

Kentucky Families Have Links With Washington

By Helen Price Stacy

Many Kentucky families would discover they had a connection with the first President of the United States if they would begin a thorough search of their ancestral records.

In Harlan County, descendants of Jonathan Kelly—who was born in 1760 on New River, Va.—and his wife Patience Spencer Kelley have always been told they and George Washington were related. This blood relationship was through Patience Kelley.

The couple had 12 children and on long winter evenings around the fireside in their Kentucky mountain home, Patience would tell her children, "I'm kin to George Washington if I'm kin to him, then you are too."

Jonathan, according to family legend, was the son of some say brother of John Patrick Kelly who fought in the Revolutionary War.

Family history indicates that John Patrick Kelly was the son of Lawrence Kelly who was born in 1727 in Ireland, stowed away on a ship bound for Virginia and at age 30 fought in the French and Indian War under Maj. Andrew Lewis.

The Swango family of Kentucky does not claim kinship with George Washington, but there is an important connection.

According to Harley S. Little, now of Dayton, Ohio, but formerly of Eastern Kentucky, his ancestors William Swango, wife and son, Abraham, left their native Germany in about 1714. Mr. Swango became ill on the ship, died and was buried at sea. William and son, Abraham, 14, left the ship in Philadelphia, but soon the father became ill and died and Abraham was completely on his own.

"He became a wagon maker by trade," stated Little, "and was married to Ailsie Pyles in Old Swedes Church, Wilmington, Delaware, in 1760."

The couple were then moved to Frederick County, Va. "Abraham became a lessee of George Washington." Original records of this transaction have been located in Virginia. The lease called for building of all necessary buildings, clearing land, setting fruit trees and other work, all according to a plan laid down by Washington.

Abraham and Ailsie had four sons and three daughters. The family moved to Kentucky in about 1783. Their son Samuel, born 1765, and wife settled along Red River and the rest of the family lived two years near Lexington, then moved on to the vicinity of Warsaw. Abraham and Ailsie are buried near Warsaw.

Samuel Swango's son, Abraham (grandson of Abraham and Ailsie) married Deborah Ogden and settled in Wolfe County. This Abraham walked from his home to Mt. Sterling to enlist on April 30, 1813," stated Little, "and served in the War of 1812 at Detroit in Capt. Henry Daniel's Company and Capt. Johnson Magowen's company, commanded by Col. Thomas Deye Owings of Owingville."

Chap (Henry Chapman) Swango, the youngest son of Abraham and Deborah was a captain in the 5th Ky. Infantry Regiment and fought in the Battle of Ivy Mountain in the Civil War. Chap Swango was ambushed and killed on his parents' porch on a visit back home.

According to Little, Abraham and Deborah's second son, Harrison Swango married Annie Rose in 1857. Among their children were Capt. David Franklin Swango, commanding officer of Co. E,

CSA, who was killed at Mt. Sterling in 1864 when John Hunt Morgan's troops took the town; and Lt. William H. Swango, who was killed in action in Virginia while fighting with Confederate forces against Union troops and is buried in Tazewell, Va.

As history sometimes takes strange turns to reach certain roads, descendants of the young Abraham who helped George Washington plant trees and beautify grounds in Virginia, married into the Nancy Hanks family, Emille Jane Swango (daughter of Abraham and Deborah) married William F. Hanks, grandson of Fielding and Lydia Harper Hanks and grandson of Abraham Hanks. Jesse Swango (son of Abraham and Deborah) was married Sept. 11, 1852 in Edgar County, Ill. to Nancy Jane Hanks.

This year would be a perfect one to plan pleasure trips and vacations to places where research can be done on family history. It is nice to learn that an ancestor was a skilled mason, seamstress, cook, artist, horticulturist or farmer, and especially interesting to discover that some of them were related to kings, queens and presidents or once knew these people.

The Week at Livingston

By Mrs. Eva Black

Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Hamer visited their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Tilton Milburn and grandson, Timmy in Erlanger, Sunday.

Mr. C.F. Mullins, Jr. of Louisville spent one day last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Mullins, Sr.

Mrs. Carrie Loudermilk spent last week with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Howard, Jeffrey and Kimberly in Louisville.

Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Mullins visited her sister, Mrs. Bill Pence and Mrs. Pence at Ford, Kentucky, one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barrier of Hendersonville, Tenn. visited her mother, Mrs. Lula McClure, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Mullins entertained Bro. Wayne Thifer and family of Johnson Bible College, Sunday. Bro. Thifer held his regular appointment at the Christian Church.

We are glad to hear Mrs. Betty Mink of Pine Hill is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Waddle and three children of Louisville spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Waddle and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McHargue.

The Ladies Class of the Christian Church held their regular meeting last Tuesday night. Devotional was given by Mrs. Anna Lois Carpenter and Mrs. Maxine Kincer. After the session they returned to the church basement where gifts were exchanged and refreshments served by Mrs. Elsie Jones and Mrs. Eva Black. Each received a valentine.

Mrs. Jesse Mason is still confined to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Rellis Spivey and their daughter and family, all of Dayton, Ohio visited Mrs. Lula McClure this weekend.

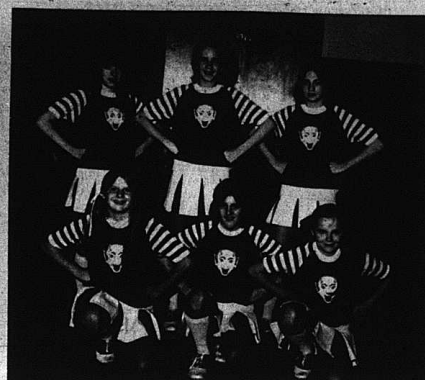
Henry Loudermilk of Cincinnati is visiting his mother, Mrs. Carrie Loudermilk.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Childress and son, Brent of Louisville spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McHargue and Darlene.

Earl Earley of Texas and his sister



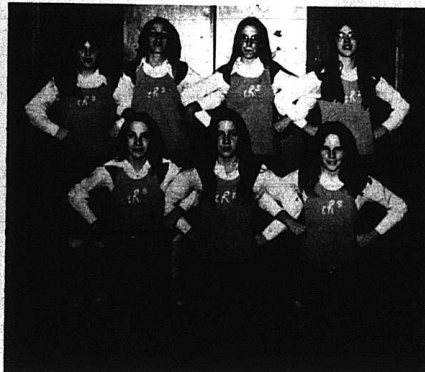
CHEERING THEIR TIGERS to a winning season and the 8TH Grade County Championship were these Broadhead Cheerleaders. Members of the squad are, front row, from left: Dee Ann Sargent, Joni Mae Lear, Nancy Cass. Back row, from left: Paula Blevins, Darlene Bishop and Michelle Station.



THE MT. VERNON RED DEVILS Cheerleaders saw their team go down to defeat in the 8th grade championship game last Saturday night at Broadhead at the hands of the Broadhead Tigers. Comprising the cheerleading squad are, front row, from left: Cheryl McClure, Jamie Anderkin and Michelle Taylor. Back row, from left: Cindy Taylor, Connie Hunt and Brenda Rice.



The Livingston Blue Devils came in third in the tournament and cheers from their fans were led by these cheerleaders. They are, front row, from left: Tammy Nicely, Stephanie Tiller and Connie Milburn. Back row, from left: Janice McHargue, Donna Smith, Connie Bailing and Judy Davidson.



Members of this year's Roundstone Eagles' cheerleading squad are shown in the above photo. They are, front row, from left: Sheila Patrick, Vonda Croucher and Rebecca White. Back row, from left: Ivy McNew, Sandra Russell, JoAnn Reese and Cindy Lear.

Mrs. Gladys Slavey of Independence visited their daughter, Mrs. Pearl Rice, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lanzo Watson and son Roy Allen, of New Town, Ohio and Jan Dean of Cincinnati, Ohio visited Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Taylor of the week end.

Mrs. George Phillips who has been a patient in the Beres Hospital, has returned home and is slowly improving. Mrs. Evelyn Blackburn visited her son, — Rudolph Hammond, in the Veteran's Hospital Monday.

Recent visitors of Mrs. Vashli Mullins were her sons, Bill Mullins, Wayne Mullins, and Bobby Mullins all of

Richmond, Indiana, Freddie Mullins of Bogersville, Ohio and Ronald Mullins of Frankfort, Ky.

Consumer Comments

By Robert F. Stephens
Attorney General

April 15th draws nearer, with consumers preparing and filing their income tax returns.

Many consumers will have a tax practitioner complete their forms. But regardless of who completes your tax

return, remember that you are responsible for your taxes being completed correctly. Here are some practices of which you should be aware.

A tax practitioner may suggest discounting your refund. This is an arrangement where the consumer signs a legal document agreeing that the practitioner will receive the income tax refund and give the consumer a percentage upon filing. While this practice is not illegal, it does mean that the consumer is not receiving the total amount due him.

Be wary also of tax practitioners who guarantee a refund. Remember, you are liable for any inaccuracies in your tax report. If your form is audited, you should be able to personally justify the deductions and all other information.

Do not sign a blank income tax return and leave it for the tax practitioner to complete and mail to the Internal Revenue Service. To insure that your income tax form is complete—review the final document for accuracy, then sign and mail it.

Check the reputation of tax practitioners before you do business with them. Ask friends and neighbors if they have been satisfied with their services. Make sure your taxes are done by someone in whom you have confidence.

If you have specific questions about income tax preparation, don't forget that the Internal Revenue Service provides a toll-free number to call in Kentucky. The number is 1-800-292-6570. Also, the IRS will provide you with the free publication, "Your Federal Income Tax" to help answer you tax questions. Contact the IRS office for this guide.

If you have a consumer complaint write to the Attorney General's Division of Consumer Protection, Room 34, Capital building, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Ottawa

By Mrs. Della Mae Wilmut

Mrs. Clarice Payne and Christine of Dayton, Ohio spent last week end with Mrs. Guy Hamm.

Mr. and Mrs. Ping Bishop and Angela of Lexington spent last week end with Mr. and Mrs. Shirle Brown and Randall and Mrs. Minnie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch French were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Casper Jones and Gene.

Mrs. Elsie Jones and Mrs. Frankie Brown were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Jones and Mrs. Edith Harris visited Mr. and Mrs. Killis Jones Mrs. Leander Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Herrin in London, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Wright of Somerset visited Mrs. Ann Wright and Bobby, Tuesday.

Mr. Bill Harper is in a hospital in Ohio. Mr. Virgil Lawrence was to see him Thursday. Tammy Harper came home with Mr. Lawrence and Mrs. Jones Mrs. Leander Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Brown and Clarence Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Speed Laswell visited (Cont. to 10)

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- 1975 Ford Maverick grabber, A.C., Auto, Yellow/Black V.R.
- 1975 Plymouth Duster, 2 Dr., H.T., 6 Cyl., A.C., Green/White V.R.
- 1975 Pontiac Ventura, 4 Dr., St. Shift, 4 Cyl. Silver
- 1974 Chevrolet Monte Carlo, A.C., Beige/Beige V.R.
- 1974 Chevrolet Nova, 4 Dr., 6 Cyl., Auto, Green
- 1974 Mustang II, Mach 1.6 Cyl., Auto, A.C., Red
- 1974 Ford Maverick, 2 Dr., Auto, Yellow
- 1974 Ford Pinto Runabout, Auto, A.C., Green
- 1974 Volkswagon Super Beetle, Dark Green
- 1973 Chevrolet El Camino Custom Estate, Camper Top, Auto, A.C., maroon/Wood Grain
- 1973 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton P/U, Auto, Blue/White
- 1973 Chev. Impala, 2 Dr., H.T., A.C., Green/Green V.R.
- 1973 Chev. Impala Station Wagon, Air, Yellow
- 1973 Mercury Comet Custom, 2 Dr., A.C., Suno, Green
- 1973 Olds Cutlass, 2 Dr., H.T., A.C., Dark Green/White 1/2 V.R.
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- 1973 Pontiac Grand Prix, A.C., White/Burgandy V.R.
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FOR RENT: One bedroom trailer on Fairground Hill. See Roger Rickles at call 256-9937. 24x2

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Notice

LOST: Subsoiler. Leaned out. Please return to APPLIANCE SERVICE CENTER. Roy Winstead. 17x1p

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POSTED: No hunting or trespassing on my land located at Roundstone. Leonard Reese. 22x12p

POSTED: No hunting or trespassing on my land. W.F. Peters, Route 3, Mt. Vernon 22x12p

NOTICE: The Cumberland Valley Dist. Health Dept. is now accepting applications for a Community Health Worker II for the Rockcastle Co. Home Health Agency. Minimum Qualifications: High school equivalency and one year's educational requirement in a health field. Two years of experience in an appropriate health services field are required if the educational requirement is not met. Salary is \$2.43 per hour. Applications may be obtained at the Rockcastle Co. Home Health Agency, Mt. Vernon, Ky. or the Cumberland Valley Dist. Health Dept., Manchester, Ky. The late date for filing an application will be March 7, 1976. An Equal Opportunity Employer. 22x3

BIDS WANTED
 The Rockcastle County Board of Education will receive sealed bids until 7 p.m., March 1, 1976, for insurance on school buildings and contents. Insurance to include fire, extended coverage, vandalism and malicious mischief. Also bids are requested for boiler insurance. Bid forms and specifications, including a statement of values and I.S.O. rates are available at the office of the superintendent, Mt. Vernon, Ky. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 22x3

NOTICE: Will do sewing and alterations. Phone 758-8619. 24x1

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Legal Notices
 EXECUTRIX NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Ruth Bond, Route 2, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456 has been appointed Executrix of the estate of Otis Bond, deceased. Any persons having claims against said estate shall present them, verified according to law, to the said Ruth Bond or to James W. Lambert, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456, attorney for estate, on or before May 28, 1976. 22x3

ADMINISTRATOR NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that RAY DENNEY, of Brodhead, Kentucky, has been appointed Administrator with the Will Annexed of the estate of ALICE VULOVICK, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate shall present them, verified according to law, to the said Ray Denney, or to John P. Allen, Attorney at Law, Mount Vernon, Kentucky, attorney for said estate, no later than May 20th, 1976. 22x3

ADMINISTRATOR NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Robert Miller, Route 4, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456 has been appointed Administrator of the estate of Oliver Miller, deceased. Any persons having claims against said estate shall present them, verified according to law, to the said Robert Miller or to James W. Lambert, Mt. Vernon, Ky., attorney for estate, on or before May 28, 1976. 22x3

EXECUTRIX NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that CORA LEE SPEER, Lewisport, Kentucky, has been appointed Executrix of the estate of Katherine Thompson, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate shall present them, verified according to law, to the said Cora Lee Speer or to Clontz & Cox, Attorneys at Law, P.O. Box 578, Mount Vernon, Kentucky, attorneys for said estate, no later than May 28th, 1976. 22x3

CARD OF THANKS
 We, the family of Otis Bond, would like to express our sincere appreciation for the kindness shown us during the sickness and passing of our husband, father and grandfather.
 A special thanks to all the ministers who took part in the service, to the singers, the Rockcastle County Hospital and staff, the Rockcastle Ambulance Service, Dowell and Martin Funeral Home and those who sent flowers and food.
 May God bless everyone.
 Wife and family of Otis Bond

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 Vs: NOTICE OF SALE
 John Douglas Johnson Defendant

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale of the Rockcastle Circuit Court rendered on the 23rd day of January, 1976, in the above styled cause, a partition action, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the hour of ten o'clock A.M. or thereabout, the following described real property located in Rockcastle County, Kentucky, described as follows:

TRACT NO. 1 Beginning at an iron pin in the southern right of way of the Negro Creek Road, same also being located on the east side of a gravel driveway; thence south 37 degrees west 468 feet to a post, thence south 37 degrees 12 minutes east 143.7 feet to a point near the north bank of Negro Creek, thence north 82 degrees 27 minutes east 206.7 feet to a stake, thence 87 degrees 34 minutes east 335.5 feet to a post, thence north 12 degrees 42 minutes west 113.8 feet to a post, thence north 16 degrees 58 minutes west 271.7 feet to a post in the south right of way of the Negro Creek Road; thence north 86 degrees 15 minutes west 225.8 feet with the south right of way of the Negro Creek Road to the beginning corner and containing 4.10 acres, more or less.

TRACT NO. 2 On the west side of the Doug Hill Road and approximately one mile south of Highway No. 150, and beginning at a point in the west right of way line of Doug Hill Road and corner to J.R. Albright, thence with line of Albright, north 55 1/2 degrees west 55 feet to a pine; thence north 54 1/2 degrees west 78 feet to a walnut; thence north 60 degrees west 200 feet to an elm, corner to Ted Chandler; thence with the line of Chandler and old fence, the following call: north 13 1/2 degrees East 51 feet north 35 degrees east 83 feet, north 36 degrees east 72 feet, north 39 1/2 degrees east 117 feet, north 30 1/2 degrees west 109 feet, north 14 1/2 degrees west 82 feet to a pine; thence north 84 1/2 degrees east 205 feet to an elm snag on north side of branch; thence south with Chandler and up branch, south 27 degrees east 143 feet, south 9 1/2 degrees east 189 feet, south 26 degrees east 265 feet to corner of Ted Chandler and in west right of way of Doug Hill Road; thence with right of way of said road, south 36 degrees west 138 feet, south 51 1/2 degrees west 118 feet, south 51 1/2 degrees west 138 feet to the point of beginning and containing 5.61 acres, more or less.

The property shall be sold to the highest bidder on the terms of cash or credit of six months with the purchaser being required to execute bond with surety thereon to be approved by the Commissioner, to secure the purchase price, said bond to be held in interest at the rate of eight (8%) per cent per annum from date of sale until the purchaser shall have the privilege of paying all of the purchase price in cash, or paying said bond before maturity by paying the principal and interest accrued to the date of payment. The purchaser shall have possession of the premises as complying with the terms of the sale.

/s/ Money E. Cummins
 Rockcastle Circuit Court

JOSEPH E. LAMBERT
 Attorney at Law
 Mt. Vernon, Kentucky 40456

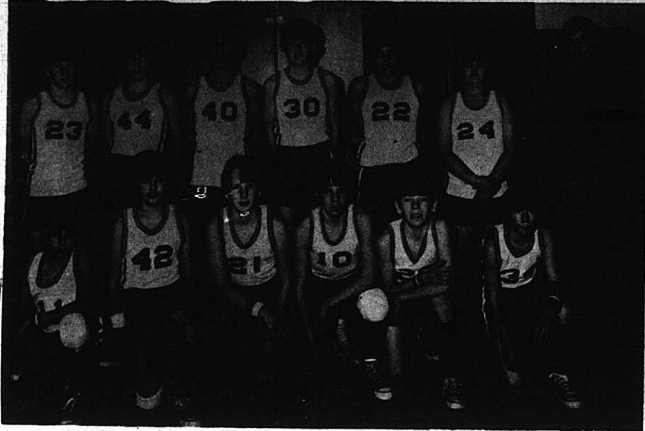
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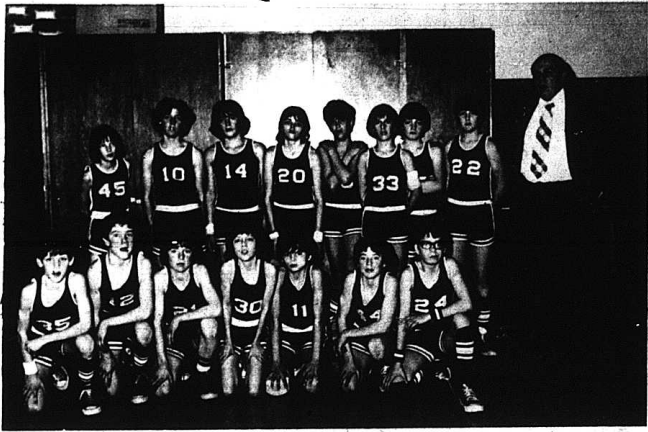
THE BRODHEAD TIGERS laid it on the Mt. Vernon Red Devils last Saturday night to win the 8th Grade County Basketball Tournament. The game, which had originally been scheduled for last Thursday night, had to be postponed because of a fuse box failure. Members of the Tiger Squad are, front

row, from left: Barry Pittman, Barry Proctor, Anthony Holbrook, David Riddle, Teddy Gabbard and David Buscè. Back row, from left: Keith Buscè, Kevin Robbins, Matt Poynter, Trent Mullins, Shannon Cash, Billy Cameron and Coach Gary Scott.



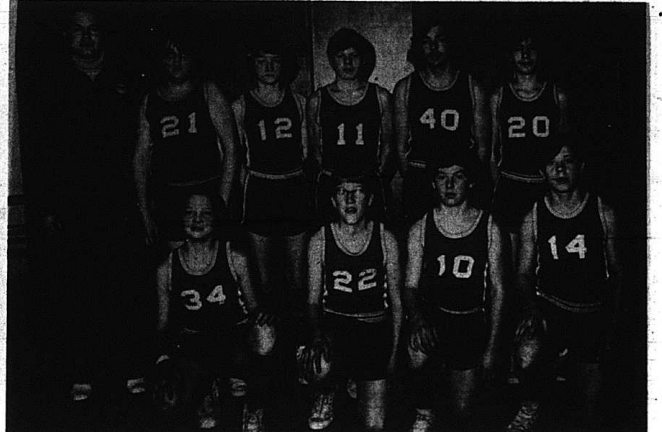
THE MT. VERNON RED DEVILS, coached by David Havel, were runners-up in the tournament. All four county teams on this page will participate in the upcoming Rockcastle County Jaycees Tournament next week. Members of the Mt. Vernon Squad are, front row, from left: Bobby Tolle, Lee Cain,

Anthony Roams, Tony Saylor, Marty Henstey, Ricky Hickey and Eddie Hubbard. Back row, from left: Paul Kidwell, manager, David Allen, Mike Maus, Floyd Fletcher, Charlie Palm, Kenny Johnson and David Mullins.



RECEIVING THE THIRD PLACE TROPHY was the Livingston Blue Devils who defeated the Roundstone Eagles in the consolation game. Members of the team are, front row, from

left: Tom Sandlin, Greg Poynter, Bryan Owens and Paul Miller. Back row, from left: Coach John Hale, Ronald Powell, Anthony Davidson, Frank Hubbard, Donnie Williams and Tim Kelly.



THE ROUNDSTONE EAGLES 8th Grade Team wasn't too successful this year but the school's 8th grade team won the Midget Tournament recently. Comprising this year's squad are, front row, from left: Kenneth Tractor, Larry Brock, Dexter Chandler, Mark Parsons, Greg Witt, Alan Riley and Bruce

Treon. Back row, from left: Cameron Abney, Merle Chandler, Denzil Chasteen, Donnie Clemmons, Wendell Martin, Jimmy Baker, Greg Dixon, Clinton Graves and Coach Harry Lee Holland.

Down on the Farm

BY ROY G. BROWN
ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT
CUMBERLAND PCA

This winter-when the weather is to bad to work outside is a good time to stay in by the fire, use your head, pencil and paper and go over the many things that will affect your credit, bank balance, and attitude on the outlook of life and happiness in later years.

Some of the important things we must consider is our crop and livestock programs whether we have beef, dairy, hogs or poultry. We must plan a food program that will fit our needs and requirements at the best and cheapest cost to produce.

When we have made those plans we must then select the land and soils that are best suited for the crop needed (a good map of farm with each field numbered) is a great help. You can get

this through your soil conservation service and with it most potential land use. Take soil sample for soil test to find out the right kind of fertilizer and amount to use for best results. Select the best seed and order early to be sure of quality seed at planting time. Another thing to do, keep a close check on your equipment. Does it need repairs, overhauling, etc. to do the job we have for it to do without having to trade for new tractor and equipment that is so high?

Another important thing is finance, do we have money to buy on early order discount and cash discounts. If not now is the time to sit down with your lender and plan your credit needs for the year and set up a budget loan that will save you money. By only using money as you need it, you will save several dollars in interest.

In you need any help on any of your farming programs and planning your needs, feel free to come in or call for our service to you **DOWN ON THE FARM.**

Jehovah Witnesses Will Gather At Pulaski County High School

Pulaski County has extended the welcome mat for more than 1,000 Jehovah's Witnesses, including those associated with the Mount Vernon congregation, who will gather at Pulaski County High School on February 21 and 22.

"Each year Jehovah's Witnesses sponsor two circuit conventions and Pulaski County has been chosen as the site for the first one in 1976," according to J.R. Phillips, Kentucky circuit No. 4 overseer.

Phillips explained that special arrangements have been made through the Pulaski County Tourist Commission to house the delegates who will be attending the two-day meet from more than 20 South Central Kentucky congregations.

"A series of discourse during the convention will highlight the theme 'Become Doers of the Word,'" Phillips said. "The keynote address on that theme will be delivered at 2 p.m. Saturday."

"At the same time the next-day, W.J. Benner, district overseer, will deliver the main convention address 'Are You Doing What God Requires of You?' Phillips added.

During that talk Benner is expected to highlight the importance of the Bible in the 20th Century. Other discourses during the assembly are designed to help all better cope with the stresses of

modern-day living.

"Jehovah's Witnesses are keenly concerned with alerting the public to the benefits of using God's Word-The Bible-and we extend an open invitation to everyone to join us at our convention," Phillips said.

"OTTAWA"

(Cont. From 8)

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sayer Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Faye Brown brought her mother, Mrs. Sara Cash home Friday from Mason, Ohio to find that her home had been damaged by a thunderstorm.

Mrs. Lola Roberts celebrated her birthday Monday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Effie Jones. Those present to help celebrate were her husband, Mr. Dewey Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Casper Jones and Gene, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Harris, Mrs. Frankie Brown and Mrs. Effie Jones. We hope she has many more birthdays.

"RAMBLINGS"

(Cont. From 2)

I don't know how the Post Office's new hours are working out for you but they are becoming something of a trial and tribulation to me. It's nothing personal against the local staff since their instructions are handed down from the powers that be but we have talked to several people who don't care for them either. One of our friends was in the office Monday night and reported that he hadn't been able to go to the post office

for a week since his job requires that he leave before it opens and return after it closes and since his wife has been sick in bed for a week. The bright side to this situation? It's one way of avoiding picking up those depressing envelopes that you can tell, even before you open them, are going to say "Account to Date..."

CARD OF THANKS

We, the family of Raymond Barrow, want to express our deepest appreciation to the people who sent food and flowers at the time of the death of my husband. A special thanks to Bro. Zade McClure, Mrs. Errel Cromer and Cox Funeral Home for their kindness.

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Michael Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Reynolds of Route 3, Mt. Vernon celebrated his 12th birthday, Wednesday, February 18th, at the home of his parents.

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Law enforcement officers are shown with a pick-up truck load of meat recovered in Rockcastle County following a Tuesday night robbery of the Robinson Sausage Company in Laurel County. Two men, Denver French and Larry Cummins, both of the Cove Branch Road, have been charged in connection with the

robbery and are lodged in the Laurel County Jail. The meat was found at their home following a search. In the photo are, from left: Magistrate Ernest Mason, Broodhead Policeman Lloyd Adbright, Sheriff Manuel Shepherd, State Police Detective Jim McWhorter and State Policeman Roy Wheat.



Thieves entered a grocery store on the Brush Creek Road, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mason, last Wednesday night and made off with several items including 4 tape players, several tapes, 40 cartons of cigarettes, rifle and shotgun shells, cigarette lighters and two boxes of candy. Mr. Mason said that entry to the store was gained through a bathroom window and the thief or thieves exited through a side door, apparently

having their loot off in large plastic trash bags. Shown in the above photo are, from left: Mr. Mason, holding a tape player like the ones stolen, Sheriff Manuel Shepherd and State Policeman Danny Coleman. Mr. Mason has offered a \$1,000 cash reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person or persons responsible for the break-in.

Warrants Taken In Shooting; 11-Year-old Boy Injured

Mattie Griffin Johnson of Mt. Vernon has been charged with Wanton Endangerment in the First Degree following the shooting of an 11-year-old boy early Sunday morning.

The boy, Denver Swinney, a neighbor of Mrs. Johnson, was shot once in the left side just above the hip, while

License Decals Are Selling Slow

"We have approximately 3,300 decals to sell in 9 office work days, and they are still going very slowly," says Rockcastle County clerk Clifford Bates, decriing the public's slowness in purchasing their 1976 license decals.

Mr. Bates said that he felt the reason for the slow sale was simply a scarcity of money but another reason which has been put forth by county clerk clerks in the fact that the decal is not as noticeable on license plates as was the changing of license plates; therefore, not reminding the public that it is time to change.

The problem is becoming a big one in larger counties with Pulaski County Clerk Marshall Davenport reporting approximately 12,500 decals left to sell and Franklin County officials say they still have two-thirds of their decals to

Clifford Residence Broken Into

The residence of Mrs. Lillie Clifford of Pine Hill was entered recently and a console television and radio were stolen, according to Sheriff Manuel Shepherd.

No arrests have been made in connection with the theft.

standing in front of his home on U.S. 25 just south of town, according to State Policeman Roy D. Wheat who investigated. He was taken to the University of Kentucky Medical Center where he reportedly underwent surgery later.

Trooper Wheat obtained warrants for Mrs. Johnson and for Leonard Swinney, the boy's father, who reportedly shot into the Johnson home also on Sunday morning. Swinney was charged with Wanton Endangerment and later released on \$500 bail.

Mrs. Johnson was released from jail Monday on \$2,500 bond.

According to Trooper Wheat, the shooting apparently culminated several weeks of argument between the two families.

County Judge Hubert Thacker said both parties waived a preliminary hearing to the Grand Jury.

Lincoln Banquet Is Feb. 21st.

On Saturday night, February 21, 1976, the Pulaski County Young Republican Club will have their Annual Lincoln Banquet in the Crystal Ballroom of the Carriage Inn, Downtown, Somerset, (old Hotel Beecher) beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meal is being catered by David Martin and Famous Recipe Fried Chicken and entertainment will be provided by the Country Raiders.

State Senator John Rogers will be the speaker along with Pulaski County Judge J.V. Garner and State Representative Lavey Floyd. This would be an excellent opportunity for you to meet

Cold January Weather—Higher Electric Bills

January's chilly weather, much colder than January, 1975, may be the reason for many higher electric bills, according to Kentucky Utilities Company.

Whether a home or other building is entirely heated electrically, has only supplemental electric heating or has an electric fan or blower—as part of a fuel-type heating system, temperature has a lot to do with the amount of electricity used, and therefore, the size of the electric bill.

As recorded in figures supplied by the National Weather Service at Lexington, January, 1976 was 32.6 per (Cont'd to page 4)

Health Department To Be Closed Feb. 19th

The Rockcastle County Health Department will be closed February 19 and 20 for Regional meeting at Corbin. There will not be an immunization clinic on February 20 as scheduled. The next date for children's immunizations will be March 5th.

with Senator Rogers and Representative Floyd and express your views on pending legislation.

Nominations for Outstanding Pulaski County Young Republican and Outstanding County Republican for 1975 have been made by the Club and all YR members will have an opportunity to vote for their choice.

Tickets for the Lincoln Banquet are only \$5.00 each and may be purchased from any members of the Young Republican Club or any County Office holder. Come on out and enjoy a good meal and some good ole' Republican Fellowship.

Two County Men Arrested Following Theft in Laurel Co.

Two Rockcastle men have been lodged in the Laurel County Jail, facing charges of receiving and retaining movable property, to-wit, meat and meat products of the value of more than \$100 which belongs to Robinson Sausage Co. or others, knowing it to be stolen and without intent to restore it to the owner. One of the men, Larry Cummins, also faces charges of Robbery in the First Degree, in connection with the theft of

the meat and a truck from The Robinson Sausage Company in Laurel County.

Cummins and his brother-in-law, Denver French, 21, both of Cove Branch Road, were arrested Thursday night after a search of their home revealed the stolen meat. The search was carried out by Sheriff Manuel Shepherd, Broodhead City Policeman Lloyd Adbright, State Policeman Roy Wheat, State Police Detective Jim McWhorter and Magis-

trate Ernest Mason.

The meat and truck, which it was in when stolen, were taken during the night of February 10th from the Robinson Sausage Company in Laurel County, according to Sheriff Shepherd. The truck was recovered Wednesday by Jackson County authorities near the S Tree Tower.

Mrs. Ruby Stewart Named Easter Seal Chairman

Mrs. Ruby Stewart of Mt. Vernon has been named Chairman of the 1976 Easter Seal Campaign for Rockcastle County, according to Bert Combs, Louisville, state campaign chairman.

Mrs. Stewart, the wife of Wayne Stewart has been Easter Seal Chairman for Rockcastle County since 1972.

The annual appeal will begin March 1 and continue through Easter Sunday, April 18th.

Contributions to the annual campaign will be used by the Kentucky Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults to provide care and treatment for physically handicapped Kentuckians throughout the state.

Easter Seal centers operated by the Kentucky Easter Seal Society include Cardinal-Hill Convalescent Hospital,

Fire Destroys Home

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kirby on Pine Branch in Livingston was destroyed by fire last Thursday morning at approximately 2 a.m.

The house and all contents were destroyed in the blaze.

If you wish to contribute anything in the way of clothing, household goods, etc., please contact Bobby or Robert Kirby in Mt. Vernon, or call 258-4454 or 258-4903.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby have one child, a twenty-two-month old daughter.

Troopers and Rescue Squad To Hold Benefit Ballgame

A Benefit Basketball Game between Troopers from the Laurel County Post and members of the Rockcastle County Rescue Squad will be held Thursday night, March 4th at 7:30 p.m. at Mt. Vernon Elementary School.

Proceeds from the event will go to the Rescue Squad and to Trooper Island (a summer boy's camp operated by the State Police).

Admission to the event will be \$1.00 for adults and 50c for children under 12.

Bond Sales

Kentucky attained 103 percent of its 1975 U.S. Savings Bonds goal with total sales of \$68.6 million — an all-time high. 1975 sales of Series E and H Bonds were up 6.1 percent over 1974.

Rockcastle County reported sales of Series E and H Savings Bonds during December were \$6,851.00, while sales for the year totaled \$62,626.00 or 83.2 percent of the County's annual goal of \$75,250.00.

Lexington, the West Kentucky Easter Seal Center, Paducah; Northern Kentucky Easter Seal Center, Covington; Camp Kysoo, Carrollton; Hearing and Speech Center, Louisville and Camp Green Shores at McDaniels.

The state-wide program of the society includes physical and occupational therapies, medical care and hospitalization, special schooling, recreation and resident camping, transportation and hearing and speech services.

The Kentucky Easter Seal Society also supports the National Easter Seal Research Foundation, according to Combs. More than 350 grants have been made by the foundation for research investigating the causes and means of preventing crippling and for improving rehabilitation techniques.

"The handicapped Kentuckians helped by the Kentucky Easter Seal Society have many types of crippling conditions," Combs pointed out, "but they all have one characteristic in common — courage."

"I feel sure that all Kentuckians will respond generously to the 1976 Easter Seal Campaign," he added.

Warning Issued Concerning Imported Contaminated Yarn

State health officials have learned from the National Center for Disease Control that anthrax-contaminated yarn may have been sold in Kentucky.

The yarn, which is believed to have been the source of infection causing the death of a California resident late last month, was imported from Sarfraz Bros., Lahore, Pakistan and is distributed throughout the United States by a California company, Creative Handweavers, and one in New York, Tahki Imports, Ltd.

The four-ounce skeins or balls of yarn may include camel hair, goat hair, or sheepwool, and is sold in natural or dyed colors. Usually packaged in plastic bags, the yarn is coarse and thick, and it is the variety which is used mainly in wall hangings, macrame objects and other handicrafts.

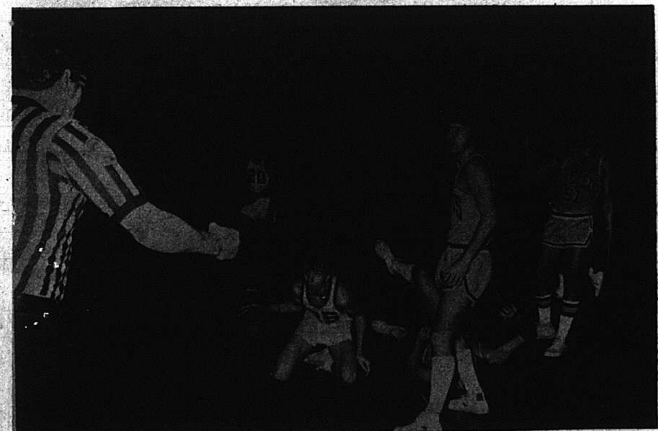
Doctor C. Hernandez, who directs the state Bureau for Health Services' Division for Preventive Services, describes anthrax as an acute bacterial disease, usually of the skin, characterized by blisters at the site of infection which develop into a depressed black scab. Untreated infections may lead to blood poisoning and death. Infections of the lungs and gastro-digestive tract are highly fatal, and the spores which carry

the disease can exist on contaminated items for many years. Highly specialized procedures are required for the destruction of the spores.

Local health officials in Jefferson and Madison Counties; the only two locations with shops known to have received the potentially dangerous yarn, have initiated necessary procedures for the safe disposal of the yarn.

Doctor Hernandez advises anyone who may have purchased suspect yarn to check with the retailer to determine the source and distributor of the product. Contaminated yarn should not be handled. Instead, one should contact his/her local health department immediately for instructions. And, at least one store in this area is known to have sold this yarn.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission says that persons turning in yarn or items made from the yarn to health departments should get a receipt with the following information: name of yarn owner, date product is being turned in; description of the product; and health department identification. This receipt should be taken to the place of purchaser refund. Refunds will be for the price of the yarn only.



WHAT DID I DO REFF? seems to be the query of Rockast Slopator Larry Lorr Harmon on his knees dribbling the ball in last Friday night's Rocket upset over Middleboro 51-50. Harmon scored only 2 points in last Friday night's game but

Tuesday night, against Model, Harmon had 18 points, hitting 9 out of 10 from the field. The Rockets fell to Model in overtime, 69-63. (Photo by Rick Anderken).

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FRANKFORT WATCHLINE

In Kentucky, drinking of any sort is still frowned upon in many quarters and abstinence is the preferred moral standard for those in public life.

Certainly, in no area, urban or rural, is alcoholism acceptable. State Sen. Tom Ward made a tough decision last week, after being tagged for drunk driving in Frankfort, he publicly admitted drinking problems over the last two years and publicly took the pledge.

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But political observers here wonder if Ward did not make a mistake. There is, of course, no way to know, for Ward's future success or failure in political endeavors cannot be compared with what might have happened had he kept quiet and described his drunk driving incident as an isolated mistake.

Beyond the good that Ward may have done by bringing his problem into the public eye, insofar as it arouses public consciousness of alcoholism, there had to be political considerations. As Ward put it, he feels people will have to judge him on how he conducts himself in the future.

Admitting to more than he was charged with, though, was a risk. In a way, he followed in the footsteps of U.S. Rep. Wilbur Mills, who managed to retain his seat after a far more scandalous event involving alcoholism, and former Iowa Gov. Harold Hughes.

Ward just recently was considering running for Congress in a district which is so diverse in its constituents that he decides two years hence to try it, his statement could come back to haunt him.

Some comments about Frankfort are that by his admission he killed off any chance of winning the Sixth District, which includes a large, rural and frequently conservative populace around Lexington.

Others feel that he likely has stifled potentially ruinous rumors that could have circulated had he tried to shrug off the drunk driving charge as an isolated incident.

On at least two occasions, this columnist had mentioned to him while Ward was running for the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor last year that one day, somebody would find out "Ward's deep, dark secret."

The hint was not clear at the time and these sources were such that the unadmitted rumors were discounted as little more than political attacks.

In a race where Ward might have had a better shot at winning, rumors of drinking problems could very well have been more damaging than his recent admission.

Ward's future will be not only a measure of Ward's character, but at least some measure of the character and views of his constituents.

Believe it or not, the race for governor in 1979 is already starting to warm up.

U.S. Rep. Carroll Hubbard sent up the first trial balloon last week in a press conference in Ashland when he said he was considering running for governor next time out.

Hubbard, who squeaked by long-time incumbent Carl Albert Stubblefield two years ago to take Stubblefield's First District seat by some 600 votes, is considered to be as entrenched as one can get.

County Statistics

Deeds Recorded

Paul and Hazel Howard, real property located in Rockcastle County to Gary Mink and Gertha Mink. Tax \$16.00.
 Henry and Gertrude Cain, real property located in Rockcastle Co. to William K. Bullen and Clyde Linville. Tax \$4.50.
 Eugene and Sallie Lewis, real property located in Rockcastle Co. to Leon and Wanda Harris. Tax \$2.50.

Quarterly Court

Public intoxication: Lewis William Jr., \$100 and cost; Dempsey Morris, 5 days in jail; Paul Whitaker, David Madden, David Rowe, Buford Bradley, Ernest Caldwell, Marvin Hammack, Raymond Elmer Kirkin, \$10 and cost.
 Operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicants (amended to reckless driving): Thomas J. Webur, James Almadge Hall, William Couch, \$100 and cost; James Corbet Legor, James Charles Mason, Carl E. Winkler, \$50 and cost.
 Speeding: Orman A. Tozier, Daniel Shea, Nona Veri Huff, Kenneth Anker Ashland, Harold Benefield, \$10 and cost.
 Reckless Driving: Al Dwight Green, \$10 and cost.
 Possession of Alcoholic beverages by a minor: Jerry L. New, \$10 and cost.
 Transporting alcoholic beverages in local option territory: Larry Gowden, William Dale Veach, \$100 and cost.
 No Kentucky operators license.

No Kentucky license plate: Robert E. Mink, \$19 and cost.
 Improper use of urban limit tag: Hobert Edmon Dick, \$10 and cost.
 Speeding: Andy Lada, \$10 and cost.
 No operator's license: James Charles Mason, \$2 and cost.
 Leaving the scene of an accident: (amended to disorderly conduct): Floyd Clouse, \$20 and cost.
 Reckless Driving: Floyd Clouse, \$10 and cost.

Marriage Licenses

Calvin Coffey, 43, Cold Springs, Kentucky, Mechanic to Kathleen Chester, 21, Orlando, Kentucky, unemployed, February 11, 1976.
 Clyde Junior Cummins, 42, Route 1, Brodhead, ambulance driver, to Kathy Arlene Wyatt, 20, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, unemployed, February 13, 1976.
 John William McFarigue, 18, Rt. 2, Mt. Vernon, dry wall, to Beverly Lynn McClure, 17, Rt. 2, Mt. Vernon, student, February 14, 1976.

Licenses and Permits Issued

Money Ed Cummins, Circuit Court, Clerk of Rockcastle reports the following drivers license and learners permits issued on February 13th, 1976.

Drivers' Licenses:

Richard Layne Lay, Brodhead, Kentucky; Agnes Robinson Meredith, 216 Plain Avenue, Bowling Green, Kentucky; Cheryl Denise Viars, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon; Michael Kevin Miller, Rt. 4, Mt. Vernon; Jamison Owen Carter, Rt. 4, Mt. Vernon; Betty Lunsford Wright, Rt. 2, Orlando, Kentucky; Sophia Cable Barker, Rt. 3 Crab Orchard, Kentucky; and Lewis Arnold Burkett, Rt. 2, Lilly, Kentucky.

Learners' Permits:

Frank Lee Radar, Rt. 2, Orlando; Morris Cromer, Rt. 1, Mt. Vernon; Robert Dale Owens, Climax, Kentucky; Marsha Fonder Jones, Rt. 2, Mt. Vernon; Judy Bullock York, Rt. 1, Mt. Vernon; Eva Jean Frith, Rt. 3, Crab Orchard, Kentucky.

Orchard, Kentucky and Clarence Ray Owens, Climax, Kentucky.
ramblings...
 by: perlina m. anderkin

I have been neglecting this column for the past couple of weeks but it has mainly been due to the fact that, with the changeover in our size and style, I have simply not had time to sit down and collect my thoughts - besides that nothing "worth making the effort to ramble about" has happened lately - in other words "all quiet on the Western front."

I do like our new format though and the comments I have received thus far have all been good but, of course, you never hear the bad ones so that's not very telling.

I would like to take the time and space here to apologize for the quality of some of our pictures last week and the fact that there were several unreadable words on the right side of the front page. The pictures we will take the blame for but not the type since that was printer error. Anyway, we hope to have everything lined out now but are always open for suggestions (other than the one that we shut our doors).

I might have caught the fade-out on the front page last week but I had a slight problem in getting back to the printers after leaving the paper there. I only meant to run out to a drive-in for a sandwich but I made one fatal mistake - I cut the truck off. Now this might not seem to be a fatal mistake to you ordinary mortals unless you happen to have a truck that when you turn it off you have to reach under the dash, jiggle a little thingamabob, turn the ignition switch on and hold your mouth right at the same time. Jim, who had worked until 4:30 a.m. Wednesday morning, was too peeped out to go but he very carefully instructed me in all these maneuvers before I left but, alas, it was to no avail as I found myself stranded in Hardee's Drive In looking as helpless as I could while hopefully praying that some nice man would come along and know what to do. It finally happened and I returned to the printing office to pick up the paper. Needless to say, I was a little flustered by this time

so didn't scrutinize the paper as thoroughly as I might have. One of these days I'll have my own printing press and not be left to the mercy of other printers, maybe.

We have now attended our second week of square dance classes and the outcome, on my part, is doubtful. It seems that age is catching up with me mostly in the form of aching feet and they ached all day Friday after the "do-do-do" of the night before. In fact, they hurt to the extent that, at the ballgame Friday night, I had to go off by myself in a corner and remove my shoes so I could enjoy the game. The game wasn't hard to enjoy though with the Rockets unexpected upset over highly-touted Middletown. This is the second time, in as many games, that the Rockets have pulled a four one over on a supposedly much better team and, although I didn't see the Lincoln County game, I can personally attest to the fact that all the Rockets in the game played excellent ball. They saw a 1-1 point half-time lead evaporate to a one-point

they were equal to the task, especially Rockets' center Garlan Vanhook. Vanhook had the ball stolen by Middletown from him with less than one minute to go and the Rockets with a one-point lead. Mr. Vanhook then proceeded to steal the ball back, get fouled and coast sink two free throws to put the game out of reach for the Yellow Jackets. One memorable picture, if we could have gotten it, would have been of Bill Belcher simply protecting the ball, by completely surrounding it, and hanging on for dear life while the last four seconds ticked off the clock. District Tournament play begins the week of March 1st with the Rockets facing Oneida in the first round on Tuesday night and then, hopefully, Jackson County, who drew a bye in first round play, to get to the final with, no doubt, Clay County. So, the Rockets chances for going to Regionals are good and if they keep playing the type of ball they have been, their progress through the tournaments will be interesting to watch.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing about a situation which concerns many parents in this community. On February 11, my daughter was badly beaten on the school bus on her way home from school. Several of the students on the bus saw the bus driver using the belt hear her in the face. However, he did absolutely nothing to stop it, in fact he never even acknowledged that there had been any trouble.

When she arrived home, her face was already badly swollen. We took her to see Mr. Towery, who is principal at Brodhead School, to report what had taken place on the school bus. After seeing her, Mr. Towery suggested we take her on to see Mr. Saylor, who is principal of the high school, and then take her on to the hospital. Mr. Saylor agreed we should let a doctor see her.

By the time the doctor saw her, her eyes were nearly swollen shut and her nose was so badly swollen, that x-rays couldn't be read to determine if it was broken.

On Thursday, we met with Mr. Whitaker, who is head of transportation, he was most concerned and assured us steps would be taken to prevent the same thing from happening again.

However, as of today (February 16) absolutely nothing has been done. As a parent of three school age children, I ask you how can I put them on the bus, not knowing when they will come home in the same condition or worse, yet knowing there is to be no discipline on the bus to stop such incidents from happening?

I ask you, can we put our children in the hands of irresponsible bus drivers every day that they go to school. Can we do nothing to prevent other incidents of this nature?

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GEMINI	2-906	May 21 - Jun. 20
CANCER	2-907	Jun. 21 - Jul. 22
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SPORTS IN REVIEW

By: Rick Anderkin

Rockets Down Middlesboro; Fall To Model In Overtime

The Rockcastle Rockets rolled over another fine team last Friday night by defeating the Middlesboro Yellow Jackets, who carried a 15-6 record into the game, 51-50.

One of the highpoints of the game was the hustling of all the players who played their heart out to win and did so.

The Rockets were only behind one time in the game, at the end of the first quarter, when the score stood at 10-9 Middlesboro. However, the Rockets put on a spectacular second quarter show by outscoring the Yellow Jackets 23-3. Bill Henderson, who has been moved to several positions this season quite frequently, had an outstanding second quarter. He only scored 10 points in the game but made some outstanding moves to the basket and pulled down his share of the rebounds. Garlan Vanhook had 23 points and played one of his best games of the season. Put it all together, along with the Rockets' hustling effort, and the result was an upset over Middlesboro.

Others scoring in the game were Bill Belcher with and John Nugent with 8 points each and Larry Harmon with 2. The Rockets continued played fine ball Tuesday night when they hosted Model.

Model, who had previously won the Rockets' Thanksgiving Tournament by defeating the Rockets by 34 points in the final game, was in for a surprise - and one of those surprises was sophomore Larry Harmon, who hardly played in the Thanksgiving Tournament. Besides hitting 9 of 10 field goal attempts, Harmon also made some clutch passes and rebounds.

Henderson had 16 points on the night and was fabulous, never seeming to stop all night long, showing up all over the court picking off passes, getting loose balls and working the boards for rebounds well.

Vanhook scored 18 points in the game and came through with several have to rebounds and clutch baskets.

One coincidence of the game was the fact that the Rockets scored 16 points each quarter and 4 in overtime when the Rockets finally were downed by one point 69-68. Yes, it wound up as a heartbreaker for the Rockets, who after having fought so hard for the win, lost it by one point in overtime on a free throw

by a Model player. Sharing the lead scoring for the Rockets with Vanhook was Harmon, both got 18 apiece and Henderson wasn't far behind with his 16. Belcher and Nugent got 8 each and Jeff Burdette, who fouled out early in the game, due mainly to his hustling effort on defense, had 4 points. *****

A COMMENTARY

Well, they finally did it. The Rockets got it all together and started playing ball. They broke a seven-game losing streak Tuesday night of last week by downing Lincoln County, beat Middlesboro Friday night and played a strong Model team into an overtime Tuesday night, only to lose by 1. But, don't forget, this same Model team had defeated the Rockets by 34 points earlier in the season.

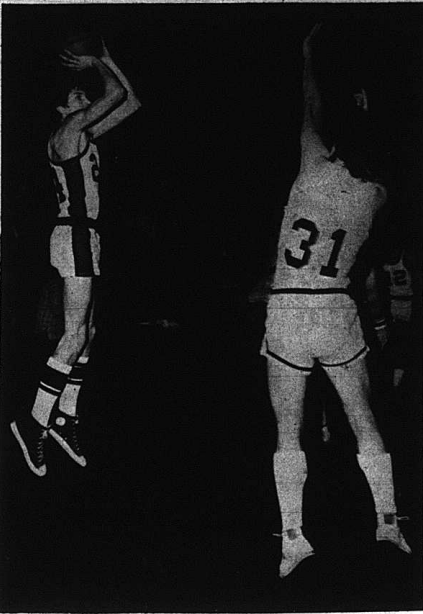
Not wanting to step on any toes, but the Rocket fans have not given the team the support they deserved this season, evidently deciding early that the young, inexperienced team (who admittedly got off to a rough start and continued that way for a while) would have a losing season.

Of course, they will have a losing season even if they should win their last two games, but Coach Biddle, who has had his worst season as a coach, seems to have done it once again. He has put together a fine team ready for tournament play and, as in the past when the Rockets go to District play, they should be assured of a fine crowd of supporters.

The Rockets have drawn Oneida for first round action in the District and I feel sure they would appreciate a lot of fans on hand to cheer them on and, I personally, feel they should get their chance to show what they have got.

This Friday night, the Rockets host Jackson County, for their last home game of the season, and if they get by Oneida in first round district tournament play, they will be playing Jackson County in the semi-finals.

So, why don't you come out and root the Rockets on this Friday night as they show your support during the District Tournament at Jackson County. I know the team would appreciate your support.



Henderson, No. 24, is shown going for two against a Middlesboro defender. During last Friday night's game, Henderson connected on some long outside jump shots to help the Rockets upset Middlesboro 51-50.



George W. Thacker, formerly of Rockcastle County, has been officially commended by the Department of the Army for "Sustained Superior Performance Duties as Ammunition Work Inspector," in connection with his work at the Lexington Blue Grass Army Depot. The award is for the period of January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975 and was given for Mr. Thacker's initiative, loyalty and devotion to duty.

State's Unemployment Rate Increases to 7.9

Kentucky's January jobless rate was 7.9 percent up from December's rate of 7.7 percent, according to statistics released by the Department for Human Resources.

The nation's unadjusted jobless rate for January was 8.8 percent.

"We're starting out the highest first of the year unemployment since January, 1964," said Robert MacDonald, chief labor market analyst for Human Resources. At that time the jobless rate was 9.5 percent.

When the recession had just begun affecting Kentucky last January, the unemployment rate was 7.2 percent, said MacDonald.

This January's rate means that 117,000 Kentuckians are unemployed - an increase of 2,800 since December, and an increase of 13,700 since last January.

MacDonald attributed most of January's increased unemployment to layoffs, particularly in construction, trade and service industries. The layoffs, in part due to seasonal factors, are for the most part caused by the present economic conditions, he said.

"COLD WEATHER"

(Cont'd from front) cent colder than January, 1975. In Lexington, this January had 1,130 heating degree days compared to 852 January a year ago.

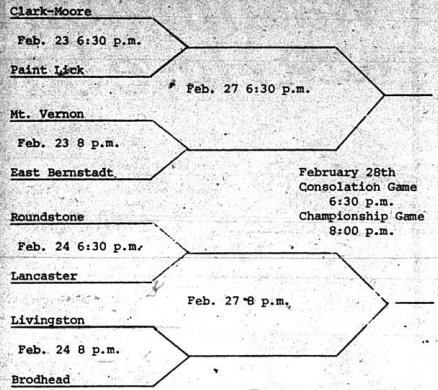
(To find a day's heating requirement in degree days, the average of the day's high and low temperatures is subtracted from 65, thus, a day with a high of 50 and a low of 30 has a 25 degree days.

KU pointed out that despite a small rate increase granted in September, bills for the same amount of electricity used in January, 1976, were actually lower than in 1975, because the fuel adjustment charge dropped as a result of lower coal costs. *****

FOREST FIRES DESTROY RESOURCES

The Kentucky Division of Forestry District Office in Pineville recently

Jaycoes Grade School Tournament



ALL GAMES WILL BE PLAYED AT THE ROCKCASTLE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM. ADMISSION WILL BE 75 CENTS FOR STUDENTS AND \$1.00 FOR ADULTS. 17 TROPHIES WILL BE GIVEN AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE TOURNAMENT AND THESE WILL BE ON DISPLAY EACH NIGHT AT THE HIGH SCHOOL.

released figures of damage caused by forest fires last year. According to County Ranger Steve Bullen, 18 separate fires destroyed 130 acres of timberland in Rockcastle County alone. These fires cost tax money to suppress, and also cause extensive damage to forest resources. Fire scars on large trees soon begin to rot, and eventually the lower bole becomes worthless. Young saplings and seedlings, the regenerant in which promises a future forest crop, are often killed by wildfire. Wildfire food and cover are destroyed. The layer of leaves which protects the

soil is buried away, and erosion and waterpollution soon follow. "It is difficult to estimate the total value of forest resources destroyed by last year's fires," said Bullen. But everyone loses when wildfire burns in the woods.

"BREAK-INS"
(Cont'd from front),
a back window.
Mr. Robbins said that, thus far, it seemed that nothing else was taken in the break-in which is being investigated by local authorities.

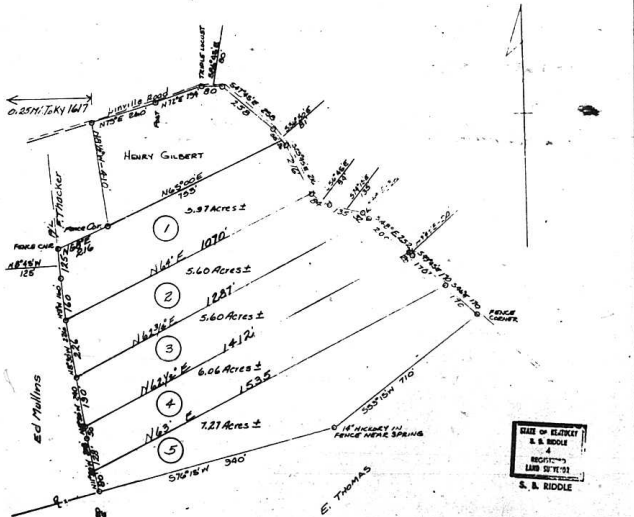
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BOBBY THACKER AT FAIRVIEW



COME BACK HERE! seems to be Rockets' senior Bill Henderson's thoughts as he is shown trying to get the ball back in Friday night's encounter between the Rockets and the Middlesboro Yellow Jackets. Henderson had 10 points in the game and played an outstanding game on both offense and defense. In Tuesday night's game between the Rockets and Madison Model, Henderson had 16 points in a losing effort. But once again, he was superb throughout the game with his quick moves, and almost effort.



Sophomore Billy Hackworth is shown hustling, as he usually does all game long, as he attempts to save the ball from going out of bounds. Hackworth had 4 points in the 3-Team game against Middlesboro which the Rockets won 39-35. [All photos by Rick Anderkin]

Social and Women's News

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. Robin F. Halcomb of Cookeville, Tennessee announces the arrival of a baby girl, Jennifer Lynn, on February 10, 1976, at Cookeville General Hospital, weighing 7 lbs. 4 ozs. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Halcomb of Albany, Kentucky and formerly of Livingston, Ky. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Moran of Albany, Kentucky.

MRS. OWENS HOSTS QUALI HOMEMAKERS FEB. MEETING

February 16th marked the event of the Quali Homemakers February meeting held at the home of Mrs. Jack Owens.

The meeting was brought to order by Mrs. Christine Taylor and the minutes were read by Mrs. Shirley Martin.

Several items of special interest to the club and community were discussed. The first event reported was the Valentine Party given by the club on February 13th for the Sowder Nursing Home residents at Brodhead. Enthusiasm and satisfaction was felt by all members of the club who were able to take part in the party.

The club is making a special effort to become more community minded. Also discussed was the Homemakers' Council meeting held this month. Three club

members were in attendance and reported back to the club. A special effort will be made by all Homemakers Club in the county to build up a clinic grouping of old homes in the county in recognition of our nation's Bicentennial Birthday. Mrs. Elizabeth Mullins of the Brovsted Club will be handling this project and anyone knowing of these homes should contact her.

A special event of the evening was a miscellaneous shower given by the club for Mrs. Albert Martin. Gifts included a number of baby gifts and several interesting gifts for her home.

The lesson for the month of February centered on "The Family Wash." Techniques and laundry products were discussed by Mrs. Dolores Albright. Special efforts and preparation of the material for the lesson were prepared and gathered by Mrs. Cheryl Witt, Home Demonstration Agent for Rockcastle County.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Owens and the meeting was adjourned. The club encourages all members to attend and be an active, participating member. The hostess for next month's meeting will be announced at a later date.

By Mrs. Dolores Albright
Homemakers Council and
Club Vice President

CELEBRATES 90TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Rachal Gibson, along with her

family and friends, celebrated her 90th birthday Sunday, February 15th with a delicious dinner at Renfro Valley Restaurant. Those present to help celebrate were Mrs. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Abney of Hamilton, Ohio; Nancy Boddy of New Paris, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Roddy, Richmond, Indiana; Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Radar, New Paris, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Carpenter, Mt. Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. James Miller and family of Livingston; Mr. and Mrs. James Gelson of Louisville, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Abney and daughter of Fairfield, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Randall Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Bond of Orlando, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Bond and daughters of Grove City, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jennings and granddaughter of Richmond, Indiana; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Smith, Camden, Ohio; Isabella Marler and daughter of Cincinnati, Ohio; Delores Bond of Hamilton, Ohio; Gilbert Jennings, Evonne and Robert Jennings; Mr. and Mrs. Amos Jennings; Mr. and Mrs. Markley and Julie; Alene and Charles Sutton, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Brock and children; Mr. and Mrs. Marty Sutton, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ray Abney and family of Somerset; Mr. and Mrs. Luther Shell and son, Ralph of Hamilton, Ohio; Frances Roy, Christine and Cynthia Miller of Richmond, Indiana.

There were 76 present in all.

Personals

Mrs. Hazel Cummins and Mrs. Robert Anglin were in Somerset, Saturday evening shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burdette visited their daughter, Mrs. Harris Burton, Saturday evening.

Mrs. Virgil Brock visited her sister, Mrs. Lona Logsdon one day last week.

Mrs. Darrell Owens of Somerset, visited Mr. and Mrs. George Burton, Saturday evening.

Sympathy is extended to the loved ones of Raymond Barron, who passed away last week in Albany, Indiana after a long illness.

Althalea Jones is a patient in the Rockcastle County Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Jones of Lockland, Ohio and Mr. Robert Jones and son of Hamilton, Ohio visited their mother, Mrs. Cecelia Jones over the week end.

Sympathy is extended to the loved ones of Mrs. Provia Cromer, of Norwalk, California. Mrs. Cromer was the sister of Mrs. Lona Logsdon, Mrs. Virgil Brock and Mrs. Robert Kirby of Rockcastle County.

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of Selesburg, Indiana, and Mrs. Brenda Fitzgibbon of Salem, Indiana; four brothers, Robert Barron of Louisville, Ky., Daniel, Ervin and Fred Barron all of Mt. Vernon; three sisters, Mrs. Alea McFerron and Mrs. Flossie McFerron both of Mt. Vernon; and Mrs. Anna Mae Anderson of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Seven grandchildren and two step-grandchildren also survived.

Services were held Thursday, February 12, at 1:00 p.m. at the Cox Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Zade McClure officiating. Burial was in the Skaggs Creek Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Cox Funeral Home.

MRS. FANNIE B. CALHOUN, 83 DIES AT LOCAL HOSPITAL

Mrs. Fannie B. Calhoun, 83, of Route 1, Mt. Vernon died Monday, February 16th at the Rockcastle County Hospital.

Mrs. Calhoun was born in Green County on April 7, 1882, the daughter of the late Thomas M. Akin and Mary Marcum.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Houston of Route 1, Mt. Vernon and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning, February 18th at the Howell and Martin Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Rupert Dyer and Freddy Bryanton officiating. Burial was in the Wilson Cemetery in Green County.

NOTICE

Bro. Charles Smith of Havesville Baptist Church and pastor of Bob Speer and family and Bro. Ernie Johnson were the officiating ministers at the funeral of Mrs. Katherine L. "Kiki" Thompson last week instead of Bro. Charles Shivel and Bro. Johnson as listed in the February 12th issue of the Signal.

The Signal regrets this error.

Vets Receive Millions in Benefits

By Jeanne Beckett
Kentucky's veterans, their dependents and survivors collected more than \$50 million in cash benefits during fiscal year 1975 as a result of the efforts of the Kentucky Center for Veterans Affairs.

The center, based in Louisville, is an agency of the Department for Human Resources' Bureau for Social Services. It is set up to assist Kentucky veterans with all matters pertaining to their Veterans Administration and state veterans benefits.

"Many ex-servicemen and their families, who have not inquired, could apply for some state or federal veterans benefits," said the center's manager, Lewis Roberts. "We encounter many people who could have been receiving benefits for several years if they had applied earlier."

As a result of the 1974 reorganization of state government, the activities of the Kentucky Center for Veterans Affairs were expanded.

Mr. and Mrs. George Burton visited Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Owens, Sunday afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Owens, Mr. and Mrs. George Burton visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stevens, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Rosa Benson returned home Sunday from the Rockcastle County Hospital.

Visitors of Mrs. Lona Logsdon Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirby and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stephens and children of Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Burton and Sheila visited G.W. Burton and family Sunday evening.

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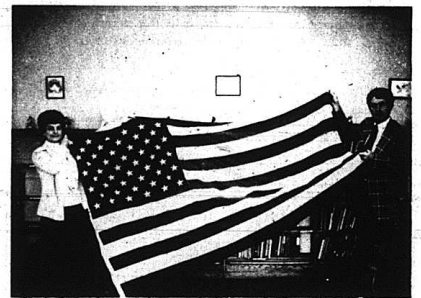
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Area Deaths & Funerals

RAYMOND BARRON DIES IN INDIANA

Mr. Raymond Barron, 52 of Rt. 3, Salem, Indiana and formerly of Rockcastle County passed away Tuesday February 10, 1976 at the Floyd Memorial Hospital in New Albany, Indiana after an illness of several months. He was born October 18, 1923 in Rockcastle County, the son of the Mrs. Pearl Swinney Barron

of Route 1, Mt. Vernon and the late Harvey Barron. He had been an employee of Delmonte Food of Louisville, Ky. Survivors besides his mother are his wife, Mrs. Doris McClure Barron of Route 3, Salem, Indiana; three sons, Donald Barron of New Albany, Indiana; William and David Barron, both at home; three daughters, Mrs. Joyce Dawson of Soutsburg, Indiana, Mrs. Lillie Masden

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FIRST BIRTHDAY - Joey Wendell Bullock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Bullock, celebrated his first birthday February 4th at his home, Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William Bullock of Mt. Vernon and Mr. and Mrs. James Phelps of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Paul McNew of Conway is now a licensed agent for Meridian Mutual and Prudential Insurance Companies plus several more specialized companies. Mr. McNew's new office is located on the third floor of the courthouse and it will be managed by his mother, Mrs. Cynthia McNew, widow of Claude G. McNew. Mrs. McNew is a retired Rockcastle County school teacher. Mr. McNew is a 1960 graduate of Mt. Vernon High School, a 1970 graduate of Berea College and a 1972 graduate of Harvard Business School. He is presently an officer and director of the Bank of Mt. Vernon.

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"Going one step further"

With the Legislature In Frankfort

By Rep. Harold DeMarcus

Five weeks after the start of the 1976 session of the Kentucky General Assembly, the governor presented his much heralded "tax package" to the citizens of the Commonwealth.



Rep. Harold DeMarcus

Just five weeks ago in his state of the Commonwealth message, the governor stated, and I quote, "I will ask for no new taxes and no tax increases on consumers in Kentucky. I will recommend changes that ease the tax burden on citizens who most need relief."

In that same speech made before the Legislature, the governor further stated, and I again quote, "Everything we hope to accomplish depends upon Kentucky having the financial resources necessary to meet the needs of our people."

It seems to me that these two statements are all odds with each other.

At the present time, Kentucky has the highest gasoline tax in the nation; one of the highest sales taxes in the nation; one of the highest severance taxes in the nation (and which I understand this state administration will add on more tax to this vital industry for our state); and one of the highest income taxes in the nation.

And on top of this, Kentucky has one of the largest surpluses in the treasury of any state in the nation.

However, the governor's tax package which was presented does not contain a cut in the gasoline tax, which is the highest in the nation. It does contain a benefit in the sales tax to be given to charitable, educational and religious institutions on goods purchased. Another provision in this package would exempt purchases and services sold to all governmental agencies.

The income tax benefits will go to those "who need it most," the aged, the blind and the low income. However, the income tax benefits to be derived are not as significant as they appear to be at first glance.

One item would permit a standard deduction of \$500 to all taxpayers. The new optional tax table for the adjusted gross income gives a maximum break of approximately \$9 to "low income taxpayers." And out of 3.3 million Kentuckians, only 100,000 would receive 100,000 taxpayers. One in every 33 taxpayers.

I have introduced an amendment to the executive budget for a tax rate of \$8 million which would give to 85 Kentucky citizens who are required to file a state income tax return under the existing statute but whose income is under \$5,000 per year. This proposed tax rebate would benefit approximately

225,000 people and would amount to approximately \$25 to each individual who falls in this category.

My proposals would benefit around 100,000 people, or three times as many as the governor's tax proposal would benefit.

Another proposal involving income tax is to give a credit to each individual for those individual who are blind and over 65. While these people certainly deserve this benefit, I wonder why it was not extended to all Kentucky taxpayers, especially in this time of inflation. This additional credit would reduce a individual's tax liability by an amount equal to the credit, in other words, only \$20 for each additional credit.

The last proposal relating to income tax is to raise the amount of income an individual could make before they would be required to file a tax return. For most individuals, this will mean that they will be allowed to earn an additional \$500 before they would be required to file a return with the state in Kentucky.

Other minor provisions include the increase in the amount which can be earned before they would be required to file and modifications in the requirements for filing of declarations of estimated tax.

The final portion of the tax package relates to inheritance tax exemptions. The proposal would increase the surviving spouses exemption to \$20,000; at the present time it is \$10,000. A surviving husband is entitled to a \$5,000 exemption.

All of these tax proposals will reduce the amount of revenue coming into the state's general fund by about \$4.2 million per year and in this state that will close out this biennium on June 30, 1978 with a tremendous surplus in the state treasury.

The present administration was elected to office four years ago on the platform of the "proven tax cutters." And in 1972, in-1974, and again this January, in this our bicentennial year and our 200th anniversary of the birth of our great nation, we came to Frankfort

with high hopes and expectations. And each time, we have been greeted with more and more spending out of the bulging state treasury and very little, if any, tax relief for the majority of our citizens.

We agree that we need to apply "Common sense for the common good." But we seem to have in Frankfort more bureaucrats, fiscal experts and consultants than we do enough "common sense."

The people's government has lost touch with the people... their needs... their wants... and their hopes. The people in the millions who own the buildings in Frankfort have made no apparent effort to ask the majority of our citizens what they want and what they need. They have just decided what they want to give them.

The Lord Giveth and the Government Taketh Away" would best describe what is happening in Frankfort today.

Home Line

SPECIAL CLASSES OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Can you change a tire? Do you know how to check oil? What do you do if the battery is dead? These can be problems for women who are not mechanically minded—and yet rely on their cars as much or more than the man of the house. A special class on "Auto Care for Women Only" will be presented on Monday, March 1 at the Harry Sparks Vocational School in Mt. Vernon from 7-9 p.m. Instructors will be James Rhoads of Harry Sparks Vocational School and Donna Manning, Extension Agent for Home Economics, Bell County. If you are interested in attending, call the County Extension Office at 256-2403, P.S. Wear Old Clothes.

SEWING CLASS FOR BEGINNERS

If you are just beginning to sew or want to learn—now is your chance to get some instruction. Cheryl Witt, County Extension Agent for Home Economics, will be teaching a beginning sewing class on Tuesdays & Thursdays beginning March 4, for four weeks, through March 30, 1976. The classes will be held at the County Library Community Room from 10 a.m. to noon. If you are planning to participate, call 256-2403 to register.

CELEBRATE AMERICA WITH PATCHWORK AND QUILTING

Are you interested in learning how to do one of America's earliest art forms? Patchwork and quilting has many uses in home furnishings and in apparel. It gives us something of value, practical and aesthetic at the same time. A workshop on patchwork and quilting is being sponsored by the County Extension Service. There will be four classes in the series. The first class will be making an item in the workshop, whether a quilt or pillow or other small items. A daytime session will be held March 11, March 25, April 8 and April 22 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Rockcastle County Library. The same workshop will be held at night on March 9, March 23, April 6 and April 20 from 7-9 p.m. at the County Library. All the classes will need to register by calling 256-2403 so that a list of materials needed for the first meeting can be obtained. Be sure to take this opportunity to learn about patchwork and quilting in the workshop. The workshop will be mostly for beginners.

WANT TO MAKE A MACRAME POT HANGER?

Learn some of the basics of macrame and make a plant pot hanger at the same time. A macrame workshop will be held Monday, April 5, at 7 p.m. at the County Library, Cheryl Witt, County Extension Agent for Home Economics will be showing you how. There will be a small fee charged, \$1 for a small hanger, \$1.50 for a large hanger or necktie. To register call 256-2403.

NOTICE

CUSTOMERS OF NORTHERN ROCKCASTLE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

It has been brought to our attention that some of the water meter registers have been tampered with.

As of this date, February 19, 1976, let it be known, that if any meter has been tampered with, the service will be discontinued immediately.

As our authority for this regulation, we quote Public Service Regulations 87, KAR 2:010 General Rules, Section 10, Paragraph 2B, so that each customer may know what will happen in the event a meter is tampered with:

"For fraudulent or illegal use of service. When the utility has discovered evidence that by fraudulent or illegal means, a customer has obtained unauthorized service or has diverted the service for unauthorized use or has obtained service without same being properly measured, the service to the customer may be discontinued without notice. The utility shall not be required to restore service until the customer has complied with all rules of the utility and regulations of the commission and the utility has been reimbursed for the estimated amount of the service rendered and the cost of the utility incurred by reason of the fraudulent use.

Whatever Happened To Miss Ruth?

By John Lair

Back in his hey-day, the Renfro Valley Gaieties' old CBS, was rated the most listened to radio broadcast in the nation, in its time slot. Each Sunday morning millions of listeners heard Mr. Lair introduce the opening hymn on the Gaieties' with the set phrase "Strike the chord on the old parlor organ, Miss Ruth, an' let's everybody sing."



John Lair

Mrs. Ruth McFerron When after fifteen years her name was omitted from the program, many letters came in and she still coming asking "Whatever happened to Miss Ruth?" Well, the most recent thing that has happened to her was the local observance of her eightieth birthday, on January 8, one feature of which was her appearance as guest honor at a dinner party of her old friends and schoolmates, hosted by Mr. and Mrs. John Lair, at famous Boone Tavern, in nearby Berea, Kentucky.

What brought about her removal from the cast of The Gaieties' was a re-awakening of a long-dormant romance, which resulted in her marriage to her girlhood sweetheart, John D. McFerron, Mr. McFerron, himself a

THANK YOU

I would like to express my appreciation for the kindness shown by the doctors, nurses and hospital staff at the Rockcastle County Hospital during my time of sorrow.

Also a special thanks to my family, friends, Bro. Raymond Flynn, those who sent flowers and those who took part in the burial services.

Thank You

Connie Noe

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM THE ROCKCASTLE COUNTY LIBRARY

February is such a dull and drab month with the weather so unpredictable that I can think of no better way to pass away the days and wait till spring than to read a good book.

Your public library has hundreds just waiting on the shelf. They also have lots of new ones coming in almost every week.

Among the new ones received this week are:

- POWERS OF MIND, By Adam Smith, AFTER THE FLOWERS HAVE GONE, by Beatrice Decker, THE FINAL FIRE, by Dennis Smith, THE HOUSE ON CHEYNE WALK, by Perry Organ, THIS BUTTERICK FARRIC HAND-BOOK, ESCAPE ON SKIS, by Amelia Elizabeth Walden, SZELAZ, by Nora Benjamin Kubie, BASIC CRAFT TECHNIQUES, by Tommy Karlen, FOXFIRE 3, BY CARL BEAT THE ODDS ON HARBOR ATTACK, by Irving M. Levitas.

NOTICE

The Standard Oil Company of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky is now accepting a limited number of new heating fuel and farm consumer customers.

For good service and products, Phone 256-2114, Mt. Vernon, Kentucky.

Income Tax Clients

I will be in Mt. Vernon from January 1st thru April 15th at my office on the corner of Richmond and Tevis Streets.

Please bring federal and state tax forms that have been sent to you.

Maureen L. Egan

Call 256-4844

NOTICE OF SALE OF FRANCHISE

By virtue of a resolution heretofore passed by the Board of Trustees of the City of Brodhead, Kentucky, directing the undersigned to advertise for bids and sell a franchise to use the streets, avenues, alleys and public places of the City of Brodhead, Kentucky, for the purpose of owning, operating, equipping and maintaining a system for the distribution of electric energy, the undersigned, as City Clerk of said City, will on the 24th day of February, 1976 at or about the hour of 10 o'clock A.M. sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder at the City Hall in said City, a franchise for the purpose above set out.

Said franchise is more particularly described and fully defined in a proposed ordinance granting and creating the same and said proposed ordinance defines the terms and conditions upon which said sale will be made, and is in full as follows:

Francis Whitehead

City Clerk, Brodhead, Kentucky.

AN ORDINANCE

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF Brodhead, Rockcastle

COUNTY, KENTUCKY, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The purchaser and grantee of this franchise, his or its legal representatives, successors, and assigns, hereinafter called the "purchaser", be, and is, subject to the conditions hereinafter contained, hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, purchase, construct, maintain and operate in and through this City and County of Rockcastle, Kentucky, a system of electric energy for the sale of same for light, heat, power and other purposes to erect and maintain poles, wires and other apparatus necessary or convenient for the operation of said system in, upon, across and along each and all of the streets, avenues, alleys and public places, within the present and future corporate limits of this City; to have and hold, as by law authorized, any and all real estate, easements, water and other rights necessary or convenient for said purpose to use any and all such streets, avenues, alleys and public places while constructing or operating said electric system; and to cross any and all streets and streams in this City for the purpose of constructing, maintaining or extending such poles, wires and other apparatus as may be necessary or convenient for the proper distribution of electric energy in and through this City. If after said pole has once been erected, the Board of Trustees shall order the removal of said pole to another location, the City shall pay the cost of making such relocation, unless due to widening, repaving or reconstruction of the street or highway, in which case the purchaser will relocate at its expense. ANY franchisee of the present distribution system, additional poles shall be placed under the supervision of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 2. The purchaser shall indemnify, and save harmless the City from any and all damages, judgments, decrees, costs and expenses, including a reasonable attorney's fee, which the City may legally suffer or incur or which may be legally obtained against and against the City by the purchaser, pursuant to the terms of this franchise, or legally resulting from the exercise by the purchaser of any of the privileges herein granted; and if any claim shall be made or suit brought against the City for damages alleged to have been sustained by reason of the construction and operation of any electric system, or for the exercise of any privileges herein granted, by the purchaser, the City shall immediately notify the purchaser in writing thereof, and the purchaser shall defend and pay the cost of such defense and any damages or costs which may be awarded against the City.

SECTION 3. The purchaser may furnish electricity for light, heat, power and any other purpose to any person or persons residing along or near the streets, avenues, alleys and public places, and may make such lawful contracts for the use thereof as may be agreed upon between the purchaser and the said person and the said person shall be bound to the same.

SECTION 4. The purchaser shall extend its electric light or power lines and install additional equipment whenever they are deemed to be necessary for the operation of the system, and the cost of such equipment shall be paid by the purchaser.

SECTION 5. The purchaser shall have the right to make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations necessary to the proper operation of the system, and to install and use all the necessary and proper equipment for the purpose.

SECTION 6. As additional consideration for the grant of this franchise, the purchaser will pay to the City a sum equal to 1% of the gross revenue received by the purchaser on and after January 1, 1976, and on each anniversary of the grant of this franchise, for the term of this franchise, hereinafter called the "franchise fee". The amount payable to the City for such fee shall be computed on the basis of the gross revenue received by the purchaser on and after January 1, 1976, and on each anniversary of the grant of this franchise, in which case the purchaser will relocate at its expense. The amount payable to the City for such fee shall be computed on the basis of the gross revenue received by the purchaser on and after January 1, 1976, and on each anniversary of the grant of this franchise, in which case the purchaser will relocate at its expense. The amount payable under this section shall be payable to the City by a portion of a calendar year at the commencement or termination of the term of this franchise shall be computed on the basis of revenues received during such portion of a calendar year, and shall be payable not more than 60 days after the termination of the period for which payments shall be made, should any license tax, occupational tax or any other tax, charge or fee except ad valorem taxes be now or hereafter imposed, the amount payable under this section shall be reduced by the amount of such taxes, charges or fees.

SECTION 7. It shall be the duty of the City Clerk, as soon as practicable after the introduction of this ordinance, to sell at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, within the franchise at the City Hall on some day to be fixed by him after said ordinance is introduced, a tract of land to be located, bounded, surveyed, and made ready for sale, and in making said sale he shall receive to his full amount the total expense connected with the making of said sale including the cost of all notices and advertisements, and he shall convey the same to the purchaser, and the purchaser shall have the right to reject any and all bids.

Francis Whitehead, City Clerk

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

ALMOST NEW 6 room house located on the Climax Rd. House has 3 bedrooms, living room, kitchen and bath. The house is total electric, has washer and dryer hook-up plus much more, for only \$18,500.

98 ACRES more or less located at Poplar Gap, there's approximately 30 acres cleared land, with 3 springs, small pond, fenced, 1569 lbs. of tobacco, all for only \$16,000.

GOOD SIX ROOM HOUSE located just out of Livingston, house has 3 bedrooms, living room, kitchen, dining area and bath. The house has wall to wall carpet, electric heat, storm doors and windows, plus much more, \$12,000.

NICE LOT located on Lovell Street in Mt. Vernon, measures approximately 100 x 125, has city water and sewer, blacktop street and in walking distance of town. \$4,750.

NEW 3-BEDROOM brick home located in the Valley Manor Sub-division. This house has wall to wall carpet, 1 1/2 bath and full basement. It has fuel oil stove, hardwood floors, washer and dryer hook-up, new storm doors and windows. \$12,500.

NEW 3-BEDROOM brick home located in the Valley Manor Sub-division. This house has wall to wall carpet, 1 1/2 bath, garage and total electric.

DANDY SIX ROOM house just out of Livingston on Sand Hill Road. It has a 4 bedrooms, living room, kitchen, bath and full basement. It has a fuel oil stove, hardwood floors, washer and dryer hook-up, new storm doors and windows. \$12,500.

NEWLY REMODELED home in the Maple Grove section of Rockcastle County. House has city water, wall to wall carpet, electric heat, built in cabinets. The house has living room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, and bath. \$11,500.

GOOD SMALL STORE BUILDING located near the Nazarene Church. Presently occupied as a fabric shop but could be used for most any type of retail business. \$9,000.

TWO ONE-HALF acre lots located near Renfro Valley Boat Dock. \$2,000.

65 ACRES FARM located on Kentucky 1249, 2 miles south of Mt. Vernon. This farm has a 6 room house with 2 barns and other out-buildings. Tobacco allotment is 2121 lbs. Priced at \$38,000.

GOOD PIECE OF COMMERCIAL LAND located outside the Mt. Vernon city limits on US 26, south near Cromer's Dollar Store. There is over 900 ft. of road frontage along US 26. The parking area is already blacktopped and there is a trailer hook-up on the lot. \$25,000.

MODERN HOUSE in Mt. Vernon, near nazarene Church, this compact frame house has 6 rooms and bath. Excellent for a small family. Reasonable at \$14,000.

ACRE LOTS located approximately 1 mile south of Mt. Vernon. City water, blacktop road, surrounded by fine homes. \$5,500.

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Northern Rockcastle Co. Water Commissioners

Rockcastle Recollections

BY: JOHN LAIR

It has always been generally understood that a family fight is the worst kind of fight there is and the aftermath of the Civil War did much to substantiate that belief. When a county was as divided as was Rockcastle in her allegiance to two different principals and causes, you could expect a build-up of animosities that wouldn't soon be forgotten. Years ago, in doing some research on the principal Kentucky Mountain feuds, I learned that many of them had their inception during the War Between the States.

When I dug into the history of our own county I came across case after case where individual conflicts on the battlefield had led to neighborly animosity and strife long after the blue and the gray had been laid aside for the garb of the civilian. If a father, son or brother on one side had been killed by a neighbor on the other, that neighbor had every reason to expect that his own life would be in danger when he got home and there it was over with, generations then unborn might be drawn into a struggle more merciless and vindictive than the war itself.

In one other way taking sides in the war meant aligning up on different sides for many years to come, and that was in the way of politics. To this day, those who fought for the North and their descendants are listed in the ranks of the Republican party, while those who went with the South are almost invariably rated as Democrats.

There were stirring times in smaller towns and communities after the close of the war. In cities and larger areas, there were many things taking place and many changes of an exciting nature to occupy the mind and give the returning soldier various things to think about that would take his mind off his immediate past. But to the man coming back to a small community, so different from his recent scenes of excitement, local elections and politics furnished him about his only chance for competition and conflict. In fact, for a long time after peace had been declared some voting precincts in Rockcastle County offered, in miniature, scenes somewhat reminiscent of the battlefield and not without their touches of blood and death. There was a period of many years, some of which I can well remember, in which no election day was expected to come and go without a shooting or stabbing in at least one voting precinct in the county.

My father used to tell me of the days before the secret ballot, when workers for competing candidates would be escorting a voter up to the window to declare his preference for their man, when they would be attacked by bullies of the opposition and a pitched battle would ensue in which the prospective voter could expect a lot of tugging and hauling and pretty rough physical treatment. Much of this was done away with when the secret ballot system was put into use. This was a break for the voter, especially those who made a practice of selling their vote. A cagey operative could promise to vote for each candidate, accept pay from each and then go ahead and vote for whom he pleased. This practice, however, soon changed vote buying from a retail to a wholesale business. Some partisan in each community, for whom the floaters entertained some respect and a lot of fear, would be paid a lump sum, by the candidate, to vote a certain number of men and it would be up to him to meddle the vote by such means as he deemed practical.

Since there were more Rockcastle men enlisted with the Union forces during the war, there were more who were Republicans afterward, a situation which yet prevails. It has been pointed out that a majority of the soldiers from the mountain counties of Kentucky went with the Union. Two reasons have been assigned for this. Their ancestors had fought under the stars and stripes in all previous wars in which America had been engaged and they did not feel right

going against the flag their fathers and grandfathers had followed. For another thing, not many of them had much use of slave labor, and they, like many others, had the feeling that this war was being fought over the question of slavery, in which they had very little interest.

Many men who were not slaveholders were of the less affluent class and it did not hurt their feelings at all to see their wealthier neighbors, of whom they had long been envious, lose their slave property and come down themselves to a less prosperous condition. The Republican Party was quick to sense this, and early took advantage of the opportunity to hold up the slaveholders and plantation owners as persons of "pomp and circumstance," while the working man was the "salt of the earth," consequently a good Republican.

We had politicians in Rockcastle County who took a back seat to no one in preaching this doctrine. As a boy, I remember sitting in the court room on the occasion of one public rally and hearing one of our spellbinders working his followers to such a pitch that, on cue, they would stamp the floor, clap their hands, and scream a loud that they would almost shake the building. His one shouted statement that threw them into a perfect frenzy of agreement I would not be willing to quote.

Probably the worst politically incited election day battle of all took place in 1897 at the Singleton Valley School. His which served as the voting place for that precinct. The big political struggle for that year centered around the race for county judge between David Bethrum, republican and F.G. "Little Dick" Williams, democrat. The Republican party was, of course, greatly in the majority, and the Bethrums were the acknowledged political strong men of the county, but "Little Dick" was a smart and ambitious younger man, from one of the most respected families, and many of the republicans and independent voters had switched in his favor.

In addition to the regular voters of that precinct, many visitors had been attracted to the ground by the excitement promised in the closing scenes of this hotly contested election. Willis Sigmon, from near Renfro Valley, was an eyewitness who gave the facts as reported here. He recalls that Dr. Monroe Pennington, of Mt. Vernon, had just joined the crowd and was hitching his saddle to him when the first bullet fired clipped a twig from the limb to which his reins were being fastened.

The Mullins-Langford feud, Rockcastle County's most active, was then in full swing and they had taken sides in this election and started shooting on the slightest provocation. At the end of the battle, Henry and Elzy were dead and two of his supporters were shot down. They were Chester Payne, shot five times, and John Lawrence, shot through the chest. Both later recovered. The pistol John Lawrence used in the fight had been bought from Bill Hunley and had not been paid for. In a later argument over this, Hunley shot and killed him. Elzy Langford, trouble shooter for the Langford faction, sent Hunley word to keep away from Brush Creek in the future, declaring that no man could bluff him. Hunley, against the advice of Sigmon and friends, got on his horse and rode to Brush Creek. Within five minutes of his arrival he had been shot and killed by Elzy Langford. During Elzy's trial at Mt. Vernon, general firing broke out and Lefe King, ex-jailer of the county, was killed by Elzy, supposedly accidentally. The case was then for retrial, but some sort of compromise was reached and no trial was ever held. Records show that nobody was ever called to account for any of these killings. *****

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County Agent's Notes

BY: H. LEE DURHAM

WHAT IS THE VALUE OF THE HOME VEGETABLE GARDEN?

If you've never gardened before you've probably been put off by the thought of "too much work." While it's true that gardening does require work, there are rewards - even financial rewards - which are often overlooked. Consider some of the following benefits in having a vegetable garden.

FINANCIALLY: Even the smallest size family garden (say 10 ft. x 16 ft.) will grow about \$120. Worth of fresh produce which can be considered direct savings over store-bought vegetables. This figure can be increased if your wife likes to freeze or can surplus crops from your garden, such as tomatoes, beans, corn, zucchini, Brussels sprouts and peas.

ECONOMICALLY: The more time you spend enjoying your garden the less time you need to spend away from home. That saves gasoline, starting out, and other away-from-home costs. Once you have your garden started you'll be amazed how much time you want to spend in your garden - not how much time the garden demands you spend in it.

As a recreation-doctors recommend gardening for health reasons. So don't think of time spent in your garden as work - think of it as healthy exercise that will help you live longer and enjoy life.

NUTRITIONALLY: Along with sleeping, eating is one of life's most important bodily functions. So, don't you think that the quality of the food you eat is deserving of a little consideration? Vegetables fresh from the garden not only have better flavor than store bought kinds (which generally have to be picked prematurely to ripen during transit) they are nutritionally superior. The longer you keep any vegetable, the greater the vitamin loss. You really can taste the difference. Try comparing sweet corn straight from the garden to one that has been left to stand just 12 hours after picking. Compare the flavor of a sun-ripened tomato to one that has been picked green and left to ripen indoors. Vegetables are an important source of many essential vitamins.

SOCIALLY: Gardening can be a family affair in which husband, wife and children can all participate, and enjoy the benefits. You cannot say the same for other great pastimes.

For information on the growing of home vegetables and food preservation practices, contact your local County Extension Office.

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