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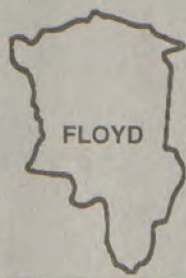
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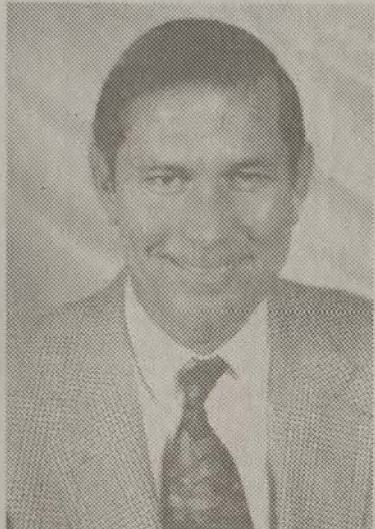
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Board attorney quits post



Phil Damron

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County school board attorney Phil Damron has resigned from his post effective midnight tonight.

Damron's resignation comes two days after the board of education ignored his advice to appeal a state appeals board ruling concerning a special education unit at Betsy Layne High School.

Damron declined to discuss the specifics of his resignation Thursday, but he did say, "if they're not following your advice, there's not much sense in being there giving legal advice."

Parents of three Betsy Layne High School students appealed a due process hearing by a local Admissions and Release Committee which recommended the special education unit be closed.

As part of the appeals board ruling, the school district must hire consultants for three students to evaluate their educational and behavioral program.

There is some concern among school officials that the costs for the consultants, coupled with the district's financial problems, could bankrupt the school system.

The district has been operating for the last two years under a deficit reduction plan, which was approved by the state school board.

At Tuesday's board meeting, finance officer Gary Parsons told the board the district should end the year in the black barring any major disaster or large expenditure of funds. Parsons' comments were before the board voted not to appeal the state ruling.

Special education consultants fees range from \$500 to \$700 per day, according to school officials.

Earlier this month, the board voted to renew Damron's contract for another year. Damron has been board attorney for over two years.

KIRIS

How Do You Measure Up?

The Floyd County Times, in conjunction with the Kentucky Press Association and the Kentucky Department of Education, invites you to answer some of the questions public school students answer when they take the Kentucky Instructional Results Information Sys-

tem (KIRIS) tests each spring.

Every Friday for the next nine weeks, we will publish an actual question from a recent KIRIS test.

This week's question is on page B3.

See how well you measure up.

Tax hike, staff cuts draw no interest

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County's school system could have an \$800,000 contingency fund for the 1997-98 school year, but at Tuesday's meeting, board members did not want to hear about the cuts and tax increases it would take to make it.

Finance director Gary Parsons gave the board a preview of the 1997-98 school budget, which shows the system solidly in

the black financially, provided the board makes certain decisions.

According to Parsons' report, for the district to come out financially ahead next year, certain assumptions must be made, which include:

- postponing for one year a scheduled 2.6 percent pay raise for all employees;
- reductions among certified and classified staff should be made as outlined in the district's deficit reduction plan;
- ending the 1996-97 school year with-

out a deficit; and

- a 4.5 percent property tax increase or a tax rate equal to a compensating four percent rate should be levied by the board.

Before Parsons could get into the details of those assumptions, board member Ray Brackett said those issues should not be raised.

"I don't think we should look at assumptions—it will cause low morale and unnecessary fright for the citizens," Brackett said. "We don't need to be talking about

tax increases and deleting teachers' salaries. We don't know that will happen."

No discussion was held on the budget considerations presented by Parsons.

In draft budget documents distributed by Parsons, in order for the district to have an \$800,000 contingency fund, almost \$700,000 in certified salary cuts would have to be made.

The district's enrollment continues to decline, Parsons said, and the preliminary \$29.6 million budget figure for 1997-98

"is what the numbers will be." The district's enrollment has decreased by 157 students since the beginning of the school year.

Brackett told Parsons he was concerned with the projected average daily attendance (ADA) figures and "we better start making assumptions on ADA for staffing or it could be problem."

Board member B.J. Newsome asked if

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Accused says 'no,' then 'yes' to plea

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A Floyd County man pleaded guilty to sex abuse charges Wednesday in Floyd Circuit Court, and perjury and forgery charges against another county resident were dismissed.

Lewis Newman, 58, of Bevinville, pleaded guilty to three counts of first degree sexual abuse for allegedly having sexual contact with two underage females.

Newman was originally charged with first degree attempted rape, first degree rape and first degree sodomy.

When Circuit Judge John David Caudill asked Newman if he was indeed guilty of the charges, Newman first answered, "no."

After a brief recess and conferring with his attorney, Steve Owens, Newman said he was guilty of the offenses.

Caudill explained to Newman that if he was hesitant to admit his guilt, he would not be able to complete mandatory sex offender treatment.

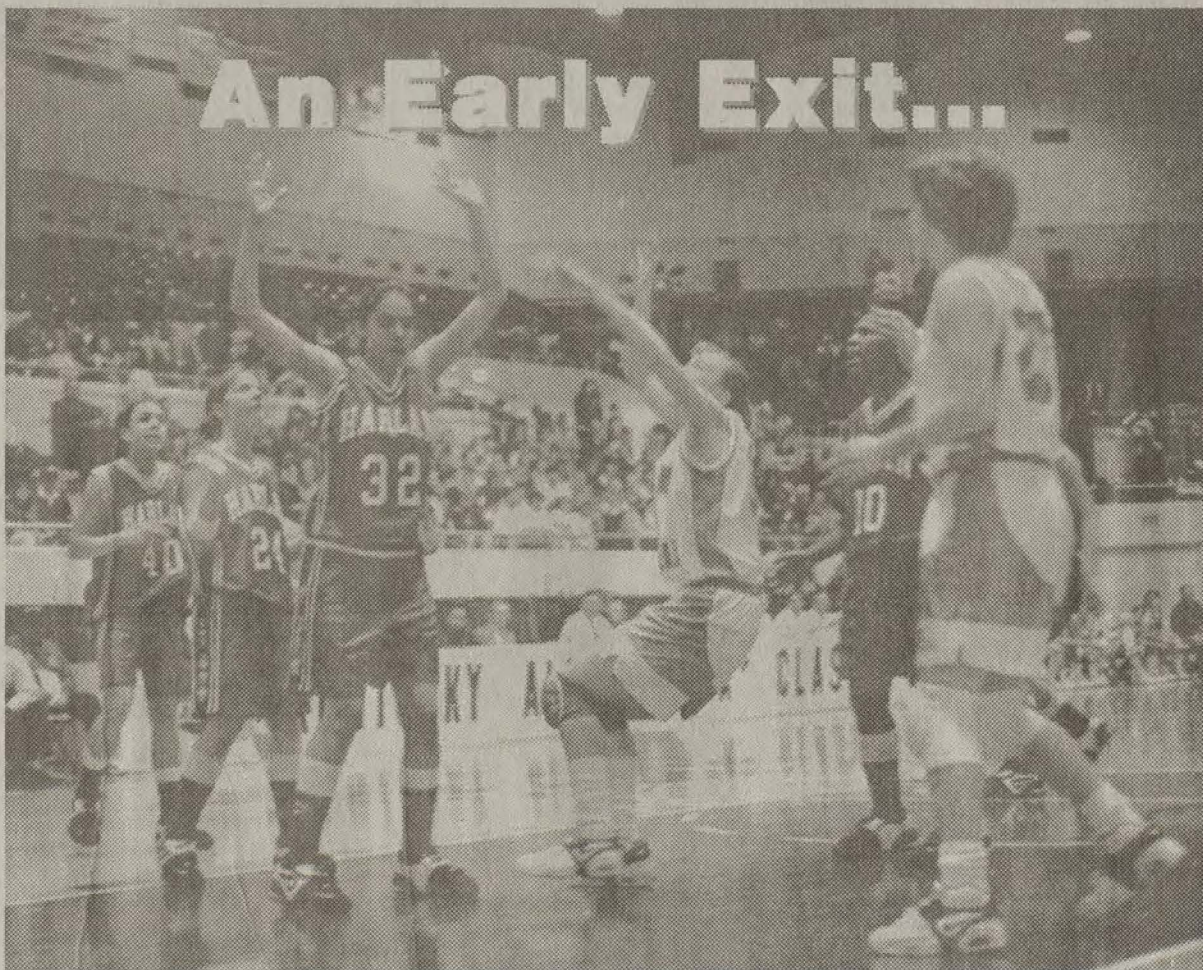
Newman said he said 'no' because he was nervous.

The guilty plea could be withdrawn, Caudill said, and the case would go to trial.

Owens said his client "probably had trouble understanding the definition of sex abuse."

Commonwealth Attorney John

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First round loss...

Allen Central's Crystal Martin (center) got a shot off before losing her footing against Harlan Wednesday morning in the girls All "A" State Tournament. The Lady Rebels didn't get too many shots to fall, losing to the Lady Dragons 43-38. Game details in sports. (photo by Ed Taylor)

License fees on insurance are questioned by councilwoman

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Many Martin residents may have left the city council meeting Tuesday night with little hope of having police and fire protection in the near future.

After a council member requested that the city no longer impose a

license fee on insurance premiums, Mayor Alan Whicker said the police and fire departments may have to be eliminated and the city may even be forced to shut down without the revenue from the tax.

"We are taxed to death in this town," Councilwoman Thomasine Robinson said. "We shouldn't have to pay taxes on our life and health

insurance."

Robinson requested that the council eliminate the license fee on insurance policies.

"When you take something from the general fund, you have to tell me what services to delete," Whicker told Robinson.

"No, I don't," she told the mayor.

Whicker said Thursday that the city would have to remove several services if the license fee is no longer imposed.

"Without the revenue from the insurance premiums, the fire department, police department and other services will have to be eliminated," Whicker said Thursday.

More than 93 percent of the revenue generated in the city's general fund from licenses, permits, and fees is from insurance premiums.

(See Fees, page two)

Pickings are slim, but board tables expanded search

Just four applicants for superintendent

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Prospects for a new Floyd County school superintendent are few and school officials have declined to widen the search.

At Tuesday's board meeting, it was announced that there are only four applicants for the job and Ed Ball, a Kentucky School Board Association consultant hired to assist in the search, has recommended the job be advertised nationally.

Board chairman Ersal Ray Wilcox said he was upset because a consultant was hired and that he felt there were people in Floyd County who could conduct the search.

"It really bothers me that we paid a consultant outfit to do this for us to begin with," Wilcox said. "Why are they not here to discuss this? It's like throwing muddy dishwater in Floyd County's face. I disagree with it wholeheartedly."

In a memo to the board, Ball recommended the job be advertised in the national weekly newspaper, "Education Week" and through the American Association of School Administrators. The additional costs for the ads, candidate interviews and travel was estimated at \$6,321.60.

Ball also suggested the starting salary be raised from \$75,000 per year to \$80,000.

"Due to the shortage of local candidates in Kentucky and the small number of candidates in the current pool... I recommend that we immediately move to a national search," Ball's memo said. "I know that the future of the district depends so much on the identification and employment of an experienced administrator with outstanding credentials. Without a reasonable pool of candidates, the chances for this to occur are very poor."

One board member, Eddie Patton, was in favor of Ball's recom-

mendation.

"I'd like to know for sure if we don't have the money and how many applications we have," Patton said.

Interim superintendent Louie Martin said four applications have been received.

"I hate to be the one to say it, but if we have the money, I'd be for it because I don't think the screening committee will have anything to do," Patton said.

Board member Ray Brackett said Ball should know the district is in no position financially to pay for the extra advertising efforts.

"To add \$6,300 to a budget already broken, it ought to be tabled and disregarded," Brackett said.

Finance director Gary Parsons said the district didn't have a lot of extra funds, but if the board voted to expand the search, "we'll find it."

Brackett said if out-of-state candidates were interested in the job they should be willing to travel to Floyd County for interviews.

Brackett called for a vote to table the issue and it was approved on a 4-1 vote, with Patton voting no.

Access to city records is granted

Reversing a verbal denial issued by city police chief Darrell Conley, Prestonsburg city attorney Paul Burchett on Wednesday authorized The Floyd County Times to inspect certain police department records.

The newspaper had asked to inspect department incident reports, but that request was initially refused by Conley.

In a written response received by The Times Wednesday, Burchett indicated the requested documents would be open for public inspection.

No appeal on Betsy Layne ruling

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Against the advice of its attorney, Floyd County's Board of Education voted 3-2 Tuesday not to appeal a state appeals board decision to re-open a special education unit at Betsy Layne High School.

The board's decision could bankrupt the school district, chairman Ersal Ray Wilcox, who voted against the appeal, told reporters after Tuesday's meeting.

"Either way, it could break the bank," Wilcox said. "But, what are you going to do? The government makes the rules and you have to live by them."

On January 17, a state appeals board ruled the school district must re-open the special education unit at Betsy Layne High School immediately.

In October, parents of three special education students at Betsy Layne appealed a due

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Wall of fame

Dr. Parker Tiller, dean of Mountain Christian Academy, and Dr. Andy Elliott, chairman of the MCA Board of Directors, presented Father Ralph Beiting with a portrait in recognition of his generous gifts to Mountain Christian Academy. The portrait will hang on MCA's "Wall of Fame."

Robinson scholarship program implemented in Appalachian region

A new scholarship program aimed at increasing the number of Eastern Kentucky students who attend college has been launched by the University of Kentucky. The Robinson Scholars Program will be administered by three community colleges in the Eastern region of the state and will target students who have a potential for success but who are educationally restricted by economic, cultural and family matters.

The scholarship program is sponsored by the University's E.O. Robinson Trust which is funded by income generated through coal and timber leases from the Robinson Forest. In addition to supporting agricultural and reforestation programs, the trust is also designated for programs that benefit the people of the mountain region of Kentucky. One of the areas of emphasis for the E.O. Robinson Trust is programs

that improve educational attainment levels.

"Providing access to a college education by those who have the academic credentials but lack the financial resources is at the forefront of our mission of service to the community," said Deborah L. Floyd, president of Prestonsburg Community College, which is serving as one of the administrative centers for the program. "We are excited to be a partner in a scholarship program that has the potential to make a profound difference in students' lives."

The scholars will be supported by the program during high school to ensure they develop skills that will help them succeed at the University of Kentucky or one of its community colleges. When the scholars complete high school and meet all program requirements, a full scholarship, including tuition, fees, hous-

ing, dining, books and personal expenses will be awarded each semester of enrollment. The Robinson Scholars Program will also provide graduate and professional scholarships for a select group of Robinson Scholars who earn an undergraduate degree at the University of Kentucky.

Eighth graders who would be first generation college students in their immediate family will be targeted. The program will begin with the identification, recruitment and selection of students in the spring of 1996-97 academic year. Both public and private schools will be asked to assist in the identification and recruitment of students for the program.

"It is a tremendous program that offers the youth of this region educational opportunities they have never had before," says Connie Estep, regional coordinator of the program at Prestonsburg Community College. "This brightens the horizon of higher education for children who traditionally have not had that chance." Prestonsburg Community College will serve the counties of Carter, Elliott, Floyd, Johnson, Lawrence, Magoffin, Martin, Menifee, Morgan and Pike.

Pike County superintendent appears on national television

Pike County School Superintendent Reo Johns appeared on the new CBS television newsmagazine "Coast to Coast" on Wednesday, January 29.

Superintendent Johns was interviewed, along with school officials in two other states, on issues pertaining to "zero tolerance" policies in their respective schools.

Johns' interview took place several weeks ago, during a time of intense media coverage over events in one Pike County school regarding

a student wearing black lipstick to school, but was broadcast Wednesday when the segment was aired.

Superintendent Johns reaffirmed his support for the school whose policies were questioned in the report, noting that changes in public support for school systems had made it increasingly difficult for schools to maintain discipline and order in the classroom.

Johns said he regretted that so much media attention was given to

high profile stories, when the daily accomplishments and achievements of students did not receive as much attention.

"Too many stories deal with a few individuals and ignore the average student who is quiet, courteous, and obeys the rules. Such problems make it hard for teachers, who often have real fear of their students, to operate effectively, and it is time to reestablish discipline as a priority in our public schools."

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OLM celebrating Catholic schools week

Our Lady of the Mountaintop School, Paintsville is celebrating Catholic Schools Week, January 27 through January 31, with a series of events surrounding the theme: "Our Lady of the Mountaintop, A School You Can Believe In." Each day a different activity will highlight a variation of the theme.

The theme for Monday, January 27 was "We Believe In All Children." The sixth, seventh and eighth graders journeyed to Lexington with their teacher and parent chaperones to participate in a Mass celebrated by Bishop J. Kendrick Williams for 1500 student representatives of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Lexington. OLM's other students, kindergarten through fifth grade, enjoyed a "Funny Dress Day" by dressing in "un-uniform" ways for their day of regular studies.

Tuesday's theme was "We Believe in Learning." So on the 28th, each class scheduled different learning activities, including a spelling bee, math contests, special science experiments and a half hour of reading together in the afternoon.

"We Believe in Teachers" was Wednesday's theme and the administration and parents are preparing a special luncheon to express their appreciation for OLM's teachers.

Thursday, January 30's theme was "We Believe in God." The students began the day with a special Mass and each class wrote their own creed and displayed it on the door of their respective classrooms.

The students' parents joined them for a pizza lunch on Friday to celebrate the theme, "We Believe in Parents."

OLM's events are a small part of a large nationwide celebration emphasizing the beliefs and practices which make Catholic education different from most public and private schools.

According to John J. Convey, in Catholic Schools Make a Difference: Twenty-Five Years of Research, academic performance of Catholic school students consistently exceeds those of public school students, even when student characteristics and family background are controlled; Catholic students spend more time on homework; the drop-out rate is 1/4 less; classrooms are disciplined; Catholic schools have fewer administrators; significant numbers of minority and economically disadvantaged students are enrolled;

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—Gen. Colin Powell



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Liberty of thought is the life of the soul—Voltaire

Reform: top down or bottom up?

by Scott Perry

We've caught ourselves in one of the wondering moods again.

This time, we're wondering why our government leaders can never seem to get their priorities straight.

We have no particular disagreement with Governor Paul Patton when he says that higher education needs to be reformed.

But we do question the necessity of a special session of the general assembly to address that reform when there most certainly are more pressing concerns to resolve.

Patton has said he wants to find an extra \$100 million for our state's colleges, and we don't deny that they need it.

But at the same time, the promise of an increase in the return of coal severance tax revenues to coal counties goes unfulfilled.

Helping coal counties diversify their economies has always been a primary concern of ours, but it is even more critical now.

Why?

Because welfare reform initiatives require that many recipients of public assistance must now find work.

That's all well and good, too, if there are jobs to be had.

But our region has too few

and most of those pay too little to sustain family life above the poverty level.

When are our leaders going to recognize the urgency of our situation?

If a special session of our legislature is needed, it's needed to address economic development and job creation in areas such as ours, where the good intentions of welfare reform are going to make a tough existence even tougher.

How do we justify paying more to upgrade post-secondary education when many of our people can't even afford to pay attention, let alone utilize the college system?

Certainly education and economic opportunity are intertwined. The more you have of one, the better your chances of the other.

So, let's put our priorities in order and devise a way to lift up those folks from the bottom so that at least the top will be within their grasps.

Improving higher education is a must, but what good will it be to people who will have neither the time nor the resources to take advantage of it?

Let's bring common sense to our commonwealth by addressing education and economic development as inseparable components of real reform.

Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor policy

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Times praised for awards

Editor:

I was pleased to be in the audience last weekend in Louisville at the Kentucky Press Association winter conference when the awards for your staff and newspaper were announced. Congratulations!

It must be especially satisfying to you and your folks to have been selected for recognition in a year when a record was set for entries and the quality level of the entries was so high. As a regular reader of newspapers across this state, I can vouch for the fact that your paper was honored in some high caliber company.

Best of luck in the coming year. As always, anytime I or anyone else here at KSBA can be of assistance with information about any issue relating to public education in Kentucky, don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Again, congratulations on your KPA awards.

Brad Hughes
Director
Communications Services
Kentucky School Boards Association
Frankfort

Parent supports B.L. School nurse

Editor:

I am writing in response to a letter that appeared in The Floyd County Times on Wednesday, January 29. I was very distressed to read the comments written by a parent concerning the school nurse at Betsy Layne Elementary.

Until I read the letter, I was not aware of the recent incident involving the child who broke her arm. But as the parent of two children who are currently enrolled at Betsy Layne Elementary, I felt compelled to inform your readers of the excellent care that our nurse administers to our students.

Our nurse has been on staff at Betsy Layne for several years and has had many opportunities to treat my children. She has always acted in a kind, caring and professional manner.

When I leave my children at school, it is a comfort to know that our nurse is on duty. I know that in my absence, she will not only offer competent medical care, but also soothe them when they are scared or in pain. My children consider her to be a trusted friend.

As a registered nurse, our nurse could seek employment elsewhere for greater compensation. I am grateful for the role she plays in the lives of the students of Betsy Layne Elementary.

Ann Blackburn
Stanville

Quitting?

Editor:

Quitters never win! Winners never quit!

Why do people quit serving the Lord?

1. Sometimes the quitter was not converted to Christ from the beginning.

2. A Satan plant convinces the quitter that the church disrupts his/her lifestyle.

3. Another Satan mind plant on the quitter is, let me be free from all laws and be not responsible to nobody.

4. Discipleship is not easy, because it requires a personal sacrifice; tis a fact!

5. "Me-ism": Men love self more than God. Materialism brings on "me-ism" in this present day and age.

6. To whom can a quitter turn? A quitter can return to Jesus and be saved, or stay with Satan and be destroyed.

7. When fit to quit, and sitting on the fence, the quitter has the option of plugging back into God's source of love for redemption and healing.

Special notes: Neither Democrats or Republicans can save America. We face destruction from within. Please pray for nationwide revival on a daily basis and ask God to save America.

Joe Damron Jr.
Ocala, Florida

Thanks

Editor:

Sometimes, in the hustle and bustle of life we forget to say thank you to people who have helped us the most — God's ministers.

One young man stands out in my mind above the others. I don't attend his church — he pastors a church in Lexington — and, yet, his help and his words of comfort will stay with me the rest of my life.

This young man, Bobby Carpenter, grew up in my neighborhood. I watched him grow from a child to a man. He married and began his family. He moved to Lexington and then became a minister.

His mother and father, Bob and Delores Carpenter, are still my neighbors and, from time to time, I have heard about Bobby's growth in faith and his ministry.

Bobby's ministry and his kindness touched my families' lives recently when my husband, Donald Horn, died. Bobby's grandmother was in the same hospital as my husband. He came into my husband's room and prayed one of the most beautiful prayers I have heard. It will last long in my memory and the memory of my family members who gathered there.

When my husband died, my family and I asked Bobby to conduct the funeral service. This young man, though he lived in Lexington, traveled to Prestonsburg and spent each evening with us at the funeral home.

During the funeral service, his words spoke to our hearts and he made us realize how much impact my husband had on the neighborhood.

Bobby's dedication to the ministry, his kindness to others, and his love for his fellow man make him a role model for others. Bobby, thank you. Your kindness will long be remembered.

Dorothy Horn
Prestonsburg

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Editor:

Hit haint rite thet aire Printer woman Nora Martin sain Floyd County ort tu pikup hits oen gorbidge. She nose tha ant got no eddakashun nore traninn tu du hi falutin wurke lik at aire.

They tride hit wunce an hit cost-ed us pert nite foretene milllyuns uv dolers afore tha wus shet down. Nex time hit mite be wurse. Sombide sed theyans shuk hans an mistuk the gorbige to Pike County and hit cost-ed us a bundle. Sed when we'uns shuk thur han we, uns got \$7.50 a shake; but when they shuk our han, they got \$21.50 a shake. I figer our boise nede mor lernin an tranin afore they git mixed wif them big sity fellers from places lik Pikeville.

No sirree Bob, let them furners frum oute us state hall our gorbidge. We'll hide an wach them an lern how hits dun. An sum da we, ins will be lerned enuf to du air owne.

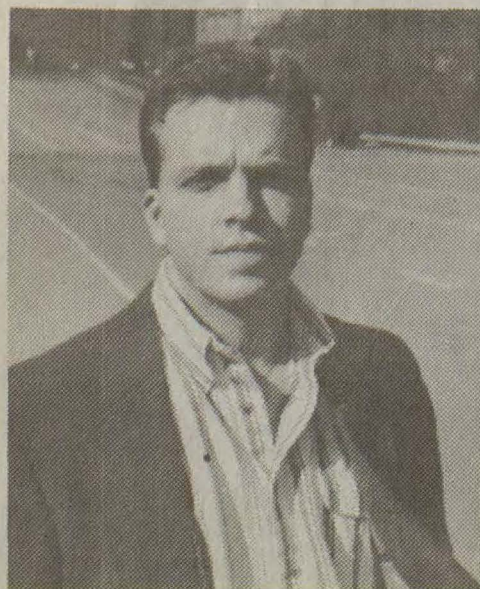
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The Political 'Party'

Attention: Families of Coal Truck Accidents

"I know all about the system and how it works."—Governor Patton

Speaking in Hazard last Thursday to representatives of various sectors of the



by Dave Porter

coal industry (without mentioning the Democratic Party once) Governor Patton pointed his political rifle at Eastern Kentucky's most dangerous predators—overweight coal trucks.

The speech was one of his best and, in his own words, "I can assure you that my reason for doing this is to protect the people of Eastern Kentucky...We are not a society which will allow our roads or our factories or our mines to kill or maim our people solely for the sake of profit."

So, what is the problem?
Who is responsible?
How and when can the problem be fixed?

Sit back and let excerpts from the Governor's excellent speech answer these questions:

"Who knows who started the practice of blatantly ignoring the laws of Kentucky designed to protect the roads of the state and the people who travel them? It doesn't really matter who started it, it's become a way of life...The fatality rate on our coal haul roads is twice as high as other roads.

Twice as many of your neighbors, friends, and family die because of this problem. Drivers have been sent to jail, truck owners bankrupted, Kentuckians killed...And most tragically, the capacity of the braking system to stop these large loads is taxed, causing trucks to be involved in fatal accidents which could have been avoided if the truck had been loaded at the weight prescribed by law.

"The responsibility to ensure that trucks are loaded correctly must be placed directly on the companies which are benefiting financially from the increased efficiency of hauling overweight, the coal company contracting to have the coal hauled...Few coal companies have accepted this responsibility, directly, by owning the trucks and using their own employees to drive them because our legal system puts the burden of violating the laws on the driver of the vehicle, and that burden can be transferred to the employer if the employee has been ordered to violate the law. So in Eastern Kentucky most companies contract to have their coal hauled.

The truck owner competes to get the contract by offering to haul for the lowest possible price. We tell ourselves, it's really not the coal company who's violating the law, it's the independent contractor.

We may be able to tell ourselves that we haven't broken the law; but we have broken the trust of our neighbors who share the roads with us.

We've created and condoned a climate in which the person who is least able to afford paying the price, the truck driver, finds himself the target of our legal system.

The owner of the truck and his driver are local citizens, voters, trying the best they can make a living, and support their families.

"But we can't solve this problem by just enforcing the laws on the books. Experience has shown that won't work...no matter how many police officers we send up here...The local courts just aren't going to fine these people, especially when everybody else is doing it. We have to change the law...That is why I'll be proposing some kind of legislation to be consid-

ered no later than the 1998 regular session of the General Assembly but I think the urgency of the situation indicates that a more appropriate time would be the special session I'll probably be calling this spring to consider higher education. The thrust of this legislation must place the responsibility for overweight hauling on the entity which owns the coal...Just as much coal will be mined. Just as many coal miners will be working. More coal trucks will be operating.

"The time has come for us to make our roads safer. The time has come for our coal industry to stop hauling overweight."

Well said, Governor. Very well said. If this issue concerns you (and it really should) write the Governor's office or your legislator to express your concern and request the issue be addressed in this spring's special session rather than the regular session in 1998.

The sooner, the better. Write to: Paul Patton, Governor; The Capitol; 700 Capitol Ave., Ste. 100; Frankfort, Ky. 40601-3492.

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's Note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, the Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to the Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

Billy Jean Osborne band reunion night

The Billy Jean Osborne band reunion night will be held February 22, at the Betsy Layne gym during the last basketball game of the season.

Any former band member or majorette who played in Billy Jeans band interested, should contact Billy Jean at 478-9138 or Sandy Tackett at 478-4996.

Allen council will meet

The Allen Central High School Site Based Decision Making Council will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 4, at 6 p.m.

Quartet to perform

The Eastern Kentucky Concert Series will present The Lindsayan String Quartet in concert on February 7 at Prater Memorial United Methodist Church in Salyersville. Call (606) 886-3863, ext. 265, for more information.

Prayer line opens

The United Christian Church of God, located in Meade Bottom at Hi Hat, now has a prayer line. The prayer line is open from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and the phone number is 452-1080.

Annual orders

Martin Middle School will be taking orders for school annuals until Friday, January 31. Also, if a child from May Valley Elementary School left a coat at Martin Elementary, it is in the Martin Middle School Youth Service Center.

MCA plays host

Mountain Christian Academy will host District 84 academic teams for Governor's Cup Competition. The teams will begin competition on Friday, January 31, and will continue on Saturday, February 1.

The following schools will compete in written assessment as well as quick recall: Mountain Christian Academy, Martin Elementary, Prater Elementary and Adams Middle School.

Classic Cooking

Classic Cooking of Inter-Mountain Cable, WPRG TV-5, with chef Mark Sohn and special guests will air on January 30 and February 1, at 7 p.m. Special guests will join Sohn as he prepares a Valentine's dinner.

Sohn will prepare peanut butter cookies, fancy sweet potato casserole, Valentine's cheese straws, broccoli and cauliflower salad and tender chicken goulash.

For more information, call Sohn at 437-6467 or Jackie Fronto at Inter-Mountain Cable Inc., 478-4200.

MSU Board of Advisers to meet

The Board of Advisers for Morehead State University's Big Sandy Extended Campus Center will meet at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, at the center.

The meeting is open to the public.

Items on the agenda include discussions of the joint building with Prestonsburg Community College,

a proposed MSU degree program, fund raising and strategic initiatives.

Additional information is available by calling Dr. Margaret Lewis, center director, at (606) 886-2405 locally, or toll-free at 800-648-5372.

McDowell High reunion

The KFWC Drift Woman's Club will meet at the McDowell Resource Center February 3, at 6 p.m. to plan the second McDowell High School reunion of 1934-93 Labor Day weekend August 29-September 1. The 1993 contact persons are urged to attend.

Learn to square dance

You can learn to square dance. Lessons are taught by Bob Scott of Princeton, West Virginia. The first three lessons are free! Each lesson is taught at the Hambley Athletic Center (next to the Pikeville pool) and begins each Thursday at 7 p.m.

Line dancing is also incorporated into the lessons. For more information, call 432-5834 or 889-9101 in Prestonsburg.

82d airborne rally

The Chicago Chapter of the 82d Airborne Division Association is hosting its annual installation of officers on March 14-16. Membership is also available. For complete details write to Mid-West Airborne, 5459 Northcutt Pl., Dayton, Ohio 45414-3742, or call Shirley R. Gossett at 937-898-5977.

Committee sign-ups

Parents who wish to sign up for standing committees for the Prestonsburg Elementary site-based decision making council should stop by the school this week. Our regular SBDM council meetings will be the first Monday of each month, from 6-8 p.m. The meetings are open to the public.

Nominations being accepted

Martin Middle School is accepting nominations for two site-base

parent members to serve for the remainder of this school year.

To be eligible, you must have a child enrolled at the school and cannot have a close relative working for the school system.

Nominations must be submitted in writing to Bert Layne, principal, between now and February 3, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The election will be held February 4.

For more information, call the school at 285-3011.

PHS reunion preparation

The Prestonsburg High School class of 1987 is currently seeking addresses of its members in preparation for a ten-year reunion.

Mail your name, address and phone number to Class Reunion, c/o Susan Cooley Greene, 95 Trimble Branch, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

McDowell council to meet

The McDowell Family Resource Advisory Council will meet at the resource center February 5, at 6 p.m.

Box tops for education

The Martin Youth Service Center is participating in General Mills' Big G Box Top for Education. The center will collect qualifying General Mills cereal box tops between now and March 31. A qualifying box top is the top flap of any General Mills cereal box carrying the 1996/1997 Big G Box Top For Education symbol with the cereal brand name.

Site based council will meet at PHS

The Prestonsburg High School Site Based Decision Making Council will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, February 6, at 7 p.m.

Fair housing

Kentucky's Fair Housing law forbids discrimination in housing because of a person's color, religion, race, sex, national origin,

familial status or disability.

An aggrieved person may file a complaint of housing discrimination act with the: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal

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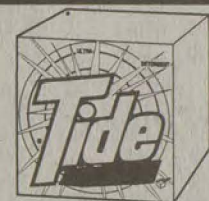


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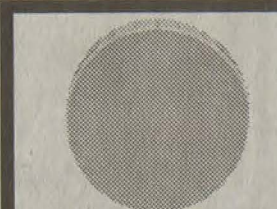
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Anniversary



72nd anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Little of Eubank will celebrate their 72nd wedding anniversary on February 3. They were married in Johnson County in 1925. The Littles had eight children, seven of them are living: Margaret Gibson of Bonita California; David Little of Melvin; Margie Hogsed of Martin; John Little Jr. of Monticello; Betty Mullins of Franklin Furnace, Ohio; Joyce McCoy of Brooks; and Bobbie England of Stanford. They have 28 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

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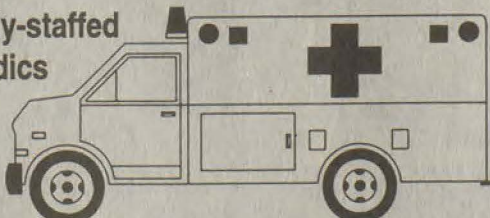
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Grand jury gets case of KSP shooting man, Dalmatian

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd Grand Jury will hear testimony in the case of a Floyd man who allegedly released an attack dog on troopers and shot at them four times.

John Stratton, of East Point, is charged with four counts of criminal attempt to commit murder and two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment.

Stratton and his dog, a Dalmatian, were both shot at the scene by two KSP troopers.

During a preliminary hearing Wednesday in Floyd District Court, Kentucky State Police detective Lee Weddington testified that the post received three calls on January 10 about Stratton.

The first caller, Glen Copley, told a KSP dispatcher that Stratton was intoxicated and had made several threats.

Stratton's sister, Janet Honeycutt, also called the post and told the dispatcher that she spoke with Stratton. "The second caller said (Stratton) is armed and going to kill himself. She advised he said if anyone tried to stop him they would join him," the detective said.

Weddington said Stratton's son, Jimmy Stratton, also called the KSP and said his father was threatening to kill himself. Jimmy Stratton said his father was intoxicated and troopers should use caution, Weddington said.

Troopers Steve Slone and Jim Baker responded to the calls, the detective said.

"As they passed a window they could hear a dog barking," Weddington testified. "They saw the garage door open...a dog came out and it came around like it was going

to attack them."

The detective said both troopers shot at the Dalmatian.

Stratton was then shot in the thigh because he pointed a gun at the troopers, Weddington said.

Stratton's attorney, Jerry Patton, questioned the detective about each of the shots each trooper fired.

Weddington said all of the troopers' shells had been accounted for except one.

Patton gave the detective the missing shell which was found by Stratton's son in the yard.

The attorney also questioned the detective about how many times Stratton fired at the troopers. Weddington testified that the troopers did not hear Stratton fire the gun, but there were five "spent" rounds in the gun.

"They fired at Stratton because he pointed a gun at them?" Patton asked. The detective agreed.

Patton made a motion to reduce Stratton's charges to wanton endangerment for pointing the cocked and loaded gun at the troopers.

County Attorney Keith Bartley objected and said that the case is ongoing and an additional charge of terroristic threatening may be added, because Stratton threatened to kill Copley.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen overruled the motion to amend Stratton's charges and found probable cause to refer the case to a grand jury.

In other preliminary hearings Wednesday:

• When attorney Amy Kratz requested a bond reduction for her client, Ervin Ginther, who was charged with kidnapping, robbing and stealing a man's car before allegedly robbing Winn-Dixie, the

bond was increased.

Kratz thought Ginther's bond was set at \$30,000 cash but, according to the court clerk, the bond was a \$30,000 partially-secured bond.

Assistant county attorney Lance Daniels objected to Kratz's motion

and requested that the bond be set at a cash bond. "He is a definite danger to the community," Daniels said.

Judge Allen overruled the defense attorney's motion, increased Ginther's bond to \$30,000 cash, and found probable cause to refer the

case to a grand jury.

• A grand jury will hear testimony in a case in which Larry Isaacs is charged with burglarizing two cars at Betsy Layne High School during a basketball game.

Isaacs is charged with two counts of theft by unlawful taking, two counts of criminal mischief, and possession of a concealed weapon.

• The case of a Floyd man who allegedly assaulted a probation and parole officer will be reviewed by a grand jury.

Aaron Tackett was arrested last Wednesday when he allegedly assaulted probation officer Dewey Hackworth, who was attempting to place him in custody for drinking alcohol while on probation.

Pike Countian dies in traffic accident

Geraldine Sammons, 61, of Feds Creek died Tuesday in a traffic accident in Pike County.

Sammons was a passenger in a car driven by Margie K. Hicks of Raven, Virginia.

The accident occurred around 10 a.m. January 28, on U.S. 460 at Draffin. Hicks was driving a 1987 GMC S15 truck west on Rt. 460 when she came around a curve and hit a slick spot in the road, according to Kentucky State Police reports.

Hicks lost control of her vehicle and the truck went off the road and down an embankment. The truck rolled over one time before stopping, police reports said.

Hicks was admitted to Pikeville

Methodist Hospital where she was listed in fair condition. Sammons was transported to St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia where she was pronounced dead at 3:03 p.m. by Cabell County Coroner Jeff Webb.

The accident is still under investigation by Kentucky State Police Trooper Maxwell.

Floyd County woman wins \$999

Rosie Johnson won \$999, January 27, on Kentucky Lottery's "9's in a line" instant scratch game.

Johnson purchased her lucky ticket at Vance's Quick Mart in Hi Hat.

Prestonsburg CableVision test continues in February

CableVision is conducting a test to determine what channels to add to its cable TV service in the Prestonsburg area.

Since December and continuing until spring, channels 50, 51 and 52 will offer a different programming services each month. "This allows our customers to view a service for 30 days. They'll really see the depth and quality of the programming," said CableVision System Manager Dan Perry. "The result will be informed consumers instead of a channel being added based on how good their advertising is."

From January 31 through February 28 on channel 50 will be Court TV. For a view inside courtrooms across the country and around the world, Court TV is real. Coverage of the biggest cases along with expert analysis. And for young viewers who want more than Saturday morning cartoons can offer, Teen Court TV is a 3-hour block of the program that looks at the legal system from a young person's perspective (Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.).

Through February 28 on channel 51 will be Classic Sports. Great sports events and great athletes from the past are captured on film and video. Football, baseball, golf, boxing—if it was a classic game, it is Classic Sports.

Also through February 28 on channel 52 will be The Outdoor Channel. Outdoor is dedicated to fishing, hunting, water sports, treasure hunting and more. Including Kentucky's Woods and Wetlands (Saturday, 12:30 p.m.; Monday, 10:30 p.m.; and Wednesday, 9 a.m.), this is real outdoors for real people.

CUSTOMER FEEDBACK CRITICAL

CableVision is accepting written comments until the test ends in the spring. "Whether by postcard or letter," said Perry, "we want to collect our customers' opinions about what they like and dislike about the channels offered in January, as well as these new channels. So that each customer gets fair representation, we're asking people to include their name and account number on the letter."

CableVision serves more than 3,000 families in Floyd County, via a cable TV system that is currently being upgrade to deliver more channels and clearer pictures.

Rifkin and Associates, which is funding the investment to upgrade the cable system, serves more than 300,000 customers in 12 states.



Safety donation

Second Lieutenant Bill Henegar accepted a \$500 check from Wal-Mart associates Margaret Hall and Peggy Lawson on behalf of the Floyd County Rescue Squad. The funds will be used to purchase lights, sirens and radios for the squad's new Suburban. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

Pike County boy receives \$1.5 million in lawsuit

A Pike County jury returned a verdict of \$1,502,231.55 in favor of a young boy who apparently suffers post traumatic stress disorder caused by a 15-ton boulder that was blasted off a strip-mine site in Freeburn.

The 11-year-old boy was playing in the yard on July 20, 1995 when the boulder came down the hill and demolished several homes. As it rolled on its path of destruction, the boulder came within a few feet of

the child.

State Senator Gary C. Johnson, who presented the case in court for the youth, said that the "jury lived up to its responsibility regarding the very serious injury caused by the defendant to this child."

"The verdict was fair," Johnson said.

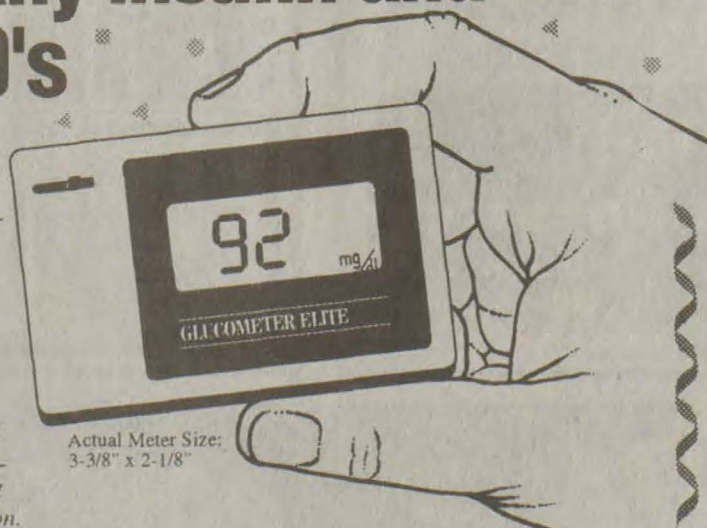
He added that the verdict is one of the largest in the state for psychological injury.

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Regional Obituaries

Pike County

Ray Daniels, 79, of McAndrews, died January 22. He was a retired coal miner. He is survived by his wife, Lurla R. Daniels. Funeral services were January 27, at the Rogers Funeral Home Chapel.

Lennie M. Justice, 78, of Canada, died January 24. She is survived by her husband, Monroe Justice. Funeral services were Monday, January 27, at the Pike County Chapel of Justice Funeral Services.

Euna Cundiff, 79, of Hellier, died January 23. She is survived by her husband, Robert Lee Cundiff Sr. Funeral services were January 26, at the Pike County Chapel of Justice Funeral Services.

Lucille Mae Thomas Geueke, 84, of Pikeville, died January 24. She was a beautician and had worked for Owens Illinois Glass Company. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Geueke. Funeral services were January 25, at the O. T. Hinton Mausoleum, under the direc-

tion of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Melvin N. Adkins Jr., 91, of Pikeville, died January 24. He was a retired car man, formerly employed by C&O Railroad. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marie Adkins. Funeral services were January 27, at the Morris Chapel of Justice Funeral Services.

Draxie Osborne Flanary, 102, of Virgie, died January 25. She was preceded in death by her husband, Willie E. Flanary. Funeral services were January 28, at the J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Lassie Smith Farley, 69, of Phyllis, died January 28. Survivors include her husband, Lewis Farley Jr. Funeral services were January 30, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Bertha Cox, 91, of Sidney, died January 27. She was preceded in death by her husband, Andy Cox. Funeral services were January 29, at the Rogers Funeral Home Chapel.

Challie Lucas Sr., 85, of Jenkins, died January 27. He was a retired coal miner. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Elkins Lucas. Funeral services were January 30, at the Lucas and Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

Kathy Bowling, 23, of Phelps, died January 24, at the Citizens Valu-Rite Drug Store at Phelps, the result of a gunshot wound. She was employed at Flower Master and Citizens Valu-Rite Drug. She is survived by her parents, Mitchell and Juanita Smith Bowling of Phelps. Funeral services were January 28, at the Lord's House at Phelps, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Ella Adams, 87, of Shelbiana, died January 21. She was preceded in death by her husband, Alex Adams. Funeral services were January 25, at the Justice Funeral Services Chapel.

Emma Burnette Taylor, 86, of Zebulon, died January 22. She was a

retired school teacher. Funeral services were January 25, at the Zebulon Church of Christ, under the direction of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Richard L. "Richy" Potter, 52, of Elkhorn City, died January 21. He was employed in the coal industry. He is survived by his parents, Woodrow and Bernice Ratliff Potter of Elkhorn City. Funeral services were January 23, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Scotty Little, 39, of Marrowbone Creek, died January 18. Funeral services were January 22, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Bertha Bartley, 75, of Virgie, died January 21. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cecil Bartley. Funeral services were January 24, at the R. S. Jones and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Trudy Crum, 53, of Pikeville, died January 22. Funeral services were January 24, at the J. W. Call

and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Diana Robinson, 38, of Pikeville, died January 23. She is survived by her father, Alex Adkins of Lookout, and her husband, Jackie Roger Robinson. Funeral services were January 25, at the Caney Creek Freewill Baptist Church, under the direction of R. S. Jones and Son Funeral Home.

Dennis Caudill, 55, of Elkhorn City, died January 19. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Ellen Caudill. Funeral services were January 23, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Lesta Lora Tackett, 83, of Virgie, died January 21. She was preceded in death by her husband, Delmer E. Tackett. Funeral services were January 24, at the R. S. Jones and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Willie Ray Justice, 51, of Greasy Creek, died January 21. He was disabled. Funeral services were January 24, at the Morris Chapel of Justice Funeral Services.

Jeanette Ann Stanley Adkins, 57, of Elkhorn City, died January 22. She is survived by her husband, Howard Adkins, and her step-mother, Lexie Stanley. Funeral services were January 25, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Johnson County

Clifford Castle, 70, of Johnson County, died January 21. Services were January 23, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Buell Pack, 87, of Johnson County, died January 22. He was preceded in death by his wife, Georgia Pack. Funeral services were January 26, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Carl Melvin, 74, of Johnson County, died January 25. Funeral services were January 27, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Harry Donald Trimble, 69, of Johnson County, died January 26. He is survived by his wife, Betty Lee Trimble. Funeral services were January 29, at the Toms Creek Freewill Baptist Church, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Martin County

James Blackburn, 47, of Inez, died January 21. Funeral services were January 25, at the Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Germer Harmon, 79, of Lovely, died January 24. Funeral services were January 26, at the Old Union Baptist Church.

Howard Patrick Fitch, 53, of Inez, died January 22. He is survived by his mother, Wilda Endicott. Funeral services were January 24, at the Phelps and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Sarah Ann Collins

Sarah Ann Collins, 76, of Pierceton, Indiana, died Tuesday, January 28, 1997, at her residence.

Born May 7, 1920 in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Betty Jane Robinson and Daniel Harrison Collins. She was preceded in death by her husband, William Shepherd, in 1951. She was employed at the Dalton Foundries in Warsaw, Indiana, retiring October 3, 1980. She was a member and past president of the American Legion Auxiliary in Pierceton, Indiana, the V.F.W. in South Whitley, Indiana, and Moose Lodge in Warsaw, Indiana.

Survivors include four daughters, Betty Hall and Della Pollock, both of Pierceton, Indiana, Carolyn Rose of Sidney, Indiana, and Christina Hyden of Warsaw, Indiana; four sons, William Shepherd and Charles Shepherd, both of Pierceton, Indiana, Daniel Shepherd of Warsaw, Indiana, and Darwin Shepherd of Sidney, Indiana; and 26 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, January 31, at 1 p.m., at the Titus Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Chad Burkhardt officiating.

Burial will be in the Hillcrest Cemetery in Pierceton, Indiana, under the direction of the Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw, Indiana.

Darkie Evans

Darkie Evans, 72, of Grethel, died Thursday, January 30, 1997, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born April 4, 1925 at Craynor, she was the daughter of the late Lewis and Carolyn Hamilton Moore.

She was a member of the Zion Old Regular Baptist Church at Grethel. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ed Evans Jr.

Survivors include two sons, Burnis Evans of Ashley, Ohio, and Larry Evans of Cardington, Ohio; one daughter, Norma Jean Hamilton of Grethel; two half-brothers, Roland Moore and Charles Moore, both of Loraine, Ohio; one stepbrother, Curt Hall of Loraine, Ohio; one sister, Effie Starr of Galliapolis, Ohio; 11 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Sunday, February 2, at 10 a.m., at the Zion Old Regular Baptist Church at Grethel, with the members of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Evans Cemetery at Grethel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation will be at the church.

Pallbearers listed for Henrietta McKinney

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Henrietta "Jet" McKinney were Christopher Kidd, Scottie McKinney, Dwight McKinney, James Collins, Charles Collins, Luther Meade, Burnis McKinney, Frank Fugate and Kenny Barker.

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Willie Hamilton

Willie Hamilton, 78, of St. Petersburg, Florida, died December 20, 1996, at Colonial Care Center.

He was born at McDowell, and came to Florida in 1981 from Dayton, Ohio. He retired as an Air Force master sergeant and was a member of VFW Post 4364. He was a Protestant.

Survivors include his wife, Minnie E. Hamilton; two sons, Willie James Hamilton of Annapolis, Maryland, and John Hamilton of San Diego; two daughters, Mary Ann LaLonde of Mansfield, Ohio, and Delores Binggelli of Pocatello, Idaho; two brothers, Delmer of Portsmouth, Ohio, and Eldron of Cooperstown, West Virginia; four sisters, Edith Elliott of St. Petersburg, Florida, Clara Hobbs of Shelby, Ohio, Inias Keene of Plymouth, Ohio, and Imogene Stumbo of Portsmouth, Ohio; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Memorial Park Funeral Home-Cemetery in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Dorsie Robinson

Dorsie Robinson, 90, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, January 28, 1997, at her home.

Born May 13, 1906 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Isabelle Tackett and T. J. Sturgill. She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Robinson Sr. She was a member of the First Christian Church.

Survivors include three sons, Clinton Robinson of Little River, South Carolina, Kenneth A. Robinson of Pikeville, and Walter Robinson Jr. of Shiloh, Ohio; two daughters, Donna Sue Maynard of Pikeville and Phyllis Jean Wagner of Westland, Michigan; one sister, Lottie Mae Spears of Harold; 11 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, January 31, at 11 a.m., at the First Christian Church in Pikeville, with Jon Ford officiating.

Burial will be in the Johnson Memorial Park, under the direction of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Mirtie Mae Curry

Mirtie Mae Curry, 66, of Hindman, died Tuesday, January 28, 1997, at her residence, following a brief illness.

Born August 19, 1930 at Rock Fork, she was the daughter of the late Clarence and Molly Handshoe Conley. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Curry.

Survivors include one son, Donald P. Curry of South Carolina; four daughters, Jacqueline Camille Phillips of Huntington Beach, California, Valerie Gayle Allen of Somerset, Molly Annette Hutchison of Berea, and Brenda Curry of Hindman; one brother, J. B. Conley of Garner; one sister, Bersie Triplett of Hindman; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Thursday, January 30, at 2 p.m., at the Ivis Bible Church at Hindman, with Dick Bowers and Richard Allen officiating.

Burial was in the Conley Family Cemetery at Garner, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

John Gillespie

John Gillespie, 67, of Pikeville, died Thursday, January 30, 1997, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born July 5, 1929 in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Melvin and Sadie Blevins Gillespie. He was a disabled coal miner.

Survivors include two sons, Ricky Gillespie and Micheal Gillespie, both of Columbus, Ohio; four daughters, Judy Gillespie and Carolyn Gillespie, both of Columbus, Ohio, Robin Slone of Pikeville and Elizabeth Mounts; five brothers, George Gillespie, Bruce Gillespie, Ambrose Gillespie and Frank Gillespie, all of Grethel, and William Gillespie of Pikeville; two sisters, Tanie Tackett of Martin and Shirley Howell of Galveston; and 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Sunday, February 2, at 11 a.m., at the Pilgrims Home Old Regular Baptist Church at Grethel, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Howell Cemetery on Coon Branch at Island Creek in Pikeville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation will be at the church after 5 p.m. today, Friday.

Dora Sparkman

Dora Bailey Sparkman, 82, of Hueysville, died Wednesday, January 29, 1997, at Saint Joseph Hospital, Lexington.

Born July 6, 1914 at Hueysville, she was the daughter of the late Harris Handshoe and Luvernie "Mouse" Shepherd Handshoe. She was preceded in death by her first husband, George Bailey, and her second husband, Willie Sparkman. She was a member of the Salt Lick United Baptist Church.

Survivors include one sister, Stella Shepherd Tussey of Galion, Ohio.

Funeral services will be Saturday, February 1, at 11 a.m., at the Salt Lick Community Church at Hueysville, with the clergymen Claude Compton, Chester Lucas and Jacob Jarvis officiating.

Burial will be in the Shepherd Cemetery at Hueysville, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Alice Roberts

Alice Roberts, 95, of Banner, died Wednesday, January 29, 1997, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born November 1, 1901 at Banner, she was the daughter of the late Barley and Ellen Woods Jones. She was a member of the Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by her husband, Everett Roberts.

Survivors include one son, Chalmer C. Roberts of Banner; one daughter, Betty Jean Holbrook of Banner; two sisters, Katherin Ross of Chaffee, Missouri, and Stella Walden of Sikeston, Missouri; six grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Saturday, February 1, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Rev. French Harmon officiating.

Burial will be in the Jones Cemetery at Shortwood, Allen, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Pluma McCoy

Johnson

Pluma McCoy Johnson, 91, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, January 28, 1997, at Parkview Manor Nursing Home, Pikeville, following an extended illness.

Born June 25, 1905 in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Mont and America Taylor McCoy. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ferrell Johnson. She was a former business owner and operator.

She is survived by three nephews and a niece.

Graveside services were Thursday, January 30, at 2 p.m., at Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, with Curtis Anderson officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Alex Vasvary

Alex Vasvary, 81, of Bevinville, died Wednesday, January 29, 1997, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born July 23, 1915 at Freeburn, he was the son of the late Gable and Mary Lambert Vasvary. He was a retired coal miner and member of Masonic Lodge No. 889 for 50 years in Wheelwright. He was a member of the U.M.W.A. Local 5899 at Wheelwright.

Survivors include his wife, Edna Cleo Rainey Vasvary; two sons, Howard Vasvary of Dayton, Ohio, and Bill Vasvary of Willisburg; three daughters, Mary Ann Isaacs of Lexington, Margaret Sue Wrey of Willisburg, and Carol Ruth Vasvary of Springfield; one brother, Louie Vasvary of Bluewell, West Virginia; one sister, Pearl Formica of Bluefield, West Virginia; 14 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Masonic services will be conducted Friday, January 30, at 7 p.m.

Funeral services will be Saturday, February 1, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Rev. Louis Ferrari officiating.

Burial will be in the Buckingham Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Edith Henson

Edith Henson, 76, of Carrol, Ohio, formerly of Beaver, died Tuesday, January 28, 1997, at Riverside Methodist Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, following a short illness.

Born July 28, 1920 at Ligon, she was the daughter of the late Fred and Minnie Belle Slone Henson. She was a retired employee of Whitecastle's in Detroit, Michigan.

Survivors include one brother, Glennis Henson of Dayton, Ohio; and eight sisters, Geneva Horn Adkins of Orlando, Florida, Pauline Stanley and Alma Paige, both of Columbus, Ohio, Jeanette Bishop of Chicago, Illinois, Bonnie Bell of McDowell, Loretta Riley of Quinlan, Texas, Madilyn Moore of Dayton, Ohio, and Anna Sue Totten of Carrol, Ohio.

Funeral services will be Friday, January 31, at 11 a.m., at the Samaria Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry, with the Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Noah Vance Cemetery at Beaver, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Corbett Caudill

Corbett Caudill, 71, of Winchester, died Wednesday, January 29, 1997, at his residence.

Born February 6, 1925 in Knott County, he was the son of the late Floyd and Louise Caudill. He was a member of the Mt. Sterling Old Regular Baptist Church. He was a retired watchmaker and a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army and Purple Heart recipient.

Survivors include his wife, Lola Slone Caudill; two sons, Jimmy Alvin Caudill and Corbett Caudill Jr., both of Winchester; one daughter, Sharon Caudill Willoughby of Winchester; three sisters, Alberta Hall of Lackey, Mariette Hall of Detroit, Michigan, and Adda B. Slone of Wawaka, Indiana; two brothers, Bruce Caudill of Marion, Ohio, and Clivan Caudill of Hollybush; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, January 31, at the Mt. Sterling Old Regular Baptist Church.

Burial will be in the Machpelah Cemetery, under the direction of Herald and Stewart Home for Funerals, Mt. Sterling.

Active pallbearers will be Jeffery, Michael, Eric and Corbett Ray Caudill, Irton and James Keith Slone.

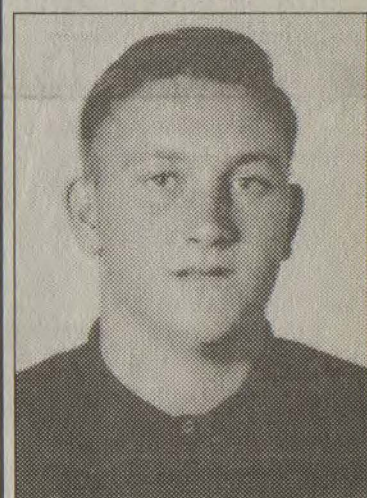
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Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Rd.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Pastor, Paul Aiken.

ABBOTT

The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, J.J. Wright.

ALLEN

Allen First Baptist Church, Allen; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship at 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. French Harmon.

Christ United Methodist, Allen, Ky.; Sunday School, 9:45; Worship, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sunday Night, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Kenneth Lemaster.

BANNER

Prater Creek Baptist Church, Prater Creek; Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Kids for Christ Club meets; Sunday, 11:00 a.m., Jr. and Beginners Church meets; Independent Fundamental Baptist Church; Pastor, Gary Fish.

Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner, Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Service, 7:00; Tuesday Bible Study, 6:30; Everyone Welcome. Pastor, David Shepherd.

BEAVER

Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist Fellowship, Beaver, Rt. 979; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Pastor, Philip T. Smith.

BETSY LAYNE

Calvary Southern Baptist Church, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Youth Meeting, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:00 p.m.

Betsy Layne United Methodist Church, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night family training hour, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Judith Caudill.

Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist Church; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wed. Night Prayer & Youth Services, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Tracy Patton.

BLUE RIVER

Middle Creek Baptist Church, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Service, 7:00 p.m.; Independent Fundamental; Pastor, Vernon Sloane.

BONANZA

Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Herb Arms.

BUFFALO

Endicott Freewill Baptist Church; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Prayer Meeting and Youth Service, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. and the first Saturday each month at 7:00 p.m.; Sunday Service, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, James Smith.

CORN FORK

Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday worship, 11 a.m.; Prayer Meeting and Youth, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Roger Music.

COW CREEK

Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.-11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m., 7:30 p.m.; 3rd Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon; Prayer Meeting and Youth Group, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.; Pastor, Nathon Lafferty.

Benedict Baptist Church, Slick Rock Branch of Cow Creek, (half mile up Cow Creek on left); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Youth Service, 6 p.m. each Wednesday and Evening Service, 7 p.m. each Wednesday.

DANA

Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist Church, Dana; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Church, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Youth Meeting Sunday, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Mike Hammond.

DAVID

Goodloe Pentecostal Church, Rt. 850, David, Ky.; Sunday Night, 7 p.m.; Fourth Saturday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Kilmer Lambert.

DRIFT

Drift Pentecostal Church, Drift; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Ted Shannon.

Drift Independent Church, Drift; Thursday, 6:30; Sunday, 11:00.

Drift Freewill Baptist Church, Drift; Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m., Thursday; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Church Service, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Randy Turner.

Drift Presbyterian Church, Route 1101, Drift; Sunday Services, 11:00 a.m.; Part-time minister, Mary Alice Murray.

DENVER

Liberty Baptist Church, Denver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Pastor Merle Little.

DWALE

Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale, Ky.; service Saturday night, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday night, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Woodrow Crum.

EAST POINT

Free Pentecostal Church of God, East Point, Rt. 1428; Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Service, 11:00; Sunday Night, 6:30; Thursday Night, 6:30; Pastor, Buster Hayton.

EMMA

Emma United Methodist, Emma, Ky.; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00; Sunday Night, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Jack Howard, Pastor.

ESTILL

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11:15 a.m.; Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Wayne Stevens.

GARRETT

Rock Fork Regular Baptist Church, Garrett; 4th Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Moderator, Elder Earl Sloane; Assistant Moderator, Elder Jerry Manns.

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist Church, Garrett, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.; Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Elder Brodey Amburgey.

First Baptist Church, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Wednesday; Pastor, Randy Osborne.

Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Donald Bragg.

Garrett Community Christian Church, Route 550, Garrett, Ky.; Service Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Regular meeting 2nd Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday morning at 10:30

a.m. Come and bring a friend. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Donnie Hackworth.

GOBLE ROBERTS ADDITION

Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:10 a.m.; Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Kenneth E. Prater, Jr.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; 4th Saturday Night, Regular Service & Business, 6:00 p.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Paul D. Coleman.

GRETHEL

Grethel Baptist Church, State Route 3379, (Branham's Creek Road), telephone 587-2043; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Meeting, 5:30 p.m.; Evening Services, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, David L. Givens.

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United Christian Church, Meade Bottom, Hi Hat, Ky.; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, 10:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. Brother, Bill Slone, Pastor.

HUEYSVILLE

United Community Baptist Church, Hwy. 7, Hueysville, Ky. Service each Friday night, 7:00 p.m. and each Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Come worship with us and bring a friend. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Jacob Jarvis.

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville, Ky. Service each Thursday at 6:30 p.m. and the 4th Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Jacob Jarvis.

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Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23, first exit (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Chuck Ferguson.

LANCER

Lancer Baptist Church, Lancer, welcomes you to the services. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Tom Biddle.

Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist, Lancer-Water Gap Road; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Service, 7:00 p.m.; Youth Service Wednesday, 6:30; Pastor, Joe Coleman.

Pleasant Home Baptist Church, Lancer-Watergap Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 6 p.m.; Sunday Youth Meeting, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday programs available for children; Pastor, Mark Tackett.

LANGLEY

Maytown United Methodist Church, Langley; Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Youth Sunday, 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Night, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Bob Green.

MARTIN

Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist Church, Stephens Branch; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Mid-Week Bible Study, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Martin House of Worship, in Martin on Old Post Office St. Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Rt. 80, Martin; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Relief Society/Priesthood, 9:30 a.m.; Sacrament Service, 11:20 a.m.

First Assembly of God, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Missionettes & Royal Rangers, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Lorie Vannucci.

Trinity Chapel, Pentecostal Holiness Church, North Main Street, Martin; services: Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 7:00 p.m.; Thursday worship, 7:00 p.m.; Second Saturday Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Youth Activity nights,

1st and 3rd Saturday, 6:00 p.m.; Womens Ministries, 2nd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Men's Ministries, 2nd Friday, 7:00 p.m.; Men's Bible study Monday evenings, 6:00 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Pastor.

Faith Bible Church, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.; Independent Fundamental Baptist; Pastor, Don Crisp.

Martin Freewill Baptist Church, Martin, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Bible Study, Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Youth League, Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Elder Bobby Baldrige.

First Baptist Church, Martin, Ky.; Bible Study, 10:00; Worship, 11:00; Evening Worship, 6:00; Mid Week, 7:00; Pastor, Pastor: Russ Taylor.

Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Friday, 7 p.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Deacon, Bud Crum.

Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Group, 7 p.m.; Evangelist, Gary Mitchell.

Martin Methodist Church; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Worship, 11:00; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7:00; Pastor, Roy Harlow.

MAYTOWN

Maytown First Baptist Church, Main Street; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Bob Varney.

MCDOWELL

McDowell First Baptist Church, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting, 7 p.m.; individual counseling and family counseling by appointment. Pastor, Harry Hargis.

MIDDLE CREEK

Spurlock Bible Church, Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Dan Heintzelman.

MOUNTAIN PARKWAY

Free Pentecostal Deliverance Church, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton, Saturday and Sunday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Patricia Crider.

PRESTONSBURG

Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Sabbath School, 9:15; Church Service, 10:30; Pastor, Mike Foraker, 886-3459.

St. Martha Church, Water Gap; Saturday evening mass, 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Religious Education Classes, Sunday, 9:45-10:45 a.m.; Adult Class, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; Pastor: Father John Moriarty.

Community United Methodist Church, 141 Burke Ave., (off University Drive), Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer service, 7 p.m.; classes for adults, youth and children; choir practice, Wednesday, 8 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Sam Knox.

Morning Star Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 1428 (Old Rt. 23), between Allen and Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Thursday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Hamilton.

The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Worship, 11:00; Evening Worship, 6:00; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Pastor, Harold Williams.

Faith Freewill Baptist Church, Rt. 1428, beside the old Slimway Building; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00; Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Pastor, Clinton (Buddy) Jones.

First Christian Church, 429 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg; Sunday: Bible study, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday: Midweek Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Evangelist, Hondel Adams.

Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, David Garrett.

First Baptist Church, (Irene Cole Memorial), 54 S. Front St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; S.M.A.S.H. 6:45 (on Wednesday); Wednesday night, 7 p.m.; Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Dr. S. Thomas Valentine, Pastor.

Praise Assembly, 1 mile North of Prestonsburg, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Praise & Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening services, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.; nursery provided. Pastor, J.M. Sloce.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church, located two miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Van West.

First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; MorningWorship, 11 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. George C. Love.

First United Methodist Church, 60 S. Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Worship, 11:00; Evening Worship, 7:00; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Sun., WPRT AM, 11:00; Radio Broadcast WKKZ 105.5 FM; Pastor, Reverend David Fultz.

Victory Christian Ministries Church, 1428 E., Prestonsburg; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Sherm Williams.

Parkway Baptist, Rt. 1428, Sugar Loaf, Prestonsburg; Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Ed Taylor.

Church of Christ, South Lake Drive; Sunday, 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.; Evangelist, Benny Blankenship.

St. James Episcopal Church, school starts 9:45. Enquire classes to begin in January. For more information, contact the Rev. Johnnie E. Ross, 886-8046.

Faith Freewill Baptist Church, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment on Rt. 1428. Buddy Jones, Pastor; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship, 11:00; Wednesday Prayer meeting, 7:00; Sunday Night Service at 6:00 p.m.

Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union; meets every Wednesday, 11:30-12:30 in J102. Lunch, discussion, travel available to all students, faculty and staff. French B Harmon, Director; Ella C. Goble, president. For more information, call: 874-9468 or 478-2978.

First Church of God, Prestonsburg; Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Kids Bible Club, 7 p.m.; Pastor Allan Hutchinson.

Priesthood/Relief Society, 9:30 a.m. Sunday; Sunday School, 10:20; Sacrament, 11:30 a.m.; Wednesday evening, Mutal Activities, 7 p.m.; Seminary, 6 p.m.

Town Branch Community Baptist, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.

Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m. and Wednesday Services, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Harold Williams.

Cliff Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10; Morning Worship, 11; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Pastor Clifford Austin.

Benedict Baptist Church, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Gordon Fitch.

PAINTSVILLE

Our Savior Lutheran Church, Sipp Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.; WKLV (600 a.m.) "Chapel Window",

12:05 p.m. every Sunday; Pastor Rev. Rolland Bentrup.

PRINTER

Salisbury United Methodist Church, Printer; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00; Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Bobby G. Lawson.

WATER GAP

Trimble Chapel Free Will Baptist, Intersection of U.S. 23 and Ky. 80, Water Gap, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 7:00; Wednesday youth meeting, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Joe Coleman.

WEEKSBURY

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Pastor, John "Jay" Patton.

Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday, 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Mike Hall.

WHEELWRIGHT

Wheelwright United Methodist Church, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 services; Pastor, Bobby Isaac.

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Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Wednesday evening worship, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Louis Ferrari.

Free Pentecostal Holiness Church, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Wednesday Worship, 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Louis Sanlan; Rev. David Pike, assistant pastor.

Lighthouse Temple, Hall Hollow, Wheelwright, Kentucky; Sunday Services, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday Services, 7:00; Pastor, Roy Cosby.

WEST PRESTONSBURG

Fitzpatrick First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 184, West Prestonsburg, (across from Clark Elem. School); Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Stephen Whitaker.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Don Shepherd.

Family Worship Assembly, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Thursday night, Bible Study and Youth Power Hour; nursery provided; Pastor, Scott Lish.

The Church of God of Prophecy, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Night, 6 p.m.; Wednesday night, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Amer B. Whitaker.

Free United Baptist Church, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:30 p.m.; Midweek Prayer Service, 6:30 pm.; Pastor, Dr. Jimmie N. Hall.

WAYLAND

Zion Deliverance Church, Wayland; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Ada Mosley.

Wayland United Methodist Church, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Bible Study, Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.; Pastor, Robert Green.

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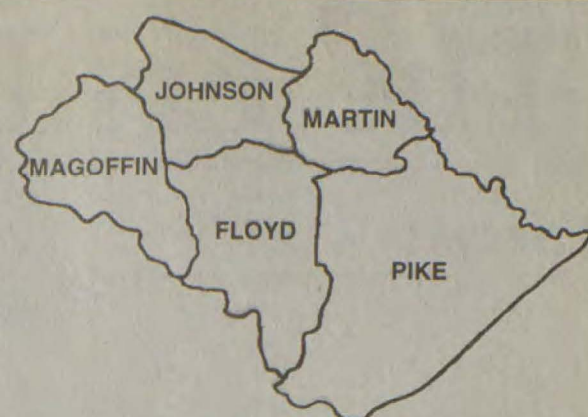
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AROUND THE REGION



State forgives omitted taxes

by Ralph Davis
The Paintsville Herald

A couple hundred property owners who didn't receive tax bills in 1992 and 1993 got a bid of good news this week. The state Revenue Cabinet is not going to ask them to pay up.

Revenue Cabinet officials announced Monday that they will not seek to collect back taxes on 201 tracts of land from 1992 and 212 parcels from 1993.

The properties are reportedly worth close to \$8 million and

would have brought up to \$100,000 to state and local governments.

Property Valuation Administrator Michael "Dip" Stafford said Tuesday that he has not been contacted by the cabinet and does not know where the tracts are. He said the omissions would have occurred before he took office.

Stafford said he believes the cabinet made a decision to forgive the taxes based on practicality. He said it would have been hard to prove in court that the properties

were actually omitted.

"I'm sure the Revenue Cabinet felt that it wasn't economically feasible to go ahead and send these out and try to collect them because each one would have had the right to challenge them," Stafford said.

As for now, Stafford said he believes all properties are now on the tax rolls.

"I think it is safe to say all of the parcels, close to 100 percent, are on the rolls," Stafford said.

However, Stafford did say that in 1995, he found two or three properties—"And three might be

stretching it," he said—which were not listed.

In each of those cases, Stafford said the property owners contacted him when they did not receive tax bills.

"I think for the most part, people of this county, or any county for that matter, don't like to pay taxes," Stafford said. "But it's something they'll accept if they think they're being treated fairly."

Stafford said Johnson County has over 13,000 parcels worth a total of \$525 million listed on tax rolls.

Wolf Creek man pleads not guilty to slaying of his father

by Michael Sisco
Martin County Sun

A Wolf Creek man, who is accused of killing his father after a night of drinking and playing cards, pleaded not guilty to capital murder charges Friday in Martin Circuit Court.

Edgar Jude Jr., 27, of Wolf Creek, was indicted about three weeks ago by a Martin County Grand Jury in connection with the December 1996 slaying of Edgar Jude Sr., 47, of Wolf Creek.

The younger Jude, who has been incarcerated in a Columbus, Ohio, jail cell to hear misdemeanor charges in that state, was given an indefinite continuance on those charges, giving Martin County sheriff's deputies the opportunity to take him to Inez.

Jude, who was represented by public defender Mary Lou Chandler, pleaded not guilty to the murder charge before Circuit Judge James A. Knight. If convicted, Jude could face electrocution. Commonwealth Attorney Anna

Melvin has said she is unsure of whether or not the commonwealth will seek the death penalty.

But some family members apparently do not want Jude to face the death penalty. Edward Jude, the brother of Edgar Jude Sr. told WYMT-TV Friday during the arraignment that he does not want his nephew to be executed if he is found guilty.

"I think they ought to put him away for life — but not kill him. I don't think Edgar would have wanted that," Jude said.

Other relatives present at the arraignment nodded agreement.

This marks the second time within the last few years that violence has rocked the Wolf Creek community. Wolf Creek native Timmy Maynard was found guilty of killing Johnson County resident Jeff Nelson May 14. Maynard is currently serving a life sentence.

Faye Jude, the elder Jude's sister-in-law, said that a life sentence would be punishment enough for her nephew, who, she said loved his father dearly.

"This is something he'll (Buddy) have to live with for the rest of his life. It's been very hard on us all. They were close ... they cooked for one another and spent a lot of time together."

The events of the past several weeks has taken its toll on several of Buddy's immediate family members, Faye Jude said from her home in VanCleave, Kentucky. She said that Kate Jude, Buddy's grandmother, was taken to an area hospital after being overcome by a stress-related illness.

"Buddy sent her a letter and it was pretty hard for her to take," she said. "The whole family is under a lot of stress right now."

There has been some earlier speculation as to whether or not Buddy acted alone the night of his father's death and Jude said that she has heard rumors of another person being involved — but she could not say where the rumors originated.

"It's all hearsay," she said. "I can't comment on it."

Martin County Sheriff's Chief

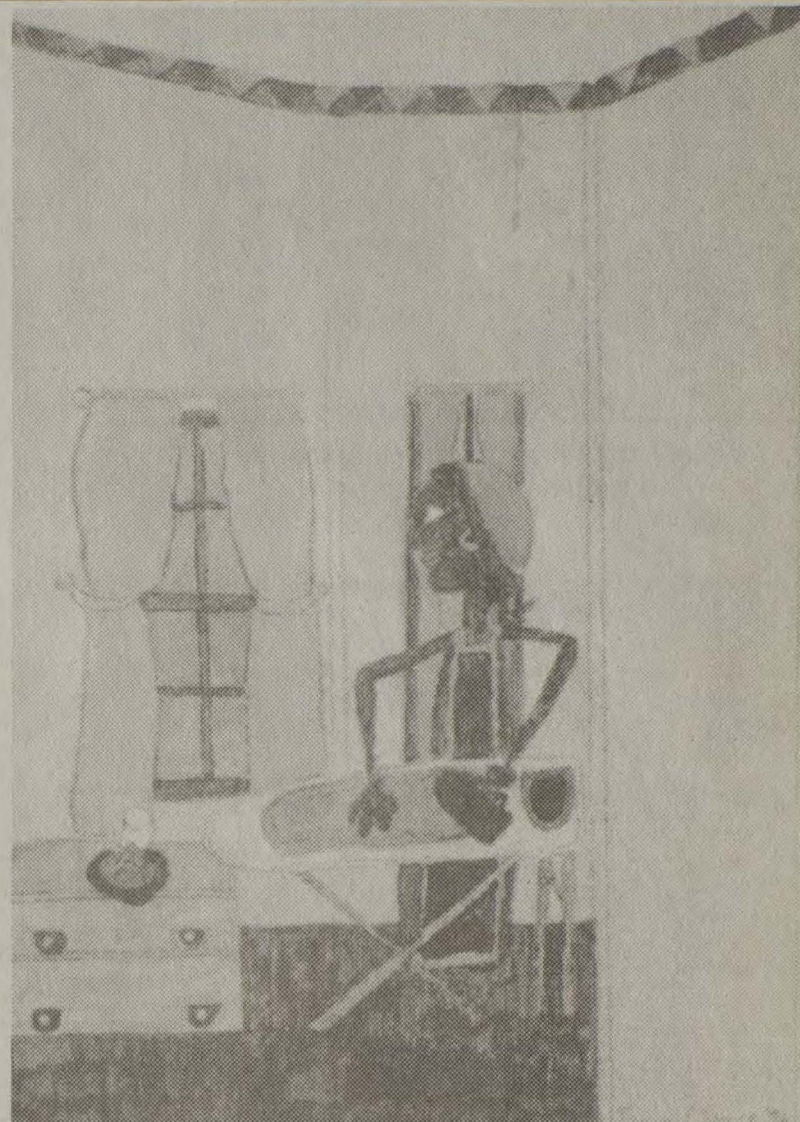
Deputy Pete Fitzpatrick said Monday that every item taken from the scene of the crime had been accounted for and that Buddy Jude remains the sole suspect in the killing.

The younger Jude motioned a "hello" to relatives sitting in the courtroom as he entered. There had been speculation among some that some family members were "ready to jump" Buddy when he came to court, but Martin County Sheriff Darriel Young provided security and no incidents were forthcoming Friday.

Jude is being held without bond at the Big Sandy Detention Center where he awaits a trial that has not been set.

More recovered items have been sent to the Kentucky State Police forensic laboratory for analysis, police say. The investigation is still being conducted by the Martin County Sheriff's office under the direction of Sheriff Darriel Young.

Knight scheduled a pretrial hearing for 10 a.m., February 28, in Martin Circuit Court.



Art on exhibit

Kentucky Folk Art Center, "The Paintings of Joan Dance," is displaying paintings by self-taught artist Joan Dance, from Paducah, January 3-March 26. The event is sponsored by Citizens National Bank of Paintsville.

Paintsville bank sponsors exhibit

"The Paintings of Joan Dance," an exhibition of paintings sponsored by Citizens National Bank, Paintsville, will be on display at Kentucky Folk Art Center at Morehead from January 3 through March 26.

A self-taught artist and native of Paducah, Joan Dance portrays scenes from everyday life, through her, colorful, angular paintings. Though much of her subject matter is commonplace, Dance succeeds in evoking a level of intimacy in her work, which transforms the ordinary into the extraordinary. The artist "has a strong, innate sense of design which is expressed

in bold, angular linear style," according to Lee Kogan, director of the Folk Art Institute at the Museum of American Folk Art in New York City.

A reception honoring the artist was held from 4 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, at Kentucky Folk Art Center, 119 West University Boulevard in Morehead.

Kentucky Folk Art Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Admission is free.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2204.

City to sell property to hospital

by Kim Stacy
Appalachian News-Express

The Pikeville City Commission agreed Monday night to sign over the deed to Pikeville Methodist Hospital to the hospital and sell it a portion of property in the riverfill.

The moves came through an agreement to support the hospital's

plans to begin a major \$75 million renovation and expansion project set to begin this spring.

In order to help finance the project, the hospital had applied for a \$45 million bond through the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority. To qualify for the bond, the hospital needed the deed to the hospital.

"The commission unanimously supports the hospital's expansion project," said Mayor Steve Combs. "The project will have a tremendous impact on our whole area."

"The commission wanted to protect the hospital. We believe the hospital should keep its current level of charitable care, more than what is the standard. We wanted to keep it from being sold and keep up its charity work. I think we did everything we could to make sure the hospital continues to do certain things."

The action passed by the commission consisted of three parts.

The first part of the resolution deals with floating a new 1997 bond issue for \$45 million. To do that, the city had to work out a new lease agreement with the hospital.

"We decided the best way to do that was to sign the deed for the property where the hospital is located over to the hospital," said Combs. "But we also put some restrictions on the deed."

"The restrictions provide that the hospital will not be sold, that charitable care will remain at a certain level in years to come and the hospital will remain a not-for-profit hospital."

The second part of the resolution is an agreement concerning a UDAG grant given to the hospital by the city. UDAG grants are provided to the city by Housing and Urban Development. Such funds have been used for the YMCA and a housing project.

"This agreement provides that the \$3.6 million grant will not have to be repaid to the city," said Combs. "However, if the hospital is ever sold, then the grant will have to be repaid 'in full' immediately by the hospital to the city."

The third part of the resolution allows the hospital to purchase a portion of property in the landfill from the city at a cost of about \$400,000.

"The hospital had asked to buy or lease the property," said Combs. "So we offered to sell it the property."

"We agreed to sell the hospital the property, providing if within a five-year period it doesn't have realistic

plans to develop it with some addition to the hospital other than parking, then the city will have the option of buying the property back."

The actions came at Monday night's meeting following a lengthy executive session to discuss legal matters.

At the beginning of the meeting, the hospital again made its request for the property and asked the commission to sign a resolution which would give it the deed and allow it to purchase the property.

However, a couple of commissioners said they had concerns regarding the resolution and could not vote to sign it unless some issues were cleared up.

"I think we're jumping ahead of ourselves here because there's a lot of concerns, and I have a lot of questions," said Commissioner Johnny Mounts. "I'm not willing to sign the deed over or sign the lease agreement until I have some important questions answered."

At that point, PMH attorney Pam Robinette May asked the commission to go into executive session.

"At this time, I ask you to reconsider your decision to go into executive session," said May. "This involves some really sensitive legal issues and I think they should be discussed in executive session."

Following the hour-long closed-door session, Combs said the issues had been resolved.

"The commission has been given some significant information and all our questions have been answered," said Combs. "We've been able to arrive at an agreement. We've negotiated the terms of the loan for the UDAG grant and the sale of the property in the riverfill."

The hospital first made a request a couple of months ago to purchase or lease property in the riverfill, which will be used for additional parking during the construction project.

The motion to approve the actions was made by Gene Davis, seconded by Mounts and unanimously approved.

Board takes action against JCMS parent

by Charles Longton
The Paintsville Herald

School boards often find themselves handing down disciplinary action, but not quite like Johnson County board members did Monday night.

Instead of taking up the matter of a troublesome student, the board instead addressed problems with a parent.

Superintendent Orville Hamilton said the parent of a 12-year-old student recently stepped out of line with the coach of the Johnson County Middle School

basketball team.

Hamilton said that the man "pushed, shoved and abused the coach recently" during a basketball game. When asked if the school had had a history of trouble from the parent, the superintendent would only say that he has been an "enthusiastic" parent.

In retaliation, the school system has banned the parent from school property.

Hamilton said that he did not want "to make a big deal out of this," and a letter from Hamilton was moved to be ratified by the board.

school system said that Hamilton was a good and honest person to work with and that they wanted to continue to see the school going in the right direction.

Danny Daniels said that "he wasn't my pick at the time but I have no qualms about it."

"I am just taking my financial situation into account," Hamilton said.

The board unanimously agreed to renew the contract.

The new contract will begin July 1, 1998, and continue through June 30, 2002. —The Paintsville Herald

Superintendent gets four more years

Superintendent Orville Hamilton has been given a new four-year contract, after he told board members his retirement fund has been spent and that in order to receive retirement he must work for 27 years.

"When I first came in I didn't have an intention of asking for a second contract, I truly didn't," said Hamilton.

Hamilton said that in the past two years he has seen the Johnson County school system become "the finest system in Eastern Kentucky."

Members of the Johnson County

year-old son out of the swimming pool after the child spit at his older brother and also spit into the pool. When Johnson punished the child, his youngest child was knocked down, a court document indicated.

Custody of the children has gone back and forth between Johnson and Lakin since their divorce. Lakin retained custody when the couple split up, but she lost that to Johnson in 1992 when she was treated for drug and alcohol problems at a rehabilitation center.

Lakin got custody of the children a year later when she made allegations of neglect and abuse against Johnson. No charges of abuse or neglect involving the children and Johnson were filed by the Social Services office at that time, but the department opened a case file on the Johnson children.

Johnson was charged five times from 1990 to 1993 with driving under the influence. When he lost custody of his children in 1993, he was granted unsupervised visitation rights.

When Lakin lost custody of the children in October after she was charged with DUI, she was granted supervised visitation on Sunday afternoons only at the home of Judi Patton in Pikeville.

According to a petition filed with the court, Jan Harvey Johnson says that his mother and the governor should be granted custody of the children.

First Lady Judi Patton has taken a strong stand on domestic violence issues. She is special adviser to an office, the Governor's Office of Sexual Abuse and Domestic Violence, created by Governor Patton.

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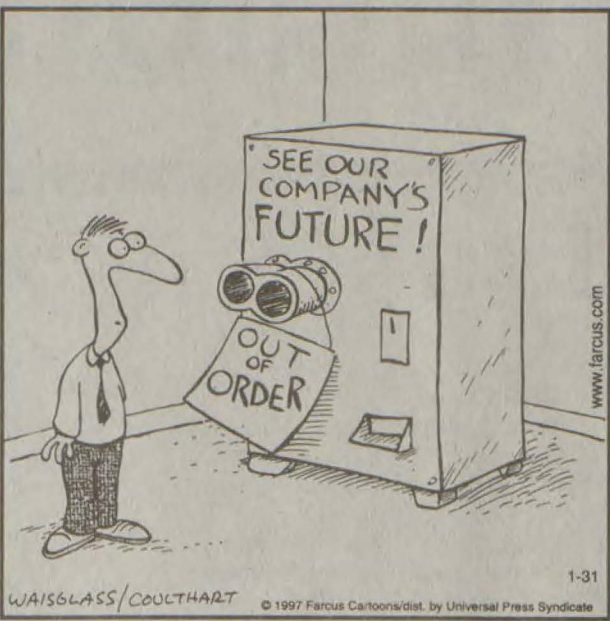
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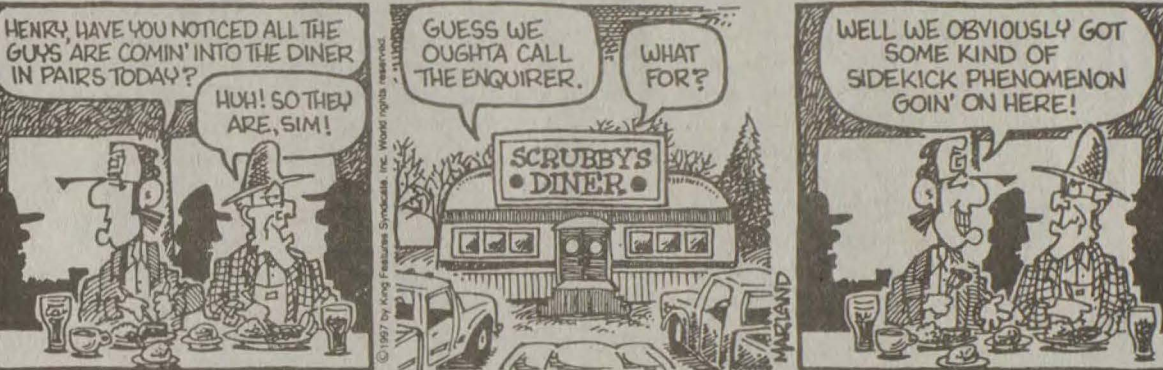
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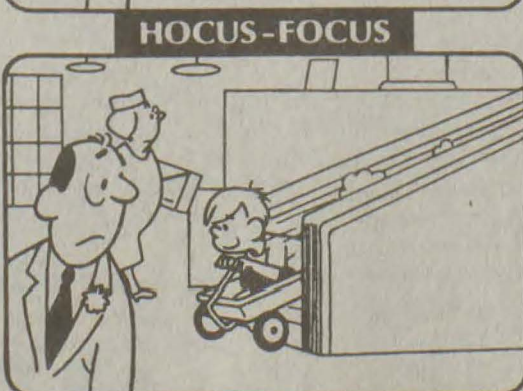
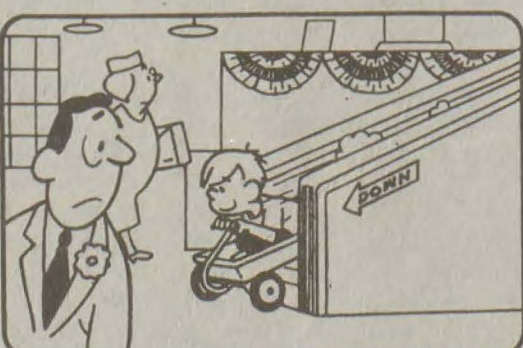
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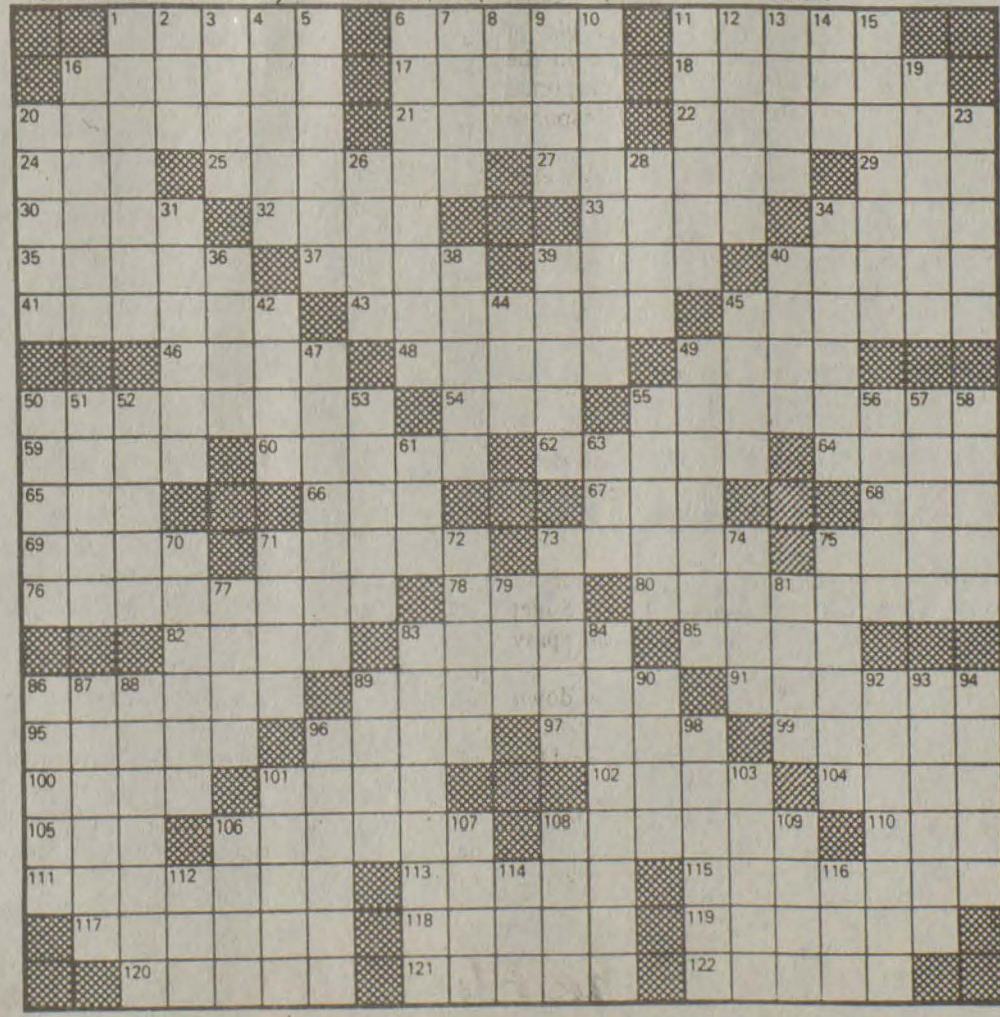


FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

- 1. Hair is missing.
- 2. Flower is different.
- 3. Package is moved.
- 4. Burning is missing.
- 5. Handle is missing.
- 6. Sign is missing.

Super Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Judges' benches
- 6 Small restaurants
- 11 Mythical Titan
- 16 Coach's concern
- 17 Last Greek letter
- 18 Mediterranean seaport
- 20 Mr. Grundy of rhyme
- 21 Founder of Bolshevism
- 22 Withstands
- 24 Kimono sash
- 25 Microphone inventor
- 27 Clown's props
- 29 - Sentimental Mood
- 30 Prima donna
- 32 Bridge coup
- 33 Caesar's fatal date
- 34 Warm and cozy
- 35 Skirt style
- 37 Isle of exile
- 39 Comrades
- 40 Mark in bowling
- 41 - To every thing there is a -
- 43 Plowed land
- 45 - in the forehead of
- the morning sky* (Milton)
- 46 Dill weed
- 48 Juan's friend
- 49 Volcano crater
- 50 Egyptian city
- 54 Animal that might be great
- 55 Jamaica seaport
- 59 Fencing sword
- 60 Psychoanalyst
- 62 Word with parade or rehearsal
- 64 Alleviate
- 65 Legal matter
- 66 Highway abbr.
- 67 Bank acct. bonus?
- 68 Gift I.D.
- 69 Spring flower
- 71 Group of eight
- 73 Chocolate drink
- 75 Indian of Brazil
- 76 City on San Francisco Bay
- 78 - Annie, of "Oklahoma!"
- 80 Its capital is Tegucigalpa
- 82 Ancient Greek coin
- 83 Perfectly
- vertical
- 85 Tie the - (get married)
- 86 Comblike instrument
- 89 Mount - , California
- 91 King Arthur's island paradise
- 95 Actress Kirstie
- 96 Bloody
- 97 Ancient Syria
- 99 Growing out
- 100 The - of Orleans
- 101 Stage direction
- 102 Parity
- 104 "The Tender -" (movie)
- 105 Provide with weapons
- 106 Moe, Larry or Curly
- 108 Manage
- 110 Two - time bites
- 111 Took small
- 113 Persuaded
- 115 White powder used as a fungicide
- 117 Breakfast dish
- 118 San Antonio landmark
- 119 Brazilian palms
- 120 Frumpy
- 121 Short, sharp
- cries
- 122 Aspect
- DOWN
- 1 Inland country
- 2 Onnoco tributary
- 3 Parent-to-be's choice
- 4 Lumps of earth
- 5 Showing mental confusion
- 6 Double-coated country
- 7 "You said it!"
- 8 Marsh
- 9 Shield
- 10 Capital of Chile
- 11 White poplars
- 12 Camping equipment
- 13 Covers
- 14 South Seas island
- 15 It was formerly Dutch
- 16 Alabama seaport
- 19 Right of holding
- 20 Soft drinks
- 23 Wise men
- 26 - of the earth
- 28 Vain
- 31 Having a handle
- 34 Scanty
- 36 Eternities
- 38 Egyptian dancing girl
- 39 Called on the P.A.
- 40 Refinery residue
- 42 At hand
- 44 Leo the - (Durocher)
- 45 Ardent followers
- 47 Male peregrine falcon
- 49 Identified incorrectly
- 50 Persian fairies
- 51 It's before hat or house
- 52 Plant exudate
- 53 The same
- 55 Box for salt- ing fish
- 56 Language spoken in Kazan
- 57 Honshu seaport
- 58 Hot wine beverage
- 61 Mediocre grade
- 63 Bravo or Grande
- 70 Cured, as ham
- 71 Indian
- 72 Correspond
- 73 Punctuation mark
- 74 - Christie
- 75 Undergoing change
- 77 Skillfully
- 79 Couple
- 81 Symbol of peace
- 83 Inland country
- 84 West Indian country
- 86 Biblical name
- 87 King of the Visigoths
- 88 Went up the ladder
- 89 Active sport
- 90 Weather word
- 92 City in Wyoming
- 93 Giant grasses
- 94 Himalayan country
- 96 Ample
- 98 Reckless and impulsive
- 101 Place
- 103 Virgule
- 106 Seattle - (racehorse)
- 107 Perry's creator
- 108 Tough fiber
- 109 Lanchester of filmdom
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- 114 Guy's date
- 116 Western org.



Big Sandy Briefs

The Numbers Game

Wednesday's Results
January 24, 1997

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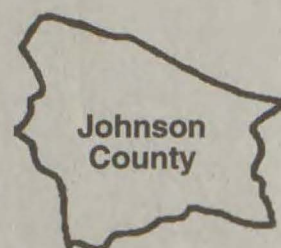
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Next Estimated Jackpot
\$1.8 million

POWERBALL

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Next Estimated Jackpot
\$30 million



School renovations set to begin soon

Renovations will soon get underway for three elementary schools in Johnson County — at a price which will help with the construction of another.

A motion to approve bids for the project was made by the Johnson County Board of Education. Costs are expected to make construction of a new school at Jenny's Creek "simpler to do a year from now," said Joe Nance, fiscal agent for the board.

Renovation costs for the three schools will be \$4,773,600. — *The Paintsville Herald*

Herald brings home six awards

The Paintsville Herald news division has been honored with six awards from the Kentucky Press

Association.

Leading the way for the newspaper was *Herald* editor Ralph B. Davis, with four awards.

Former *Herald* publisher Kate B. Dickson also claimed honors with a second-place award, and former *Herald* photographer Spring Ulmer also received a second place award. — *The Paintsville Herald*

Courts close after crank call received

A crank caller brought business at the Johnson County courthouse to a screeching halt Monday when he phoned in threatening a "surprise."

The caller made his threat to the Paintsville Police Department at 9:51 Monday morning, records show. Police Chief Tom Haney said that when the dispatcher on duty picked up the phone, a man trying to disguise his voice said, "There will be justice for Ronnie Tackett."

When the caller was asked to explain himself, Haney said that he only replied, "I've got a surprise for them at the courthouse."

Local and state police officials searched the courthouse. Nothing out of the ordinary was found during the sweep. — *The Paintsville Herald*



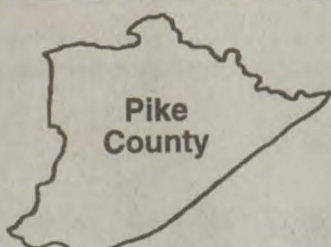
More discrepancies found in bingo books

According to Warfield City bookkeeper Irene Lowe, the city paid \$5,000 in bingo proceeds to the Warfield Volunteer Fire Department to make a fire truck payment — but the fire chief says the organization never received the money.

The fire chief said the fire department received a \$2,500 donation from the city in bingo proceeds. The money was used to make a truck payment, but the organization has not received an additional \$2,500 from bingo proceeds. — *Martin County Sun*

Lawsuit against newspaper dismissed

Martin Circuit Judge Steven "Nick" Frazier issued a summary judgment in favor of The Martin County Sun and its owner Mark Grayson Monday in a lawsuit filed by James Mineer who claimed the newspaper had libeled him.



Pike County man stabbed

A Pike County man was stabbed Wednesday evening in Sidney.

The Pikeville Post of the Kentucky State Police E-911 dispatcher received a call around 5:30 p.m. January 29 that a stabbing had occurred at a home on Dix Fork at Sidney.

The caller, Terry Edmiston, 42, of Sidney, reported that he had been stabbed by John Edmiston, 52, also of Sidney. Terry Edmiston was stabbed twice in the abdomen area and once in the leg. He was transported to the hospital by Appalachian First Response Ambulance.

When Kentucky State Police trooper Todd Wheeler, detective Kenneth Stone, and a Pike County sheriff's deputy arrived on the scene, John Edmiston had fled. He was captured and arrested at 7:17 p.m. and was lodged in the Pike County Jail. — *staff report*

Day care center flag desecrated

A local day care center's American flag was desecrated this (past) weekend when three unidentified people spray-painted it and hung it upside down, authorities said.

According to a Pikeville Police Department report, about 6:49 Saturday evening, a resident of Bank Street saw three males lower the American flag and spray paint a black "X" through it.

The perpetrators then turned the flag upside down and raised it to the top of the flagpole, the report said. The witness tried to contact the trio but they fled the scene, police said.

The perpetrators were described as white males, ranging from 15 to 18 years of age.

They all allegedly wore heavy coats, baggy pants

Frazier said in his ruling that the story printed in The Sun in 1994 about Mineer's arrest by local police officers on charges of assaulting his wife, was true, said Grayson's attorney, Brian Cumbo.

In his suit, Mineer claimed he had lost more than \$85,000 in business at Big Sandy Airport, where he runs a fuel station and flying school, because of bad publicity from the newspaper story. — *Martin County Sun*

Court says no thanks to Wolf Creek site

Martin County Fiscal Court said "thanks, but no thanks" to the Caney Mine Shaft property, after hearing from Big Sandy Area Development District officials who said it could not be used as an industrial site.

Wolf Creek Collieries representative Bob AcAtee asked the court to vote on whether to not to accept the site — and allow Wolf Creek to take a \$3 million tax write-off (the property was valued at \$1.6 million by PVA Tim Robinson.)

The county would also assume liability for the property in the event of subsidence or any other disaster. That's why county Attorney Drewie Muncy and the magistrates objected.

A host of former Wolf Creek employees said that underground mining had been taking place on the property site.

BSADD rep Roger Recktenwald said the property could not be used as an industrial site but, possibly could be developed for housing. — *Martin County Sun*

and black toboggans.

The case is still under investigation by the Pikeville Police Department.

If anyone has any information regarding this case, call the city police department at 437-5111 or 437-6236. — *Appalachian News-Express*

Pike woman killed in drug store

A Pike County woman was killed in a Phelps drug store where she worked as a clerk when she was shot by her husband.

Kathy Bowling, 23, of Phelps died January 24 in the Citizens Value Rite Drug Store at Phelps. According to state police reports, Bowling's ex-husband, Steven Estep, 36, of Phelps entered the store, armed with a weapon around 4:10 p.m. last Friday. He shot Bowling and then forced her into a restroom at the rear of the store.

A special Kentucky State Police response team was sent to the scene after an E-911 dispatcher received a call of a shooting at the drug store from another store employee.

Police began negotiating with Estep. He was taken into custody around 8:40 p.m. by the special operating unit and by other KSP units.

Bowling was found dead at the scene. A records check revealed an active domestic violence protective order had been obtained by Kathy Estep Bowling on March 15, 1996, according to KSP reports. — *staff report*

Estep was lodged in the Pike County Detention Center and is being held on a \$1 million cash bond. *Appalachian News-Express*

Newspaper takes top honors

The Appalachian News-Express won the Kentucky Press Association's General Excellence Award among non-daily newspapers published more than once each week.

The award — the paper's first, first-place finish — was announced Friday at the conclusion of the KPA's annual winter convention in Louisville.

The News-Express won a total of 23 awards in 20 news, sports, and photography categories. — *Appalachian News-Express*

Legals

ORDINANCE NO. 1-97

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, ESTABLISHING A REGULAR MEETING TIME OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

WHEREAS: A newly elected Council has been sworn and seated in the City of Prestonsburg; and

WHEREAS: A meeting time must be established according to law; and

WHEREAS: The City Council is desirous of informing the public and the press of their Regular Meeting time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1:

The Regular Meeting time of the City Council of the City of Prestonsburg shall be the second (2nd) Monday at 6:00 p.m. and the Fourth (4th) Monday at 12:00 noon of every month. The Meeting will be held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, located on North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY.

Section 2:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication, as required by law.

Section 3:

All Ordinances or any parts in conflict with the provisions herein are expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Adopted this 27th day of January, 1997.

Jerry S. Fannin
Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2-97

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG.

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 65.760, local governments are authorized to establish and maintain a 911 emergency telephone service and may charge fees to be paid by the local exchange telephone subscribers to pay the costs of establishing and maintaining such a system; and;

WHEREAS, the Floyd Fiscal Court passed a resolution authorizing the establishment of such a system and as a result of said resolution the sum of \$.89 (89 cents) was collected from the residents of Floyd County including the residents of Prestonsburg; and;

WHEREAS, said money has been collected since February 16, 1990 and is maintained in an account controlled by the Fiscal Court for the establishment of the 911 system; and;

WHEREAS, the Floyd Fiscal Court and the City of Prestonsburg have now determined that it would be beneficial for each party to establish separate systems with the idea that the two systems may be combined in the future.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Prestonsburg hereby establishes an enhanced safety answering service to provide a single telephone number for all the citizens of Prestonsburg to contact emergency services within the City, which service shall be known as the

"Prestonsburg 911 System."

Section 2. There is hereby established a "911 fee" of eighty-nine cents (\$.89) per month, per line, up to 25 exchange lines per account, for each local telephone exchange subscriber in the City of Prestonsburg.

Section 3. The respective telephone company is authorized to collect the "911 fee" from the subscriber and remit said fee to the City according to the terms of the respective agreement.

Section 4. This ordinance is to have retroactive effect to the extent that the City of Prestonsburg is permitted to share in the revenues held by the Floyd Fiscal Court, for the \$.89 per month collected from the citizens of Prestonsburg since February 16, 1990.

Section 5. There is hereby created a 911 Committee for the oversight and operation of the 911 system and the City's dispatch operation. Said committee shall consist of four (4) council persons, selected by the Mayor. The committee shall oversee the operation and make recommendations to the Mayor and Council for approval.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and proper publication. To the extent that this ordinance conflicts with any other ordinance, then the prior ordinance is repealed.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1997.

Jerry Fannin, Mayor

Catch the Spirit of the West!

Adopt a Wild Horse or Burro from the Federal Government. For an information packet call 1-800-417-9647

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See how well you Measure Up!

Try a sample question from Kentucky's public school tests.

The Kentucky Press Association and the Kentucky Department of Education invite you to answer some of the questions public school students answer when they take the Kentucky Instructional Results Information System (KIRIS) tests each spring. Once a week for 9 weeks, we will publish an actual question from a recent KIRIS test. We challenge you to try answering today's question; then compare your answer below.

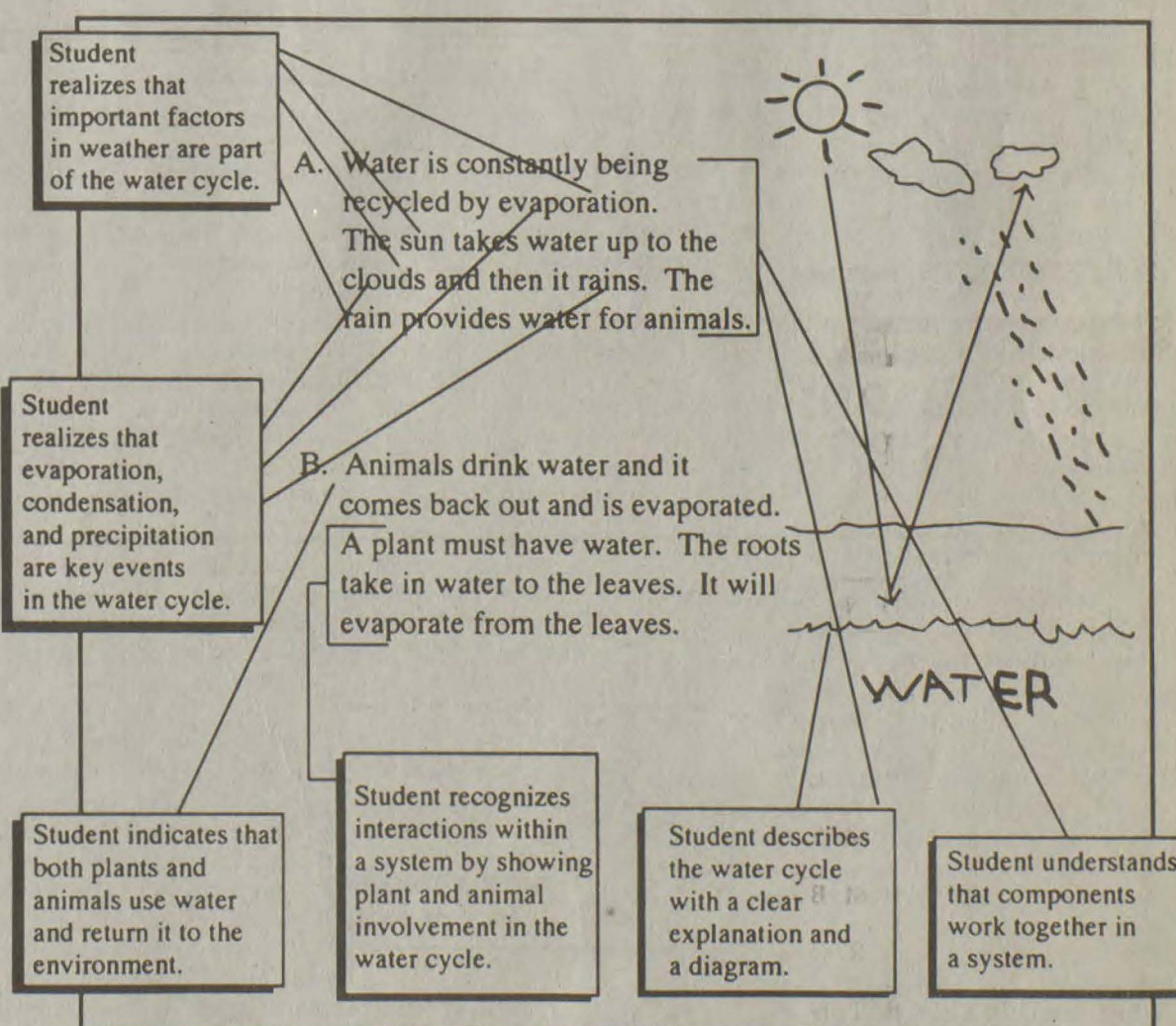
Week 1 Question:

Elementary School Science

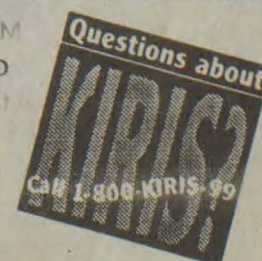
If plants and animals are able to live in an area, they must have water constantly supplied to them where they live.

- Using words or words and a diagram, show how water is recycled to be where living things need it.
- Show or explain the role of plants and animals in recycling water.

Sample Student Response:



Note: Students' responses to KIRIS questions are categorized into one of four performance levels. For a detailed description of the four performance levels, call 1-800-KIRIS-99.



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News of the Weird

by Chuck Shepherd

— The Brooklyn, N.Y., organization Shalom Bayis ("Household Peace" in Hebrew) closed down its 24-hour mistress hotline in January after an unfavorable New York Daily News story. A Shalom Bayis spokesman said the hotline's purpose was to place its 40 volunteer mistresses with unsatisfied husbands in order to stop the "plague of divorce" menacing Jewish couples. Although Shalom Bayis claimed to take no fee for its services, it did admit that after the Daily News story, most of the hotline callers were single men and happily married men who just wanted sex.

— One Man, One Vote: Because of an obscure state constitutional amendment that few voters and politicians noticed, the terms of office of the four incumbents on the Loretto, Ky., City Council automatically expired in November without their having had an opportunity to campaign for reelection. Travis Greenwell, 23, voting by absentee ballot, was perhaps the only person in town (population 800) who read the voting literature and thus cast the only votes in the election. For the four slots, he wrote in the names of his mother, his uncle, a friend and

a local character who runs a hardware store. (All except the hardware store guy declined to serve.)

— Wrong Place, Wrong Time: Phoenix cosmetic surgeon Steven Locniker, on the lam for avoiding child-support charges, was arrested in September after he called attention to himself as Cosmopolitan magazine's "Bachelor of the Month." And Thomas Georgevitch, 22, on the lam for impersonating a police officer, was arrested in Bay Shore, N.Y., in October after a detective heard him call in to a radio station to make a song request (Johnny Rivers' "Secret Agent Man"). And Tom Tipton, 63, wanted on two warrants in Minneapolis, was arrested in November when a sheriff's officer recognized his name as the man singing the national anthem before the Vikings-Broncos game.

THE LITIGIOUS SOCIETY

— Chris Morris filed a \$1 million lawsuit against the state of Michigan in November, claiming that he caught a cold in the rotunda of the state Capitol while viewing an art exhibit there earlier in the year.

— Dale L. Larson's \$41,000 trial-court award was upheld by a Wisconsin appeals court in October, which agreed with the trial court that the Indianhead golf course in Wausau was 51 percent responsible for Larson's needing nine root canals and 23 dental crowns. Larson tripped on his golf spikes and fell hard on his

face on a brick path outside the clubhouse, and he argued that he wouldn't have fallen if it had been a smooth concrete sidewalk rather than a brick path. The trial court had found that only 49 percent of the accident was due to Larson's having consumed 13 drinks that evening, which left him with a blood-alcohol level of 0.28 90 minutes after the fall.

— Andrew Daniels filed a \$500,000 lawsuit against M&M/Mars Co. and a Cleveland retailer because one of the Peanut M&Ms he bit down on had no peanut in it, and as a result, his teeth bit through his lip, which required his hospitalization and various surgery bills. One claim against the retailer is under the legal theory of "failure to inspect" the candy.

— In August, Julie Leach filed a lawsuit in Macomb County, Mich., seeking at least \$10,000 from the owners of a beagle named Patch, which Leach said was constantly enticing Leach's German shepherd, Holly, to chase him. In 1995, during one of Patch's escapades, the pursuing Holly was run over by a car and killed. Leach says Patch's owners should pay for permitting their dog to harass Holly.

— In July, Alex Alzaldia filed a \$25,000 lawsuit against Dennis Hickey in Raymondville, Texas, alleging injuries caused by his "suddenly without warning" having tripped over Hickey's dog in the kitchen of Hickey's

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Poperri

by Scott Perry

After one of those father-son discussions...you know, the ones where you do all the discussing and the boy does all the ignoring...I got to reminiscing about my own youth.

Our one-on-one conversation was, from my point of view, a lecture on the necessities of completing homework. From the boy's seat, though, it must have gone something like this.

Me: Blah blah blah blah blah blah.

Him: Yeah.

Me: Blah blah blah blah blah blah.

Him: Okay.

Now this kid may not be able to remember to bring his spelling book home the night before a big test, but he never needs reminding on what answers to give when the veins are popping out on his dad's forehead.

Just goes to show you that practical living skills are often instinctive, rather than learned.

Anyway, after my blood pressure fell below the spit-flying-out-of-the-mouth level, I started thinking about just how tough school is these days.

When I was in the fourth grade, as my son is now, I'm sure I had to study math, spelling, and science, but darned if the only thing I can remember about that year in my life is that the girl who sat next to me had a bike wreck, knocked all her teeth out, and had to get dentures before her age reached double-digits.

School is serious business these days. My son is learning things at age nine that I'm not sure I ever knew. And, we parents want them to do well so they'll be able to cope with college and then the real world.

Hey, if you'll pardon the lapse into vulgarity, life's a bitch, and then you die.

Kids ought to be allowed to enjoy their childhoods and school shouldn't be so stressful on them or their parents.

"Proficiency" is the buzzword in education today, but measuring it is a subjective process that might need to be a tad bit more objective.

I know my son is smarter than I was at his age.

When my dad lectured me, I tuned him out, too. But I didn't have the savvy to answer "yeah," when he asked if I understood what he said when he finished saying it.

Nope. I always said "huh?"

And it started all over again.

Critic's Corner

by Michael Greene

Ghosts of Mississippi

It is said that if we don't learn from history, we are doomed to repeat it. There's a lot of wisdom in that statement and I believe it's part of the message of this very powerful film.

Alec Baldwin portrays Assistant District Attorney Bobby DeLaughter. He works out of Jackson, Mississippi. The widow of slain civil-rights leader Medgar Evers, Myrlie (Whoopi Goldberg), has requested that the D.A. reopen her husband's case, based on a newspaper report that files from the Mississippi Sovereignty Commission show evidence of jury tampering in the two murder trials which ended in hung juries and let her husband's killer, Byron de la Beckwith (James Woods), go free.

Chillingly, the film goes back to the 1960s and the murder of Evers, showing Beckwith hiding in the trees and shooting Evers in the back, leaving him to die in his driveway in front of his distraught wife and three children.

At the first trial, Mississippi Governor Ross Barnett is shown strolling into the courtroom during Mrs. Evers' appearance on the witness stand. Barnett shakes Beckwith's hand in an apparent show of "white" solidarity.

After the second trial ends in a hung jury, Beckwith is actually given a parade through his hometown to celebrate. Years go by until the late '80s when Mrs. Evers requests the reopening of the case. DeLaughter decides he has to pursue this, despite opposition from everyone around him, including his wife, who eventually leaves him. Finally, in 1994, the case is brought to trial yet again, this time resulting in justice when Beckwith is convicted of the murder.

Both Baldwin and Woods are at the top of their game here. For her part, Goldberg gives a decent performance, if not a bit wooden and one-dimensional. However, it is director Rob Reiner who deserves all the kudos. He's done a superb job with this powerful tale, made all the more so by virtue of the fact that it's true.

Believe me, this is one flick you'll come away from with a different perspective. Don't miss it!

The Extra

The MAC brings well-known gospel singers close to home

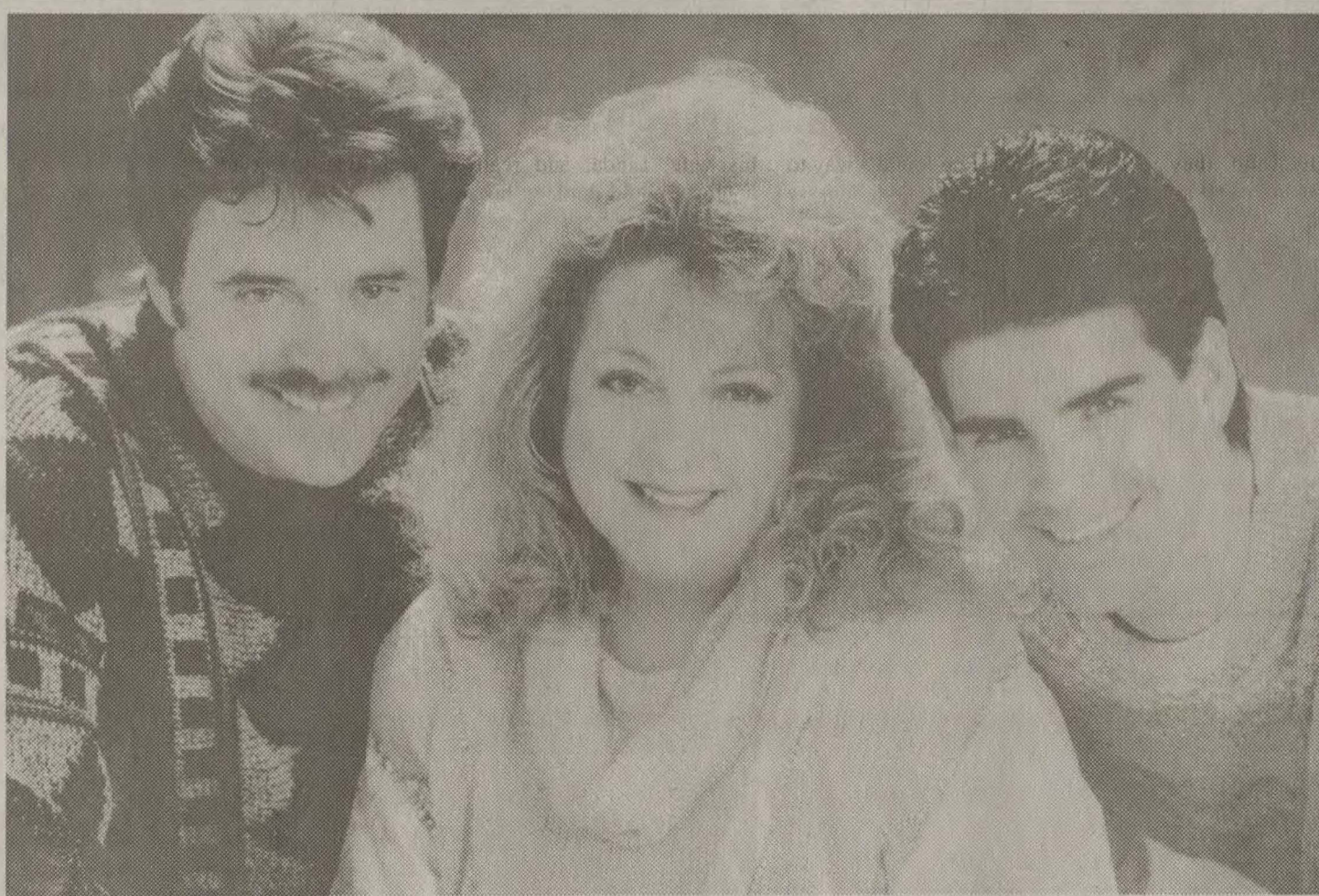
In the past, area residents have had to travel great distances to hear a concert of gospel music by several well-known performers. Now, they just have to travel a few miles to the Mountain Arts Center.

The center is bringing three well-known Southern Gospel groups together in one concert on February 7. The Freemans, the Steeles, and the Spencers will present their own styles of Southern Gospel at the Mountain Arts Center, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Freemans are hailed as one of gospel music's finest ministries. Officially formed in 1985, the Freemans were a relative newcomer to gospel music. Yet, when recognized individually, it is compromised of whole lifetimes of experience in musical ministry.

Darrell Freeman, performer and manager of the Freemans, grew up in a gospel music family. For nearly 20 years, Darrell sang and played the bass guitar for his family group. It was this experience that later led Darrell to successfully managing and operating the Freemans.

Chris Hawkins Freeman, Darrell's wife and featured vocalist for the Freemans, is certainly no stranger to gospel music. Leaving her home at the age of 16 to sing professionally with gospel music's Hinson family, Chris enjoyed seven years of ministering with the Hinsons, as well as receiving two substantial awards from the gospel music fans, the Singing News "Queen of Gospel Music" award. Chris was the youngest person to ever receive this award which was bestowed on her in 1976 and 1977.



The Freemans

Joe Freeman, Darrell's first cousin, plays acoustic guitar and has recently begun singing the third part in the Freemans' trio due to his wife, Diane Freeman, leaving the road to start a family.

Since the Freemans' formation, many miles and accomplishments have occurred. Since 1985, the Freemans have nationally introduced such songs as "Little David," "Always," "Have You Heard,"

"Number One Love," "Unshakable," and "Going Back," which became the Freemans' number one single, both on the Singing News and the Gospel Voice national reporting charts.

The Freemans also became the only group in Southern Gospel history to simultaneously have four singles in the Singing News top forty. Their strong material and vocal talent ensures strong chart action and

lengthy stays on the charts.

Whether the Freemans are being nominated for gospel music as a group or individually, they say their outlook on gospel music will always stay the same, ministry first. With some two hundred concert dates a year ministering in the church sanctuary as well as the numerous fairs, festivals and concert auditoriums, the Freemans fully intend to keep extending their ministry to all

who will listen.

The Steeles are also a family group dedicated to the ministry of music. The Steeles were formed in 1989. The group consists of Jeff and Sherry Steele and Danny Jackson, with Mickey Bell on keyboards.

The group was nominated for Horizon Group at the Singing News Fan Awards in 1994. In the 1995 Gospel Voice

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IF I KNEW YOU WERE COMIN' I'D BOUGHT A BAKERY

Everybody has always said that my friend Jean and I were a little dotty. Now, it's official. At least for Jean, because she has bought into a bakery business at Chinoe Village in Lexington, called Dottie's. A quaint little bakery decorated in a French motif, but with the scrumptious good taste of mom's homemade delicacies.

The amazing thing about Jean's new venture is that she just became a Realtor.

"How many hats can you wear, Jean? The next thing I know you'll be a candlestick maker. After all, you just got your Realtor license a few months ago, now you're going to become a chef."

"I think I'll look chic in one of those chef hats," she laughed.

"Are you really going to be making pies?" I asked. "I'm going to be learning all about the business from the bottom up," she replied. "That means everything. I'm really excited about it. And the best part

about it all is that the pies are delicious. Not to mention all the other desserts they make."

"Aha! I knew there was a catch," I giggled. "You better watch it though, or you'll eat up all your profits."



"No, I'm going on a diet the first day. I'll be so busy pitting cherries and grating lemons, I won't have time to think about food. And besides that, I'll be waiting on customers and making out the payroll. Food, for my own use, will be the last thing on my mind," she assured me.

"Uh, huh," I replied sarcastically. "Now I suppose you have a nice little plot of land in Utah you'd like to sell me. I'll bet you \$100 you can't stay in the shop one entire day without eating something," I challenged.

"I bet you I can stay in there two days without eating anything," Jean countered.

"Jean! Eat those words!" I shouted.

"Surie, I'm not saying it won't be difficult. I mean, I might have a raisin Danish for breakfast and a hot

baked roll with butter for lunch. And then I might have a slice of lemon meringue pie for dessert, but other than that I won't be eating all my meals there. Except I'll probably take a piece of German chocolate cake home for supper."

"Burp!" I guffawed.

"You really think I don't have any willpower, don't you?" she asked pitifully.

"Not unless they sell it at Dottie's, slathered in whipped cream with nuts and a cherry on top," I answered.

"It doesn't matter what you think, Surie. All that matters is what the scales say."

"Are you going to be making the dough?" I asked.

"I hope so. That's a big part of why I'm going to work."

"I mean will you 'knead' it?"

"Everybody needs dough, don't they?" she asked.

"Well, everybody needs dough, but everybody doesn't knead dough for a living."

"Surie, you're making my head hurt," Jean replied. "When are you going home?"

I'm going to have to bone up on my French, because the next time I visit Jean she'll be using those big French words like bon appetit and tres bien.

MAC

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The Steeles

BY SELI GROVES

SOAP UPDATES

ALL MY CHILDREN: Maria warned Skye to say nothing for Erica's sake. Later, assessing the tension between Dimitri and Edmund, Erica assumed Edmund had slept with Skye. Hayley denied to Brooke that she was attracted to Tanner. Amanda ran away after playing Janet's confession tape and fell into the Wildwind well. After seeing Skye and Dimitri argue, Erica banished her from her wedding, but Skye retorted with a vow to give her a "shocking" wedding present. Wait To See: Janet is forced to consider a desperate move.

ANOTHER WORLD: On a spiritual voyage with Ryan, Vicky saw how her children would cope in her absence, and decided to return to them. Bobby revived her, but she awoke with no memory. Grant pointed out Jake's odd behavior. Paulina learned Joe wanted to take the police captain's exam. Carl warned Cindy about working with Grant. Gabe's response to her declaration of love sent Cindy off to burn his photo, with potential danger to Lorna. Matt asked Amanda to work with him. Wait To See: Vicky faces a new threat.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: Ben realized Kim had a heart problem and needed immediate surgery. Diego left a bound and gagged Lucinda in the wine cellar. He later conked Holden on the head and threw him in with Lucinda. Lily continued to try to evade sleeping with Diego "until the wedding." Ryder caved in to Diego and intercepted the package Mike hoped would shed more light on Diego's past. Emily and Diego had a violent confrontation. Wait To See: Holden and Lucinda's escape plan could backfire.

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL: Taylor told Brooke she had delayed, not canceled, her

marriage to Ridge. Claudia told Thorne she would never marry Enrique even if the marriage would allow her to stay in America. Stephanie told the judge she'd be responsible for Claudia while they worked for her political asylum. With Maggie and Molly off house-hunting, Sheila confronted James about his passion for her. Thorne tried to comfort Taylor about her problems with Ridge and they wound up in a passionate kiss. Wait To See: Grant learns news that could imperil his marriage to Brooke.

THE CITY: Tony was shocked to find Carla's pregnancy kit. Jocelyn found a note that could tie Danny to Carla. Tracy mused on how she could get the Quartermaines to her engagement party and decided to hire people to pose as her kinfolk. An angry Lorraine hit the bars when she couldn't pass a fertility clinic screening for surrogacy. Carla picked up the Port Charles paper with the photo of the Quartermaines that Danny left at the agency. Wait To See: More consequences result from Angie and Lorraine's confrontation.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Franco encouraged Hope to believe Bo wanted to be with Billie. Bo, meanwhile, brooded on the turn of events in his life and after slugging Abe, resigned from the police. Vivian unknowingly saw "both" Susan and Kristen. Later, Vivian and Ivan discovered two blood types entered on Kristen's record. Mickey told Carrie that so long as Sami has amnesia, they can't annul her marriage to Austin. Sami began to remember. Wait To See: Vivian comes close to learning the truth, but danger beckons.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: Jason reassured Robin about taking the HIV treatment. Brenda wondered if Sonny was the sender of the gifts. Jax and Miranda came to an acceptance of their situation. Tom's activities prompted Felicia to suspect he's involved with another woman. Harry visited Lily's grave and made a dark promise. Wait To See: Stefan faces an unsettling decision about Katherine.

GUIDING LIGHT: As Matt and Dinah bonded over their memories of Vanessa, Vanessa began to feel some sense of hope for herself. Jeffrey doused the newly ignited feelings between Buzz and Jenna. Alan-Michael and Lucy decided to leave Springfield. Annie learned she may not be the only woman in Josh's life who is pregnant. Buzz and Reva realized the adoptive mother may be hiding more than Reva's sister. Wait To See: Hart's meeting with Jean-Luc provides an unexpected result.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: Antonio was upset that Carlotta arranged for Tea to consult on his case. Nora and Antonio found the name Fritz van Hinkle on transcripts of R.J.'s tapes. Cord stunned everyone when

Diamond Awards, they were nominated for Trio of the Year. Jeff was nominated for Songwriter and Male Vocalist of the Year. Sherry was nominated for Female Vocalist of the Year. Their song, "I Must Tell Somebody," was nominated for Single of the Year and Song of the Year.

A song written by Jeff Steele, "God Kept His Promise," was number one for several months in the Singing News and the Gospel Voice magazines.

Despite their top hits and popularity, the members of the group remain humble and devote themselves to their ministry.

"We just try to be ourselves and live what we 'preach,'" says Sherry. "We don't ever want to get so busy doing the work of the Lord that we forget the Lord of the work."

"We've come up the back stairs, climbing step by step, singing wherever we had the opportunity," Jeff explained. "Everything else falls in line behind our ministry. Our complete commitment to ministry and our songwriting are what has brought us 'to the table' and made us unique."

"I want to be scripturally sound in my writing which simply takes time," says Jeff, who writes often in his vehicles. "The difference between a songwriter and a person who wants to be a songwriter is that the songwriter has the courage to share what they have written with other people."

Tickets for the show at the arts center are \$10 in advance; or \$11 on the day of the show. For tickets, call (606) 889-9125 or, toll-free, 1-888-622-2787.

he gave up his fight to run Buchanan Enterprises and announced he's moving to London. Todd announced he bought Dorian's house to provide a stable home for Starr. Todd's plane, with Mary aboard, flew into a storm. Wait To See: Maggie learns about her father's past.

SUNSET BEACH: Annie tried to escape by posing as Aunt Bette, but was caught. Rae found a way to keep Clyde from Finding Vanessa and Jaleen. Paula accused Ricardo of listing her mother, Elaine, as a suspect to get back at her for their breakup. Al's plan for Annie's acquittal died with him after his sexual encounter with Bette. News of Al's death led Annie to kill herself. Elaine pondered about the per-

son buried at the Deschanel gravesite. Wait To See: Ricardo and Ben each find a curious clue to Del's murder.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS: Victor's argument with Nick over the Dennison deal left a deep wedge between father and son. While Kurt remained in Boston to deal with the ghosts of his past, Ashley read the letter from his wife, Linda, and realized its contents could damage his memories about her. Ryan returned home to find Nina in a strange mood. Cole was stunned by Victoria's reaction when he asked if she loved him. Later, Grace wondered why Victoria was having coffee with Tony. Wait To See: Chris faces an upsetting revelation.

Weird

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home. According to the lawsuit, Hickey should have warned Alzaldia that he was walking around in the kitchen "at his own risk" and that Hickey had failed to warn Alzaldia of "the dog's propensity of lying in certain areas."

CLICHÉS COME TO LIFE

— Trucker Franciszek Zygadlo was committed to a mental institution in Rochester, N.Y., in November after he led police on a 280-mile, high-speed chase in his trailerless cab through three states in September. According to police, after finally driving the truck into Irondequoit Bay, Zygadlo ran toward the officers and proclaimed himself a hero for defusing a bomb on the truck that he said would have exploded if he had ever slowed to less than 40 mph.

— On Oct. 17 firefighters took two hours to extinguish a fire at the Cal-Compac Foods plant in Las Cruces, N.M., that started when a silo full of red chile powder grew so hot that it began to smolder.

— In August, the Caron family of Sandown, N.H., was granted an extension of time to file a quarterly federal tax return after they discovered that their home had been ransacked by the family's pet pygmy goats while they were on vacation. Among the items the goats had eaten were toilet bowl cleaner, a lampshade, a telephone directory, and all of the family's income tax paperwork.

— Jeen Han, 22, was charged with conspiracy to commit murder in Irvine, Calif., in November, against her twin sister, Sunny. According to a police lieutenant, the "evil twin" was angry that the "good twin" had snatched on her regarding stolen credit cards and thus wanted to kill her and assume her identity.

THINNING THE HERD

In November, a 60-year-old Polish man in the village of Kosianka Trojanowska, identified only as "Czeslaw B," was accidentally shot to death by two homemade guns he had mounted on his garage door to ward off trespassers (just two of 28 booby traps in his house). And in Slidell, La., in December, Jason Jinks, 20, decided to open his car door and back up at 25 mph in order to look for his hat that had just fallen off; when he hit the brakes, he fell out on his head and, three days later, died.

CONTEMPORARY WISDOM

Veteran Belleville, Ill., jail inmate Kelvin Lewis, asked by the Belleville Journal in January to evaluate the jail's new black-and-white, thick-horizontal-striped uniforms, graded them an 11 on a 10 scale: "I like their style. The younger generation will like (the rolled-up cuffs)."

(Send your Weird News to Chuck Shepherd, P.O. Box 8306, St. Petersburg, Fla. 33738, or 74777.3206@compuserve.com.)

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BY SALLY STONE

TUNING IN

CBS kicks off February sweeps with "Old Man," a Hallmark Hall of Fame production adapted from William Faulkner's powerful novel. The film, which is scheduled to air February 9, stars Jeanne Tripplehorn ("The Firm") and Arliss Howard ("The Man Who Captured Eichmann"). The "Old Man" of the film is the Mississippi River which has flooded and is threatening lives and property of the folks who live along its shores.

On February 10, TNN starts "Hello Darlin' Week" with a new edition of "Soulmates" featuring the lovely and talented Janis Gill (wife of Vince) and Sandy Brooks (wife of Garth).

On February 14 — Valentine's Day—AMC features three happily-married show business couples: Charlton Heston and his wife, Lydia; Dixie Carter and her spouse, Hal Holbrook; and Anne Jackson and her mate, Eli Wallach. And even if you're not the love 'n' kisses type, then tune in to see the hosts, Nick and Nina Clooney, the two nice folks who produced George Clooney for the world to ogle over.

Will there ever be a "Beauty and the Beast" reunion movie? Tony Jay, who plays the Chairman on "The Burning Zone," played the

scurrilous Paracelsus in the gone, but not forgotten, series. "I've heard rumors from time to time," he says. "But nothing definite. I feel we left many things hanging when the show ended, and we should tie them up for the audience in some way."

The London-born actor who is now an American citizen, also lent his magnificent voice to Disney's "The Hunchback of Notre Dame." He has produced, and performs on a remarkable CD called "Poets on Broadway," which explores the poetic imagery in many fine songs, such as "September Song" from "Knickerbocker Holiday," "Where or When" from "Babes In Arms" and others. Says Jay: "Many people love the music and now, I hope, they'll learn to listen to the words and find the poetry in them."

Finally, I asked Tony if he thinks Paracelsus—the failed genius—might indeed be Vincent's (Ron Perlman) real father.

"Ron and I discussed it, and we think it's an intriguing idea," Tony says. "Paracelsus wasn't always evil. Maybe one day we'll be able to pursue it."

(Meanwhile, the multi-talented actor/ musician/ writer invites you to visit his website at <http://www.smileart.com/tjayvoice>)

NATASHA'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Interests of a creative nature come to the fore this week. You are adept at communicating your ideas to others, a plus in business right now. Later in the week, you tackle a difficult household chore to get it out of the way.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Couples devise a strategy for dealing with a rebellious child who's been a problem of late. There's a strong possibility that you will attain financial backing for that project you want to start. Your energy level is high, and you accomplish much.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Whether orally or literally, you are at your communicative best. However, bide your time this week when it comes to clearing the air with a loved one. It's best to still wait a bit.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A heart-to-heart chat with a close friend clears the air early in the week. You successfully complete a difficult project that was bothering you. All in all, it's a good money-making time for you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your judgment is right on the mark this week concerning your career and domestic concerns as well. A child comes to you for help with a difficult assignment later in the week. A romantic weekend is in the stars.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You are briskly efficient and at your best on the job this week, and you make great strides as a result. Some have second thought about a proposed investment. Over the weekend, delve into partnership interests.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Buying and selling are favored this week. However, on the social scene, it's best to get out of the house as opposed to having friends over. This weekend, there's a decided emphasis on quiet leisure activities.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A private talk with a higher-up at work brings key insights this week. Be sure to fulfill that social obligation you made some time ago to a close friend. In general, you are the picture of confidence and self-assertion.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friend comes to you for advice but isn't

really in the mood to listen to what you have to say. Instead, simply lend a sympathetic ear. You want to socialize this weekend, but it's best to relax.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You and your mate should address mutual relationship concerns before things get out of hand. At work, you encounter extra responsibilities and some minor obstacles. However, you attack everything with renewed drive.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You and your significant other make important plans for your future together. However, you need to spend some extra time on a career project. What goes on behind the scenes is to your benefit.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A useful financial tip comes to you from a surprising source this week. That intellectual project you relished at the outset is more time-consuming than you'd thought.

Top 10 Movies

1. **Evita** starring Madonna
2. **The Relic** Penelope Ann Miller
3. **Michael** John Travolta
4. **Jerry Maguire** Tom Cruise
5. **Scream** Drew Barrymore
6. **The People vs. Larry Flynt** Woody Harrelson
7. **Jackie Chan's First Strike** Jackie Chan
8. **One Fine Day** George Clooney
9. **Turbulence** Lauren Holly
10. **Ghosts of Mississippi** James Wood

Top C&W Singles

1. **John Michael Montgomery** "Friends" (Atlantic) Last Week: No. 2
2. **Kevin Sharp** "Nobody Knows" (Asylum) No. 1
3. **Tracy Lawrence** "Is That A Tear" (Atlantic) No. 3
4. **Mark Chesnutt** "It's A Little Too Late" (Decca) No. 4
5. **Gary Allan** "Her Man" (Decca) No. 5
6. **Tim McGraw** "Maybe We Should Just Sleep On It" (Curb) No. 6
7. **George Strait** "King Of The Mountains" (MCA) No. 10
8. **Clint Black** "Half Way Up" (RCA) No. 12
9. **Brooks And Dunn** "A Man This Lonely" (Arista) No. 16
10. **Vince Gill** "Pretty Little Adriana" (MCA) No. 20

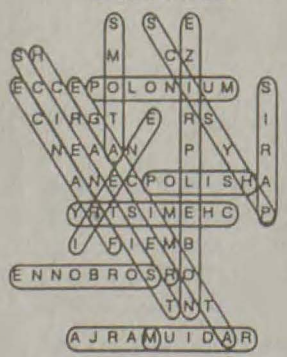
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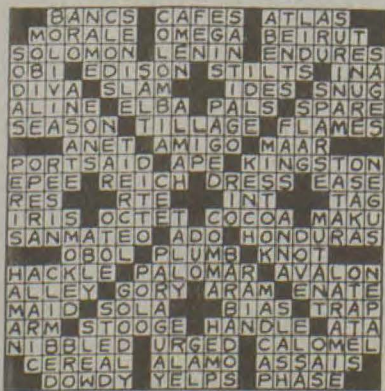
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TIME OUT

Howdy Y'all

by John Frazier
Times Outdoor Writer

With turkey season fast approaching, and warmer weather just around the bend, I have encountered a desperate dilemma. Do I purchase a new shotgun for turkey hunting, or do make some significant additions to my fishing arsenal? Then there's that new tent I've had my eye on for some time.

Yes, being an outdoorsman can be expensive, if you let it. I would like to offer my advice to readers who may be encountering the same situation.

It has been my experience that basic is sometimes the best method. I have had just as much fun with a fifteen dollar spincast reel as I have with \$100 reels. More advanced and expensive gear is making its way to the market at a phenomenal rate, and these items are not without merit. Many of them have advantages that cannot be found in less expensive equipment, but if you can't afford the frills, a basic package of equipment will still land fish.

Many anglers find themselves caught up in the whirlwind of advertising of new and improved gear. These anglers tend to lose sight of their original goals. Remember, the idea is to go fishing, not broke.

I, by no means, wish to imply that the higher priced merchandise is unsatisfactory, and if your budget allows and you desire, spend away. I only wish to remind anglers that people have been fishing for a long time without these technological miracles, and some were quite successful.

On another note...

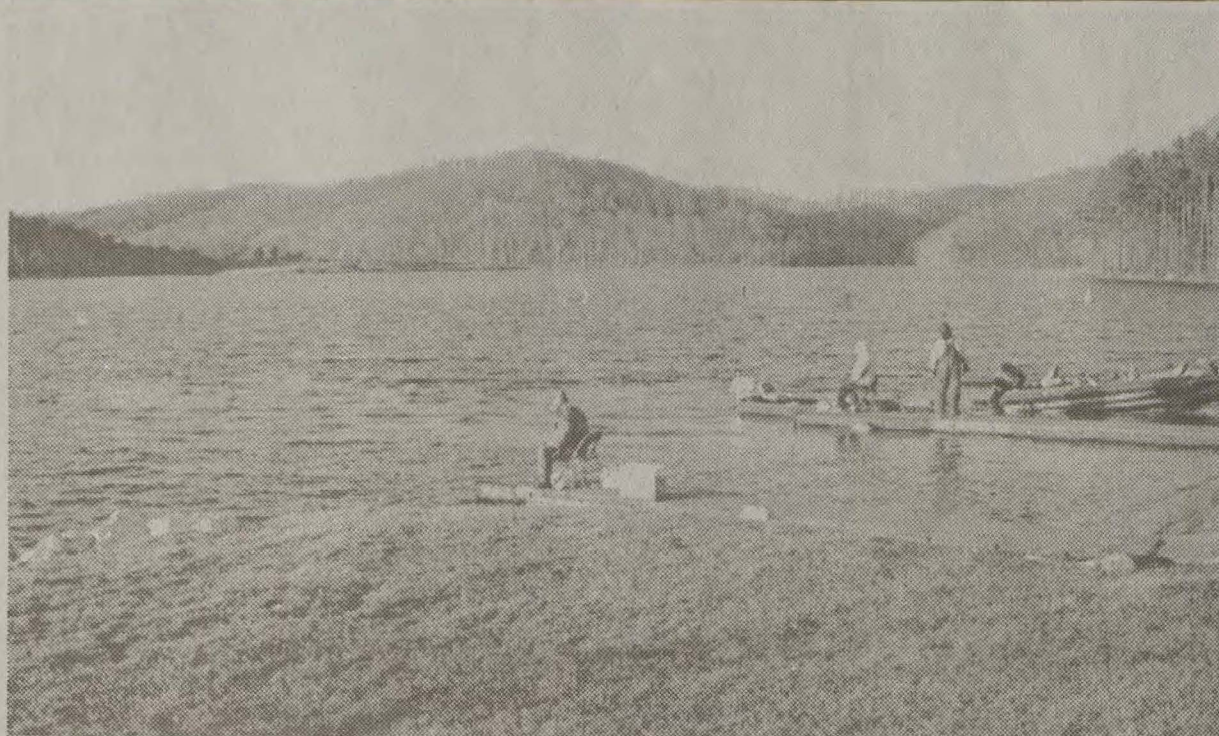
Recently, I had the opportunity to meet with district fisheries biologist Stephen Reeser. As with many other fish and wildlife personnel, Steve was more than helpful in answering any questions and offering his assistance whenever necessary.

Steve has also offered to answer any questions my readers or myself may have concerning the Department of Fish and Wildlife, fishing, stocking, or any other subject he may be able to assist with in finding information.

I would like to thank him for his time, and look forward to working with him in the future.

Last but not least...

As spring approaches, many of our area fish and game clubs are busy making plans for what promises to be an exciting year. Any clubs or organizations that would like to have their schedule of activities published in the Floyd County Times can contact me at (606) 886-8506, or write: Floyd County Times, attn: Outdoor Writer, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.



Cold water trout
Cold weather didn't stop these dedicated anglers on Paintsville Lake. While other fishing was slow, trout fishing was reported as good to excellent. (photo by John Frazier)

Trophy fish producing lakes do not always come naturally

A recent interview with a state fisheries biologist revealed many unseen difficulties facing these individuals. The general public is unaware of the dilemmas encountered as the Department of Fish and Wildlife strives to generate productive fisheries throughout the state.

Public misconceptions are perhaps the greatest obstacle the biologist must overcome. Many anglers are under the mistaken impression that the department does nothing but stock fish, and if there aren't enough fish being caught, just stock some more. Unfortunately it's not that easy. Stocking is a very costly and time consuming practice, and in some cases

may actually cause more harm than good.

For example, if a certain body of water contains an excessive amount of crappie, these crappie will compete for the same food sources. When the population exceeds the food supply, growth rates are stunted. The end result is an over abundant population of small fish. This may be the case when many anglers complain that a size limit is needed to protect the fish until they exceed certain lengths. However, if the excessive population has stunted growth rates, the fish may never exceed the size limits, thus compounding the population problem.

It is in situations such as these, that fishery biologists must implement management practices to reduce the population without destroying it. These conditions are also very difficult due to the numerous variables and chain reactions caused throughout the food chain. Introducing a predator species to the lake may reduce the crappie population, but could also affect the populations of other species. There is also a chance the predators may not survive the stocking process.

Lack of reliable information also takes its toll on the decisions of the fishery biologist. Managing a habitat, that for the most part is inaccessible to humans, is frustrating, to say the least. Biologists cannot cruise down the lake and count the number of fish and available food sources. Methods used to sample fish populations and other indicating factors can vary daily with changing weather conditions and other aspects. Many of these factors must be determined by comparing the data available to similar situations of the past. Growth rates, food supplies, water conditions, and many other factors can vary so drastically from one lake to another. Many times it is not possible to accurately determine the validity of information gathered.

In addition to managing the quantity, quality, and species variations of fish in a given body of water, fishery biologists must also put forth efforts to preserve, maintain, and create underwater habitat. Available vegetation, cover, and spawning areas play key roles in the production of quality fish. Underwater habitat is affected by countless uncontrollable aspects. Any activity taking place within

the water shed of a given reservoir has an effect, either directly or indirectly, upon the habitat. Erosion and pollution are just the beginning of a long list of factors that fishery biologists cannot control, but must account for when determining management practices.

Funding can also create obstacles for the fishery biologist. The Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is funded entirely by revenues collected through the sale of licenses and permits, and some federal taxes on sport fishing equipment manufacturers. Each district biologist is given a specific budget, and unlike other government agencies, if the funding is not available, implementation of many projects may be foregone.

The fishery biologists must gather as much information as possible; organize, analyze, and scrutinize the information; and then apply their accumulated knowledge, experience, and occasionally a few "guesstimates," to implement the proper management practices within their budget. Contrary to popular belief, the majority of a biologist's time is spent pouring over reports at a desk or on a computer. They do not fish for a living.

Anglers throughout the state owe a great deal to the hard-working biologists of Kentucky, and should consider it our duty as sportsmen to provide these individuals with any assistance possible. The best way an angler can benefit the biologists is to follow the regulations set forth by the KDFWR, as these regulations are part of the management plan. Responsible sportsmen can play a major role. By realizing the importance of proper management practices and the impact of an angler's actions upon the fish and their habitat, we can work together to help make Kentucky's lakes and streams among the most beautiful and productive in the world.

Creel survey to begin on Dewey Lake

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) will be conducting a creel survey on Dewey Lake this year. The creel survey is the most effective and reliable method of estimating fish populations. The survey will begin March 1, and continue through October. As other methods of sampling and estimating fish populations in the lake have been ineffective and unreliable, the creel survey promises to be an effective tool in providing the department with the informa-

tion necessary to implement successful management practices.

During the survey, a creel reporter will spend seven hours per day on the lake. The reporter will work the lake four days per week, with the days and times being selected randomly. While on the lake, the creel reporter will approach as many fishermen as possible to inquire as to the number, size, and species of their daily catch. The creel reporter will approach by trolling motor and require only a few moments of your

State smallmouth record now open

Officials with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) announced that the state record listing for smallmouth bass is now vacant after more than 40 years.

The agency will begin accepting applications immediately for a new smallmouth listing that represents the heaviest bronzeback ever taken by sportfishing methods from Kentucky waters. The minimum weight accepted for application is six pounds. Announcement of the new record will be made in the spring of 1998, once all applications submitted up to that time have been completely investigated and verified for authenticity.

For the past 42 years, the KDFWR had recognized a fish caught in 1955 by David L. Hayes from the Kentucky portion of Dale Hollow Lake as the state record. This catch was also classified as the world record, until recent evidence was discovered that indicated the true weight of Hayes' catch had been artificially inflated. Hayes' smallie was disqualified as the all-tackle world record by the International Game Fish Association, and subsequently removed from Kentucky's record fish list based on falsification of application information.

"Although Kentucky may lose its notoriety as having produced a world record, this turn of events offers Kentucky anglers an opportunity they haven't had in more

than four decades," said Kim Hermes, state record fish program coordinator for the KDFWR.

"It's wide open now. Anyone can potentially catch what will be named as Kentucky's state record smallmouth, assuming everything is done by the rules of the program. You can bet we will be checking the validity of applications very, very closely," Hermes added.

"Who knows, maybe Kentucky can retake the world record listing legitimately this time," said Hermes.

Plans are to declare a new record next spring through a number of avenues including having the lucky new record holder appear on the agency's award-winning outdoor show Kentucky Afield. Anglers will be able to periodically keep up with who's in the lead by watching the program on Kentucky Educational Television (KET) on Saturday nights at 8 p.m. or Sundays at 4:30 p.m. Eastern.

All applications for state record fish must include photographs, be weighed on scales legal for trade, bear witness signatures for weight verification, and the species must be verified by a state fishery biologist.

For complete information or a state record application form, contact KDFWR State Record Fish Program, #1 Game Farm Road, Frankfort, KY 40601; or telephone the department at (502) 564-4336.

Dates to remember

January 31 marks the end of rabbit and quail seasons in Kentucky. Bobcat season also comes to a close on this day.

February 1 furbearer hunting and trapping season will end at noon. Extended beaver season and giggering and snagging season for rough fish open on this day. This will also be the last day to enter the junior duck stamp contest.

February 2 the League of Kentucky Sportsmen will be holding a federation meeting at the Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club at 12 p.m. The Middle Creek Sportsmen will also meet. The meeting will take place at the Middle Creek Fire Department, scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.

February 7-9, I.P.R.A. National All-Region Finals Rodeo will be held at Bowling Green, KY. For more information call (502) 843-3542.

February 14-15, the Commonwealth Convention Center will host the Jim Strader Hunting and Fishing Expo. For information call (502) 595-4381.

February 28, grouse season and extended beaver season in the Commonwealth will close. Current hunting and fishing licenses will also expire on this day. New 1997-98 licenses can be purchased through the automated system, and become effective March 1.

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Shooting for the neck, about half way down, puts your whole pattern on the head and neck area. Just above the wattles, where the feathers stop and bare skin begins, is a good aiming point.

A strutting gobbler presents a poor target because his neck is compressed and offers a small target area. Also, it is semi-protected by his "shoulders." Don't shoot through brush. This is unsafe and it doesn't take much of a brush screen to really wreck your pattern.

Wait until he's in the clear. If he is in strut, a sharp cluck will often make him "stick his neck out." When he stands erect and periscopes his head up for a look around, that is your best shot.

Watch "Bill Jordan's Realtree Outdoors" on TNN Outdoors



By
Ed Taylor,
Sports Editor

The Floyd County Times



Floyd County Grade
School Tournament
Feb. 3-7
Allen Central High School

Friday, January 31, 1996

County's greatest show restarts Monday

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

"Hurry, hurry, right this way for the greatest show on earth!"

So, would the carnival barkers bark, as they lured customers their way in order to showcase their wares.

The Floyd County Grade School Basketball Tournament may not be the greatest show on earth, but it is the pinnacle of sporting events in Floyd County. Not even high school basketball can rival the county grade school tournament for excitement and crowd appeal.

The tournament, which began this past Wednesday and Thursday nights, will restart Monday night with two games, one in the boys and one in the girls division.

In the first round games Wednesday night, the Duff Bulldogs almost pulled out an upset of defending champion Betsy Layne in the opening round.

The Stumbo girls did pull off a mild upset of highly regarded Duff in the girls opening night. Play continued Thursday night, with power houses Stumbo and Martin facing each other in boys action. The Martin girls faced Harold Thursday night.

Betsy Layne, Melvin, Stumbo, and Martin are considered the favorites to win the boys bracket. The Martin Lady Flashes are a strong team and, along with Allen, are considered the county's top two girls teams.

Monday night the tournament unfolds with Ashland Gearheart's Allen Lady Eagles

(winners of Section 4) facing Osborne (runners-up in Section 2). The game is set to tip off at 6 p.m.

The evenings second game will pit the Auxier

Hornets (winners of Section 4) against McDowell (runners-up of Section 2) with game time scheduled for approximately 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday night, the McDowell Lady Daredevils (winners of Section 2), winners of 15 straight games, take on Adams Middle School (runners-up of Section 4).

The semifinals will be played Wednesday and Thursday of next week, with the finals in both divisions scheduled for Friday night.

Tournament Schedule

Monday, February 3, 1997

Girls—Allen vs. Osborne at 6 p.m.

Boys—Auxier vs. McDowell at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 4, 1997

Girls—McDowell vs. Adams at 6 p.m.

Boys—Melvin vs. Allen at 7:30 p.m.

Allen Central exits early in Class A

Lady Rebs 0-10 at three-point arch

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

What got the Allen Central Lady Rebels to their fourth All "A" Girls State Tournament disappeared Wednesday morning, when their outside shot failed to fall in a 43-38 setback to the Lady Dragons of Harlan. The two teams met in the first round of the All "A" Classic in a 10:30 a.m. tip off time.

Allen Central was constantly looking inside to senior center Amanda Samons, but the lanes were just not open, as Harlan scouted the Lady Rebels well. By cutting off the passing lanes, Allen Central threw the ball around more than looking for their outside shot, what got them to Richmond in the first place.

Despite cold shooting from the floor, the Lady Rebels were never out of the game, as they trailed 27-24 heading into the final quarter. A rebound basket by Misty Scott, who led Allen Central with 15 points, and a Crystal Martin free throw tied the game at 29 with 6:06 to play. Over the next two minutes, Allen Central had several excellent opportunities to grab the lead and build on it, but was consistently missing easy baskets underneath.

While the Lady Rebs were struggling offensively, the Lady Dragons were duplicating the feat by turning the ball over. But Allen Central failed to capitalize on the Harlan mistakes.

With 3:25 on the game clock, Misty Scott stole the basketball, scored, and was fouled, to make it a 33-32 game. But she missed the free throw, which is uncharacteristic of her.

It was from the three-point arch that Allen Central suffered the most, going zero for 10 attempts. The Lady Rebs tried to catch up by putting up the treys, but failed to get the ball to go down.

Scott hit a leaner in the middle to cut a five point lead to just three with 1:16 left in the game. But Harlandid what Allen Central couldn't do, and that was connect at the free throw line. Five consecutive free throws gave Harlan a 42-36 lead with just 41 seconds to play, and the Lady Dragons made it hold up.

Allen Central turned the ball over on their first three possessions of the game, but the Lady Dragons were not all that impressive themselves, in leading 4-0 for the first three minutes. Allen Central finally got on the scoreboard at the 5:07 mark, but Harlan ran out to a 9-1 lead on a three-point basket by point guard Kristy Clem. In their last five possessions of the first quarter, Allen Central turned the ball over four times to trail 11-6 after the first period.

(See Exits, page eight)



Leaner

Allen Central's Misty Scott (33) leaned toward the basket on this flip shot against Harlan in the girls All "A" State Tournament Wednesday morning in Richmond. Scott scored 15 points, but the Lady Rebs fell 43-38. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Prestonsburg overcomes Betsy Layne in wild one

Six score in double figures in 81-75 win over Lady Cats

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

For the second consecutive game, the Betsy Layne Lady Cats became victims of free throw shooting.

The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats went to the free throw line often, attempting 51 and hitting 35, in posting an 81-75 win over the Lady Cats at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse last Monday night.

Earlier, the Lady Cats were victims as they could not hit a free throw, losing in overtime to Allen Central. Here, they constantly put the Lady Blackcats at the charity stripe, losing their second conference game of the season. "The district tournament is about all we have to look forward to now," said Betsy Layne coach Bill Newsome, who had hoped his team could have upset the defending district champions.

Prestonsburg placed six players in double figures led by Crystal Layne's 18 points. Shelly Greathouse added 14, Kimi Nunnery 13, Ladonna Slone 12, and Jessi Burke 11. Brandi Lawson netted 10 points.

Game scoring honors went to Betsy Layne's Jessica Johnson, who seems to have come out of a season long shooting slump. Johnson, who scored 24 against Allen Central, finished with 31 points against Prestonsburg.

The game was wild, as bodies were flying all over the court from both sides. Prestonsburg did not score a field goal, until Brandi Slone scored underneath with just over a minute to play in the first quarter. The Lady Blackcats stayed at the charity stripe in the opening quarter, hitting 12 of 18 attempts.

But the inside play of Sabrina Yates had the Lady Cats off and running to a 14-5 lead. Yates scored six of the first 10 points on lobs to the inside for Betsy Layne. Jessica Clark hit a long jumper and lay up, and Loria Hall's rebound basket made it a nine point game.

Nunnery had eight tries from the free throw line and hit four. Layne converted six of six tries to keep the Lady Blackcats close. Betsy Layne led 22-14 at the end of the first quarter.

Johnson buried a three-point basket and stole the ball for an easy basket to give Betsy Layne a 13 point lead, 22-9, with 1:48 left in the first stanza. But Prestonsburg scored the final five points to trail by eight at the first stop.

(See Wild, page eight)

P'burg turns back Allen Central for conference tie

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Andy Jarvis scored 20 points to lead four Prestonsburg (10-10) players in double figures, as the Blackcats defeated front running Allen Central (11-6) 75-67, in conference basketball action Tuesday night at the Prestonsburg fieldhouse.

Both teams had identical 3-1 conference records and will meet at Allen Central on February 11 for a rematch.

Thomas Jenkins led all scorers with his 27 points for Allen Central. Todd Howard added 22 points for the Rebels, who got little support from the rest of the cast.

John Ortega netted 13 points for the Blackcats, Joe Campbell finished with 12, and Kyle Conley came off the bench to score 11 points.

It was Conley's long range shooting that kept the Blackcats in front at each stop. He buried a crucial trey and hit two free throws in the second period to give Prestonsburg a 34-31 half time lead. In the third, with the score

tied at 45, he buried his second three-pointer for a 48-45 Prestonsburg lead. After Allen Central had pulled to within one of the Blackcats, Conley knocked down his third trey with :00.9 on the clock to give Prestonsburg a 55-51 lead after three quarters.

Prestonsburg, in something they haven't done very well this season, hit 10 consecutive free throws in the final three minutes of the game to secure the win. Jenkins scored the final seven points for Allen Central to keep the Rebels close at 71-67, but four straight from the charity stripe by Ortega closed out the game.

In a game many thought would be a fan-involved game, Prestonsburg had to play under the guidance of assistant coach Bobby Hackworth, after head coach Jackie Pack was suspended for one game following his ejection at Harrison County. The crowd wasn't even a factor as they sat in a quiet way.

The Blackcats looked sharp on offense, hitting Jarvis down low for

easy baskets. Wes Samons, who finished with nine points, penetrated the lanes and dished off underneath to Jarvis, Gavin Hale and Kris Lawson.

The Blackcats owned a 17-15 first quarter lead with the game tied at 5 and again at 7, before Prestonsburg took a 9-7 lead on a basket underneath by Jarvis. Prestonsburg led by six, 13-7, but the Rebels came back for a 15-13 game on a three-point play by Jenkins.

Allen Central coach Johnny Martin was upset with the officiating, feeling Jenkins was fouled under the basket, and he was whistled for a technical foul, with Samons connecting on both to give the Blackcats a 17-13 lead. Jenkins went hard to the basket for a score and was fouled by Jarvis with 23 seconds left in the first. Jenkins missed the free throw attempt, with Prestonsburg holding a two point advantage at the first stop.

Allen Central took their first lead, since they led 3-2 in the first quarter, on a 17-foot jumper by Gary Hunter with 6:11 to play in the second period.

A 6-2 spurt netted the Blackcats a 25-22 lead. Prestonsburg maintained a six point cushion and lead by three at the half, 34-31.

Allen Central's final lead came in the third quarter at the 3:19 mark, when Todd Howard buried a three-pointer to give the Rebels a 44-43 lead. A basket by Jarvis reclaimed the lead for Prestonsburg, until a Jenkins free throw tied the game at 45. Conley's trey gave the Blackcats the lead at 48-45, a lead they never relinquished.

Allen Central played to within two of Prestonsburg (57-55) but baskets by Hale and Samons sent Prestonsburg in front 61-55.

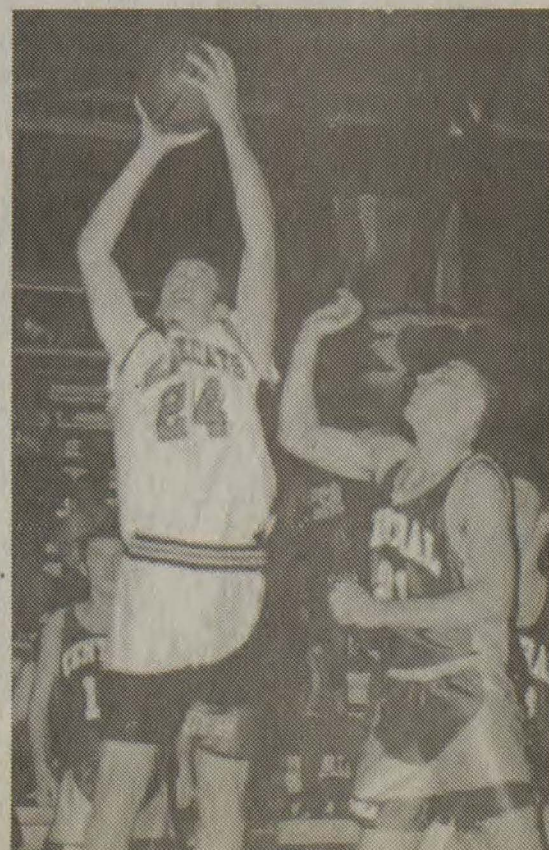
Beau Tackett scored six points for the Rebels on two three-pointers. Edmond Slone finished with eight and Hunter scored four.

Lawson netted six points for Prestonsburg and Hale totaled four.

Prestonsburg will host Betsy Layne tonight in a conference match up. Allen Central will entertain Millard tonight.

Open for two

Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis (24) scored underneath the basket as Allen Central's Thomas Jenkins looked on. Prestonsburg posted a 75-67 win over the Rebels last Tuesday night. Jarvis scored 20 points, while Jenkins pumped in 27. (photo by Ed Taylor)



Martin edges Duff in overtime for Section 1 championship

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Larry Mullins and Patrick Martin combined for 28 points to lead the Martin Middle School Purple Flash to a 52-50 win, over the Duff Bulldogs in the championship game of the Section 1 basketball tournament at Duff this past week.

Mullins and Martin each scored 14 points, and Henry Napier added 11 for the Purple Flash. Mullins fouled out with 1:30 left in regulation play.

Game scoring honors went to Duff's Rodney Scott with 21 points. David Watkins added 12, and

Jonathan Ellis 11 for the Bulldogs. Martin outscored Duff 4-2 in the overtime to pull out the two point victory. Chad Samons, who had five points for the game, hit a basket, and Patrick Martin hit two of four free throws. Ellis had two free throws for the only overtime points for Duff.

Martin hit one of two free throws to give Martin a 49-48 lead early in the three minute extra period. Ellis then canned two free throws, as Duff led 50-49. Samons scored from outside to reclaim the lead for Martin at 51-50, and Martin hit the front end of a bonus shot for the final two point win. Napier came away with the rebound on the

missed free throw and Martin held on to the ball.

The game went to overtime thanks to Napier. With Martin trailing by three, 48-45, Napier buried a three-pointer with four seconds left in regulation to tie the game at 48.

It was from the free throw line and three-point arch that Martin was able to subdue the Bulldogs. The Bulldogs hit 18 of 23 attempts from the charity stripe. Martin shot a cool four of 10.

The Purple Flash hit six treys in the game, with Martin and Napier drilling two each. Mullins had one trey and Samons hit one.

Mullins scored eight points in the opening guard to stake Martin to

a 12-10 first quarter lead. Scott was held to just a field goal in the opening period, but Watkins kept the Bulldogs close with two three-point baskets.

Napier's first three point basket in the second stanza helped Martin to hold a 19-17 lead heading to the locker room at the half. Scott picked up five of his 21 points in the second quarter.

In the third stanza Scott connected on seven of eight free throws, and Ellis had four points, as Duff trailed by one, 33-32, after three quarters.

In the fourth, it was Martin's three-point shooting versus Duff's free throws. Martin buried four

treys in the quarter with Martin hitting two, Mullins one and Napier's all important three. Duff shot 11 free throws and hit eight.

TOURNAMENT NOTES:
Trophies were handed out after the championship game. Martin

received the first place trophy while Duff got second place. The Martin cheerleaders won first place with second going to Duff.

Scott won the individual free throw trophy, and Duff won the team free throw award.

Tackett, Newsome lead McDowell to Section 2 girls championship

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

When the elementary basketball season opened, the McDowell Lady Daredevils dropped their first game of the year, but that was the last time they knew defeat, as they defeated the Osborne Lady Eagles in the championship game of the Section 2 basketball tournament for their 15th consecutive win of the year. The game was played at the McDowell gym.

Minnie Tackett and Monica Newsome led the Lady Daredevils with 14 points each. Tamela Justice led Osborne with her eight points.

McDowell led 11-4 after the first quarter with Tackett scoring six points in the period. Newsome had two points as did Monica Meade, who finished with seven points.

McDowell outscored Osborne 14-4 in the second quarter to lead 25-8 at the half. Newsome scored eight of her 14 points in the stanza

and Tackett had four.

Some cold free throw shooting by McDowell in the third quarter kept the Lady Daredevils from making the score even worse. They missed nine attempts while Osborne outscored them 8-7. Kandice Mitchell, Shennie Tuttle, Justice and Tabitha Berger had two points for Osborne.

Misty Halbert scored four fourth quarter points, and Jessica Paige added three in a 14-3 fourth quarter.

Halbert finished with six points for McDowell. Paige had three, and Leigh Ann Tuttle scored two points.

Megan Ousley had one point. Shennie Tuttle scored four for Osborne. Lekita Johnson and Mitchell finished with two apiece. Amy Morgan scored one point.

McDowell will face the Adams Middle School Lady Blackcats Tuesday evening, at 6 p.m., at the Allen Central gym. Osborne plays Allen Monday at 6 p.m.

Wild

Prestonsburg's press was not a problem to the Lady Cats in the first half, as Betsy Layne took a 40-34 lead to the locker room at the half. Leading 28-19 in the second quarter, Betsy Layne was constantly putting Prestonsburg at the free throw line. Burke, Ladonna Slone and Shelly Greathouse hit six consecutive free tosses to make it a 28-25 game with 4:35 to play in the first half.

A lay up by Ashley Tackett extended the lead to six, 38-32, and it was six points on a long jumper by Leslie Hopkins before the half ended.

Prestonsburg made some adjustments at the half, and Betsy Layne found themselves in a battle.

"In the first half we played our red press," said Prestonsburg coach Harold Tackett. "It wasn't working real well for us. We switched at half time to what we call our black press. That seemed to help a little bit in trapping and keeping them from throwing long."

"Free throw shooting was a big part of us winning. I felt like we didn't play well. But anytime you can come to Betsy Layne and get a win, we'll take it."

Prestonsburg attempted 51 free throws in the game to Betsy Layne's 19. The Lady Blackcats made 35 to Betsy Layne's 11. Coach Newsome was constantly reminding the referees of the wide margin between the two teams.

Five players fouled out for Betsy Layne in a foul-prone outing. Both teams played sloppy basketball in a "hurry-and-shoot" type of game. No one ran their offense, and Betsy Layne was very guilty of some poor shot selection.

It was a very vocal crowd on both sides of the gym, as they let the officials know they had their eye on them. The play on the floor was not dictated by the officials, but just bad basketball.

Prestonsburg found new leadership in Ladonna Slone, as the junior forward came out in the third period and hit some nice base line jumpers to pull her team closer to Betsy Layne.

With just over four minutes to play in the third period, her 12-foot jumper made it a four point, 48-44, game.

"Ladonna just burnt their zone up in the third quarter," said Coach Tackett. "Jessi (Burke) is getting

better every game. Brandi Lawson came off the bench and did some nice things for us. It was a great team effort."

With 1:57 on the clock, Nunnery hit the back side of a two shot foul to tie the game at 54. Burke tied the game for the second time at 56, and Prestonsburg took their second lead of the game with 17 seconds to play, when Layne stole the ball and scored for a 58-56 lead. A three-pointer by Lawson, her second, gave Prestonsburg a 61-56 lead after three quarters.

Clark hit a 14-foot jumper with 5:55 to play to close the margin to one point, 61-60, but that was as close as the Lady Cats could come the rest of the way.

Betsy Layne trailed by nine with three minutes to play in the game. But some wild, wild shooting put the Lady Cats deeper in a hole, one of which they would never climb out.

Clark finished with 13 points for Betsy Layne. Hopkins netted 10. Tackett and Yates each scored eight points before fouling out. Heather Kidd fouled out with two points, and Amanda Hall, before leaving on fouls, scored one point.

The loss leaves Betsy Layne at 2-2 in conference play with two games left in the conference. Prestonsburg improved to 10-6 overall and 4-1 in conference play. They have one remaining conference game and that with will be Allen Central at home.

Betsy Layne faces Feds Creek Thursday night on the road. Prestonsburg will host Johnson Central Thursday night. Monday night, Allen Central will visit the Prestonsburg fieldhouse.

PRESTONSBURG (81)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Greathouse	3	0	10-8	14
Layne	4	0	12-10	18
Burke	4	0	5-3	11
Nunnery	2	0	15-9	13
L. Slone	4	0	4-4	12
C. Slone	0	0	3-1	1
Lawson	2	2	2-0	10
B. Slone	1	0	0-0	2
totals	20	2	51-35	81

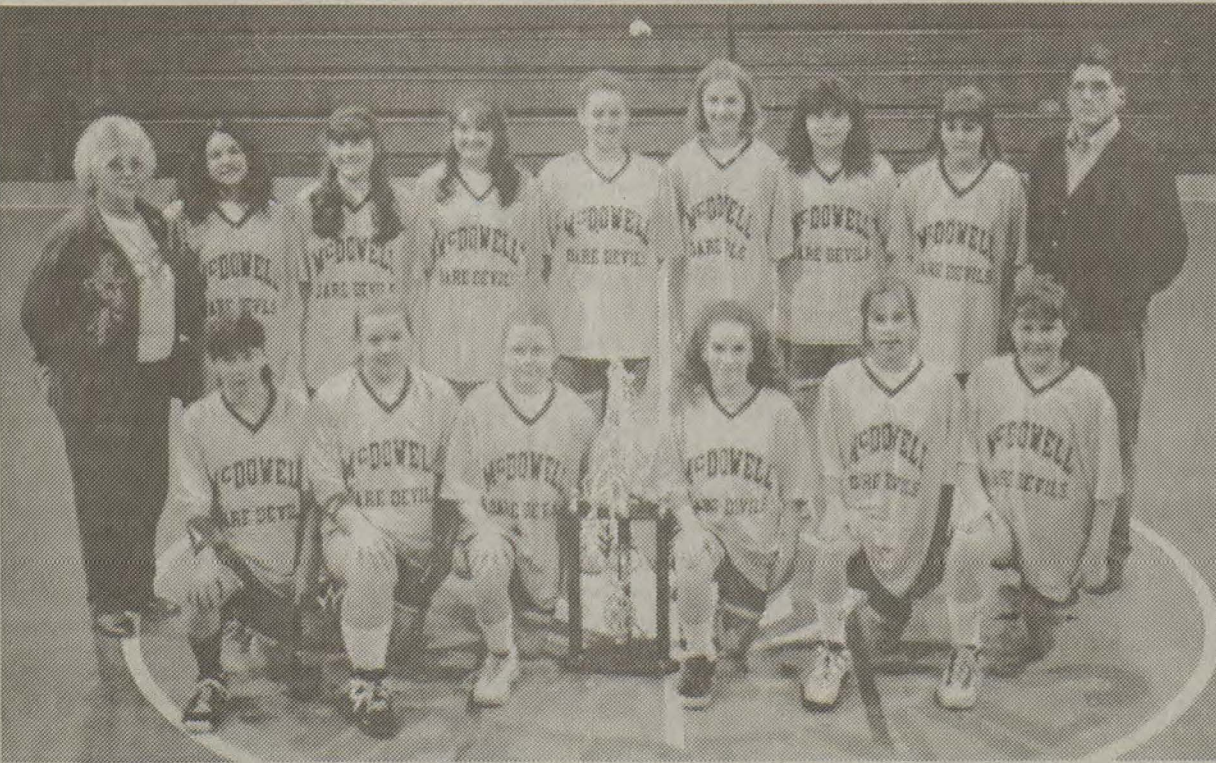
BETSY LAYNE (75)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Johnson	7	4	7-5	31
Hall	0	0	2-1	1
Tackett	4	0	0-0	8
Yates	4	0	0-0	8
Kidd	1	0	0-0	2
Clark	6	0	2-1	13
Hopkins	3	0	6-4	10
L. Hall	1	0	0-0	2
totals	26	4	17-11	75

Prestonsburg.....14 20 27 20 - 81
Betsy Layne.....22 18 16 19 - 75



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Legals

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Addington Enterprises, Inc., 1500 North Big Run Road, Ashland, Kentucky 41102 has applied for a Phase I bond release on Increment number 3 & 5 of permit number 836-0243, which was last issued on 4/20/87. The application

covers an area of approximately 713.58 acres located 1.5 miles east of Ivel in Floyd and Pike Counties.

The permit area is approximately 2.0 miles east from U.S. 23's junction with Ivy Creek Road and located 0.25 mile south of Ivy Creek. The latitude is 37° 35' 12" and the longitude is 82° 37' 30".

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 3 is a surety bond in the amount of \$224,500. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$224,500 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment No. 5 is a surety bond in the amount of \$228,900. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$228,900 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading and revegetated efforts, completed about April 1994.

This is the final advertisement of this application. Written comments, objections or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by 3/03/97.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 3/04/97 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 3/03/97.

PROPOSALS

Big Sandy Area Development District will receive completed proposals from agencies or providers interested in providing Title III Nutrition and Supportive Services for the elderly in the Big Sandy Area Development District. Proposals must be submitted by February 28, 1997. Proposals packets may be picked up at: Big Sandy Area Development District, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Questions regarding this Request For Proposal may be addressed to: Doug Lawson, Programs Manager, at the above address or by telephone: 606-886-2374.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that N.F.C. Mining, Inc., P.O. Box G-20, Goble Roberts Addition, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase III bond release on Permit Number 836-0221 which was last issued on 1/6/93. The application covers an area of approximately 3.22 acres located 2.0 miles north of Emma in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.1 mile northeast from State Route 1428's junction with Sugarloaf Branch Road and located 0.01 mile south of Sugarloaf Branch. The latitude is 37° 39' 38" and the longitude is 82° 42' 28".

The bond now in effect for the permit is a Surety Bond in the amount of one thousand, nine hundred dollars (\$1,900). Approximately fifteen percent (15%) of the original bond amount of twelve thousand, seven hundred dollars (\$12,700) is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in September of 1991; and the establishment of the approved post-mining land use.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services,

#2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 17, 1997.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for March 18, 1997 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office located at 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1397. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 17, 1997.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 860-0349 Major Revision Number 2

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of KY, Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky 41839 has applied for a major revision to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 758.51 acres located 0.25 mile East of Betty in Knot and Floyd Counties.

The proposed major revision area is approximately 0.15 mile East from State Route 550's junction, with Big Spring Branch Road and located 0.05 mile North of Big Spring Branch Road and located 0.05 mile north of Big Spring Branch. The latitude is 37° 25' 47" and the longitude is 82° 50' 08".

The proposed major revision is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 quadrangle map. The currently approved operation utilizes the surface contour, steep slopes and mountaintop removal methods of surface mining. The surface area to be affected by this major revision is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., Ernest and Roxie Keen, Odis Cox Heirs, Denver and Helen Robertson, Gordan Howard, Salley Wallace et al, Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc., Ransom Marcum Jr., Shirley R. Martin, Charles Watkins Heirs, David Martin, and Ray Lute et al. The major revision application proposes to revise the alternate contemporaneous reclamation standards.

The currently approved operation affects an area within 100 feet of public road, Big Spring Branch Road. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered for public sale on February 14, 1997 at 11:00 a.m. at the First Commonwealth Bank Parking Lot, 169 North Avenue, Prestonsburg, to satisfy the unpaid balance of an installment contract signed 7/13/96:

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