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Jury: Death On Bluff Only Manslaughter

A Circuit Court jury, Wednesday of last week, astounded prosecutors and observers by convicting Jonathan Harris, 36, confessed killer of Catherine Covington, 22, not of murder, as charged, but of the lesser crime of manslaughter.

The jury found Harris guilty of attempted second degree murder of his brother, David, 26, and of theft of a truck from Ben Green.

Testimony: Catherine had a child by David before they broke up in summer, 2002.

She then began a relationship with Jonathan, living in Texas and Louisiana.

Jonathan returned to this county in November, 2002; Catherine soon joined him.

On Dec. 13-14, 2002, they took Ben Green's truck, and David drove on Hwy. 19, west of Arp, stopping, about 1 a.m., just above the bluff.

Jonathan's statement:

"Catherine gives me a kiss and says she loves me...I told her that I loved her very much and she would always be in my heart.

"Then I took the [.38 caliber] pistol out of the jacket pocket that she had on, placed it to her head, and pulled the trigger.

"Then I turned the gun on my brother and told him that I loved him and would never let anyone ever come between us again, then closed my eyes and fired the gun...

"I put the gun to the roof of my mouth and pulled the trigger, but nothing happened.

"I drove the truck to the top of the hill, pulled to the

side of the road, and removed them from the truck.

"I laid David on the ground first, because he was fully dressed.

"Then I laid Catherine on top of him, so she wouldn't have to lie on cold ground...I must have removed her shirt.

The bodies were discovered after dawn.

Catherine was dead. David survived but is confined to a wheel-chair, paralyzed below the waist, with little use of one arm.

Jonathan's statement:

"I couldn't find the gun anywhere in the truck.

(It was found at the scene)

"I was going to go to Wal-Mart and get more bullets and lay myself beside my brother and my wife.

"But there was no gun.

"So I drove until I got to a rest area in Arkansas. I called the Ripley Police Department and told them what I had done...

"I decided to drive to Crockett, Tex., to see my two sons and then turn myself in." He did so, Dec. 14th.

Judge Joe Walker will sentence him next month.

Plane Makes Stop

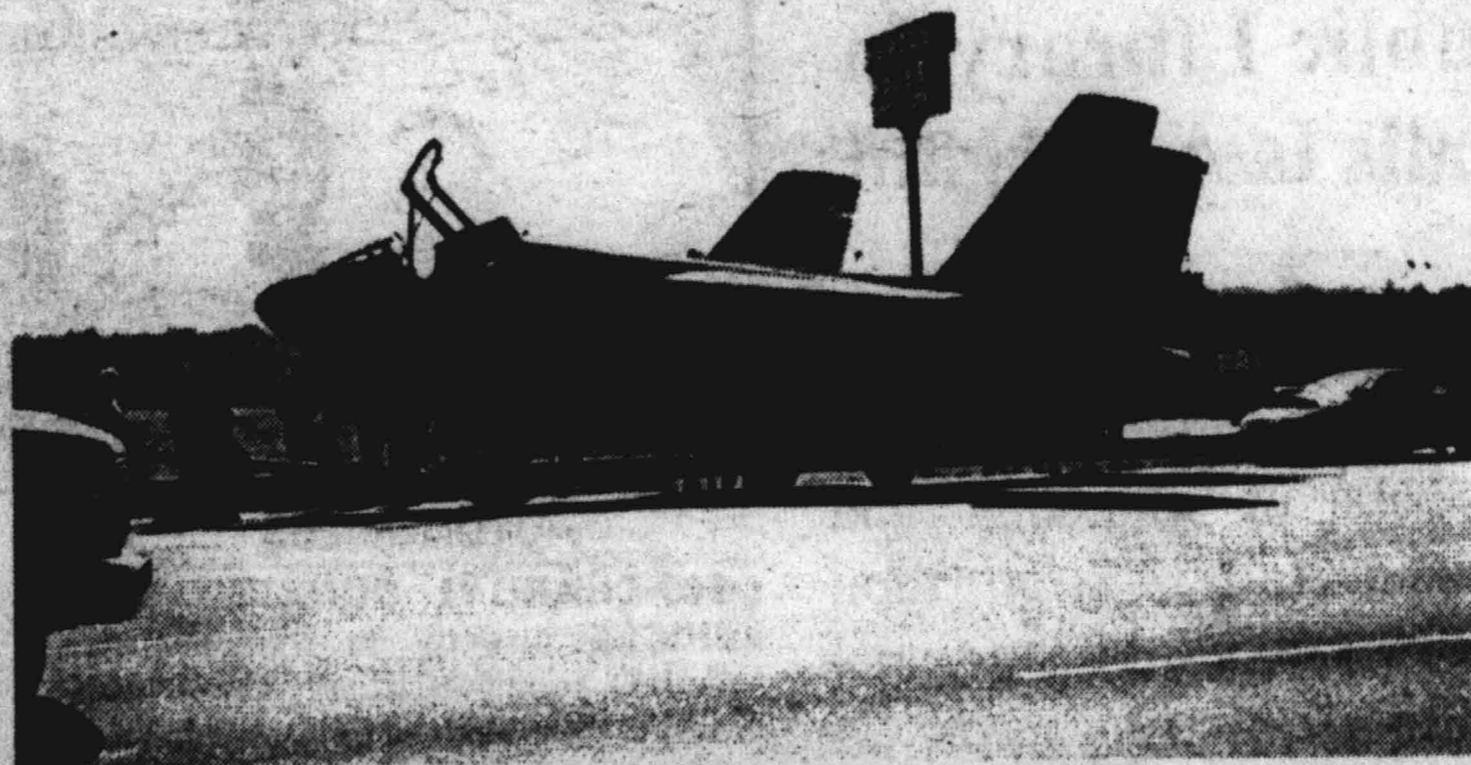
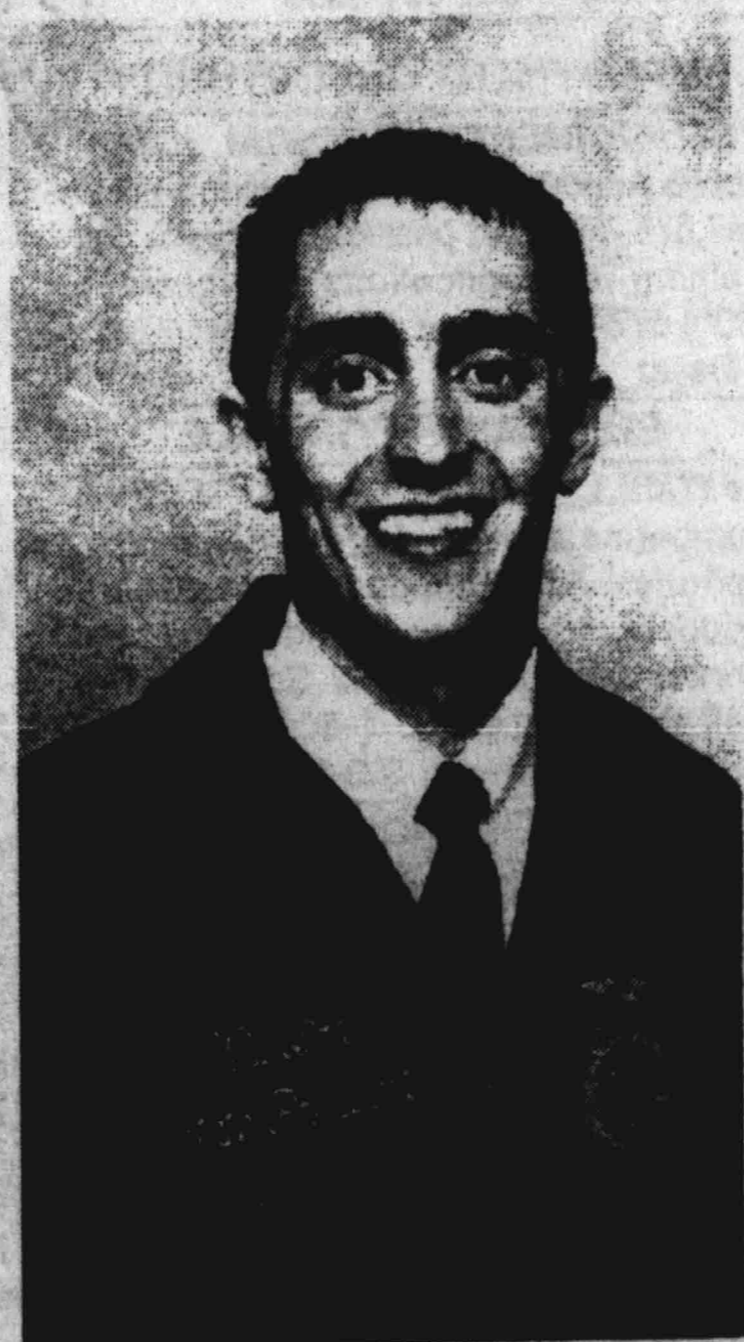


Photo By Barbara Hughes

THE A-7E CORSAIR II, enroute to the Veteran's Museum in Halls, made a stop in Ripley Sunday as the escorts stopped near the Cleveland Street and Highway 51 intersection. The plane was escorted by members of the Memphis Police Department and the Tennessee Highway Patrol and directed by members of the Millington Naval Reserve Units.

Honored



WILL BIRD, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bird, of Halls, a member of the Halls FFA Chapter, received the American FFA Degree. Earning the degree means Will is one of a select group of individuals to be recognized for years of academic and professional excellence. The honor was presented Nov. 1st at the 76th National FFA Convention held in Louisville, Ky.

The degree recognizes demonstrated leadership ability and outstanding achievements in agricultural business, production, processing, or service programs. To be eligible, members must have earned and productively invested \$7,500 through a supervised agricultural experience program in which they start, own, or hold a professional position in an existing agricultural enterprise. Recipients must also make it their mission to demonstrate outstanding leadership abilities and community involvement.

Each award recipient received a gold American FFA Degree key, certificate, and a wallet ID card. Of 464,267 FFA members nationwide, Will was one of only 2,789 to be recognized. The program is sponsored by BASF, Case IH, the Farm Credit System, and Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

Will is a sophomore at the University of Tennessee at Martin, where he is majoring in agricultural education.

911 Problems Not Resolved

A meeting chaired by County Mayor Rozelle Criner, Wednesday of last week, to consider Sheriff Louis Craig's request for control of 911 dispatchers for his officers, reached no conclusion, pending attorneys' advice.

Public Forum On School Dress Code

The public is invited to attend a public forum to ask questions and give comments on school uniforms/dress code for Lauderdale County Schools for the 2004-2005 school year.

The forum is at 6:30 p.m., Tues., Nov. 11th, at Halls High School (library), Henning City Hall and Ripley Elementary School.

The school uniform/dress code committee, of the Lauderdale County Dept. of Education, is sponsoring the forum, with Maxine Gay presiding as chairman.

Merry Christmas Pageant Coming

Halls High School will have its "Little Mr. & Miss Merry Christmas" pageant and "Christmas Beautiful Baby" pageant at 6 p.m., Fri., Nov. 14th, in the high school gym.

Applications will be distributed for "Little Mr. and Miss Merry Christmas" at Halls Elementary School, and picked up at HHS for "Christmas Beautiful Baby."

For further information, call directors, Nick Wooster or Chris Butner, at 836-7691.

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Land Transfers

Oct. 24 - Heather D. Crook to Brandy S. Klutz, Dist. 13, 1 acre.

Earline Wardlow Montgomery to Horace Wardlow, Jr., Dist. 6, lot.

Oct. 27 - The Nature Conservancy to The State of Tennessee, Dist. 5, 5,450.66 acres.

Don L. Brasfield and Bonnie K. Brasfield to Brenda Hall and Larry Hall, Dist. 2, lot.

Oct. 28 - Clayton D. Nolen and Stacey Nolen to Martha D. Webb, Dist. 11, 1.262 acres.

Richie P. Gammons and Connie F. Gammons to Richie P. Gammons and Connie F. Gammons, Dist. 8, lot.

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Frances Ibera T. Harrell to Freda Lynne Grant Harrell and Barry Glynn Harrell, Dist. 17, 52.25 acres.

John B. Anthony to Victor L. Lee, Dist. 2, lot.

Greenpoint Credit Corp. to Joe Stowers and Nell Stowers, Dist. 10, 0.83 acres.

Oct. 29 - Mark J. Woodman and Andrea Woodman to Shametric Nixon, Dist. 2, lot.

Oct. 30 - Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp. to Christopher Shane Conrad, Dist. 12, 0.48 acres.

Daniel Hendrix and Brandy N. Hendrix to Jose M. Cerrillo and Faith Cerrillo, Dist. 2, lot.

Public Library In Halls Is A Bargain

Halls Public Library, 110 N. Church Street, is in the business of gathering and disseminating information and providing for educational and recreational needs of people in Lauderdale County.

During the year, from July 2002 through June 2003, library patrons borrowed 7,332 hardbound books (if purchased at \$25, they could have paid \$183, 300); 2,756 paperbacks (at \$7 each, they would have cost \$19,292); 1058 video cassettes (buying them at \$15 each, they would have cost \$15,870); and 151 audio cassettes (buying them at \$30 each would have cost \$4,530). Five hundred seven reference questions were answered (valued at \$2 each, amounted to \$1,014), and 292 magazines were circulated (at newstand price of \$4 each, would have paid \$1,168).

Bookmobile stations circulated 21,697 books to patrons throughout the county (at \$7 each, would have been \$151,879).

Other services impossible to evaluate cost wise include the Library meeting room used by groups and individuals, genealogical and historical records, tours and class field trips, and last, but not least, the capable, efficient assistance from the Forked Deer Regional Library and inter-library loan service for the Area Resource Center.

For an expenditure of \$25,240 (\$4.10 per capita),

Lauderdale Countians (service area 6,149), received in return, services valued at \$377,053 (\$61.32 per capita).

Library hours are from noon to 5 p.m., Mon. through Sat. For further information, call 836-5302.

Anniversaries

Nov. 6 - Mr. and Mrs. James Pipkin.

Nov. 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Rickard.

Nov. 8 - Mr. and Mrs.

Jimmy Brasfield.

Nov. 9 - Mr. and Mrs. Greg Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Lane.

Nov. 10 - Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brown.

Nov. 11 - Dr. and Mrs. Randall Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Grooms.

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Halls High School Class of 1983 Holds Reunion



MEMBERS of the Halls High School Class of 1983 held their 20th class reunion Fri., Oct. 10th and Sat., Oct. 11th. Members attending include, in front, from left, Mike Blackwood, Karen Jansen Hill, Tracie Dawson Taylor, Rose Sumrow Fullen, and Dennis Newman; in middle, Tania Reece Farley, Jennifer Moore, Melanie Keen, Annette Aston Evans, Freddy Cherry, Brenda Johnson Gaines, Tina Johnson Luciano, Beverly Ivory, Laura Smith Scott, and Venita Voss Garnett; and in rear, Tammy Simpson Hutcherson, Clay Newman, Rhonda Stafford Thomen, Juanita Moore Hardy, Joey Barnes, Rodney Ward, Randy Milam, Eugene Coffee, Glenn Terry, Randy Hutcherson, Tammy Spoon McClellan, Rodney Patrick, and David Hardy.

Group Performs Gospel Music



CARING HEARTS MINISTRY, based in Halls, provided a program of gospel music Oct. 26th for the special needs department of Bellevue Baptist Church in Cordova. Mrs. Jane Wiley, left, of Halls, invited a group of Lauderdale County residents, from left, Michelle Rankin, James Paris, Haylee Cates, Jeannie Vickery, Sherrie Cates, and Kevin Cates, as guest musicians. Kevin was responsible for the sound system and Mrs. Wiley provided sign translation for the musical selections. Martha Crain and Jean Posner, of Ripley, were also invited by Mrs. Wiley to visit the special needs adults.

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Ripley Hosting Play-Off Clash

Ripley High School's Tigers, Reg. 7-3A champs after a 42-6 win last week from Gibson County, host Memphis Sheffield's Knights at 7:00 p.m. Friday, in the first round of play-offs.

The Knights, 6-4, edged into the play-offs in fourth place in Reg. 8-3A.

Jerome Griffin is their second coach in two years.

He inherited, on offense, a junior quarterback, Joshua Stafford, surrounded by senior talent including, in the backfield, Justin Marshall and Hondre Price, and tackle Antwain Conner (6-1, 270) leading an experienced line; on defense, Conner at tackle

and junior end Preston Burt (6-2, 240) keying aid to a young secondary, except for a star senior line-backer -- Corey Rideout (5-9, 240).

The Knights have won only narrowly from Memphis Hillcrest, 18-14; Frayser, 20-14; Trezevant, 18-14; and Memphis North Side, 14-12; until last week's romp over Memphis South Side's Scrappers, (0-10), 56-0.

Sheffield has lost to Memphis Mitchell, 38-26; Memphis Kingsbury, 33-22; Memphis Wooddale, 8-0; and Raleigh-Egypt, 26-8.

Reg. 7-3A Last Week

Obion County 42, Brighton 7
Covington 35, Dyer County 0
Ripley 42, Gibson County 6

7-3A Final Standings

	All Games		Reg.	
	W	L	W	L
Ripley	9	1	4	1
Obion County ...	7	3	4	1
Covington.....	7	3	4	1
Brighton.....	4	6	2	3
Dyer County.....	1	9	1	4
Gibson County ...	0	10	0	5

Ripley High Season

Ripley 36, Manassas 0
Ripley 26, Obion County 7
Ripley 34, Haywood Cnty. 14
Ripley 51, Dyer County 14
Ripley 35, Treadwell 10
Covington 13, Ripley 12
Ripley 20, Dyersburg 14

Ripley 35, Brighton 0
Ripley 33, Munford 18
Ripley 42, Gibson County 6
[Points 324, Foes 96]
Italics = Non-Region

7-3A Play-Off Games

(7 P.M. Friday)
Memphis Sheffield (6-4, 4th in 8-3A) at Ripley (9-1, 1st in 7-3A).

Raleigh-Egypt (6-4, 3rd in 8-3A, at Obion County (7-3, 2nd in 7-3A).

Covington (7-3, 3rd in 7-3A) vs. Memphis Kingsbury (7-3, 2nd in 8-3A).

Brighton (4-6, 4th in 7-3A) vs. Memphis Hillcrest (7-3, 1st in 8-3A).

GOOD LUCK RIPLEY IN DISTRICT PLAY FRIDAY NIGHT AGAINST SHEFFIELD!

Halls At USJ For Play-Off

Halls High School's Tigers lost Friday to West Carroll's War Eagles, 42-14, as the War Eagles nailed down their undefeated championship of Region 8-A.

Junior Kevin Gentile (5-8, 175) posted 157 yards on 26 tries for the Eagles to put his season above 1,000 yards.

West Carroll led 28-0 at the half and 42-7 after three.

Halls closed its regular season 5-5, third in 8-A and into the play-offs, at 7 p.m. Friday, at the University School of Jackson.

South Fulton closed second in 8-A.

Bruceton, 8-A champs last fall (10-3), closed this sea-

son 2-8, out of the play-offs for the first time in 21 years under coach Rod Sturdivant.

USJ, 5-5, finished second in Region 7-A.

Last fall, USJ's Bruins led Halls, 42-6, Jackson Christian, 34-0, and Bruceton, 21-7, before losing to Christ Presbyterian Academy, in the play-off semi-finals.

Coach Mickey Marley (153-41) retained seven star-

ters on offense and two All-Staters, senior backs Eric Carruth (5-9, 170) and Joseph Dowsley (5-10, 175).

USJ has led Perry County, 49-9; Hollow Rock/Bruceton, 34-6; Fayette Academy, 35-14; Trinity Christian, 14-7; and Middleton, 41-6.

It has lost to Jackson South Side, 42-15; Jackson North Side, 19-0; McNairy, 17-14; Riverside, 14-10, and Jackson Christian, 48-26.

Jackson Christian's win last week (ending a 9-game losing streak against the Bruins, and only its second win from the Bruins in 18 years) won the Eagles their first region championship ever and pushed USJ into second place in Region 7-A.

If both continue winning, they will meet again in the third round of the play-offs, Nov. 21st.

Region 8-A Last Week

H-R/Bruceton 54, Gleason 6
Greenfield 26, Lake County 20
West Carroll 42, Halls 14
South Fulton Open

8-A Final Standings

	Reg. Ties Broken By		All Games		Reg.	
	W	L	W	L	W	L
West Carroll	8	2	6	0		
South Fulton	8	2	5	1		
Halls	5	5	4	2		
Greenfield	5	5	3	3		
H-R/Bruceton ...	2	8	2	4		
Lake County.....	3	7	1	5		
Gleason	0	10	0	6		

Halls High Season

S.B.E.C. 48, Halls 6
Halls 38, H-R/Bruceton 21
Jackson Christian 50, Halls 8
Halls 21, Greenfield 14
Fayette Academy 39, Halls 26

Halls 26, Stewart County 22
Halls 35, Gleason 7
South Fulton 32, Halls 20
Halls 40, Lake County 15
West Carroll 42, Halls 14
[Halls Points, 234 Foes, 290]
Italics = Non-Region

8-A Play-Off Games

(7 P.M. Friday)
Jackson Trinity Christian (6-4, 4th in 7-A) at West Carroll (8-2, 1st in 8-A).
Fayette Academy (7-3, 3rd in 7-A) at South Fulton (8-2, 2nd in 8-A).
Halls (5-5, 3rd in 8-A) at University School of Jackson (5-5, 2nd in 7-A).
Greenfield (5-5, 4th in 8-A) at Jackson Christian (8-2, 1st in 7-A).

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Obituaries

Edward Strube

Edward J. Strube, 75, of Newbern, father of Lisa Doop, of Gates, died Thursday of last week in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Memorial services were Sunday in First United Methodist Church in Newbern, Johnson Funeral Home in charge.

Other survivors include his wife, Faye; sons, Lee Hanley, of Newbern, David Strube, of Atoka, Edward Strube, of Humboldt, Mark Strube, of Germantown, and Ted Strube, of Woodstock, Ga.; another daughter, Terre Shankle, of Lexington, S.C.; a brother, Paul, of Franklin, N.C.; a sister, Carol Bradley, of Lewisville, Tex.; and 18 grandchildren.

Stephen Strube

Stephen Michael Strube, 38, of Jackson, step-brother of Lisa Doop, of Gates, died Oct. 24th, in his home.

Rites were Tuesday of last week in Dyersburg Funeral Home, with burial in Dyer County Memorial Gardens.

A graduate of the University of Tennessee in Martin, where he was a member of Kappa Alpha, he was a computer programmer for Logical Systems, Inc., of Jackson.

He was a member of Grace Methodist Church in Jackson.

Other survivors include his wife; two daughters, Samantha and Skylar Strube; a step-mother, Faye Strube, of Newbern; brothers, Chris, of Humboldt, David, of Atoka, Mark, of Germantown, and Ted, of Atlanta, Ga.; a sister, Terri Shankle, of Aiken, S.C.; and a step-brother, Lee Hanley, of Newbern.

W. W. Young

Woodrow Wilson Young, 91, of Alamo, retired carpenter, was buried Tuesday in Ripley Memorial Gardens, Ronk Funeral Home in charge.

He died Saturday in Haywood Park Hospital in Brownsville.

Widower of Ruth Young, he leaves a son, Jimmie, of Topeka, Kans.; a daughter, Barbara Byrum, and a brother, Jodie Young, of Alamo; and two grandchildren.

Troy W. Coley, Guard Captain

Troy W. "Billy" Coley, 82, of Covington, retired captain of guard at Fort Pillow State Prison, died Friday in Baptist Hospital Tipton.

Rites were Monday in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home, with burial in Munford Cemetery, in Covington.

He was a member of Harvest Central Assembly of God and of Dunham Lodge 150.

He leaves his wife of 62 years, Elizabeth Hanks Coley; a son, Troy Michael Coley, of Ripley; a daughter, Sherry Chumley, and a sister, Izelle Smith, of Covington; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Tencie Conrad

Tencie Willo Conrad, 90, widow of Elmer Franklin Conrad, died Friday in Lauderdale County Community Living Center in Ripley.

Rites were Saturday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

She was a member of Faith United Methodist Church.

She leaves sons, Don and Ronnie Conrad, of Ripley; daughters, Doris Ungerecht, of Ripley, and Margaret Crook, of Henning; 15 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and 20 great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Boyland

Geraldine Boyland, 70, of Somerville, sister of Luther C. Morrow, of Henning, died Oct. 25th in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in Mt. Olive Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, with burial in the church cemetery, Lofties Funeral Home in charge.

She was a retired domestic worker. Other survivors include her husband, Robert; sons, Irvin J. Scott and Rayford L. Scott, of Memphis, Kenneth L. Hicks, of Marietta, Ga., and Lemore, Ronald, and Wayne Hicks, of Atlanta, Ga.; daughters, Evelyn M. Williams, of Nashville, and Rebecca A. Earle, of Brandon, Fla.; other brothers, Willie, of Somerville, and Fred, of Nashville; sisters, Cleola and Shirley Morrow, of Somerville; 25 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

R. L. Hubbard

Richard Lee Hubbard, 55, of Ripley, a self-employed truck driver, died Sunday, in his home.

Rites were Wednesday in Covington Funeral Home, with burial in Magnolia Gardens. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

He leaves his wife, Joann Pruitt Hubbard; sons, Jeremy and Ricky, and a daughter, Stacey Williams, of Ripley; a brother, Tony, of Covington; a sister, Lucille Corey, of Brighton; and five grandchildren.

Landon Thomas

Landon Thomas, 73, of Ripley, funeral director, died Friday at the Veteran's Hospital in Memphis.

Services were at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Miles Chapel C.M.E. Church, in Ripley, with burial in Garden of Everlasting Life, in Covington, Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

Survivors include his wife, Glardest Thomas, of Ripley; one son, Landon Earl Thomas, of Jackson, Miss.; two daughters, Gloria Westbrook, of Nashville, and Regina Thomas, of Orlando, Fla.; six step-sons, Donald Wright, Sr., Tyrus Wright, Sr. and Clyde Wright, Sr., all of Ripley, Reginald Gage, of Bolivar, Richard Thomas, of Jackson, Miss., and Will Wright, III, of Clinton, Maryland; one step-daughter, Lillie Mae Sanders, of Ripley; one sister, Willie Mae Holland, of Mason; and five grandchildren.

Mary Nelson

Mary Nelson, 87, of Ripley, widow of William Nelson, died Friday in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Monday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

She was a member of Ashport Baptist Church.

She leaves a care-giver, Diane Hudson, of Caruthersville, Mo., and a sister, Shirley Ellis, of California.

Mrs. Downing

Velma Downing, 89, of Drummonds, mother of Norma Sanders, of Henning, died Wednesday of last week, in her home.

Rites were Friday in Crigger Cemetery in Munford, Munford Funeral Home in charge.

Widow of Lois Downing, she was a Baptist.

Other survivors include a son, Jerry, of Drummonds; another daughter, Nell Montgomery, of Millington; brothers, Elbert and William A. Potts, of Kennett, Mo.; sisters, Helen Ramsey, of Kennett, and Lois Cagle, of West Memphis, Ark.; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Wheeler

Beatrice Taylor Wheeler, 92, of Henning, widow of James Edgar Wheeler, died Oct. 22nd in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Thursday of last week in New Hope Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Henning, with burial in Canfield Cemetery in Ripley., Currie's Funeral Home in charge.

She was a member of the Faith and Hope Society.

She leaves sons, James, Jr., and Maxie, of South Bend, Ind.; daughters, Violet Riley, of South Bend, Gladys Bursey, of East St. Louis, Ill., and Palestine Wheeler, of Chicago, Ill.; 20 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

E. G. Lockard

E. G. Lockard, Jr., 74, of Arlington, Tex., born in Ripley, retired business owner, died Sunday in Arlington.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Thursday at Emerald Hills Memorial Chapel, with burial in the Chapel cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Janelle Lockard, two sons, Bert Lockard and Bart Lockard, and one daughter, Deborah Lockard, all of Arlington; another daughter, Carole Hill, of Tennessee; and six grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to the Salvation Army or to Trinity United Methodist Church, 3321 W. Park Row, in Arlington, Tex.

Taylor Cogshell

Taylor Renae Cogshell, one month old infant daughter, of Donnell and Veronica Cogshell, of Richmond, Vir., and wife of Frank and Johnnie Mae Currie, of Ripley, died October 28th, at Shippenham Hospital, in Richmond.

Services were at noon Monday at Richmond Church of Christ, with burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Chillies Funeral Home in charge.

Other survivors include her grandparents, Carolyn Cogshell, of Chicago, Ill., and Danny Duckworth, of Brownsville; and great-grandparents, John and Kizle Duckworth, of Brownsville.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Ethel Watts would like to thank our friends and family for each act of kindness and concern during her long illness and at her death. Thank you for all the cards, calls, visits, memorials, food, and especially your prayers. A special thank you to Bro. Kenneth Roark for his comforting words at her funeral and to Halls Funeral Home for their gracious words and help during this time. Thank you to Dr. Douglas Haynes who was her doctor since 1971 and to Dr. Russell Lomas for trying so hard this year to keep her going. All of you have a place in our hearts.

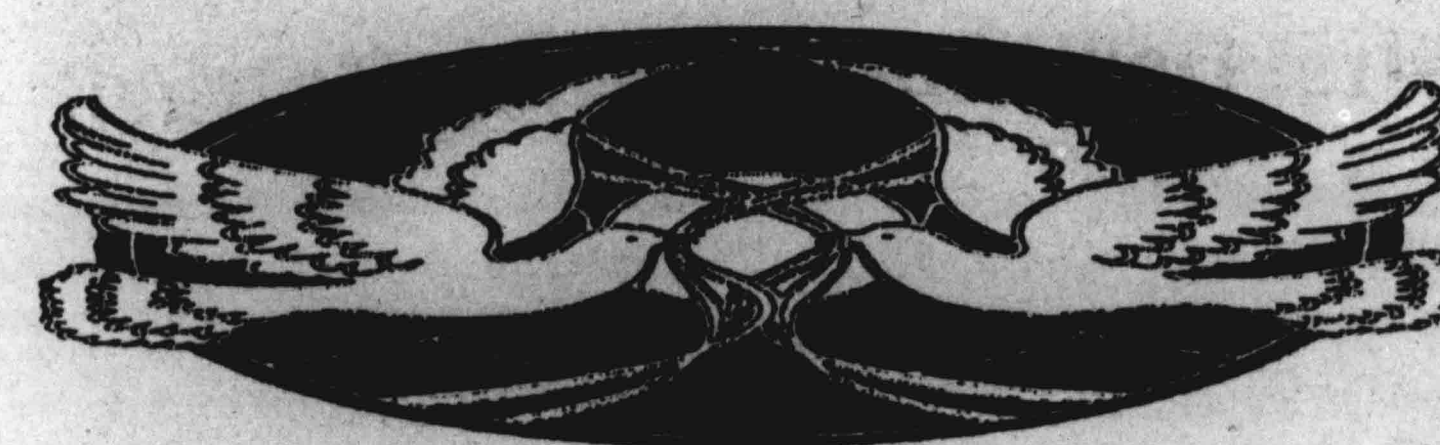
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Church Happenings

The House of Refuge Holiness Church, 327 Cleveland St., Ripley, will hold revival services at 7:30 p.m. nightly, Nov. 5th, 6th, and 7th with Elder Manuel Donis, of Memphis, as guest speaker. Elder Barbara Roberts, pastor, invites the public.

New Hope C. M. E. Church, in Henning, will hold a pre-anniversary celebration at 6 p.m. Sat., Nov. 8th for the EchoAires. The Rev. Joe Dowell, pastor, invites the public.

The Frog Jump Gospel Quartet, of Frog Jump, will perform at Enon Baptist Church at 6 p.m. Sun., Nov. 9th. The church is located on Curve-Nankipoo Rd. in Halls. The public is invited.

Hurricane Hill United Methodist Church, 2018 Hurricane Hill Rd., will hold its annual crafts fair Nov. 8th. Antique furniture, framed art, and much more will be in this year's silent auction. A White Elephant sale will be held under a tent in the church yard. A bake sale and drawing for a hand made quilt will also be offered. Breakfast will be served beginning at 7:30 a.m. and lunch beginning at 11:30 a.m. The public is invited.

Disciples for Christ Church, 31 Garrett Ball Rd., in the Woodville Community, will hold a gospel singing at 7 p.m. Sat., Nov. 8th featuring the Frog Jump Gospel Quartet. Danny Hutcherson, pastor, invites the public.

Rice Park Church of Christ, 131 Osborne St., Ripley, will hold its annual family and friends fellowship day at 10 a.m. Sun., Nov. 23rd with dinner served afterwards. The public is invited.

Praise Temple will present a debt free seminar from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sat., Nov. 15th at the church, 157 Washington St., Ripley. Garie Andrews, pastor, and First Lady Evelyn Andrews will sponsor the program with Christina Cage as guest speaker. Call 635-0153 to register. The seminar is free and light refreshments will be served. The public is invited.

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, Three Points, will celebrate its 95th church anniversary at 2 p.m. Sun., Nov. 9th with The Rev. Glenn Strickland, of St. Luke Baptist Church, and its members as special guests. The public is invited.

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Orange Wedges
Diced Peaches
Chocolate Chip Cookie
Choice of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 11th

Baked Ham Slices
Chicken Breast Fillet
Blackeye Peas
Fried Okra
Pineapple Tidbits
Applesauce
Roll
Choice of Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 12th

Spaghetti
Entrée School's Choice
Green Beans
Corn on the Cob
Pear Halves
Jello w/ Fruit
Roll
Choice of Milk

Thursday, Nov. 13th

Steak Fingers
Beef Cutlet w/ Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Broccoli Bites
Peaches
Applesauce
Roll
Choice of Milk

Friday, Nov. 14th

Hotdog
Toasted Cheese Sandwich
Vegetable Soup
Carrot Sticks
Mixed Fruit
Grapes
Chocolate Cookie
Choice of Milk

Concord Locals

By Mrs. Louise Fennel

Mrs. Frances Harrell and son, Barry, of Gates, visited the Floyd Emersons Friday.

Jacob McNeill spent last week in Louisville, Ky., with the Halls FFA group.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Gililand visited Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Williams Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Fennel and sons, Marshal and Pat, and Mrs. Bertha Robison, of Rives, Mr. and Mrs. Don Fennel and son, Lance, and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fennel and children, of Batesville, Miss., and Sammy Fennel, of Nashville, visited Louise Fennel in Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center Sunday. They had lunch at the Olympic Steak House, celebrating Louise Fennel's 90th birthday.

SCHOOL MUSICAL

Jackson Christian School will be performing *The Sound of Music*, Nov. 21st and 22nd, at Union University.

Performances will be at 7 p.m. on Fri. and Sat., and 12:30 p.m. Sat. afternoon.

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Birthdays

Nov. 6 - Peggy Jackson, Sandra L. Patterson, Jack Cooper, Whitney Whitson, JoAnn Thebeau, Odessa Searce, Pat Higdon, Joshua McKee, Thomas R. Pipkin, John Wagoner, Katie Lynn Clark, Jim Douglas, Amber Horvath, Sonia Willis, Jessica Sorrell, Jim Douglas.

Nov. 7 - Norfleet Anthony, Jr., Betty Garrett, Rudy Jones, Melissa Crump, Patricia Ann Peyton, Emily Herron, Carol C. Walker, Blake Brewster, Diane Carmack, Justin Brown, John Thompson, Isabel Harris, Billy Robison.

Nov. 8 - Scott Fullen, Timothy Cummings, Katharine Garner, Teresa Vandergriff, Deloris Keel, Justin Harris, Josh Newman, Raygen Escue, Seeley Layne, Paul Morris, Hunter Farley, Amber Smith.

Nov. 9 - Sue Chalk, Kacie Land, Bessie McCoy, Linda N. Braden, Robert Elder, Robert Hurt, Timothy Ray Belton, Jim Patton, Joe T. Escue, Sr., Lillian Smith May, Tanner Ream, Hatfield Fields.

Nov. 10 - Mike Hutcherson, Shelia Thurmond, Paul Koonce, DeLane Land, Annette Brasfield, Carolyn Taylor.

Nov. 11 - Jeff McBride, Sharon Hammond, Jayne Pipkin, Bill McWherter, D. J. Freeman, Joe Morris, Ashley E. Douglas, Donna Watts, Glenn Terry, Chuck Nelson, Tom

MEADOWS ELECTED

Roger Meadows, of Halls, has been elected to the 2004 nominating committee, of Farm Credit Services of Mid-America.

The \$7 billion financial services cooperative serves farmers and rural residents in Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio.

The nominating committee, consisting of 20 customers, five from each of the four states, will meet in June of 2004, to select candidates for the 2004 board elections.

Meadows owns 350 acres and leases an additional 2,300 acres, where he has a corn and soybean operation.

He is director of the Lauderdale County Farm Bureau, and a member of the National Corn Growers Association and the American Soybean Association, where he was a past president and past chairman of the promotion board.

Dailey, Marilou Robison, Jawn Gaica, Barbara Eskridge, Brent Burton.

Nov. 12 - Mike Scofield, Dennis Pappas, Molly Claire Farley, Milton Garrett, Davenport, Kevin Henderson, Jr.

VETERAN'S PROGRAM

Halls High School will have its Annual Veteran's Day program 1 p.m., Tues., Nov. 11th, in the school gymnasium.

Ken Givins, Tennessee Commissioner of Agriculture, will be the featured speaker.

Prior to the program, all veterans are invited to a reception at noon in the school.

The public is invited to join the students and faculty of HHS in the community-wide program to honor those who fought and died for our freedom.

COMPLETES TRAINING

Army National Guard Pfc. Steven S. Holcomb, son of Linda Martin, of Halls, graduated from basic combat training at Ft. Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, he studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic

first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Holcomb is a 1993 graduate of Halls High School and received an associate degree from Dyersburg State Community College in 1998.

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County Schools' Grades Upbeat

The state's 2003 "Report Card" for Lauderdale County Schools shows only progress from 2002; county schools equaled or topped key state averages, except in high school English.

In English, the comparison is close, 85% of county high school students proficient or advanced, 87% state-wide.

In science, nearly as close, but 98% county, 95% state.

In math, no contest—97% county, 75% state.

Halls High School's jump from B to A in 11th grade writing assessments helped the county's B match the state.

In college preparation (ACT), the county continued with a "D" (the state, "C").

Ripley Primary School's rise in promotions from F to B lifted the county from F to A.

Of the county's 4,835 students (2,658 white), 377 (7.7%) were suspended during the last school year. One was expelled, from Lauderdale Middle School. State-wide suspensions: 8.7%

With 293 teachers and 21 administrators, the county school system spent, for 2003-03, \$5,820 per student; the state, \$6,648.16; the nation, \$8,383.

CANCER MEMORIALS

The American Cancer Society has received the following donations.

In memory of Estelle Elder by Jimmy and Angie Koonce.

In memory of Irene Savage by Jimmy and Angie Koonce.

In memory of Mrs. Edith

Demeris by Jane Meadows.

In memory of Dr. Luis Wong by Jay and Betty Chipman.

In memory of Billy Wayne Jones by Jay and Betty Chipman.

In memory of George Elbert Newman by Jay and Betty Chipman and Mr. and Mrs. David Young.

In memory of Frank McBride by Jay and Betty Chipman.

In memory of Mrs. Martha Davis by Jim and Carol Douglas.

In memory of Charles Peal by Jim and Carol Douglas.

In memory of Gailon Smith by Jerry and Carolyn Horner and Annie Laura Jennings.

In memory of Roger Hostetler by Dee Anna Aday and family, Doug McDade and family, Aimee and Jim Putman, Bill and Ann Enzor, Waymon and Naomi McDade, Steve Tullis, Alma Sills, Shirley and James Gregory, Gene and Dean Murley, Johnny, Stephanie, Austin, and Hayden Crowder, David and Paula Tullis, and Rob and Hunter Daum.

In memory of Lucy Lucille Wilson by Howard and Viva Saalman, Stan Richards, Marlin Richards, and Wanda Lee Mullins.

In honor of Barbara Lif-

Retired Officer Presents Check

William Massengill, retired officer of the Tennessee Highway Patrol Retired Officers Association, presented a check for child abuse prevention to Mary Gesford, of the Tina Turner Family Center.

FSA ELECTION

The Lauderdale County FSA committee election will be Dec. 1, 2003, for Local Administrative Area (LAA) No. 2, which is area D, E, F and K, the same as civil districts 1, 3, 5 and 6.

Ballots will be mailed Nov. 18th to all eligible voters in the county.

Sam D. Henderson, who has been active in farming for many years, has indicated a willingness to serve, if elected to the FSA County Committee for 2004.

Sam and his wife, Cordelia Bratcher Henderson, of 39 years, reside at 439 S. Washington St. in Ripley, and have two daughters and four grandchildren. They are members of the First United Methodist Church in Ripley where Sam serves on the Trustee Board. He also serves on the Rolling Hills Country Club board.

FSA Committee elections are open to all eligible voters, without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital status or disability.

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

sey by Joan Hartman.

Donations in memory of or in honor of a loved one can be given to Annie Laura Jennings in the Register's Office at the Lauderdale County Courthouse.

County Removes Law Enforcement Authority From Office Of Constable

Commissioners approved the second reading of a resolution to remove law enforcement authority from the office of constable, beginning the end of November, at the regular monthly meeting Monday. The vote was 21 to 1, with commissioner Don Moore casting the dissenting vote.

Attorney Dan Douglas spoke to commissioners about correcting a legal description for Master-Casual Ware, in reference to a wrong land amount of approximately 8 acres, which should have been 15 acres, a mistake made by a bonding company many years ago. Criner appointed a committee to study the request.

Ambassadors Exchange



AMBASSADORS, from the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce, attended the Annual West Tennessee Ambassadors' Exchange Nov. 6th at the Lannom Center for Business Development in Dyersburg.

Pictured, from left, are Kitty Vestal, of Ripley, Pat Higdon, of Halls, and Judy Groenke, ambassador chairman, of Ripley.

The event, hosted by the Dyersburg/Dyer County Chamber of Commerce Diplomats, had 40 ambassadors in attendance. Other communities represented included Bartlett, Brownsville, Collierville, Crockett, Germantown, Millington and South Tipton Co.

The guest speaker was Nawasa Jonas, of the West Tennessee Teacher's Center. Attendees had a "Mix It Up" lunch, and then shared ideas and highlights from the past year during the afternoon session. The event ended with door prize winners announced.

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Principal List students at Halls Elementary School for the first nine-week period include 3rd grade, Haley Blackwood, Libby Butterworth, Trip Crews, Colton Dew, Tyler England, Shelbie Hurt, Aaron Lumley, Mandy McClellan, Chad Warden, Frank Bales, Codie Smith, Destiny Street, Jasmine Washington, Sesley Welch, Kelsey Yarbrough, Kevin Ray, Mason Joyner, Kirstie Childress, Devin Castelli, Antonio Cooper and Katelyn Childress; 4th grade, Caitlyn Binkley, Logan Taylor, Robert Hill, Alex Stanley, Amanda Wright, Hayden Hogue, Parker Brown and Chris Jenkins; 5th grade, Logan Campbell, Krista Hardy and Katie Farley; and 6th grade, Drew Blakely, Melinda Meeks, Leslie Patrick, Clarissa Stark, Sammy Williams, Casey Crockett, Josh Lents and Angelia Hanks.

Honor roll students include 3rd grade, Emily Wright, Courtney Williams, David Shands, Jalen Pearson, Hali Michaels, Tyler Reed, Jamie Glenn, Kelsey Latham, Preston Bates, Logan Agee, Dawn Archibald, Nathan Campbell, Seth Dancy, Scotty Doran, Adam Greer, Colton Lawson, Michael McCloud, Kailey Jordan,

Taylor Agee, Cailon Barnes, Austin Bizzle, Lindsey Elmore, Houston Haynes, Grace Lee, Dennis Maupins, Michelle Hughes, Gerard Colvin, Hayden Hill, Carly McCuan, Cameron Moore, Zackevious Payne, Jovita Starks, Chase Street, Peyton Vickery, Hayly Williams, Malcolm Moore, Megan Logan and Taylor Brasfield; 4th grade, Haley Turnbow, Kaitlyn Maness, Chelsea Hill, Giovanni Dewalt, Hali Conrad, Ryan Humphries, Luke Younger, Molly Green, Vanessa Moore, Pete Cleek, Austin Gunter, Colton Hardee, Cody Haynie, Destiny Harrell, Robert Johnson, Brittany Alston, Bethany Beaver, Matthew Clark, Colton Harris, Charles Jones, Bryant Nelson, Amber Ray, Tamara Adkins, Audrey Belton, Shelbi Fowler, Shamari Gooch, Keith Hamlin, Tevin Hill, Emily Shands and Tyler Thurmond; 5th grade, Ebone Pearson, Katrina Yarbrough, Corey Irbe, Martha Chavez, Kirby Cherry, Emilee Hartman, Austin McCulley, Candace Stenson, Hayden Watts, Corey Clevenger, Madison Davis, Breanna Deaton, Hunter Harrison, Tommy Wright, Hannah Kelley, Katy Cherry, Dalton Gean, Barbara Joyner, Brittany Layne, Joe Staggs and Chasity Street; and 6th grade, Penny Archibald, Cody Burks, Steven Cessac, Elizabeth Isaak, Charley Jones, Lacey Kiestler, Ryan Lumley, Matt Newman, Sha Patrick, Tori Pease, Kenya Brown, Logan Buckner, Cassidy Hardee, Mark Patterson,

Nathan Bates, Hollis Belton, Grant Dew, Shameka Eison, Malena Halliburton, Maria Haynes, Hillary Latham, Megan McBroom, Ben Ray, Jeremy Walton, Jayvon Stenson, Matt Taylor, Joseph Agee, Kelly Blackwood, Cody Chipman, Jacob Clark, David Davidson, David Godsey, Candace McKinney, Vicki Moore, Ashlyn Barnes, C. J. Brown, Brad Cain, Jessie Ellison, Nicole Hinsley, Graham Moore, Brittany Tidwell, Shannon Wells and Sandra Williamson.

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-Samuel Goldwyn

Divorces

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LEAH NICOLE HEATOR, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Heator, of Halls, will marry James Stephenson Pugh II, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Stephenson Pugh, Sr., of Halls, at 2 p.m. Nov. 15th at Halls First Baptist Church.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Nolen, of Halls, Patricia Watkins, of Madisonville, and the late Richard Heator.

A 2001 graduate of Halls High School, she is pursuing a nursing degree at the University of Tennessee at Martin.

The groom-elect is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Walluck, of Halls, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Farnsworth Eugene Pugh, Sr.

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Land Transfers

Oct. 31 - William E. Hendren, Shellie R. Hendren, and Anne Robeson to David Harold Hurt III, Raymond Dale Hurt, Christopher Tabor Hurt, Hurt and Hurt Rental Company, and Tonya Hurt, Dist. 9, 16.6138 acres.

Nov. 3 - Forrest Heathcott, Jr., L. C. Heathcott, Betty H. Chapman, Ruby H. Quinn, and Margaret H. Kail to Joe F. Tidwell, Sr. and Janene R. Tidwell, Dist. 12, lot.

Davenor E. Caldwell, Peggy Braden Caldwell, Charles Cook, David Cook, and Joyce C. Henson to Davenor E. Caldwell III, Dist. 3, 20.792 acres.

Nov. 7 - Jeffrey D. Ray and Janet Ray to Exequiel Rubio and Tina Rubio, Dist. 3, lot.

Modern Woodmen Assist Community

Members of Modern Woodmen of America Camp 13872, of Gates, Camp 13926, of Ripley, and Camp 15103, of Halls, participated in "Make a Difference Day" Oct. 18th. The camps sponsored three programs to assist the community. Gates camp bought stamps and distributed them to the elderly and shut-ins. Ripley camp and Halls camp bought books and donated them to the Lauderdale County Library.

Modern Woodmen of America is a fraternal life insurance society based in Rock Island, Ill. The home office provided \$50 to each camp to assist with the programs.

Marriages

Oct. 25 - Joseph Lynn Burns, 20, to Jessica Allyse Todd, 19, by Mark Hodge.

Oct. 30 - Venaze Atiba Jiles, 22, to Antoinette Dewalt, 30, by Barbara N. Roberts.

Oct. 31 - Scottie Lynn Hutcherson, 24, to Dawn Michelle Jacques, 25, by Janice C. Craig.

Nov. 1 - Bobby Joe Rone, 21, to Tanya Cherie Vaughn, 22, by Rocky Gilliam.

Nov. 5 - William Paul Jackson III, 26, to Carter Ashley Ray, 22, by Randy Jetton.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hughes, of Halls, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. Sun., Nov. 23rd at the Halls Community Center. The event will be hosted by their four children, with family and friends invited.

Concord Locals

By Mrs. Louise Fennel

Mrs. Demetra Carmack spent Saturday night with Winston Carmack.

Mrs. Floyd Emerson accompanied Mrs. Roger Emerson to the Regional Medical Center in Memphis Monday of last week for surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Williams visited Mrs. Virginia Conrad in Jackson Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pharis Esque visited the James Simpsons at Lightfoot Sunday afternoon.

Birthdays

Nov. 13 - Brantley Tillman, Duncan Ing, III, Johnny Holt, Finley Green, Jr., Mike Galloway, Evelyn Elder, Johanna Carmack, Mary Sue Horne, Jimmy Hastings, Logan Carter, Phillip Morris, Caitlin Mitchell, Chachonnefer Driver.

Nov. 14 - Sharon Galloway, Kristina Edwards, Jerry Little, Dale V. Troiano, Katy Patterson, Rob Odom, Sharon Hargett, James Blaylock, Jereeka Temple, Christopher Maners, Allorie Smith, Kristen Ables, Sharon Latham.

Nov. 15 - Ryan Hamilton, Albert Sanders, Jamie Feltus, Jean Carter, Kassi Buckner, Vancilla "Cookie" Pitts, Dairl Littles, Harris Lee Savage, Jonathan Strantz, Crockett Williams, Clint Holmes, James Smith, Ashley Ferguson, Kimberly Helton, Martha Dean Robertson.

Nov. 16 - Cassie Savage, Bob Ennis, Johnny Hutcherson, Deno Harrison, Bradley Harrell, William Harmon, III, Cheshier Crieifield, Frank Dailey, Leah Beth Jacobs, Amanda Jacobs, Brenda Thurmond, Dell Meter.

Nov. 17 - Bill Rochelle, Cathy Best, Erma Sanders, James L. Smith, Erin Little, Dickey Deaton, Kimberly Thebeau, Josh Hixson, Debbie Chipman, Pam McNeill Fee, Todd Smith, Peggy Scott, Avery Pattat, Jamie Bing, Michael Paris.

Nov. 18 - Laura Harmon, Ashley Hutcherson, Joseph Burns, Rick Lazure, Thomas Hutcherson, Robert Hewes, Oma Jean Elder, Jordan King, Jamee King.

Nov. 19 - Judy Dunaway, Larry McCoy, Joe Martin, John Michael Spoon, Willis Wheeler, James Vaden, Marilyn Broglin, Bree Wilson, Jud Miller, Clint Adams, Jim Layne, Melody Culver, Peggy Brown, Melissa Sanders.

If you are content to be simply yourself and don't compare or compete, everybody will respect you.

-Leo Tze

Round 2: Ripley Hosts Chargers

Ripley High School's Tigers face a historic occasion Friday – a second consecutive state play-off game on their home Knee Field.

• The Tigers will host off an 18-10 win last week from Memphis Sheffield.

Senior Brian Flagg (6-2, 225) scored for Ripley from the nine, adding two points.

Junior quarterback Blake McAdams (6-0, 180) scored from the 13, plus two points

50 seconds left: senior Ramon Foster (6-7, 290) sacked

the Sheffield quarter-back in the end zone for the safety.

• The Chargers will arrive off a 14-13 first-round squeaker over Raleigh-Egypt.

Surmounting 11 penalties for 95 yards, Covington won from the Pharaohs by one extra-point kick.

Shun White and Jeremiah Carr posted Pharaoh TDs.

Charger senior Michael Grandberry (5-10, 170), a 1,000-yd., 20 TD back last fall, got 111 yards in 24 carries and scored from the one.

Late in the fourth quarter, Charger full-back Damien Smith (5-5, 170) went 17 yards to make it 14-13.

50 seconds left: with the Pharaohs on Covington's 28, Charger senior Adrian Pruitt sacked the Pharaoh quarter-back on third and nine; Covington ran out the clock.

Friday's game is a rematch of the regular season game in which Covington led the Tigers, 13-12.

The Chargers, 8-3, have also won from Haywood County, 26-9; Brighton, 40-0; Millington, 26-6; Munford, 34-14; Gibson County, 35-8; and Dyer County, 35-0.

They have lost to German-town, 31-7; Obion County, 14-7; and Milan, 28-21.

Charger coach Jake Linville (31-5) uses a double wing and a "50" defense.

3-A Foes, Round 2

Knoxville Fulton (10-1) at Seymour (10-1).

Anderson County (9-2) at Austin-East (11-0).

Portland (8-3) at Smith County (9-2).

Grundy County (7-4) at Macon County (10-1).

Sycamore (7-4) at Greenbrier (8-3).

Page (9-2) at Crockett County (11-0).

Covington (8-3) at Ripley (10-1).

Brighton (5-6) at Obion County (8-3).

GOOD LUCK TIGERS IN SECOND ROUND PLAY!!



USJ Ends Halls Grid Year, 21-7

University School of Jackson dropped the Halls Tigers from the first round of the state play-offs, last Friday, 21-7.

The Bruins' victory, closing Halls' season, 5-6, didn't come easily.

An ankle injury took senior wide receiver and defensive back Caleb Meriwether (5-1, 180) out of the game on the Bruins' first drive, to join a long list of other wounded Bruins.

The Bruins fumbled to Halls twice and were intercepted twice in the first half,

all four times inside the Halls 30-yard line.

A holding penalty cancelled a touchdown pass from freshman quarterback Josh Liles to senior Joseph Dowsley (5-10, 175), late in the half.

Liles had gone 18 yards to score with 1:07 remaining in the first period. That lead held up at half-time.

Theft And Long Jaunts

Halls drove deeply into Bruin territory in the third period, but on the ninth play of the march, Liles intercepted a pass from the Tigers' sophomore quarterback Josh Daniels (5-10, 160).

The linesman put the ball on the one, but the referee ruled it a touch-back.

Five plays later, Bruin junior William Wallace (5-9, 175) took a pass from Liles, spun away from two defensive backs, and out-ran a line-backer for a 59-yard TD.

Three plays into the Tigers' next possession, Wallace nabbed a fumble on the Bruin 49 and, with a key block from Sam Woods, chugged to the Tiger two.

Junior John Pappis (5-1, 175) added the touchdown.

Freshman Demarcus Patrick (5-9, 175) then scored for Halls, from the eight.

It was the second consecutive year that USJ has led Halls in the first round of the play-offs (last season, 42-6).

Next week, USJ (6-5) will host Trinity Christian Academy (7-4).

Halls High School Basketball 2003-2004

- Nov. 21 – Obion Central
- Nov. 24 – Brighton*
- Nov. 25 – South Fulton
- Dec. 2 – USJ*
- Dec. 5 – Brighton
- Dec. 6 – Middle College
- Dec. 9 – Crockett County*
- Dec. 11 – Obion Central*
- Dec. 12 – Dresden

Dec. 19&20- Crockett County Classic

Dec. 29&30 – Gold-Cr. Co. Hoops Club Classic

- Jan. 3 – USJ
- Jan. 6 – Dyersburg*
- Jan. 9 – Trenton
- Jan. 13 – Lake County*
- Jan. 16 – Bradford
- Jan. 20 – Dresden*
- Jan. 23 – Dyer County*
- Jan. 27 – Trenton*
- Jan. 30 – Lake County
- Feb. 3 – Dyersburg
- Feb. 6 – South Fulton*
- Feb. 7 – Middle College*
- Feb. 10 – Dyer County
- Feb. 13 – Bradford*

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Obituaries

Mrs. Logan

Laura R. Ammons Logan, 88, sister of Lelia Johnson, of Ripley, died Oct. 27th in Archstone Care Center in Chandler, Arizona.

Services were Wednesday in National Cemetery in Memphis, with Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

She had retired from Woolco and Singer Sewing Machine.

She had been a member of Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis for more than 60 years.

She was the widow of Zollie Logan. Survivors include a son, Zollie "Dan" Logan, of Arlington; daughters, Peggie Riddle, of Gilbert, Ariz., and Mari Schmidt, of Cottonwood, Ariz.; eight grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Kirkpatrick

Charles William "Little Bud" Kirkpatrick, 77, of Adrian, Mich., formerly of Ripley, machine operator for American Chain and Cable, died November 5th at his residence.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday at Anderson Funeral Home, in Adrian, with burial in Palmyra Cemetery.

He was born February 28, 1926 in Ripley to William Louis and Sally Edith (Sweat) Kirkpatrick.

Survivors include his wife, Rebecca Kirkpatrick, two sons, Mel Kendrick and Kenneth Kirkpatrick, and one daughter, Jettie Seeburger, all of Adrian; two other sons, Jere Kirkpatrick, of Berkeley, Ohio, and Edward Kirkpatrick, of Spring Hill, Fla.; two other daughters, Joyce Sonderman, of Henning, and Betty Conrad, of Ripley; three sisters, Thelma Osteen and Ruth Griggs, of Ripley, and Maxine Scott, of Hodges, Ala.; 26 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Contributions may be made to Hospice of Lenawee, Mich.

Mrs. Hester

Forrest Elizabeth Hester, 83, widow of Woodrow Hester, died Saturday in Maplewood Healthcare in Jackson.

Rites were Tuesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Concord Cemetery.

She was a member of North Jackson Church of God.

Survivors include sons, Austin, of Carpentersville, Ill., and Kenneth, of Barrington, Ill.; daughters, Dot Webb and Shirley Lamastus, and a brother, Buford Attaway, all of Jackson; 18 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Barry Dewalt

Barry Dewalt, 46, of Ripley, self-employed owner of Dewalt Wrecker Service, died Monday at his business.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Sunday at St. Mark Baptist Missionary Church, in Henning, with burial in Old Canaan Baptist Church Cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

He was an alderman for the Town of Henning for 21 years and vice-mayor for many of those years.

A list of survivors was not available at press time.

Lucy Wilson

Lucy Lucille Wilson, 87, of Ripley, widow of Martin Luther Wilson, died Wednesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Tipton in Covington.

Rites were Saturday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Asbury Cemetery.

She leaves sons, Herman and Leonard Payne, of Gates, Benjamin Jearl Payne, of Spottsylvania, Va., and John Luther Wilson, of Memphis; daughters, Margaret Payne Kiestler, of Gates, Nancy Wilson Murphy, of Ripley, James Wilson Spencer, of Covington, and Shirley Wilson Hargett, of Murfreesboro; a brother, Thomas Dale, of Guntersville, Ala.; a sister, Viva Dean Saalman, of Flora, Ill.; 27 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Serenity of manners is the zenith of beauty.

—F. Bremer

Norma Jackson

Norma Jean Jackson, 51, of Gates, homemaker and home healthcare nurse, died Tuesday at the home of her mother, Norma Nelson, in Halls.

Services are set for 1 p.m. Thursday at Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Elon Cemetery near Halls.

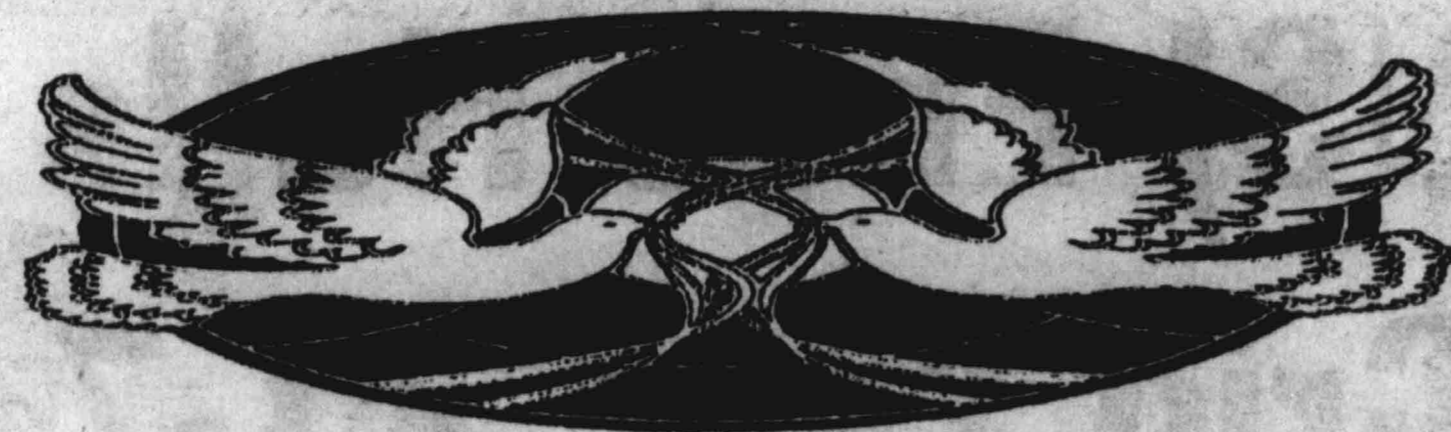
Other survivors include her husband, Ray Jackson, and three daughters, Tracy Ross, Lisa Midkiff and Jennifer Cunningham, all of Gates; two step-sons, James Robert Fitzhugh, of Gates, and Jeff Fitzhugh, of Halls; three step-daughters, Sharon Rose, of Halls, Karen Bell, of Ripley, and Marcia Pitts, of Bells; one brother, Andy Nelson, of Halls; two sisters, Shirley Shands, of Halls, and Teresa Nelson, of Ripley; and 18 grandchildren.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Lucille Burrough would like to express our appreciation for the numerous good deeds done for our mother during her illness for the past seven years. We would like to extend a special thanks to the caregivers, Mrs. Inez Johnson, Mrs. Katie M. Liggeons, West Tennessee Hospice, and Dr. B. G. Robbins. We thank The Rev. Fran Vickers for her frequent visits with mother and The Rev. Frank Ward for his special message and words of comfort. We also thank Donna Ewell and Judy Burroughs for the beautiful music provided, and Halls Funeral Home for their professional services. The many cards, flowers, visits, food, and memorials have been comforting to us. Our lives were enriched by our parents' Christian faith. We have been truly blessed. May God bless each one of you.

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Church Happenings

The Sensational Heaven Voices, of Ripley, will sponsor a musical program at Truth and Faith Baptist Church, 170 Oak Hill Subdivision Rd., at 7 p.m. Nov. 15th featuring guest groups for the evening including VictoryAires, of Brownsville; New Deliverance, of Blytheville, Ark.; soloist, Bro. Tyrone Currie, Redeemend Gospel Singers, Heavenly Voices #2, and Gospel Revelators, of Ripley; Divine Gospel Singers and the Southernaires, of Henning; and Voices of Harmony, of Clarksville, plus, many other guest groups. The mistress of ceremony will be the former Sarah Rouser, of Ripley.

Elon Baptist Church, 240 Double Bridges-Unionville Rd., Halls, will hold its fall harvest day beginning at 11 a.m. Sun., Nov. 16th with Bro. Christopher Marks delivering the morning message. A Thanksgiving dinner will follow with singing in the afternoon beginning at 2 p.m. featuring T.N.T., of Gates. The public is invited.

Mrs. Donna Goforth will present the programs for the Monday night service at Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, 118 Halliburton St. The first Monday of each month will feature different groups or persons singing and Bible devotions. The second Monday will feature a talent night with regulars, Donna Goforth, Carolyn Midkiff, and Allan Cates plus others. The third Monday will feature Bro. Cecil Henson and his group. The fourth Monday will feature Cathy and Milton Jackson. The public is invited to attend and participate. Call Donna, 635-3296, for more information.

The Melville United Methodist Church puppet team will present a program at 7 p.m., Sat., Nov. 15th at the church, located on Edith Nankipoo Rd., with refreshments served following. Puppeteers include Justin Brown, Matt Buffalo, L. J. Cates, Sam Dukes, Jesse Hardee, Clint Vickery, Kayla Brown, Parker Brown, Olivia Jackson, Chris Jenkins, John Paul McGuire, and Peyton Vickery. The public is invited.

Westside Baptist Church, in Halls, will hold a gospel singing at 6:30 p.m. Sat., Nov. 15th featuring Under Grace and 4 His Glory. The public is invited.

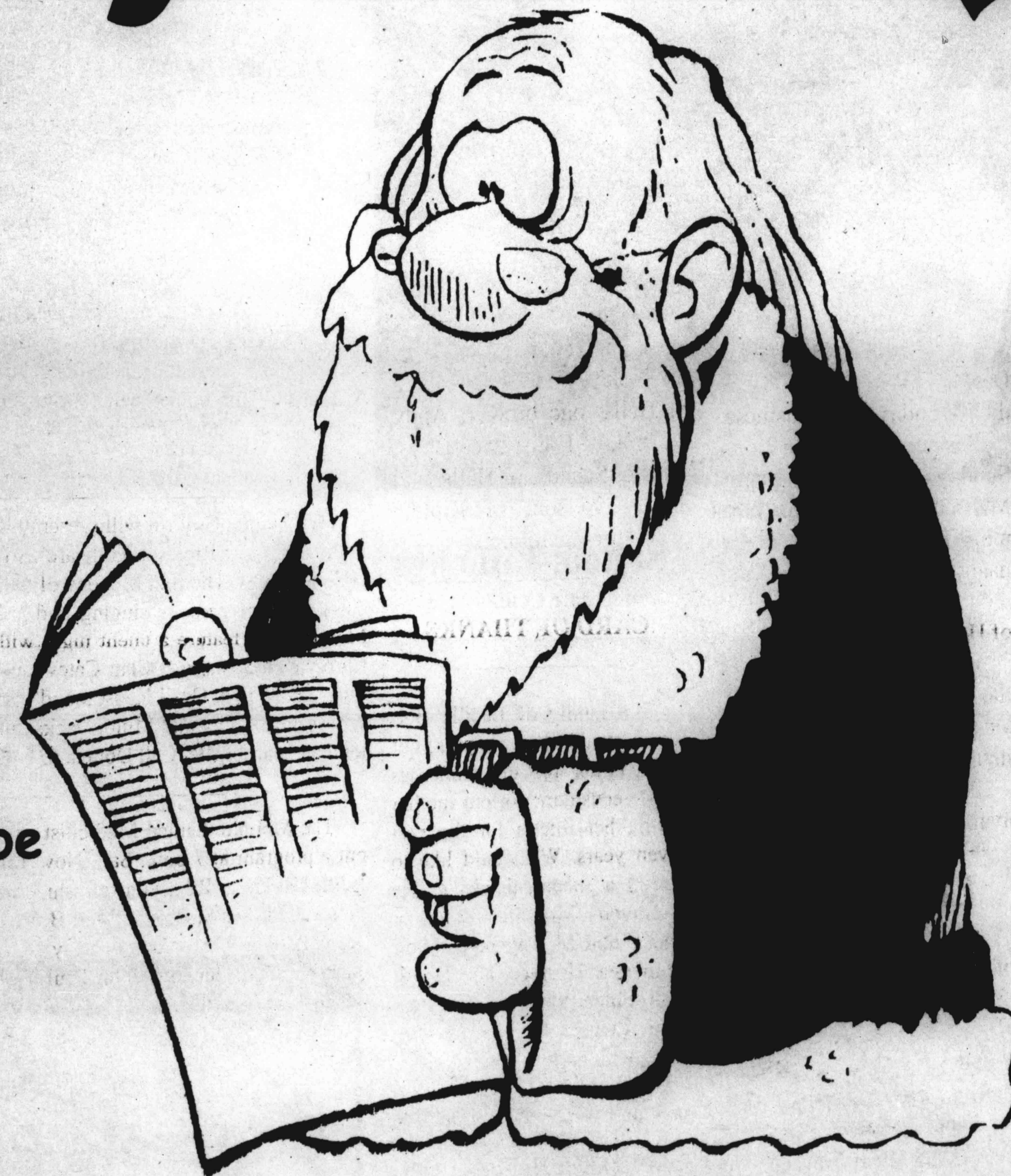
Rice Park Church of Christ, 131 Osborne St., Ripley, will hold its annual family and friends fellowship day at 10 a.m. Sun., Nov. 23rd with dinner served afterwards. The public is invited.

Praise Temple will present a debt free seminar from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sat., Nov. 15th at the church, 157 Washington St., Ripley. Garie Andrews, pastor, and First Lady Evelyn Andrews will sponsor the program with Christina Cage as guest speaker. Call 635-0153 to register. The seminar is free and light refreshments will be served. The public is invited.

Open Door Baptist Church, in the Edith Community, will hold a gospel singing at 7 p.m. Sat., Nov. 15th featuring The Father's Four. The public is invited. For more information, call 635-4967.

Please remember that these listings can only contain church revivals or gospel singings, etc. Church yard sales or flea markets cannot be included, if an ad is not purchased.

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Christmas Lighting Reps



STREET REPRESENTATIVES for the Halls Community Christmas Lighting project met to select a theme for their respective streets.

Pictured, in front, from left, Linda Smith, Sandra Burnham and Dot Craddock, and in rear, from left, Mary Jo Carihfield, Jean Spence, Carol Woodley, Judy Henderson, Betty Lovelace and Angie Terry. Not pictured are Pat Higdon, Billie Belton, Rosie Lemons and Ruth Hooper.

The Halls Community Club is sponsoring the lighting project, with Angie Terry and Pat Higdon as co-chairs.

Streets represented include West Main (Luminary Lane), West Tigrett (Reindeer Lane), College Street (Jingle Bell Lane) and Sumrow Street (Snowman Lane).

Plans require that only one item comply with the theme, and remainder of the yard be decorated as usual. Signs will be posted at the beginning and end of streets participating.

Anyone, who would like to have their street included, should call Angie Terry or Pat Higdon, 836-7448, for further information. Everyone is invited to an open house at the Community Center, on College Street, Thurs.

HJHS HONOR ROLL

Students earning all A's at Halls Junior High School for the first six-week period include Christi Meeks, Cody Dew, Carley Cherry, Seth Deaton, Craig Davis and Maddison Stanley.

Students earning all A's and B's include Tania Steel, Brittney Moore, Kayla Akin, Derek Chipman, Jessica Laws, Kristy Lee, Paulita Edmundson, Aaron Dannelley, Chris Hardy, Randi

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- Thursday, Nov. 20th**
- Chicken Nuggets
 - Beef Cutlet w/ Gravy
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 - Steamed Carrots
 - Peaches
 - Jello w/ Fruit Roll
 - Choice of Milk

- Friday, Nov. 21st**
- Tacos w/ Salsa
 - Burrito
 - Lettuce/Tomato/Cheese Cup
 - Corn Nibbles
 - Orange Wedges
 - Applesauce
 - Cookie
 - Choice of Milk

SPAGHETTI SUPPER

The West Tennessee Rider's Association, of Halls, will hold a spaghetti supper, 4:30-7:30 p.m., Sat., Nov. 15th, in the Gates Community Center. Admission is \$5. Proceeds will go to underprivileged children in Lauderdale County for Christmas.

The association holds bike night every Thurs., at 7 p.m., in the Pizza Hut, and monthly meetings are held in member's homes.

For further information, call Gordon Drumwright at 836-0508.

CHRISTMAS PLAY

Christ Classical Academy students will perform the Christmas play, "The First Leon" at 6:30 p.m. Thurs., Dec. 4th. The public is invited.

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STEVE CARMACK, trustee for Lauderdale County, and 28 other government officials, graduated from the 12th annual Local Government Leadership Program (LGLP), held at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, Nov. 5th-7th.

Topics addressed included personal leadership, ethics and an economic fiscal overview for local government.

"LGLP is an intensive three-day program designed to give elected and appointed government officials the opportunity to discuss innovative ways to solve difficult problems and learn about leadership concepts," said Mary Taylor, assistant vice-president, UT Institute for Public Service (IPS).

IPS, sponsor of the event, is the University of Tennessee's public service organization, designed to provide continuing research and technical assistance to state and local government, as well as industry, in order to more adequately meet the need for information and research in business and government.

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Delta Human Resource Agency, funded by DHS and USDA, will distribute USDA commodities between the hours of 8 until 10 a.m. Wed., Nov. 26th at the Ripley Senior Center, 142 Nelson St.; Rice Park, Watkins St.; Halls Senior Center, 605 Airport St.; and Palmer-Turner Community Center, 655 Church St., Henning. Proof of income must be presented, if you do not have a new card. Persons with cards will be served first. Bring someone to carry the bag to your car. Delta HRA is an equal opportunity employer.

Lauderdale Teachers Recognized



LAUDERDALE COUNTY OFFICIALS, in front, from left, Lauderdale County Mayor Rozelle Criner, City of Ripley Mayor Richard Douglas, Town of Halls Mayor Eugene Pugh, and Town of Henning Mayor Mary Ann Jarrett, and in rear, teachers, Manisha Jones, Martha Webb, Diane Beard, Jennifer Vaughn, and Lauderdale County School Superintendent Philip Jackson, signed a proclamation declaring Nov. 16th through 21st as American Education Week.



HALLS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS presented a Salute to Veterans Nov. 11th on Veterans Day. The 6th annual program honored all veterans of all wars as well as those who formerly and currently are serving in the military. The program was begun in 1998 at the request of Principal Andy Pugh. Pat Higdon and the Close Up Club coordinated the event until Higdon's retirement in 2002. At that time, Missy Hammond and the FFA Members continued the program.



KEN GIVENS, right, in upper photo, Tennessee Commissioner of Agriculture, was the keynote speaker during the Halls High School Salute to Veterans. Katie Privett, left, FFA president, directed the program as music, reading, excerpts from speeches, and veterans' participation in singing of the service songs. Veterans were recognized with their branch of service theme song.

Guests attending were able to view the Poster Contest winners, Matthew Reichman, first; Jarvis Morgan, second; and Gwinn Kilpatrick, third. Essay contest winners gave a unique perspective of their views of the country.

Charlie Wyrick performed *Taps*, before the colors were retired.

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Winter Weather Awareness Week

The National Weather Service Forecast Office in Nashville and the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency will highlight Nov. 18th, 19th and 20th as Winter Weather Awareness Week.

Winter weather is often hazardous with its tornadoes, severe thunderstorms, with downburst winds and large hail, snow and ice, and floods and flash flooding, which is the number one weather killer in the United States.

Frequently many are caught unaware of winter's dangerous situations. It is recommended that each household have provisions and the ability to remain self-sufficient for at least three days without power, or help, since it may take that long to reopen main roads and reestablish vital services.

Humans and animals are affected by wind chill, which is based on the rate of heat loss from exposed skin, caused by the combined effects of wind and cold. Water pipes and car radiators are not affected by wind chill. When the wind chill ap-

proaches minus 20 degrees, frostbite can occur in 15 minutes or less.

Hypothermia is loss of body heat that results in a life threatening situation. Warning signs include uncontrollable shivering, memory loss, disorientation, incoherence, slurred speech, drowsiness and apparent exhaustion.

A major cause of death during and after winter storms is overexertion from shoveling snow or ice, which in turn, can be on a heart attack.

Everyone is urged to be prepared by keeping a battery-powered radio and flashlights in working order, candles and matches, and a supply of drinking water and food that can be prepared without an electric or gas stove. Be certain that needed medications are available.

Be prepared for isolation at home, by making sure you have sufficient heating fuel, or some kind of emergency heating equipment and fuel, so that one room can be kept warm. Do not use a gas-fired grill inside the home. Take measures to protect plumbing from freezing.

Keep all cars and trucks "winterized," making sure of antifreeze protection levels and use a gasoline additive to reduce gasoline freezing. Carry a Winter Car Kit.

For further information on Winter Weather Awareness Week, contact Lauderdale County Emergency Management, at 685 Hw. 51 S., in Ripley, or call 731-635-3243.

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Golden Anniversary



MR. AND MRS. BOBBY HUGHES, of Halls, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. Sun., Nov. 23rd at the Halls Community Center. The event will be hosted by their four children, with family and friends invited.

Pastor Honored



THE REV. JOHN WATSON and his wife, Pat, pastor of Halls Full Gospel Lighthouse Church, were honored Sun., Nov. 2nd for their one year anniversary at the church. They were presented with gift certificates, flowers, and a poem written in their honor. After services, refreshments were served in the church fellowship hall.

Anniversaries

Nov. 20 - Mr. and Mrs. Leon Jackson.

Nov. 21 - Mr. and Mrs. Steve Tate.

Nov. 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. Carson Steelman, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hilliard.

Nov. 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Norfleet Anthony, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Glen Privett, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Booker, Mr. and Mrs. James Van Dyke, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hargett, The Rev. and Mrs. Leon Seratt.

Nov. 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Parham, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hogue.

Nov. 26 - Mr. and Mrs. Bubba Klutts, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Donny Noblin.

Marriages

Nov. 7 - David Ray Rose, Jr., 29, to Paula Ann Fay Montgomery, 28, by G. K. Ballard.

Nov. 12 - Robert Richard Cabay, 54, to Martha Lee Sinclair, 51, by Michael L. Tomlinson.

Greg Willis Lambert, 34, to Jan Pennington Mohon, 24, by Henry S. Vaughan.

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Nov. 24th

- Pizza
- Cheeseburger
- French Fries
- Fresh Vegetables w/ Dip
- Pineapple Tidbits
- Grapes
- School's Choice Dessert
- Choice of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 25th

- Baked Ham Slices
- Chicken Breast Fillet
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Green Beans
- Peaches
- Applesauce
- Roll
- Choice of Milk

Wed., Nov. 26-Fri., Nov. 28th

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Celebrating Anniversary



JAMES AND ROSIE JOHNSON, of Gates, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Nov. 17th. They stated the key to a lasting relationship or marriage is to first have Christ in your life, be true to yourself and each other, and love.

Golden Anniversary



MR. AND MRS. LAZELL BEARD, of Gates, will celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at 2 p.m. Sat., Nov. 29th at St. Luke Baptist Church in the Toulon Community, with all family and friends invited. Lazell and LueVinner Reditt are the parents of ten children, 26 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Obituaries

Mrs. Washington

Connie Washington, 43, of Proctor, Ark., a dietitian, sister of Barbara Crawford, of 304 East McFarlin, Henning, died Tuesday of last week in her home.

Rites were Monday in Greater Bethlehem Baptist Church in Proctor, with burial in Paradise Garden in Edmondson, Ark., Anthony Funeral Home, of West Memphis, Ark., in charge.

Survivors include a son, Donald Washington, Jr., of Proctor; brothers, Perry Lagrone, of Proctor, and Mozell Lagrone, of Memphis; and other sisters, Janette Lagrone and Inez Lewis, of Proctor, Ollie Mae Herron, of West Memphis, Ark., Ruby Small, of Memphis, Bonnie Bland, of Chicago, Ill., and Patsy Markson, of Atlanta, Ga.

Edna Ballard

Edna Frances Ballard, 83, widow of Maurice Ballard, died Monday of last week in Ripley Healthcare.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Zion Cemetery in Haywood County, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

She was a member of Bethel United Methodist Church in Haywood County.

She leaves a daughter, Shirley Lemons, of Gates; a brother, W. B. Haynes, of Brownsville; a grandchild; and a great-grandchild.

DEWALT SURVIVORS

Surviving Barry Brent Dewalt, 46, Henning alderman and vice-mayor, whose death was reported last week, are sons, Anthony and Jerome Mack, of Ripley; daughters, Ericka and Tonya Mack and Cassandra Glenn, of Ripley; brothers, Howard, of Ripley, Reginald, of Henning, Luther, of Nashville; David, of Chicago, Ill., and Billy, of Benton Harbor, Mich.; sisters, Gennie Dewalt and Dorothy Copeland, of Ripley, Carolyn Taylor, of Henning, and Diane Claybrook, of Maury City; and 10 grandchildren.

Jackie Jacobs

Jackie Lynn Jacobs, Jr., 37, accountant for Marsh U.S.A. in Memphis, waiting for a heart transplant, died Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in Halls First United Methodist Church, with burial in Concord Cemetery near Gates, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves his wife, Amanda J. Harris Jacobs; parents, Jackie and Betty Rogers Jacobs, of Halls; a daughter, Reagan Elizabeth Jacobs, of Atoka; and a sister, Kelly Rogers, of Cordova.

Patsy Rice

Patsy Valentine Rice, 60, of Halls, homemaker, died November 13th at her residence.

Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday at Curry Funeral Home in Dyersburg, with burial in Dyer County Memorial Gardens.

Survivors include her husband, Jerry Rice, of Halls; one son, Randy Valentine, of Maury City; three daughters, Tonya Blythe, of Summerville, S.C., Stacey Hatton, of Eglin, AFB, Fla., and Stephanie Brown, of Henrietta, Tex.; two stepdaughters, Pamela Valentine, of Dyersburg, and Patricia Hanks, of Alamo; six brothers, Phillip Bowles, of Finley, Paul Bowles, of Halls, James Bowles, of Gibson, Jerry Bowles, of Brush Creek, Roger Bowles, of Boone Grove, Ind., and Danny Bowles, of Portage, Ind.; five sisters, Janice Bedwell and Martha Smith, of Dyersburg, Tammy Bowles, of Wheeler, Ind., Rita Naillieux, of Valparaiso, Ind., and Joyce Goodman, of Middleburg, Fla.; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Memorials may be sent to Hospice of West Tennessee, 1804 Hwy. 45 By-Pass, Suite 100, Jackson, TN 38305.

Robert Maclin

Robert S. Maclin, Jr., 89, of Ripley, retired dentist, died November 13th at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were at 1 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church, where he was a member and former deacon and Sunday School teacher, with burial in Maplewood Cemetery, Garner Funeral Home in charge.

The widower of Elizabeth Craig Maclin, he leaves one son, The Rev. Robert Maclin, III, of Latta, S.C.; one daughter, Anne Mehring, of Stoneybrook, N.Y.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

William Land

William "Hershel" Land, 79, of Ripley, retiree from Sears-Roebuck, died November 13th at Baptist Hospital East in Memphis.

Services were at 3:30 p.m. Sunday at Mary's Chapel Baptist Church, where he was a member and a deacon, with burial in the church cemetery, Garner Funeral Home in charge.

He was a World War II veteran, and a Gideon.

He leaves his wife, Louise Land; and one brother, Gilford Land, of Canoga Park, Calif.

Mrs. Dunigan

Katherine Dunigan, 83, of Halls, homemaker, died Sunday at Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Services are set for 1 p.m. Saturday at Cleaves Temple CME Church, in Halls, with burial in Old Chapel Cemetery in Halls, H. H. Hudson Funeral Home, of Dyersburg, in charge.

Survivors include two daughters, Pamela Dunigan, of Halls, and Marcia Kelley, of Memphis; one sister, Vera Nelson, of Halls; and two grandchildren.

Accident Claims Lucy P. Hopper

Lucy Peyton Hopper, 86, of 1536 Pipkin Road, Henning, died Sunday at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale from injuries received in an accident at the intersection of Highway 87 and 51 in Henning.

According to Henning Police Sgt. Joey Rhea, she was traveling east on Hwy. 87, at approximately 10:23 a.m. Sunday. Mrs. Hopper was attempting to turn north onto Hwy. 51 and pulled into the path of a 1983 Chevy S-10 pick-up, driven by Clarence Hammock, 50, of Halls. Hopper's 1995 Chevy Lumina was spun around in the median, facing south. She was transported to Baptist Hospital Lauderdale, where she later died of her injuries.

Hammock suffered a broken leg, and two children in the vehicle with him, a 6-year-old girl, received seven stitches in her chin, and a 2-year old boy, busted his lip. Hammock was cited for violation of the seat belt law. Neither he nor the two children were wearing seat belts.

Mrs. Hopper was the wife of Thomas LaRoy Hopper.

Rites were Tuesday in Yarbrough Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

A former receptionist for the hospital, she had retired after 29 years with the Sears Catalog Store in Ripley.

Mrs. Hopper was a member of the Faith United Methodist Church.

She leaves daughters, Sandra Pettit, of Memphis, and Judy Heffington, of Lawrenceburg; brothers, John Peyton, of Henning, and Clifford and Jack Peyton, of Covington; sisters, Mary Caldwell and Ruth Zabel, of Ripley, Bonnie Jackson, of Millington, and Sarah Elam, of Memphis; and four grandchildren.

Mrs. Griffin

Emogene Chaney Griffin, 91, of Gates, widow of James Fletcher "Billy" Griffin, died Friday in Jackson-Madison County General Hospital.

Rites will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Eureka First United Methodist Church, where she was a member and a member of Methodist Women, with burial there, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

She leaves sons, Dr. John Chaney Griffin, of Gates, and Eugene Perry Griffin, of Alamo; sister, Mary Frances Hurt, of Paducah, Ky., and Rachel White, of Titusville, Fla.; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

TN Tech Deadline For Scholarships

The scholarship deadline at Tennessee Tech University, at Cookeville, is Dec. 15th.

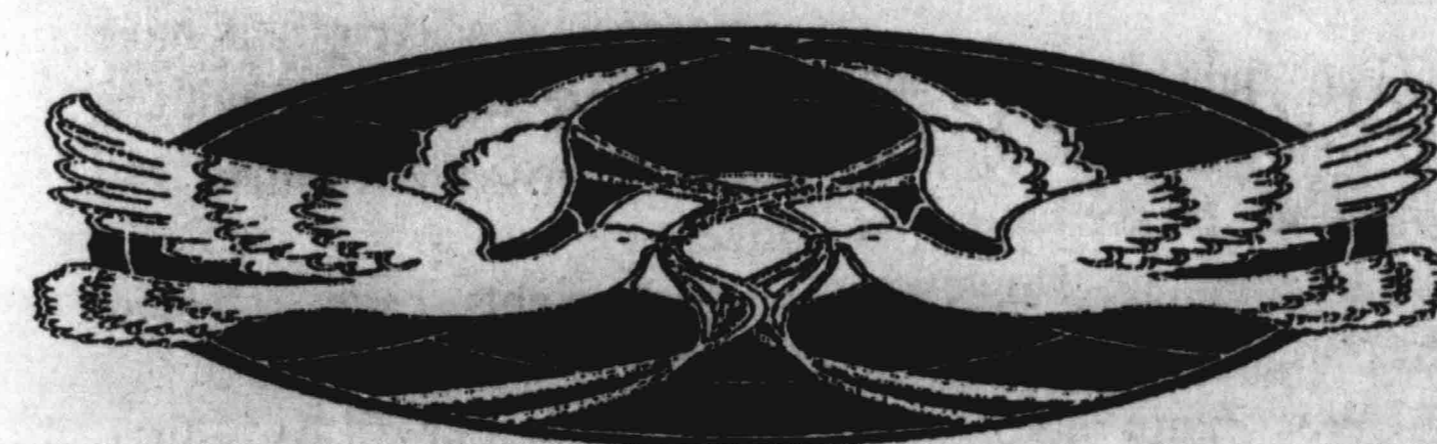
Scholarship materials include an admission application, scholarship form, and a departmental questionnaire for agriculture, chemistry/health sciences, computer science, engineering, human ecology, history and physics majors.

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Tennessee Tech's new centralized scholarship application process allows students to apply for all TTU scholarships by filling out one form, which may be completed online, or printed and mailed to the university.

The online application, forms and FAQs can be found at www.tntech.edu/scholarships.

For further information, call 931-372-6159, 800-255-8881, or e-mail scholarships@tntech.edu.



Church Happenings

The St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning will observe its pastor and wife "Love Day" Sun., Nov. 23rd to honor The Rev. and Mrs. William Jarrett. Clarence Ragsdale, of Jackson, will be the guest speaker at 11 a.m. and Dexter Moragne, pastor of St. Luke Baptist Church in Covington, guest speaker at 3 p.m. The public is invited.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church, at Poplar Grove, and Williams Chapel Baptist Church will hold their annual Thanksgiving service at 5 p.m. Sun., Nov. 23rd at Cumberland Presbyterian with The Rev. Jimmy Clay, pastor of Williams Chapel, delivering the message. Refreshments will be served following the service. The Rev. Fran Vickers, pastor of Cumberland, and The Rev. Clay invites the public.

Mrs. Donna Goforth will present the programs for the Monday night service at Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, 118 Halliburton St. The first Monday of each month will feature different groups or persons singing and Bible devotions. The second Monday will feature a talent night with regulars, Donna Goforth, Carolyn Midkiff, and Allan Cates plus others. The third Monday will feature Bro. Cecil Henson and his group. The fourth Monday will feature Cathy and Milton Jackson. The public is invited to attend and participate. Call Donna, 635-3296, for more information.

Rice Park Church of Christ, 131 Osborne St., Ripley, will hold its annual family and friends fellowship day at 10 a.m. Sun., Nov. 23rd with dinner served afterwards. The public is invited.

Gold City Quartet will hold a gospel concert at Smyrna Baptist Church, 16 Dollar Rd., Humboldt, at 7 p.m. Nov. 20th with free admission. The Father's Four and Under Grace will also perform. A suggested love offering is \$7. The gold City Quartet is the #1 all-male southern gospel quartet in the United States.

Please remember that these listings can only contain church revivals or gospel singings, etc. Church yard sales or flea markets cannot be included, if an ad is not purchased.

Send your church happenings to our office or call, 635-1771, to be included.

Tanner Visiting Iraq And Troops

U. S. Rep. John Tanner left Nov. 14th with a bipartisan delegation from the House of Representatives for on-the-ground briefings in Iraq, Jordan and Kuwait, and to visit with troops serving in the field.

The agenda includes meeting with Tennessee troops and Major General David Petraeus, commanding general of the 101st Airborne Division, based at Fort Campbell, part of the 8th Congressional District, currently represented by Tanner.

"The 101st Airborne Division is doing amazing work in that region, and so are thousands of other Tennesseans, who have bravely answered the call to duty," Tanner said. "Our National Guard members and reservists are making many sacrifices, as well, and are serving as honorably. I am anxious to hear their stories and get their insights and perspectives on how the war is developing."

The delegation also plans to meet with Ambassador Paul Bremer and tour construction sites in Iraq.

Where judgment has wit to express it, there's the best orator.

—William Penn

Toured Indian Mounds



MEMBERS of the Daughters of the American Revolution Fort Prudhomme Chapter toured the Pinson Indian Mounds after their meeting at Dumplin's in Jackson.

Pictured, from left, are Libba Burns, Mary Hellen Pugh, Marty Murphy, Jean Spence (Regent), Betty Warren and Janice Craig Koonce. Not pictured are Diane Maness, Liz Craft and Dean Harrison.

I should like to spend the whole of my life in traveling abroad, if I could anywhere borrow another life to spend afterwards at home.

—William Hazlitt

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Halls Essay Winners



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WINNERS in the Halls High School Veterans Day program essay contest include, from left, Allorie Smith, first place, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Smith, of Halls, Jason Washegesic, third place, son of Gerald and Deborah Washegesic, of Ripley, and Beth Sadler, second place, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Sadler, of Halls.

HHS WINNING ESSAYS

What is our American heritage? I have heard this question before and never really thought about it. The typical answers to this question are our flag, our wars, and our politics. To me it is the faces and stories of my fellow Americans. It is little Billy telling about his t-ball game. It is old Mr. Jones telling about his grandchildren at the café. We as Americans have freedoms that other countries do not possess. Really our American heritage is our everyday rights and responsibilities.

We have the right to religious freedom. I can go to school with everyone from Buddhists to Baptist and no one has to worry about whether or not we will be tortured or killed for our religion. Of course, I get the occasional Baptist joke from my Methodist friends but they are not threatening to put me in jail.

We have the right to choose what we want to do with our future. No one is telling me that I have to be a social worker or a teacher because my parents are. I can choose based on my own

talents regardless of the social status into which I was born.

We have the right to express our opinions. This is my favorite right much to the dismay of my mother. In countries, such as Afghanistan and Iraq, I would be denied the freedom of speech because I am fifteen and female. An example of one of my opinions is that there should be a chicken in every pot, a mule and forty acres, and every car should have four hubcaps. My father's vehicle provoked the latter opinion.

"With great power comes great responsibility," is a line from *Spiderman*. While our freedoms as Americans give us a lot of power they also give us many responsibilities to fulfill.

With religious freedom comes the responsibility to understand and respect the beliefs of others. We must not revert to verbal persecution of other religious groups or we become like those we are trying to fight.

With the freedom to choose our own future comes the responsibility to give it our all. We must be diligent enough to work hard enough to make our dreams realities. If we just give up then we have done nothing but prove our own lack of true patriotism.

With the freedom to express our opinion comes the responsibility to control our tongues. You can never take back what we say. There is always that scar on the soul of a man who you have wounded with your words.

So I have to say that to me our American heritage is like the enduring grease stain my car leaves. It reminds me that our country was built on the hard work and elbow grease of our forefathers. We would not have any of the freedoms I have listed without their sacrifices and struggles. It is our responsibility to never let that mark fade.

Allorie Smith,
First place

"No one tells us what to do anymore. For the first time, it is fair. If we don't like something, we can complain. For the first time, we have the right to complain!" The right to complain? Yes, I've heard it put that way many times, but only by an American. Not this time. This time, I heard it come straight from an Iraqi. He worked at a horse race, where the races had always been rigged. Saddam's horses always won. Hearing this story on the news made me look at the Iraq situation in a different light.

When I'd first heard about the war in Iraq, I thought it was a good idea. After all, why would anyone want an unscrupulous dictator telling them what to do? It shocked me to discover that not everyone appreciated America. After seeing the Iraqi jockey say what he thought, it made me realize that they had never had it any other way. They had never seen a fair horse race, nor had they been able to complain about it before. The Iraqi's who dislike us do so, because they've never known freedom. The only thing they've ever seen is oppression. They're like a bird that was born into captivity. When you give it the chance to fly free, it can't, because it doesn't know how.

American heritage is more than just genealogy. It is a patriotic feeling that comes from knowing who you were, who you are, and more importantly, who you can become. All Americans have the same heritage. We all have inalienable

rights. The right to vote, the right to bear arms, the right to live where we please, and yes, the right to complain. However, with these rights comes responsibility. We cannot take these freedoms lightly, nor must we overuse them. For in doing so, we mar the rights that our forefathers fought so hard to gain. We need to be more informed before exercising our freedom of speech. We need to be careful how we use our right to bear arms. We need to be involved in choosing our leaders, so that these rights might be protected for future generations. Yes, we have the right to complain, but it is not a right we need to take for granted.

I am reminded of an old lady who makes her home in the park across from the White House. For the past twenty years, she has sat there to protest nuclear war, leaving only to bathe once a month. While in Washington D.C., I sat and watched as she handed fliers to visitors and couldn't help but think, "The only reason she is allowed to protest the government is because of the government." The irony of it made me laugh. Sometimes we take our freedoms for granted. If we lived in another country, we would have to accept the government and its policies without question. But *this* we could never do! America has its own heritage that is a history of never accepting the ordinary-but reaching for the extraordinary!

Beth Sadler
Second place

My American Heritage is my tribe-Chippewa Ottawa (Pocahontas), the Native Americans who saw the building of our great country. My tribe helped the early pilgrims survive the harsh winters and taught them how to prosper in the spring and summer. And though my tribe has suffered several bad turns, we have remained ever faithful to our country and our title of Native Americans.

The rights that we all should be thankful to have been given to by our forefathers of our country and the veterans who have defended those rights; rights that other countries envy and hate us for, but also make us united and strong. Allowing

Jason Washegesic
Third place

us to succeed where others have failed, and filling us with a sense of accomplishment and pride.

Such rights have affected, not just me, but everyone in this wonderful country. Like allowing us to voice our opinions and be heard, has created many of the wonderful amendments to our constitution that allow our country to be an example to all other countries and gives us the opportunity to put that example out to help those countries who are suffering. This leads me to our right to choose our own career to help further ourselves in our militant, scientific, medical, educational, and financial dominance that allows our country to stand as the world's most powerful country.

But with great power comes great responsibility. Our country has become a great target, and the morals are at risk from those who wish to destroy us. This leads to our country's sense of patriotism. As my teacher has said, "Patriotism is Integrity." I believe that this applies to the majority of my family, from the four uncles and a cousin in the Army, two uncles in the Air Force, and a grandfather that was in the Merchant Marines. From World War I to the Vietnam War (and the loss of two uncles in Korea as prisoners of war), my family has and is risking life and limb to further our countries freedom.

Freedom that our country shows in its various cultures that is as varied as its landscapes. From flat plains to jagged mountains, from deep forests to boundless deserts, our country always has variety, unlike many countries that are easily explored within a few days. Every aspect has an equal place in our heritage, boundless courage and curiosity, indomitable hope, and fathomless compassion that still always finds ways of surprising us.

Yet, what isn't surprising is that we all take this responsibility to protect our country and better it for our children, as our ancestors have done so for us. Our pride should unite us all, as my tribe has united with the early pilgrims, and allow us to strive forward toward the future, through the hardships at hand, and obstacles yet to come.

Land Transfers National Family Week Coming Up

Nov. 7 - Jeffrey D. Ray and Janet Ray to Exequiel Rubio and Tina Rubio, Dist. 3, lot.

Johnny F. Glenn to Donald Dyson and Shirley Dyson, Dist. 7, 2.133 acres.

Nov. 10 - C. O. Viar, Virginia Viar Austin, Montine V. Robertson, Ann Walker Young, Rebecca Wood Grimes, Judith Carolyn Viar, and Lon R. Viar III Testamentary Trust to Charles Tom Hammond, Jr. and Clair B. Hammond, Dist. 8/12, 207.6 acres.

Samuel C. Lee and Dorothy M. Lee to Paula Y. Boger, Dist. 2, lot.

J. T. Nelson to Rodney Nelson, Nieson Nelson, Patrice Nelson, Louis Nelson, Byron Simmons, Denise Reddin, Elizabeth Reddin, Mark Reddin, Derrick Reddin, Darrell Reddin, Joseph Reddin, Zipporah Nelson, and Joshua Nelson, Dist. 10, 23-48/160 acres.

Louise Crowder to Martin Crowder and Angie Crowder, Dist. 5, 3 tracts.

David A. Williams, Guilford J. Williams III, and Kenneth Parham to Daniel Hendrix and Brandy Hendrix, Dist. 6, 7.266 acres.

Marsha Staben and Warren Staben to Chris Carter, Dist. 16, 0.25 acres.

Nov. 12 - Billie Sherrill Reynolds to Thomas Frank Cherry, Dist. 3, 2 parcels.

Big Hatchie Baptist Association Inc. to Forerunner Baptist Church, Inc., Dist. 2, 3 tracts.

Manson Younger and Betty Younger to William E. Mooney and Judy G. Mooney, Dist. 2, lot.

Nov. 13 - Jo Cathy Hatt and Cathy Bentley to George Bentley and Heather Nicole James, Dist. 8, 1.0 acres.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company to Jim Simmons, Dist. 15, lot.

The Harriet W. Mills Revocable Trust and Harriet

Concord Locals Expansion Funds For Local Refuges

By Mrs. Louise Fennel

For more than 30 years, National Family Week is held the week of Thanksgiving, providing everyone with opportunities to honor the connections that support and strengthen families.

This year's theme is Connections Count. Efforts are being coordinated nationwide by the Alliance for Children and Families, an organization of hundreds of nonprofit organizations dedicated to strengthening and serving children, families and communities.

Some easy ways to celebrate include writing a letter to thank someone who has made a difference for your family; discovering new ways to spend quality time together, perhaps by volunteering; holding a family supper with neighbors or with families of your children's friends; getting involved with an issue in the community that's important to your family; or visiting a local community center to learn about the family activities it offers.

For further information on how you or your group or organization can help, contact Christene Anderson, extension agent, Lauderdale County, 731-635-3101, or e-mail csanderson@utk.edu.

CCA HONOR ROLL

Students named to the honor roll at Christ Classical Academy in Dyersburg include, first grade, all As, Ashton Ayers, Morgan Martin, and Nolen Mooney; second grade, Hannah Manning, Caroline Mills, Curtis Pennington, and Luke Wilson; third grade, Brantley English and Brooklyn Simpson; fourth grade, John Curry Burks, Andrew Manning, and Michele

W. Mills, trustee, to Harriet W. Mills and Terry Mills, Dist. 2, tract.

FOSTER PARENTS

A information training meeting for foster parents is set for 5:30 p.m., Mon., Nov. 24th, at Youth Villages Dyersburg office, located at 1365 Flowering Dogwood Lane.

Foster parents receive free training, on-going support, and up to \$18,000 tax-free annual reimbursement.

For further information and requirements, call Lisa Parker, 731-288-4619, or email Lisa.Parker@youthvillages.org.

Wilson; and sixth grade, Mallory Martin, and Aaron Morris.

A and B honor roll includes, first grade, Kaylan Vanfrederburg; third grade, Stephanie Morris, Lauren Martin, and Taylor Martin; fourth grade, Michael Ray, Hunter Talley, and Hollie Wilson; fifth grade, Peyton English; and sixth grade, Justin Olds.

Perfect attendance includes, kindergarten, Hannah Morris and Megan Olds; first grade, Morgan Martin and Nolen Mooney; second grade, Caroline Mills; third grade, Brantley English and Lauren Martin; fourth grade, John Curry Burks, Andrew Manning, Michael Ray, Hunter Talley, and Hollie Wilson; fifth grade, Peyton English; and sixth grade, Mallory Martin and Aaron Morris.

To obtain further information, contact Greg Mathenia or Jean Smith at the Farm Service Agency, located at 301 Lake Drive in Ripley.

GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL

The deadline for junior and senior high school students to apply for the 2nd annual Governor's School for Information Technology at Tennessee Tech University, at Cookeville, is Fri., Dec. 19th.

Curriculum for the TTU Governor's School requires groups of participants to develop a business for an information technology related product or service, then identify its target market, design a marketing plan, determine the company budget and develop the needed technology to support the company.

"It's our vision that some of these groups will eventually turn the plans created at the Governor's School here into viable, profitable businesses," said Curtis Armstrong, director of the Governor's School and associate professor of decision sciences and management at TTU. "This program is really a launching point for future entrepreneurial careers."

Approximately 40 participants for the TTU program will be selected from the pool of applicants nominated by high school guidance counselors and teachers, and all applicants are expected to be in the top 10 percent of their classes.

Other criteria require applicants to be mature, curious and inquisitive, with an ability to analyze and learn rapidly, and even have a sense of humor.

The Governor's School provides full scholarships to cover tuition, housing, meals and activities for the participants.

Learning is either a continuing thing or it is nothing.

If you command wisely, you'll be obeyed cheerfully.

—Frank Tyger
—Thomas Fuller

Lions Knock USJ From Play-Offs

University School of Jackson, whose Bruins dropped the Halls Tigers from the first round of the state play-offs, 21-7, bowed last Friday to Jackson's Trinity Christian Academy, 14-12.

On the turf where the Bruins battered them, 75-0, two years ago, the Lions led all the way to their first ever victory over USJ, closing USJ's season at 6-6, equaling its worst since 1989.

On the game's third play, Lion senior Daniel Johnson (6-3, 190) took a slant pass from Andrew Simmons for 67 yards and a 6-0 lead.

Later in the first quarter, TCA recovered a Bruin fumble on the Lion's three.

With 16 seconds in the half, the Bruins' freshman quarterback, Josh Liles, hit Will Dement for a 12-yard tally, but the snap for conversion was dropped, closing the half at 6-6.

Mid-way through the final period, the Lions recovered a fumble on their 36. Seven plays later, Simmons hit Johnson in stride for 34 yards to the Bruin one. Simmons took it into pay dirt to make the Lion lead 14-6.

With 2:16 left, Bruin junior John Pappis (5-11, 175), who had 151 yards rushing, scored from the one, but a motion penalty backed the conversion try to the eight.

A Lion line-backer, senior Tom Harper, tackled Bruin junior William Wallace (5-9, 175) on the four.

Simmons linked four of 12 passes for 126 yards.

The Bruins played with four starters and their top two quarterbacks out of action, due to injuries.

TCA (8-4) plays Friday at Fayette Academy (9-3).

Other 1A quarter-finals: Christian Academy, Knoxville (7-5) at Greenback (9-3).

South Pittsburg (10-1) at Boyd Buchanan, of Chattanooga (9-2).

Ezell Harding, of Antioch (9-3) at Donelson Christian Academy, Nashville, (11-1).

Birthdays

Nov. 20 - Vicky Studard, Linda Jackson, Rachel Ammons, Ruth Griggs, Barry McWilliams, Michele Burks, Tara Hendren, Carolyn Nichols, Brandon Smith, Barry Farley.

Nov. 21 - Logan Agee, Josh Parham, Albert A. Thornton, David Watts, Scott Johnson, Cynthia Shoemaker, Carolyn Moore.

Nov. 22 - Gene Rose, Dana Thurmond, Alexys Brim, Fred Montgomery, Jessica Hilliard, Mary Lee Bales, LeAnne Hewes, Daisy Walker, William Stuart Hendrix, Peggy Reynolds, Brittany Schneider, Charli Henry, Clara Oswald.

Nov. 23 - Blake Conrad, Floyd Akin, Carly Sanders Paris, Sharon Bowman, Ginger Parham, Jon Hassell, Rickey Thompson, Rashad Durham, Elizabeth Morris, Billie R. Morris, Angela Tims, Ginger Parham, Clara Holmes, Maxine Hooper.

Nov. 24 - Heather Gitchell, Heath Hughes, Brent Lankford, Mike Chisholm, Brian Vaughn, Melinda Meeks, Tiffany Chipman, Sue Hume, Kathryn Anderson, Brandy Clark.

Nov. 25 - Stacy Watson Myracle, Bobby Prescott, Vicki

Readers Speak

Editor,

The World War II Veterans' Museum in Halls is a meaningful and moving tribute to all men and women who served this country during WW II. Apparently, some members of the Halls Board of Aldermen have forgotten about these soldiers who fought for freedom. The freedom they have to serve

Rose, James Hawks, Kyle Terry, Melinda Dionicio, Elizabeth Webb, Martha Dawson Taylor, Dan Douglas, Catherine Forsythe, Anna Morris.

Nov. 26 - Steve Bringle, Lynda Buffaloe, Carey Ray Ward, Paul Avery, Jr., Mike Carmack, Donnie York, Kristy Kidd, Bonnie Arwood, Melinda Meeks.

on this Board was because of the men and women who served their country in past and present wars. The Veterans' Museum requested extra space for an addition to the museum. The air base has plenty of space. In a 6 to 2 vote, the Halls Board of Aldermen voted against giving the museum any extra unused space. This action shocks those of us who served our country proudly! The Town of Halls should be proud to have this museum in its town. I can recall lying in my bunk and hearing grown men cry because they were scared or homesick, or both. Most of these soldiers had never been out of their home state, but now found themselves fighting in a foreign country for our freedom and the freedom of generations to come. We, as veterans, think that the preservation of America's history should be given a little more thought and respect. The Veterans' Museum is a part of history that we can pass on to future Americans. Let us pray that as time goes by, we never forget the men and women who served our country and many who paid the ultimate price for the freedom we all enjoy today. I, along with other veterans, strongly urge the Halls Board of Aldermen to reconsider their decision and help keep our history alive. May God bless America.

Nelson Young
WW II Veteran

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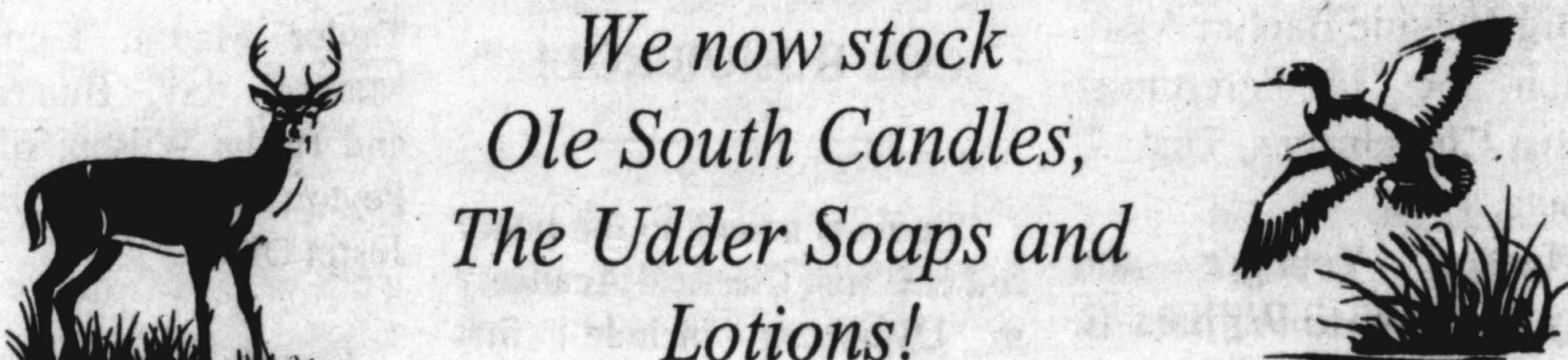
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Thanksgiving

Halls High Miss Merry Christmas



SALLY RAE HARTMAN, center, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bubba Hartman, was crowned Miss Merry Christmas Queen Thurs., Nov. 13th. The event was sponsored by the Halls High School Student Council. Her court includes, from left, Jessica Benjamin, Miss Congeniality, daughter of Stephanie and Joe Arthur and Jody and Sandy Benjamin; Jennifer Buntin, third maid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Buntin; Brooke Barnes, first maid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barnes; and Derrica Simmons, second maid, daughter of Mrs. Wanda Johnson.

SCHOLARSHIP

The University of Memphis is accepting scholarship applications for the Lazure Scholarship from any Lauderdale County high school graduate.

Applications are available from high school counselors and must be received by the University's scholarship office by Mar. 1, 2004.

Applicants must have at least a B average and be active in their academic and community environments.

The scholarship was established by U of M alumna, Deborah Lazure Talbot, in honor of her father, Richard Lazure, to benefit students from Lauderdale County.

For further information call Becky McCoy, scholarship coordinator, at 901-678-4438, or the scholarship office, at 901-678-3213.

Relay For Life's Captains To Meet

Relay for Life team captains will hold their next meeting at 5 p.m. Dec. 1st at the Tennessee Technology Center. Anyone interested in being a part of this year's relay and helping in the fight against cancer is urged to attend. The 2004 Relay for Life is scheduled for May 14th. For more information, call Keith Klutz at 738-5005.

CANCER MEMORIALS

The American Cancer Society "Love Lights A Tree" donations include:

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In memory of Sylvia Diggs by Rose Love Hoffman and Bettie Smith.

In honor of Mrs. Reid (Cordelia) Dunavant, Mrs. Winston (Emily) Chapman Gaffron, and Annie Laura

Elected



WILL BIRD, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Bird, of Halls, was elected vice-president of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at University of Tennessee at Martin Nov. 16th.

The Alpha Tau Omega fraternity was founded in 1865 at Richmond, Vir., based on leadership and community service. The Zeta Pi chapter of A.T.O. at UT Martin, currently raises over \$60,000 per year for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and volunteers over 2,000 hours of community service per semester.

A 2001 graduate of Halls High School, Will is a sophomore at UT Martin, where he is majoring in agricultural education.

Jennings by Bettie and Lowell Tillman, Sr.

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Donations, \$5, can be made to Annie Laura Jennings in the Register's Office at the Lauderdale County Courthouse. For each donation a light on the Christmas tree on the courthouse lawn will be turned on.

Fatal Injuries In Cycle Crash

Richard Kent "Butch" Lee, 55, of Halls, truck driver, was pronounced dead Sunday at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale after a motorcycle accident on Espy Park Road, near Halls.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Herrin City Cemetery, in Herrin, Ill., Halls Funeral Home in charge.

Survivors include two sons, Todd Lee and Ryan Lee, of Halls; Kara Lee, of Alamo; one sister, Beverly Tackett, of Georgetown, Tex.; and two grandchildren.

Halls Resident Faces Charges

Steven D. Henderson, 20, of Halls, was arrested on charges of vehicular assault and aggravated assault on Curtis Rucker according to Joe Pursell, Halls Chief of Police. Henderson allegedly shot Rucker then hit him with the vehicle belonging to Rucker. Henderson was also charged with unlawful possession of a firearm. More warrants are pending.

BALLOT DEADLINE

Monday, Dec. 1st, is the last day to return voted ballots in person, or post-marked, for the Lauderdale County FSA committee election, for local administrative area (LAA) No. 2 (area D, E, F and K), which is the same as civil districts 1, 3, 5 and 6.

For further information, contact the Farm Service Agency, 301 Lake Dr., Ripley, or call 731-635-7686.

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DEFICITS CONTINUE

The United States spent \$69.5 billion more in October than it brought in through revenues, according to U.S. Rep. John Tanner.

In fiscal year 2003, which ended in September, the federal government piled on a record \$374 billion deficit, pushing the overall national debt close to \$7 trillion.

"I hoped that Congressional leaders and the Administration would have

learned after last year's disastrous budget choices that it is time to reverse the trend and get back on path toward a balanced budget," Tanner said. "Instead, they have continued growing government expenditures beyond the amount of money that is coming in to pay for it."

Tanner, representing Tennessee's 8th Congressional District, serves on the House Ways and Means Committee, and is a founding member of the Blue Dog Coalition, a group of fiscally conservative House Democrats, who call for a balanced budget.

His web site, www.house.gov/tanner, features information about the national debt, including a real-time calculator that shows the growth of the national debt and what it means for taxpayers.



The title of the classic Disney film *Fantasia* (1940) means "a free [musical] composition structured according to the composer's fancy."

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With Thanksgiving Comes Dressing

With the holidays upon us and the Halloween jack-o-lantern drying up on the front porch, our thoughts are now turning to a time of wonderment. We each are thinking of good memories of family, our many blessings in life, home-cooked fattening foods and most of all, how we can combine all of these wonderful experiences into one jam packed day called Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving used to be very important to me as a child, because I knew as soon as it was over Christmas was just around the corner. However, today children do not have the same understanding of Thanksgiving as I did due to our current society's commercialization of the holiday period.

Beginning after the fourth of July celebrations you can order the four CD Christmas Holidays Traditional Music collection over the TV. If that is not bad enough for pushing the season, you can select your favorite genuine artificial Christmas tree at Wally World in the next aisle over from school supplies around the first of September.

For some reason Thanksgiving is getting pushed out of the way as a day of thankfulness and is now just becoming part of the countdown period for shop-

pers to hit the malls. Everyone knows that the day after Thanksgiving has become the official unofficial day to blow your life savings. Multitudes of people go out and buy things they don't need or really want in the first place for other people who wished they had gotten them something else.

However, I feel we need to re-examine what Thanksgiving is all about. It is a time to give thanks for our many blessings and our country as a whole, has been well blessed. Thanksgiving is a time to share those blessings and thank the God above for the families we have and the hopes we have for the future.

Yes, we are seeing some tough times right now with the war in Iraq and individual problems of all types, but what generation has not had its own share of troubles. Instead of dwelling on the negatives, we need to use this one special day of the year to put more prayer on as many positives as we can.

One of our greatest blessings as Americans is the abundance we have in this country. As families gather around their dining room table this Thanksgiving, many will enjoy a safe and affordable bounty of food products. Nowhere else in the world will be found like what will be exhibited on tables across this country. From the turkey to the pumpkin pie, to the cranberry sauce to the dressing, America's citizenry will enjoy

a day of eating like no other.

I am sure many of you noticed I used the term "dressing" in the last sentence. For those of you who do not know what dressing is, let me translate. In the South stuffing is called dressing and in the North dressing is called stuffing. Since this is my column and my Thanksgiving pondering, I will use the term dressing because I am from the South and the term stuffing is not very appealing to those of us south of the Mason Dixon Line.

To me stuffing is something you would find in a couch or a previously live animal that now hangs on the wall. Dressing is made from a mixture of cornbread and other great tasting items that no one can put together like my mother or wife. That is another thing to be thankful for on this special holiday. No matter where you live or what you call it, you have the freedom to do so without any problem or fear.

The Pilgrims started it all, as all of us know the origin of the day, but as reported on wilstar.com it was Sarah Josepha Hale, a magazine editor, whose efforts eventually led to what we recognize as Thanksgiving. Hale wrote many editorials for her cause in her Boston Ladies' Magazine, and later, in Godey's Lady's Book. Finally, after 40 years of writing editorials and letters to governors and presidents, in 1863, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November as a national day of Thanksgiving. The proclamation was made after Lincoln

Anniversaries Marriages

Nov. 27 - Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Forsythe, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Danley, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Feakins, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Benjamin.
Nov. 28 - Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Crook, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ward.
Nov. 29 - Mr. and Mrs. Coy Cribfield, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Poyner.
Nov. 30 - Mr. and Mrs. Jerold Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gaines.
Dec. 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Bobby O. Thurmond, Sr.
Dec. 2 - Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McLemore, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney McBroom.

Nov. 9 - Perry Lane Max, 42, to JoAnn Paris, 33, by Mark Fisher.
Nov. 14 - Eric Wayne Buckner, 20, to Lacisha Marie Elrod, 18, by William T. Welch, Jr.
Nov. 15 - James Stephenson Pugh II, 23, to Leah Nicole Heator, 20, by Hirie Schaffner.
Nov. 19 - Scott Alan Marino, 36, to Teresa Ann Turner, 47, by Ken Zelter.
Nov. 21 - Basil Byron Gordon, 58, to Fletha Louise Shepard, 72, by Janice C. Craig.
Nov. 22 - Frederico Marquette Brown, 27, to Markida Sharee Green, 25, by David B. Miller.

delivered his famous Gettysburg Address on November 19, 1863, as a way and a hope to heal a nation at war.

The date was changed a couple of times, but in 1941, Thanksgiving was finally sanctioned by Congress as a legal holiday on the fourth Thursday in November.

Let's take advantage of this day and give thanks for what we have. The malls can wait, but the thanks we give to the One who created it all comes first. He should not be left to have to sit at the second-table.

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Obituaries

W. E. DeLoach

William Edward DeLoach, 79, brother of Marshall DeLoach, of 128 Thompson Drive, Ripley, died Tuesday of last week in Maplewood Healthcare Center in Jackson.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Lawrence-Sorenson Funeral Home in Jackson, with burial in Rose Hill Cemetery in Humboldt.

Retired from Jackson Wood Products, he was a member of Beech Bluff Baptist Church and of the Beech Bluff Ruritan Club.

He was the widower of Lillian Sue DeLoach. Other survivors include a son, Max, of Medon; daughters, Dale Bailey and Irene Stanford, of Cedar Grove, and Rebecca Bryan, of Collierville; other brothers, Harold, of Humboldt, and Harris, of Jackson; a sister, Linda Taylor, of Pinson; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Mary Tucker

Mary Aline Tucker, 93, widow of Chester Tucker, died Saturday in her home at 605 Circle Drive, Halls.

Rites were Tuesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Halls Cemetery.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Halls.

She leaves a daughter, Jessie T. Vaden, of Halls, and a sister, Louise Palmer, of Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. Vowell

Willie Lee Vowell, 87, of Halls, widow of Lester Franklin Vowell, died Thursday of last week, in her home.

Rites were held Sunday in Westside Baptist Church, where she was a member, with burial in Green Hill Memorial Gardens, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

She leaves a son, Darrell, of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; a daughter, Sue Williams, of Cullman, Ala.; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Mrs. Coley

Elizabeth Coley, 80, of Covington, mother of Troy Michael Coley, of 330 Dr. Lewis Road, Ripley, died Friday, in her home.

Rites were Monday in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in Munford Cemetery in Covington.

She was a member of Harvest Central Assembly of God.

She was the widow of Troy W. "Billy" Coley.

Other survivors include a daughter, Sherry Chumley, of Covington; brothers, Dennis Hanks, of Brighton, and J. C. Hanks, of Byhalia, Miss.; sisters, Carolyn Tankersley and Katherine Smith, of Covington, Ruth Belote, of Brighton, Frances Stegemoller, of Lebanon, Ohio, Geraldine Totsch, of Coshocton, Ohio, and Juanita Stafford, of Jackson, Miss.; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Jean Haaga

Jean Haaga, 81, widow of Hubert Haaga, died Saturday in St. Francis Nursing Home in Memphis.

She was buried Monday in Halls Cemetery, after services in Forest Hill Funeral Home East in Memphis.

Formerly of Blytheville, Ark., she had been employed by Union Planters Bank.

A graduate of Central High School in Memphis, she attended Southwestern at Memphis. She was a member of Kappa Delta.

She was a former member of Collierville's First Baptist Church.

She leaves sons, Rayford, of Memphis, and Bert, of Africa; a sister, Mary Ann Davidson, of Memphis; and six grandchildren.

Mrs. Pittman

Dorothy Thurmond Pittman, 80, former assistant cashier at the Bank of Halls, died Saturday in the Memphis Jewish Home.

Rites were Wednesday in Memphis Funeral Home Poplar Chapel, with burial in Halls Cemetery.

She was a member of St. John's United Methodist Church.

Widow of A. D. Pittman, she leaves a sister, Jean Hardin, of Memphis.

Len Poe

Len Poe, 82, of Covington, father of Len, Jr., and Demetria Smith, of Ripley, died Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital Tipton.

Rites were Wednesday in St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church in Tipton County, with burial in Townsend Cemetery, Barlow Funeral Home in charge.

He was the widower of Emma J. Poe.

Survivors include other sons, Aaron, E.V., Elliott, J. B., Jonathan, and Vontay Poe, and Tederick Smith, of Covington, and Alvin Mitchell, of Detroit, Mich.; other daughters, Deanna Poe and Pamela Simpson, of Covington, and Lillian Ann Dyson, of St. Louis, Mo.; sisters, Bessie Aldridge and Massie Mosley, of Mound Bayou, Miss.; 12 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

C. W. Prince

Charles Wray Prince, 63, of 51 Sunset Drive, Ripley, died Friday in Ripley.

Rites were held Tuesday in McEvoy Funeral Home in Paris, with burial in Caledonia Baptist Church Cemetery at McKenzie.

A Navy veteran, he had been a correction officer for eight years.

He was a Baptist.

He leaves sons, Kevin Wray Prince, of Ripley, Mark, of Springfield, and Ernest and Jamie, of Mayfield, Ky.; a daughter, Cynthia Price, of Mayfield; sisters, Evelyn White, of Smyrna, Joyce Hale, of Parker's Crossroads, Rachael Bowden and Virginia Cherry, of Paris, and Sue Todd, of Clarksburg; and 10 grandchildren.

W. A. Newton

William A. Newton, 78, of Dyersburg, father of Arthur L. Newton, of Ripley, died Sunday, in his home.

Rites were Tuesday in Curry & Son Funeral Home, with burial in Fairview Cemetery.

He was a member of Halls First Assembly of God.

Other survivors include his wife, Margie; another son, Kevin, and a daughter, Peggy Rogers, of Dyersburg; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Kathy Cage

Kathy Yvonne Read Cage, 40, of Henning, homemaker, died November 17th at Baptist Hospital Tipton.

Services were at 3 p.m. Saturday at New Hope C.M.E. Baptist Church, in Henning, where she was a member, with burial in the church cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include her husband, Golden Cage, of Memphis; four daughters, Breunda Read, Jerica Read and Precious Read, all of Henning, and Shneeka Read, of Memphis; her parents, Everlue Read, of Henning, and Carnell Read, Sr., of Knob Nuster, Mo.; four brothers, Kenneth Read, of Henning, Carnell Read, Jr., of Halls, Kelvin Read, of Memphis, and Tyrone Read, of Knob Noster; three sisters, Cassandra Read and Cynthia Read, of Ripley, and Angela Lewis, of Halls; and one grandchild.

Mary Slayton

Mary Slayton, 89, died Thursday of last week in Lauderdale Community Living Center.

Rites were Wednesday in Currie's Funeral Home in Henning, with burial in Mary's Chapel Cemetery.

Divorces

Richard Lee Hubbard, Jr. vs. Robin Christine Hubbard.

Clarence Edward Keeley vs. Julia Keeley.

Jeremy Dunavant Ray vs. Marcy Jane Ray.

John Robert Stout, Jr. vs. Stacie Jo Stout.

John William Yarbrough vs. Mindy R. Yarbrough.

Monica White Mueller vs. David Edmond Mueller.

Michael LeRoy Montague vs. Melissa Raye Montague.

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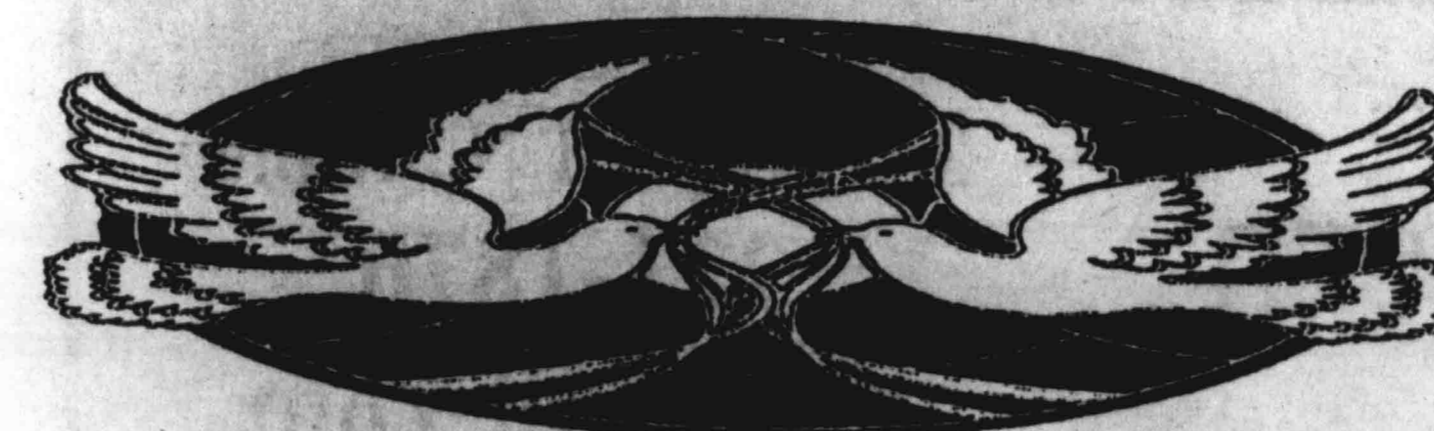
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Church Happenings

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, off Hwy. 88 between Gates and Maury City, in the Frog Jump community, will hold its annual Thanksgiving singing at 7 p.m. Sat., Nov. 29th featuring the Finchers and the Frog Jump Gospel Quartet. A pot luck supper will be held at 5:30 p.m. A love offering will be accepted.

A Thanksgiving musical will be presented by Gospel Divine and SouthernAires at 6 p.m. Sat., Nov. 29th at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 370 Poplar Grove Rd., Henning. Special guests will include Redeemer, of Ripley; Spiritual Trumpets, of Eads; St. Luke MBC Male Chorus, of Brownsville; Jeremiah and Gospels, of Memphis; Antoich Curve Male Chorus, of Gates; New SouthernAires, of Dyersburg; New Heavenly Voices, of Hayti, Mo.; The Rev. Dye and the Sensational Gospel Singers, Sam Scott, of Pure N Heart Travelers, of Detroit, Mich.; and many other choirs and quartets. The Rev. Willie Dyson, pastor, invites the public. For further information, call Donna McClish, 731-635-7768, or Joanne Carter, 731-635-4679.

Mrs. Donna Goforth will present the programs for the Monday night service at Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, 118 Halliburton St. The first Monday of each month will feature different groups or persons singing and Bible devotions. The second Monday will feature a talent night with regulars, Donna Goforth, Carolyn Midkiff, and Allan Cates plus others. The third Monday will feature Bro. Cecil Henson and his group. The fourth Monday will feature Cathy and Milton Jackson. The public is invited to attend and participate. Call Donna, 635-3296, for more information.

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MEDICARE CHANGES

Medicare changes leave many Tennesseans behind, according to U.S. Rep. John Tanner.

The U.S. House of Representatives overlooked the needs of seniors, especially in rural areas, and agreed to a plan that would undermine the traditional Medicare program and do nothing to address the ever-increasing costs of prescription drugs, Tanner said.

Recognizing the challenges facing Tennessee health care providers with inadequate reimbursements, Tanner sponsored legislation H.R. 3539, to help them

continue delivering quality care to the nation's seniors. Even though rural providers serve a higher percentage of Medicare beneficiaries, for years they have faced an unfair system that reimburses rural providers less than their urban counterparts for the same procedures.

"I have worked on these rural issues for many years," Tanner said. "I am very disappointed that these provisions were attached to a bill that would create another inequity for those living in rural America."

Tanner represents Tennessee's 8th Congressional District and serves on the House Ways and Means Committee.

Ada Nixon Book Club Has Meeting

The Ada Nixon Book Club met November 12th in the home of Mrs. Rufus Morris. Eighteen members were present.

Mrs. Morris served pumpkin cake roll, crackers, nuts and hot cranberry tea.

Mrs. Carolyn Pilcher, president, called the meeting to order and presided over the business meeting.

Mrs. Tom Morris presented a Thanksgiving program.

Books were exchanged and the meeting adjourned to meet in December at Charlene's Tea Room.

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Conservation Board



MEMBERS, of the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors, are celebrating 62 years of providing assistance to landowners in Lauderdale County to combat erosion.

Pictured, from left, are Talmage Carihfield, Jr., Vernon McBride, III, chairman, Dennis Lee, Bill Parker, vice-chairman, and George Meadows, secretary-treasurer.

In the fall of 1939, several landowners attended a field day in West Tennessee that provided information on how local counties could organize and petition the State of Tennessee to organize soil conservation districts in each county.

County landowners filed a petition to organize a soil conservation district in March of 1940. The State of Tennessee formerly created the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District as a legal subdivision of State government in Feb. of 1941.

Each district would be governed by a board of supervisors, with responsibilities of developing a conservation program to combat soil erosion. One of the first goals was to promote seeding of *Sericca lespedeza*.

The first board of supervisors included J. F. Crutcher, A. K. Currie, J. Clyde Johnston, J. E. Dunavant and I. A. Keller.

Today, the Soil Conservation District still works to partner with federal, state and local agencies and groups that can help

local landowners to achieve maximum production from the land, while working to eliminate serious erosion problems.

The commitment by the Board insures that landowners are able to utilize the land today, while protecting it for use by future generations.

DENTAL NEWS

Over the next two years, Delta Dental Plan of Tennessee will distribute approximately 1,200 Teeth-on-the-Go kits to all Tennessee elementary schools, designed for children in grades one and two.

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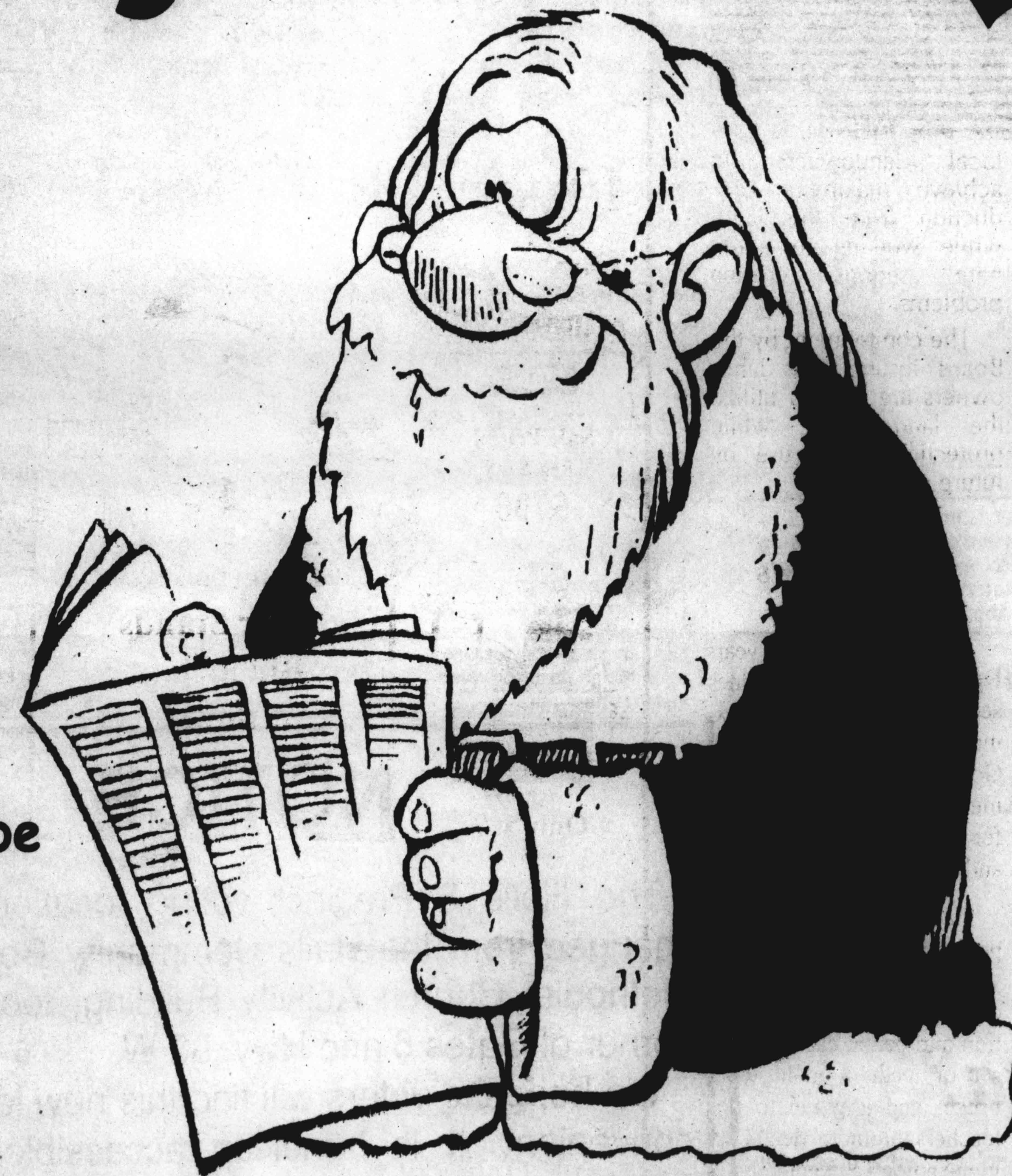
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Nov. 28 - Johnie Ford, Jr., Laura Clark, Billy White, Jean Webb, Brenda Ewing, Seth Deaton, Jeff McWilliams, John Sammons, Paul Wayne Newman, Vivian Bernard, Heidi Murley, Lucian Herron, Matthew White.

Nov. 29 - Frances Johnson, Bethanie Tryston Buckner, J. C. Wakefield, Jr., David Sanders, Dan Ward, Gary Wooster, Brian Nolen, Janie Pridmore, Luann Harris, Randy Ward, Steve Cubine, Jaxson Woodard, Anna Judkins, Jasmine Wilkes.

Nov. 30 - Vera Coop, Kristina Jennings, Johnny Land, Josh Scott, Mike Roberson, Pam Winters, Hillary Steelman,

Jameson Smith, Debbie Conti Brown, Lesley Olds, Pat Rose.

Dec. 1 - Debbie Tutor, Mary Elder, Pauline Dunaway, Meagan Harrison, Maddison Stanley, Emmanuel Moses, Jr.

Dec. 2 - Danny Beaird, Marilyn Craig, Luke Studard, Jeff Durham, J. W. Pipkin, Leah Simpson, Tony Wyrick, Barbara Chapman, Evelyn Vaden, Mary Lee Kingery.

Dec. 3 - Josh Hughes, James Hall, Beth Buckner, Pat Coffey, Muriel Sandlin, Bill Woodley, Hilda Sanders, Tamara Wright, Kris Allen, Hugh Lewis Brown, Russell Reviere, Susan Johnson.



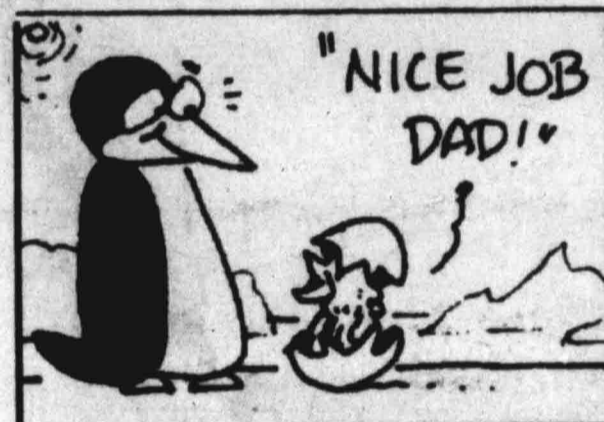
Former president Dwight D. Eisenhower is said to have once worked sanding carousel horses at a factory located near his home in Abilene, Kansas.

Halls Grid Foe In Semi-Finals

Fayette Academy, winner over Halls, 39-26, in Week 5 of regular season play, led Jackson's Trinity Christian Academy 34-0 at the half, last week, and won, 48-14, to gain the 1-A state play-off semi-finals, for the first time in the school's history.

FA (10-3) plays Friday at Donelson Christian Academy (11-1), which won last week from Ezell-Harding Christian School, of Antioch, 28-21.

The other 1-A semi-finalists are Chattanooga's Boyd-Buchanan (10-2), winner last week from South Pittsburg, 20-7, at Christian Academy of Knoxville (8-5), winner last week from Greenback, 14-12.



Among emperor penguins, it is the male bird which hatches the eggs.

Land Transfers

Nov. 14 - Jerry Dewalt to Jerry Dewalt and Racquel S. Dewalt, lot.

Calvin M. Cooper and Clara L. Cooper to James M. Robison, Dist. 10, 0.7216 acres.

Washington Mutual Finance Group LLC to Anna Lawrence and Tommy Barnett, Dist. 12, 2 lots.

Eric Louis Pike to Ronald V. Roberts and Charlene Roberts, Dist. 8, 0.46 acres.

Nov. 17 - Mike Douglas and Leigh Douglas to Brian L. Kelley and Janet V. Kelley, Dist. 2, lot.

Thomas Davis to Christopher Shane Davis, Dist. 7, 1 acre.

Davenor E. Caldwell, Peggy Braden Caldwell, Charles Cook, David Cook, and Joyce C. Henson to Linda C. Oswald, Dist. 3, 10.802 acres.

Nov. 18 - Gladys Jones to Geradine Jones and Sheena Jarrett, Dist. 2, lot.

Nov. 19 - Bank of Ripley to William E. Walker and Blanche Walker, Dist. 2, lot.

Walter Glenn Lowe and Vicki Lynn Lowe to Jeremy T. Helton, Dist. 6, lot.

Nov. 20 - Debra A. Pruitt to Carol Dedman, Dist. 6, lot.



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Lauderdale County Election Commission