



Barbara Yvonne Carmack, 19, of Mt. Vernon, escaped serious injury last Friday when she collided with a car being driven by Preston Cameron, Jr., 28, also of Mt. Vernon, on U. S. 25 at Roundstone. According to State Police reports, Miss Carmack, who was travelling North on U. S. 25, said she saw the Cameron car pulling onto U. S. 25 from a side road and veered to the left to try and avoid the collision. However, she struck the Cameron car, hit a road sign and then ran through a fence on the Joe Bullen property and turned over. Miss Cameron was taken to Rockcastle County Hospital where she was treated for Class B injuries and released Saturday. Cameron, who was unhurt, told police that he didn't see the Carmack car and failed to yield right-of-way.



Guest Columnist, John Wilson
Dept. of Fish & Wildlife

Can you remember your first gun? Chances are you can, particularly if it was a Christmas present from your parents. For a rifle or shotgun perhaps means more to a youngster than any gift he has received before, since it tells him, even if no words are spoken, how his father and mother feel about him.

It tells him that they trust him, that they recognize that he is mature enough to handle the responsibility of a potentially lethal object. Years later they may give the child a much more deadly gift — a car or a motorcycle — but that first gun will always remain in his memory as an indication that his parents acknowledge his growing up.

Many cultures have definite "rites of passage," rituals where a boy is initiated into the world of the adult, where he passes from childhood to maturity. Giving a gun for Christmas is perhaps the nearest thing we have to this. A gun should mean days afield with adult companions, a father and son hunting together, getting to know and understand each other. It is the boy's pass into the hunting camp, into the world of men, the smells and sounds of the woods on a crisp fall morning and the warmth of a winter camp fire.

It is also a link with

tradition. Many a father, watching his son on Christmas morning, may feel a lump in his throat as he recalls his own father giving him a first gun for Christmas.

A gun should also be a boy's introduction to conservation. By joining the ranks of hunters, he enters a society which has done more for wildlife than any other single group. The boy should be made aware that it is the hunter who furnishes most of the money for wildlife research and management, that it was the hunter who was largely responsible for halting the wholesale market slaughter of game in the nineteenth century and who asked to be taxed by both state and federal governments so that wildlife programs could be funded.

Explain to your boy that eleven percent of the price of his new gun and of each box of shells he buys is a federal excise tax which is returned to the states for wildlife research, management and land acquisition. Explain that the money from his hunting license goes for similar conservation practices and also helps pay the salaries of those who work to protect and manage wildlife. Explain to him that it is no accident that there are rabbits, squirrels or deer to hunt, but that abundant game depends upon careful management and vigorous enforcement of wildlife laws.

Do these things and you will instill your son with both a

sense of pride in the accomplishments of the hunter and also a sense of responsibility toward the game he hunts. Give him this sense of pride and of tradition and he will become a good hunter, one who understands and follows the precepts of sound wildlife conservation. But, above all else, set an example for your son by your own actions and attitudes. Teach him, both by instruction and by example, to respect his gun and to handle it safely at all times. Conduct yourself in an exemplary manner in the field and he will follow in your footsteps. Your actions and your attitudes will speak louder than any parental pronouncements of "should" or "shouldn't," and your son will do what you do, not what you say. Giving a child a gun for Christmas places responsibility on the parent and on the child, and both father and son should be aware of these possibilities. Yet a gun can be the most meaningful gift a youngster can

(Cont. to 17)

HI!

We bring to you the heartiest of greetings, "Merry Christmas"

Harold D. Rogers
Commonwealth Attorney

RECEIVES BADGE.....

Army Private James E. Owens, Jr., 19, whose parents, and wife, Joyce, live in Mount Vernon, received a parachutist badge upon completion of the three-week airborne course at the U. S. Army Infantry School Ft. Benning, Georgia.

During the first week of training, he underwent a rigorous physical training program and received instruction in the theory of parachuting. The second week tested his ability through jumps from the 34-foot and 250-foot towers.

Soviet's Yule Is Like America's Except...

A visitor to the officially atheistic nation of the Soviet Union at Christmastime would see very little that differs from western nations' customs.

Colored lights, decorated trees, gift-laden shoppers and images of a bearded, be-turreted old gentleman delivering toys from a sleigh — these and other traditional sights greet the eye.



The one significant difference is that the Russian Christmas has been shorn of any religious meaning, officially at least.

There are some isolated instances of Christian worship in Russia at this time. The Russian Orthodox Christmas is celebrated with an 8-hour Xmas Mass at midnight in a few churches. This mass takes place, not on December 25, but on January 7, in conformity with the old Julian calendar. To this day the Mass is splendid, involving all the rich orthodox pageantry of the 19th century. It still brings thousands of faithful souls into cathedrals to participate.

The richest mass is sung in Moscow's Yelohovskiy (Epiphany) Cathedral. Six priests, resplendent, sing the Slavonic, in rich baritone and bass voices with accompaniment from two choirs high in a loft above the altar.

Usually the plain, rough attire of many of the worshippers contrasts sharply with the splendor of the altar and the priests.

Peace on earth

We extend our warmest wishes for the Christmas Season and the coming year. May He fill your heart with joy.

Clifford Bales
County Court Clerk

We wish you and your loved ones a truly festive holiday season. It's a pleasure to greet you and to say thank you for your patronage.

S. T. Proctor
Lumber Company

holy Night

As we come in reverence before the blessed manger, let us all recall the message of Christmas: peace on earth, good will to men!

Cox Funeral Home
Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Happy Holidays

Best wishes for a joyous Noel to all our wonderful friends. May the best of the holiday season be yours!

HIATT'S 5 & 10

Margaret Coffey
Laurie Ann Hiatt
Laurie Ann Hiatt
Joyce Hansel
Barbara Hiatt
Sally Morris
Willie Lee Hiatt
see Hiatt
Sheena Stewart
Dorrie Morris

Classified Rates

Local Rates - 4c per word with minimum 75c
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For Sale

For Sale: 1971 Dodge Pickup Truck. Standard shift, low mileage like new. Has camper top. Call 256-4843. 142xp

For Sale: A good second hand Gas Stove. See Sam McFerron on Town Branch. 142xp

For Sale: '69 Dodge RT. 440 Mag. automatic, good shape. Will sell or trade for a small lot. Phone 256-4153, after five. 134xp

For Sale: 12x50 Mobile Home - 1968 Schulz - completely furnished - Good condition. Call after 6 p.m., 788-3861, or see Randall Adams. 131xnt

For Sale: Two D-6 Bulldozers, also TD44 Dealer, 1963 Chevrolet Truck - 1 1/2 ton, 1962 Ford Truck - 1 1/2 ton. See George Richards on Brush Creek Road. Mt. Vernon, Ky. 131xnt

FOR SALE: 4 Refrigerator Appliances to match. In Good Condition. Refrigerator, Cooking Top, Oven and Dish Washer. See Roy Winstead at Appliance Service Center. 51xnt

MONUMENTS - ON DISPLAY at Dowell and Martin Funeral Home. ntf

MONUMENTS AND GRAVE MARKERS in stock at all times. McNew Monument Sales, U. S. 25, four miles North of Mt. Vernon. Phone 256-2292. ntf

MONUMENTS - Standard Monument Works. Harold DeMarcus, Owner - Delmo Mink, Agent for Rockcastle County. Call 256-2588. 42xntf

For Sale: 12x50 Mobile Home. 1968 Stanford, good condition. West Main Street. Phone 256-4817. 132xp

For Sale: Timothy Hay - 85 cents a bale. Phone 158-2782 or contact Billy Owens, Route 1, Brodhead. 134xp

For Sale: 4-Room House, with toilet and bath, installed, on one acre of land. Good Garden. Home has New Sink and Cabinets. Located on U.S. 25. \$6,000. Call 483-2489. 133xp

For Sale: 64 Rambler, 875.00. Phone 256-2659. 151xp

SALE
 At Joan's Used Clothing Store, located on Tevis Street in Mt. Vernon, near Old State Garage. Ladies' dresses, \$1.00. Ladies' blouses, 50 cents. Children's Clothing, all reduced; Children's Shoes, 50 cents a pair; Men's Shirts, 50 cents each; Men's and Boy's New Pants, \$2.00 a pair; Used Pants, Men's and Boys' \$1.00 a pair.
 Hours 9 till 4 - six days a week 152xp

For Sale: FIREWOOD - Any Size. Call 256-4240, or see Bill Sigmon. 152xp

For Sale: The Rockcastle County Board of Education will receive sealed bids until 7 p.m. on January 7, 1974 for fifteen new sylvanite inside light fixtures with large reflectors, 400 watt, 208 volt. Good for lighting large inside areas.
 Submit bid for entire lot to

Office of Superintendent, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 152x

For Sale or Rent: 12 x 50 Mobile Home, two-bedroom. Contact Larry Cummins, Mt. Vernon, or phone 256-2278. 151xnt

FOR SALE: Building Lot located on Route 70 at Quail, 100 ft. - front on Highway. Phone 256-4223 / 152xp

For Sale: 1970 Chevrolet Pickup, six-cylinder. See Bill Medley at Livingston. 152x

Notice

LOST

Silver Identification Bracket: Engraved "Elizabeth" on front. "Dec. 25, 1969" on back. REWARD. Contact Mrs. John P. Allen, Route 4, Box 111, Mt. Vernon, Ky. - 256-2292 after 5 p.m. 152xp

LOOK!
BIG TURKEY SHOOT
 at Mareburg, Ky. - Christmas Eve and Christmas Day; New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.
 Location: Turn off at Monk's Store, cross the railroad tracks, third house on right - Clevis Gentry account. Cecil Hasty will be in charge. 152x

NOTICE
 The Lexington Leader now on sale at Mt. Vernon Restaurant, Ernie's T & M Market, and Aderholt's 2 to 10 Market. Weekdays and Sundays. 154x

Notice is hereby given that Joe B. Noe and Lucille Ponder, joint administrators of the estate of Mabel Noe, deceased, have filed a final settlement of their accounts as said administrators and said settlement will be heard on Monday, January 21st, 1974. Any exceptions to said settlement must be filed by said date.

s/ Clifford Bales, Clerk Rockcastle County Court; By: Juanita Taylor, D.C. 153x

GERT'S a gay girl - ready for a whirl after cleaning carpets with Blue Stays. Rent electric shampoos \$1.00.

Broadhead SAT Hdwe. Broadhead, Ky. 151x

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Jim & Jack's SAT Hdwe. Williams Street, Mt. Vernon 151x

BECOME A BEAUTICIAN, enroll now, new classes starting at the Eastern School of Hair Design, 1122 South Second Street, Richmond, Kentucky, 40475. Applications taken daily. Phone 623-5472. 151x7

MASON'S CUSTOM HAULING and Backhoe Work. Call 256-2047. ntf

BLOWN IN - INSULATION. Aluminum siding, storm windows and doors. For free

estimates, contact Preston Collins, Route 2, Mt. Vernon. Ph. 458-2001. 151xnt

HAMM BROS. Water Well Drilling and Contracting. Call 256-2024 anytime after 5 p.m. 46xnt

SEE JOHNNY GAMES at Sanitary Cleaners for all your musical needs - strings for all instruments and accessories. Phone 256-2551. 49xnt

LET SANITARY CLEANERS refresh your garments with the "Easy Care" Garment method. Colors will always stay brighter and prettier. Sanitary Cleaners, Mt. Vernon. Phone 256-2551. 32xnt

MADISON TERMITE CO., Beers, Ky. Phone 988-9757. Free inspection. Local Calls - Jack Peterson, Wills 256-2298 and C.H. Webb, Livingston, 458-8831. 57xnt

NOTICE: If you need electrical work of any kind, call Dick's Electric Service, Route 1, Brodhead at 788-2587. Free Estimates. 50xnt

NOTICE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
 All friends and relatives are invited to attend the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Winstead and their home at Route 1, Mt. Vernon, Ky., Sunday, December 23rd. 142x

NOTICE: There will be no sale at the Garrard County Stockyards on Friday, December 21st, but we will have our regular sale on December 28th. 142x

POSTED: No hunting or trespassing on my land located near W44th, Margaret Whitaker. 143xp

ANNOUNCEMENT
 My office in Mt. Vernon will be closed December 19th, December 26th and January 2nd, 1974. Will reopen January 9th, 1974.

Dr. T. E. Walden
 London, Kentucky
 143x

Floyd's Home Improvement Supply - new hours - Open Monday through Friday from 8:15 A.M. through 5:00 P.M. - and Saturday 9 A.M. through 3 P.M. - Building Supplies and Furniture - Dinner Bell Building - Mt. Vernon. 134xp

NOTICE
 JUDYS USED CLOTHING STORE
 Highway 150
 will be open from 9 till 9 Monday through Saturday and open on Sundays from 1 till 5. I have a new load of shoes and some new, stylish used men's ladies' and children's quilts \$5.00 each.

Will be open Christmas Eve - Closed on Christmas Day. Come on out and have a look. You never know what you'll find at Judy's.

Get a new load of clothes Tuesday.

Merry Christmas to Everyone 151xp

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Lula Mize has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Howard Reece Mize, deceased. All persons having claims against said Estate shall present them, verified according to law, to the said Lula Mize, Route 1, Box 111, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, or to James W. Lambert, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, attorneys for said Estate, no later than April 1, 1974. 15

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Kentucky, attorney for said estate. - No later than April 1, 1974. - 15

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Sgt. Ralph E. Albright has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Ralph Albright, deceased. All persons having claims against said Estate shall present them, verified according to law, to the said Sgt. Ralph E. Albright, 421-B Meyer Street, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, APO San Francisco, California, 96377, or to William D. Gregory, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, attorney for said Estate, no later than April 4, 1974. 15

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TRAILER LOTS for rent - Large Size with Patis, Imperial Mobile Home Court, West Main and Poplar Streets, Mt. Vernon. Call Clyde Barnett, 256-2251 or 256-2377. 48xnt

For Rent: Apartment - five-room unfurnished - at Livingston. Contact "Ambrose Brockman. 151x1

For Rent: 4-Room House with bath. See Harvey McFerron or call 256-2020. 151xp

In memory of Burgess Hysinger -

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER - Oh, come to my heart, Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for Thee. Lord Jesus, we thank Thee for the spirit shed abroad in human hearts on Christmas, even as we invited Thee on Christmas to be born again in our hearts, so will Thou now go with us throughout the days ahead, to be our companion in all that we do - With Thou help each one of us to keep Christmas alive in our hearts and in our homes - that it may continue to glow, to shed its warmth, to speak its message during all the bleak days of winter. May we hold to the spirit, that we may be as gentle and as kindly today as we were on Christmas Eve, as generous tomorrow as we were on Christmas morning. Then, if by Thy help, we should live through a whole week, in that spirit, it will be as if we were on another week, and thus be encouraged and gladdened by the discovery that Christmas can last the year around. So give us joyful, cheerful hearts to the glory of Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen -

Mrs. Pearl Hysinger & Family

CARD OF THANKS
 The family of Debbie Bussell would like to express our thanks and appreciation to everyone who helped us through this terrible loss. This cannot begin to express the love and thankfulness we feel for you. We know without God's help we couldn't bear the loss of our darling Debbie, but we know without your prayers, help, love and kindness we couldn't have borne it, either.

To our many friends, relatives, neighbors, our co-workers, the State Troopers who are also our dear friends, Bro. Jeffrey Winstead, Bro. Michael Bryant, our own Jack and Jenny Bussell, Cox Funeral Home, Gary Hansel, the fine boys who were her pall bearers, for the flowers, the food, the many cards and letters, Mr. Saylor and all her teachers and friends from Rockcastle County High School who showed their love for her so much. To all of you, we would like to say a very special "Thank You" and that along with our love, thoughts and remembrances to our Debbie, we will never forget all you did for us and for Debbie.

May God Bless You All
 Daddy and Mama
 Sisters and Brothers

THE MOUNT VERNON
 Coach Hall Announces Multiple Sclerosis Membership Drive

U. K. Head Basketball Coach, Joe E. Hall, who is serving as chairman of the Eastern Kentucky Chapter - National Multiple Sclerosis Society's 1973 Hope Chest Campaign, announced today the chapter has launched a major membership drive in all the sixty-one counties of the Central and Eastern Kentucky area it serves.

Coach Hall said, "This is being done to aid the Chapter not only in locating all Multiple Sclerosis patients in each county, but to find volunteers to aid in organizing all programs of the Multiple Sclerosis Chapter. We need individual involvement in our Patient Services program, Public Education campaign, and overall recruitment of members in Rockcastle County."

"Also, there is great interest here to contact the Chapter Executive Director, Mrs. Ruby M. Armstrong, for information on all programs and material available. Please call 606/277-1668 or 606/278-6178 or write the chapter office at 386 Waller Avenue, Office 119 in

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 73 GREMLIN 2-dr. 6-cylinder automatic, blue
 73 LINCOLN Continental 4-dr. loaded, white/white vinyl roof
 73 OLDS Outlast Supreme 4-dr. air, gold
 73 NOVA 4-dr. V-8, automatic, air, brown
 73 CHEVELLE 4-dr. air, green

73 CHEVROLET Impala 4-dr. H.T. air, blue/blue vinyl roof
 73 DODGE Coronet Custom 4-dr. air, gold/gold vinyl roof
 73 FORD LTD Brougham 2-dr. H.T., loaded, yellow/brown vinyl roof
 73 FORD Galaxie 500 2-dr. H.T., air, gold
 73 FORD Bronco, 4-wheel drive
 73 OLDS Royale 4-dr. air, green/green vinyl roof
 73 PONTIAC Catalina 4-dr. H.T., air, gold/beige vinyl roof
 73 PONTIAC Firebird, air, blue/black vinyl roof
 73 PONTIAC Catalina 2-dr. H.T., air, blue/white vinyl roof
 73 CHEVLEVE Malibu 2-dr. H.T., brown/black vinyl roof
 73 CHEVROLET Impala 4-dr. H.T., air, silver/black vinyl roof
 73 CHEVROLET Impala Custom Coupe, air, dark blue/black vinyl roof
 73 FORD LTD 2-dr. H.T., air, gold/brown vinyl roof
 73 FORD Galaxie 500 4-dr. sedan, air, blue/blue vinyl roof
 73 MERCURY Colony Park station Wagon, air, green vinyl roof
 73 PLYMOUTH Grand Sedan, air, beige/brown vinyl roof
 73 PONTIAC Catalina 2-dr. H.T., air, blue/black vinyl roof
 73 PONTIAC Granville 4-dr. H.T., air, green/black vinyl roof
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SHARING THEIR LOVE



Five million American children now save money from personal savings during the year to help needy children overseas.

The American youngsters, members of The Holy Childhood Association, ask adults for help only once a year, at Christmas.

By buying Holy Childhood Christmas Seals from these youngsters when they call on their neighbors, adults will not only brighten Christmas cards and packages, but also provide food, shelter, medical care and Christian education to millions of mission children throughout the world.

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NEWS SUMMARY

State Government's Week of Activity In Brief

Coal Use Discussed - Gov. Wendell Ford recently met with Interior Secretary Rogers C. B. Morton in Washington, D. C. to discuss federal aid for a coal use program in Kentucky. Ford also announced that he will propose an allocation of \$7.7 million in state funds for the coal gasification and liquefaction research and development program. Ashland Oil, Inc. and Texas Gas Transmission Corp. may also participate in projects to turn the state's coal reserves into gas and oil products.

Computerized Car Pools - The Department of Transportation has announced an effort to cut fuel use and remedy parking problems among state employees by organizing car pools. The Bureau of Highways will use computers in matching employees as to home and work locations. Two state workers in at least two out of every five cars coming to Frankfort is the goal of the computerized car pool program.

HAVE HAPPY HOLIDAYS! DRIVE CAREFULLY!!

REFLECTIONS...

... excerpts from the famous essay of Washington Irving

And numerous indeed are the hearts to which Christmas brings a brief season of happiness and enjoyment.



How many families whose members have been dispersed and scattered far and wide, in the restless struggles of life, are there united, and meet once again in the happy state of companionship and mutual goodwill, which is a source of such pure and unalloyed delight, and one so incompatible with the cares and sorrows of the world, that the religious belief of the most civilized nations, and the rude traditions of the roughest savages, alike number it among the first joys of a future state of existence, provided for the blest and happy! How many old recollections, and how many dormant sympathies, does Christmas time awaken!



We write these words now, many miles distant from the spot at which, year after year, we met on that day, a merry and joyous circle. Many of the hearts that throbbed so gaily then, have ceased to beat; many of the looks that shone so brightly then, have ceased to glow; the hands we grasped, have grown cold; the eyes we sought, have hid their lustre in the grave; and yet the old house, the room, the merry voices and smiling faces, the jest, the laugh, the most minute and trivial circumstance connected with those happy meetings, crowd upon our mind at each recurrence of the season, as if the last assemblage had been but yesterday. Happy, happy Christmas, that can win us back to the delusions of our childish days, that can recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth, and transport the sailor and the traveler, thousands of miles away, back to his own fireplace and his quiet home!

Merry Christmas to all...



IT'S OUR FAVORITE TIME OF YEAR . . . WHEN WE WISH ALL OUR FRIENDS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

The Bank of Mt. Vernon

Henry Fox
James King
Thomas M. Jones
Marshall Cox
John F. Lee
John F. Lee
Mary Ponder
Willie Gaudner
Virginia "Dix" Mace
Richard Harwood
Edw. M. Glenn
John McNew
J. Stephen Brown
Shirley Cox





SAINT LUKE

Chapter 2 Verses 1 through 17

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this

taxing was first made when Cyrenus was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.



And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house of lineage of David;) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in

swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.



And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

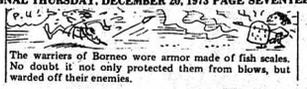
And this shall be a sign

unto you: . . . Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, . . . Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, . . . Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning the child.



The warriors of Borneo wore armor made of fish scales. No doubt it not only protected them from blows, but warded off their enemies.

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State Government Officials Concerned Over Oil Shortage

The probability of a heating oil shortage this winter has prompted state government officials to take steps to secure an increased standby supply.

Heating plants for the Capitol, the Capitol Annex, Capital Plaza and the State Office Building, are gas fired, but according to William T. McConnell, director, Bureau of Facilities Management, Executive Department of Finance and Administration, if low temperatures cause heavy demands, state government could be cut off by gas companies in order to maintain residential supplies.

For this reason the state maintains a reserve of fuel oil and last winter 35,000 gallons of this backup supply were used when natural gas was cut off, McConnell said.

In the event of heavy usage due to low temperatures, the gas company notifies officials in state government and heating plants are quickly converted to fuel oil.

Heating the governmental complexes requires about 10,000 gallons per day, McConnell said, but he has no way of estimating the extent of any possible shortage which might occur this winter. This will depend largely upon the weather and natural

gas supplies. In the event of a critical shortage, McConnell estimates that stand-by supplies, coupled with fuel conservation measures now being taken, will last some thirty-five days.

An increase in possible needs was anticipated last spring, McConnell said, and efforts were made to increase the state's storage capabilities. However, action was delayed until a commitment of fuel was secured from suppliers. An allocation of 185,000 gallons of fuel oil was made by Ashland Oil and contracts were let to fabricate and install the additional storage tankage.

McConnell said the installation of eleven 8,000-gallon tanks at the site of the Frankfort State Hospital and School will be complete this week. This additional storage capacity will bring the state's fuel stand-by to a total of 191,000 gallons, with an additional 47,000 gallons left from the total commitment.

One warm note, however, observers at the National Weather Service have noted that weather patterns follow certain predictable trends and in recent years winters in the Ohio and Mississippi River Valleys have been mild. They predict the same this winter.

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Beginning this Saturday night and continuing every Saturday night through December, we will have a drawing from ticket stubs for the following:

Two Country Ham Dinners at the Renfro Valley Lodge. The Lodge offers good food, good service and a selection to please any appetite. Ham Dinners, compliments of Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Smith, Owner and Manager of the Renfro Valley Lodge.

To help you on your way is ten gallons of gasoline, courtesy of B & F Gulf at the caution light in Mt. Vernon. B & F Gulf is a full-service service station. Snow tires, batteries and repair service. For efficient, dependable repair and service at reasonable prices, just talk to Wayne or "Buck."

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So, Hold On To Your Ticket Stubs. If you don't win one night, you're still eligible for the next drawing.

So, Come On Down To The Big Red Barn.

Joyous Bells!

One of the most joyous symbols of Christmas is the ringing of bells. The mellow, sweet-toned ones in church steeples and belfries have heralded the coming of Christmas since the Middle Ages.

In addition to the bells that ring with solemn grandeur from cathedral and churches, there are the secular types that hail the pure joy of the occasion.

Christmas had become well established before bells became an important part of the celebration. The first large bell for a Christian church is said to have originated with a bishop in Italy, in the fifth century, A.D.

Church bells have called people to worship, they have told the time of day, they rang for weddings and toll for deaths, they have been rung to warn of enemies and disasters and to celebrate happy events of many varieties. But the high point of every year has been the ringing of church bells during the Christmas season. In England, especially, this became a tradition, during the Middle Ages. The joyful clangor started at vespers on the first Sunday in Advent, and repeated on the following Advent Sundays. On the three mornings before Christmas Day, happy peals were rung as a reminder. At sunset on December 24th and every hour thereafter until sunset on December 25th bells pealed joyously. On Christmas Day bells would be rung spontaneously, at any hour.

In the melodious tones of their church bells people believed they heard "the songs of the angels" on that first Christmas, so long ago.



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Public Defenders Office Gives Justice For Poor

How does a penniless young girl from Eastern Kentucky tear up a one-way ticket to prison for breaking and entering and auto theft?

At 16, Ellen (not her real name), charged as a first offender, was sentenced to three years in the girls reformatory at Morehead. When she became 18, she faced a move to the women's prison at Pee-wee Valley.

With no money to appeal the sentence, who tore up her ticket to a bleak future?

Surprisingly enough, it was the jailer.

Ellen first learned of her eligibility to re-open the case through Kentucky's new Office of the Public Defender. The public defender was contacted, the case appealed and Ellen was released on a writ of habeas corpus.

Chief Public Defender Anthony M. "Tony" Wilhoit, a scholarly-looking young lawyer and former police judge and county attorney from Versailles points out that the program already is being applauded as "one of the leaders in the country."

Only fifteen or sixteen statewide public defender programs exist in the entire nation, although most larger cities do have their own programs, he said. Some operate on a budget falling far below actual needs, he added.

In one neighboring state, having a population well above that of Kentucky, private attorneys assigned by the court to defend penniless defendants are compensated by the state from a meager annual budget of \$250,000.

A very real drawback under that system arises in that

an assigned lawyer who receives no fee might prepare an inexpensive defense as possible.

Under Kentucky's new program, now budgeted to the tune of more than \$2.6 million, the lot of the penniless defendant facing a court trial and possible imprisonment has improved greatly.

Wilhoit, whose gray hair belies his age, keeps busy supervising standards for the statewide program, attending judicial and legislative conferences and trying cases in court.

Between January 1 and June 30th, his staff handled forty cases at trial level and introduced appeal processes in yet another seventy-two.

Wilhoit's staff of six attorneys also looks into crimes committed inside the state's prisons and reformatories as well as handling post-conviction hearings or trials for some of the state's three thousand inmates.

Community opinion about a person's guilt may be right nine out of ten times, Wilhoit said, "but that one innocent person still should have equal rights to a fair trial, and we're here to see that he or she gets it."

Although there has been a certain amount of negative feedback from the public at large, "it's been less than I would have anticipated," he added.

Among local public defender offices which now look to Wilhoit for funding support and guidelines, the largest is in Jefferson County. Numbering some twelve attorneys and two or three full-time investigators, that office joined the state program after a federal grant establishing it expired some months ago.



Members of the Rockcastle County Jaycees and the Tri-City Rescue Squad were busy Tuesday relocating the contents of the Library to its new building in Owens Subdivision. The Library and the County's Recreation Center, in the rear of the building, are scheduled to be officially opened at 1 p.m. Saturday afternoon, according to County Judge Charles Carter. Helping with the gargantuan chore were, top photo, from left: Essil Moore, Roland Mullins, Junior Sandusky, Boyd Mullins, Wendell Price, Clyde Burdette, Joe Kirby. Bottom photo, from left: Darrell Asher, Bud Cox, James Price, Wayne McNew, Paul Hansel, and Tony Hopkins.



Honor Roll (Cont. from front)

10th Grade

John Baldwin, William Ray Belcher, Bobby Boring, Rhonda Bradley, Sheila Bradley, Rita Brown, Barbara Bullens, Allison Cash, Luther Center, Joseph Clontz, Darlene Cummings, James Deatherage, Alicia Dick, Carol Dooley, Sheryl Durham, Margaret Falin, Wayne Gilliam, Teresa Harrison, Janice Holbrook, Karen Howard, David Hunt, Sharon Jordan, Vicki Jones, James E. Miller, Janice Morgan, Beverly McClure, Connie Noe, Beverly Owens, Laura Parsons, Lola Phillips, Diana Riley, Sheila Robinson, Ray Shearer, Marita Stewart, Garlan Vanhook, Chris Whitaker, Nora Winstead, and Debbie Woodall.

11th Grade

Karen Abney, Joy Albright, Jewel Alexander, James Alcorn, Anthony Arvin, James Barnett, Deborah Brock, Wanda Brown, Deborah Bullock, Teresa Bullock, Jacqueline Bruce, John Clontz, Linda Cromer, Brenda Davis, Laura Durham, Shannon Franklin, Ginger Graham, Eddie Hammond, Roxanne Hammons, Joyce Hansel, Gwenlynn Harris, Marlene Hoggard, Mark Jasper, Sue Kindred, Kim Kirby, Jeffrey Laswell, Lisa Lewis, Connie McCure, Deborah Morris, Tara Morris, Betty Mink, Ronald

Mink, Betty Gail Morris, Faye Savelle, Vickie Noe, Debbie Owens, LaJoy Parrett, Anita Prewitt, Roger Proctor, Pam Phillips, Lisa Randolph, Darla Reams, Greta Sandlin, Deborah Shehan, Carl Sowder, Mattie Sowder, Sandra Smith, Sherry Smith, Lori Stewart, Roseann Stockes, Regina Taylor, Dale Whitaker, Jerri Wren, and Jean Wheeler.

12th Grade

Vicki Adams, Doris Brown, Nancye Bruce, James Bullock, Janet Sue Burton, Kathy Buswell, Lana Carter, Patricia Cheatham, David Collins, Joan Dixon, Benedetta French, Virginia Purman, Karen Gilliam, Edwina Hatomb, Debra Sue Haman, Glen Hammond, Paula Holbrook, Jimmy Houk, Doris Howard, Bonnie Jones, Teresa Lawrence, Millicent Lear, Grover McClure, Jeanne McHargue, Ronnie McKinney, Randall Miller, Gregory Mullins, Beverly Peters, Terry Ponder, Elaine Price, Belinda Ruppert, Jacqueline Rigby, Janetta Reynolds, Cheri Sargent, Donald Saylor, Carolyn Smith, Judy Sowder, and Brenda Spivey.

Oldest Kentuckian (Cont. from front)

Mrs. Baker's brother, Jones "Pappy" Hiatt, died several years ago at the age of ninety-seven. She has three nieces and a nephew still residing here in the county: Mrs. Sara Craig and

CELEBRATES 88TH BIRTHDAY

The family of Mrs. Laura Taylor met at the home of Mrs. Taylor and Elizabeth Isaacs Sunday to celebrate the 88th birthday of Mrs. Taylor.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Taylor and Doug of Union, Kentucky, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Taylor of Pine Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Taylor, Mr. and

Mrs. Wayne Taylor and family of Brodhead, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Taylor and son, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Isaacs and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Robbins and family, Mrs. Joe Bradley and family, Mrs. Margie Weaver, Elizabeth Isaacs and son Tommy of Mt. Vernon, and Mr. Hubert Coffey and son Jeff of Renfro Valley.

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REMODELING PROJECT - NEW OFFICE

A remodeling program has given a new look to the Mt. Vernon Signal Office. Bill Gregory, a local attorney, has recently moved into new offices in the east side of the Signal building.

The offices were remodeled by utilizing a part of the building which was formerly used for storage. This project consisted of dividing the area into three large rooms, lowering the ceiling, paneling the offices and carpeting the floors.

A noticeable improvement is the addition of a new entrance on Main Street, which leads into the new law offices. Further plans are for putting a brick front across all of the building. This should add to the general improvement of the building and give a needed face-lift for the portion facing Main Street.

Mr. Gregory has served as the County Attorney for Rockcastle County for the past four years and will now be engaging in the general practice of law.

FATALITY REPORT IN ERROR...

Due to erroneous information furnished, we were in error in last week's Signal when we named the driver of the car, in which two local teenagers lost their lives Saturday night, December 8th, as Deborah Sue Russell of Mt. Vernon.

According to State Police reports, the driver of the car was William Eugene Saylor, 16, and Miss Russell was a passenger in his car.

Two witnesses to the accident were Miss Russell's sister, Sharon, who was a passenger in a car driven by Jessie Thacker. The Signal apologizes for this error.

5.5% PAY INCREASE GIVEN CITY EMPLOYEES

The Mt. Vernon City Council voted at its regular monthly meeting last week to give all city and water department employees a 5.5% pay boost.

The one exception to the across-the-board increase was to City Patrolman Kelly Richards who was granted a \$50 increase instead of the 5.5%.



Mrs. Pansy McCay sits amid a few of the dolls and toys which she has been distributing the past week to children in the county. In the bottom photo, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Browning of Mt. Vernon are shown amid the fruit, candy, shoes, and clothing which they have been distributing among the needy. These two projects are in addition to the annual Renfro Valley Christmas Party which is co-sponsored by Renfro Valley, Inc. and the Rockcastle County Jaycees each year on the Sunday before Christmas.



Parents Get Choice Of School Hours

A questionnaire has been sent to parents of school children requesting their vote on school hours when fast time is put into effect.

At the last meeting of the Rockcastle County Board of Education, the Board voted to take the survey of parents who have children in school and to abide by the majority vote.

The questionnaire lists three alternatives from which parents may choose.

They are: (1) Start and close the school day the same hours as usual except on fast time which will make it one hour

earlier (by the sun) than schools are taken up now. (2) Start school thirty minutes later and close thirty minutes later, on fast time, or (3) Start school one hour later and close one hour later on fast time.

Of course, with alternatives 2 and 3, buses would arrive home thirty minutes and one hour later, respectively.

Supt. Charles B. Parsons said that since the Board had already agreed to abide by the wishes of the majority answering the questionnaire, a decision would probably be announced sometime during the Christmas vacation.



Mrs. Irene Borer, right, Royal Matron of the Order of the Amaranth, is shown presenting Jaycee President Paul Hansel with a check for \$50 from the Amaranth club to be used toward the Renfro Valley Children's Christmas Party - an event held annually and co-sponsored, along with Renfro Valley, Inc., by the Rockcastle County Jaycees.

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

- 9th Grade
- Garry Wayne Abney, Deliah Ann Alexander, John Benson, David Alan Bradley, Marcia Brown, Sheila Brummett, David Wayne Burton, Sherri Burdette, Catina Cain, Judy Ann Cain, Cheryl Carter, Kimberly Cornelius, Sandra Lynn Dailey, Mae Etta DeBorde, Eddie Delaney, Rebecca Dawn Hammond, Jennifer Hansel, Dina Hoskins, Joyce Gill Isaacs, Dawn Kirby, Carolyn Delores Lamb, Dennis Ray Lawrence, Rebecca Leger, Joanne McHargue, Teresa Lynn McKinney, Edna Jolene Morre, Patricia Ann Newton, David Noe, Donna Poynter, Regina Ponder, Suann Poynter, Donald Ramsey, Kathryn Reppert, Mary Alice Rimel, Johnny Robinson, John Wayne Shivel, Daniel Smith, Jo Ann Smith, Serena Stewart, Victoria VanWinkle, Cheryl Viars, Lin

da Whitaker, and Donna Jean White.

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SOME OFFICES TO CLOSE DECEMBER 24TH AND 25TH

Clifford Bales, County Court Clerk has announced that his office will be closed on Monday, December 24th as well as Tuesday, December 25th.

Mr. Bales stated, however, that the office will remain open until 4 p.m. Saturday, December 22nd.

Other businesses which will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 24th and 25th will be the Bank of Mt. Vernon and Citizens Bank at Brodhead. The Mental Health Office will also be closed on those dates.

Ford Realty & Auction Company will also be closed on Monday and Tuesday.

Several Local Projects Help "Santa Claus" To Arrive Here

However it may be in other areas, there seems to be little reason why any child should have a cheerless Christmas in Rockcastle County.

This statement is made possible by the efforts of several "Santa Clauses" in the County in the form of Mrs. Pansy McCay, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Browning, Renfro Valley, Inc. and the Rockcastle County Jaycees.

Mrs. McCay, who makes helping the poor a year-round project, distributed food, clothing, candy and toys to about three hundred and fifty persons during the past week from her home at Burr.

Mrs. McCay receives help for her project from several churches in the North: Rev. John Carter's church in Hamilton, Ohio sent a bus load of toys and clothing; Strathmoor Presbyterians Church in Louisville sent a load of toys and canned foods; Rev. Eblevin's church, also of Hamilton, sent clothing for children, and Bro. Bill Littrell and Bro. Bill Rawlings brought a truck load of clothing and toys and also a large truck of furniture from the First Nazarene Church of Springfield, Ohio.

She also received help from Bro. Garner Hargis, Mrs. Hargis and their daughter, Marsha, who helped distribute the toys, and fit the children for clothes.

Mrs. McCay's sister, Mrs. Zula Drew bags the oranges, apples and candy. Mrs. Mary Hancock of Chestnut Ridge provides her services to the project by making dresses for the dolls.

This Saturday, Mrs. McCay will be in McKee to distribute items of food, clothing and toys from the Courthouse lawn. Rev. Tinsley Rector of Indianapolis, Indiana and formerly of Mt. Vernon, is pastor of the Trinity Gospel Tabernacle which is furnishing the items.

Rev. Herman Vanderpool will accompany the truck to McKee.

The Brownings also make helping the needy a year-round project. Mr. and Mrs. Browning receive most of their support from two churches in Florida.

Already this Christmas, the Brownings have given away around seventy pair of new shoes donated by the churches, in addition to the candy, fruit and clothing for children and

adults. Mrs. Browning said that thirty-five families would be helped by their program in addition to the individual children which have been taken to the Brownings' home to be fitted for shoes.

Of course, the annual Renfro Valley Christmas Party serves the needs of around a thousand children through gifts of candy, fruit and toys. Money to purchase the gifts is raised by contributions to the Valley for this purpose and the Rockcastle

Oldest Kentuckian Honored By Governor

Born ten years before the automobile was invented, Mrs. Laura Hlatt Baker, the oldest Kentuckian, never bought a license plate but was recently given one free by Gov. Wendell Ford.

Though the Commonwealth has had thirty governors since her birth, "Miss Laura," who turned 108 on November 30th, met her first governor when she and Ford got together to celebrate Kentucky's upcoming 200th birthday.

Gov. Ford also presented her with a Harrodsburg Bicentennial medalion. On the occasion she exclaimed, "Why, he's handsome."

Her new Bicentennial license tag designed for the front of a car, wouldn't have fit on the first vehicles she traveled in. In 1871, she made a round trip to

POST OFFICE TO CLOSE HALF DAY

Per a memorandum received from Postmaster General E. T. Klassen, Mt. Vernon Postmaster James O. Smith has announced that the post office will observe a regular Saturday schedule on Monday, Christmas Eve and Monday, New Year's Eve.

This means that the post office itself will be open from 8:30 a.m. till noon with all Special Deliveries being handled, mail to boxes being put up, regular rural delivery service and regular dispatch made at 5 p.m.

County Jaycees take charge of inviting, transporting them to the party, and returning them to their homes afterwards in addition to distributing the gifts and supplying the "Santa Claus."

It appears that several persons and organizations in the county have learned the true meaning of Christmas and, as Mrs. McCay recited from Psalm 41:1, "Blessed is he that considereth the poor. The Lord will deliver him in time of trouble."

Arkansas in a covered wagon.

Miss Laura, who was born on a farm at Renfro Valley never moved farther away than Pulaski County where she and her husband farmed for forty-seven years. She has two daughters and a son and has been a member of the Christian Church for ninety-four years.

A daughter, Mrs. Miranda B. Price, was with her during the presentation ceremony at the Homestead Nursing Home in Lexington where Mrs. Baker now resides. Mrs. Price told Gov. Ford that her mother continues to view the future much as she has the past. "She avoids worry and takes each day as it comes."

In presenting the commemorative awards, Gov. Ford emphasized the important historical role that has been played by senior citizens. "The Commonwealth is what it is today on account of these fine Kentuckians," he concluded.

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT OUR LADY OF MT. VERNON

Our Lady of Mt. Vernon Church on Williams Street in Mt. Vernon will have a program of organ music on Christmas Eve at 11:40, with some favorite carols, followed by the celebration of the Mass at midnight. On Christmas Morning, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 11:00.

Everyone is welcome to attend the services.

THREE HOMES HAVE BEEN DESTROYED BY FIRE IN AND AROUND MT. VERNON WITHIN THE PAST WEEK.

The top photo shows what is left of a double-wide trailer belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Higgins at Burr after it was consumed by fire Tuesday morning. Neither Mr. and Mrs. Higgins or their three children, Kenneth, 17, Gary, 14 and Tina, 11 were at home at the time of the fire and no cause for the blaze has been discovered. The bottom photo shows a small frame house belonging to Gordon Graham, located just off Richmond Street in Mt. Vernon, after a fire gutted it Monday night. The occupant, Linda Overbay, told city firemen that she had built a fire under the house to thaw some frozen pipes and thought she had extinguished the blaze before leaving for church. Nothing was saved from either residence. The frame home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Vanzant on Route 2, Mt. Vernon, was also destroyed by fire last Thursday morning. The Vanzants have four children.



a joyous Noel to all our good friends... may the blessings of Christmas abide with you and yours all through the season and in the year to come.

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Frankfort Watchline

The most trite prediction we're hearing these days around here is that abortion and capital punishment are going to be the most emotional issues facing the 1974 General Assembly.

Probably so, because of their very nature. But the Legislature isn't going to be able to do much about abortion, and no matter what's done about the death penalty, we doubt if anyone is going to be electrocuted anytime soon.

First, abortion. The U. S. Supreme Court, whether you like it or not, has ruled that Kentucky's prohibition of abortions is invalid. Henceforth, a woman, in effect, will have

control over her unborn child for the first six months of pregnancy.

After that, the state has some power to limit, restrict or regulate. But, so what? A woman who wants an abortion will generally have had one by then. Now, if the Assembly leans too much towards restrictive anti-abortion provisions the new statute will be overturned when it is tested again in federal courts. That's a fact, whether you like it or not.

So, the Legislature really has little choice despite the hot emotional hangup. In a way all this flap about abortion is academic.

'Christmas Only for Children'? Let's Change That

Grown-up cynics are frequently heard to say, "Christmas is only for children". This is a declaration of having abandoned any of the precepts of Christmas as far as they, themselves, are concerned. And perhaps in an attempt to set things right again, these same grown-ups "go all out" for the children in their family circles, and their acquaintance.

It's fine to "go all out" for children, at any time, as long as it is in proportion to the event, and if the children's well-being is taken into account. But sacrificial or extravagant giving can be harmful to the children, give them a false sense of values, and of course cause the giver hardship, for no good purpose.

Let us take an adult look at Christmas. Let us think of the strong, virile Christ when we think of Christmas, not merely the helpless Babe. Let us think of this mature man-God, with his adult convictions, his adult compassion, his adult physical strength, and honor these qualities.

Let us put this true evaluation of Christ into Christmas. As adults, it is we who must do this. And in doing this, we take not a whit away from the children's pleasure. But we add significance, immeasurably, to our own.

The death penalty matter is different, at least in theory. You may remember the Supreme Court outlawed it, as practiced in just about every state.

Well, the way around is to specify the crimes for which the death penalty is mandatory, and that's what other states are doing. In Kentucky, the argument boils down to which crimes should carry the capital punishment penalty, and really the advocates of death are not so far apart.

The ones who oppose it? We think their case has been weakened more than ever. Recall the vicious murders in Lexington and Falmouth weeks ago? We keep hearing even today that the two men charged should somehow be executed, if convicted.

So, there isn't going to be fanatic resistance to the re-imposition of the death penalty -- or shall we say its revision. The debate will be on fine points -- whether death should be imposed for killing a police officer and such aspects.

In another column we'll analyze briefly the other less-emotional issues coming up in a matter of weeks. Issues such as daylight savings time, collective bargaining for public employees,

looked better for the coal industry.

You couldn't tell by asking the operators, any more than you could by asking Main Street merchants how good business is on a given day. Businessmen don't usually crow about their bright outlook.

But there is no direction in which coal can go in the foreseeable future but up, up, up. This applies especially to strip mining and eventually will apply equally to underground operations.

There is gasification and liquefaction if nothing else. Thousands of new jobs are coming even under testing conditions.

There is the prospect of higher coal prices for both surface and underground output.

Above all, there is the certainty of a market for all kinds of coal, anything that will burn as a substitute for oil.

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The coal industry will

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Season's Greetings

May the Christmas Season be a memorable and joyous time filled with blessings and love for all.

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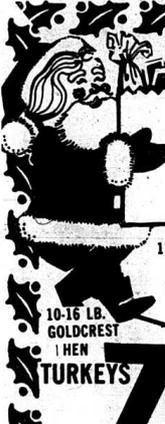
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Around BROADHEAD

Sympathy is extended to the family of Sam Hoskins.

Mrs. Ruby Adams and Miss Gail Harrison visited friends in Harrodsburg Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Smith and Jon were in Richmond Saturday shopping.

Mrs. Frank Newland and Mrs. Johnny Watson spent Monday Christmas shopping in Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith and Junior of Stanford visited his mother Mrs. Lucy Smith Sunday night.

The Ladies Aide Missionary Society of the Broadhead Christian Church met Thursday night for a pot luck supper at the home of Mrs. J. C. Newland. Those present were Mrs. Newland, Mrs. Wills Cummins and Mrs. Ray Johnson. Mrs. Robert Machal, Mrs. "Tip" Adams, Mrs. Frank Watson, Mrs. Albert Martin, Mrs. R. C. Crawford, and Mrs. E. J. Smith. The lesson on Compassion was presented by Mrs. Smith. The January meeting will be with Mrs. F. Earl Mullins.

Mrs. Brownie Martin and Mrs. Albert Martin were in Danville shopping Friday.

Virgil Martin is confined to his home.

Mrs. Miranda DeVault who has been confined to her home is

improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Ray Carson and John of Richmond and Mrs. Irene Verrees of Somerset and Miss Edna Marie Carson of Lexington visited with Mr. Everett C. Watson on Sunday. A birthday dinner for Edna was enjoyed at Renfro Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baldwin, Melanie and Tommy and Mrs. Bennett Brown were in Lexington Thursday evening shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Burke were in Danville shopping last Monday night.

Mrs. Dwight Whitehead was shopping in Danville Saturday.

There will be a candlelight Christmas Eve service at the Christian Church Monday at 11:45 p.m. All who are invited to attend.

Mrs. Albert Martin and Mrs. Brownie Martin were in Somerset shopping last week.

REMEMBER The door decoration contest - Doors will be judged Friday, December 21 between 6:30 and 7:30!!

Merry Christmas to every one!!

News & Views From Your

Rockcastle Co. Library

Old-Time Molasses Gingerbread

2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 1/4 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. salt
1 1/2 tsp. ground ginger
1 tsp. ground cinnamon
1/2 tsp. ground cloves
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup oil
1 cup boiling water
1 cup molasses
2 egg whites, beaten stiff

Preheat oven to 325°F. Grease and flour a nine-inch square pan. Sift dry ingredients including sugar together into a large bowl. Combine oil, boiling water, and molasses in a small bowl. Pour all at once into the dry ingredients. Beat until smooth. Fold in the egg whites. Pour into the prepared pan, and bake in the preheated oven for 45 to 50 minutes.

Cut into squares while still hot. This dark luscious gingerbread really needs no accompaniment and should be eaten straight from the oven while still hot and steaming.

This recipe was copied from a book in the Rockcastle County Public Library. The book is

entitled *The Jack Sprat Cook-book*, by Polly Zane.

Why not stop in at the Rockcastle County Public Library and look through their cookbooks. The reason for a lot of baking and cooking is here and what woman doesn't enjoy something new and different on the table for the holidays?

There are many books on candy, cookies and cakes as well as the main courses for many meals through the cold days ahead!

Also, while in the library, check out the many Christmas books they have. There are books for children on the real meaning of Christmas. Books for programs for schools, churches and various organizations that will give you ideas for plays and parties.

Go in and browse through the books, talk with Mrs. Phillip Davis, the County Librarian. Ask for what you need, and she will help you in any way she can. If the books aren't there, Mrs. Davis will try to get them for you through the Department of Libraries. This is a free service offered the citizens of Rockcastle County through the Rockcastle County Public Library.

The Human Side of the Library

Charles F. Hinds, State Librarian

Visually Handicapped Not A Limiting Factor As Once Was

Kentucky's blind are becoming increasingly self-sufficient due to many new services and techniques and because of changing attitudes of the public toward the visually handicapped.

This is the claim of E.D. "Pat" Sturgill of Benham, Ky., who represents the state's 7,500 visually handicapped as a member of the Governor's Advisory Commission on Libraries. He is also chairman of the recently formed State Advisory Council for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

Sturgill contends that "more attention should be given by the State Library and other official agencies to publicity which could help tremendously in continuing to alter society's

thinking on the blind."

He further insists that "the blind are not handicapped, though often the public insists on treating them so. What is needed," he continues, "is an understanding and a more visually handicapped is not the same as to be handicapped."

Thanks to federally provided library sources at the State Library's new Division of the Blind and Handicapped, the blind may keep up with the world around them. Also, new techniques, models, equipment and altered business practices help provide equal job and social opportunities for the visually handicapped.

Over the years, Pat Sturgill had grown accustomed to a full and busy life as a businessman in Eastern Kentucky and as a regional, state and national leader in credit union activities. During World War II he had served as Director of the Credit Union National Association. Blinded ten years ago at the age of 59, Sturgill found it difficult to adjust to a new way of life.

According to Sturgill, the talking book program has been the gateway to a new life. It has led beyond books on records to a mastery of braille, proficiency in typing, skilled use of the electric organ, and production of his own television and radio shows. Sturgill is also involved in a multitude of humanitarian and club activities, with emphasis on the visually handicapped, orphans and destitute college students.

How successful has he been in convincing others that the visually handicapped can carry on a normal life? Mrs. Sturgill said recently of her talented and active husband: "He has walked so well that long mile through a world of darkness that when I observe him in his busy day-to-day activities, I often find myself forgetting that Pat is blind."

QUAIL

Quail Homemakers Meet - The Quail Homemakers met at the home of Mrs. Aleynne Davis at Mt. Vernon Monday evening with good attendance. This meeting was our Christmas party. Secret Pal gifts were exchanged and delicious refreshments were served. Everyone enjoyed the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Clangman Hamm and Debbie and Mrs. Della Mae Wilcott were in Richmond Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Hannah Laswell is visiting relatives in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mrs. Juanita Cash entertained with a party last Thursday evening at her home.

Last Tuesday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bullock were Bro. and Mrs. Samuel Sowder, Charlene and Canaan and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cash and Netza.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Chaney and family of Cincinnati, Ohio were here over the weekend and were

accompanied home by Mr. Chaney's mother Mrs. Susie Chaney who has been in the Rockcastle County Hospital for several weeks.

Miss Debbie Smith is a patient in the Rockcastle County Hospital at this writing. We wish her a speedy recovery.

The Christmas Supper at the Ottawa Baptist Church last Friday evening was well attended and the food and good fellowship were abundant. Bro. Barkley Moore of Onida served as an excellent guest speaker for the occasion.

(Delayed)

Weekend visitors of Mrs. Sarah Cash were Mrs. Faye Brown and friend Ervin Powell, Miss Holly Friender and Beverly Holiday and Lynn Monk of Mason Ohio, and Miss Karen Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hughes and Douglas Ray of London.

Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Elza Laswell, Mrs. Ray Bullock, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Bullock and Mrs. Virgil Lawrence.

Mrs. Hannah Laswell spent Wednesday night with Mrs. Sarah Cash.

Don't visit Walter, Reba and Netza in their new home - They haven't moved in yet!

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Proctor and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Owens attended the Farm Bureau Convention at Louisville last Monday and Tuesday. They stayed at the Galt House.

Bro. and Mrs. Sam Sowder and girls visited Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Sowder and Allie at Paint Lick Monday afternoon.

BOONES FORK

Several were in Sunday morning worship at the Broadhead Baptist Church.

Several remain ill in this area.

Some from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Ella Mae Norton Friday.

Sympathy is extended the children and relatives of Mrs. Norton in their sorrow.

Sympathy is also extended to the Bussell families and the Saylor families in their sorrow.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Sam Hoskins in their sorrow.

Mrs. Vina Benge visited her sister here Wednesday.

Several attended the fellowship on Thursday night at the Broadhead Baptist Church. All enjoyed the pot luck supper.

Mrs. Mary McFerron was in Somerset to see her granddaughter Helen on Friday who remains ill.

Mrs. Eliza Nicholas remains ill.

Mrs. Lela Harrison visited relatives here recently.

Mrs. Mae Doan was in Berea to consult her doctor a few days ago.

Mrs. Edd Lamb visited Mrs. Doan on Friday.

Mrs. Myrtle Miller visited Mrs. Zelma Bullock recently.

Frank Mays remains ill.

Mrs. Edna Miller was in Somerset to consult her doctor.

Mrs. J. D. Miller's guests of

recent days were Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Norton of Eubank, Walker Norton and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Norton of Indiana, Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Renner of Mt. Vernon, Mrs. Joan Cash of Broadhead, and Joe F. Norton of Wabed.

Mrs. Nellie Wallen and Dorothy of Illinois spent the

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Peace on earth

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Let me take this opportunity to thank the people of Rockcastle County for their support during the past four years. I have made every effort to advance our county during my term of office, and I feel we have advanced together.

My family and I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Warmest Wishes



...to all our patrons, whom we have had the pleasure of serving throughout the year. May this joyous holiday season find you all in the best of spirits and all your wishes come true. Thank you for your continuing patronage.

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Season's Greetings

In spite of today's pace, we still feel that an old fashioned "Thank You" is necessary and appropriate. We realize more than ever how much it means to have the friendship and confidence of folks like you. Without you we could not prosper and grow. May the coming year bring Good Health, Happiness, and Prosperity to you and your loved ones.

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Social And Women's News



Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Dawson

McGuire - Dawson

The marriage of Edna McGuire of Mt. Vernon and Gilbert Dawson of Lexington was solemnized November 17, 1973, in Mt. Vernon. Mrs. McGuire was given in marriage by her

cousin James Owens of Mt. Vernon, and the Best Man was Hubert Dawson, twin brother of the groom, and Halle Dawson, the groom's sister-in-law, was Maid of Honor.

Mrs. McGuire wore a white semi-formal of lace over tulle with an orchid corsage and blue accessories.

The Maid of Honor was attired in light blue crepe with white and blue accessories.

Present at the wedding were Mrs. McGuire's two sons, Eldon and Kenny and their families and David Dawson, son of Mr. Dawson, plus many friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dawson will be making their honeymoon trip to Texas over the Christmas holidays to visit Mr. Dawson's other son, Glen, and his family.

Mrs. Dawson teaches at the Mt. Vernon Elementary School, and Mr. Dawson is currently employed at Veterans Hospital in Lexington.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henderson and daughter Valerie and Mrs. Lona Logsdon were in Lexington last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Burton were in Stanford Thursday. Sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. Ella Mae Kirby Norton.

Mrs. Lona Logsdon celebrated her birthday December 13th.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Owens and Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Owens spent the weekend in Dayton and Centerville, Ohio with relatives and friends.

FAIRVIEW

Worship services were well attended at the Fairview Baptist Church over the weekend and one hundred and two persons were present for Sunday School. Thank God for each one.

Our deepest heartfelt sympathy is extended to the families who have lost loved ones recently - among these are the families of William Saylor, Deborah Russell, Raymond Towery, Sam Hoskins, and Mrs. Ida Gipson. May God bless and comfort all who are in sorrow at this time. Our prayers are with you.

The Fairview Homemakers Club met at the home of Mrs. Laura Gabbard of Snider Friday night. Twenty-three persons attended. They had their Christmas Party and exchanged gifts and enjoyed a wonderful evening together.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Reppert of Conway entertained with a Christmas Party Friday night given in honor of the members and teacher of the Fairview Young People's Sunday School Class of which they also are members. Present for a wonderful evening of entertainment were Mr. and Mrs. Luther Isaacs and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Cummins, Wesley Williams, Doty Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Chasteen. We all enjoyed the evening so very much and thank God for young people like these. In our Sunday School and Church (And I hope in yours, too), we don't have any difficulty with the "Generation Gap" that we hear

so much about these days. Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Mullins have returned to their home at Snider from a few weeks' stay at their Indiana farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Peters and Beverly visited Mrs. Benton Barrett of Winchester in a Lexington hospital Thursday night. The Barretts are the proud parents of a son born last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Chasteen visited Mr. and Mrs. Willard Todd of Scaffold Cane last Monday night.

Brenda and Bruce Treon spent Saturday night with their grandmother Mrs. Mona Treon and accompanied her to Sunday School and Church at Fairview Sunday.

Lee Gabbard visited the family of Mr. and Mrs. Irvine Saylor at Benito Valley Sunday evening. The Saylor family has recently moved to this location from the Scaffold Cane vicinity.

Mrs. Cletus Peters visited Mrs. Nellie Bales of Berea last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Chasteen visited her mother Mrs. Liddie Reppert in Mt. Vernon Monday. Mrs. Reppert accompanied them to the funeral of William Saylor that afternoon.

Harold Peters of Hamilton, Ohio visited Mrs. Barbara Peters Monday evening.

Mrs. Evelyn Ponder and son Scottie and Mrs. Paulette Ponder and Beth visited Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Mullins Saturday night.

Guests of Mrs. Liddie Reppert Monday night were her granddaughter Mrs. Cletus Peters and Mr. Peter.

A Christmas program will be presented at the Fairview Baptist Church Saturday night December 22nd at 7:00. Everyone is invited to attend.

May each and every one of you wherever you are have a blessed Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year and above all, let's keep Christ in Christmas. "We have wandered Far away from the Christ of Christmas Day."

In selfishness and Vanity, We have wandered far away,

From the Holy Little Christ Child. Who was born on Christmas Day - But, to find the Peace God promised We must return again. To the baby in the manger, Who was born to save all men.

If your parents are still living (especially if they are elderly) go see them or get in touch with them during this Holy season. It's a time for families to be together. There's nothing more and than a child (son or daughter) who has turned against their parents in one way or another. Some are ashamed of them and some just

don't care for them anymore. But, remember if we live long enough, we will, too, be old some day. So, let's love, respect and honor our parents, we'll never have but one Mom and one Dad. Please attend Church and Sunday School. May God bless and keep you all in my prayer.

Mrs. Hubert Chasteen
Correspondent

False Applications Increase - Kentucky State Police have increased penalties for giving false information on driver's license applications - a practice

poice say is becoming more frequent. Formerly such offenders received a citation and were later called into court. Now those suspected of making false applications are immediately placed under arrest and face a sentence of up to six months in jail and a \$500 fine. For the first, eleven months of 1973, fifty-three such violations were reported, as compared to thirty-eight over the same period in 1972.

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Rockcastle Recollections

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Probably it will never be possible to get a list of all officials of Rockcastle County Court, or even the names of the first to hold those offices. We are told by Jones Proctor, now living in Richmond, Ky., that his great-grandfather, James Proctor, one of the earliest settlers in Rockcastle County, was the first jailer for the county and was holding that office at his death in the 1850's. Whether he had held it all those years or had just been elected to the office again before his death is not known.

The Fish family furnished more county officials than any other family during the first fifty years of the county's existence but we do not have an exact account of them. Thomas Fish and his son-in-law, General William Smith, were first county surveyor and deputy. Thomas Fish, Jr., was said to have been the first sheriff, but I have been unable to fully authenticate this. Thomas Fish, Sr., was sheriff for one term near the end of his career as many years Justice of the Peace and member of the Rockcastle County Court. James Fish was sheriff and held other county offices not now identified. He was one of the three Fish brothers, sons of Thomas Fish, Sr., who settled and at one time owned most of all of Reno Valley, building the first three homes built here, excepting the rough cabin first erected by J. H. Reno. Judge Jesse Fish, Sr., also held many county positions, starting as deputy sheriff under his father, continuing under his father-in-law, Capt. J. W. Anderson and also serving as deputy county court clerk for many years. I have not been able to find the exact date, or dates, when he served as county judge. He also served as County Surveyor for more than thirty years. E. T. Fish, husband of "Mammy" Fish, whom oldtimers will remember, and son of Jesse Fish, served for ten years as clerk of both the circuit and the county courts and later as county court alone, serving in all about twenty-five years in office. Unfortunately, we cannot name those years.

Since our county records were destroyed in the burning of the court house in 1873, we cannot state positively just who occupied what office at what time, but must depend on stories and recollections handed down to us, many of which we do not know unless someone tells us about it. We understand that sometime during that period John Colyer, of Brush Creek was sheriff. Jonathan Newcomb, of Pleasant Valley (Cove) was sheriff and delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1849-1850. G. W. McClure and his father, Billie, were both county judges. In 1874, J. M. Fish was judge, James Hook was sheriff, B. W. Black was jailer, and D. N. Williams, County Court Clerk. 1886: P. D. Colyer, judge, James J. White was sheriff and M. J. Miller, clerk; 1890: J. B. Lair, judge, H. H. Baker, sheriff; 1894: D. P. Bethurem, judge; 1898, R. G. Williams, judge, and Henry Catron, sheriff; 1902: S. D. Taylor, judge, Lee Tate, sheriff; 1906: L. W. Bethurem, judge and Bob McFerron, sheriff; 1910: L. W. Bethurem, judge, T. J. Nieceley sheriff; 1914: G. M. Ballard, judge and Cam Mullins, sheriff; 1918: Cam Mullins, judge; Tip Langford, sheriff; 1922: S. F. Bowman, judge; D. G. Clark, sheriff; 1928: S. F. Bowman, judge and J. G. Griffin, sheriff; 1930: S. F. Bowman, judge, G. M. Ballard, county attorney, and N. J. and Lillie Tipton, sheriffs, William Anglin, Jailer, T. J. Nieceley, County Clerk, C. T. Sigmon, assessor; 1934, Charles C. Carter, judge, Joel M. Jones, county attorney, D. G. Clark, sheriff, C. W. Phillips, jailer, T. J. Nieceley, county clerk, Richard Brannan, assessor; 1938: Charles C. Carter, judge, Robert E. Bird, county attorney, Earl Phillips, sheriff, D. G. Clark, jailer, T. J. Nieceley, county clerk, and Richard Brannan, assessor; 1942: J. H. Lambert, judge, S. F. Bowman, county attorney, Walter Sowder, sheriff; 1946: D. G. Clark, jailer, T. J. Nieceley, county clerk, Richard Brannan, assessor; 1946: Charles C. Carter, judge, E. B. Thompson, county attorney, D. G. Clark, sheriff, Walter Sowder, jailer, T. J. Nieceley, county court clerk, S. E. Chandler, assessor; 1950: Carl Williams, judge, S. F. Bowman, county attorney, Arthur Payne, sheriff (Lella Payne filled out term), Walter Sowder, jailer, T. J. Nieceley, county clerk, S. E. Chandler, assessor; 1954: Walter Sowder, judge, T. J. Nieceley, county attorney, Dewey Ballinger, Lovell Clontz, sheriff, Clarence Carter, county clerk, S. E. Chandler, assessor; 1958: Money Edd Cummins, judge, James Lambert, County attorney, Walter Sowder, sheriff, Lovell Clontz, jailer, Clarence Carter, county clerk, and Homer Hale, assessor; 1962: Charles C. Carter, judge, James Lambert, county attorney, Lovell Clontz, sheriff, Sam Hoskins, jailer, Clarence Carter, county clerk, and Homer Hale, assessor; 1966: Wayne Van Hook, judge, James Lambert, county attorney, Tilford Reppert, sheriff, Elmer Alcorn, jailer, Clifford Bales, county clerk, and Homer Hale, assessor; 1970: Charles Carter, judge, William D. Gregory, county attorney, Billy Kirby, sheriff, Frank Debord, jailer, Clifford Bales, county clerk, and Robert Cromer, assessor; 1974: Hubert Thacker, judge, James Lambert, county attorney, Manuel Shepherd, sheriff, Ivory Anglin, jailer, Clifford Bales, county clerk, and Robert Cromer, assessor.

Records are complete only since 1930 and partially complete since 1874. Back of that, we have no records at all and must depend on information given us by anyone who knows or remembers having heard them. I had hoped that relative or descendants of men who had held office in the past would give me their names, the office they held and the date they served. It would be a great source of satisfaction to all who may read this book to know who had guided the destinies of the county from the beginning up to the present time. I intend to go further into the matter when I can find time to do so. Surely we should be able to complete the list from 1874 to date, but it is the pride back of that on which we really need help. We expect, if time permits, to also run down the names of the members of the legislature who have represented Rockcastle County since its beginning. Collins' famous Kentucky History brings us pretty well up to 1875 and is copied here from that

Members of the Legislature from Rockcastle County

SENATE: Wm. Smith, 1834-1838; John A. Moore, 1841; James S. Henderson, 1845-1848; Milton J. Cook, 1863-1867; Henry Oswley, 1829-1834; (Since Laurel, Lincoln and Knox Counties were included with Rockcastle, other members were chosen from those counties.)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. William Carson, 1816-1826; William Smith, 1817-1818-19-20-21-22-27-29; Uriah Gesham, 1824-1829; John H. Slaughter, 1825; Charles Colyer, 1830-1840; Elisha Smith, 1831-32-43-45; John A. Moore, 1834; Henry S. Langford, 1836-1837; William H. Kirtley, 1841; William B. Moore, 1847; Jonathan S. Langford, 1849; Milton J. Cook, 1855-57-59-61; Jonathan Newcomb, 1867-1869; R. D. Cook, 1871-1873; From Lincoln and Rockcastle, John Withers, 1812; James Dysart, 1815; R. P. Gresham, 1873-1875; John M. Fish, 1875-1877; Johnston Dycart, 1814; William Wade, 1815; Schuyler Barret, 1820; John J. Hays, 1851-1853.

No attempt has been made to name circuit judges and commonwealth attorneys who served Rockcastle County through the years. While they were a most important part of the legal history of the county they were not citizens of the county, in most cases, and do not properly belong in Rockcastle History.

Chances are we will not have a chance to again appeal for help in this matter of county officials, so if any of you can tell us the names of any we have omitted, we will be pleased to hear from you at your earliest convenience. If we are going to get this book off the press by the first of next July, as we hope to do, we are going to have to get down to the serious business of writing it around the first of the year and will have less time for further research.

QUAIL

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McMullin were Thursday dinner guests of their daughter Mrs. Benton Owens.

Mrs. Benton Owens and Mrs. Delmas Bullock were at Danville shopping Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McMullin visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene Burton and family at Plato Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Robbie Barker and Mrs. Alton Bradley and family visited Mrs. Willie Todd Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Lee

Cash and family and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Middleton and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Caldwell Saturday.

Mrs. Casper G. Owens and Mrs. Marshall Thompson visited Mrs. Christine Brown Monday.

Casper G. Owens was at Lexington Monday to consult his doctor.

Sunday visitors of Mrs. Christine Brown were Mr. and Mrs. Cleid Brown and son, Mrs. Clinton Brown and Mary Joe and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Broughton and family.

Mrs. Bessie Noe visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie B. Owens Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie B. Owens visited Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bray Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ponder and Linda visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ponder Sunday. Mr. Ponder is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Mink, Jr. and son of Richmond visited his aunt Ruth Mink Sunday afternoon.

Extended Welfare Programs Proposed - A bill which would widen the state's public assistance programs in two ways was recently drafted. Families of unemployed male parents would be included, under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program. A general assistance program which would provide for immediate aid to those not eligible for welfare but suddenly faced with a loss of income was also proposed.

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The Stranger Child

by
Count Franz Pucci

There once lived a laborer who earned his daily bread by cutting wood. His wife and two children, a boy and girl, helped him with his work. The boy's name was Valentine, and the girl's Marie. They were obedient and pious and the joy and comfort of their poor parents.

One winter evening, this good family gathered about the table to eat their small loaf of bread, while the father read aloud from the Bible. Just as they sat down there came a knock on the window, and a sweet voice called:

"O let me in I am a little child, and I have nothing to eat, and no place to sleep. I am so cold and hungry! Please, good people, let me in!"

Valentine and Marie sprang from the table and ran to open the door, saying: "Come in, poor child, we have but very little ourselves, not much more than thou hast, but what we have we will share with thee."

The stranger Child entered, and going to the fire began to warm his cold hands. The

children gave him a portion of their bread, and said: "Thou must be very tired; come, lie down in our bed, and we will sleep on the bench here before the fire."

Then answered the stranger child: "May God in Heaven reward you for your kindness."

They led the little guest to their small room, laid him in their bed, and covered him closely, thinking to themselves: "Oh, how much we have to be thankful for. We have our nice warm room and comfortable bed, while this child has nothing, but the sky for a roof, and the earth for a couch."

When the parents went to their bed, Valentine and Marie lay down on the bench before the fire, and said one to the other: "The stranger Child is happy now, because he is so warm! Good night!"

Then they fell asleep. They had not slept many hours, when little Marie awoke and touching her brother lightly, whispered: "Valentine, Valentine, wake up! Wake up! Listen to the beautiful music at the window."

Valentine rubbed his eyes and listened. He heard the most

wonderful singing and the sweet notes of many harps.

"Blessed Child, Thee we greet, With sound of harp and singing sweet."

"Sleep in peace, Child so bright We have watched thee All the night."

"Blest the home That holdeth Thee Peace and love, Its guardians be."

The children listened to the beautiful singing, and it seemed to fill them with unspeakable happiness. Then, creeping to the window, they looked out. They saw a rosy light in the East and, before the house in the snow, stood a number of little children holding golden harps and lutes in their hands, and dressed in sparkling, silver robes.

Full of wonder at this sight, Valentine and Marie continued to gaze out at the window, when they heard a sound behind them, and turning saw the stranger Child standing near. He was clad in a golden garment, and wore a glistening, golden crown upon his soft hair. Sweetly he spoke to the children:

"I am the Christ Child, who wanders about the world seeking to bring joy and good things to loving children. Because you have lodged me this night, I will leave with you my blessing."

As the Christ Child spoke, He stepped from the door, and breaking off a bough from a fir tree that grew near, planted it in the ground, saying: "This bough shall grow into a tree, and every year it shall bear Christmas Fruit for you."

Having said this, Heishied from their sight, together with the silver-clad singing children - the angels. And, as Valentine and Marie looked on in wonder, the fir bough grew, and grew, and grew, into a stately Christmas Tree laden with golden apples, silver nuts, and lovely toys. And after that, every year at Christmas time, the Tree bore the same wonderful fruit.

And you, dear boys and girls, when you gather around your richly decorated trees, think of the two poor children who shared their bread with a stranger child, and be thankful.

WISHING EACH OF YOU
A
VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
Cheryl Witt, Home Ec. Agent
H. Lee Durham, Agri. Agent
Louise Graves, Secretary

Brindle Ridge

There was good attendance for church over the weekend, even though the roads were slick. A Christmas Program will be presented Saturday night at 7 O'clock and everyone is invited - there also will be a New Year's watch service and singing and everyone is welcome.

This community extends their deepest sympathy to the Saylor and Bussell families and also to the family of Raymond Towery of Conway.

Several from here are out sick list with colds and flu.

Sherri Burdette is confined to her home with tonsillitis.

Linda Eaton has returned to her work after being sick and spending several days at the Rockcastle County Hospital.

There was a large crowd attending the auction sale here of Donald and Ray Wilson Saturday.

This community wants to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas.

WILLAILLA

Logue Reynolds has been ill at his home. He is reported feeling some better. A speedy recovery is wished for him.

Others on the sick list are W. E. Burton, Irvin Denney and Mrs. Ruby Hurst.

Mrs. Ardana Burton has returned home from Somerset City Hospital. She is reported

feeling some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie McKinney of Sunnyside visited Mr. and Mrs. Junior McKinney and Tom Randolph, and also Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McKinney recently.

Lovell Owens, Jr. of Advanue, Indiana spent the weekend with Mrs. Ethel Thompson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Lovell Owens at Crab Orchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ledford of Richmond spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Owen Burton.

Mrs. Catherine Marcum has been in Lexington Hospital. She had surgery but is reported feeling better and has returned to her home.

Russell Long has been doing some carpenter work for Carl Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Long visited Mrs. Julia Norton at the Nursing Home at Somerset recently.

Mrs. Becky Owens is on the

sick list.

Mrs. Grace Brown is getting along pretty well. She was hurt recently in a car accident.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Sam Hoskins.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mobley remain about the same. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bullock and baby of Frankfort visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Berkeley Bullock over the weekend.

Lewis Brown is getting along fine.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Burton were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Long, Mr. and Mrs. Rickie Stevens, Mrs. Noretta Thompson, Mrs. Jewell Brown of Mt. Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Burton and Janet, Mrs. Gail Lee Ledford of Richmond, R. G. Whitaker, G. D. Burton and Lynn.

Mrs. Julia Norton and Mrs. Dora Burton remain about the same.

We want to wish the Editors and Staff of the Signal and everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Donald Carpenter and family and Gerbert Carpenter of Michigan visited Mr. and Mrs. Lonzo Bullock over the weekend.

Gerald Carter preached at Fairview Sunday night.

Arvil Burton
Correspondent

Environmental Impact

Studies - A bill was recently prefiled calling for environmental impact studies of both present and proposed power plants in Kentucky. The studies would be financed by a surcharge of 0.1 mill per kilowatt hour of electricity produced by the plants. Power plants would be allowed to pass on the full cost to consumers.

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Social Security News

Proposed regulations governing the representation of claimants appealing decisions about the payment of benefits under the new Supplemental Security Income program for the aged, blind, and disabled were announced today by HEW Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger.

The new program, part of the Social Security Amendments of 1972, replaces the joint State-Federal programs of public assistance for the aged, blind, and disabled in January, 1974.

Secretary Weinberger pointed out that while it is not necessary for a claimant to obtain the services of a representative in any phase of his claim for supplemental security income he may, of course, have one if he wishes. The proposed regulations formalize arrangements for representation in instances where the claimant specifically desires the services of an attorney or other repre-

sentative in pursuing an application for or appealing a decision by HEW about the payment of SSI benefits.

In general, the proposed regulations are the same as the rules applying to representation of claimants under the social security cash benefits program and Medicare. The proposal, however, omits authorization for the direct payment of fees to attorneys out of past due benefits and does not contain a limitation on the amount of fees a court may authorize an attorney to charge. These two elements are provided by statute in the social security cash benefits program and Medicare, but are not included in the SSI legislation (P.L. 92-603).

The fee that may be charged in the supplemental security income program is determined by HEW on the basis of criteria outlined in the proposed regulations.

In evaluating a request for approval of a fee, the purpose of

the Supplemental Security Income Program - to provide a measure of economic security for the individual - will be considered, along with these factors: the services performed; the complexity of the case; the level of skill and competence required in rendition of the services; the amount of time spent on the case; the results achieved; the level of administrative review to which the claim was carried within the agency and the level of review at which the representative entered the proceedings; and the amount of the fee requested. Interested parties have thirty days from today's publication of the proposed regulations in the Federal Register, to submit comments.

County Statistics

...DEEDS RECORDED...

Earl and Elizabeth Evans, real property located on the

waters of Skeggs Creek, to William and Etta Evans. Tax \$2.50.

Earl and Elizabeth Evans, real property located on the Southeast side of Sand Springs Road, to Paul Renner, Jr. and Glenna Rose Renner. N/T.

Oval and Marcella Wise, real property located on Rock River near Livingston to Clyde and Mintz Bernice Carpenter. Tax \$6.00.

Joseph M. and Stella Sparks, real property located on the waters of Brush Creek, to Harrison and Eleanor Rosnick. Tax \$19.00.

Leonard C. Nielecy, Jr. and Virginia A. Nielecy, real property located South of Mt. Vernon, to Ray Reams and A. E. Smith. Tax \$16.00.

John W. and Kathleen Stills, real property located on Power Mill Branch of Rockcastle River, to Clifford and Carrie Lee LaFramboise. Tax \$4.50.

William Evans, Sr. and Etta Evans, real property located in Rockcastle County, to James J. and Emma Luntz Ingraffia. Tax \$2.00.

Rhester L. and Jean Anderson, real property located one mile North of Renfro Valley, to William K. and Betty Sue Bullen. Tax \$37.50.

Clyde and Minnie Barnett, real property located in the Sand Hill Section, to Lewis and Faye Mink. Tax \$2.00.

Joseph and Maude E. Clark, real property located in Rockcastle County, to Jim and Linda Mae Clark. Tax \$10.00.

...MARRIAGE LICENSES...

Sherral Ray Allen, 25, Route 16, London, telephone repairman, to Brenda Faye Chaney Robinson, 19, Route 5, London. December 15, 1973.

Danny Lee Hines, 25, Mt. Vernon, logging foreman, to Priscilla Rose Cummins, 22, Mt. Vernon. December 15, 1973.

Gregory Evans, 19, Route 1, Mt. Vernon, unemployed, to Alice Shuckelford, 20, Crab Orchard. December 15, 1973.

ramblings...

by: perlina m. anderson

It's "Long-John" weather, folks, and don't think mine haven't come into use. I originally bought them for those long, cold nights white bass fishing but they work wonders under long pants and make that 68 degrees my thermostat is sitting on feel a lot warmer. You feel kind of silly running around in long underwear yourself, though when you can't even buy your girl children undershirts. Clothing manufacturers really missed out on a good bet this year when they didn't make up a lot of those old-fashioned knit shirts children used to wear all the time in the winter. At least they are one item of winter apparel that children couldn't lose quite so easily. After all, if they leave the house with them, they almost have to return with them on. Boots, gloves, hats and even winter jackets don't always return so readily, seems that all summer long when you are searching for sandals, bathing suits and such, that's all you can find leering at you, but when you need them, they have mysteriously disappeared to show up again next summer.....

On a more serious plane, there was a bad mistake in last week's paper made through a lack, on my part, of enough thorough digging before writing the story. It concerned the reporting of the wreck which resulted in the fatality of two local teenagers Saturday night, December 8th. We reported that the girl, Deborah Sue Russell, was driving because that was all the reports we had at the time. Actually, according to State Police reports, the boy, William Eugene Saylor, was the driver of the car. We apologize to the two families involved and to our readers for this misinformation. A detailed report of the State Police incident report will be found on the front page of this week's issue.....

If you try to see us next week and can't get in the shop or if you don't get a response to your phone call, the answer will be simple - we'll not be here. Although I can't afford to go to Florida and run wild on the beach, I can take the time off and sit over my furnace vents and watch the quiz shows I love so dearly.

The kids and my husband may think I'm going to spend the time cleaning house and fixing good things to eat, but that's their problem!

Of course, the Signal will be

out on time as usual, especially if I do as my five-year-old suggested when she heard us discussing how we were going to manage to get the time off, and ask Santa if we can borrow his elves to help. Are you listening, Santa?

Anyway, let me take this time and space to personally wish for you all the joy of Christmas and a Happy New Year from myself, my husband and Rick, Jamie, Jane, Paige and Sara.....

...BOWLING NEWS...

Reynolds Grocery has tied the Barrons for first place in the Saturday Night League at the Briar Bowl in Somerset with 27 wins and 15 losses each.

In second place are the Buckaroos at 25 and 17 and Parkway Shell has third with 24 wins and 18 losses.

High team series and game for the week went to Reynolds Grocery with a 2199 and 754.

Individual highs were as follows: high series, men: Roy Winstead, 570; Hulen Simpson, 547 and Tommy Hodges, 539. High game, men: Roy Winstead, 223; Tommy Hodges, 216 and Hulen Simpson, 212.

High series, women: Sharon M. Simpson, 545; Betty M. Simpson and Betty W. Simpson, 479 each and Karen Wilson, 438. High game for women: Sharon M. Simpson, 204; Betty M. Simpson, 192 and Betty W. Simpson, 168.

BOONE

Our deepest heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mrs. Georgia Blair and family in passing of her aunt Mrs. Ida Gipson of Richmond and to Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Saylor and family in the passing of Billy Eugene, and also to the Bassell Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Long visited Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ray Long and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Lunford and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lonford, Mrs. Joyce Brown and Jenny at Berea Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Isaacs and Bro. Ray Dean visited W. R. Durham and Carl recently.

Mrs. Alice Palmer of Paint Lick visited Mr. and Mrs. Ken Long Monday.

Mrs. Mae Dixon of Conway visited Mrs. June Cromer one day last week.

Miss Debbie Day of Richmond spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Isaacs and Gonetts.

Alvin Isaacs was in Jackson County Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Marion Cain, W. R. Durham and Carl are all on the sick list. Alvin Isaacs and Gonetts

visited Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Isaacs in Berea Sunday. Mrs. Alvin Isaacs received a long distance call from Michael Dale Wilson stationed in Greece



We'd like to take time out of our busy schedule to wish you and yours the happiest of holiday seasons and thank you for your patronage!

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The Week At Livingston

Mrs. Elizabeth Janney passed away December 11th in Toledo, Ohio. She was laid to rest in Miami Cemetery in Waynesville, Ohio. She is a sister of Luther Mullins of Waynesville and Russell Mullins and C. F. Mullins of Livingston. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Mullins and Russell Mullins and C. F. Mullins, Jr. of Livingston attended the funeral.

Mrs. C. J. Rice and Donald Rice and Robert Bales and Mrs. Josephine and Francis Dickerson attended the funeral at Covington December 1st of Mrs. Dora Rice who passed away suddenly at her home November 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Poynter and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stallworth visited Ray Scoggin in Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Moutts were in London on business last Thursday.

Mrs. C. J. Rice and Mrs. Pearl Rice attended graveside services in Mt. Vernon of Horace Rice last Wednesday.

Mrs. Vashli Mullins has

returned home from an extended visit with her parents in Ohio and Indiana. She was accompanied home by her daughter Mrs. Lina Gibson of Richmond, Indiana who spent a few days with her.

Jim Oliver celebrated his birthday December 9th and had all of his children and grandchildren present.

Mrs. Walter Lee Oliver visited her mother Mrs. Evelyn Blackburn Sunday.



Elijah Clark was elected Vice President of Delta Klu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Order. Mr. Clark is a 1969 graduate of Livingston High School and is presently a Junior at Eastern Kentucky University, majoring in Business. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clark of Red Hill.



STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF MT. VERNON won the annual state-wide "Bulk Plant Beautification Contest." The award presentation was made by Bob Crawford, far left, to Mr. and Mrs. James Earl Hammons at a recent dinner meeting at the Ramada Inn in Lexington.

Boones Fork (Cont. from 4)

weekend with relatives. Mrs. Dorothy Mize remains ill. Mrs. Martha Norton is visiting in Ohio for a few days. We wish the Staff of the Mt. Vernon Signal, the readers of the Signal a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous prayerful New Year.

Train up your children, take them to church and show them the way of the Lord. You'll be glad you did.

Mrs. John D. Miller (Cont. from 8)

Boone Sunday morning. He reported that he is well, and it was there as well as it is in Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Grant, Frances and Raymond, Jr. and Vicky of Kirksville visited Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Isaacs Wednesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lunsford of Berea visited Mr. and Mrs. Ken Long one day last week.

Frankfort Watchline (Cont. from 2) grumble about higher costs and

so forth. Don't shed too many tears. Soon the industry will never have had it so good

Gobbledygood - We didn't attend the other day's Transportation Department session encouraging carpooling among Frankfort state workers. We probably should have, if only to see if any of those for whom the meeting was scheduled were as puzzled at the outset as we.

What follows is the explanation of the program contained in a department news release: "The goal is to increase the current average automobile occupancy rate for state employees traveling to work from two persons in one out of every five cars (1.2 persons per auto) to two persons in three out of every five cars (1.6 persons per auto)." How does that grab you? The notice goes on to allow as how this will net a ten percent reduction in fuel use, parking demand, air pollution, etc. Sometimes it seems they're just checking to see if we read these things.

Kentucky's Miss Teen Wants New York Visit for Christmas Ask Kentucky's Miss Teen

what she wants for Christmas and she will promptly answer, "My trip to Rochester, New York so I can represent my state."

Miss Paulette Combs, 16, daughter of Mrs. Maxwell Henry of Frenchburg and the late David Combs, is just as anxious to be a goodwill ambassador for Menifee County and the region she represents. But the trip, which begins December 25 will cost a lot.

"Mother says we'll be pleased if we get by with \$1,000," said the attractive and talented sophomore at Menifee County High School. She added that her entry in the Miss Teen competition last summer was her first venture in pageants. Paulette auditioned in Lexington and was selected as the Central Kentucky winner. Last August 3, at Cumberland College, Williamsburg, she was chosen as Kentucky's Miss Teen.

The big night for Paulette will be December 30 when she will compete with girls from the United States as well as foreign countries in the International Talent World Pageant. The days preceding the pageant will begin at 9 a.m. and be filled with rehearsals and personal appearances.



To you and your family, our sincere wishes for a home blessed by all the joys of the holiday season. Happy Yule!

Floyd Owens Real Estate And Floyd's Home Improvement

MERRY CHRISTMAS

We wish you great joy this Christmastide... may love and peace abide with you and yours all through the holiday season and in days to come.

Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance Agency

William Bullen, Agent
 Freeda Lakes, Receptionist & Secretary
 Betty Sue Bullen, Secretary
 Jenny Brumett, Secretary

Our office will be closed from December 21st to December 26th - and on December 31st and January 1st.

Christmas Joy

It's that time of the year again! May your home be filled with old-fashioned holiday cheer at Christmastime... and your hearts filled with the joy of greeting friends and being with loved ones. Best wishes from

Representative
WILLIAM HAROLD DeMARCUS

Police Crack Down on Fraudulent Driver's License Applicants

six months in jail and a \$500 fine.

Giving false information on a driver's license application can get you in serious trouble - up to

Yet the number of persons committing this offense has increased so sharply in Kentucky over the past year that

state police are adopting a tougher policy toward offenders.

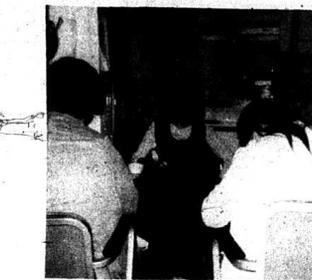
Capt. Harold Pierce, head of license examining for the state police here, said that until recently a citation was written and the offender was later called into court to answer the charge. Now those suspected of making false applications are placed under arrest immediately and taken to jail for booking where they will be held until trial or until they are able to post bond.

Pierce said that the problem has become particularly severe at the Bowman Field driver testing center in Louisville.

In October, fourteen persons were arrested there as compared with only two such arrests during the same month a year ago. For the first eleven months of 1973, a total of fifty-three arrests were reported while only thirty-eight were cited over the same period in 1972.

The most frequent causes of false applications are individuals submitting applications for someone else and young applicants, who need parents' signatures, giving incorrect birth dates.

Kentucky Revised Statutes provide for a fine of up to \$500, up to six months in jail, and automatic suspension of the person's driver's license for six months. If he does not have a



Mrs. Cheryl Witt, Home Demonstration Agent, also recently visited the four KIPP Child Development Centers on Parent's Day. During her time at each center, Mrs. Witt showed mothers of the children enrolled how to make inexpensive toys, small practical items such as aprons, clothes-pin holders, and tote bags and candies for Christmas giving. The above photo was taken at the Livingston Center.

license, he is denied one for the same length of time.

If one person is caught taking a test for another, both are liable for the same penalties.

One of the reasons Pierce gave for the high rate of false applications being made in the Louisville area is that nearly 25 percent of the 371,000 licensing contacts made in the state by examiners last year were recorded there.

Pierce also said that because of the large number of applications handled, some applicants feel they have a better chance of "pulling off the fraud" at the Louisville Center. Also, because of the large size of that center's staff, applicants visiting there more than once are probably going to see a different examiner each time.

Pierce said that frequently it is the nervousness of the applicant which gives the offender away.

Lt. Harold Haddix, officer-in-charge of Bowman Testing Center, recalled one incident in which a person making an application for someone else inadvertently gave his real name to an examiner after completing the written application.

As an aid to spotting such persons, examiners have a manual detailing many of the signs which give the offender away, Pierce said. "Of course, policemen are suspicious by nature," he added.

A STATE TREE FOR KENTUCKY

After years of uncertainty, Kentucky may finally have an official state tree. A bill designating the Yellow Poplar for the symbol will be presented to the 1974 legislature by the Department for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection.

In 1956, both houses of the General Assembly passed resolutions naming this tree as the official state tree. However, the



STATE TROOPER Allen Scharf was at the KIPP Child Development Centers at Brodhead, Roundstone and Maple Grove recently to talk with the children. Trooper Scharf showed the children film strips on safety, explained the purpose of his handcuffs and gun and also showed them his police cruiser and its various features. The two photos shown here were both taken during Trooper Scharf's visit to the Brodhead Center.



legislation was never recorded, and was "lost." We hope to correct this error with the new bill.

The Yellow Poplar is one of our tallest hardwood trees and often exceeds 150 feet in height. Its trunk can reach six to eight feet in diameter.

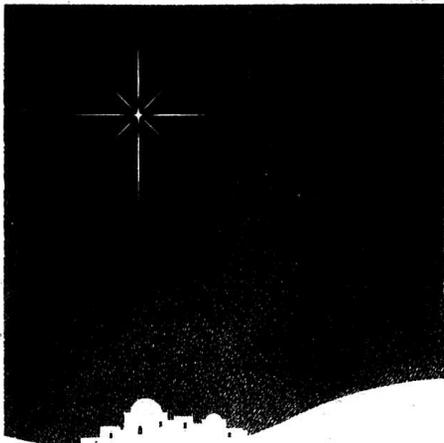
Early settlers used the Yellow Poplar to build their first homes in the wilderness. Many of the old poplar log structures can still be found around the state. The wood of this durable tree was also used to make much of the furniture and farm implements of early Kentuckians.

Not only is the tree hardy, but its tulip-like flowers that

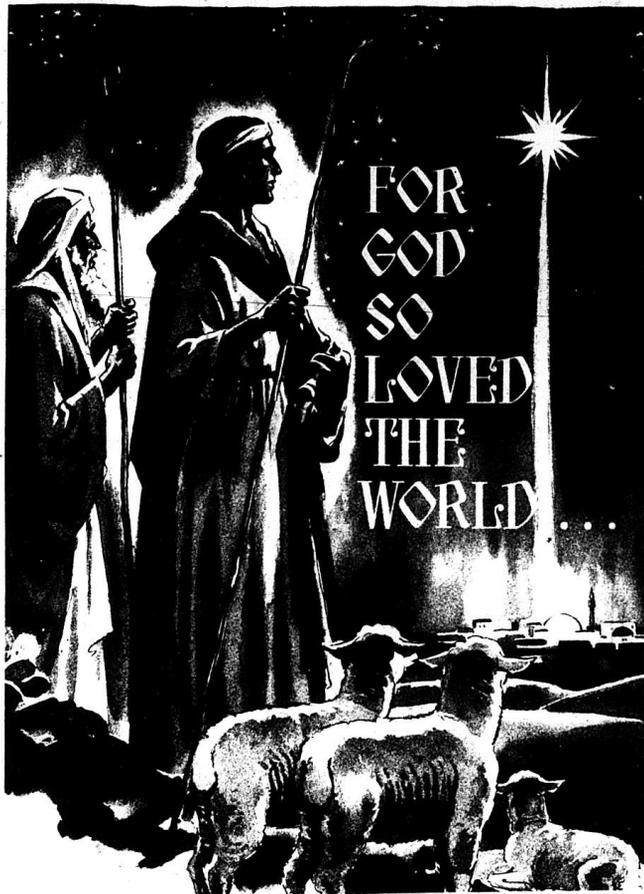
appear in May add to the color of a beautiful spring. The flowers are greenish-yellow with a splash of orange near the center.

Also called the "Tuliptree," the tree is one of the most common found in the state. It is used extensively as a shade tree around houses and has few serious insect and disease enemies.

School Calendar Change - The State Board of Education will ask the 1974 General Assembly for legislation allowing a four-day school week with longer daily hours if the energy shortage persists.



May all your days
be filled with joy,
love and peace



...He gave His only begotten Son. How the shepherds must have rejoiced at the message the angelic host gave them on that first Christmas night... "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Let us rejoice anew at that message as we celebrate the birth of the Infant Jesus. A joyous Noel to all!

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Deaths & Funerals

MRS. ELLA MAE NORTON

Mrs. Ella Mae Kirby Norton, 50, of Lexington and formerly of Mt. Vernon, passed away Wednesday, December 12, 1973 at Lexington. She was born in Rockcastle County on May 27, 1923, the daughter of the late John Wesley and Mary

Seasons Greetings



We hope your home and heart will be filled with laughter, joy and good will this glad Holiday season—

Manuel Shepherd and Family

Lourens Sowler Kirby. She was a member of the Pentecostal Church.

Survivors are: two sons, Wayne of Whitehall, Indiana and Wilburn Lee of Lexington; one daughter, Mrs. Vivian Price of Cincinnati, Ohio; their father, Walter Woodrow Norton of Mt. Vernon; three brothers, Lovell Kirby of McAndrews, Ky., Ben Kirby of Grundy, Virginia and Raymond Kirby of Cumberland, Ky.; four sisters, Mrs. Nellie Wallen of Arrowsmith, Illinois, Mrs. Marguerite Cummins of Florida, Mrs. Lavada Graves, and Mrs. Marie McKinney, both of Route 1, Mt. Vernon; seven grandchildren and thirty nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. Friday, December 14, 1973 at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Charles Shivel officiating. Interment was in the Livesey Cemetery.

SAMUEL HOSKINS

Samuel Hoskins, 61, of Mt. Vernon passed away Friday, December 14, 1973 at the Rockcastle County Hospital after an illness of several months. He was born in Rockcastle County on October 28, 1912, the son of the late Matt and Verinda Shelton Hoskins. He was a member of Omika Shrine Temple, Broadhead Masonic Lodge #566 F. & A.M., Broadhead Baptist Church, and had served as a city and county official for twenty years.

Survivors are: his wife, Mrs. Carter Albright Hoskins; one son, Dwight S., at home; four step daughters, Mrs. Patricia Fletcher of Broadhead, Mrs. Rhetta McDaniel of Mason, Ohio, Mrs. Biriadian Bullock of Lebanon, Ohio, and Mrs. Charlene Gentry of Route 1, Mt. Vernon; two brothers, Edward of Crab Orchard and Beav of Greensburg, Indiana; six sisters, Mrs. Lettie Frenette of New York, Mrs. Maggie Saylor of Orleans, Indiana, Mrs. Rozie



County Agent H. Lee Durham, right, recently presented Roy Brown with a plaque in recognition of his forty-eight years of service to the 4-H Program in Rockcastle County. Mr. Brown has served several terms as 4-H Council President, was a 4-H Club Leader at Quail for twenty years, served as Chairman of the Rockcastle County Extension District Board, was Chairman of the Agricultural Committee of the Wilderness Trail Area Extension Council and County Chairman of the Rockcastle County campaign to raise funds for the Feltner 4-H Camp which is located near London.

Saylor of Cincinnati, Ohio, Mrs. Daisy Little of Fairborne, Ohio, Mrs. Naomi Brunnet of Westchester, Ohio, and Mrs. June Genton of Crab Orchard; and ten grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, December 16, at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Raymond Flynn officiating. Interment was in Elmwood Cemetery. There was also a Masonic Service held at the Graveside.

JOHN PINGLETON

John Pingleton, age 67, of Route 4, Mt. Vernon, passed away Monday, December 17, 1973 in Gainesville, Florida. He was born in Rockcastle County on April 28, 1906, the son of the late Mike and Narsius Phelps Pingleton. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Survivors are: his wife, Mrs. Nannie Wilmot Pingleton of Route 4, Mt. Vernon; one daughter, Mrs. Kay Kendrick of Gainesville, Florida; two sons, Clarence Pingleton of Berea and Arnold Pingleton of Crab Orchard; two sisters, Mrs. Rosa French of Berea and Mrs. Mary Isaac of Hamilton, Ohio; two brothers, Oliver of Lancaster and Roy of Crab Orchard. Nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 20th (today) at the Valley Baptist Church with Rev. Denton Sears officiating. Interment will be in the Wilmot Family Cemetery.

Arrangements are by the Watson Funeral Home.

DAVID JAKE PAYNE

David Jake Payne, 75, of Route 3, Eubank and formerly of Rockcastle County, passed away Monday, December 17, 1973 at the Rockcastle County Hospital after an illness of several months. He was born in Rockcastle County on July 9, 1898, the son of the late Charles Robert and Ines Barron Payne. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Liberty Baptist Church.

Survivors are: his wife, Mrs. Annie Susan Evans Payne of Route 3, Eubank; two sons, William Payne of Route 3, Eubank and Russell, of Indianapolis, Indiana; four daughters, Mrs. Anna Mae Mink and Mrs. Helen Murphy, both of Indianapolis, Indiana, Mrs. Ruth Price of Route 1, Mt. Vernon, and Mrs. Geneva Saylor of Route 3, Eubank; one brother, Mill, of Lamerco, Ky.; three sisters, Mrs. Corda Evans of Route 1, Mt. Vernon, Mrs. Lizzie Bungardner of Somerset, and Mrs. Nannie Holland of Lexington; fifteen grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren also survive. He was preceded in death by one son, Edward Payne, two brothers, and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, December 20, at 2 p.m. at the Poplar Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Cecil Roundtree officiating. Interment will be in the Poplar Grove Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Cox Funeral Home.

MRS. MARY T. METCALF

Mrs. Mary T. Metcalf, age 85, of Richmond, Indiana and formerly of Lamerco, passed away Monday, December 17, at the Mary Hill Nursing Home in

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at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 19, 1973, at the Graveside in the Red Hill Cemetery with Bro. Lester Arnold and Bro. Dean Carpenter officiating. Burial was in the Red Hill Cemetery.

Local arrangements were by Dowell & Martin Funeral Home.

JOHN F. DURHAM

John F. Durham, age 68, of

Livingston, passed away Sunday, December 16 at the Rockcastle County Hospital after a short illness. He was born in Rockcastle County on December 10, 1905, the son of the late Newt and Mary Eliza Durham and was a minister, a retired electrician and a member of the Pentecostal Holiness Church. He had been a minister for forty-nine years.

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YULE TIDE WISHES

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GREETINGS



To the best friends and customers a firm ever had ... here's wishing you sacks full of Christmas cheer at this season. It's been our pleasure to serve you during the past year ... we hope to serve you again.



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THE ENERGY CRISIS

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ESSENTIAL FACTS

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FUEL-SAVING EFFICIENCY

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Let's work together to help conserve precious energy for present and future generations to enjoy.





The above photo sort of reflects the ROCKETS' problem last Friday night with Madison Central. The ROCKETS went over three minutes in the first quarter before scoring their first point. The much larger team downed the ROCKETS 65-53. Vanhook led all scorers with 18 points, Riddle got 10, Clontz 9, Travis 8, Whitaker 4, and Carroll and Collins, 2 each. This Friday night the ROCKETS host Whitley County.

Duncan Elected Pres. Of Coal Association

The Kentucky Coal Association, Inc. has selected Tom Duncan as its president to succeed the late Fred W. Luigart, Jr., board chairman. Dave Zegeer announced today.

Duncan, 45, has been director of University Information Services at the University of Kentucky the past two years. Previously he was a newsmen with radio and television station WAVE, Louisville. The Courier-Journal, the Associated Press and The Lexington Herald-Leader.

"The loss of Mr. Luigart was a tragic blow to the Kentucky Coal Association, Inc. and to the entire Commonwealth," Zegeer said. "In seeking his successor we sought the same type of background and experience. In fact, Mr. Luigart and Mr. Duncan had been close friends as well as colleagues."

Duncan said that "no one can take Fred Luigart's place, but it's an honor to be chosen to succeed him. I feel, as he did, that Kentucky's coal industry has a message the public needs to hear, especially as we strive to cope with the nation's energy crisis."

"My only regret is leaving the University of Kentucky and its truly outstanding president, Dr. Otis Singletary. The University has meant so much to me both as an alumnus and as an employee."

Duncan will assume his new duties December 24 or as soon thereafter as he completes some projects in progress at UK.

A native of Dixon in Webster County, he is a graduate of Louisville Male High School and UK.

An inexpensive scratch remover for natural wood cabinets and woodwork is mineral oil. This blends into the wood and assumes its shade as well as polishing the wood at the same time.

Even artificial plastic flowers have a stigma when it comes to collecting dust and grime. An easy way to clean them is to "dunk" them in a sudsy sinkful of warm water and Ajax Dishwashing Liquid, then rinse. Thanks to its "flower power," they look freshly picked again.



We're glad to have the opportunity to wish each and everyone of our friends the happiest of holidays. May Christmas bring the realization of your hopes.

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Circuit Court Clerk

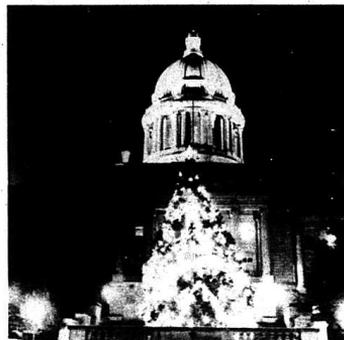
STATE TO SUPPLY ENERGY CONSERVATION INFO.

Gov. Wendell Ford recently announced that the state Department of Public Information will coordinate an informational program to make sure that all Kentuckians can be fully informed about the energy crisis.

A packet of consumer tips and suggestions on ways to conserve energy is now available on request from the department.

The information, which was supplied by the state's utilities and other private energy producers and distributors, can be obtained by writing ENERGY, Department of Public Information, Capitol Annex, Frankfort, Ky. 40601.

In cases of fuel shortages, information and assistance can be obtained by calling the Kentucky Mandatory Allocation Office toll-free at 800-372-2978.



COMMONWEALTH'S TREE—The state Christmas tree and the Capitol dome offer a study in light contrast with the rest of the Capitol grounds. The Red Cedar tree, which is 45 feet high, was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Eldridge, of Lancaster.



Here's an old-fashioned wish that is still right for today: may the holiday season extend to you and your family every joy and blessing that is possible. We wish to thank you all for your patronage throughout the year...we look forward to serving you again in the future with pleasure. Have a very merry Christmas and a wonderful year to come!

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also survived by two grand-children.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Nannie Carrier Durham, he is survived by: one son, J. B. of Cincinnati, Ohio; four sisters, Mrs. Virgie Hasty of Mt. Vernon, Mrs. Annie Daugherty of Livingston, Mrs. Ollie Roberts of Richmond, and Mrs. Edna Fogle of Cincinnati, Ohio. He is

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, December 18, 1973 at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Rolla Cornelius, Bro. Bobby Medley, and Bro. Dean Carpenter officiating. Burial was in the Red Hill Cemetery.

RUSSELL SCOTT

Russell Scott, age 78, of Danville and formerly of Brodhead, Route 1, passed away Monday in a Danville Hospital. He was born in Rockcastle County, the son of the late William and Maggie Parson Scott and was a member of the Providence Church of Christ.

He is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, December 20, 1973, at the Dowell & Martin Funeral Home with Bro. Lorraine Wilson officiating. Burial will be in the Providence Cemetery.



CELEBRATES 1ST BIRTHDAY - Sallie Lorena Gail, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger McClure, celebrated her first birthday November 25 at the home of her parents. Paternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. William McClure, Route 1, Mt. Vernon. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hale of Mt. Vernon.



THIRD BIRTHDAY - Tammy Sue Kirby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Dillard Kirby, celebrated her Third Birthday on December 6th at her home in Lockland, Ohio. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mason of Orlando and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kirby of Hazel Patch.



Remarkable Rotterdam

Rotterdam's brilliant flower markets delight both the eye and the spirit. Also flourishing at the world's busiest seaport is the most modern hotel in the city, the Rotterdam Hilton. The hotel's accommodating staff cultivates among guests a taste for service and luxury.

Hunting and Fishing Licenses Make Good Gifts

If there's a sportsman on your Christmas shopping list, why not give him the one thing essential to his sport - a new hunting or fishing license.

The 1974 Kentucky hunting and fishing licenses are now available statewide at County Court Clerk Offices and many sporting goods dealers. Nearly a quarter million hunting licenses have already been distributed and more than 450,000 fishing licenses. In all, more than one million new tags have been issued for Kentucky's outdoorsmen for 1974.

Among the licenses that might suit the sportsman on your list are the combination hunting and fishing permit, the junior hunting license for the nimrod under sixteen years of age and the trout stamp which is required of the trout angler, in addition, to his regular fishing license.

A hunting or fishing license not only makes an ideal gift for the sportsman, it is also a very real contribution to conservation. Revenues obtained from the various licenses are used in preserving and managing Kentucky's abundant wildlife and fishery resources.

TURKEY SEASON.....

Dates for the spring turkey hunting season, for both gun and archery hunters, were set today by the Fish and Wildlife Resources Commission in session today in Frankfort, according to Commissioner Arnold Mitchell.

Dates for the season in an eighteen-county area in Eastern Kentucky and on the Pioneer Weapons Area, in Bath and Menifee Counties, will be April 27 through May 5 and only turkey gobblers with visible beards will be legal game. The limit will be one bird per hunter for the season.

Turkey hunting will also be allowed in the Land Between the Lakes Wildlife Management Area in Lyon and Trigg Counties April 18 through 20; April 25 through 27 and May 2 through 4. At the Fort Knox Wildlife Management Area, where hunters will be restricted to military and civilian personnel assigned to or working on

the post, two weekends of hunting will be allowed. The weekend dates will be determined by training priorities and will be April 6-7, April 20-21 or April 27-28.

In other action, Commissioner Mitchell said, the Commission changed a section of fishing regulation KFWR-F 128 to permit gigging and/or snagging below Wolf Creek dam in tributaries of the Cumberland River, up to 1/2 mile of their junction with the River, to the Tennessee line. This change will become effective as soon as the amended regulation can be filed and processed, probably in about sixty days.

WHY NOT HELP CONSERVE ENERGY?

in Barcelona gifts arrive on January 6

About the time when most westerners think about taking the tree down and "putting Christmas away for another year", across the ocean, in Spain, the season is reaching its height.

On January 6, Twelfth Night or King's Day, as it is called in Spain, gifts are given.

King's Day celebrates the first Christmas when the Wise Men or Three Kings brought gifts to the Child in Bethlehem.

The Kings are so important that they take the place of Father Christmas.



Between 5 and 6 on the afternoon of January 5 the Kings appear. In seacoast cities such as Barcelona they appear in the harbor on a beautiful ship, are rowed to shore and then paraded through the town in full regalia with their retinue.

Up until midnight the streets throng with people buying gifts and the special treats offered for this occasion.

The true spirit and joy of the season flower in this Latin land. The outward and visible signs are everywhere in Barcelona... gifts in gorgeous wrappings, and a dramatic mode of delivering gifts: some of the larger stores send men dressed as the Three Kings to go around after nightfall leaving packages on the windows and sometimes entering houses through the windows to distribute the gifts and sweets.



On King's Day the streets are decorated magnificently, there are receptions at the civic buildings, which are illuminated with spotlights - even the army is resplendent in full dress in honor of this happiest of all birthdays.



We're never too busy to pause and wish you the best for this holiday season. Thank you for letting us serve you.

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A Blessed Christmas...
"How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is giv'n!" May that gift of love given to the world on the first Christmas bless your home... may it abide with you in the coming year.



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Jewel Hanel - Roy Brown - Donna Dailey

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