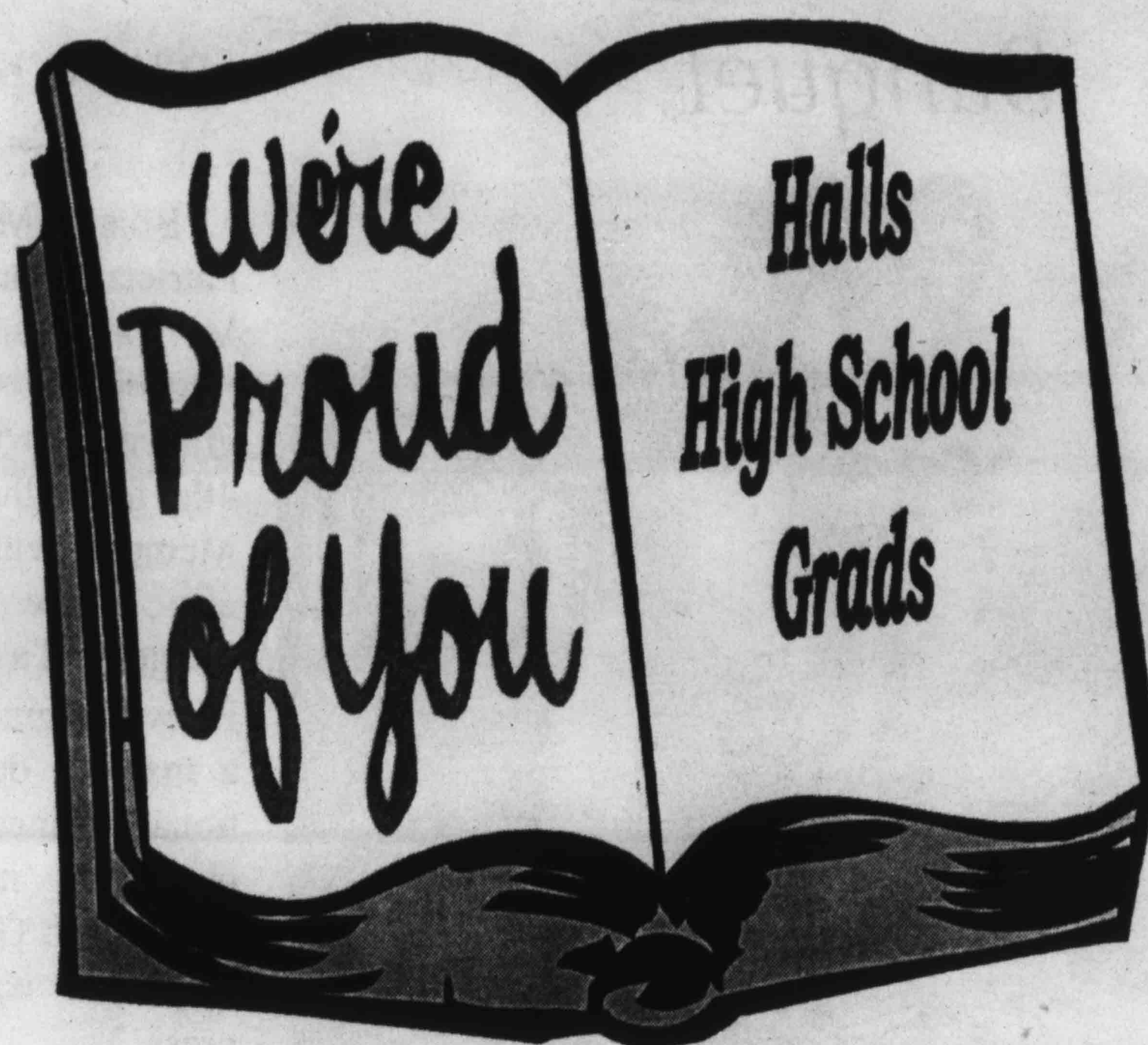
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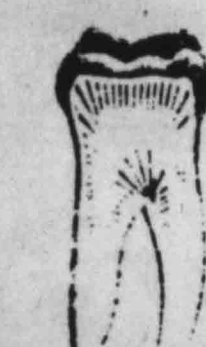
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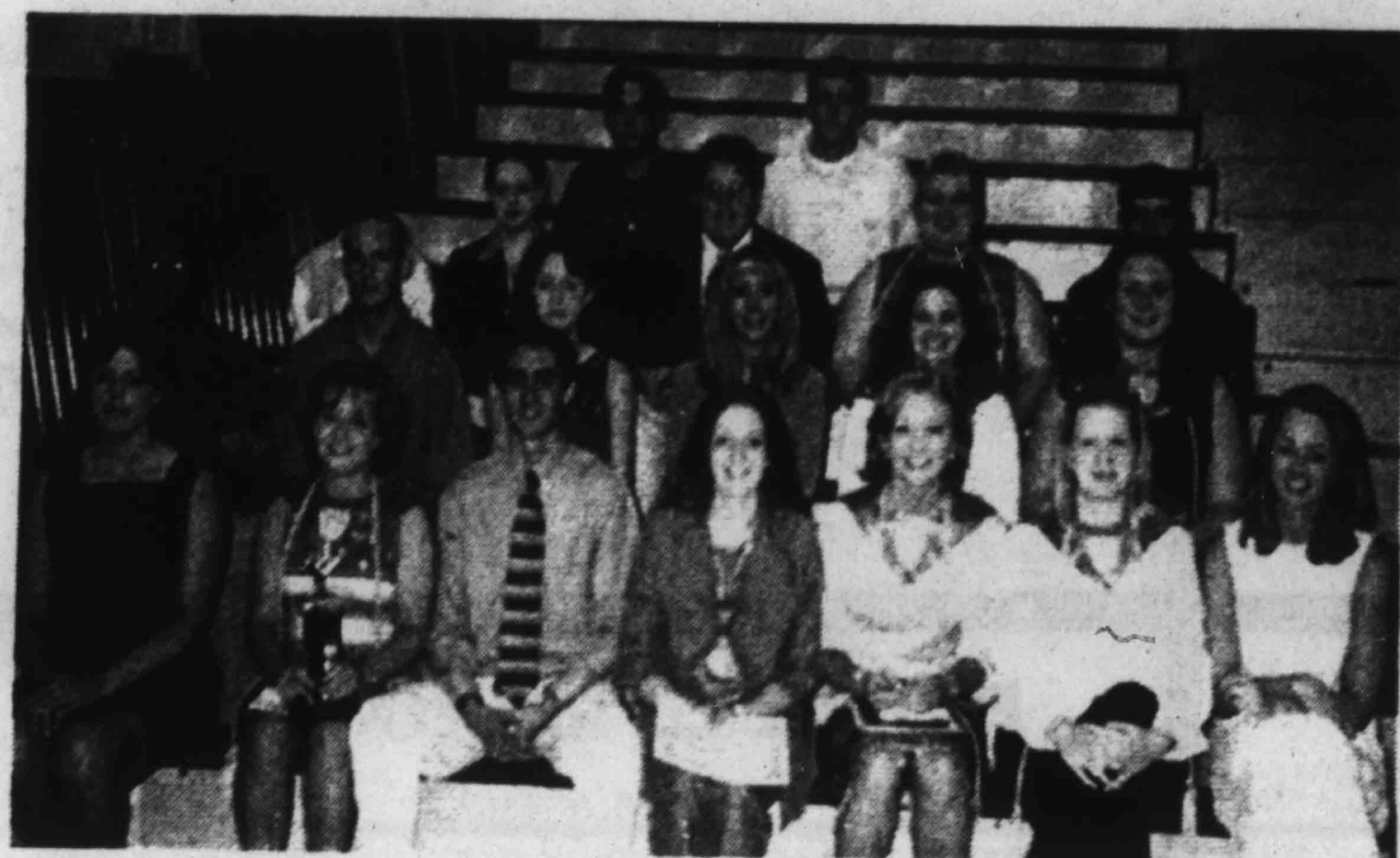
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SENIORS at Halls High School received scholarships at the school's Honor Day Wednesday of last week. Students receiving scholarships include, in upper photo, from left, Rheyay Lynch, Junior Auxiliary; Leah Simpson, Exchange Club, Lauderdale County Foundation Merit Scholarship, Union Planters Bank, and University of Tennessee at Martin; Will Bird, C. N. Armour, Tanner Trust, Jon M. Moore Memorial Scholarship, and University of Tennessee at Martin; Amber Newman, Arnold Academic, and Dyersburg State Community College Basketball scholarship; Jami Nolen, M. L. Jones Memorial Scholarship, Ross W. Dyer Memorial, Will R. Manier Memorial (Rotary), and University of Tennessee at Martin; Denise McAlister, David R. and Mildred W. Nunn, and Union University; and Leah Heator, DSCC Softball Scholarship; in second row, Tristan Vaughn, United States Navy; David Simpson, United States Marines; Leanne Harris, Bank of Ripley; Candie Layne, DSCC Ed Lannom Memorial; Megan Jordan, Lambuth University; and Kara Steelman, Mississippi State University;

third row, Rachel Dennis, Key Corner Marketing Scholarship, Masonic Scholarship, DSCC Incentive, and DSCC ERMCO; Kim Shands, Lambuth University and University of Tennessee at Martin; Bryan Jetton, Lauderdale County Educator Association; Mary Younger, Lauderdale County Council of Arts and University of Memphis; and Vance Brewster, Arnold Academic, Will R. Manier Memorial (Rotary), and Union University; in top row, Mark Dew, Lauderdale County Food Service; and Will Wright, Tanner Trust.

Students receiving awards include, in lower photo, from left, Casey Moses, Athletic; Leah Simpson, English, Nutrition, Science, and Spanish; Will Bird, Agriculture; Amber Newman, Art; Jami Nolen, English, Nutrition, D.A.R., and Principal's Leadership Award; Denise McAlister, English and Social Studies; and Leah Heator, Army Reserve Scholar Athlete and Rotary Youth of the Year; in second row, Kim Vaughn, Service Learning; Rachel Dennis, Marketing, French, Service Learning, Mathematics, and the Booker T. Washington; Leanne Harris, Agriculture;

Youth Rally



GRACE BIBLE BAPTIST Church, located 3 miles south of Halls on Highway 51 N. By-Pass, held its annual Youth Rally. Pictured are youth who participated in the event.

Candie Layne, Dale Hawley Student Council Award; Megan Jordan, English; Kara Steelman, English; and Deanna Coonts, Drama; in third row, Will Wright, Agriculture; Bryan Jetton, Business; Mary Younger, Honor Diploma; and Vance Brewster, Service Learning and Technology; in top row, Justin Baker, Balfour; Jade Scott, Business; Eric Brown, Athletic; and Sam Stenson, Army Reserve Scholar Athlete.

Students receiving awards for educational excellence include Vance Brewster, Megan Jordan, Jami Nolen, Leah Simpson, and Kara Steelman. These students have a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, 4 years of upper level math and science, and are in the 85th percentile or higher in math or reading on a standardized achievement test such as ACT, SAT, or TCAP.

Students receiving honor diplomas include, Will Bird, Vance Brewster, Deanna Coonts, Leanne Harris, Natalie Hart, Leah Heator, Daniel Högeland, Megan Jordan, Candie Layne, Denise McAlister, Will Morris, Jami Nolen, Jason Sanderson, Kim Shands, David Simpson, Leah Simpson, Kara Steelman, Kim Vaughn, Jonathan Woodard, and Mary Younger. These students have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, must have taken four years of honor or AP English, Alg. 1, Alg. 2, Geom., or higher level math, 3 units of science, U. S. History, Econ. 1 and 1/2 additional units of social studies.

Birthdays

May 17 - Cindy McDonald, Debbie Coughlan, Sidney McKnight, Miranda Anderson, Beth Langley, David Nunn, Robin Porter, Tammy Mountjoy, Eileen Byrd, Mary Nola Meeks, Carole White, Steve Stanley.

May 18 - Norris T. Nix, Bryan Elkins, Tim Etheridge, Leland Ward.

May 19 - Angie Kiestler, Megan Crain, Rosalinda Dionicio, Sylvia King, Tyler James Talbot, Megan Crain, Stewart Cepparulo, Collins Voss.

May 20 - Kathy Wade, Blake Tucker, Brandon Lee, Gary Allen.

May 21 - Bill Jones, Daniel Martin, Steven McKinnie, Shelia Crowder, Helen Gean, Cyndi Jones, Hayden Watts, Robert Belton, Stan Young.

May 22 - Caitlyn Gitchell, Ben Barcroft, Jan Burlison, Dee Ballard, Brad Studard, Geno Hawks, Charles Hurt, Phillip Andrew Wong, Dabnie James, Hannah Elizabeth McKee, Talmadge Crowder, Mark Holder, Candice Frazier, Steve Ray.

May 23 - Steve Fullen, Nathan Griggs, Jim Alford, Matt Harper, Billy Hines, Ginna Cherry.

Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsbrook
Jim Sollis and Gerald Daws visited Tommy Simons Wednesday of last week.

Anniversaries

May 18 - Mr. and Mrs. Pete Burks.

May 19 - Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Malone.

May 20 - Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Alley, Mr. and Mrs. Bengy Cherry.

May 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Doug Nelson.

May 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Jay Chipman, Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Broglin, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Winchester, Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Cannon.

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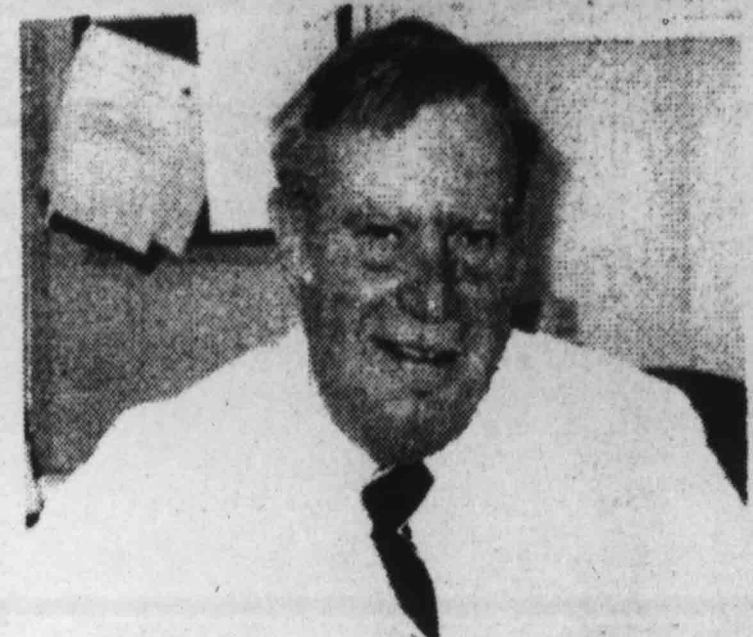
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Obituaries

Mourning



LARRY McNEAL FARRIS, 67, retired physician, died Monday, at his home, 1031 Cedar Grove Road, Ripley.

According to Ripley Chief of Police Milford "Pop" Durham, he died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. During police investigation, family and friends cited a lengthy decline in health, due to complications arising from diabetes.

Services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Memorial Funeral Home in Corinth, Miss., with burial in Gravel Hill Cemetery, in Eastview, Garner Funeral Home in charge locally.

He grew up in McNairy County, and attended Memphis State University, graduating in 1957. He entered the U.S. Marine Corp as a 2nd Lieutenant, achieving rank of Captain, with active duty in Okinawa, the Philippines and Parris Island, S.C. until 1962.

Following his work in news service and public relations with South Central Bell in east and middle Tennessee, he entered medical school in 1970 at the University of Tennessee, Memphis College of Medicine, graduating in 1974.

After practicing medicine in Lebanon and Ripley over a 20-year period, he closed his practice in Ripley in the fall of 1995 due to health issues.

Survivors include his wife, Susan Locker Farris, of Ripley; two sons, Jeffrey Neal Hoover, of Memphis, and Gregory Todd Farris, of Iowa City, Iowa; one daughter, Leigh Alice Farris, of Ripley; and one sister, Christine Farris Wood, of Shiloh.

Bennett Found Dead In Home Mrs. Alice Gean

William Heath Bennett, 30, was pronounced dead on arrival at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale after he was found at 5:30 a.m. Monday by his step-father, Tony Bryan, of 1065 Willie Paris Rd., Ripley.

According to Lauderdale County Sheriff Louis Craig, Bryan, tried to wake his stepson for work and when he would not respond, Bryan called authorities. The body was sent to Memphis for autopsy.

Arrangements with Garner's Funeral Home were incomplete at press time.

Survivors include a son, Joshua A. Bennett, of Henning; four brothers, Danny Bennett and Johnny Bennett, of Middleburg, Fla., Michael Bryan, of Ripley, and Hunter Bryan, of Henning; a sister, Brooke Bennett, and his father, John H. Bennett, both of Middleburg, Fla.; his mother, Alma Frances Shoemaker, of Henning; step-father, William Anthony Bryan, of Ripley; and grandparents, Inez Bennett, of Middleburg, and Valsie and Peggy Braden, of Ripley.

Noah Ray Dies; Grocer, Squire

Noah Fletcher Ray, 88, of Halls, retired rural grocer, died Saturday, of heart-lung failure, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

He had served as a district magistrate, or "squire", on the Lauderdale County Court (now the Lauderdale County Commission).

Rites were at 11 a.m. Monday in Westside Baptist Church in Halls, where he was a deacon, with burial in Halls Cemetery. Halls Funeral Home in charge.

Widower of Edna Gaba Ray, he leaves three sisters, Frances Taylor, of Halls, Pearl Woodward, of Memphis, and Eltie Mae Davis, of Centerville.

Alice Gean, 82, of Dyersburg, mother of Mark Gean, of 511 College, Halls, died Friday, of heart failure, in Reelfoot Manor Nursing Home in Tiptonville.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Curry & Son Funeral Home in Dyersburg, with burial in Fairview Cemetery.

A member of First Baptist Church in Dyersburg, She was the widow of Stanley Gean.

Survivors include four other sons, Charlie, Leon, and Joe T. Gean, of Dyersburg, and Marvin Gean, of Finley; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Holton

Phyllis Wells Holton, 24, wife of David Lynn Holton, of Gates, died Tuesday of last week, of heart-lung failure, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Trinity Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Gates, with burial there. Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Her survivors include two daughters, Ashyia and Davianne Holton, her father, Johnny Wells, and her grandmother, Isadore Blankenship, of Gates, and two brothers, Johnny Wells, Jr., of Gates, and Phillip Wells, of Ripley.

Thomas Modlin

The Tenn. Bureau of Investigation has classified the death of Thomas William Modlin, 31, of Cherry, as suicide.

He was found in his home, on Hwy. 87 west of Henning, May 6th, with a gun-shot wound to the head.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Yarbrough Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Edith Cemetery near Ripley.

He was an Army veteran. He leaves his son, Christo-

pher Lynn Modlin, a daughter, Elizabeth Dawn Modlin, and his grandmother, Mrs. Annie L. Henson, all of Ripley, and his parents, Gene and Patricia Modlin, and a brother, Eddie E. Modlin, all of Halls.

J. F. Williams

Joseph Franklin Williams, 88, of Ripley, retired automobile salesman, died Friday, of pneumonia, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

A member of Asbury United Methodist Church, he was the widower of Jessie Mai Williams.

He leaves a son, Danny, a daughter, Anita Colvin, and a brother, James T. Williams, of Ripley; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Palmer

Mary Olline Palmer, 81, of 158 Lafayette, Ripley, widow of Clyde Nash Palmer, died Sunday, of respiratory failure, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in the cemetery of Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church at Frog Jump, of which she was a member.

She leaves two sons, Harold Palmer, of Ripley, and Eddie Palmer, of Alamo; a daughter, Betty Younger, of Ripley; two brothers, Melvin Lutrell, of Gates, and Charles Lutrell, of Dallas, Tex.; two sisters, Lois Lewis, of Gates, and Gracie Ferrell, of Brownsville; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Ruth DeVerts

Ruth Goodman DeVerts, 83, of Ripley, retired drugstore manager, died Saturday, of cancer, in the home of Denise Casey, 241 Eastland Avenue. Services were at 11 a.m.

Tuesday at Yarbrough Funeral Home, with burial in Grace Cemetery, near Ripley.

She was a retired drug store manager and a member of the Humane Society.

She leaves two friends who cared for her, Beatrice Fowler and Mrs. Casey, both of Ripley.

Arnold Smith

Arnold H. "Scotty" Smith, 59, of Munford, brother of J. E. Sartain and Peggy Cullum, of Ripley, died Wednesday of last week, of heart failure, in the Veterans Medical Center in Memphis.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Sunday in Munford Funeral Home, with burial in Crigger Cemetery in Munford.

An Army veteran, he was an auto mechanic, formerly employed by World Car Rentals.

Survivors include a son, Kenneth, of Memphis; three daughters, Pamela Stimpson, of Byhalia, Miss., and Patricia Yarnold and Teresa Brown, of Olive Branch, Miss.; another brother, Ruey Smith, of Brighton; another sister, Imojean Edwards, of Holts Summit, Mo.; and seven grandchildren.

Ronnie Robinson

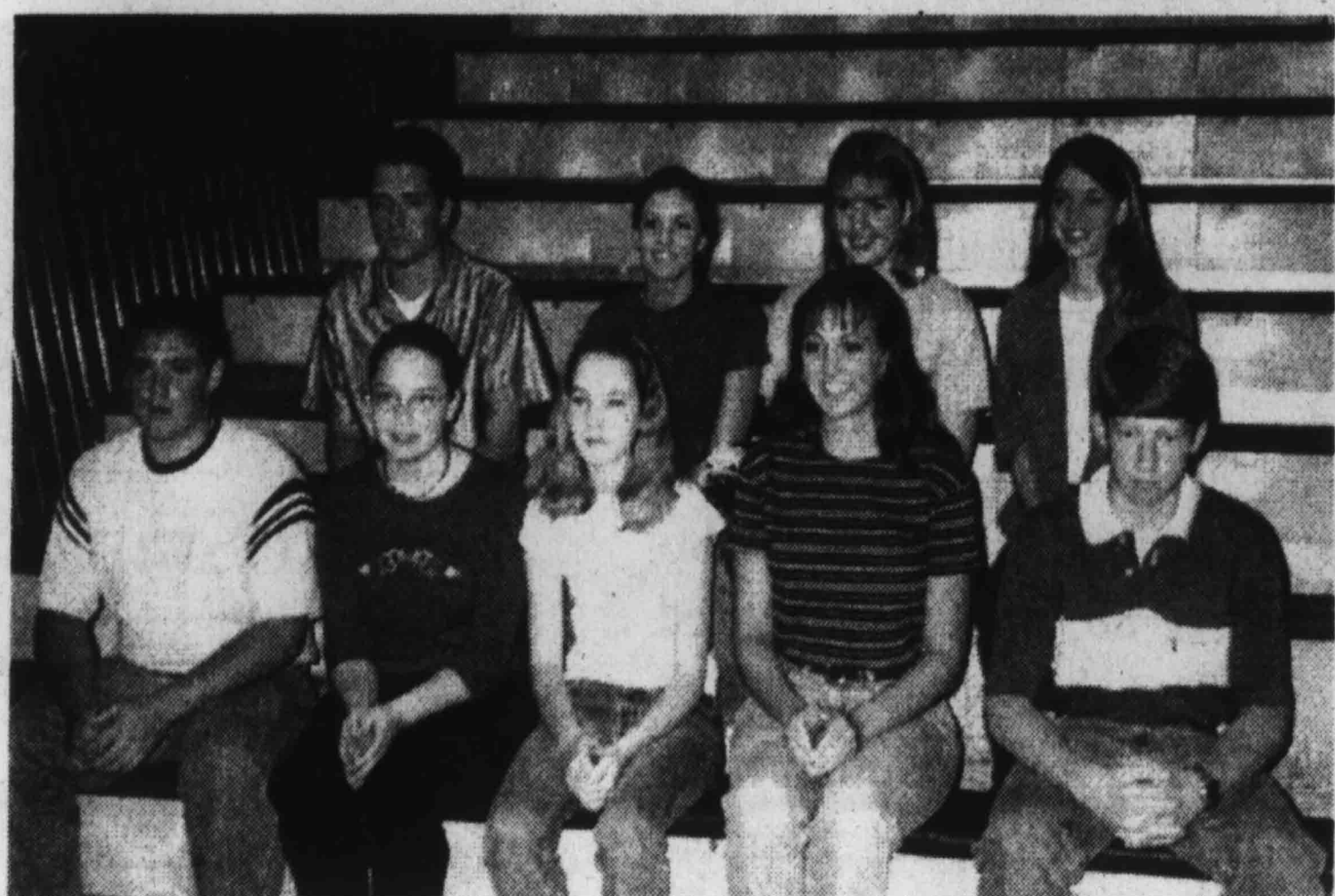
Mrs. Ronnie Bell Robinson, 86, of 147 Carmack Rd., Ripley, died Tuesday morning at her home.

Visitation was held at Garner's Funeral Home Wednesday evening. She will be moved Thursday to Bogue Chitto, Choctaw Indian Community in Philadelphia, Miss., for burial Friday.

A member of the First Indian Baptist Church, she was a homemaker.

The widow of Jimmy Robinson, she leaves a son, Freeman Robinson, of Anchorage, Ala.; seven daughters, Joyce Bell and Patsy Roach, of Ripley, Sally Wells, Edna Fay, and Sammie Sanders, all of Symrna, Claudine Carlson, of South Carolina, and Nancy Hassen, of Sylvania, Ohio; a brother, George Bell, of Ripley; three sisters, Claudia Thompson, Jessie Thompson, and Mammie Bell, all of Ripley; 14 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

HHS Top Ten Students



THE TOP TEN STUDENTS at Halls High School were named Wednesday of last week during the school's Honor Day. They include, 9th grade, in upper photo, from left, Blake Brewster, Heather Cowan, Angie Green, Beth Sadler, and Tyler Moore; in rear, Kevin Ward, Sallye Rae Hartman, Kristina Edwards, Allison Howell, and not pictured, Kari Escue; 10th grade, in middle photo, from left, Crystal Delock, Jennifer Broglin, Sarah Callender, Leighann Harris, and Rachel Hammond; in rear, Mary Lee Bales, Amanda Britt, Krista Newman, Leslie

McCarrity, and Lauren Bivens; 11th grade, in lower photo, from left, Lauren Bray, Julie Pickard, Allyson Jennings, Kristen Throgmorton, Holly Young, and Sarah Beth Cates; in rear, Richard Dawson, Rachel Wilson, Elizabeth Webb, Kristina Deaton, and Tyler Layne.

DEAN'S LIST

Julie Beard, of Halls, is on the Dean's List at Lambuth University for the Spring 2001 term. Students must receive a grade point average of 3.5 or above to qualify for this honor.

Guest Speaker



RICHARD BUNTIN, second from left, Lauderdale County Extension Agent, was introduced by Ron Goforth, left, at Monday's regular luncheon meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club. Mr. Buntin spoke about the happenings in the State Extension Services, showed a video, and accepted questions.

Halls-Gates Rotary Club meetings will temporarily be held at the Halls Community Center on North College Street.

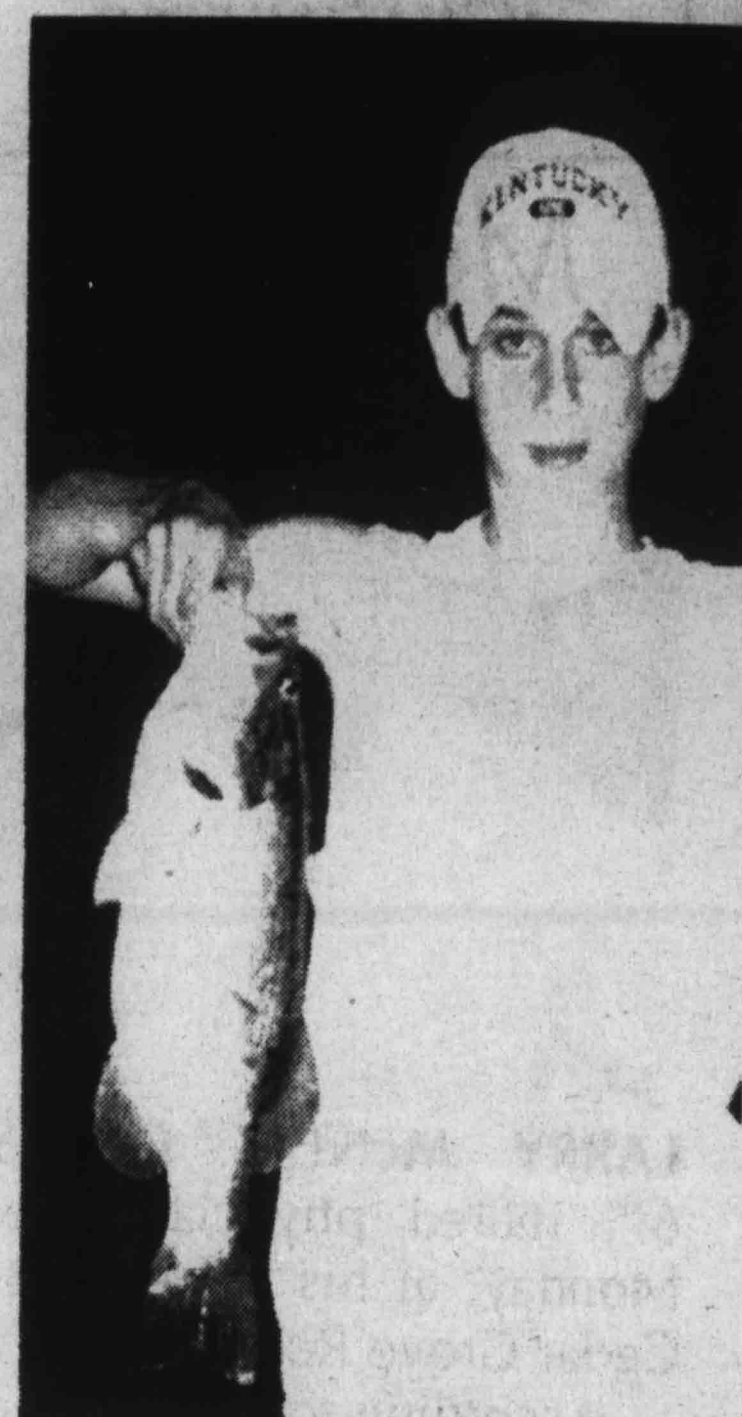
Joe Eskridge, right, is club president.

Hannah Callender Receives Diploma

Hannah Leah Callender, daughter of Mark Callender and Carolyn Callender, of Halls, graduated *summa cum laude* from Wesleyan College in Macon, Ga. Hannah, an honors program graduate, received a bachelor's degree in mathematics. She is a graduate of Halls High School.

Williams, Malena Halliburton, Briana Patrick, Logan Buckner, Cody Burks, Chelsea Patterson, Mark Patterson, Ben Ray, Sasha Rowe, Sarah Cook, Kelly Blackwood, Chris Cessac, Mary Elizabeth Isaak, Nicole Hinsley, Dustin Belton, C. W. Brown, Jeffrey Lents, Graham Moore, Sandra Williamson, Corey Wright, Cody Curran, Destinee Hudson, D'Andre Jones, David Baena, Charles Chipman, Sarah Hodges, Hillary Latham, Olivia Maddox, Antwanette Patrick, and Shamona Wells; 4th grade, Todd Aitken, Tamara Boyd, Stephanie Conder, Heather Davis, Jerry Patrick, Natasha Vaughn, Colby Smith, Sharda McKinney, Kaylon Mann, Ashley Heflin, Dillon Gay, David Hamilton, Mariah Hudson, Kelli Reynolds, Justin Ward, Ann Tolene, Jessica Roberts, Felicia Volner, Clifton Barham, Madison Hamlet, Kayla White, Tiffany Anderson, Joseph Staben, Tommy Isaak, Andy Gaines, Kristen McCallister, Casey Hogue, Sarah Sorrell, Tyler Kilzer, Natalie Grantland, Eric Warden, Krystal Taylor, Ashton Smith, Nathan Smith, Seth Deaton, Kayla Heath, Kristin Hinton, and Ambria White; 5th grade, Autumn Hutchison, Cassie King, Jessi Palazzolo, Amber Seiber, Tania Steel, Haley Burks, Morgan

A Catch!



SETH STEELMAN, son of Carson and Kathy Steelman, of Halls, shows a six pound catfish he caught in Ripley. He plans to mount his catch.

Latham, Teresa Wright, Ashley Arthur, Chris Hardy, Phylcia Richmond, Britney Moore, Mikayla Thrash, Dorothy White, Clarissa Stringer, Nathan Sadler, Tony Hudson, Eric Daniels, Britney Bane, Aaron Dannelley, Jessica Jackson, Randi Crockett, Amber Walton, Jeremy Fitzhugh, and Robert Crutchfield; 6th grade, Ashley Blakely, Bree Burns, Sara Cherry, Tiffany Gitchell, Jeremy McBroom, Aimee McPherson, Lotorya Patrick, Kyle Ray, Zach McBroom, Tyler Daniels, Davida Delock, Christina Hutcherson, Rachel Isaak, Roger Jetton, Danna Ward, Krystal Ward, Leamond Arthur, Rebecca Barnett, Crystal Belew, Brittany Crawley, Kaleb Hamlet, Mallory Hogue, Kristine Sebourm, Angela Stevens, J. B. Tharpe, Brandon Vaughn, Ben Woodley, Heather Volner, Justin Terry, Josh McCraw, Adam Haynes, Heather Fitzhugh, Austin Allen, Brent Cain, Steven Cowart, Jennifer Cox, Cory Heath, Daniel Sanders, Amanda Springer, Leah Ward, and Bobbi Younger.

STUDENTS NAMED

West Tennessee Business College students from Lauderdale County maintaining a 95 or above average for the enrollment period ending May 3rd, include, Loretta Driver and Rebecca Mosby, of Ripley, and Rachel Warren, of Halls.

Everyone at Bank of Ripley wishes to congratulate the Class of 2001

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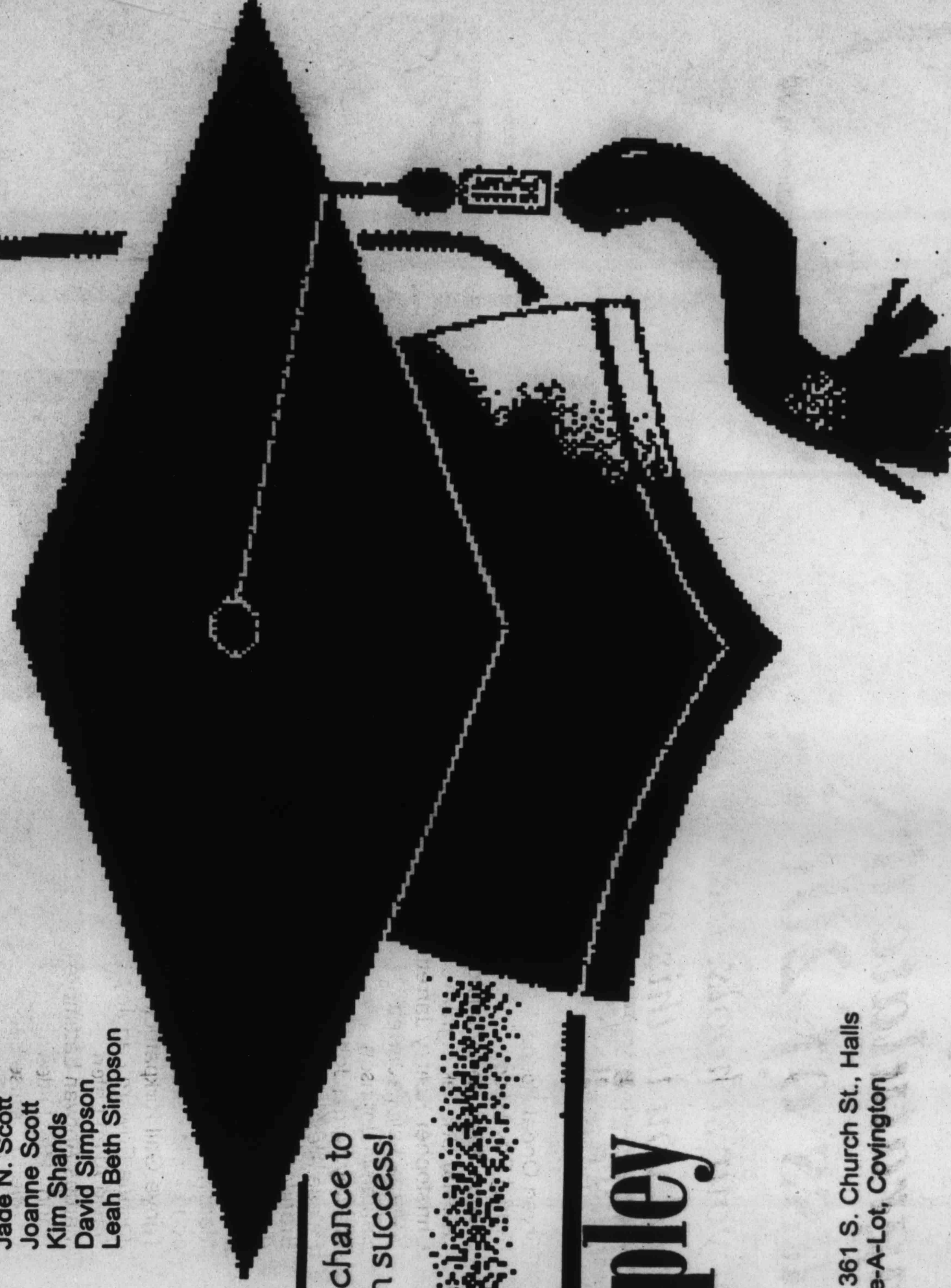
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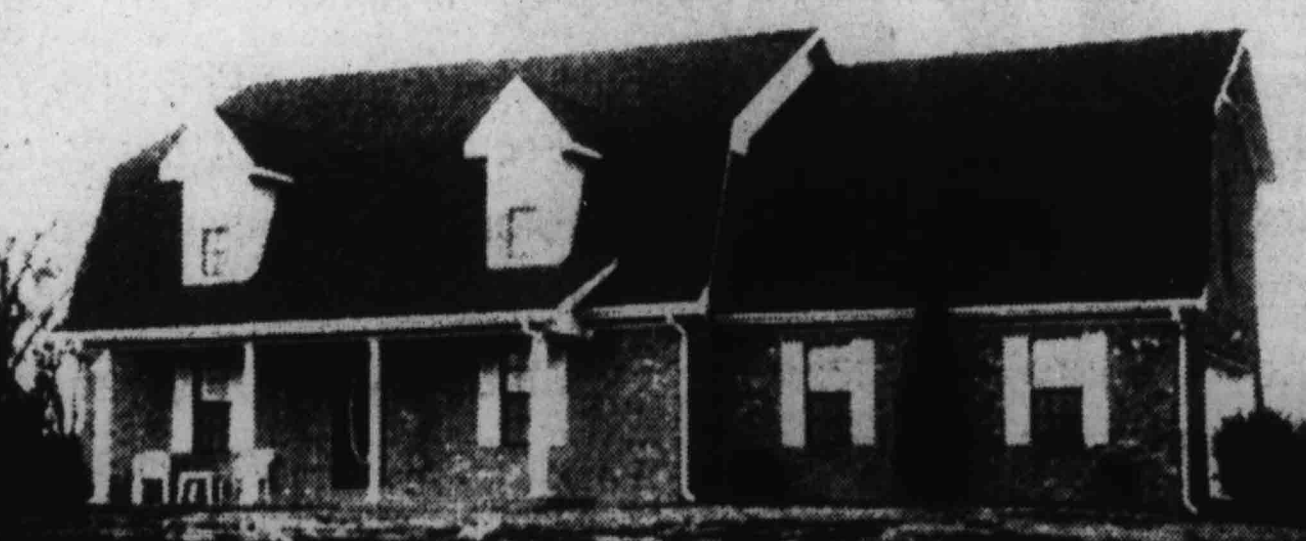
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Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsobrook

Mrs. Mary Alsobrook has returned to Room 310, 1900 Parr Ave., Dyersburg Manor, after a visit with her son, Dr. James Cory Alsobrook, in Murfreesboro, and her granddaughter, Alix, husband Tom, and sons, Will and Cole, in Nashville. It's true that chickens come home to roost and I'm glad to be home.

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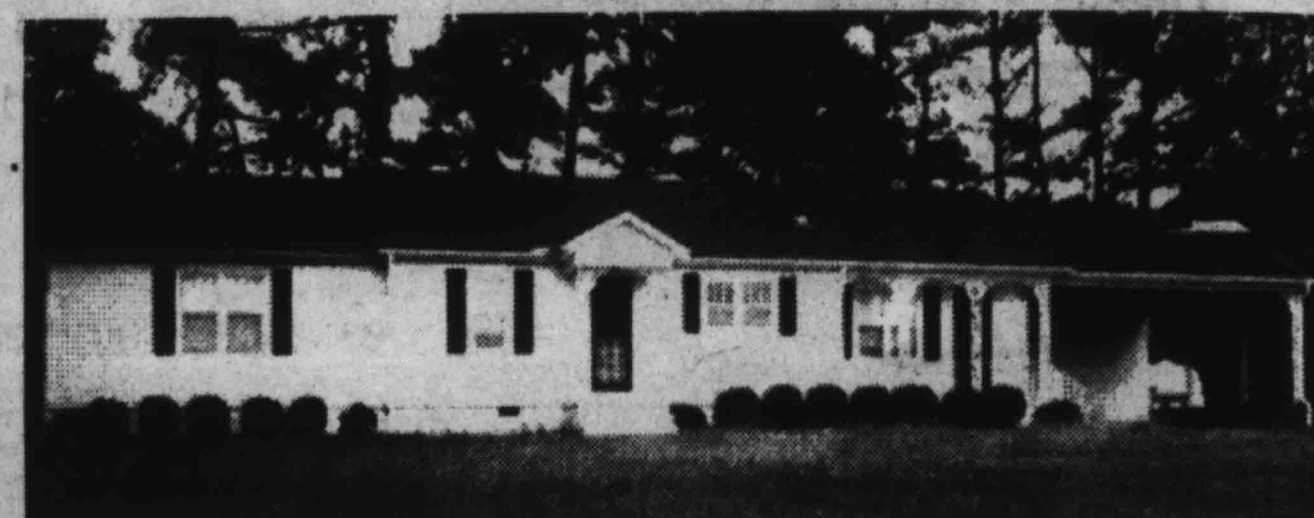
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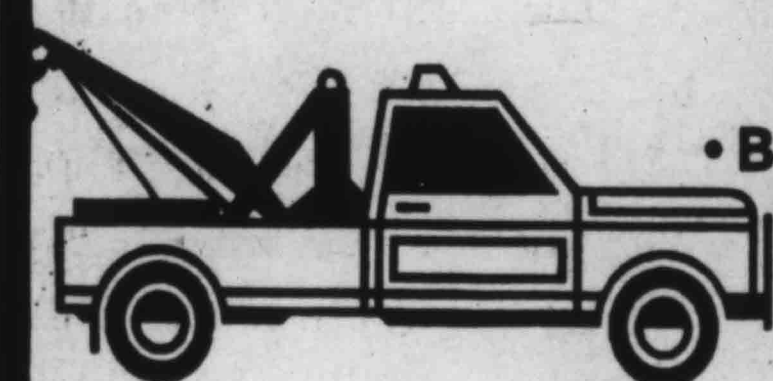
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Obituaries

Mrs. Elkins

Willagene Elkins, 70 of Little Rock, Ark., daughter of the late Guy and Clarkie Daws, of Halls, died Sunday.

Rites were at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Otter Creek First Baptist Church, with burial in Pinecrest Memorial Park, Roller-Chenal Funeral Home in charge.

She was a member of Otter Creek First Baptist Church where she served as secretary.

She leaves two daughters Mrs. Ronnie Caveness and Mrs. Johnny Richardson, of Little Rock; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Blankenship

Mrs. Isadore Blankenship, 76, of Gates, died Sunday of Cancer at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services will be at 2 p.m., Sunday at Trinity CME Church in Gates, with burial in Trinity Cemetery. Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

Survivors include a son, Willie Blankenship, of Gates; seven grandchildren; and eleven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Waltrip

Syble Rainey Waltrip, 81, of Gates, widow of W. L. Waltrip, died Sunday, of heart-lung failure, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were at 2 p.m. Monday in Memphis Memory Gardens, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

She was a member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Memphis.

She leaves a brother, Ike Childress, of Gates.

The raspberry is a member of the rose family.

Read all about it...

By Pettus L. Read
Tennessee Farm Bureau

It Takes Almost A Lifetime to Learn Some Things

If you have filled your gas tank with gasoline lately, you may have noticed the price of your petrol has gone up quite a bit. In fact, it has reached new heights in US price standards and does not look like it will reach its limit anytime soon. Across the country some areas have seen gasoline bills go over \$2.00 a gallon which can make your travel budget smart a little from that kind of cost impact.

As I stood by the pump at my local convenience station recently, (a convenience station is a service station without service), it seemed to me that the little numbers on the pump that tell you how much your gas is costing, were moving a lot faster than they use to. They were also moving in larger cost amounts and by the time the thing stopped I had spent way over \$25 for a tank of gas. I could not believe the total amount. I know it was only a week ago that I could have filled up for less than \$18. Now I am paying for some oil Sheik's Mercedes. All I wanted was a tank of gas, not buy another car.

The crazy thing about all of this is we keep on doing it day after day. And, the oil companies know we will. So, knowing we will keep on buying at whatever price they set on their pumps, they increase the price sky high one week and then lower the price a few cents the next week. They do this for a couple of months until we get use to the higher price and then they leave it there. We have our gas and they have enough money to burn a wet camel.

Something is wrong with this picture. If a gallon of milk

in your local grocery increased the same way gasoline does at the pump, we would have people boycotting stores, high-jacking milk trucks and switching over to other liquids over-night. However, with gasoline we just pay the price and hope that the convenience stores do not run out before our next purchase.

How long will it take us to learn that our energy sources are controlled and "it ain't us" that has the control. Our concerns are not the cost, but rather is there enough of a supply to keep me going to work long hours so I can afford more high cost gasoline?

It is time that we take control of our own destiny in the fuel industry. We must develop other sources of fuel, such as products from soybeans, corn, and other agricultural products that have been proven to provide fuel as well as protect the environment.

However, there are many things that just seem to take us a lifetime to learn. I am afraid this may be one of them.

I saw the other day where there are ten things that will take you a lifetime to learn.

One was if you had to identify, in one word, the reason why the human race has not achieved, and never will achieve, its full potential, that word would be "meetings."

Another one was there is a very fine line between "hobby" and "mental illness." You also should not confuse your career with your life.

It also takes a lifetime for you to learn that people who want to share their religious or political views with you almost never want you to share yours with them.

Also, when trouble arises and things look bad, there is always one individual who

perceives a solution and is willing to take command. Very often, that individual is crazy.

The one thing that unites all human beings, regardless of age, gender, religion, economic status or ethnic background, is that, deep down inside, we ALL believe that we are above average drivers.

A few short items it takes us a lifetime to learn are to never lick a steak knife, be sure to take out the fortune before you eat the cookie, and the most powerful force in the universe is gossip.

A lifetime can be either short or long depending upon the individual, but if something is not done real soon on using alternative fuel sources the lifetime of our fuel cost problems will be greatly extended. I know you should never argue with an idiot; people watching can't tell which is which, but now is a good time to show others that agriculture may be more than a source for food. It can be the fuel that runs this country to a greater future.

FISHING RODEO

Reelfoot National Wildlife Refuge is announcing the 11th Annual Youth Fishing Rodeo to be held, June 2nd, at the maintenance shop ponds near Walnut Log, located off highway 157. Kids 12 years and under are invited to attend. Fishing starts at 8:00 a.m. and lasts until noon. Only live bait will be allowed. Prizes, donated by local sponsors, will be given away at the close of the rodeo. For more information call Christine at (731)538-2481.

PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting regarding

HONORED

Blake and Angela Janda, of Milan, grandchildren of Minnie Janda, of Gates, were honored for their achievements in their local paper.

Blake was named a United States Achievement Academy Award winner in English, history, and government and a winner in mathematics. He attends Milan Middle School and was nominated by his teachers at school, Mrs. Buford and Mrs. Crumpler. Blake's name will appear in the U.S. Achievement Academy Official Yearbook.

Angela was named to the All-District tennis team for the second year. She and teammate, Amy Butler, advanced to the District 13AAA championship match after a semi-final win week before last.

Blake and Angela are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Janda and the grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Nelson, all of Milan.

amendments to the HUD State of Tennessee consolidated plan will be at 1 p.m., Thursday, May 24th, at the William R. Snodgrass, Tennessee Tower, 3rd floor, 312 Eighth Avenue North, in Nashville.

TALENT SEARCH

Nashville Music City Search of Nashville, Tennessee, is conducting a new artist and song search. This search and seminar will offer winners the opportunity to perform on Nashville's Music Row. All entries must be received no later than June 21st. For more information, call 615-846-1700.



Pruning trees and shrubs in the winter tends to encourage new growth.

Checks Presented



JOE ESKRIDGE, in rear, left, president of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club, presented checks for \$25 to Halls Elementary School students who won the Drug Abuse Prevention program, District 6760, coloring book contest May 17th. **Roger Charest**, in rear, right, president-elect for 2001-2002, aided in the presentation. Winners include, in front, from left, **Lateia Humphrey**, **Hunter Harrison**, **Andria Cooper**, **Brandi Carrol**, and **Kirby Cherry**.

Schwan's Teams Up With Beef Producers

Lauderdale County beef producers are teaming with Schwan's, the nation's largest direct-to-consumer food delivery service, for a summer promotion May 7-June 3rd. The 'Get 'em while it's hot' promotion is featured in Schwan's spring catalog. A special promotional flyer highlights several heat-and-eat products and features easy grilling recipes developed with help from Lauderdale County beef producers and their \$1 per head beef checkoff program. Schwan's will also offer \$5 off any order of \$50 or more and the customer's Schwan's representative will automatically enter the customer into a sweepstakes to win a backyard package, with the grand prize including a wood deck, outdoor spa, patio furniture, landscaping service, and a Weber Genesis Platinum C grill.

Birthdays

May 24 - Eric Ellis, Robert

Henry, Cody Tutor, Daisy Stewart.

May 25 - Mike Land, Lauren Cherry, Caroline Walker, David Kesler, Ashley Blakley, Nix Crawford, Bill Sweat, Sara Armstrong.

May 26 - Linda Meeks Mitchell, Sharon Langley, Laura Buckner, Abe Taylor, Phillip Hurt, Vickie Pennington, Brenda Monday, Lin Thompson.

May 27 - Tiffany Kirby, Judy Edwards, Todd Taylor.

May 28 - James Mitchell, Ronald Blakley, Brittany Jones, Randal Shands.

May 29 - Rhonda Wood, Katherine Sanders, Mills Webster, Nan Danley, Roy Bonds, Ricky McWilliams, Myra Frazier, Kathy Sanders, Roy Bonds, Carol Dean.

May 30 - DeNohal Alley, Margaret Fullen, Ron Peebles, Shirley Robison, Blake Fitzhugh, Emery Gillion, Alisha White, Inez Douglas, Don Prescott, Karen Hines, Molly Warwick.

Chamber Sponsors Litter Pick-Up Day

The Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce will be

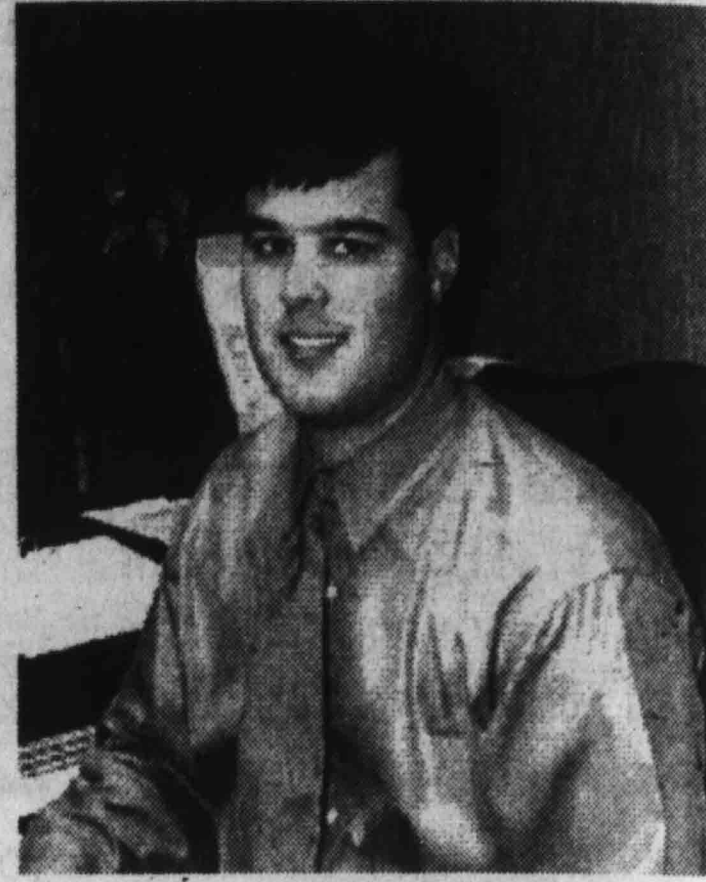
Tour



MRS. ANNETTA CAMP'S Excell class, at Halls Elementary School, toured two departments, lab and radiology, at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale April 26th. The class is pictured with **Sammy Copeland**, laboratory director, and **Ricky Ancar**, radiology technician.

a part of the Tennessee Great American Cleanup June 16th. The Chamber needs your input on what streets or parts of the county need to be cleaned up. They will provide trash bags, gloves, and other supplies needed thanks to sponsors Hefty Products Company, Kroger, GAIN, Pepsi Cola, and Yard-Man. In addition, the Chamber encourages you to get rid of old cars and junk vehicles on your property. The National Kidney Foundation offers free removal for salvage. Let the Chamber know if you are willing to sponsor a beautification project. For more information, call the Chamber at 635-9541.

Graduated

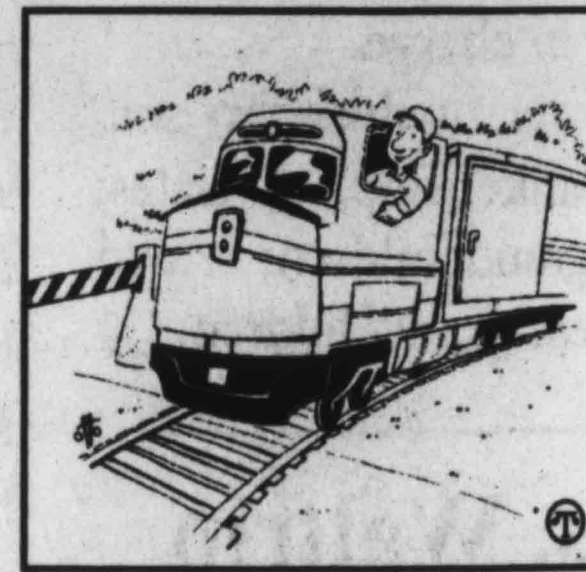


GREG CRIFIELD graduated 1st in the 2001 Southeastern School of Consumer Credit class. This one week class is conducted annually by the TBA at the Owen Graduate School of Management on the Vanderbilt University campus in Nashville. The curriculum includes over 45 hours of classroom instruction in 18 courses, arranged in five courses, trends in banking, loan products, the lending process, asset management, and managing the consumer credit department.

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

Freight Railroads Use Up To Date Technology

(NAPS)—One of the most forward-looking methods of transportation is also one of the most reliable—railroads. Unfortunately, many people are so used to the role that rail transport plays in our economy, they take freight railroads for granted. Worse yet, many people have a distorted view of rail transport based on the way railroads ran prior to government deregulation. For example, in a recent survey, over 60 percent of those polled felt that railroads were using outdated technology. In fact, just the opposite is true. Freight railroads invest roughly \$1 billion per year in communication and signal technology. This move to modernize has contributed to advancements in safety made possible by a new generation of metallurgy for rails, shields and thermal protection for tank cars, concrete ties and improved bearings and gears. Another prevalent misconception is that many locomotives and freight cars are



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in bad shape. Far from it. Since 1990, railroads have either purchased or rebuilt over 8,300 locomotives. They have also installed more than 2,800 advanced AC units that use the latest technology to improve pulling power, reduce maintenance and increase fuel efficiency. Research also indicates that improved freight cars made from lighter materials and stronger components have helped to reduce the accident rate due to equipment failure by nearly 78 percent since 1980. To learn more, visit the Web site at www.aar.org.

4-H Banner Clubs



4-H CLUBS in Lauderdale County in the 4th through 6th grades competed against each other for the highest average points per member. These points were obtained by participating in 4-H contests, club functions, and project work. The three highest scoring clubs in the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades became 4-H Banner Clubs. The three winning clubs were all from Halls Elementary School. They include, in upper photo, Mrs. Elder's 4th grade club, president **Seth Deaton**, vice-president, **Kristen Obie**, secretary **Heather Hill**, **Aaron Brennon**, **Thomas Curtis**, **Craig Davis**, **Stephen Depriest**, **Ashley Ellison**, **Garvin Ferguson**, **Eric Godsey**, **Shaun Graham**, **Coty Gwaltney**, **Toni Haley**, **Charlie Hammond**, **Kayla Heath**, **Kristin Hinton**, **Cody King**,

Bradley Nance, **Stacy Olds**, **Ashley Webb**, **Ambria White**, **John Yarbrough**, and **Curt Latham**; in middle photo, Mrs. Hendren's 5th grade class, president **L.J. Cates**, vice-president **Emily Perry**, secretary **Kristy Lee**, **Britney Bane**, **Sandy Benjamin**, **Ricky Bennett**, **Derek Chipman**, **Aaron Dannelley**, **Dustin Dick**, **Paige Ellison**, **Justin Frazier**, **Samantha Henson**, **Joey Hixon**, **Cody Hutcherson**, **Jessica Jackson**, **Nathan Johnson**, **Rebecca Lussier**, **Jessica Milner**, **Kiara Obie**, **Makisha Pearson**, and **Erika White**; in lower photo, Mrs. Lucas' 6th grade class, president **Michelle Meeks**, vice-president **Zachary McBroom**, secretary **Renea Blakeley**, **Steven Bledsoe**, **Rochelle Byars**, **Travis Cork**, **Tyler Daniels**, **David De-lock**, **Robert Essig**, **John Gililand**, **Christina Hutcherson**,

Promotion Ceremony



Rachel Isaak, **Joseph Jackson**, **Roger Jetton**, **Brittany Johnson**, **Jeremiah Kilpatrick**, **Crystal Midkiff**, **Matthew Stanley**, **Andrea Thompson**, **Ashley Turnage**, **Danna Ward**, and **Krystal Ward**. Banner Clubs will receive a party given by the 4-H staff at the end of the school year, with ice cream, cookies, and games. Turner Dairy

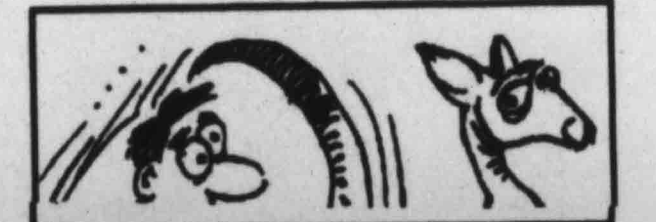
THE HALLS JUNIOR HIGH School 8th grade promotion ceremony was Tuesday morning of last week in the school cafeteria. Pictured are, from left, **Michael Joey Gillon**, Salutatorian; and **Jennifer Lee Buntin** and **Brooke Barnes**, who tied for Valedictorian. will donate the ice cream and **E. W. James and Sons** will donate cookies.



It is said little cakes of salt, each stamped with a likeness of the emperor, were once used as money in China.



It's always a good idea to mow a lawn when the grass is dry.



Large kangaroos can hop as fast as 40 miles an hour over short distances and can leap over obstacles as high as 6 feet.

Delicious Fruit Dishes

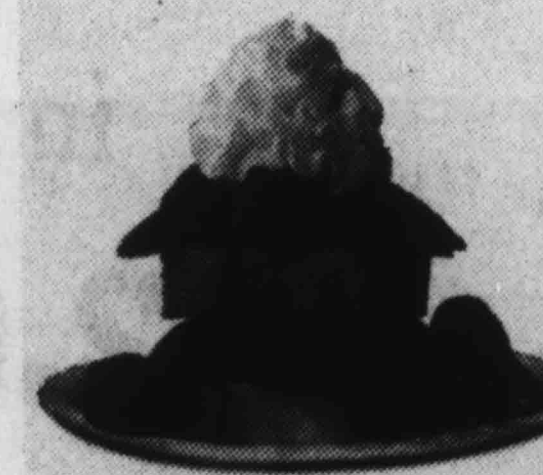
Celebrate The Season With Strawberries

(NAPS)—Fresh strawberries—that bright red, oh-so-sweet fruit—symbolize the warm-weather season. Although cultivated and sold throughout the world, strawberries are particularly popular among Americans, evidenced by the 94 percent of U.S. households who regularly eat them.

There's good reason for this love affair with the heart-shaped fruit. A versatile treat, strawberries are tasty all by themselves and absolutely irresistible when paired with other fruits, sumptuous cakes or real whipped cream. Create a quick and simple version of the classic berry dessert—strawberry shortcake—in just minutes with a little help from Reddi-wip® real whipped cream and Entenmann's® moist and delicious Loaf Cake. Or, whip up a Berry Pink Smoothie for a refreshing, no-fuss treat.

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- 3 cups sliced, fresh strawberries
- 1 can Reddi-wip real whipped cream



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Place seven Entenmann's® Loaf Cake slices on individual dessert plates. Spoon strawberries over each cake slice. Repeat layers, top with Reddi-wip real whipped cream. Garnish as desired. Serve immediately.

Berry Pink Smoothie Makes 2 servings

- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1 cup fresh strawberries
- 1 cup plain, vanilla or strawberry yogurt
- 1 cup ice cubes or crushed ice
- 1 can Reddi-wip real whipped cream

Place all ingredients in the order listed into blender container. Cover and blend on high until thick and slushy. Pour into

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- Strawberries have been cultivated in America since about 1835.
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- Look for plump, bright red fruit. Attached caps should be green and fresh looking.
- Don't wash strawberries until just before serving. To keep them from absorbing large quantities of water, hull after washing.

two tall glasses. Top with Reddi-wip real whipped cream; garnish with a fresh strawberry and serve immediately.

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Reading Program At Halls Library

The Halls Public Library will host a summer reading program entitled 'Cool Cats & Hot Dogs' from 10 until 11 a.m. every Wednesday beginning in June. This program is designed to promote reading skills throughout the summer when most children are not in school. Please join us in helping your child to develop sound reading skills at an early age. For more information, call 836-5302.



New Parents

To Jim and Stacey Coulter Barrett, of Hollywood, Fla., an 8 lb. 6 oz. son, William Coulter, born Feb. 19th, measuring 21 1/4 inches. He has a brother, Riley, 3. Stacey is the granddaughter of Mary Alsobrook, of Dyersburg, formerly of Halls.

DSCC DEAN'S LIST

Lauderdale County students on the Dean's List at Dyersburg State Community College this semester include, from Ripley, Monica Nicole Austin, Terry Lynn Beard, Patti Marie Cagle, Jimmy Russell Carroll, Jr., Cynthia Suzette Day, April Diane Dowell, Kelli Renee' Haislip, Amanda Beth Hutcherson, Justin Chadwick Jones, Jonathan D. Mooney, Katrina Danae Smith, Elizabeth Deann Tims, and Laura Michelle Walker; from Halls, Natalie Rhea Dean, Linda C. Hogue, Pennie Louise Lee, Angela Denise Steelman, Jessica Leigh Broglin, and Wade Lindsey Deaton; and from Henning, Kimberly Diane

Speaker



MARTHA CRITES ABBOTT was the guest speaker at Monday's regular luncheon meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club. Martha, a CPA, presented a program on 'Changes to Governmental Accounting'.

The club meetings are now held at the Halls Community Center on College Street, with the meals catered by Joe Eskridge, of Key Corner Exxon.

Britthouer, Emily Ann Vanstory, and Jennifer Lynn Ziemianin.

On the honor roll are, from Ripley, Kristina Beaver Burks, Deborah Demeris, Tim G. Fullen II, Matthew Thomas Glenn, Jessica Lynn Goforth, Pamela June Langley, Jennifer Marie Latham, Nita Faye Lee, Paula F. Myrick, Paul Joseph Simon, Angela E. Williams, Rachel A. Young, and Ewelina J. Suchacka; from Halls, Melissa Anne Hurt, April Gail Jetton, and David K. Stallings; from Gates, Heather Lee Cox and Lakenia Shana Halliburton; and from Henning, Christina Cleek.

RECEIVES DEGREE

U.S. Senator Bill Frist was awarded an honorary doctorate degree from Maryville College. Frist was one of two individuals to receive the honorary doctorate degree for his commitment to "higher education to public service and to strengthening communities." Dr. Fred Lawson, the Tennessee Department of Financial Institutions Commissioner, was the other recipient. Frist was the keynote speaker at the ceremony.

Authors' Dinner



STUDENTS attending the Eighth Annual AP Authors' Dinner in the home of Betty and Jubba Warren included, from left, Megan Jordan as Kate Chopin; and Jamie Nolen as Emily Bronte; in rear, Leah Simpson as Sophocles; Kara Steelman as Zora Neal Hurston; Deanna Coonts as Shakespeare; Kim Shands as Emily Dickinson; and Denise McAlister as Lewis Carroll; plus, not pictured, Sarah Beth Warren and Allorie and Nathan Smith. Special guest was Steve Smith, who interviewed the authors about their lives and their works. Outstanding performance awards were given to Kara Steelman and Leah Simpson.

Marriages

May 7 - Stephen Paul Harrison, 48, to Elizabeth Rose Harrison, 33, by Billy Myracle.

May 12 - Richard A. Gaynor, 22, to Aretha Shania Pitts, 23, by Willie L. McCadney.

Virgil Lee Holmes, 25, to Bridget Michelle Johnson, 20, by Harold Blackwood.

May 14 - Tony Anthony Barken, 35, to Ida Rosalie Wiggins, 22, by Larry Dixon.

May 18 - Charles Wayne Dunavant, 46, to Joyce Ann Clark, 53, by Thomas Eugene Sanders.

Anniversaries

May 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Joe

Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Marlon Taylor.

May 27 - Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Spray.

May 28 - Mr. and Mrs. Burnie Norman, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Leek, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling McAlister, Mr. and Mrs. Larry White, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Clark.

May 29 - Mr. and Mrs. Warner Pace.

May 30 - Mr. and Mrs. Terry Conner.

Land Transfers

May 11 - Charlie W. Cox and Thelma Cox to Robert Henry and Marie Henry, Dist. 10, 6.960 acres.

May 15 - Donald R. Smith and Sylvia A. Smith to Lavon D. White, Jr., Dist. 2, 2 tracts.

May 16 - James L. Edwards and Judy R. Edwards to Billy F. Rose and Kay Rose, Dist. 15, 1.000 acres.

Margaret Broglin and Libby Mansfield to Donald Koonce and Lana K. Koonce, Dist. 12, 0.680 acres.

Household Financial Center, Inc. to Elnora Whitelaw, Dist. 3, lot.

Deborah Ann Trosper and Debra Ann Hickman to Johnnie Smith and Susan Smith, Dist. 14, lot.

Barry Younger and Debra Younger to James L. Lambert and Rosemary Y. Lambert, Dist. 3, 0.700 acres.

May 17 - Michael Greg

Newsom Receives Mid-South Award

Kimberly Newsom, 18, the daughter of Barbara and William Allen Newsom, of Friendship, former Halls Future Farmers of America teacher, was awarded a \$1,000 Mid-South Fair Awards Educational Scholarship for her participation in the 2000 fair. This is her second Mid-South Fair Scholarship, the first was awarded last year.

A freshman at the University of Knoxville, she is studying both agricultural economics and business and broadcasting. Kimberly is planning a career as a television broadcaster, specializing in agricultural programming. She has participated in 4-H Livestock Judging, FFA Dairy Judging, the Agribusiness Public Speaking Contest, and exhibited swine and sheep.

Summar and Rebecca Ann Summar to Thomas Randy Burns, Dist. 12, lot.

Dorothy Connell to Jimmy Carroll, Sr., Connie Carroll, and Jimmy Carroll, Jr., Dist. 2, 2.190 acres.

William E. Hendren, Anne Robeson, and Estate of Thomas Eugene Robeson to The Trust for Public Land, Dist. 9, 537.527 acres.

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4-H All Star



MATT HARRELL, in upper left photo, a ninth grader at Ripley High School, was initiated into the 4-H All-Stars by the Western District All-Star Council at the 4-H Spring Retreat in Milan at the Buford Ellington 4-H Training Center April 27-29th. This is the second highest honor a 4-her can attain.

4-Her's competed in a recycled pizza contest during April. Participants were

to make a pizza from recyclable materials found around the home. Winners in the contest include, in lower left photo, from left, Courtney Leach, overall county winner, Kelsey Staggs, Ryan Alvarez, and Haley Harber, of Ripley Elementary School; in upper right photo, Jessica Laws, of Halls Elementary School, displays her winning pizza.

Each year the Lauderdale County 4-H Club awards the




three highest scoring individuals in the county with a scholarship to 4-H camp. 4-Her's earn points throughout the year by participating in monthly contests, giving pledges or the Thought for the Day, singing songs, giving Show and Tell or dem-

ORIENTATION


Students planning to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin for the first time during the fall semester can attend the Summer Orientation and Registration program from 3 until 5 p.m., Thursday, June 7th, and 8 until 8:30 a.m., Friday, June 8th, at the Boling University Center. Students will meet with academic advisers and register for classes, tour the campus and residence halls, receive information about student activities, housing and financial aid, and hear detailed information about Freshman Studies, an orientation for freshman the week before classes. Other S.O.A.R. dates are June 22nd and 23rd, and July 19th and 20th. In order to attend S.O.A.R., students must have applied for admission and received a tentative or final acceptance letter. For more information, call 1-800-829-UTM1.

onstrations, and by completing project work. This year's winners are in lower right photo, from left, Shelby Williams and Charli Henry, of Ripley Elementary School, and Kate Harris, not pictured, of Lauderdale Middle School. They received scholarships to attend Junior 4-H camp, June 25-29th at the Buford Ellington 4-H Training Center in Milan.

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Sister Found On Internet



STEPHANIE MAXWELL, right, was given a Web-TV, to access the Internet, and while surfing May 7th, entered her mother's name and the birthdate of the child her mother had given up for adoption, Nov. 3, 1957, on a free search website, ReunionRegistry.com, which then sent her to bighugs.com. She was contacted 30 minutes later by officials from the site that a match had been found in Dexter, Mo., which is 2-1/2 hours from Ripley. Officials asked permission for her sister, Susan Minnette Flowers, left, to call Stephanie and they have spoken every day since then. They met for the first time Saturday, when Susan and her son traveled to Ripley to meet Stephanie, a

READING PROGRAM

The Gates Public Library will hold its annual summer reading program on Mondays, June 18th and 25th, and July 2nd, 9th and 16th, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a puppet show at the end of the program.

HOMECOMING

William's Chapel Baptist Church will observe homecoming and revival beginning Sunday, June 3rd, at the 11:00 a.m. morning worship service. Dr. Bill Oakley will be the guest speaker for the morning worship service and each night, Mon. - Wed., June 4th through June 6th, at 7:00 p.m. The Dill family will be singing at 1:30 p.m. Sunday. The church is located at 481 Church Road, Poplar Grove Community, near Halls.

has been looking for her family since high school. Ironically, her best friend, Alice Archibald, since third grade, is originally from Ripley. Susan even attended a family reunion in Halls with Alice, whose uncle, Ray Archibald, lives on Hwy. 51, in Halls.

Gates And Henning To See New Mayors After Election

New mayors will be elected June 7th for Gates and Henning along with aldermen, four for Gates and six for Henning. Polls open at 9 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

Mayoral candidates running include Baris C. Douglas, Mary Ann Jarrett, and Marvin D. Montgomery for Henning and Jamie Bing, Scott C. Fitzhugh, John Hammond, and Terry Janda for Gates.

Aldermen candidates include Kevin Henderson (Barlow), Chuck Brown, Barry Dewalt, Kathryne Farmer, Robert (Bob) Fitzpatrick, Billy D. Harber, Jerry Holland, Maurice Mosby, Charles B. Norfolk, Eva Smith, Sue L. Toles, and Tyrus (Spoon) Wright running for six positions in Henning and Brenda Carter, present Gates Mayor, Angie Gitchell, Thomas C. Isaak, Sr., Cindy Marvel, Elvis Sangster, Norman A. Sloan, Margie (Critchfield) Strain, Milton Waller, and Mike Warren running for four positions in Gates.

State Delegates



HALLS HIGH SCHOOL Tennessee State University students, in upper photo from left, Kristina Deaton, daughter of Beth Deaton, Kristen Throgmorton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Throgmorton, and Julie Pickard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Pickard, will attend Volunteer Girls State May 26 - June 2 at Middle

In lower photo, Richard Dawson, left, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dawson and Tyler Layne, right, son of Thomas Layne will attend Boys State May 27th - June 3rd at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville.

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TVA Plant Will Test Power Source Friday

Tennessee Valley Authority's newest power plant, in Nutbush, will test the power source Fri., June 1st. The engine, known as a "peaker" will be used during times of high demand, such as in the hottest months in the summer or coldest months in the winter. John Sharpe, Jr., Haywood County Executive, told *The Jackson Sun* that the new engine cost between \$400-500 million, producing a peak capacity of about 700 megawatts of power. The new engine is powered by gas turbines and is capable of switching to fuel oil for power, without shutting down.

Brevities

By Mrs. Charles Alsbrook
Evelyn Quarels, of Kansas City, Mo., visited her aunt, Dot Hunt, other relatives, and friends during the weekend.
Dr. and Mrs. Ed Palmer, of Jackson, visited Mrs. Charles Alsbrook in Dyersburg Maner Monday of last week.
Jere Jordan, of Natchez,

Land Transfers

May 18 - Judy W. Nipp to Wanda C. Carson, Dist. 6, lot. Carolyn H. Pilcher to Daniel Hale and Vickie Hale, Dist. 2, 1,500 acres.

May 21 - Gwendolyn Woods Montague and John G. Montague to Barry Bates and June Bates, Dist. 11, 45,000 acres.

May 22 - Joyce G. Pegg to Fullen Farms, Inc., Dist. 5, 2 tracts.

May 23 - Bank of Ripley to Larry Barfield and Ellen Barfield, Dist. 3, 0.630 acres.

Mary Katherine Cherry Osborne, Madeline Cherry Vaden, and Sarah Alice Cherry Richardson to Thomas C. Lewis and Rebba H. Lewis, Dist. 12, lot.

Patricia Taylor, LaDonna Jones Woods, and Gerald Woods to Jannie E. Humphrey, Dist. 2, lot.

May 24 - Jerry Randall Jenkins and Shirley Dian Jenkins to Richard Alex Pipkin, Dist. 2, 3,030 acres.

May 25 - Patricia Marie Cole, Sharon Kaye Cole, Wilma Denise Lovelady, and Harold Edward Henson to

Governor's School



KRISTA NEWMAN, left, of Gates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Newman and Mr. and Mrs. Kris Bader, will attend The Tennessee Governor's School of Humanities on the campus of one month on the campus of University of Tennessee at



Martin. Mark Simpson, right, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Simpson, will attend the Tennessee Governor's School for the Arts at Middle Tennessee State University. Mark was selected for his talent in playing the baritone.

Wilma Denise Lovelady, Dist. 6, 2 tracts.

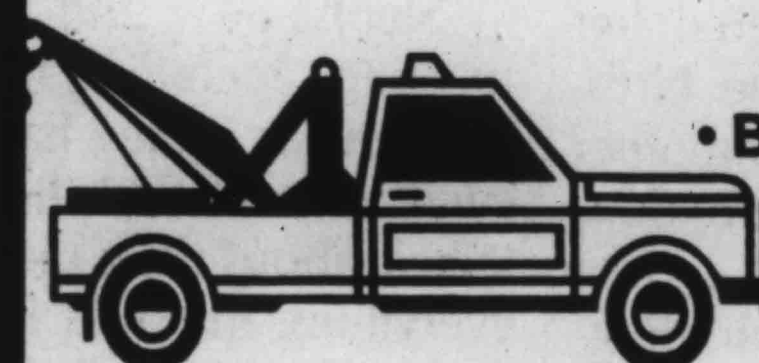
Carolyn Land and Diane Land to Jackie Lovelace, Dist. 13, 0.410 acres.

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First Gazebo Wedding



MR. AND MRS. BEN BARCROFT, JR. were the first couple married in the gazebo in Ripley's Memorial Park at 10:30 a.m. Thursday of last week with Thomas E. Sanders officiating the double ring vows.

The bride, the former Molly Bobo, is the daughter of Jo Phillips, of Ripley, and Johnny Bobo, of Dyersburg.

The groom is the son of Ben Barcroft Sr. and Diane Patterson, both of Ripley.

The couple plan to honeymoon in June at Playa del Carmen, Mexico.

Anniversaries

May 31 - Mr. and Mrs. Larry Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Ward, Mr. and Mrs. David Mueller.

June 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Belton, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Cain, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Langley, Jr.

June 2 - Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Steelman, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Brown, Mr. and Mrs. David Williams, Mr. and Mrs. William Harmon, III.

June 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Thurmond.

June 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Meeks, Dr. and Mrs. Bobby Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Paige.

June 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wright, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Pilcher.

June 6 - Mr. and Mrs. Joh-

Birthdays

May 31 - Tyler Thurmond, Dana McLemore, Elizabeth Burks, Alex Pipkin, Rose Rhodes, Brandon Williams, Bruce Ward, Doris Henderson, Kristen Moore, Sandy J. Ward, Phil Morris, Danielle Oswald.

June 1 - Kelly Midkiff, Tabitha Brown, Mary McAlister, Deborah Sorrell, John Wade, Kelly Schrotberger, Jennifer Lewis Hinton, Trent Alton Terry, June Reece, Joe Barnes, III.

June 2 - Donald Young, Elroy Meyer, Judy Kelly, Leigh Douglas, Robert Cherry, Brandon Wakefield, Beth Anne Simpson, Roy Prince, Morgan Andrew Trosper.

June 3 - Floyd Crain, Martha Alice Craig, Clayton White, Betty J. Rhoads, Paige Hendren, Vicky Smith, Dr. John English, Jo Ann Elder, Alice Ward, Debbie Fitzhugh Smith, Shane Belton, Hannah Hutcherson, Mariah Carmack.

June 4 - Bryan Hyde, Ricky Tucker, John E. Braden, Pat Scheiblein, Renee Stanley, Wilma Patrick, Eric Mumford.

June 5 - Roy Bonds, Jr., Dorothy Allen, Jeanne Dunavant, Cassie Burnham, Vickie Lankford, John Curry Burks, Carolyn Griggs, Pam Burroughs, Steve Pugh, Jr.

June 6 - Ollie Mathews, Mrs. Perry Garrett, Sr., Jon Michael Cannon, Ally Pipkin, Sondra Reynolds, Pam Gillion, Thomas Newman, Haleigh Hurt, Paul Briggs, Frances Jean Stewart.

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EVELYN LONDON, daughter of Sarah Jackson, of 3281 Forked Deer Rd. in the Toulon community, and the late Thurmond Jackson, and sister of Linda Goad, of Ripley, was named Baptist Memorial Hospital's Best Nurse 2001. A registered nurse in the emergency room at Baptist Hospital Tipton, Evelyn was among 277 nurses nominated across the Baptist system with awards given in the categories of education, practice, and leadership.

Winning the Best Nurse in the area of practice, she has been employed for 28

years and began her career as a LPN, at BMH-Central in the critical care unit.

Glenn Baker, BMH-Tipton administrator, said, "I am extremely proud of and for Evelyn and can think of no more deserving nurse to be recognized in this way. Evelyn truly exemplified the caring spirit and professional excellence characteristic of the nursing staffs of Baptist Memorial Health Care and Baptist Memorial Hospital Tipton."

REVISED DATES

The Lauderdale County Farm Service Office, 301 Lake Dr., Suite B, released the revised report dates for fall and spring crops. Dates for planted small grains and spring fruit and vegetables are Thurs., May 31st, fall planted fruits and vegetables, Sun., September 30th, Burley tobacco, Tues., July 31st, and all other crops, except spring and summer planted small grains and tobacco and summer planted fruits and vegetables, Sun., July 15th. The final reporting date for NAP eligibility is the earlier of the established date or 15 calendar days before

harvest or grazing.

For further information call the Lauderdale County FSA office (731)635-7686.

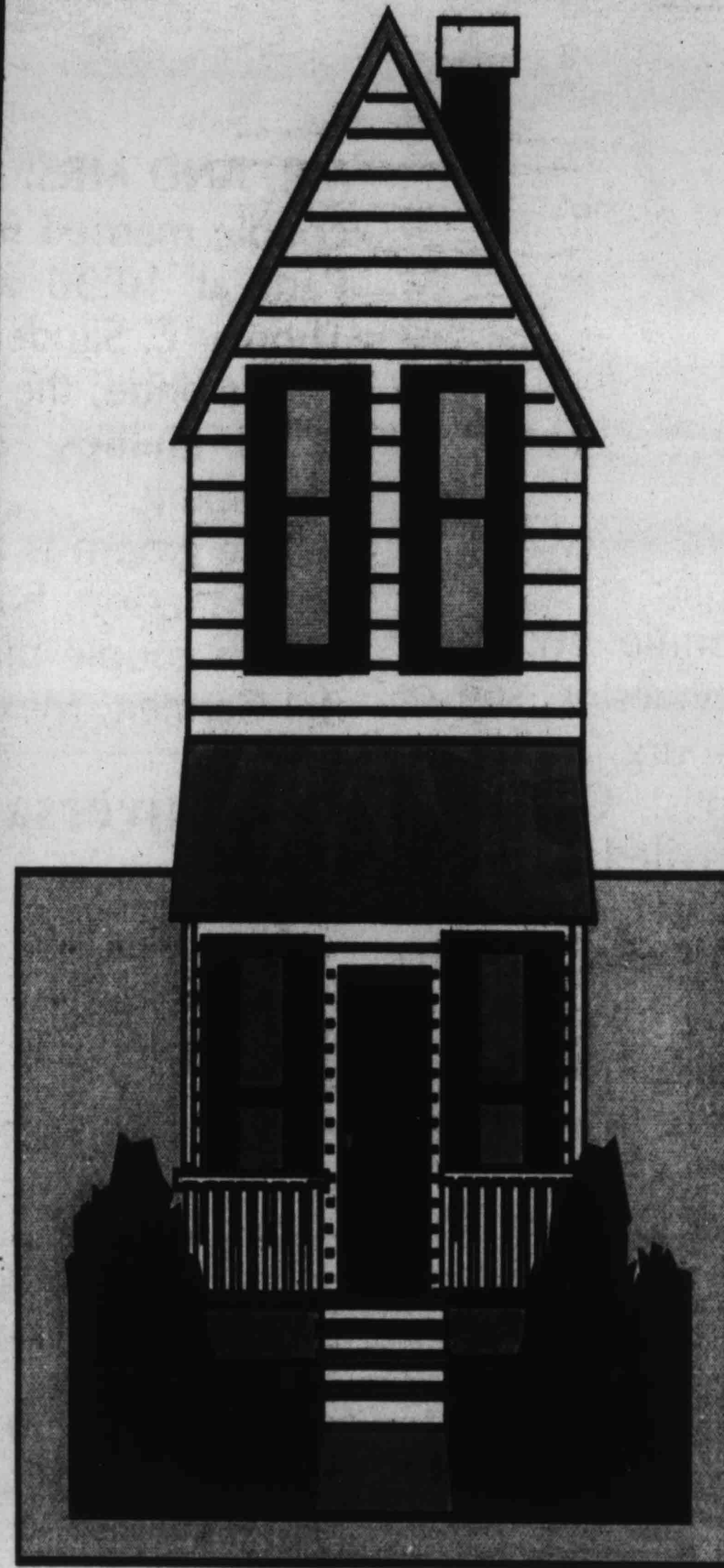
Divorces

Steve W. Montgomery.

Robert Dean Brasfield vs.

Brenda Carol Ammons Brasfield.

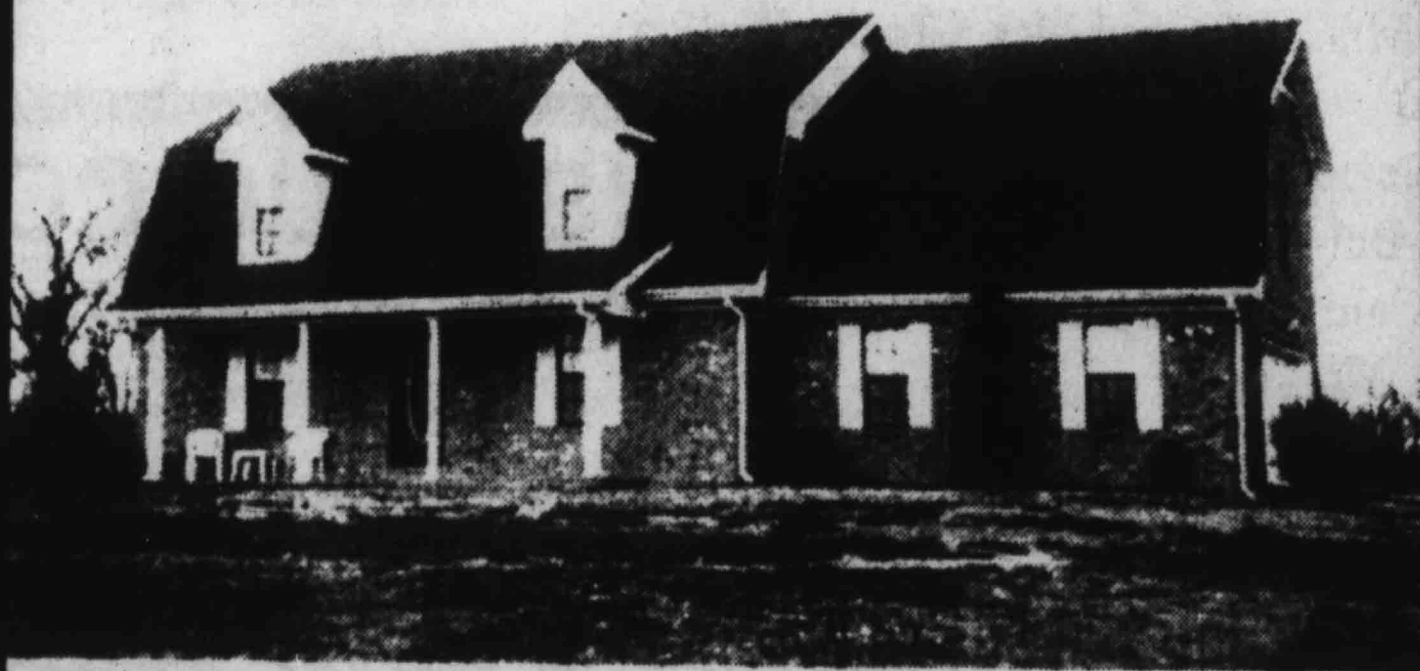
Sandra J. Montgomery vs.



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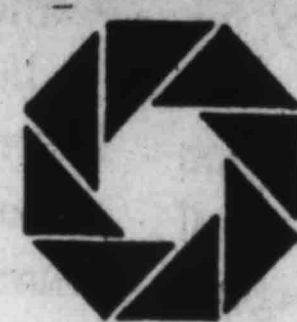
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