

The Passing Parade

By HAROLD S. MAY

We've never seen so many open-faced envelopes descend on our home in all our born'd days as have arrived today. The factory that makes them must have put in a lot of overtime just for us. But—we had a lot of fun going into debt.

With tickets being so much sought after for the hit show "My Fair Lady" it seemed odd at a recent performance that there was a vacant seat. Leaning across the vacant seat, the occupant on the left side asked the lady on the right side if she happened to know why this seat was vacant. "Oh yes," she replied. "My husband and I sent in for these tickets eight months ago, but unfortunately my husband passed away." "I'm sorry to hear that," replied the lady, "but couldn't one of your relatives have used the ticket?" "Oh no," said the widow "they're all at the funeral."

It's a pity that people can't exchange problems. Everyone knows how to solve the other fellow's.

Statistics show that 15 million U. S. women are overweight. Recently compiled statistics do not specify where they live—but Mid-western bus seats are designed two inches wider than those in the East.

Speaking of women, we understand that some wear a girdle to help them keep a stiff upper lip.

He strolled into the office late on New Year's morning when a co-worker said: "You certainly look tired and worn out. If you couldn't sleep, why didn't you count sheep?" The old boy had done his best to celebrate the entry of the new year to the best of his ability and, when he finally got to bed, was too tired to sleep. "I tried to take your belated advice," the tired one said. "I counted 10,000 sheep, put them in the railroad car and shipped them to market. After I had figured out how much money I had lost on the deal, it was time to get up."

And this didn't happen on New Year's Eve! Mrs. Laura C. Santofani, of Middletown, Conn., returned home the other afternoon and, when her husband saw the crumpled fender on their new car, hurriedly explained that she was hit by a house. Before friend husband could blow his top, she hurriedly elucidated that the house was being moved and she encountered it on a narrow bridge.

It was at a little party that the discussion of pet dogs took the center of the stage. Each dog lover had his or her say while an elderly bachelor sat silently in the corner fairly well fed-up with the conversation. Finally one dear lady said: "Why, our dog is just like one of the family." The bored one in the far corner barely audible was heard to ask: "Which one?"

The story is that a maiden lady of several dozen summers and not a few hard winters moved into the small town and early spotted an eligible bachelor who had suffered many years of wear and tear. As you might guess, within an unbelievable short time the news burst on the populace that they had gotten married. Some months later, the husband began frequenting his old haunts to gather again with his cronies. Finally, one of them asked: "John, tell us about this marrying business. What kind of a match did you make?" After a little thought John replied: "Well, I didn't do as well as I expected." Then after a pause: "And to tell you the truth, I don't think she did, either."

The newest description of a reindeer given by a first-grader after the visit of Santa Claus was: "A rise with TV antenna."

A new Texas story, now making the rounds, concerns a man who struck oil and, with his new riches, built a mansion and three swimming pools. One pool he keeps filled with cool water and another with warm water; the third, he keeps empty. When asked for an explanation, he explained: "A lot of my friends can't swim."

A couple went to a New Year Eve party where the beverages were flowing freely, with everyone taking a full share. After a couple of hours the wife of the life of the party drew him aside. "Henry," she cautioned, "please take any more to drink, because it is beginning to show."

Christie, the first of the first, is beginning to show.



NOT-SO-FAMOUS GRANDPARENTS . . . Here are the not-so-famous grandparents of the Eisenhower children, Col. and Mrs. P. W. Thompson, father and mother of Mrs. Barbara Thompson Eisenhower, wife of Major John Eisenhower. In this picture the Thompsons are shown on the lawn of their home in Gainesville, Fla., where Col. Thompson is studying law and his wife is a violinist in the University of Florida symphony orchestra. Col. Thompson has retired from active duty after 30 years in the Army.

First 1958 Baby Born 12:08 A. M.

The strains of Auld Lang Syne were still echoing when Lauderdale County's first baby of the New Year arrived at Eliza Coffee Memorial Hospital at 12:08 a. m. January 1.

The 7 pound, 1 ounce girl was born to Mrs. Rufus V. Jackson and her husband, who live on Florence, Rt. 3, and according to hospital attendants Wednesday morning "mother and baby are doing fine." Dr. L. C. Price delivered the little girl, whose name had not been chosen at mid-morning yesterday.

Unless a claimant to an earlier 1958 birth comes forward by 5 p. m. Monday, the newest member of the Jackson family will receive 16 handsome prizes from Florence merchants and the parents will get a gift from The Herald. The official winner and the list of awards will be carried in next week's Herald.

The first arrival of 1958 at ECM Hospital was a full 4 hours and 59 minutes ahead of last year's earliest, Bruce Jones McKee, born to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McKee, 127 South Prairie St., at 5:07 a. m. Jan. 1, 1957.

Mr. Jackson, who is an extract operator at Flag-Utica Corp., and his wife are parents of two other children.

Haltom Reports On Chamber Activities

Declares Organization Did Sound, Capable Job For Area Past Year

Members of the Florence Chamber of Commerce this week received a copy of the annual report of the retiring president, E. B. Haltom, Jr., made to the organization's directors Dec. 19.

The report covered all phases of Chamber activity during 1957, and Mr. Haltom declared the organization "has done a sound and capable job of fostering the economic growth and development of this area and (has been) the organized voice of business in the community."

He pointed out, however, "We in this area of North Alabama are on the brink of new and exciting industrial opportunities. The next ten years in the Tri-Cities area should bring us a rate of industrial and business growth unparalleled in our history. Now is the time to prepare for that future. To that end we must, of necessity, gear our thinking and planning on a larger scale and on a long range basis."

Among the most important activities of the Chamber during 1957 was its support of Tennessee river development, contacts with industrialists seeking plant sites, support of TVA, agricultural relations, extension of transportation facilities and efforts to attract more tourists to the area.

Membership in the Chamber of Commerce the past year was the highest in its history, showing a net gain of 47 members over the preceding year.

Haltom extended his thanks to Secretary Manager Hewlett Jackson and his assistant, Mrs. William Hardin, members of the Board of directors and the membership for the cooperation given him during the year. T. M. Rogers, Jr., succeeds Haltom as president.

CITY PRIVILEGE LICENSE BECAME DUE JAN. 1st

City of Florence privilege (business) licenses became due Wednesday and merchants have until February 1 to purchase them without incurring a penalty. City Clerk Jim Wilson cautioned those liable today.

Eisenhower To Present Highest Peace-Time Budget In History



EXPROPRIATE DUTCH . . . Indonesian government has seized all important Dutch plantation, trading, banking, utility and manufacturing properties in the country. Here is Jakarta office building bearing signs advocating expulsion of Dutch.

Education Will Get Big Slice Federal Funds

The highest peace time budget in history is predicted as President Eisenhower arrived at tentative final figures Tuesday at his Gettysburg, Pa., farm where he is resting before undertaking the strenuous tasks that lay ahead in the new year.

While there will be no tax cuts the budget is not expected to call for increased taxes, official Washington said.

Defense spending will have priority since a large amount is to be allocated for missile research and development to meet the challenge of Russia's space superiority. The amount to be spent on missiles is still to be ironed out, White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty said. He added that the President expects to have a balanced budget with possibly a "slight surplus" at the end of the fiscal year in June 1959. The budget is expected to run about \$74 billion. The budget for the present fiscal year ending next June is \$72 billion.

Money For Education
The new billion-dollar education program primarily aimed at training more scientists and engineers will be an important part of the President's budget expected to be delivered to Congress on Monday, January 13.

Specifically, Mr. Eisenhower called for \$1.8 billion for education in a four-year program to drastically step up the output of American scientists in the space-satellite age.

Details of the seven-point plan were presented by Marion B. Folsom, secretary of health, education and welfare, whose department will supervise the broad program. Folsom predicted the plan would receive a favorable reaction in Congress.

The seven point overall program would call for:

1. Ten thousand federal scholarships for the next four years. These would be allocated among the states.
2. Federal grants to the states on a 50-50 matching basis to finance aptitude tests for students between the 7th and 9th grades.
3. Matching grants to the states to improve student counseling and guidance in preparation for higher education.
4. A plan for 1,000 federal graduate fellowships in the first year and 1,500 in the following four years to prepare gifted college students for teaching the sciences. Graduate schools could receive direct federal grants up to \$125,000 a year to expand facilities provided they matched the grants.
5. A 50-50 matching grant to states to help them obtain more and better teachers of science and mathematics.
6. Federal aid to establish and operate training centers to increase the output of foreign language teachers, especially Asia, Africa and the far East.
7. An increase of 64.5 million in the budget of the National Science Foundation.

Judge Murphy Sets Law, Equity Term

Judge Raymond Murphy will hold a non-jury call of the Law and Equity Court Monday and Tuesday. On Monday the criminal docket will be held beginning at 10 a. m. and the civil docket will be called at 10 a. m. Tuesday.

All persons who have cases in the court or who have signed bonds to appear are reminded by Judge Murphy that they should be present in court to make the proper disposition of their cases. Persons who have previously made some arrangements to settle their cases should be present in court Monday morning to be sure that they get their cases continued if they have not made full settlement before then.

Judge Raymond Murphy will preside and Frank V. Potts solicitor, will direct the settlements and prosecutions.

Theatre Program

SHOALS—Florence
Thurs-Fri., Jan. 2-3
THE JAMES DEAN STORY. Also **JOHNNY TROUBLE**—with Carolyn Jones, Stuart Whitman, Ethel Barrymore.
Sat., Jan. 4
THE QUIET MAN—Technicolor, with John Wayne, Maureen O'Hara, Barry Fitzgerald, Ward Bond, Victor McLaglen.
Sun-Mon., Jan. 5-6
PICKUP—CinemaScope, starring Victor Mature, Anita Ekberg, Trevor Howard.
Tues-Wed-Thurs., Jan. 7-8-9
I WAS A TEENAGE WEREWOLF—with Dawn Richards. Also **INVASION OF THE SAUCER MEN.**

Late News

Birmingham's police chief Jamie Moore will fight efforts of Public Safety Commissioner Eugene Connor to oust him. His attorney Roderick Beddow said Tuesday, "Moore will be vindicated." Beddow declared, Connor filed 17 complaints against the police chief charging him with unbecoming conduct, neglect of duty, illegal participation in politics and waste of city property. Connor however was told by the Jefferson Civil Service Personnel Board to be more "specific."

A contract for "reflectorizing" about one-sixth of Alabama's 1959 automobile tags has been awarded to Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company of St. Paul. The tags will be used as a safety measure on trucks, school buses, taxicabs and other commercial vehicles. Finance director Fuller Kimbrell said.

Moscow radio claimed this week that Russian scientists have created the first controlled thermo-nuclear reaction, a major breakthrough in the race to tame the power of the H-Bomb for peace time purposes.

Sheriff Raymond Wheeler of Colbert County this week issued a missing persons bulletin on Max Grosz, 44, construction engineer employed by Reynolds Metals Company at Listerhill. Grosz has been missing since 9 p. m. on December 21, at that time telling fellow workers that he was going on a visit to Paducah, Ky. A check revealed that he did not visit the Kentucky city and no other trace of the man could be found.

Grosz drives a 1956 Chevrolet 2-door hardtop, Alabama license number 20-10408. He is described as being about 6 feet tall and weighing about 185 pounds.

No New '58 City Taxes, Mayor Martin Declares Present Revenue-Producing Levies, Planned Economies Will Be Sufficient

McMurtry Named Plant Manager

Native Of Tennessee Succeeds E. W. Day At Ford Installation

Harry G. McMurtry has been appointed to succeed E. W. Day as plant manager of the Ford Motor Company's aluminum castings plant at Sheffield, according to an announcement from G. Gordon Cook, general manager of Ford's hardware division.

Mr. Day will remain at the Sheffield plant in an advisory capacity until reassigned in the Ford company. He was in charge of initial operations at the installation south of the river.

Mr. McMurtry, a native of Union City, Tenn., is 49. He attended Lambuth College at Jackson, Tenn., and has been with Ford since 1950, serving as plant manager of the Dearborn, Mich., iron foundry. He is married and the father of a son, Victor, 16.

15 NEW TB CASES REPORTED IN COUNTY

Tuberculosis was reported in Alabama at the rate of more than six cases a day during November. The State Health Department announced this week that 196 cases were recorded that month.

Forty-two counties contributed to the November total. Lauderdale County reported 15.



CHRISTMAS AFTERTHOUGHT . . . Las Vegas showgirl Joel Johnson displays every woman's dream of a perfect gift—a sable stole.

CLASSES RESUMED AT FLORENCE STATE TODAY

Florence State Classes were resumed today after a holiday recess that began December 19. The first semester will close January 23 with second semester registration to begin Monday January 27.

Here's Chronology Of Lauderdale News Last Year

The year 1957 in Lauderdale County brought, as one American Colonial editor termed a heavy flow of news, "a glut of occurrences." In the pages of The Herald were chronicled happiness and sorrow, progress and retrogression, violence and altruism—all the variegated happenings of a busy year. Here, capsuled month-by-month, is the top local news of 1957:

JANUARY

Bruce Jones McKee arrived at ECM Hospital at 5:07 a. m. on Jan. 1 to become the first baby of the New Year in Lauderdale County. The young fellow weighed a hefty nine pounds, 9 1/2 ounces, and was born to Mrs. W. B. McKee and her husband, who resided at 127 South Prairie St., Florence. As first baby of 1957 he received gifts from The Herald and a number of Florence merchants. Teachers in the Lauderdale County school system established a credit union. The Florence Board of Commissioners approved a 1958-59 budget of \$799,293.80. Louis Rosenbaum donated \$1,000 to the Muscle Shoals District Service League's Cancer fund in memory of the late Morris Shipper. E. L. Colebrook was installed as president of the Exchange Club and Jesse A. Keller became president of the

Kiwanis Club. Reynolds Metals purchased 891 acres on Lake Wilson for possible expansion and a site for docks and harbor facilities.

FEBRUARY

Adolph Abrams was elected president of the Florence Retail Merchants Association. A total of 9,540 persons in Lauderdale County were receiving surplus commodities through the federal and county governments. More than half the Soil Bank funds allocated to Lauderdale County had been applied for only three days after the first filing date. Florence merchants were promoting Florence Value Days, and the city was expecting thousands of shoppers over the week-end. Charles P. McMeans, president of the Bank of Lexington, was elected chairman of Groups I and II of the Alabama Bankers Assn., at a meeting in Cullman. Lauderdale County schools were given a federal emergency grant of \$36,373. Morris Kilbinnott was elected president of the Florence Planning Board. A decision on whether the Florence Community Hotel would be carried through to completion or liquidated was to be taken at a meeting of stock subscribers set for March 12. The city Board of Education had

begun a city-wide school expansion program that encompassed a \$1,000,000 worth of construction. Proceeds from its 1957 Follies, sponsored by the Muscle Shoals District Service League and due for a two-night run at Coffee auditorium, were to be used to purchase a Cobalt 60 cancer therapy machine. The county Board of Education authorized construction of a new lunchroom at Rogersville school and purchase of 12 new school buses.

MARCH

The fourth Muscle Shoals district Family Life Conference was set for April 2-4. Confusion reigned at the meeting of stockholders of the Community Hotel, and it was finally decided to poll holders of shares by mail in an effort to ascertain whether the project should be dropped. An oil well being drilled on the M. S. Killen property north of Florence was being tested for shows of oil, the well having reached a depth of 2,058 feet. The new exchange of Southern Bell at Florence was visited by hundreds during an open house held there. Tri-Cities citizens announced there was a good possibility of establishing Muscle Shoals-Mobile air passenger service.

APRIL

A multi-million dollar expansion of its Muscle Shoals works was announced by the Reynolds Metals Company. More than 75 Coffee High students, with their sponsors and faculty advisors visited Washington, D. C., and other points on their nine-day spring tour. The State Docks board had advertised for bids for construction of docks' sheds and a railroad spur at Florence. It was announced that Holiday Inns would build a hotel at Florence at a cost of more than \$1,000,000. Workers at Florence Cotton Mills remained on strike, and the management warned the company might be liquidated if the shutdown continued. Stockholders in the Community Hotel voted overwhelmingly to discontinue the project. Lauderdale County escaped serious damage from a spring tornado which swept across North Alabama, but more than 400 in Morgan County were left homeless and at least 20 seriously injured. Dr. Harry A. Curtis, a director of the TVA, was honor guest at a luncheon here given by the Rotary Club, and predicted this region's development had only begun. Eight tentative school construction projects, (Continued on Page 2)

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The Important Fourth Area

"Many American children are suffering serious neglect in the area of emotional development," declares Dr. Francis J. Braceland, immediate past president of the American Psychiatric Association, in the November issue of The Sign, national Catholic magazine.

The result, adds Dr. Braceland, who is also psychiatrist-in-chief at the Institute of Living, Hartford, Conn., is "that parents have a job to do. Into their marriage and parenthood, they bring the after-effects of the emotional neglects suffered in their own childhood. One of their hardest jobs is to see that these are not 'taken out' on the children. Over the years, I have encountered a great deal of family misery arising out of the tendency of some parents to treat their children like brothers and sisters instead of like sons and daughters."

He continues: "Every child needs development in four areas. He needs physical development, and it is my impression that most parents do a good job in this department. He needs intellectual and spiritual development, and in these areas parents have the assistance of school and church. Finally, he needs emotional development."

If his emotional needs are neglected, says Dr. Braceland, "the child experiences acute unhappiness. He either flees into daydreams to get away from this unhappiness or he fights it. Sometimes the fight takes the form of resenting the source of his unhappiness, namely one or both of his parents. . . . And what begins in childhood as repressed hostility toward a parent can reappear later as hostility toward something else—toward some other person, that is, or a group of persons or an institution."

Parents can prevent the development of hostilities in children by fulfilling their emotional needs. "The child," he points out, "needs love, care, sympathy, and understanding. He needs the assurance that he isn't being militated against, that someone else is not being preferred over him. He needs the security of discipline. Fair and just discipline, of course. . . . All he asks is that he be corrected for doing wrong, that is, for his sake, and not because Mama is out of sorts or Papa has had a bad day at the office, which is to say for their sake."

A Glimmer Of Hope

All may not be as black as it seems in the Middle East if some indications presently current are not misleading. Perhaps the one glimmer of hope for the lessening of tensions in that part of the world at least temporarily, is the fact that Egypt intensely desires independence despite having accepted arms and other assistance from Communist Russia.

Nasser, Egypt's president, may appear to be a ruthless dictator to some but to the Egyptians he is a national hero. His seizure and nationalization of the Suez Canal was a master stroke of timing as proven by the fact that the Israeli invasion finally fizzled and Nasser emerged from this crisis stronger than before. It is just possible he will now sit down with the West in some sort of an agreement calculated to dispose of some of the Middle East's most irritating problems since he knows, because he is no fool, that to get too chummy with the Russians, is to surrender his nation to the Communist bloc.

Nasser has seen what happened to Syria and being an Egyptian first, can hardly like what he sees. If Nasser precipitates a war, say with Israel, Russian "volunteers" and Russian military aid might well move in and forget to move out. The tilt with Israel was stopped shortly after the Soviet threat that "volunteers" might take part in a Middle East war. Nasser wants no such coup as that in Syria and since his influence is considerable over Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Iraq, and Iran, he very conceivably could, if the right diplomacy is used, become a potent force for peace in the Middle East.

Britain, having lost her toehold in the Suez area and together with France, perceptibly weakened in the Mediterranean, can certainly do no less than turn her diplomatic guns toward some sort of Middle East truce making. She has nothing to lose and everything to gain by such a move.

Dollars For Freedom

Perhaps we are old-fashioned but we are still inclined to look askance at much of our foreign aid program when we see how flimsy are the friendships we are getting for our money. None can deny that we are using "dollar diplomacy" in most parts of the world to keep the Reds at bay, and, sad to state, dollars have not been enough. Unless the tide turns we are fighting a losing battle.

There are bright spots however in every situation and this time it points to India where American business men have organized to spend free American dollars in small Indian enterprises.

Investors comprised of people from all walks of life have been organized into a Kansas corporation known as Private Enterprises, Inc., for the purpose of granting loans to deserving applicants on a 50-50 profit-sharing basis. Money is deposited in the Punjab National Bank and each loan is carefully screened by a committee of prominent Indian businessmen.

The Indian press has not been silent. It is singing the praises of the American system of free enterprise for the improvement of the American corporation are sparking the imagination of thousands of readers across the nation of India. The popular Commie line of "down with capitalism" might well strike a sour note in India once enough people understand that free enterprise can be a most important factor in achieving other freedoms.

In the Week's News

A disastrous fire that practically wiped out the business section of Springhill, N. S., may result in an end for the mining town of 7,000 which in 1956 suffered a mine explosion that took 39 lives. The colliery where the explosion occurred has been sealed up and the remaining coal pit has produced only spasmodically. Fifteen businesses and five apartment houses were burned in the Friday fire.

Seven persons were known to have been bitten by a rabid dog at a Florida College Coed home at Lakeland, Fla., last week. The dog that had been smuggled into the dorm against school rules was examined after it died and rabies was confirmed. Warning letters have been written to the entire student body as some 82 students were said to have had some contact with the animal.

Dr. Jonas Salk, discoverer of the Salk Vaccine for polio is credited with a serum that is successful in combating cancer growth. The experiments thus far have been in test tubes however and Salk said, "it is apparent that considerable further study is required before any conclusions can be drawn."

Mrs. Rita Steeves, wife of an Air Force pilot who was lost for 54 days in rugged terrain in California mountains after his plane crashed last summer, has consulted her lawyer about a divorce. She said her decision was made primarily for the sake of their daughter, aged 2.

The Fifth United States Circuit Court of Appeals Friday reversed a lower court's ruling ordering Dallas, Tex., to integrate its schools at mid-term. The Appellate Court said Dallas school authorities should have more time to proceed with desegregation.

The Army revealed Friday that it had developed a tiny pilotless plane capable of flying over enemy territory and taking pictures as it flies. The drone aircraft even drops flares in taking night pictures. The plane returns to its base after its mission is completed and lands by means of an ejected parachute.

Four Decatur youths Sunday fired a three-foot rocket "out of sight." They estimated the missile flew 4800 feet above the ground burning a fuel made of potassium perchlorate, carbon, sugar and sulphur. The boys, Bobby Clemmons, 18, Mike Clemmons, 17, Allen Johns, 19, and Roy Mitchell, 20, plan to become missile engineers. The former two are students at Decatur High School, Johns attends school in Huntsville and Mitchell works.

A search party Sunday found three-year-old Shirley Ann Ramsburg, missing for over 48 hours, in the rugged Blue Ridge Mountains near her Charlestown W. Va., home. The child was hungry and cold but otherwise unharmed. More than 100 persons had joined in the search for the tot.

Rout Armed Man With Tear Gas

John McKinney Defies Officers, Then Gives Up; Murder Intent Charged

A Florence man was routed from his home late Monday when officers fired a tear gas shell into the dwelling. He was John McKinney of 513 West Mobile, whose wife told city officers that he had shot at her with a .22 rifle shortly before she appeared at the police station.

The officers went to the home, where they said McKinney stood at the front door, cursed them, and dared them to arrest him. The officers then left the scene, secured a warrant for McKinney, and returned to his home.

Police said they called three times for the man to come out of the house and, when he did not, fired the tear gas shell into the dwelling. McKinney then came out with his hands in the air and was taken to county jail, where he was booked on a charge of assault with intent to murder.

The officers said a search of the house brought recovery of a .22 cartridge hull, the rifle and a full box of cartridges. McKinney will have a preliminary hearing before Justice G. M. Jones.

Thieves Arrested After 2 Burglaries Sunday Evening

A jewelry shop and a hardware store were entered by burglars Sunday night, and Florence police and county officers have charged J. W. Kelly, 521 Trade St., with the robberies.

He was arrested near Brandon School, apparently not long after Young's Jewelry Shop on South Seminary St., and Roberts Hardware, two blocks north, were broken into. Police said Kelly admitted the robberies but said Edison Cox of Rogersville, also held was merely with him and did not take part in the break-ins.

Approximately \$50 worth of small rings, watch bands and cuff links were taken from Young's after a show window glass was broken. Eleven pistols were stolen from the hardware store, to which entrance was gained by kicking out the front door glass.

Police said nearly all the missing merchandise was recovered.

EMMONS TO PREACH

Wayne Emons, who is the regular minister at Lexington Church of Christ, will preach at both the 11 a. m. and 6 p. m. services Sunday. The public is extended a cordial invitation to worship with the members at either or both services.

The Dismals Gardens at Phil Campbell, Ala. are attracting more and more visitors each year. The Gardens feature rock formations and myriad blossoms.

Ex-Florentine Dies, Frank A. Hunter

Frank A. Hunter, 73, a former resident of Florence, died in a Memphis hospital December 25.

Mr. Hunter was a life-long employee of the L&N Railroad until his retirement a few years ago. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sarah Hunter, of Covington, Tenn., and two sisters, Mrs. H. V. Moseley of Lyons, Ga., and Mrs. L. D. Hix of Gallatin, Tenn.

Funeral services were held on Friday at 2 p. m. in the East Main Street Church of Christ, Gallatin, Tenn.

HEART DISEASE LEADS IN DEATHS

Heart disease caused more deaths in Alabama during October than the next three leading causes of death combined. According to a report prepared by the Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Health Department, there were 822 deaths from heart disease in that month. They occurred in all counties except Greene.

The next three leading causes and the total number of deaths from each were cancer 324, vascular lesions 317 and accidents 165.

These figures are provisional and may vary when final reports are received.

One of Alabama's richest resources is its water. Within or touching the state are 26 rivers with some 1,500 miles of navigable waterways.

Fort Morgan, Ala., focal point in battles with the British and in the War Between the States, is now a fishermen's mecca.

Chronology

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totaling \$350,000, were approved by the county Board of Education. . . . A two-week strike at Florence Cotton Mills ended but United Textile Workers Union pickets were still picketing the area in an attempt to organize the workers. . . . In a subsequent occurrence at Florence Cotton Mills, Judge Raymond Murphy found 35 strikers and a UTW organizer guilty of contempt of court for picket violations, and fined them \$50 each. . . . A Miami, Fla., firm was awarded a contract for preparation of a master expansion plan for Muscle Shoals Airport.

MAY

Lauderdale County was not among areas subjected to acreage allotment on wheat in the 1953 Department of Agriculture plans. . . . Nine firms submitted bids for State Docks construction at Florence, with Ballew & Roberts, of Sheffield, being low. . . . Mounds of fire ants were found in the St. Florian area. . . . A bill was introduced in the Alabama legislature to drop the "Teachers" from the name of Florence State Teachers College. . . . A three-day rodeo at the North Alabama fairgrounds was being sponsored by the Shrine Club. . . . About 150 seniors were expected to receive diplomas at Florence State College commencement exercises on May 27. . . . National Floor Products Co., a new firm organized by E. Stanley Robbins for manufacture of all-vinyl flooring, made first shipment of its product to dealers. . . . A new school for the Edgemont section was announced by the city Board of Education. . . . Seven youths, from 16 to 20 years of age, were arrested by Florence police and county officers who charged them with perpetrating 13 burglaries in the county. . . . A county-wide \$5 tax on automobiles was being studied as a possible means of raising local funds for expansion of Eliza Coffee Memorial Hospital. . . . An election on the question of extending Florence's city limits was requested of Probate Judge H. K. Longshore by the city commission, and set for July 2.

JUNE

Elmo Johnson, manager of the Princess Theatre, was held on a charge of assault with intent to murder after shooting his wife at the home of her brother in Memphis. . . . Central Baptist Church in East Florence was badly damaged by fire, equipment from Sheffield and the three local stations being used to extinguish the blaze. . . . James Kelly was elected Attorney General and John Koger picked for the Court of Appeals at Alabama Boys' State. . . . Contracts aggregating nearly a million dollars had been let for bridge construction in Lauderdale County. . . . Florence had been allocated \$44,125 in emergency school funds by the federal government. . . . Closing of the TVA's Phosphate Development Works at Muscle Shoals threw 250 persons out of work. . . . Holiday Inns was seeking a local bond issue to help that concern finance a \$1,200,000 hotel here. . . . \$1,800 in prizes was being offered for the Muscle Shoals Riding Club-American Legion horse show here on July 6.

JULY

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation office here was distributing \$250,000 in Soil Bank payments to more than 900 Lauderdale County farmers. . . . Gov. Jim Folsom and State Docks Director Knox McRae signed contracts with Ballew & Roberts, Sheffield firm, for the construction of docks on the Tennessee River here, the initial expenditure amounting to \$138,410. . . . Voters in the Mars Hill, Rose Park and Joyland Heights areas adjacent to the city limits turned down a move to annex them to the city of Florence. . . . Bruce Goode, World War II veteran, was elected commander of the Florence-Lauderdale Post 11, American Legion.

George E. Barnett, Jr., was installed as president of the Florence Exchange Club. . . . Killed voted 89 to 43 for incorporation. . . . The First National Bank announced it would build a new drive-in bank at Tennessee and Poplar streets at a cost of more than \$60,000. . . . Governor Folsom broke ground for the start of docks on the Tennessee river here. . . . Electromet was awarded its second consecutive safety plaque at ceremonies here. . . . Mayor Walter N. Harrison and former Mayor E. F. Martin announced their candidacies for that



DISTRICT 75,000th TELEPHONE. . . The 75,000th Southern Bell telephone in this district was delivered last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hunter, Decatur. The district is made up of numerous cities and towns in the Tennessee Valley, the larger ones being Florence, Sheffield, Tusculum, Decatur and Huntsville. I. L. Fambrough is shown above presenting a colored extension telephone to Mrs. Hunter, which is a Christmas present from her husband. Looking on are the other district officials, left to right, W. L. Goodman, district engineer; H. S. Morton, district plant manager; and E. E. Bawsel, district traffic manager.

office in the September election. . . . City voters passed overwhelmingly reinstatement of a bond issue without new taxes assuring city schools \$1,070,000 for construction. . . . A slight increase in the city natural gas rate was invoked.

AUGUST

Sam Esslinger of Florence was named a member of the State Pardons and Parole Board by Governor Folsom, and was moving to Montgomery to begin his work in that position. . . . Cotton stands in this county were called by County Agent A. H. Barnett "the worst in 20 years" due to extremely wet weather. . . . State National Bank announced it had purchased a lot at the corner of Court Street and Hermitage Drive and expected to build a new banking house there. . . . The agricultural relations division of TVA was making preparations to move its operations from Knoxville, Tenn., to Muscle Shoals, the transfer involving 60 employees. . . . The initial shipment of 10,000 pounds of aluminum from Reynolds Metals was received by the new Ford Motor Co. plant at the Shoals. . . . The State Board of Health approved a \$1,200,000 expansion upon the city and county putting up \$400,000 to match \$800,000 of state-federal funds. . . . Thousands of visitors and shoppers attended the three-day opening of the new Seven Points Shopping Center. . . . Dr. J. S. Gallinger of Birmingham was called to the pulpit of B'nai Israel Temple here. . . . Colbert County Democrats were victorious in the local option referendum in that county by a 4,944 to 3,421 vote. . . . Lauderdale County's first bale of 1957 cotton was ginned by Early Risner, Florence, Rt. 2. . . . Mrs. Johnnie Reath, 66-year-old farm woman, was charged with the slaying of Jimmie Earl Anderson, 20, of Florence.

SEPTEMBER

Florence voters were to decide on which of two hotel propositions offered—one from Holiday Inns and the other from A & M Building Co.—they would accept if a new hotel was to be built here. . . . Lauderdale's United Fund Drive goal was set at \$110,000. . . . North Alabama Fair was ready for what was expected to be its biggest showing. . . . E. F. Martin was elected mayor of Florence for the third time, defeating the incumbent, Walter N. Harrison, 2,693 to 1,393. . . . In the same election city voters turned thumbs down on both hotel proposals. . . . The North Alabama Methodist Conference assigned Dr. R. E. Branscomb to the Bessemer district as superintendent and named Dr. R. Lambuth Archibald pastor of the First Methodist Church of Florence. . . . Jim Wilson was named city clerk to succeed H. B. Howard, who died during August. . . . Coffee defeated Messick High of Memphis, 27 to 7, to open the football season here. . . . Lexington's annual fair and horse show were announced for Sept. 26-28 and Rogersville was to begin its fair the same week. . . .

Lloyd McPeters was elected first mayor of Killen. . . . Rogersville citizens held open house in their new city hall. . . . Florence merchants inaugurated a "park and shop" plan, giving parking coupons on two new parking lots with purchases made from their stores. . . . The fall term of the Lauderdale County grand jury returned 60 true bills. . . . Enrollment at Florence State College was at an all-time high with 1,465 students registered for the fall term. . . . Cotton harvesting was almost at a stand-still because of continuous rains.

OCTOBER

Arnold R. Jones, named by President Eisenhower to an interim appointment as a director of TVA, was a visitor to the Shoals area. . . . E. F. Martin was sworn in as mayor for a three-year term. . . . Florence State students observed Sadie Hawkins Week on the campus. . . . Coffee High School vault was broken into and more than \$400 in cash taken. . . . Numerous cases of Asian flu were reported, and had begun to be noticeable in school attendance. . . . Cotton picking was again halted by rain. . . . L. T. Wagon of Hartselle was named county farm agent and Miss Farris Prickett of Gadsden was appointed home demonstration agent in Lauderdale County to succeed A. H. Barnett and Miss Cecile Hester, who were retired. . . . Elmo Johnson's body was found in the Tennessee river, three bullet holes in his body. He was later pronounced a suicide.

NOVEMBER

Two TVA workmen were killed on the site of the new Tennessee river canal when dynamite blew timbers onto a shack in which they were shielding themselves. . . . America's war dead were honored here in Veterans Day ceremonies, including a downtown parade. . . . More than 100 representatives of TVA power distributors from three states visited the Muscle Shoals area. . . . More than 1,200 persons witnessed the crowning of Miss Jane Harris and Sam Mitchell as Mister and Miss Coffee High. . . . A Farm-City Week observance was set here by Florence Kiwanians. . . . Lauderdale and 45 other counties in the state were declared eligible for emergency farm loans. . . . The Board of Commissioners named an 11-member citizens group to advise with it on the city's financial problems. . . . The new cafeteria at Lauderdale County High School, Rogersville, was dedicated with 300 persons attending.

DECEMBER

Eliza Coffee Memorial Hospital was granted \$800,000 of state and federal funds for enlargement and for extra taxes were to be levied for local participation in the amount of \$400,000. . . . Burglars obtained \$3,500 and a stock of narcotics in a break-in at the Florence Walgreen store. . . . L. T. Wagon and Miss Farris Prickett, new county farm and home agent, were honor guests at a dinner given by the Farm Bureau. . . . No new taxes will be imposed "at this time" by the Board of Commissioners, R. G. Hibbett told Exchange Club members. . . . An expected shortage of \$42,000 in city revenues was found to be overestimated. . . . Amendment No. 1, calling for a bond issue for development of Alabama's inland waterways, carried overwhelmingly in a state referendum. . . . The Tri-Cities area had 25,425 telephones in use, according to distribution of new telephone directories at the end of December. . . . T. M. Rogers, Jr., was elected president of the Florence Chamber of Commerce to succeed E. B. Halton, Jr. . . . One of three new pot lines was put into production at Reynolds Metals plant.

ALABAMA SERVICE CALL GETS JANUARY BOOST

State Selective Service Director James W. (Jimmie) Jones said today that Alabama will furnish 271 men in January as its share of a national call for 10,000 men for the army.

In December, only 219 registrants were called up by the Alabama Selective Service System as the state's share of a quota of 7,000 men.

The first 1958 call will be made up of volunteers, postponed registrants, delinquents, and registrants 23 years and over, Jones stated. Lauderdale County will supply seven men.

Methodist Church To Begin Crusade

Attendance Drive Starts Jan. 5 And Continues Through Easter Sunday

The entire membership of Florence First Methodist Church has been called upon to give strong support to the Church Attendance Crusade beginning at the Church on Sunday, January 5 and continuing through Easter Sunday.

In support of his request that each member attend at least one service each Sunday during the Crusade, Dr. R. Lambuth Archibald, Pastor, says, "In these days of grave concern through which we are passing, there is no substitute for public worship. To worship in the house of God each week is to receive something of tremendous benefit. It braces us for the living of these days. I am pleased that First Methodist Church is taking this advance step." He encourages all "to take seriously the adopted theme for the movement—Let God Have His Way, At Home, At Church, At Work."

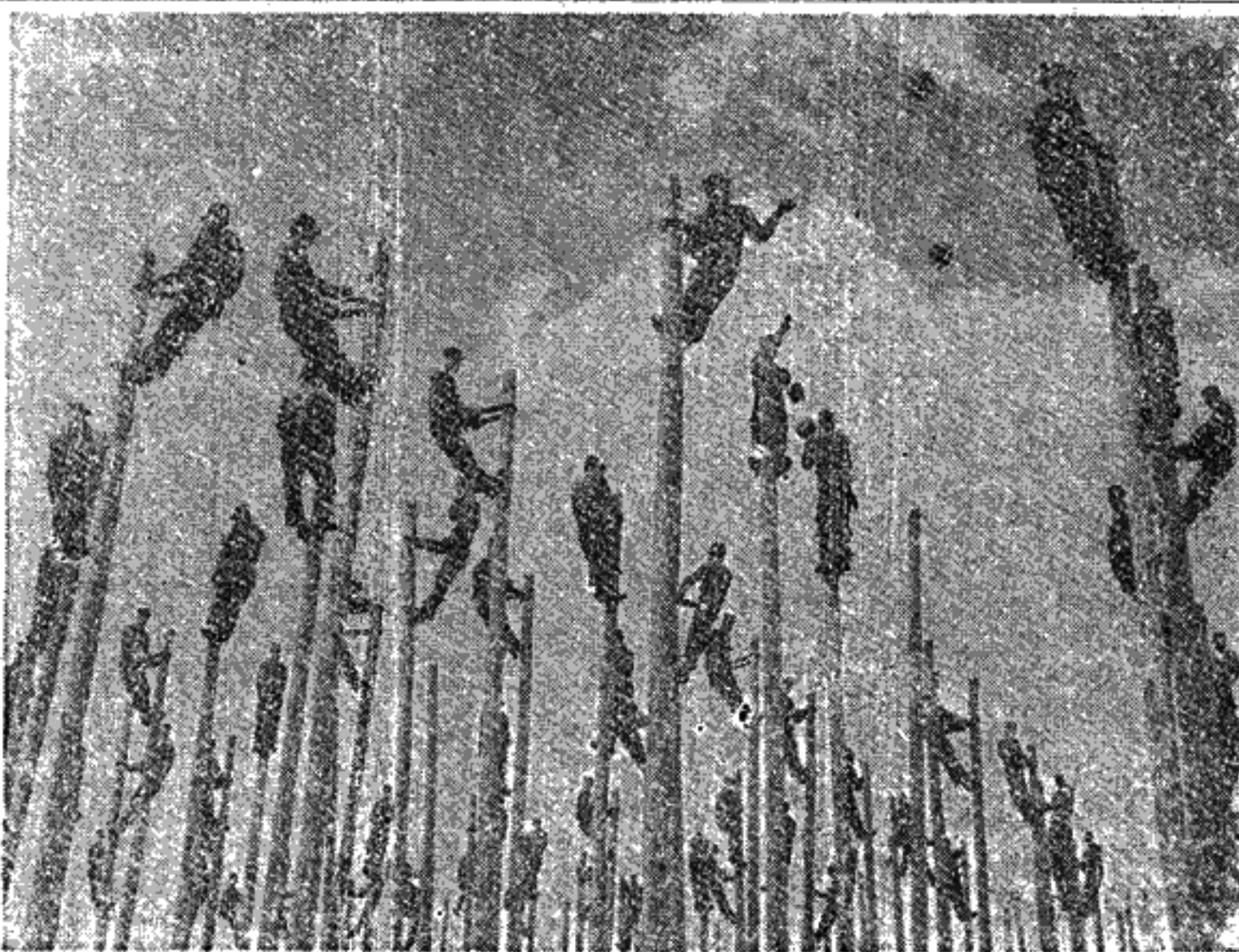
Gratifying to the ministers, Dr. Archibald and Reverend Shirle Lowery, and to the Crusade's Visitation and Loyalty Covenant Committee, headed by John Thomas, has been the fine response to the opportunity to sign the Church Member's Loyalty Covenant. A large percentage of the membership has already agreed to "endeavor to worship God in Church every week and at home every day."

Mrs. R. Lambuth Archibald, Chairman of the Individual and Family Devotions Committee has been active in preparing and distributing literature designed to encourage and promote worship in the home. Plans for registration of attendance each Sunday, and for fellowship activities, are in charge of Mrs. B. F. Riley III.

Speaking briefly of the scope and purpose of the program, T. M. Rogers, Jr., Crusade Chairman, says, "The Church Attendance Crusade is part of a national movement to make America more conscious of God. It is a sincere attempt to get people of all faiths to attend the church of their choice. Here at First Church we have a sense of joy in being a part of that larger movement." Mr. Rogers calls attention to an added, complete morning service at 8:45, approved by The Official Board. The regular worship service at 11:00 will continue.

Fred Moore, Chairman of The Official Board, and J. L. Goyer, Chairman of the Commission on Superstitions and Unsuperstitions, the plans for the worship crusade.

1956 assessed tax valuation of Jefferson county is \$696,368,970.



THIS IS BASKETBALL? It may be fun, but it's also confidence training atop 30-foot poles for student telephone linemen at the Army Signal Training Center, Fort Gordon, Ga.

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Bennett-Roberson Nuptials

First Presbyterian Church

On the evening of Saturday, December twenty-eighth, in historic First Presbyterian Church, vows of holy matrimony were exchanged between Douglass Bennett, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Lee Bennett, Jr., of 725 North Wood Avenue, and William Ray Roberson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theo Roberson, 514 Industry Street.

The ceremony was read at half past seven o'clock by Reverend J. V. Cosby Summerell, pastor, and Dr. David Wills Hollingsworth, pastor emeritus, in the presence of a large assemblage of relatives and friends.

Nuptial music was presented by Mrs. John den Boer, organist, and Mrs. James Crabb and Robert Sandline, vocalists.

The church was beautifully decorated for the wedding, with tall white tapers and magnolia in every window. The altar was highlighted by branched candelabra containing cathedral candles and white stock, gladioli, snapdragons, and smilax.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of Alencon lace and tulle with low, rounded neckline and fitted sleeves which came to points over the hands. A moulded bodice topped the voluminous tulle and lace skirt which swept into a cathedral train and her lace-framed veil of illusion was full-length and caught to a pearl tiara. Her bouquet of lilies of the valley was centered by a white orchid showered with lover's knots of satin streamers and white carnations.

Attending the bride were her sisters, Mrs. Ann Bennett Hopkins and Mrs. Marion Perritt, Miss Ruth Lynn Roberson, sister of the groom, and Miss Sylvia Towles, all of Florence, and Mrs. Herbert Pearce of Auburn. Their frocks of turquoise chiffon were designed with shirred bodices and portrait necklines. Full skirts were complemented by a floating panel at the back and their bouquets were of palest pink carnations.

Serving as best man for Mr. Roberson was Wynton Overstreet of Brewton, and ushers were Howard Tubbs and Jerry Elliott of Birmingham; Paul Suce and Herbert Pearce of Auburn; Marion Perritt and E. D. Redding of Florence.

Immediately following the ceremony Dr. and Mrs. Bennett honored their daughter and her husband with a reception at their home. Guests on this occasion were family members, members of the wedding party and close friends of the families.

Decorations at the reception repeated the over-all theme of pure white. Magnolia and smilax were used to create a charming and effective scene.

Assisting were Mrs. Mack Towles, Mrs. Mims Rogers, Miss Ida Sanford, Mrs. A. Maples, Mrs. Reed Wilcoxson, Mrs. Joseph Meade, Sr., Mrs. Frank Crow, Mrs. Douglass Jackson, Mrs. George Christopher, Mrs. Thomas Reeder, Mrs. Kenneth Darby, Mrs. Joe Brewer, Mrs. Billy Joe Kelley, Mrs. Robert Earl Lawson, Miss Vera Joe Parrish, Mrs. Charles Neese, Mrs. Charles Anderson, Mrs. W. O. Perritt, Mrs. Preston Reeder, Mrs. Joe Ware, and Mrs. J. H. Nathan and Mrs. Andrew Jackson, aunts-in-law of the bride.

Following a honeymoon in New York City the couple will be at home at 941 Lakeview Drive, Auburn.

On Friday evening, the twenty-seventh, following rehearsal of wedding plans, Mr. and Mrs. George Christopher of Prescott, Arkansas, were hosts at The Town Club, including in their invitations members of the wedding party, family members and out-of-town

guests.

For the occasion their supper table was candlelighted and covered with a white linen cloth which was centered with an arrangement of white blossoms.

At noon of the wedding day Mr. and Mrs. Douglass Jackson of Montgomery, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crow entertained the wedding party at luncheon at The Town Club. The table followed the bridal theme of green and white and guests numbered thirty.

Caroline Cahoon Weds

Charles Mayhew Crabtree

A four o'clock ceremony on Saturday afternoon, December twenty-eighth, at Trinity Episcopal Church, united in marriage Caroline Barclay Cahoon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Cahoon of 3208 Hatch Boulevard, Sheffield, and Charles Mayhew Crabtree, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crabtree of Olive Street in Florence. The Reverend Edward Gordon Mullen, rector, officiated before an altar marked with arrangements of white gladioli and white stock against a background of greenery and lighted tapers.

Mr. Cahoon gave his daughter in marriage. Her dress was fashioned of Alencon lace and designed with shirred and fitted bodice, long and pointed sleeves and a full skirt with bustled back which swept to the floor. She wore a fingertip length veil which fell from a headpiece studded with pearls and sequins and her bouquet was a cascade of white roses.

Miss Lindsay Nathan, the bride's only attendant, wore a frock of Canterbury red velvet with three-quarter length sleeves. A white fur headpiece and red carnations pinned to a matching fur muff completed her attire.

Serving as best man was the bridegroom's father and ushers were William Propst of Florence and Huntsville, William Bayless Cahoon, brother of the bride, Jon Leighty of St. Albans, West Virginia, and Joseph Fears of Louisville, Kentucky.

Alan Robert Tomlinson, organist, presented the prelude of wedding music.

Immediately following the vows, the couple was honored by a reception at the Town Club to which friends were invited.

Decorations consisted of white candles and flowers, made more sparkling by the presence of holly and magnolia.

Assisting at the reception were Mrs. W. R. Henderson, Miss Nancy Snyder, Mrs. F. F. Beauchamp, Mrs. Gillman Doss, Mrs. Clifford Simmons, Miss Elise Hastings, and aunts of the bride: Mrs. Ruth Smith, Mrs. Robert M. Holland, and Miss Dorothy Cahoon.

For traveling, the bride chose a rust and black knit with black accessories. After January first, the couple will be at home at 510 Lovell Avenue in Cincinnati, where Mr. Crabtree is a student at the University.

Home Wedding Scene

Bromley-Sisson Vows

A ceremony which united in marriage Miss Martha Elizabeth Bromley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Bromley, Atlanta Avenue, and William Eugene Sisson, son of Mrs. Etta Sisson and the late Otto Sisson, was performed in the home of the bride's parents on Sunday, December twenty-second.

Following nuptial music presented by Robert Gonce, cousin of the bride, the Reverend H. D. Clark of Haleyville, grandfather of the bride, read the vows at three o'clock in the afternoon.

White carnations and magnolia foliage mingled with silvered Christmas trees and blue lights to form a background for the wedding scene.

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Serving the bride as honor attendant was Miss Barbara Selman of Mobile, formerly of Florence, and Edward Sisson was his brother's best man.

Miss Selman's frock was of pink crystalet with which she wore matching hat and carried pink carnations.

The bride's gown was of teal blue crystalet, long-sleeved, and complemented with a small white-sequined hat. Her flowers were white carnations.

A reception followed the ceremony. Punch and a three-tiered wedding cake embossed with pink roses and surrounded by a tracery of delicate vine, were served from the candlelighted table by Mrs. D. R. Anderson, Mrs. W. L. Daugherty, Mrs. L. M. Selman, Mrs. Aubrey Matthews and Miss Mary Darnell.

The bride wore for travel a navy suit with matching accessories and a small white hat. Upon their return the couple will be at home at 830 Prospect Street, and they will continue to pursue their schoolroom activities. Mrs. Sisson is a senior at Coffee High School and Mr. Sisson will be a January graduate of the Finance and Accounting Department of the School of Business at Florence State.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Sisson of Russellville, Mr. and Mrs. Brady Odum of St. Joseph, Tennessee, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Selman, Johnny and Barbara, Mobile, and Mr. and Mrs. George Hutchinson, Phil Campbell.

Peggy Renfro Bride

Of Christmas Season

An afternoon ceremony in First Baptist Church on Friday, December twentieth, united in marriage Peggy Renfro, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Renfro, and Herbert Crump Hendricks, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks, Sr., of Birmingham.

Dr. Hudson Baggett, pastor, read the vows at four o'clock before an altar arrangement of pink gladioli and white pompon chrysanthemums against a background of greenery and candelabra holding burning tapers. Window sills were decorated with magnolia foliage and candles.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of white lace designed with fitted bodice and full, ankle-length skirt. Her fingertip veil fell from a cap of lace and she carried a white Bible, a gift from her grandmother, which was marked by a white orchid.

Serving as maid of honor was Miss Caroline Sledge and bridesmaids were Miss Lyle Woodward of Decatur and Miss Ramona Burrows of Corinth. Their frocks of white lace featured floating chiffon panels at the back and with their matching headaddresses they wore tiny veils and carried round bouquets of pink pompon chrysanthemums.

Douglas Crawford was best man and ushers were Benjamin Hendricks and Robert Johnson, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, of Birmingham.

Following the ceremony the bride's parents entertained with a reception in the church parlors. Those who assisted were Mrs. Duke Gregory of Nashville, Mrs. Douglas Crawford, Mrs. Robert Johnson and Miss Marie Holden.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. S. C. Renfro, Mrs. S. D. Williams, Mrs. Frank Cunningham, Sandy and James Renfro, all of Maryville, Tennessee, Mrs. Clay Styles of Philadelphia, Mrs. James Edgar of Jefferson City, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. James McKibben, Marks, Miss Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Roscoe, Birmingham.

For travel Mrs. Hendricks was wearing a tweed suit of Kelly green, beige and black with fur collar and small green hat.

Upon their return they will be at home in College Village Two, apartment 1-C.

Coming from Philadelphia, Dr. and Mrs. N. E. Richards and family have purchased a home at 1617 Winston Ave., where they are now at home.

Martha Nell Young Bride

Charles Franklin Payne

Solemnized at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rivers Young, on Cloverdale Road, was the marriage of Martha Nell Young and Charles Franklin Payne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Payne of Huntsville, which took place on Sunday, December fifteenth, at two o'clock in the afternoon with Barney Keith, minister of Jackson Heights Church of Christ officiating in the double ring ceremony.

Mr. Young gave his daughter in marriage. She was attired in blue lace over blue satin and with her white Bible she carried white carnations with lover's knots of narrow ribbon streamers.

Attendants were cousins of the bride. Miss Jeanette Young wore blue brocade and Miss Ann Young was gowned in pink, each carrying a bouquet of pink carnations.

Attendants for the bridegroom were his brothers, Clinton and Kenneth Payne, while brothers of the bride, Gene and John Young, were candlelighters.

Immediately following the wedding ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Young entertained with a reception in honor of their daughter and her groom.

Candles centered the bride's table where a miniature bridal couple decorated the wedding cake. Assisting were Mrs. Clinton Payne, Mrs. Kenneth Payne, Mrs. Johnny Young and Mrs. James Taylor.

Returned from their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Payne are at home in Huntsville where the bride holds a position with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company and Mr. Payne with Redstone Arsenal.

Betty Jeanette Haygood, James Villard Balch Wed At Home

The marriage of Betty Jeanette Haygood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Haygood of Florence, and James Villard Balch, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Balch of Lexington, was solemnized at six o'clock on December 21st by Rev. H. C. Killen of the Freewill Baptist Church. The wedding took place in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Parrish, Jr., and candles were lighted by Ollie Parrish before the ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a ballerina-length dress of white lace over taffeta, designed with a separate jacket high-lighted with satin trim. Her shoulder-length veil of illusion was caught to a headdress of pearls. She carried a Bride's Bible and her bouquet of a white orchid and white carnations.

David White was the best man, and the bride's honor attendant was her cousin, Miss Bonnie Sue Moore. With her dress of brocade blue taffeta, she carried pink carnations.

The mother of the bride, Mrs. Haygood, chose a dress of blue crepe for the ceremony and Mrs. Balch, mother of the groom, was also in blue. Both had corsages of pink carnations.

A small reception was held in the dining room when the wedding was over. Assisting were Mrs. Robert Pounders, Mrs. J. F. Oliver, Mrs. Minon Gray, Mrs. R. T. Springer, and Mrs. Ollie Parrish.

The young couple is now at home at 1115 Jackson Road in Florence.

Hurt-Hensley Nuptials

At Trinity Church

At four o'clock, December twenty-ninth, Bobbie Nell Hensley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Winston Hensley of Florence, and James William Hurt, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Williams Hurt, Sr., of Memphis exchanged their vows. Trinity Episcopal Church, scene of the wedding, was lighted by white candles in the windows and white roses, interspersed with white roses, on the altar. Poinsettias and evergreens formed a background in the chancel.

Given in marriage by her brother, Billy L. Hensley, the bride wore a dress with a Basque bodice which featured re-embroidered Alencon lace and covered buttons at the back. Appliques of the lace graced the bell skirt; long sleeves, pointed over the hands, and a chapel train of tulle completed a lovely picture. White orchids surrounded by white roses composed the bride's bouquet.

Honor attendant was Mrs. Billy L. Hensley, sister-in-law of the bride, and the bridesmaids were Miss Martha Hensley, sister of the bride, Miss Ann Peery of Blytheville, Arkansas, and Miss Jean Scott of Louisville, Kentucky. All wore ballerina-length dresses of red velvet and matching headbands adorned with tulle and pearls. They carried fur muffs of white marked by red carnations.

Mr. Hurt chose as best man Thorne Longworth of Cleveland, Ohio, and as groomsmen Donald Lane of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and Jack Follin, David Speaker, and Jewett Miller, all of Memphis.

The reception in Trinity Parish House followed, guests entering through an arch entwined with holly and evergreens. Red and white roses and white candles in branched holders graced the serving tables.

Mrs. Grady Hensley and Mrs. Bevy Spencer of Florence, Miss Celia Braswell of Florence, Miss Kelo of Sheffield, and Mrs. Ramona Crafton of Blytheville, Arkansas, assisted at the reception.

For travel, the bride wore a blue suit with accessories of navy blue. The young couple will be at home in Langley, Virginia where Mr. Hurt is serving with the Air Force.

Here for a holiday visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brown Reeder, Poplar St., are Dr. and Mrs. Owen Scott and children, Athens, Ga.

Vacationing in Mexico are Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Northington, who left Christmas day for a stay of two weeks.

Pre-Christmas Party

At Rectory, Charming

Eagerly anticipated from one Christmas season till the next is the holiday courtesy extended their many friends by Reverend and Mrs. Edward G. Mullen. Following tradition, they opened their home on Friday before Christmas (the 20th) when they and their son, Lt. (j.g.) Edward R. Mullen who is here from his station at San Diego, Calif., greeted several hundred Tri-Citians in rooms made festive with decorations of the season. There was the soft glow of a lighted tree from the street-side window; there were scattered tracers of spruce and pine to mingle with the glossy foliage of holly and its Christmas-red berries; there were arrangements of red carnations lending their fragrance; and in the dining room there was the testable spread with red linen and centered with a silver candelabrum holding lighted red tapers.

Also following custom, the hosts were assisted in the amenities by vestrymen of Trinity Church and their wives.

Highlight Of Holidays

Were Seasonal Parties

Gay in the Christmas motif was the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Price, Norwood Park, on Saturday evening, December 21, when they and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Linden Reeder and her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Austin, were hosts at open house from six till ten o'clock.

Red carnations mingled with greenery and candlelight in the livingroom and a gold filigree basket of the same red blossoms was suspended above the party table in the dining room where the following assisted in entertaining: Mrs. Robert Proctor, Mrs. Seth Lowe, Mrs. Fred Montgomery, Mrs. Earl Haddock, Mrs. Jack Waller, Mrs. Marcus McCrary, Mrs. Jack Kent and Miss Gethryn Stevenson.

The scene which greeted the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Carter and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holt at the Carter home on Meridian Street on the evening of the 21st included a stairway garlanded with evergreens held in place by big red ribbon bows. In the glow of many candles the mantle presented a Christmas theme and the serving table, also candlelighted, was covered with gold net over red satin and centered with a great arrangement of gilded fruit.

Assisting were Mr. and Mrs. John McGill, Mr. and Mrs. Don Thrasher, Dr. and Mrs. Rivers Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Arallo, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Mefford, Dr. and Mrs. James Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Kilgore, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Couch, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Self, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Horton and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mullins.

Brady Open House

Gracious, Festive

Holly and red tapers banked the mantle and arrangements of red carnations carried out the Christmas theme at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brady, Jr., in Edgemont when they entertained with open house on Sunday, December twenty-second. A tree bright with lights and abounding sprays of seasonal evergreens completed a charming setting.

Red satin covered with white lace on the serving table was centered with red carnations and Christmas-y foliage, and assisting the hosts were Mrs. Brady's sister, Miss Peggy Barker, and her mother, Mrs. C. T. Lindsey, Mrs. Paul Musselman, Mrs. Norman Worcester, Mrs. William Woodward, Mrs. Chris Moore, Mrs. F. C. McClure and Mrs. J. E. McDonald.

The Greens Hold

Informal Gathering

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green held an informal open house last Friday evening for about fifty friends.

Turquoise metallic stars, gold balls, and white candles glowing amid white blossoms lent their gaiety and charm to the occasion. Mrs. Green was assisted by Mrs. Henry Sherman, Mrs. Harry Brown, Mrs. Paul Lewis, Mrs. Albert Martin, and Mrs. Robert White.

Open Houses For The

Younger Set

Barbara Godfrey

Decorations from other lands brightened the home of Mrs. B. J. Godfrey Christmas afternoon, as her daughter Barbara entertained about one hundred and fifty of the high school and college crowd.

Tall candles on a bright party cloth made the table festive and sparkling, white holly and evergreens added the finishing touch.

Assisting Miss Godfrey were her mother and Misses Jane Harris, Toby Delony, Suzanne Johnson, Anelda White, Marilyn McClure, Patricia Ellis, and Bonnie Carr.

Ann Harvey

Open house on Christmas Eve night was held by Miss Ann Harvey at her parents' home in the Village for about fifty college students.

The decorations featured bright colored candles and a tall, charmingly decorated pine tree. Such figures as those of reindeer and an angel were tastefully placed to give the house a festive air.

Miss Harvey was assisted by her mother, Mrs. S. A. Harvey.

Donald Hipps Hold

Gala Affair

Assisted by some ten friends, Mrs. Donald Hipp greeted and entertained two hundred fifty friends of the Tri-Cities area in her home Sunday evening. A truly festive open house.

A color scheme of gold and white was featured by the Hipps. White candles, gleaming frosted magnolia, and white grapes and flowers were used as a charming contrast to gold candelabra and other gold ornamentation throughout the rooms.

Stardust Club

Holiday Dance

Highlighting the holiday season was the Florence Stardust Club's annual formal on Monday evening, December twenty-third, at the VFW Club in Sheffield.

Supper for members and dates was served during intermission from a buffet table appointed in pink and silver and, after the dance, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Landrum were breakfast hosts at their home on Sherrod Avenue. "The Off-beats" who furnished music for the dance were also their guests.

New members presented were: Pamela Ann Bull, Ronnie Hester; Linda Bailey, John Darby; Glenda Davis, James Foster; Nancy Berry, Johnny Potts; Rena Millett, Leslie Holliman; Donna Waite, Joe Quillen; Barbara Williams, Barney Gass.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brewer and Mr. and Mrs. Don Bayless are club sponsors.

Other chaperones and assistants were Mr. and Mrs. Landrum, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Millett, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bull and Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Holley.

The F. O. Douglasses

Entertain At Home

Honoring her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie P. Beard of Pass Christian, Mississippi, Mrs. Fred O. Douglas and Mr. Douglas kept open house last Friday evening. A centerpiece of magnolia leaves and gold ornaments, flanked at

each side by candelabra holding cable candles, graced the table which was draped in lace and cut-work.

Golden trees on the livingroom mantle and gold sunbursts skillfully placed beautifully complemented Mrs. Douglas's use of tapering green candles for lighting effects, thus setting a motif of green and gold for the occasion.

Assisting were Mrs. J. R. Severin, Mrs. Lester Norvell, and Mrs. Philip Kingsley.

YEAR-END CLEARANCE

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- Strong tape selvage ● Hems closely sewn
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\$1.64

CASES TO MATCH 36c

- Double bed size
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- White and colors
- Fringed ● Reg. 3.98

- Big thirsty 22x44
- Long wearing

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2 for \$1

- Green, rose, blue, yellow
- By "Cone" ● Reg. 69c

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- 81x99 ● Type 128
- Bleached snowy white
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\$6.88

- Big 72x90
- Nylon blend

- In decorator colors
- On own State Pride

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Mrs. McKinney is a local business woman and widely known to Tri-Citians. She invites her friends and former associates to visit her in her new Ladies Shop . . . Mrs. McKinney will be happy to give each and every one special attention in selecting seasonal apparel in ladies merchandise.

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Now in Progress — Buy Now & Save

New 1958 Model
\$825

SPINETS
\$599.50

For this sale only

Two 1958 Model
\$725

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\$569.50

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One Very Slightly
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STUDIO
Regular \$895.00
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THE SPILLWAY

A NEW YEAR that's merry . . .
Twelve months of good cheer . . .
That is the Madam's wish
For you this year . . .

BUT LET'S TAKE a backward look at some of the happenings during the last few days of the old year . . . First, there were those two very lovely holiday tables . . . (1) The pink table at the Glad Shepherd-Mary Belle Herndon "coffee" in the charming Shepherd home where parties seem to "just belong" . . . There was a pink cloth and a centerpiece fashioned of a many-branched silver candelabrum which was clustered with pink carnations and silver grapes . . . And (2) at the House-and-Garden home of Inez and Foster Barnwell on Christmas morning a blue-spread table was centered with a Meissen epergne filled with palest pink carnations and frosted grapes . . . Flowers and all . . . they both looked good enough to eat . . .

AND ALL THOSE wonderful family reunions just made up our mind for us that come another Christmas . . . Well . . . at least that's what we're planning now . . . The largest of which we "heard tell" was in the home of Elbert (Dr.) . . . (president of Florence State) . . . and Laura Norton . . . with twenty-five family members under one roof . . . and such interesting people . . . all . . . Sinking in the shadows at the Herald office we heard one-half (and guess the other) of a conversation between Elbert and our SE as she gathered items for news . . . Seems that one of the reunions was Elbert's youngest sister . . . the former Florence Norton . . . who was born right here in our own fair city and who got her name therefrom . . . at a time when their father was pursuing his ministerial duties in the Florence Methodist Church . . .

ALSO GATHERING together family members at her lovely antebellum cottage was Helen Norvell . . . "First time in twenty-eight years we've all been together" . . . she told us of this gay and festive event . . . We learn that the red carpet treatment was extended on both sides of the river . . . what with dinner parties and a' that at both Country Clubs . . . We didn't get to count heads but we do know the Strudwick family is not a small one . . . and we can imagine Helen's house bursting at the seams for the duration . . . (tho' she was happy as a lark about it) . . .

HOPE YOU ALL saw Willie McFarland's Christmas cards this year . . . It was the first time she has had (granddaughter) Jordan McDougal's original designs . . . (Jordan . . . in case you didn't know . . . is an artist in the de-

signing department of Hallmark Greeting Card Company) . . . and never have we seen lovelier bits of artistry than her brush produces . . . Our card . . . we assure you . . . is in our memory book . . . Many thanks . . . Willie . . .

A LITTLE BIRD has whispered to us that Louisa Jones' visit in North Wilkesboro . . . North Carolina . . . which delayed her arrival here and shortened her vacation with us by several days . . . was a significant one . . . We don't know a thing . . . but how we are a-guessin' . . .

WONDER IF YOU'VE heard all the interesting sidelights on the wedding which took place in London Saturday of Florence's (Lt.) Herbert Hester and Sandra Legge of Sydney . . . Australia . . . The bride is a fashion model for Norman Hartnell who designs for Queen Elizabeth and . . . since she is precisely the Queen's size and height . . . it is she who models the royal wardrobe . . . The wedding took place in Wesley's Chapel . . . the very place where that illustrious founder of Methodism delivered many fervent appeals . . . and one of very few London Chapels undamaged by war's bombs . . . It stands next to John Wesley's home which is now a museum . . . Herbert's sister . . . and our friend and neighbor . . . Bernice Hester . . . left Florence a week in advance of wedding day in order to be present for the ceremony . . .

IF YOU'VE NEVER seen O'Neal Hall in it's holiday dress you should mark your calendar now and keep it in mind come another Christmas . . . A stately and lovely old building at all times . . . and particularly on the evening when the resident students entertained with "open house" . . . It's stair-rail entwined with evergreens and colorful lights . . . it's beautifully decorated tree in one corner of the lounge . . . candles and holly in just the right places . . . and students in party attire . . . 'Twas a happy evening and 'twill be a memory we shall cherish . . .

WE WERE JUST plain happy to see Doll Goosee return to the \$64,000 Challenge program and we shed an honest tear when she was defeated during the second appearance . . . As we've explained previously . . . there's a Florence tie . . . She has visited her sister . . . Leoma Mays . . . who lives on Jackson Highway . . . and we couldn't resist cheering a bit when we saw her advancing toward us . . . Incidentally . . . Doll . . . we were proud of your performance . . . We thought you appeared even less nervous than we felt . . . and you looked just wonderful . . .

AND NOW . . . CHEERIO and goodby . . . until more news comes through The Spillway . . .

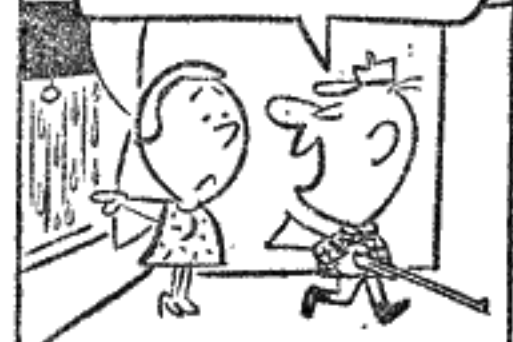
Bretherick Rites Held On Friday

Joseph Hardwick Bretherick, 74, resident of Florence, Rt. 3, was found dead near the intersection of Chisholm Road with Clear Creek Farm Road last Thursday morning.

Mr. Bretherick was reported missing after neighbors found him gone from his home Christmas day. A search of the neighborhood was instituted and carried on until midnight Wednesday when Sheriff Earl Romine was notified. Apparently the last person to see Mr. Bretherick alive was Fred Wilson, who visited him about 10 a. m. Saturday. The elderly man had lived alone since the death of a sister about three months ago. Graveside services for Mr. Bretherick were held at 1 p. m. Friday at Personage cemetery at Zip City. The Rev. Beasley officiating. Cousins survive him.

WORDS or Just Being Human
by Brad Anderson

I LOVE TO HUNT
NO MATTER HOW
BAD THE WEATHER



BUT LET'S FACE IT!

anything to get
out of the house



NOTICE

The First 3 Patrons to Register Monday and Tuesday before 9 a.m. will receive Desired Beauty Service FREE of All Costs.



SUMMIT PARLEY . . . Opening NATO session in Paris shows (L to R) Luxembourg Premier Joseph Bech, NATO Secretary General Paul-Henri Spaak and Pres. Eisenhower who offered missiles and nuclear weapon stockpile to Western Europe.

Retired Federal Employee Passes

Funeral services were conducted from Chisholm Funeral Home at 3 p. m. Thursday for Neal Corbitt, 78, who died at his residence, 1130 Wills Ave., Dec. 25. The Rev. E. M. Barnes, Jr., officiated and burial was in Tri-Cities Memorial Gardens.

A retired government timber cruiser, Mr. Corbitt had lived in Florence about two years, coming here from Charleston, Mo. He was a member of the Methodist Church and the Charleston Masonic lodge. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. E. M. Corbitt, a daughter, Mrs. M. C. McCrary, and two grandchildren, William Marcus and Mary Gail McCrary, all of Florence.

Name Rev. Dorris Assistant Pastor Of First Baptist

A native Florentine, the Rev. Charles Dorris, Wednesday became assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church in charge of music and education. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Dorris of Florence, and a 1950 graduate of Coffee High School.

Before assuming his duties here, the Rev. Dorris was assistant pastor of the Harrisburg Baptist Church at Holly Springs, Miss.

After graduation from Howard College in 1953 he received his bachelor of divinity degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The Rev. Dorris has been music director at Central Point Baptist Church, Birmingham, where, when he was a student at Howard, he was outstanding in campus activities.

He succeeds Ramsey Pollard, Jr., at Florence First Baptist.

A good substitute for pistachio flavoring is three teaspoons of vanilla and one teaspoon of almond extract.

Mrs. Thompson, 82, Dies At Hospital

Funeral services were held from Friendship Baptist Church at 1 p. m. Wednesday for James Edward Thompson, 82, of Florence, Rt. 5, who died at ECM Hospital at 11:30 p. m. Monday. The Rev. Kenneth Hester, assisted by the Rev. Singleton, officiated at the rites and burial was in Jones Hill cemetery.

Mr. Thompson came to Lauderdale County 13 years ago from Colbert County, where he formerly engaged in farming. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

He is survived by three sons, Grady Thompson, Cherokee, Roy Thompson, Marked Tree, Ark., Ernest Thompson, Florence; seven daughters, Mrs. Johnny Badger, Misses Lessie and Virgie Thompson, all of Florence; Mrs. J. H. Davis, Marked Tree, Ark.; Mrs. Evelyn Rippy, Hammond, Ind.; Mrs. Edna Hendon, and Mrs. Ivory Parker, Chicago; a brother, Lewis Thompson, Cherokee, and a sister, Mrs. Tera Cochran, Cherokee.

Thirty grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren also survive.

Florence Airman Weds British Model

Lt. Herbert O. Hester, Hartnell Mannequin Married in London

Lt. Herbert O. Hester of Florence, stationed in England with the U. S. Air Force, was married Saturday to Sandra Legge, one of Britain's top fashion models.

The ceremony took place in the Wesley Chapel in London after what the bride termed "more than the usual amount of red tape. We had to get six authenticated copies of the record so I can receive authorization to enter the United States," Hester, a pilot, is stationed at Alconbury, north of London, but expects to be recalled to the States soon.

Wire service accounts of the marriage said Hester, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hester, 1412 Jackson Rd., and Miss Legge, an Australian, met at a party in London

about three years ago. Miss Legge is a model for Norman Hartnell, top designer and dressmaker to Queen Elizabeth

The metal ice cube rack 'the refrigerator tray will' cut dough into squares

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Downtown Florence

A Personal Message TO YOU, WHO ARE ANXIOUS FOR A LUCRATIVE CAREER

LET'S START THE
NEW YEAR—TOGETHER

Signed: RAY REED

At this time, when all of us stop to take inventory of ourselves, it is good to look into the future and see how we may better our economic position.

Many of you are giving thought to that future at this moment and may we urge your consideration of the profession of HAIR STYLIST, one of today's most profitable calling.

Let's start the New Year together.



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1 Group—Now	41.75	SALE PRICE	29.77
1 Group—Now	55.00	SALE PRICE	35.77
1 Group—Now	59.50	SALE PRICE	37.77

MEN'S SLAX

1 Group—Now	\$4.95	SALE	\$3.97
1 Group—Now	5.95	SALE	5.17
1 Group—Now	6.95	SALE	5.97
1 Group—Now	7.95	SALE	6.17

MEN'S SUITS

1 Group All Wool	\$29.50	NOW	\$19.97
1 Group All Wool	35.95	NOW	26.97
1 Group All Wool	45.00	NOW	35.97
1 Group All Wool	59.50	NOW	44.77

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MEN'S JACKETS

ALL TYPES AND KINDS
Values to \$9.95

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SPECIAL

MEN'S SHOES

By W. L. Douglas
Come Early
To Get Your Size
Regular \$14.95

\$11.77

News Of GREENHILL

By MRS. MARY McLAURINE

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Green were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Davis and son of Lawrenceburg, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Stone and family of Florence, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie McDonald, and Marshall McDonald of St. Joseph, Tenn.

Mrs. Alice Fowler entertained with a dinner at her home Wednesday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Fowler and son, Mr. and Mrs. James Lumpkin of Florence, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fowler and son, Mr. and Mrs. James Fowler and family and Mr. and Mrs. Reeder Jones.

Wednesday guests in the home of Mrs. Birdie Shaw were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Thornton of Florence, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thornton, Miss Ella Thornton, and James Allen Thornton and Miss Louise Shaw of Florence.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McLaurne of Iron City, Tenn., spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Horace McLaurne and Jean Ann.

Randy Green spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Johnson in Lawrenceburg, this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Green and family of Auburn visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. Eula Campbell of Iron City, Tenn., visited Mrs. Birdie Shaw during the holidays.

Mrs. Tom Thornton, Mrs. Edgar Wheeler, Mrs. James A. Richardson, Mrs. Horace McLaurne and Jean Ann visited Mrs. Lewis Springer and Mrs. Willie Phillips in Lawrenceburg, Tenn., Friday.

Mrs. Sarah McDonald is visiting in the Elviss Scott home.

Miss June McKinney of Iron City, Tenn., was Monday night guest of Miss Louise Hannah.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gist and family of Montgomery visited relatives here this past week.

Jimmy Springer of Detroit, Mich., is visiting his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Taylor and Mrs. Noah Hill are visiting relatives in Dyersburg, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thornton of Florence visited relatives Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Amerson spent Sunday with relatives in Mississippi.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wheeler and Cathy of Florence, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wheeler spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wheeler.

The county with the smallest 1950 census population figures is Alabama's Coosa county with 11,766 people.



Let's Talk It Over

By
SARA SAZE

Dear Sara Saze,

Every Christmas I am puzzled about whether to give a present to one of my friends. A lot of times she doesn't give me one and it always causes some embarrassment. I don't know why this is, or if I should keep on as I've been doing, giving her a present each year.

And when she does give me something it's often so nice that I'm embarrassed to accept it. Don't you think this is unusual? I give inexpensive gifts.

M. L.

Dear M. L.,

I rather like your friend's method. Seems that she restrains her Christmas-giving spirit in order to present an occasional worthwhile gift. So often when we feel constrained to give, yet necessity forces us to be conservative, we are apt to make useless choices.

This is, however, not meant to imply that I object to your regularity in remembering your friends. I think either method acceptable and see no reason for embarrassment. It only means that you and your friend do not always see eye to eye, usually a stimulating addition to any relationship.

One further word . . . to give graciously and to accept gracefully are equally important. I hope you'll give that a little thought.

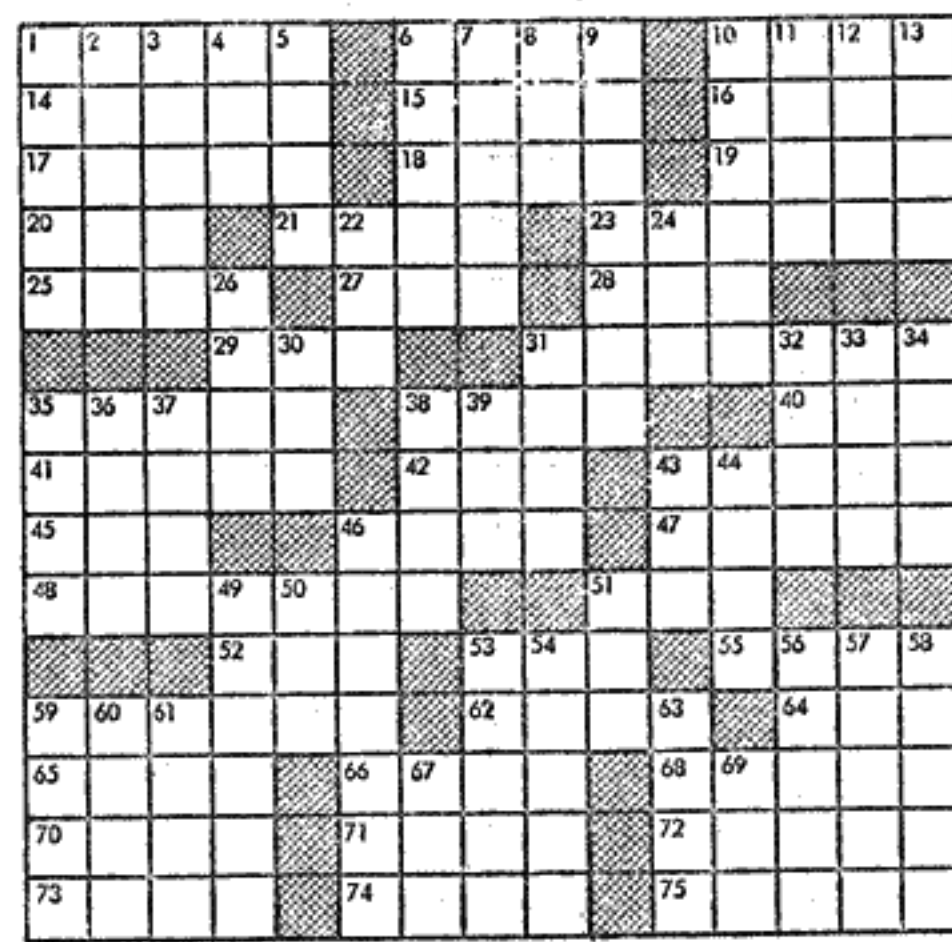
Dear Sara Saze,

My husband's Christmas present to the whole family was a TV set. We had never had one and we needed many other things worse. And he looks like he thinks he's done something wonderful but I know it was selfishness that made him buy it. And now that he's got it, he keeps the thing turned on all the time.

I can't hardly do my work with all that noise around. And I get tired of people telling him how wonderful it was of him to do this. Now I want to ask you what you think of a man who is so selfish. Those who praise him just want to come and watch, that's all.

Worried Wife,
It isn't for me to say that your husband's act was inspired by selfishness. And another thing, I'll bet a pretty penny that within the month you'll have decided that it wasn't to bad after all. As time

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



ACROSS

1 Strong winds
6 Levantine
10 Medium-sized
14 Concerning
15 A disaster
16 First name of Persian poet
17 Language
18 Wild pig
19 Ballot
20 A kind
21 On the ocean
22 Looked slyly
23 Nuisance
24 Bitter vetch
25 Make mistake
26 Scotch for John
31 Depot
32 Canvas
33 Shelters
34 Spots on cards
40 Cravat
41 Search
42 A macaw
43 Long lock of hair
45 Singsong
46 Social division
47 Port of heavy draft horses (pl.)
48 Maribana cigarettes
51 Hawaiian wreath
52 Miss Gardner, actress

DOWN

1 19th Century dance
2 Herb with aromatic seeds
3 Religious period of fasting (pl.)
4 Heavy East Indian wood
5 Fortico
6 Sword
7 One of the Celebes (pl.)
8 City in Paraguay
9 Floor coverings
10 Sheltered
11 Possessed with murderous frenzy
12 Fruit
13 Angered

PUZZLE No. 479

22 Japanese cap
24 Period of time
25 Yugoslav ruler
26 Polonious snake
27 Reach across
28 News article
29 River
30 Europe
34 A headland
35 Former Russian ruler
36 Heraldic bearing
37 Obscure
38 Chums
39 Man's name
40 Article
44 Shower
46 Baby's bed



Answer to Puzzle No. 478

Legal Notice

STATE OF ALABAMA
LAUDERDALE COUNTY
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, IN
EQUITY

DELLA HAMMOND, Complainant

vs.

LILLIE CHAPMAN, ET ALS,

Respondent

REGISTER'S AUCTION SALE

OF

159.92 Acres of land one-half to one mile Northwest of Killen and one-half mile North of intersection of Highways 43 and 72 (New Jackson and Lee Highways).

By virtue of a decree in the above stated cause rendered on the 27th day of December, 1957 by the Circuit Court, in Equity, to satisfy said decree, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public sale, at the Court house door of said County, between the hours of 11 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M., said sale beginning at 11 o'clock A.M. ON MONDAY, THE 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1958, on the terms of Cash, the following described property, to-wit:

A tract of land consisting of three parcels with a total acreage of 159.92 acres lying within Sections 23 and 24, Township 2 South, Range 10 West, Lauderdale County, Alabama, and more particularly described as follows: PARCEL NO. 1 Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 24; thence, East along the North line of said Section 24 2840 feet; thence, South 406 feet to a point in the Westwardly line of New (Jackson) Highway No. 43; thence, along said Highway line as follows: North 34 degrees 47 minutes East 506 feet; South 55 degrees 13 minutes East 90 feet, and East 50 feet to a point in the East line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 24; thence, along said line, South 185 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2.61 acres more or less.

Said lands are subject to existing roadways across the lands or part of the lands.

This the 31st day of December, 1957.

Elbert L. Daly

Register

Jan. 2, 9, 16.

News Of WATERLOO

By Mrs. S. E. Cherry

Church

Regular first Sunday services will be held at the Methodist Church Sunday. Sunday School at 10:00 o'clock.

Morning and evening services will be held at the Baptist church Sunday by Bro. Mack Bobo.

Morning and evening services will be held at the Church of Christ Sunday by Bro. Cox.

P. T. A.

The January meeting of the Waterloo P. T. A. will be held Monday night in the school auditorium.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Ovid Culver, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Culver and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Culver were dinner guests in the home of Mrs. Jennie Culver Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Dailey from Central Heights were recent guests of Mrs. Gertrude Dailey.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Haddock and sons from Oak Ridge, Tenn., spent the long week-end with Mrs. Ida Higgins and Miss Mary Pickens. Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cherry and children and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Young visited Mrs. Florence Cherry in Riverton Christmas day.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Franklin during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Duane Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Franklin, Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Franklin from Indiana.

Roland Jagers spent the holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. L. O. Jagers.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bendall and children visited friends in town during the week-end.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCorkle were Mr. and Mrs. A. V. McCorkle, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Romine from Florence and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McCord from Corinth, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Culver spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Culver in Sheffield.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Cherry last Thursday were Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Hall of Sheffield and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hall and Ann from Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy White had Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Herchel White as holiday

County, Alabama, in Book 151, Page 383.

PARCEL NO. 2.

Beginning at a point in the South line of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 24, said point being West 825 feet from the Southeast corner of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 24; thence, from the point of beginning West 337 feet to a point in the Eastwardly line of New (Jackson) Highway No. 43; thence, along said Highway line North 34 degrees 47 minutes East 590 feet; thence, leaving said Highway line South 485 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.87 acres, more or less.

PARCEL NO. 3.

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 24; thence, South 200 feet; thence, West 380 feet to a point in the Eastwardly right of way line of New (Jackson) Highway No. 43; thence, along said Highway line as follows: North 34 degrees 47 minutes East 506 feet; South 55 degrees 13 minutes East 90 feet, and East 50 feet to a point in the East line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 24; thence, along said line, South 185 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2.61 acres more or less.

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Mrs. Scott's Rites Held On Sunday

Funeral services were held from the Community Baptist Church on Chisholm Road at 2 p.m. Sunday for Mrs. Rachel Elizabeth Scott, 72. The Rev. Paul Sanderson and the Rev. Killen officiated at the rites and burial was in the McGlamery cemetery, near Collinwood, Tenn.

Mrs. Scott died at her home, Florence, Rt. 6, last Thursday. She was a member of the Freewill Baptist Church.

Mrs. Scott leaves three sons, Raymond Scott, Florence route six; Grayford Scott, Florence; Minnie Scott of La Gro, Ind.; six daughters, Mrs. Ethel Smith of Florence route 3, Mrs. Messie Simpson of Florence; Mrs. Bessie Avers of Collinwood; Mrs. Gertrude Kozzinski of Shirley, Ark.; Mrs. Evelyn Cates of Memphis; Mrs. Ruby Copeland of Florence route five; 40 grandchildren; one brother, Henry Arnett of Memphis; one sister, Mrs. Attie Wesson of Corinth.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Threet and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Young have returned to their homes in St. Joseph, Mo., after spending a week with relatives here.

Our community welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Horace Smith and family from Kennel, Mo., and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wilkes and family from near Central as new residents.

There are 200,373 telephones in use within the city limits of Birmingham.

HALF-PAST TEEN



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of the Condition of

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of Waterloo, Alabama

As of Close of Business on December 31, 1957

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JOHN FINLEY, Jr.
Vice President

MISS MARY PICKENS
Assistant Cashier

DIRECTORS

J. F. MURPHY
JOHN FINLEY, Jr.

MRS. MILDRED A. RAY

A. D. RAY, Jr.

RESOURCES:

Cash and Due from Banks \$ 62,668.37
U. S. Government and
State Securities 180,555.75
TOTAL \$243,224.12

Loans and Discounts 163,623.50
Banking House and Fixtures 2.00
Other Investments 3.00

TOTAL ASSETS \$406,852.62

LIABILITIES:

Capital \$ 10,000.00
Surplus 15,000.00
Undivided Profits 11,783.92

TOTAL \$ 36,783.92

Deposits 369,568.70

Dividend Payable Jan. 3, 1958 500.00

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Social

Pre-Nuptials For
Bride Of Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Peritt and Mrs. Ann Bennett Hopkins were hosts on Monday evening, December twenty-third, when they entertained at "Idlewild," the Peritts' lakeside cottage, as a courtesy to their sister, Douglass Bennett, now Mrs. Billy Ray Roberson, and Mr. Roberson.

Presenting a festive scene was the open log fire on the hearth and holiday decorations about the lounge where the supper table was spread. Fourteen friends, of the bridal couple enjoyed this hospitality.

Another compliment which pre-

ceded the wedding was the luncheon tendered by Miss Marie Bryan and Miss Sylvia Towles at The Town Club on Wednesday, the twenty-third.

A silver bowl of frosted pink grapes with silver candelabra holding pink tapers was the central decoration of the table around which ten close friends gathered. Present were: Mrs. Charles Neese, Mrs. James Crabb, Mrs. Charles Anderson, Miss Shirley Pounders, Miss Catherine Erick, Mrs. Ann Bennett Hopkins, Mrs. Marion Peritt, the honoree and the hostesses.

The Blue Room at the Reeder Hotel was the scene of a luncheon honoring the bride-elect on Wednesday, December eighteenth.

The hostess, Mrs. Charles Anderson, arranged silvered mag-

nolia leaves and red Christmas balls on the mantle and complemented her table with an arrangement of red carnations and silver candelabra holding red tapers.

Her guest list included ten of the honoree's friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neese were dinner hosts on Saturday evening, December twenty-first, when they honored the bridal couple at the lakeside home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Carlos Wood.

Holiday arrangements throughout the home greeted the sixteen guests on arrival and set the theme for this charming hospitality.

Tradition... High-Lights... Doster Open House
On the evening of Christmas Day, friends of the Leroy S. Dosters turned their footsteps toward the home of that couple and the delightful time they knew awaited them.

Charming and familiar ornaments brightened the Christmas tree and the mantle bore a lovely, well-remembered snow scene. The table, covered in lace and red, shone with a centerpiece of one decorative tree surrounded by smaller ones. Candles in silver holders and glowing poinsettias completed the picture.

Assisted by many of the couples among their friends, the Dosters and their son Steve greeted several hundred friends.

Fisher-Brewer Marriage Told
Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Fisher of the marriage of their daughter, Linda Kay, to Charles Douglas Brewer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brewer of Central Heights. The ceremony took place on December twenty-first in Iuka, Mississippi. They are now at home in Central Heights.

Mrs. W. A. Thornton, 905 N. Wood Ave., has returned from Beaumont, Texas, where her son, Johnny Thornton, was critically injured in an accident recently. His condition is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bolling have returned to their home on Lewis Ave., after a Christmas visit with relatives in Clarksville, Ark.

Miss Marie Bryan, who has a position with Hallmark in Kansas City, Mo., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bryan, Norwood Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley Herring, Jr., have moved into their new home at 1629 Winston St.

Pete Elebash, here from Yale University, accompanied his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Elebash, to Pensacola, Fla., where they were guests of the Elebashes' daughter, Mrs. R. E. Baker, Mr. Baker and their family for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Ware (Maurine Levinson) and their children recently moved from Memphis to their new home, Savannah, Ga.

House guest of Alfred McCrosky, Jr., here from Columbia Theological Seminary in Augusta, Ga., is John Michael Gurek, formerly of Berlin, Germany, who is working toward his Masters degree at Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Counts and children, Pamela and John spent Christmas week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Counts, Sr., in Monticello, Fla., and were present for the wedding of William Counts and Miss Derylene Delp.

Mr. and Mrs. Hewlett Jackson spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Pollock, Mr. Pollock and their children, Ashby Lyn and Carlyle, in Southern Pines, N. C.



SHIPWRECK . . . Storm-battered Italian vessel Citta di Trapani (left) and tug which went to her rescue are both caught on reefs on Sicilian coast. The captain and 4 crewmen were lost, but 42 passengers and 40 of the crew were saved.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Miller and sons of Huntsville, and Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Peacock and John Leonard of Davenport, Iowa, were holiday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Peacock, Bluff Street.

Here for a Christmas visit to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holt, Dixie Ave., were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Poole and their three daughters of Chattanooga.

Mike Moody of Athens, Greece, who is making his home during the school term with his uncle in Richmond, Ind., arrived on Christmas Eve for a holiday interim with his grandmother, Mrs. Pearl Powers Moody, Wesleyan Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hibbett, Jr., and children of Los Angeles, Calif., have spent the past week with family members here.

After a visit to her son, John Hutchinson, Mrs. Roper Hutchinson and children, Mrs. Roper Hutchinson was accompanied by them on her return to her home in Montgomery. They will be her guests for a brief period.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Finney and son, Terrell, of Montgomery spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. J. O. Finney, East Tombigbee St.

Florentines attending the Neal-Swan wedding in Donelson were Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Behel, Mrs. W. B. Kidd, Mrs. Chester Honeycutt and Mrs. Manton White.

Recent guest of her son, Otto Kerr, Jr., and his family in Atlanta was Mrs. Otto Kerr, Walnut St.

Family members arriving last Thursday for a two-day reunion in the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Norton, N. Seminary St., were Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Lee and daughters, Betty Grace and Mary Ellen of Tuscaloosa, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dunn of Opp, Rev. R. Laurence Dill, Birmingham District Superintendent of the Methodist church, Mrs. Dill and children, Sue, Darry and Norton, Mr. and Mrs. T. Mark Norton and children, Carol and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Owen and daughters, Esther Rose and Christine of Chattanooga, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Norton of Auburn.

Miss Lucia Reeder returned Sunday to Washington, D. C., after a week's visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Reeder, Poplar St.

Mr. and Mrs. James Flanagan and son, Michael, of Huntsville were holiday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kerr.

Holiday guests from Kentucky were the parents of Dr. Z. S. Dickerson, who spent several days with him and his family.

House guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rutland Cunningham for the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. William P. Walker of Birmingham.

Mrs. T. E. Burt, Sr., of Auburn paid a holiday visit to her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Burt, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drane and their son paid a visit to relatives in Florida last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Bailey had as their Christmas guest their son Randolph of Alexandria, Virginia.

Mrs. Alpha Wright, who has been confined to Herman Kiefer Hospital in Detroit, Mich., for several months, is visiting friends and relatives at Cypress Inn, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mummert (Hazel Wright) and Robert Harris of Anderson, Ind., are visiting relatives at Cypress Inn, Tenn., over the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wright and son, Paul, Jr., of Cypress Inn, Tenn., entertained a number of friends and relatives at Christmas dinner, including, Mrs. Alpha Wright of Detroit, Mich., Mr. and Mrs. George Mummert and Robert Harris of Anderson, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Craig Brewer and children of Florence, J. E. Wright, Mrs. LaVerne Berry and children, Jeanette and Harold, of Cypress Inn, Tenn.

According to the Soil Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, water problems in the U. S. are largely watershed protection problems. Water control and conservation cannot be separated from soil conservation, says the SCS.

Willie Daugherty
Rites At Mars Hill

Willie C. Daugherty, 63, who died at 10:50 p. m. Monday at ECM Hospital, was buried at Greenville Memorial Park following funeral services conducted from the Mars Hill Church of Christ at 2 p. m. Wednesday by Paul Simon, assisted by Crawford Allen. Mr. Daugherty was a resident of Florence, Rt. 5.

A native of Lawrence County, Tenn., Mr. Daugherty had lived most of his life in the Mars Hill area, and was employed by the TVA at the time of his death. He was a member of the Church of Christ, Local 558, IBEW, Sheffield, and the American Legion.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Pokie Daugherty; a son, W. L. Daugherty, Florence; four daughters, Miss Margaret Daugherty, Florence; Mrs. Billy Meigs, Florence; Mrs. Hillard E. Wallace, Birmingham; Mrs. P. C. Daley, Mt. Clemens, Mich.; two brothers, Herman and V. L. Daugherty of Florence; a sister, Mrs. C. N. Hollis, Florence, and six grandchildren.

Former Resident
Passes At Mobile

Funeral services for Hugh Swann, former Florence resident, were held in Mobile last Thurs-

Mrs. Morrison, 69,
Dies On Christmas

Last rites for Mrs. Lillie Jane Morrison, 69, of 1224 East Reeder St., who died of a heart attack while en route to a hospital Christmas day, were held Friday.

Charles Holt officiated at the services conducted in the East Florence Church of Christ at 2 p. m. Burial was in the Florence cemetery.

Mrs. Morrison leaves a son, Joseph Morrison, Florence; two daughters, Mrs. H. A. Payton, Florence, and Mrs. Luella Hinton, Mishawaka, Ind.; three brothers, Fred L. and Joe W. Walker, Memphis, and William Walker, Russellville, nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

HALF ADULTS IN U. S.
KNOW HOW TO SWIM

More than half the adult Americans can swim, according to a recent sampling of the population.

day. Mr. Swann, who managed the Negley Hotel during his 12-year residence here, had retired at Mobile, his former home, and was ill for a year.

After leaving Florence, Mr. Swann operated a motel in Marietta, Fla., and had wide experience in the hotel business before leaving the Negley.

Survivors include his wife, a step-daughter, and a brother, Jack Swann, the latter of Florence.

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Condensed Statement
OF THE CONDITION OF
Bank of Lexington
LEXINGTON, ALABAMA

At The Close of Business December 31, 1957

RESOURCES:

Cash and Due from Banks	\$ 297,214.94
U. S. Government Bonds	1,155,000.00
State of Alabama Bonds	6,115.73
Banking House,	
Furniture & Fixtures	9,155.24
Loans & Discounts	716,293.66
Other Resources	400.00
TOTAL	\$2,184,179.57

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 60,000.00
Surplus	60,000.00
Undivided Profits	22,498.70
Deposits	2,041,680.87
TOTAL	\$2,184,179.57

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ACROSS FROM COLBERT THEATRE — SHEFFIELD

Summary Of City Audit Report for the Year Ending Sept. 30, 1957

City Audit Report

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

Gentlemen:

We have examined the Balance Sheet of the City of Florence, Alabama, at September 30, 1957, and the related Statements of Revenue and Expense, and Surplus for the year then ended. Our report is submitted herewith, as enumerated in the preceding Index.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, subject to the comments appearing herein, the accompanying Balance Sheet, Statements of Revenues and Expenses, Statements of Surplus, and other supporting schedules, present fairly the financial position of the City of Florence, Alabama, and the status of the various funds, at September 30, 1957, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) HENRY J. JONES
Certified Public Accountant

CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

EXHIBIT "A"

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET — ALL FUNDS September 30, 1957

ASSETS		
Cash:		
Cash on hand	\$ 150.00	
Cash in bank—Current Expense Fund	1,260.91	
Cash in banks—other Funds	917,702.80	\$ 919,113.71
Receivables:		
Purchased assessments	\$ 4,497.25	
Tax equivalents	137,278.49	
Public improvement assessments	441,357.93	
Accrued interest on—		
Public improvements—accrued to 9/30/56	1,942.32	
Investments	4,920.51	
Due from Board of Water and Sewer		
Commissioners	7,085.00	
Miscellaneous accounts	29,555.70	626,637.20
Investments:		
U. S. Treasury bonds and bills—at cost plus appreciation	\$1,412,137.25	
City of Florence—		
Recreational Center Revenue Bonds—at cost	216,000.00	
Natural Gas Bonds—at cost plus appreciation	14,244.64	1,642,381.89
Prepaid Expenses:		
Inventory of gas and oil	\$ 748.27	
Insurance	5,663.30	6,411.57
Municipal Properties:		
Buildings, grounds, parks, and equipment	\$ 964,946.92	
Swimming pools and buildings	233,496.95	
Old sanitary sewer	195,426.64	1,393,870.51
Other Assets:		
Public improvement assessments not made final	\$ 527,713.42	
Public improvement work in progress	74,894.15	602,607.57
TOTAL ASSETS		\$5,191,022.45
NOTE: Subject to comments in other sections.		

LIABILITIES, RESERVES and SURPLUS

Liabilities:		
Notes payable:		
To First National Bank of Florence, Ala.—		
Current notes (90-day)	\$ 116,000.00	
Due at rate of \$12,500.00 per annum	87,500.00	
Due at rate of \$20,000.00 per annum	32,000.00	
Due at rate of \$25,000.00 per annum	125,000.00	\$ 360,500.00
Accounts payable and accrued expenses—		
Accounts payable	\$ 79,139.70	
Payroll taxes	2,633.39	
Accrued wages	626.48	
Accrued interest	35,736.96	
Tax allocations payable to schools	47,648.18	165,784.71
Deposits for inspections, licenses, etc.		739.20
Bonded indebtedness:		
Bonds outstanding—		
Exhibit "B-1"	\$4,394,000.00	
Less: Bonds held by City	6,000.00	\$4,388,000.00
Add: Bonds called July 1, 1946	6,000.00	4,394,000.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$4,921,023.91
Reserves for General Fund Assets:		
Purchased assessments	\$ 4,497.25	
Accounts receivable	29,555.70	
Inventory of gas and oil	748.27	
Prepaid insurance	5,663.30	
Municipal properties	1,020,081.63	1,060,546.15
Surplus (deficit)—Exhibit "A-1"		(790,547.61)
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES, and SURPLUS		\$5,191,022.45

CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

EXHIBIT "A-1"

ANALYSIS OF CONSOLIDATED SURPLUS—ALL FUNDS

Year ended September 30, 1957

Funds	Exhibit Reference	Surplus (deficit) Oct. 1, 1956	Add Net Adjustments	Adjusted Balances	Surplus (deficit) Year '56-'57	Surplus (deficit) Sept. 30, 1957
General fund	"C"	\$1,622,899.23	\$(20,000.00)	\$1,622,899.23	\$(3,518.62)	\$1,619,381.21
Refunding bondholders fund	"B"	96,983.97	681.81	97,665.78	81,132.00	178,797.78
Hospital annex fund	"H"	101,189.24		101,189.24	21,677.26	122,866.50
Public improvement fund	"J"	(540,455.48)		(540,455.48)		(540,455.48)
Cemetery fund	"K"	739.06		739.06	(646.05)	93.01
Gross receipts tax fund	"L"	(896,983.34)		(896,983.34)	(18,273.58)	(915,256.92)
1952 public improvement fund	"N"	(66,217.80)		(66,217.80)	895.52	(65,322.28)
1953 public improvement fund	"P"	(106,691.52)	20,000.00	(86,691.52)	(1,489.63)	(88,181.15)
Recreational Center Fund	"R"	5,613.24		5,613.24	5,370.74	10,983.98
Cox's Creek sanitary sewer fund	"T"	-0-		-0-	(7,213.32)	(7,213.32)
1956 public improvement fund	"U"	(2,448.75)	(2,138.42)	(4,587.17)	(28,235.24)	(32,822.41)
1957 school fund	"W"	-0-	(10,700.00)	(10,700.00)	(11,300.24)	(22,000.24)
Miscellaneous public improvement funds—not bonded—						
Assessments Final	"Y"	7,603.73	1,176.76	8,780.51	347.35	9,127.86
TOTALS		\$ 242,231.60	\$(10,970.85)	\$ 231,260.75	\$ 38,746.79	\$ 269,998.54
Deduct: Surplus reserved for General Fund Assets						1,060,546.15
Surplus (deficit)—September 30, 1957—To Exhibit "A"						\$(790,547.61)

* This adjustment in amount of \$1,176.76 applies to the Valley Park Sanitary Sewer Fund, and represents a surplus in the fund after assessments were made final.

** All other adjustments are explained in the separate "exhibits" referred to above.

CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

EXHIBIT "B"

GENERAL FUND

BALANCE SHEET — September 30, 1957

ASSETS		
Cash on hand	\$ 150.00	
Cash in banks:		
Current Expense Fund	1,260.91	
School Fund	27,142.93	
Other Funds	102,241.30	\$ 130,795.14
Receivables:		
Purchased assessments	\$ 4,497.25	
Tax equivalents due from—		
Electricity Department	133,757.97	
Bd. of Water & Sewer Comm.	3,520.52	
Miscellaneous	29,555.70	\$ 171,331.44
Due from other funds		5,146,097.40
Inventory of gasoline and oil		748.27
Prepaid insurance		5,663.30
Municipal properties:		
Buildings and grounds	493,399.90	
Departmental equipment	349,098.55	
Parks	111,801.38	
Old sanitary sewer	60,333.50	
Improvements to city's property	5,448.21	\$1,020,081.63
TOTAL ASSETS		\$6,474,717.18
NOTE: Subject to comments in other sections.		
LIABILITIES, RESERVES, and SURPLUS		
Liabilities:		
Notes payable to—		
First National Bank, Florence, Alabama:		
Current (90 day notes)	\$ 116,000.00	
Due \$12,500 annually	87,500.00	
Due \$20,000 annually	32,000.00	
Due \$25,000 annually	125,000.00	\$ 360,500.00
Accounts payable	41,072.23	
Payroll taxes payable	2,633.39	
Accrued wages payable	626.48	
Accrued interest payable	2,582.47	
Deposits for inspections, licenses, etc.	739.20	
Tax allocations payable to schools	47,648.18	
Due other funds	5,524.02	
Bonded indebtedness:		
Bonds outstanding—Exh. "B-1" \$4,394,000.00		
Less: Bonds held by city	6,000.00	\$4,388,000.00
Add: Bonds called 7/1/46	6,000.00	\$4,394,000.00
Total Liabilities		4,855,335.97
Reserves:		
Reserves for purchased assessments	\$ 4,497.25	
Reserves for accounts receivable	29,555.70	
Reserve for inventory	748.27	
Reserve for prepaid insurance	5,663.30	
Reserve for municipal properties	1,020,081.63	\$1,060,546.15
Surplus—Exhibit "C"		\$ 558,835.06
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES, and SURPLUS		\$6,474,717.18

CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

EXHIBIT "B-1"

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

September 30, 1957

Description		Series	Rate of Interest	Balance Outstanding 9-30-56	Issued Year Ended 9-30-57	Retired Year Ended 9-30-57	Balance Outstanding 9-30-57	Bonds Held By City
General Refunding		1945	1-3/4%	\$ 97,000.00		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 87,000.00	
School Refunding		1945	1-3/4%	134,000.00		10,000.00	124,000.00	
Public Improvement Refunding		1945	1-3/4%	301,000.00		25,000.00	276,000.00	
Water Works Extension Refunding (See Note 1)		1945		62,000.00		6,000.00	56,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
TOTAL 1945 SERIES				\$ 594,000.00		\$ 51,000.00	\$ 543,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
School Refunding		Mar. 1949	3-1/4 & 3%	1,005,000.00		32,000.00	972,000.00	
School Refunding		Oct. 1949	3%	130,000.00		3,000.00	127,000.00	
Public Improvement		1952	2-1/2%	390,000.00		50,000.00	250,000.00	
Public Improvement		1953	3-1/4%	447,000.00		63,000.00	384,000.00	
Recreational Center Revenue Bonds		1954	2-1/2%	228,000.00		12,000.00	216,000.00	216,000.00
Public Improvement		Sept. 1956	3-1/2 & 3-1/4%		531,000.00	54,000.00	477,000.00	
Public Improvement		Apr. 1957	6 & 3-1/4%		355,000.00		355,000.00	
1957 School		Aug. 1957	4-1/2 & 4-1/4%		1,070,000.00		1,070,000.00	
TOTAL (See Note 2)				\$2,704,000.00	\$1,956,000.00	\$268,000.00	\$4,394,000.00	\$222,000.00

Years	General Refunding	School Refunding	Public Improvement Refunding	Water-works Extension Refunding	School Refunding Mar. 1949	School Refunding Oct. 1949	Public Improvement 1952	Public Improvement 1953	Recreational Center Revenue	Public Improvement 1956	Public Improvement 1957	School Bonds 1957	Total
1958	\$10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 64,000.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 53,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 339,000.00
1959	10,000.00	10,000.00	25,000.00	6,000.00	34,000.00	4,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	13,000.00	53,000.00	35,000.00	37,000.00	341,000.00
1960	10,000.00	10,000.00	25,000.00	6,000.00	34,000.00	4,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	14,000.00	53,000.00	35,000.00	39,000.00	344,000.00
1961	1,000.00	12,000.00	20,000.00	6,000.00	34,000.00	4,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	14,000.00	53,000.00	35,000.00	40,000.00	333,000.00
1962	10,000.00	9,000.00	25,000.00	6,000.00	39,000.00	3,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	14,000.00	53,000.00	35,000.00	42,000.00	350,000.00
1963	10,000.00	10,000.00	24,000.00	1,000.00	39,000.00	4,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	15,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	44,000.00	390,000.00
1964	-0-	-0-	20,000.00	-0-	39,000.00	4,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	15,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	46,000.00	213,000.00
1965	-0-	-0-	25,000.00	4,000.00	42,000.00	4,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	15,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	47,000.00	226,000.00
1966	4,000.00	10,000.00	23,000.00	7,000.00	43,000.00	5,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	16,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	49,000.00	246,000.00
1967	-0-	14,000.00	28,000.00	7,000.00	43,000.00	5,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	16,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	51,000.00	200,000.00
1968	8,000.00	-0-	-0-	7,000.00	46,000.00	5,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	17,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	53,000.00	136,000.00
1969	10,000.00	14,000.00	30,000.00	46,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	17,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	55,000.00	158,000.00
1970	2,000.00	15,000.00	-0-	46,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	18,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	58,000.00	145,000.00
1971	12,000.00	10,000.00	6,000.00	46,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00	19,000.00	53,000.00	36,000.00	60,000.00	160,000.00
1972				50,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00				62,000.00	119,000.00
1973				50,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00				65,000.00	122,000.00
1974				50,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00				67,000.00	124,000.00
1975				50,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	50,000.00	64,000.00				70,000.00	128,000.00
1976				52,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	52,000.00	66,000.00				73,000.00	133,000.00
1977				52,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	52,000.00	66,000.00				74,000.00	135,000.00
1978				52,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	52,000.00	66,000.00				74,000.00	135,000.00
1979				52,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	52,000.00	66,000.00				74,000.00	135,000.00
Totals	\$87,000.00	\$124,000.00	\$276,000.00	\$56,000.00	\$972,000.00	\$127,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$384,000.00	\$216,000.00	\$477,000.00	\$355,000.00	\$1,070,000.00	\$4,394,000.00

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Insurance:	
City buildings and equipment	\$ 4,436.12
School buildings	4,611.80
Officials' bond premiums	462.86
Group insurance	2,511.23
	12,022.01
Other Expenses:	
Salary and expense of building and plumbing inspectors	\$ 9,776.68
Auto expense of license inspector	900.00
Auditing	2,265.50
Office supplies, printing, etc.	1,275.90
Parking meter maintenance and replacements	14,680.81
Parking lot rent	4,800.00
Telephone and utilities	3,733.01
Maintenance of office equipment	432.86
Janitor and other building expense	1,134.32
Maintenance of city buildings	7,071.22
Energy and maintenance—Whiteway on bridge	1,049.73
Expense of Mayor's office	3,381.88
Surplus commodities expense	3,400.00
Advertising ordinances and reports	1,441.82
Civil service expense	334.75
Social security—city's portion	9,069.76
Retirement—city's portion	5,576.32
Board of equalization expense	518.04
State planning board	852.72
City planning commission expense	264.50
City board of zoning adjustments expense	220.00
Salvation Army transient expense	386.85
Condemnation proceedings—Savannah Highway	106.75
Curb, gutter, and paving—School Lots	312.54
Slum clearance project—W. Irvine Avenue	4,176.07
Curb market expense (colored)	423.33
Interest	5,373.50
Municipal code expense	290.84
Collection fees, etc.	217.25
Loss on sale of lots	94.40
Miscellaneous	4,721.59
	87,582.94
Total General and Administrative—To Exhibit "D-1"	\$121,589.17

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EXHIBIT "E"

REFUNDING BONDHOLDERS FUND
BALANCE SHEET — September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in banks:		
General interest and sinking fund	\$ 739.63	
Bond and coupon account	315.00	
Bond and interest fund	16,484.36	
Cash on deposit for bonds called 7/1/46—		
Chase Manhattan Bank (bonds)	\$6,000.00	
Chase Manhattan Bank (interest)	60.00	
First National Bank (interest)	800.00	6,860.00
		\$ 24,393.04
Accrued interest receivable	3,640.38	
Due from Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners	7,035.00	
Due from other funds	75.81	
Investments:		
U. S. Treasury Bills—at cost plus appreciation	\$ 49,638.36	
U. S. Treasury Bonds—at cost plus appreciation	419,475.39	
City of Florence Natural Gas Revenue Bonds—at cost plus appreciation	14,244.64	
City of Florence Recreation Center Bonds—at cost	216,000.00	699,358.39
Total Assets		\$734,553.12
LIABILITIES and SURPLUS		
Liabilities:		
Accrued interest on 1945 bonds	\$ 3,085.34	
Accrued interest on bonds called 7/1/46	860.00	
Due General Fund (1945 series bonds)	543,000.00	
Due Public Improvement Fund	8,800.00	
Total Liabilities	\$555,755.34	
Surplus—Exhibit "F"	178,797.78	
Total Liabilities and Surplus		\$734,553.12

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EXHIBIT "F"

REFUNDING BONDHOLDERS FUND
ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS
Year ended September 30, 1957

Balance, October 1, 1956	\$ 96,983.97
Additions:	
Amortization of discount on investments purchased (increment added to asset)	\$ 1,440.23
Series 1945 Bonds paid by Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners	6,000.00
Surplus for year—Exhibit "G"	81,132.00
Total Additions	88,572.23
	\$185,556.25
Reductions:	
Adjustment of cost in U. S. Treasury Bonds*	6,758.47
Balance, September 30, 1957	\$178,797.78
*Certain U. S. Treasury Bills were sold at a loss for the sole purpose of converting this investment to U. S. Treasury Bonds. We are told that counsel advised this move because of the very favorable buyer's market for U. S. Treasury Bonds at the time of said transaction.	

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EXHIBIT "G"

REFUNDING BONDHOLDERS FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE
Year ended September 30, 1957

Revenue:	
Really and personality taxes	\$93,175.33
Interest income	15,699.65
Total Revenue	\$90,875.18
Expense:	
Bond interest	\$ 9,996.14
Bank service charges	47.04
Total Expense	\$10,043.18
Excess of Revenue over Expense	\$68,832.00
Deduct:	
Transfer to 1953 Bond and Interest Sinking Fund	\$ 5,000.00
Transfer to Recreational Center Fund	2,700.00
Total Transfers	\$ 7,700.00
Surplus for year—To Exhibit "F"	\$81,132.00

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EXHIBIT "H"

HOSPITAL ANNEX FUND
BALANCE SHEET — September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in bank, for warrants and interest	\$ 19,906.69
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Construction costs	135,093.14
Total Assets	\$154,999.83
LIABILITIES and SURPLUS	
Liabilities:	
Accrued interest on warrants	\$ 133.33
Due General Fund (warrants payable \$20,000.00 annually)	32,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 32,133.33
Surplus:	
Balance, October 1, 1956	\$101,169.24
Surplus for year—Exhibit "I"	21,677.26
Balance, September 30, 1957	\$122,866.50
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$154,999.83

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EXHIBIT "J"

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in bank—Refunding Bond Sinking Fund	\$ 63.94
Receivables:	
Public improvement assessments	\$2,633.33
Accrued interest on assessments	1,942.32
Due from General Interest & Sinking Fund	8,800.00
Total Assets	\$13,444.59
LIABILITIES and SURPLUS	
Due General Fund	\$ 553,900.07
Surplus (deficit)	
Balance, October 1, 1956	\$(540,455.43)
Changes during year	-0-
Balance, September 30, 1957	\$(340,455.48)
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$ 13,444.59

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EXHIBIT "K"

CEMETERY FUND
BALANCE SHEET — September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in bank	\$ 93.01
Total Assets	\$ 93.01
LIABILITIES and SURPLUS	
Accounts payable	\$ -0-
Surplus:	
Balance, October 1, 1956	\$739.05
Operating deficit for year	646.05
Balance, September 30, 1957	\$ 93.01
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$ 93.01
*Operating deficit for year:	
Sale of lot	\$ 74.50
Less:	
Supplies and equipment purchased	\$685.00
Miscellaneous expense	25.55
Operating deficit (to exhibit above)	\$646.05

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EXHIBIT "L"

GROSS RECEIPTS TAX FUND
BALANCE SHEET — September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in bank:		
Gross receipts tax collections	\$ 43,101.27	
1949 school warrants	24,921.33	
Cushion fund	1,652.70	\$ 69,675.30
Accrued interest receivable	1,279.63	
Investments:		
U. S. Government Bonds (at cost)	\$ 116,000.00	
U. S. Treasury Bonds (at cost plus appreciation)	2,782.15	118,782.15
Total Assets		\$ 189,748.08
LIABILITIES and SURPLUS		
Liabilities:		
Accrued interest on warrants:		
Issued March 1, 1949	\$ 5,687.50	
Issued October 1, 1949	317.50	\$ 6,005.00
Due General Fund—warrants payable	1,099,000.00	
Total Liabilities	\$1,105,005.00	
Surplus (deficit)		
Balance, October 1, 1956	\$(896,963.34)	
Deficit for year ended Sept. 30, 1957—Exhibit "M"	(18,273.58)	
Balance, September 30, 1957	(915,236.92)	
Total Liabilities and Surplus		\$ 189,748.08

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EXHIBIT "M"

GROSS RECEIPTS TAX FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES and EXPENSE
Year ended September 30, 1957

Revenues	
Gross receipts tax collections	\$172,371.29
Interest income	3,940.93
Total Revenues	\$176,312.22
Expenses	
Salaries	\$ 8,531.90
School warrant interest expense	36,049.30
Printing, stationery and supplies	104.40
Total Expenses	\$ 44,685.60
Net revenues for year before transfer to Board of Education	\$130,726.42
Transfer to Board of Education	149,000.00
Surplus (deficit) for year—To Exhibit "L"	\$(18,273.58)

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EXHIBIT "N"

1952 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND
BALANCE SHEET — September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in bank:		
Bond and interest sinking fund	\$ 5,049.66	
Bond and Coupon account	75.00	
Construction fund	5,383.15	\$ 10,507.81

Receivables:		
Assessments due by General Fund	\$ 1,516.16	
Assessments due by property owners (See Note)	131,329.28	\$132,845.44
Investment Securities:		
U. S. Treasury Bills (at cost)	\$199,135.65	
Other Assets:		
Investment in land	\$ 902.68	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$343,391.58
LIABILITIES and SURPLUS		
Liabilities:		
Accrued interest on bonds	\$ 595.83	
Due General Fund	311,118.03	
Due 1953 Public Improvement Fund	97,000.00	
Total Liabilities	\$408,713.86	
Surplus (deficit)		
Balance, October 1, 1956	\$(66,217.80)	
Surplus for year—Exhibit "O"	895.52	
Balance, September 30, 1957	\$(65,322.28)	
TOTAL LIABILITIES and SURPLUS		\$343,391.58

NOTE: Collections on assessments receivable amounted to \$44,630.24 during the year ended September 30, 1957.

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EXHIBIT "O"

1952 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES and EXPENSES
Year ended September 30, 1957

Revenues:	
Interest on assessments	\$10,333.99
Interest on U. S. Bonds	5,946.05
Total Revenues	\$16,280.04
Expenses:	
Bond interest	\$ 7,395.83
Postage and supplies	47.45
Advertising sale of delinquent assessments receivable	376.49
Allowances on assessments	7,564.75
Total Expenses	\$15,384.52
Surplus for year—To Exhibit "N"	\$ 895.52

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EXHIBIT "P"

1953 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND
BALANCE SHEET — September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in bank:		
Bond and interest sinking fund	\$ 14,295.28	
Bond and coupon account	406.25	
Construction fund	7,721.03	\$ 22,422.56
Receivables:		
Assessments due by General Fund	\$ 3,922.03	
Assessments due by property owners	129,058.95	
Due from 1952 Public Improvement Fund	97,000.00	229,981.00
Investment Securities:		
U. S. Treasury Bills (at appreciated cost)	29,870.32	
Other Assets:		
Investment in land	113.75	
Total Assets		\$282,397.63

LIABILITIES and SURPLUS

Liabilities:		
Accrued interest on bonds	\$ 2,486.25	
Due General Fund	388,082.53	
Total Liabilities	\$370,578.78	
Surplus (deficit)		
Balance, October 1, 1956	\$(105,681.52)	
Add: Loan from Bond and Interest Fund in prior year, cancelled	20,000.00	
Surplus (deficit) for year—Exhibit "Q"	(1,489.63)	
Balance, September 30, 1957	\$(36,181.15)	
Total Liabilities and Surplus		\$282,397.63

NOTE: Collections on assessments receivable amounted to \$33,586.70 during the year ended September 30, 1957.

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EXHIBIT "Q"

1953 PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES and EXPENSES
Year ended September 30, 1957

Revenues:	
Interest on assessments	\$ 7,131.69
Interest on U. S. Treasury Bills	2,055.20
Total Revenues	\$ 9,186.89
Expenses:	
Interest on bonds	\$14,170.00
Fees for paying bonds and coupons	32.33
Postage	11.82
Miscellaneous	20.00
Advertising sale of delinquent assessments receivable	44.25
Allowance on assessments	1,398.03
Total Expenses	\$15,676.43
Excess of Expenses over Revenues	\$(6,489.53)
Funds transferred from General Bond and Interest Fund	5,000.00
Surplus (deficit) for year—To Exhibit "P"	\$(1,489.53)

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EXHIBIT "R"

RECREATIONAL CENTER FUND
BALANCE SHEET
September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in Bank:		
Construction Fund	\$ 2,594.69	
Revenue Fund	8,134.78	\$ 10,729.47
Fixed Assets:		
Swimming Pools and Buildings	\$233,496.95	
Equipment	4,182.36	\$237,679.31
Total		\$248,408.78

LIABILITIES and SURPLUS

Accrued Interest Payable	\$ 2,700.00	
Due General Fund	234,724.80	
Total Liabilities		\$237,424.80
Surplus:		
Balance, October 1, 1956	\$ 5,613.24	
Surplus for year ended Sept. 30, 1957—Exhibit "S"	5,370.74	
Balance, September 30, 1957		10,983.98
Total		\$248,408.78

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EXHIBIT "S"

RECREATIONAL CENTER FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUE and EXPENSES
For Year ended September 30, 1957

Revenue:	
Pool Revenue	\$6,513.83
Concession Revenue	1,559.91
Total Revenue	\$8,073.74
Expenses:	
Bond Interest Expense	5,400.00
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	\$2,673.74
Funds transferred from General Bond and Interest Fund	2,700.00
Surplus for year—To Exhibit "R"	\$5,373.74

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EXHIBIT "T"

COX'S CREEK SANITARY SEWER FUND
BALANCE SHEET — September 30, 1957

ASSETS

Cash in bank:		
Bond fund	\$ 49,712.68	
Construction fund	4,218.67	\$ 53,931.35
Construction costs—Assessments not final:		
Contractor and materi ^l	\$308,466.38	
Engineering fees	13,041.10	
Legal fees	6,350.00	
Postage and printers' tes	498.03	
Miscellaneous	38.59	
Cost of right-of-way assessments	1,762.07	
Interest during construction	2,670.39	333,026.58

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EXHIBIT "Y"

MISCELLANEOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUNDS — NOT BONDED (Assessments Final)

BALANCE SHEETS — September 30, 1957

ASSETS	North Florence Sanitary Sewer Fund	West College Street Sanitary Sewer Fund	Sannoner Avenue Paving Fund	Circular Road Sanitary Sewer Fund	Florida Avenue Curb and Gutter Fund	Sweetwater Street Paving Fund	Malone Circle Sanitary Sewer Fund	Nance Street Paving Fund	Valley Park Sanitary Sewer Fund	Crown Street Sanitary Sewer Fund	Biltmore Sanitary Sewer Fund
Cash in bank	\$ 816.41	\$ 177.55	\$ 690.16	\$ 691.78	\$2,267.45	\$1,335.85	\$ 638.10	\$ 215.35	\$3,078.85	\$1,908.85	\$1,183.66
Assessments receivable	145.06	204.40	61.02	173.14	251.20	64.19	764.39	426.81	1,503.71	1,228.26	2,949.46
Due from General Fund	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Due from other Funds	25,176.63	6,500.00	7,800.00	3,000.00	-0-	7,240.22	4,100.00	8,900.00	-0-	-0-	-0-
Total	\$26,138.10	\$6,881.95	\$8,521.18	\$3,864.92	\$2,518.65	\$8,640.26	\$5,502.40	\$9,542.16	\$9,582.56	\$3,137.11	\$4,133.12
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS											
Accounts payable	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Due to General Fund	22,287.03	-0-	-0-	3,523.30	-0-	4,251.63	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Due to other Funds	-0-	5,500.00	7,425.00	-0-	2,000.00	4,251.63	5,300.00	9,240.22	3,360.68	3,107.75	4,087.40
Total Liabilities	\$22,287.03	\$5,500.00	\$7,425.00	\$3,523.30	\$2,000.00	\$8,503.26	\$5,300.00	\$9,240.22	\$8,360.68	\$3,107.75	\$4,087.40
Surplus:											
Balance October 1, 1956	\$ 3,831.36	\$1,313.18	\$1,073.18	\$ 334.41	\$ 509.85	\$ 130.30	\$ 154.89	\$ 256.58	\$1,176.76	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Surplus for year ended Sept. 30, 1957—See Below	19.71	68.77	23.00	7.21	8.80	6.70	47.60	45.36	45.12	29.36	45.72
Balance, Sept. 30, 1957	\$ 3,851.07	\$1,381.95	\$1,096.18	\$ 341.62	\$ 518.65	\$ 137.00	\$ 202.49	\$ 301.94	\$1,221.88	\$ 29.36	\$ 45.72
Total	\$26,138.10	\$6,881.95	\$8,521.18	\$3,864.92	\$2,518.65	\$8,640.26	\$5,502.40	\$9,542.16	\$9,582.56	\$3,137.11	\$4,133.12
Operations for Year											
Revenue	\$ 19.71	\$ 72.72	\$ 23.00	\$ 7.21	\$ 8.80	\$ 6.70	\$ 47.60	\$ 32.16	\$ 45.12	\$ 29.36	\$ 45.72
Less: Expenses	-0-	3.95	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	6.80	-0-	-0-	-0-
Net Revenue or (Deficit)	\$ 19.71	\$ 68.77	\$ 23.00	\$ 7.21	\$ 8.80	\$ 6.70	\$ 47.60	\$ 45.36	\$ 45.12	\$ 29.36	\$ 45.72

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EXHIBIT "Z"

MISCELLANEOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUNDS — NOT BONDED (Assessments Not Final)

BALANCE SHEETS — September 30, 1957

ASSETS	Sweetwater Avenue Curb and Gutter Fund	O'Neal Street Sanitary Sewer Fund	1957 Street Project Fund	Church Street Sanitary Sewer Fund	Indiana Street Sanitary Sewer Fund	N. Eclipse Street Sanitary Sewer Fund	Fulton Street Sanitary Sewer Fund
Cash in Bank	\$ 216.44	\$ 3,646.11	\$ 922.96	\$2,908.06	\$1,716.76	\$5,949.34	\$2,461.58
Construction Costs to date	927.74	49,551.10	19,483.45	91.94	4,750.84	50.66	36.42
Total	\$1,144.18	\$53,197.21	\$20,406.41	\$3,000.00	\$6,467.60	\$6,000.00	\$2,500.00
LIABILITIES							
Due Other Funds	\$1,144.18	\$48,500.00	\$18,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$2,500.00
Accounts payable—Retainer to Contractor	-0-	4,697.21	1,906.41	-0-	467.60	-0-	-0-
Total	\$1,144.18	\$53,197.21	\$20,406.41	\$3,000.00	\$6,467.60	\$6,000.00	\$2,500.00

CITY OF FLORENCE, ALABAMA

AUDITOR'S COMMENTS

I OPERATIONS

The operations of the City of Florence, Alabama for the year ended September 30, 1957 resulted in a net surplus in the aggregate amount of \$38,746.79, all funds consolidated. Details of this result are to be found in the statements of revenue and expense applicable to the various funds, which may be found by reference to the index with this report. A summary of these statements is set forth as follows:

Fund	Revenues	Expenses	Surplus	Deficit
General	\$ 799,432.13	\$ 802,950.15	\$ -3,518.02	
Refunding bondholders	96,875.18	17,743.18	\$1,132.00	
Hospital annex	22,643.92	966.66	21,677.26	
Cemetery	74.50	720.55	646.05	
Gross receipts tax	175,412.22	193,685.80	18,273.58	
1952 public improvement	16,280.04	15,384.52	895.52	
1953 public improvement	14,186.80	15,678.43	1,489.63	
Recreational center	10,770.74	5,400.00	5,370.74	
Cox's Creek sanitary sewer	-0-	7,213.32	7,213.32	
1956 public improvement	2,759.48	30,994.72	28,235.24	
1957 school construction	665.38	11,965.62	11,300.24	
North Florence sanitary sewer	19.71	-0-	19.71	
W. College St. sanitary sewer	72.72	3.95	68.77	
Sannoner Ave. paving	23.00	-0-	23.00	
Circular Road sanitary sewer	7.21	-0-	7.21	
Florida Ave. curb & gutter	8.80	-0-	8.80	
Sweetwater Street paving	6.70	-0-	6.70	
Malone Circle sanitary sewer	47.60	-0-	47.60	
Nance Street paving	52.16	6.80	45.36	
Valley park sanitary sewer	45.12	-0-	45.12	
Crown Street sanitary sewer	29.36	-0-	29.36	
Biltmore sanitary sewer	45.72	-0-	45.72	
Sub-totals	\$1,141,458.49	\$1,102,711.70	\$109,422.87	\$ 70,676.08
Surplus for year		38,746.79		38,746.79
Totals	\$1,141,458.49	\$1,141,458.49	\$109,422.87	\$109,422.87

The statements of revenue and expense do not reflect any provisions for accrued interest receivable on public improvement assessments receivable.

The City's principal sources of revenue consists of ad valorem taxes assessed against real and personal properties, privilege licenses, police court fines, parking meter collections, gasoline tax, and certain contributions from the State of Alabama. A gross receipts tax is collected for the benefit of the School Board and the retirement of school warrants. One half of the revenue from cigarette taxes is pledged to the payment of principal and interest of hospital annex warrants, payable \$20,000 per annum.

Taxes on real estate and personal property are assessed by the Lauderdale County Assessor. A levy of 15 mills is made, segregated as follows:

General Fund	5 mills
Schools	5 mills
Refunding Bondholders	5 mills
Total	15 mills

License fees, police court fines, and parking meter collections are for the benefit of the General Fund and are used for the operating expenses of the City.

Gasoline taxes are collected on gasoline handled in the Corporate Limits and police jurisdiction of the City, and are pledged to the payment of interest on refunding bonds and the retirement thereof and to the principal and interest of street resurfacing warrants, payable \$25,000 per annum, however, this revenue is no longer needed for the Refunding Bonds inasmuch as said fund contains sufficient assets for the retirement of said Bonds.

II FINANCIAL POSITION

A consolidated balance sheet of all funds of the City appears at Exhibit "A" with the separate positions of the various funds at other sections of the report as indicated by the index.

CASH

Cash on hand was verified by count. Cash in banks was confirmed to us by direct confirmations from the depositories and reconciliations of the bank accounts with those shown by the banks.

RECEIVABLES

Public improvements assessments receivable were tested by means of direct communication with the debtor and no appreciable exceptions were noted. This confirmation was only used on a selected sample of the accounts outstanding at the balance sheet date. Except for interest to September 30, 1956, accrued on old assessments, no provision has been made for interest receivable accrued on assessments. At September 30, 1957, there were due from the Electricity Department and the Board of Water and Sewer Commis-

sioners, of the City of Florence, Alabama, payments in lieu of taxes totaling \$137,278.49, all applicable to the year ended September 30, 1957. The amount shown as due from the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners represents the City's retirement of \$6,000 worth of bonds for the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners together with the interest due thereon. This amount has been collected prior to the date of writing this report. Also included in receivables are the following items:

- (1) Gasoline taxes due for the month of September, 1957 \$12,924.78
- (2) Accrued interest on Recreational Center Revenue Bonds 2,700.00
- (3) Advanced cost of sewer construction amounting to 11,392.81
- (4) Miscellaneous items amounting to 2,538.11

INVESTMENTS

Investments include the securities set forth below, held by the funds indicated:

Fund	Security	Book Value	Maturity Value
Refunding bondholders	U. S. Treasury Bills	\$ 49,638.36	\$ 50,000.00
Refunding bondholders	U. S. Treasury Bonds	419,475.39	464,000.00
Refunding bondholders	City of Florence—		
Refunding bondholders	Natural Gas Bonds	14,244.64	15,000.00
Refunding bondholders	Recreational Center Bonds	216,000.00	216,000.00
Refunding bondholders	U. S. Government Bonds	116,000.00	116,000.00
Gross receipts tax	U. S. Treasury Bonds	2,732.15	3,000.00
1952 Public improvement	U. S. Treasury Bills	199,135.65	200,000.00
1953 Public improvement	U. S. Treasury Bills	29,870.32	30,000.00
1957 School construction	U. S. Treasury Bills	595,235.38	600,000.00
Totals		\$1,642,381.89	\$1,694,000.00

PREPAID EXPENSES.

MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES, OTHER ASSETS:

Customary audit procedures were followed in the examination of the above mentioned items. Otherwise, items listed under these captions in Exhibit "A" seem to be self-explanatory.

NOTES PAYABLE

Notes payable to the First National Bank of Florence, Alabama include hospital annex warrants amounting to \$32,000, City Hall warrants amounting to \$87,500, street resurfacing warrants amounting to \$125,000, and current expense fund notes in amount of \$116,000.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES

Accounts payable include amounts due contractors for public improvement work in progress totaling \$38,067.47, amount due Lauderdale County, Alabama for voting machines \$8,000, amount due on parking meters \$32,532.37, and other accounts totaling \$239.86. There is due to the City Board of Education the amount of \$47,048.10 representing its portion of tax equivalents receivable, as well as taxes collected for the Board and not remitted to it. Other items of accrued expenses appear to be self-explanatory.

DEPOSITS FOR INSPECTION, LICENSES, AND SO FORTH

The amount of \$739.20 represents deposits made with the City for electrical and plumbing inspections, and so forth.

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

For details of the City's bonded indebtedness, please refer to Exhibit "B-1." Bonds called July 1, 1946, amounting to \$6,000.00, have not been presented for payment.

It should be noted that Recreational Center Revenue Bonds in amount of \$216,000, which are listed in Exhibit "B-1" as bonds outstanding have been purchased by use of funds in the Refunding Bondholders Fund, and are being held as an investment by said fund.

RESERVES FOR GENERAL FUND ASSETS

These items are surplus reserves and seem to be self-explanatory.

SURPLUS

For an analysis of consolidated surplus, please refer to Exhibit "A-1."

III GENERAL

OFFICIAL BONDS

Fidelity Bonds were in effect at September 30, 1957 as follows:

Official	Position	Amount
Walter N. Harrison	Mayor	\$ 5,000.00
R. G. Hibbett	Commissioner	5,000.00
Alvah E. Hall	Commissioner	5,000.00
C. L. Haley, Jr.	Treasurer	15,000.00
James E. Wilson	City Clerk	15,000.00
Employees' Blanket Bond	Various	2,500.00 each

ASSESSED VALUATION

Real and personal property has been assessed for the year 1958 as follows:

Realty	\$11,801,774.00
Personalty	2,992,705.00
Public Utility	740,500.00
Total	\$15,534,979.00

Based on the rate of 15 mills the tax revenue for the year ending September 30, 1958, should be \$233,024.69.

Legal Notice

MORTGAGE SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain mortgage from Reeder Johnson and his wife, Mauvylene Johnson, to First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Florence to secure an indebtedness therein described, which mortgage is recorded in Mortgage Record 588, Pages 255-57 in the office of the Judge of Probate of Lauderdale County, Alabama, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby, the undersigned will, on Thursday, the 16th day of January, 1958, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash within legal hours of sale in front of the Court House door in Florence, Alabama, the real estate described in said mortgage located in Lauderdale County, Alabama, to-wit:

25 acres evenly off the East side of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 33, Township 2, Range 7 West in Lauderdale County, Alabama.

This sale is being made to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said mortgage and the proceeds of sale will be applied as therein directed.

FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION OF FLORENCE
Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 2.

LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGE SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain mortgage dated December 22, 1955, and executed by J. Z. Noles and wife, Velma B. Noles, to the undersigned, recorded in Mortgage Book 570 at Pages 245-47 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Lauderdale County, Alabama, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, the undersigned will, on the 22nd day of January, 1958, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, before the Courthouse door in Florence, Lauderdale County, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, an undivided one-half interest in the following described property situated in Lauderdale County, Alabama, and as same is described in said mortgage, to-wit:

TRACT 1. Lot No. 6 in the Barnard-Coker Subdivision, situated in Maple Homes Addition No. 2 Subdivision, City of Florence, Lauderdale County, Alabama, according to the plat of said Maple Homes Addition No. 2 Subdivision as recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Lauderdale County, Alabama.

TRACT 2. A lot or tract of land lying in the Northwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 3, Range 11 West, described as starting at the Southeast corner of said Northwest Quarter, thence North 40 feet, thence West 1067 feet for a point of beginning; thence North 26 degrees 30 minutes East 100 feet; thence East 159 feet; thence South 95 feet; thence West 200 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of that tract described in deed from Maude Gilman, widow, to J. L. Barnard and J. Z. Noles by deed recorded in Book 527, Pages 321-22 and being Lot No. 5 as shown on an unrecorded plat of said Gilman tract.

TRACT 3. A lot or tract of land lying in the Northwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 3, Range 11 West, described as: Starting at the Southeast corner of said Northwest Quarter; thence North 40 feet; thence West 755 feet; for a point of beginning; thence North 218 feet; thence South 88 degrees West 70 feet; thence South 28 feet; thence West 42 feet; thence South 190 feet; thence East 112 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of that tract described in deed from Maude Gilman, widow, to J. L. Barnard and J. Z. Noles by deed recorded in Book 527, Pages 321-22 and being Lot No. 6 as shown on an unrecorded plat of said Gilman tract. The proceeds of sale will be applied as directed in said mortgage.

J. L. Barnard
Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 2

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Farmers Bank of Anderson, Alabama will be held Friday, January 17, 1958, at 1:00 o'clock p.m. at the bank for the purpose of electing a board of directors and for any other business that might come before the meeting.

J. W. HAMILTON
President
Dec. 26, Jan. 2, 9, 16

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Hollis G. Burks, deceased. Probate Court.

Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 19th day of December, 1957, by the Hon. Herman K. Longshore Judge of the Probate Court of Lauderdale County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

MURIEL GRIGSBY BURKS
Dec. 26; Jan. 2, 9

LEGAL NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the members of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Florence, Florence, Alabama, will be held at its office Wednesday, January 15, 1958, at 2 p. m. for the purpose of attending such business that may come before the meeting.

Jan. 2, 9.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
LAUDERDALE COUNTY,
PROBATE COURT
ESTATE OF W. L. HOLLAND,
DECEASED.

NOTICE

Letters Testamentary on the estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on this day in said court, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate must file the same within the time required by law or they will be forever barred.

This December 20, 1957.
DORA L. HOLLAND,
EXECUTRIX
Dec. 26; Jan. 2, 9

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Bank of Lexington, Lexington, Alabama has been called by its Directors to be held in the Banking room of the Bank of Lexington on Saturday, January 11th, 1958 at 10:45 A. M. This meeting is called for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors and attending to such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Chas. P. McMeans
President
Dec. 12, 19, 26, Jan. 2.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. F-195(3)

LAUDERDALE COUNTY, ALA.

Sealed bids will be received by the State Highway Director at the office of the State Highway Department, Montgomery, Alabama, until 10:00 o'clock A. M., January 10, 1958, and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Grading, Drainage and Bituminous Pavement on U. S. No. 43, from the Tennessee State Line south toward Florence. Length—4.351 miles.

The entire project shall be completed in one hundred sixty (160) working days.

Proposal fee is \$5.00. Plans are available for \$3.70. No refunds will be made.

Certified check or bid bond for 5% (Maximum—\$10,000.00) of bid made payable to the Alabama State Highway Department must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith.

The minimum wage paid to all Skilled, Intermediate and Unskilled labor employed on this contract shall be as set forth in Special Provisions.

The proposed work shall be performed in conformity with the rules and regulations for carrying out the Federal Highway Act.

Plans and Specifications are on file in the office of the State Highway Department at Montgomery 4, Alabama.

In accordance with Section 12 of Act No. 492 of 1947 Legislature of Alabama, proposals will be issued only to prequalified contractors or their authorized representatives, upon requests that are received before ten o'clock A. M., on the day previous to the day of opening of bids.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

H. L. NELSON
Highway Director
Dec. 22, Jan. 2, 9.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Under and by virtue of that certain mortgage executed to Valley Homes, Inc., under date of October 24, 1956, by Clifton Lindsey, which said mortgage is of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of Lauderdale County, Alabama, in Book 594, at Pages 56-58, which said mortgage has been duly transferred and assigned to the undersigned, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, the undersigned will, under the power of sale therein contained, sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Lauderdale County, Alabama, on Tuesday, January 28, 1958, during the legal hours of sale, the following described property located in the City of Florence, Lauderdale County, Alabama, to-wit:

Lot No. 4, in Block 4, in Valley Park Subdivision, according to the map and plat thereof recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Lauderdale County, Alabama, in New Plat Book No. 2, at page 179.

News Of ROGERSVILLE

By Mrs. Oswald Waddell
Phone 2681

P-T. A.

The Parent-Teacher Association members ate dinner together at the Rogersville School Cafeteria on Thursday evening with Bro. George Eady giving the invocation and after dinner bringing the devotion-al, "The Reason Why Christmas," from Luke 2.

Mrs. Sam Whitehead, vice-president, presided over the meeting.

After minutes and reports from committees the subject for the January meeting was announced,

which is to be a debate between four high school students on the question, "Shall We Or Shall We Not Continue To Have Cotton Picking Vacation." For this there will be a detailed study with authentic facts and figures in the data presented.

It was agreed to advertise highly this meeting which will be at the cafeteria but will not be a supper meeting. There will be a time for open discussion and questions after the debates.

Mrs. Lois Romine and Mrs. Ed-die Williams, first and third grades, were the winners of the attendance prize.

Helpful discussions followed the introduction of ideas advanced as projects.

Mr. Hannah spoke briefly on "What Is Right With The Schools," since after Sputnik they have been made the scapegoat. In listing

things right with our schools he included some vital facts; for ex-ample, freedom of choice and the heritage that is America.

He urged the building of a good basic foundation in elementary grades, with this part of our school system, being made more attractive as a career to the best talent available. Also the importance of social studies, familiarizing our children as to what America really is in comparison to other coun-tries, lest they take these things we enjoy for granted.

He called attention to our be-ing in much better condition than we have thought and emphasized the security that is ours so long as children can develop and learn in an atmosphere where "Silent Night" and "Peace On Earth" have real meaning.

School News
The first issue of "Lauderdale High," published by the Student Council, came out on Thursday.

Front page interest was a Christ-mas message from the president, Steve Thornton, with every or-ganization and class contributing, making it a very newsy first is-sue.

On the staff are editor, Jerry Miller; news editor, Johnnie Rains; sports editor, O'Neal Bailey; and Morris McKee.

Objectives of the Student Coun-cil for 1957-58 are: (1.) To pro-mote harmony between students and faculty; (2.) To promote more democratic living through effective student participation in school af-fairs; (3.) To promote welfare of students, to be of the greatest pos-sible service to the school; (4.) To promote leadership throughout the student body; (5.) To promote co-operation among students by work-ing together; (6.) To carry out worthwhile projects such as a school paper, visual aid room and first aid room.

They hope to have the visual aid room and the first aid room com-pleted as soon as the new building is finished.

Officers are: president, Steve Thornton; vice-president, Billy Scott; secretary-treasurer, Sonny Gaultney; sponsor, Mrs. Essie Goad.

Dames Dine
At the home of Mrs. Essie Goad, on Thursday evening, covers were laid for Mrs. Naomi Thornton, Mrs. Rex Robertson, Mrs. Polk Comer, Mrs. O. C. Goad and Mrs. J. R. Waddell when they met as is their annual custom at the Goad home for dinner and gift exchange, for which names were drawn as at last year's dinner.

The home was decorated throughout with the holiday motif, the kitchen being especially attrac-tive with yards of philodendron entwined over the six windows, a year-round decoration.

In the living room on the man-tle a piece of driftwood filled with gold leaves and dried flowers was the center of interest.

An arrangement of greenery and fruit were used on the table.

Conversation and opening of the gifts were the diversions of the evening.

Church Socials

The Junior and Intermediate Training Unions of the Baptist Church were given a social on Thursday evening by their leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Connie Pennington.

One group was responsible for decorating the room, another for games, and others for refresh-ments which were cup cakes and hot chocolate.

They also exchanged gifts from a tree.

The Junior G.A.'s of the Baptist Church delivered boxes, which they had prepared with their counselor, on Thursday afternoon to shut-ins. One of the girls not only brought fancy cup cakes for the boxes but also for the girls to enjoy as they prepared them.

Beddingfield Class Dinner
Twenty-one of the Mildred Reed Beddingfield Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church were present Friday evening for the turkey dinner at the home of Mrs. Essie Goad, which was already de-corated for the occasion, for the night before she had entertained with a dinner party.

Mrs. Zilphia Weaver, the class teacher, gave the devotion-al, using the Christmas story from Luke 2. A poem was read by Mrs. Bu-ford Mitchum and Mrs. Thurston Vickers gave a beautiful Christ-mas reading to complete the pro-gram.

Gifts were exchanged from the tree and it was a delightful party.

Carol Sing
One of the nicest Christmas presents for the whole town was from the Intermediate Sunday School class of the Church of Christ when they sang carols on Friday night. Thanks!

The carolers were Nancy Lou Elkins, Johnnie Rains, Sue Mc-Lemore, Dallas Butler, David Car-ter, Eula Cooper, Allen Goode, Farris Cooper, Jr., Brenda Hara-way, Gerald Reeves, Helen Ann Lovell, Verlon Reeves and Jim-mie Dale Williams. Redus Reeves is the teacher.

Union Services

By bringing in chairs the Bap-tist Church was able to seat the people from the Methodist, Presby-terian, Cumberland Presbyterian and Church of God congregations when they came together on Sun-day evening for a union service. Bro. Ralph Wilson, host pastor, welcomed the people.

An offering was taken, as had previously been agreed upon, to be used for emergencies in the community. Bro. Harris, secretary-treasurer, explained the use that had already been made of some of the funds.

The message for the evening was brought by Rev. C. N. Fooks, Cumberland Presbyterian pastor. He used, "They helped everyone his neighbor; and everyone said to his brother, Be of good courage" (Isaiah 41:8) for his most timely message, stressing the idea of "Live and Help Live" rather than "Live and let live."

He pointed out that man can die spiritually in living for him-self, but that through working together, living the Christianity we profess, concentrating our ef-forts in a single purpose of cheer-ing each other on—including every man in our efforts and prayers and cooperating in the spirit of love, that we can become a more power-ful influence for good.

He closed with the reminder that God's help was not only avail-able but generously offered.

The next union service will be March 30 at the Cumberland church with Rev. Gerald Harris bringing the message.

Personal Mention

Miss Mavis Jones and her mother, Mrs. Nellie Jones, who has been visiting her for the past three weeks, returned to Ardmore for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall White, David and Archie of Jacksonville, Fla., are visiting in the home of Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Ezell. On Sunday they were in the Hollis Ezell home.

In the Leo King home for the holidays is their daughter, Mrs. Ellis Lentz, from Big Spring, Texas, and their two grandchild-ren, Glenn and Susan.

Mrs. Irma Pott arrived from Baltimore on Saturday for a visit with her son, Dwight, who is at home from University Medical School in Birmingham.

Charles Burks is at home with his mother, Mrs. Lurene Burks, in Florence and his grandmother, Mrs. Flora McKee, in Rogersville. He is at present stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark.

Miss Sharon Hayes of Holly Pond is the guest of her sister Mrs. Lanier Calvert, and Mr. Cal-vert. They were in Spruce Pine on Sunday to see the W. E. Calverts and Virginia, who came by plane on Saturday from Pennsylvania for a surprise visit with her par-ents.

Dr. and Mrs. John R. Waddell, Jr., are spending the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Waddell, Sr. They arrived on Saturday from Alexandria, La., where he is resi-dent physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Waddell, Dickie, Kay and Melinda, spent Sunday in Hazel Green with the Floyd Jones family.

The Areleigh Snoddy's of Mari-etta, Ga., are in the home of Mrs. Will Crymes for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dean, Jr., and Roger Mac of Huntsville were in the Buford Howard home on Sunday.

College students at home from afar are Buddy South, Roxie Weathers, Jimmie Snoddy, Jerry Thornton, Montevillo; Ramsey Waddell, Jimmie Howard, Howard College, Birmingham; Robert Rex Robertson, Raymond Davis, Morris Hamilton, Bobby Nugent, Itawam-ba College, Fulton, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. King and Donna of Paducah, Ky., arrived in the Leo King home on Wednesday for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Barnes, Mrs. Mae Smith and Dixie Barnes spent Christmas in Hartselle with the Robert Wayne Clemons family.

Mrs. Ethel Buffaloe has had her little grandson for several days because of the illness of his mother, Mrs. Joe Paul Buffaloe. She was sufficiently improved to come for a visit during the holidays and carry him back to their home in Marietta, Ga.

The Glenn Campbell family re-turned to their home in Sweet-water, Tenn., for the holidays.

Up from Killen for a few days with Mrs. Fannie Haraway is Mrs. Lou White.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Waddell, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Waddell and child-ren and the Oswald Waddell fam-ily attended the Ramsey family dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Weathers near Athens on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Blackburn and Tommie spent the holidays with relatives in New Hope and Owens Cross Roads.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McLemore and son were week-end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Far-ris Cooper. They returned to Nash-ville on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Rose went to Murfreesboro, Tenn., for the hol-idays with the Hurn Hudson family.

On Wednesday evening John Pigg from Illinois was in charge of the services at the Church of Christ.

Dr. and Mrs. John R. Waddell, Sr., and Dr. and Mrs. John R.

News Of ANDERSON

By Myrtle McGraw

Many homes of this community were filled with visitors during the Christmas holidays. From Cleveland, Ohio, were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Herston and children visiting in the Vernon Herston home, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bullard and children visiting in the Velpo Patterson home and Mrs. Sam Bullard visiting in the An-drew Sinyard home.

From Chicago came Wiley Belew to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Belew, and John Cook, also of Chicago, to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cook.

Guests in the Joe Belew home Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hightower and daughter of Athens, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Fulk and daughter and Mrs. Mat-tie Lee Foster of Huntsville and Mr. and Mrs. Villard Belew and family of Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Patterson and children spent the Christmas holidays with their son, W. F. Pat-terson, and family of Cleveland Ohio.

Jimmie Burks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Burks, and Miss Ann Jackson of Minor Hill, Tenn., were married in Mississippi Dec. 26.

The little 18 month old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Lemay passed away at the home of its grandpar-ents, Mr. and Mrs. George Ken-nemer, Dec. 26.

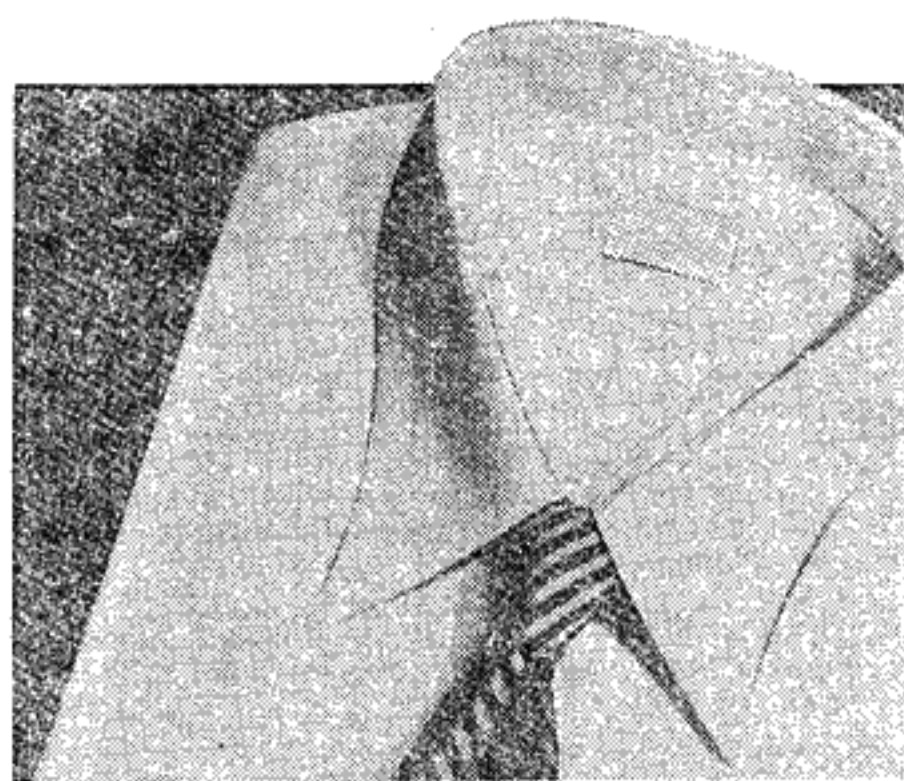
Ivan Burgess is a patient in the Veterans Hospital in Birmingham. Visiting in the Hulon McGraw home last week were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McGraw of Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McConnell and Karen spent the Christmas holi-

Waddell, Jr., and Cathleen Wad-dell were in Gadsden on Friday for the day with the Leonard Leach family.

Dr. and Mrs. Buford Grigsby, Buford Jr., GERALYN and Denia Mae, of East Lansing, Michigan, had an early Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Van Grigsby on Saturday before they left for a brief holiday in Georgia.

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1953 OLDSMOBILE, 88, 4 door easy Hydramatic, radio, heater and this car looks and drives fine. Be sure to test drive this bar-gain. You'll agree it's worth **\$850.**

1955 FORD, 4 door cus-tomline V8. Radio, heat-er and white wall tires. Fordomatic drive for ease in driving **\$1295.**

1954 MERCURY, V8, 4 door Monterey. A sharp tutone Light Blue and Ivory, gas saving straight drive, radio, heater and white wall tires **\$950.**

1953 PONTIAC, 8, 2 door. Radio, heater & Dark Green **\$495.**

1952 STUDEBAKER, Champion, 4 door, radio, heater and overdrive. You'll like this economi-cal little car for only **\$395.**

1949 CHEVROLET, 2 door Fleetline. Radio, heater and straight drive. About average **\$195.**

1957 CHEVROLET, Del Ray. This V8 has econo-mical straight drive, plus radio, heater and white wall tires. Only 8,000 mil-es by one owner. Going this week at the low, low price of **\$2150.**

1956 FORD, 2 door, V8 motor with gas saving overdrive. Radio, heater, white tires & **\$1495.** a solid color

1955 CHEVROLET, 4 door, 210, 6 cylinder. A slick tutone Blue and Ivory and equipped with ra-dio, heater & **\$1195.** straight drive

1954 CHEVROLET, 4 door Bel Air. This solid Dark Green has economi-cal straight drive plus ra-dio, heater and white wall tires. This car is a real nice one and going for only **\$995.**

1951 PONTIAC, Catalina Hardtop. While the car has radio, heater and Hy-dramatic, it is only aver-age condition, but look at this **\$395.** low price

1953 CHEVROLET, 4 door Deluxe. Powerglide, radio, heater & **\$695.** extra clean

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News Of
Central Heights

By Mrs. Andrew Thrasher

Church
The choir of Pleasant Hill church gave the cantata, "A Star in the Sky," in observance of the White Christmas program under the direction of Mrs. Bill Phillips. The cantata was composed of "In the Starlight, The Angel Song, Oh, Hasten with Rejoicing, What Child Is This? Humbly We Praise Him, The Magi, Bethlehem Lullaby, His Star in the Sky, Come, Like the Shepherds and Come Ye with Carols."

Soprano were Brenda Hairrell, Elaine Perkins, Fay Darby, Mary Emily Broadfoot, Linda Butler, Eleanor Lovelace and Mrs. Lonnie Harbin. Altos were Mrs. Lena McIntyre, Mrs. Andrew Thrasher and Myra Perkins. Tenors, Stanley Perkins and Bill Phillips. Basses were Hermage and Gene Hairrell, David and Harold Rhodes. Organist was Miss Virginia Perkins.

Student Recognition Day was observed Sunday at Pleasant Hill with Mrs. Clifford Daugherty, student secretary being in charge of the church school morning worship service. Those to be recognized were Merrill Hairrell, employed at St. Louis, Mo., Tommy Darby, who is in the armed forces in Africa, Kenneth Woodie stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga. College students at FSC were Gene Hairrell, David Rhodes and Virginia Perkins. Senior high students were Elaine Perkins, Mary Emily Broadfoot, Fay Darby, Tommy Daugherty and Barbara Lovelace. In the eleventh grade was Davis Rhodes, who plans to go into full time Christian service.

Banquets
Sunday evening at six o'clock the Pleasant Hill Senior MYF and older youths were entertained with a banquet in the recreational department of the church in keeping with the Student Recognition Day observance. The reception hall was lighted with blue lights and other blue and silver decorations.

In the dining hall a red, green and silver Christmas motif was used. At the guest table was an arrangement of pine and large green, red and silver baubles surrounded and intermixed with green and red lights and two tall red burning tapers. Strands of Christmas lights entwined with pine branches, with small green, silver and red baubles at intervals, marked the center of the table.

Adult workers with youth to be present in addition to the pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. C. D. Dobbs, were Mrs. Andrew Thrasher district youth, secretary, Mrs. Brown McIntyre, local youth secretary, Mrs. Clifford Daugherty, student secretary and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Phillips, counselors.

The guest, who gave a beautiful Christmas reading, was Mrs. James Harris, of Florence. Miss Brenda Hairrell sang "White Christmas," after which the group sang "Silent Night," with the pastor giving the benediction.

The youths attending were Kenneth Woodie, Barbara Lovelace, Jimmie Dobbs, Sue Lovelace, David Rhodes, Elaine Perkins, Shannon Phillips, Virginia Perkins, Wayland Hawkins, Mary Emily Broadfoot, Tommy Daugherty, Martha Carroll, Reeder Kimbrough, Eleanor Lovelace, Ronnie McIntyre, Willa Jean Jones, Ronald Pettus, Myra Perkins, Jerry Coolie, Linda Butler, Wayne Brooks, Nancy Seaton, Robert Koonce and Brenda Hairrell.

Last week Mrs. John Butler entertained her Junior church school class at her home with a Christmas party.

The Perkins, Virginia, Elaine and Myra, gave a party at their home for the teen-agers Friday night.

Reunion

On Christmas night the M. F. Brown, Sr., family had a reunion, the first time for every member to be present, the number included 39. Their children and in-laws were, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Thrasher, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Mitchell, of Central Heights, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Balentine, Florence route four, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brown of Florence and Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Brown, Jr., of Cloverdale Road. Grandchildren and wives and husbands were Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Thompson, Minor Hill, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. Brown Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mitchell, and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby McCormick of Florence, Mr. and Mrs. William Hudson, of Jasper, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Patrick, Jr., of Opelika, Benie, Ronnie and Doty Brown, Greenville and Gary Balentine, Larry and Randy Brown. Grandchildren were Patsy and Richard Thompson and Michael and Sherry Brown. Miss Carletta Jackson was a guest.

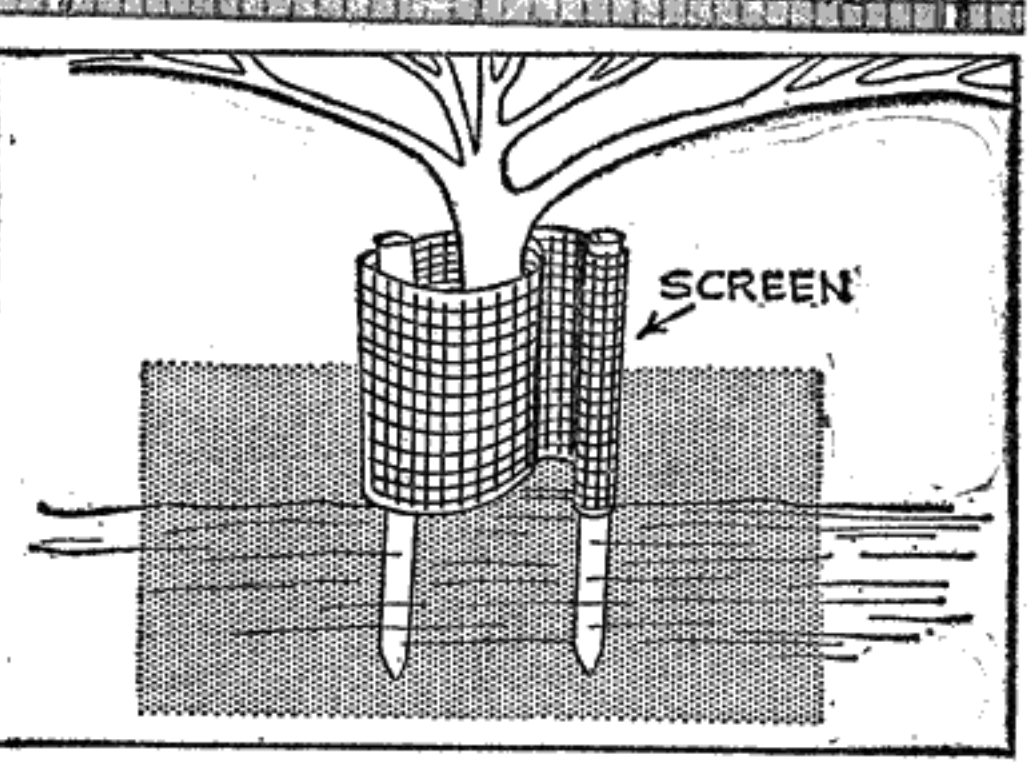
Mr. and Mrs. Brown live on the Savannah highway where the reunion was enjoyed. Mrs. Brown had her 75th birthday December 14.

Personals

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett for Christmas were Floyd Fowls, Mrs. Lena Cooner and Mr. and Mrs. Price Darby of Florence, Mrs. Charles Hargett and son, Eddie, of Gulf Port, Miss., and Mrs. Nora Daniels of Central.

Lt. and Mrs. David Llewellyn and little daughter left Sunday for Columbus after being here for the holidays with the Marvin Llewellyns and other relatives of Florence.

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FHA Families Reviewing Records In Planning 1958 Farm Operations

A number of farm families in Lauderdale County are taking a second look at their farm and home records, getting ready to analyze the past year's operations and work out plans for the coming year. Cecil C. Mixon, county supervisor of the Farmers Home Administration, reported this week.

He explained that help with year-end analysis as a basis for next year's planning is part of the farm management aid that goes with most Farmers Home Administration loans. Farm families using the agency's credit develop long-time farm and home plans when they apply for loans to buy, enlarge, or operate their farms, or make certain adjustments and improvements. Then at the beginning of each year's operations they make annual plans based on what they intend to accomplish during the year.

The county supervisor supplies each family with a simple farm and home record book as part of the farm management aid. When necessary, he shows the family how to keep track of income, costs, results of specific operations, debt payments, and other items that are

part of the business of farming.

At the end of the farming year, the farmer and his wife find out how their farming operations matched up with the plans they had made. To help do this they set a definite date to meet with the Farmers Home Administration county supervisor, and go over their farm and home plans and their filled-in record book.

With the county supervisor's help, they analyze the progress, successes, and mistakes. For example, if their records show that a certain livestock or crop enterprise failed to work out satisfactorily, they look for reasons such as improper feeding or breeding practices, inadequate pasture or housing, seed selection, or fertilization. Then they are ready to correct their mistakes and continue good practices, so far as their next year's plans are concerned.

Mr. Mixon said approximately one hundred families in Lauderdale County will take part in the year-end review of operations. The first meetings were held in December. Most of the county supervisor's time until February 15 will be devoted to this part of the agency's farm management service.

J. FRED JOHNSON INJURED IN FALL

J. Fred Johnson, 92-year-old Florence resident, was carried to ECM Hospital in an ambulance Monday morning after he slipped and fell on the sidewalk on East Tombigbee St. After being treated for a scalp laceration he was dismissed.

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Florentine's Rites Held At Valdosta

Mrs. Sadie M. Green, 56, of 309 West Mobile St., was buried in Old Brick cemetery following funeral services held from Valdosta Baptist Church at 2 p. m. Monday. Mrs. Green, who had been ill for three years, died at ECM Hospital Saturday.

A native of Colbert County and member of the Baptist Church, Mrs. Green had lived in Florence about 15 years. Surviving her are one son, Elvis Landers of Tusculum; a daughter, Mrs. Ruby Evans of Rantoul, Ill.; one sister, Mrs. Ruth Conner of Bragwood, Ill.; a brother, Dallas Reed of Chicago; and four grandchildren.

Mrs. Susie Brewer Dies On Christmas

Funeral services were held from Brown-Service chapel at 10 a. m. Friday for Mrs. Susie Hart Brewer, resident of Prospect St., who died at ECM Hospital Christmas day. The Rev. Shirley Lowery, assistant pastor of the First Methodist Church was the officiant.

The widow of David F. Brewer, she had formerly lived in Columbia and Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., but made her home in Florence with her niece, Mrs. Fred Long.

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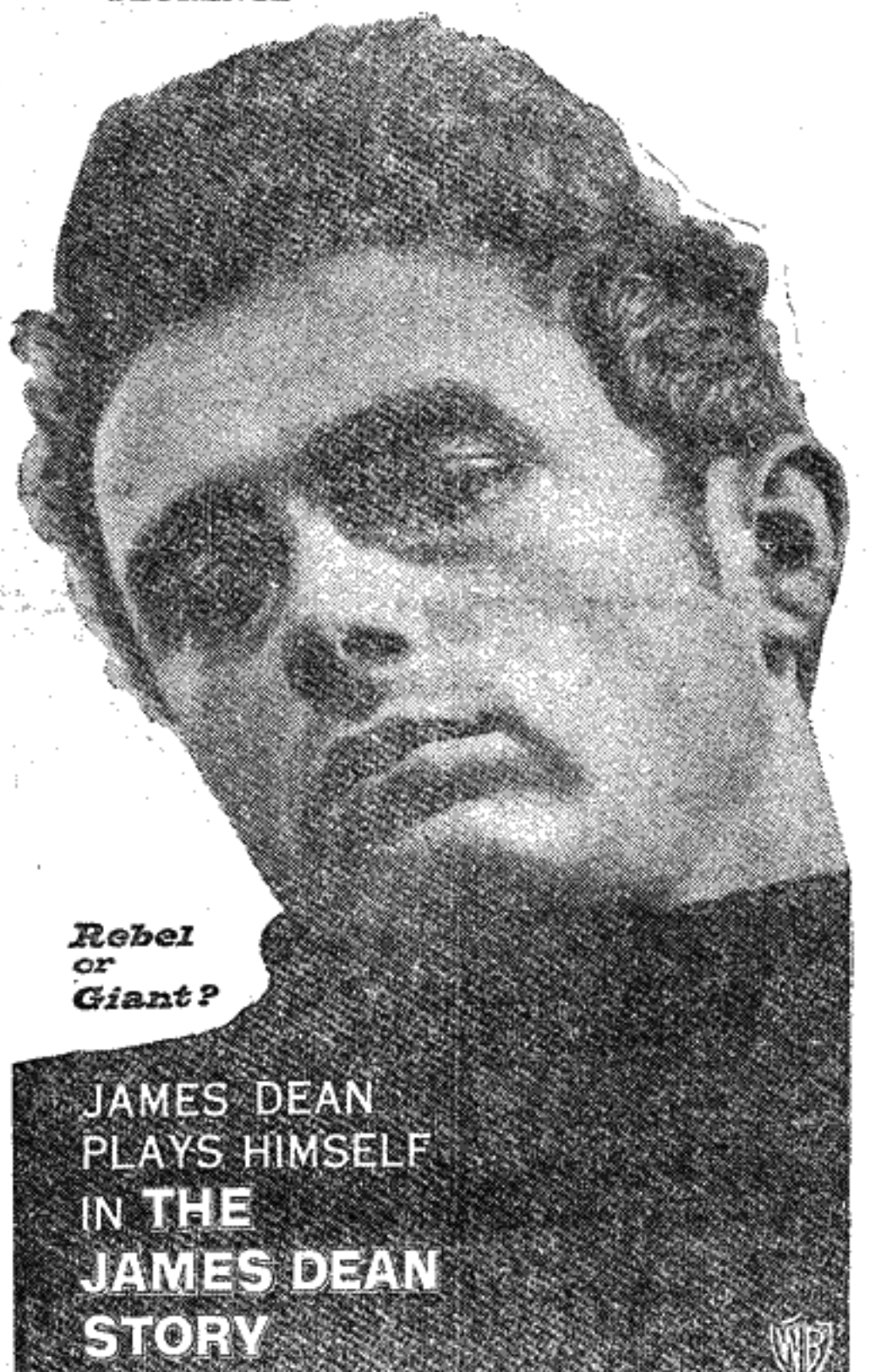
Mrs. Brewer was a member of a pioneer Tennessee family, and was a member of the Episcopal Church of Columbia, King's Daughters, United Daughters of the Confederacy and Daughters of the American Revolution.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Mae Hart Hurd, of Nashville, Tenn., and a number of nieces and nephews, including Mrs. Long and Richard H. Hart, of Newport News, Va.

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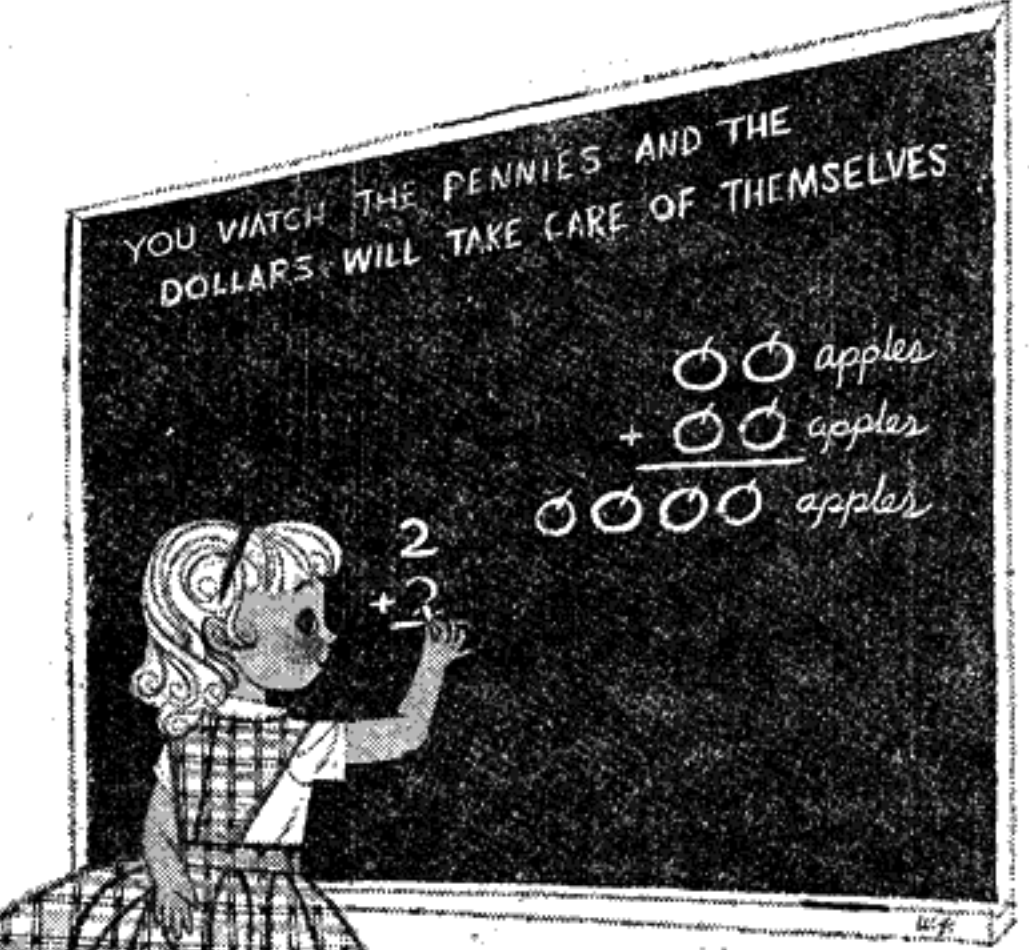
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News Of Our Men In The Military Services

Second Lt. James C. Isbell, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie H. Isbell, Wilson Dam rd., Florence, recently was assigned to the 38th Antiaircraft Artillery Missile Battalion's Battery D, Fort Story, Va. Lieutenant Isbell, an assistant integrated fire control platoon leader, entered the Army in June 1957 and was last stationed at Fort Bliss, Tex.

He was graduated from Lexington High School in 1951 and Alabama State College at Florence in 1947. His wife, Gloyce, is with him at Fort Story.

Army Specialist Third Class Charles O. Prince, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jernon Prince, 415 S. Oneal st., Florence, recently participated in night tactical reconnaissance patrol training with members of the 11th Airborne Division's 37th Armored Infantry Battalion in Germany.

Assigned as a truck driver in the battalion's Company D, Specialist Prince entered the Army in March 1956. He completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C., and arrived in Europe in October 1956.

Pvt. Robert E. Hooks, whose wife, Mary, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hooks, live at 937 W. Mobile, Florence, was graduated Dec. 13 from the lineman course at the Army's Southeastern Signal School, Fort Gordon, Ga.

The eight-week course trained Hooks to construct and maintain both open and lead covered field communication wires and cables. Hooks entered the Army in July 1957 and completed basic training at Fort Gordon, Ga. He was graduated from Burrell High School in 1953 and employed by the Hartnett Recreation Company, Chicago, in civilian life.

Christmas time, when families are united and laughter filled the air, sorrows often come, too, as it always does when sickness comes to a home. Such is the case of the Ivan Burgess home when, during Christmas week, it was learned that Ivan had become a victim of leukemia. He is now confined to the Veterans Hospital in Birmingham. His room number is Room 7-32-5.

In the J. P. Amazon home Mrs. Amazon is once more undergoing surgery. She will be confined to the hospital in Nashville, but at the time of this writing her address is not known.

Mrs. Roxie Middlebrooks, who has been confined to her bed for some time, wishes to take this means of expressing her thanks to the people of the community and the church for the nice things that they have done for her throughout the past year, and especially does she express her gratefulness to the various groups of people who have remembered her at Christmas time with boxes and the dinners that have been sent to her.

From The Simple Side By THE FARMER'S WIFE

Once more a new year has its beginning and an old year is gone, and as it takes its departure the Farmer's Wife would like to take this opportunity to express to the readers of this column our appreciation for the manner in which you have received "From the Simple Side."

We are not sure how much longer this column will continue; many times we have felt that we would discontinue it, and then, just as we were sure that we would drop it, you, the reader, would stop me to mention it and to comment upon it.

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News Of POWELL

By Mrs. J. N. Phillips

Church
One hundred and fourteen attended Sunday school at the Bethel Baptist Church Sunday morning, and 71 attended Training Union in the evening. The Rev. McDougal filled his pulpit as usual at both the morning and evening services. We were happy to have visitors with us at both services also.

The Brotherhood and WMU organizations met at the church on Saturday night for their regular monthly meeting.

Personals
Visiting in our community this past holiday week were many people home for Christmas once more. The Tab Hulse family and Edith Jackson of Florida were visiting the Gilbert Jacksons.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Word and daughters, also of Florida, visited in the John McCafferty home.

Noel Burgess of California spent the holiday season here and will be staying on for a few weeks yet in the home of his father and brother, John and Ivan Burgess.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Burgess and Tommy of Cleveland, O., spent the holidays here.

Buford Cockrell has returned to his home here.
Mr. and Mrs. David Shelton, who has recently been working in Cleveland, O., has returned to our community for a while.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. W. R. Doss Friday of last week were Miss Bessie Smith of Athens and Miss Virta Boston. Miss Smith was Mrs. Doss's teacher in school 50 years ago, and she is still teaching now, after Mrs. Doss herself became a teacher and has now retired.

The Rev. McDougal and family and the Emmett Camp family spent Saturday visiting the Aubrey McGraws in Florence.

Visiting in the McDougal home Saturday night and Sunday were his sister and her husband of Fayetteville, Tenn.

And amid the happiness of

Machines Develop Cold Weather Ills

There are still a few more months of cold weather left this winter, and farmers would gain by checking their machinery and equipment to see that no "kinks" develop.

Precautionary measures can usually be carried out easily and inexpensively, reports engineer W. T. Cox. For example, electrical heating and water systems and pumps can operate freely during the coldest months without much added expense.

According to Cox, an Extension Service specialist in farm buildings, a standard 250-watt heat lamp will run only about \$1.10. And it costs only 18 cents a day to run it. Suspended high enough so that its light and heat rays cover a pump, a lamp that size throws a protective blanket of warmth around the machinery and keeps it running smoothly.

Tractors also operate more efficiently in cold weather if the engine is warmed ahead of time. Turning on a lamp above the tractor a couple of hours before it's to be used will do the trick. A low-cost heating cable for exposed water pipes and faucets is another device which can prevent costly damage. Most hardware dealers carry these cables.

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This young fellow can't be absolutely sure that the New Year is worth celebrating. His future is in the hands of his parents. But he's smiling because of his confidence in them.

During this New Year their faith in God, and the sincerity of their relationship with the Church will begin to determine just what their son is going to be when he stops being cute.

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The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

Day	Book	Chapter	Verses
Sunday	Matthew	3	13-17
Monday	Matthew	4	1-11
Tuesday	Matthew	23	23-28
Wednesday	Matthew	25	1-13
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Saturday	Psalms	91	1-16

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On The Farm

What's Ahead In 1958

By FOY HELMS
API Extension Economist

THIS will be another tough year for farming.

Here in Alabama—and throughout the nation—farmers do not now share equally with people in other employment in the country's prosperity. And the situation is not likely to improve in 1958.

If things do get any better this year, it will be because of the federal farm programs. The government is set to spend as heavily as it did last year through the Soil Bank and other operations.

I am rather pessimistic over the 1958 farm outlook for several reasons.

First, farm prices will average about the same as in 1957. That fact alone is disheartening, for 1957 was one of the worst years since 1951 for net farm income.

Second, even if farm prices were to average slightly higher—a most unlikely prospect—the cost of things farmers have to buy is sure to increase far more. The cost of practically every item not produced on the farm is creeping up. This includes machinery, labor, fertilizers, taxes, interest rates, and about everything else you can name.

Third, farm exports will not equal those of 1957, when the product of one acre out of five, nation-wide, was sold abroad.

Farm Debts Are Climbing

Fourth, farm indebtedness for operations, machinery, land, and buildings will continue to rise. At present, debts equal 11 percent of the net worth of American farmers. Although this figure is not dangerously high, it does mean that farmers must spend considerable money on carrying charges and interest. The expected debt rise will add to this bill.

Although, as I have said, the over-all farm outlook is discouraging, there are a few good spots—in dairying, eggs, and beef. Unfortunately, not enough Alabama farmers produce these items to brighten the agricultural picture in this state.

A slight increase in milk production is expected in 1958 due to higher per-cow production. At the same time, prices farmers receive for milk will hold steady or go up a bit. Bought feed should be cheaper. Although the dairyman's labor bill will be as high or higher than last year, the most efficient dairymen should be able to make more money in 1958.

Egg prices to the farmer should average about a dime a dozen higher. And although total egg volume will be down some because of fewer layers, the better prices should bring greater total egg income.

Fewer cattle on U. S. farms, with beef prices averaging some higher and bought feed lower, can result in more income to producers.

Cotton Surplus Is Shrinking

I feel that no outlook statement is complete without a word on cotton. By next Aug. 1 the U. S. supply of cotton should be pared from the present 12 million bales to about nine million. Incidentally, we had a 15-million-bale surplus in 1956. The steady decline in surplus puts cotton in a much better supply-demand situation, making the cotton outlook the best since 1954.

Most other Alabama farm products will not be as profitable as in past years. Here's a brief look at some:

Hogs will likely hold at present levels until midsummer and then drop as production increases. If U. S. farmers increase the spring pig crop by 10 percent—as some farm leaders predict they will—prices next fall will be at least 18 percent lower than those of last fall—and we will have 12 to 14-cent hogs.

But—and this is important—now is no time for Alabama farmers to slow up their increases in hog production. Although nobody advocates farmers being overloaded with hogs worth 12 cents a pound, our need over the long pull is for an expanded hog

See Pest-O-Rama Jan. 20-21

PEST-O-RAMA, something unique in man's war against pests, is all set for the State Coliseum in Montgomery Jan. 20-21. Sponsors say the educational event will have something for all—the farmer and his wife, the city family, and everybody else who has pest problems.

Pest-O-Rama is the name—and a good one—for the all-out effort to give people information on how to stop pests of fields, gardens, lawns, shrubbery, and homes. And that includes insects, plant diseases, weeds, nematodes, and rodents.

About 30 commercial companies and state and federal agencies are to make the educational effort interesting and effective by using exhibits. Authorities on various pests will give latest information on control methods. In addition, demonstrations and movies are scheduled. All these educational efforts will be running simultaneously.

Pest-O-Rama is a free show, and everybody is urged to come. It is sponsored by the Alabama Association for control of economic pests and API's Experiment Station and Extension Service.

Bob Smith of Montgomery, publicity director of Pest-O-Rama, said that never before has there been such a tremendous display of methods of fighting pests displayed under one roof. Pests cost Alabamians millions of dollars each year. This effort, sponsors believe, can do much to trim the loss.

County agents have details of the program.

New Farm and Home Series Planned for Educational TV

"ALABAMA Farm Facts"—a daily farm educational television show featuring weather forecast, special features and news, and market reports—is

starting a new series of farm features this month.

Foy Helms, API Extension Economist, will give the latest outlook on all farm commodities on the first Monday of each month. Another special monthly feature will include talent, projects, and activities of Alabama's Future Farmers of America. Ladies' Day, which spotlights the women specialists of the Extension Service, will present helpful homemaking ideas.

Tom Eden, producer and host of this daily live program from the Auburn studios of the Alabama Educational Television Network, says that many other features of timely information will be coming your way each day at 12:30 p. m. over channels 2, 7, and 10.

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Jack Bailey In High Cotton

Jack Bailey Shows Fayette Farmers How To Produce Corn And Cotton

By S. L. DAVIS
County Agent

THE fact that Jack Bailey made over 100 bushels of corn per acre and more than a bale of cotton per acre is no longer news in Fayette County. However, it would be news if this Stough community farmer failed to reach these goals.

As a matter of fact Bailey has only missed the 100 bushels of corn per acre mark once during the past 10 years—96.3 bushels in 1954—and has made at least a bale of cotton per acre on the eight crops he raised during the past nine years.

Now this fine record was started 10 years ago when Bailey made up his mind to increase the corn and cotton yields on his small farm. "My aim has also been to make this valley a little better off than it was when I moved here," Bailey declared.

And Bailey has definitely improved his farm. His first job was to provide proper drainage, including digging several small lateral ditches and one large ditch which runs completely across the farm. The County Extension Service workers helped with the planning and the ASC office assisted by paying a share of the cost.

Since 1948 Bailey has also made maximum use of winter legumes in improving the soil. Crop rotation has been practiced whenever possible and Bailey has followed methods recommended by the API Experiment Station and Extension Service in producing the high yields.

The corn and cotton crops this year are an indication of the fine job Bailey has been doing on his farm. On six acres of corn he averaged 123.8 bushels per acre and on six acres of cotton he made 10 bales, or 875 pounds of lint cotton per acre.

The corn—Funks G-711—followed a winter legume and was fertilized with 600 pounds of 4-12-12 per acre before planting time. It was side-dressed with 100 pounds of ammonium nitrate per acre. Planted on May 7 in 40-inch rows and 15 inches in the drill, the corn was cultivated twice and surface irrigated three times from a small creek that runs through the farm.

D.P.L. Fox variety cotton was planted by

Bailey and fertilized with 600 pounds of 4-12-12 per acre. It followed a winter legume also and was poisoned 10 times. Irrigation on the cotton was the same as on the corn.

Bailey gives his irrigation practices much of the credit for the continued high yields. And he points out that no pumps or other irrigation equipment is used, making the system mighty economical. Bailey just dams up the creek when he wants to irrigate and lets the water flow through a pipe into a ditch along the edge of his cotton and corn field. From this ditch the water is let into the rows, which have enough slope to allow the water to cover the field.

Of course Mr. Bailey also has that special touch in growing things that all good farmers seem to have.

The following two lists show corn and cotton production records in bale per acre and bushel per acre yields for the past few years:

COTTON YIELDS

1949	9.5 bales on 9 acres
1950	5 bales on 4.9 acres
1951	10 bales on 8 acres
1952	8 bales on 5 acres
1953	No cotton grown
1954	7 bales on 7 acres
1955	14 bales on 8 acres
1956	14 bales on 6.8 acres
1957	10 bales on 6 acres

CORN YIELDS

1948	102.4 bushels
1949	115.2 bushels
1950	135.2 bushels
1951	123.2 bushels
1952	126.5 bushels
1953	107.2 bushels
1954	96.3 bushels
1955	127.2 bushels
1956	129.8 bushels
1957	123.8 bushels

Along the Way

with P. O. Davis

Director, A. P. I. Extension Service

IT was no new discovery that weather was a tremendous factor in farming in 1957; that weather can make or break a farmer. If it's favorable and he does his part, it makes him; if it's too unfavorable, it breaks him.

This happened in Alabama in 1957. A survey, through county agents and otherwise, brought the conclusion that weather losses suffered by Alabama farmers total more than \$50 million, cotton suffering the biggest total loss, peanuts second, corn third.

No workable idea has yet been presented for farmers to use in preventing weather losses. Crop insurance might help, but it doesn't solve this problem.

One fact is clear. Weather hazards are less with livestock than with crops; but we must have crops too. So the best answer seems to be the best farming that can be done, including crops, livestock, poultry.



P. O. DAVIS

All indications now are that 1958 will be another difficult year for farmers because (1) of high operating costs and (2) outlet limitations, or inability to sell as much as farmers want to produce and sell.

Certainly it's a year for economy in operation but not economy to the extent of less net income.

Every hour of labor, every dollar of capital, every acre of land, and every animal needs to produce efficiently and at as low cost as feasible; and the entire farm needs to operate in unison in the same way.

Acres allotted to cotton in Alabama in 1958 are about the same as in 1957. Differences are minor. But the 1959 allotment will be cut unless existing laws are changed.

The current agricultural act froze the cotton allotment for 1957 and 1958 at 17.5 million acres, plus 100,000 additional acres to meet minimum allotment requirements for small growers.

In 1959 under the present law, the national acreage will be enough to produce 10 million bales. This is estimated at 13 million acres, or 4.5 million acres under the 1958 allotment.

The brightest spot in American agriculture in 1957 was a new peak in exports. The total was at an all-time high in value. It totaled \$4,724,000,000 which was 17 percent above the previous record in 1952 and 35 percent above 1956.

Cotton and wheat predominated in the 1957 gain. Cotton accounted for 61 percent of the rise; wheat 30 percent.

These big increases were due in part to the government program, with federal funds being a big factor. It is hoped, of course, that exports will continue at a high level which is not expected without continued government participation at a high level.

This is an open season for "new approaches" to the U. S. farm problem. Farmers are wondering; economists are discussing; congress is seeking better answers.

Two needs are paramount:

(1) An agriculture that is ever adequate in supplying adequate food and fiber for all of us; (2) a program, or a way, that gives farmers their fair share of the national income which is far from true now.

Elmore County Cattleman Builds Self-Feeder

By WALLACE BURGESS

A drive-in self-feeder is sure saving one Elmore County beef producer a lot of steps.

In fact, K. R. Murchison of the Good Hope community has about taken all the work out of cattle feeding with a split-level self-feeder that requires refilling only once a month.

And the Farm and Home Development demonstrator is proud of the feeder for other reasons, too. He visited a lot of his neighbors to see what they had in the way of self-feeders before he built one himself. But the capable cattleman wasn't satisfied with any he saw. It seemed that all he looked at had to be watched too closely to keep the feed from running out. Murchison wanted a feeder that would hold four or five tons of feed—instead of two or three hundred pounds.

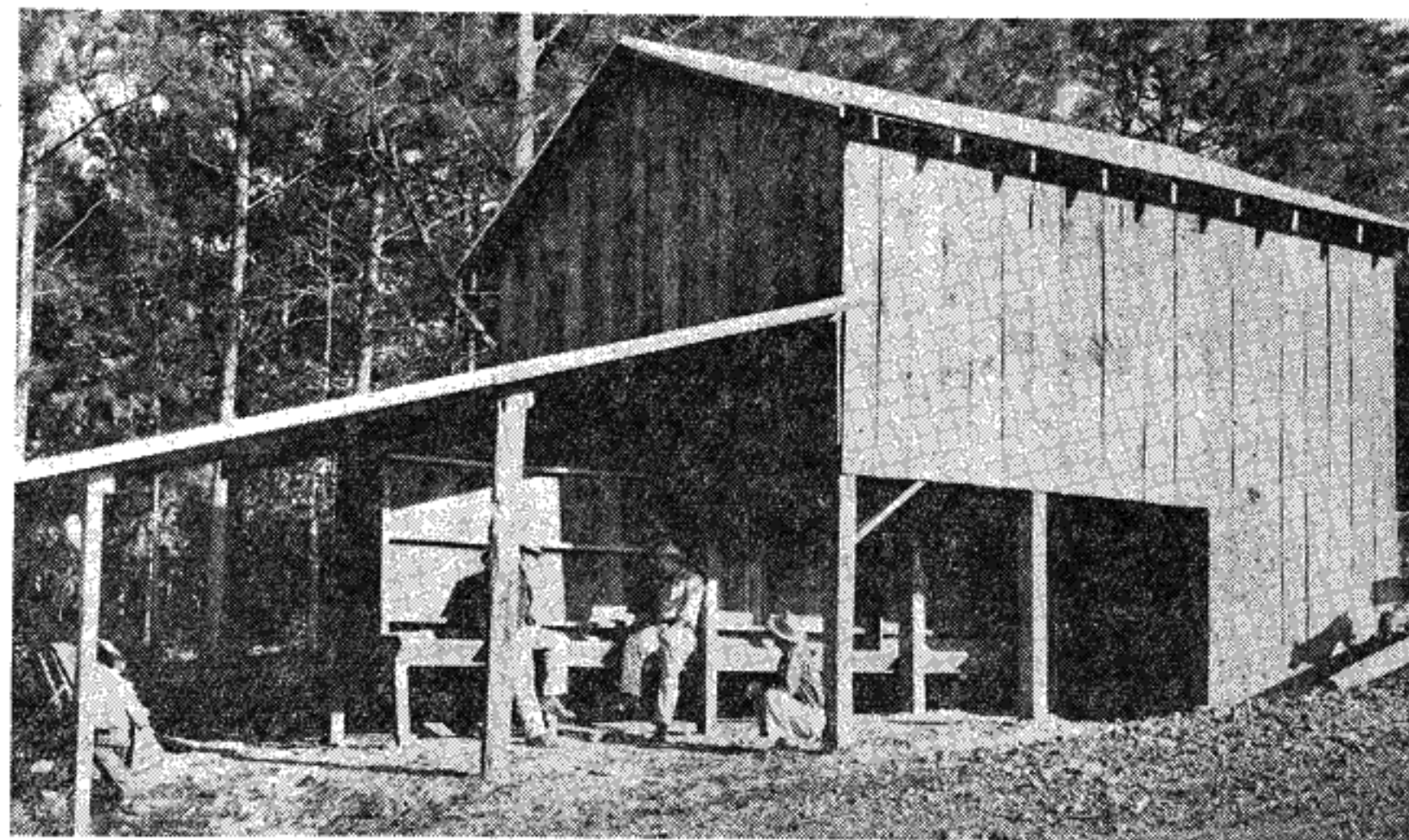
So, not finding a plan to fit his needs, Murchison sat down with Assistant County Agent V. L. Keeble and worked out his own set of plans.

Hillside Site

A hillside near the farm pond was selected as the best site. Part of the hill was cut down with a bulldozer, a quarter of an acre area being leveled. A 20-foot concrete block wall was laid next to the cut for the main foundation of the building. Using rough second-hand lumber, Murchison built a 20 by 20-foot feed shed. The front end was level with the top of the bank and the other end was about eight feet above the ground where Murchison had leveled it off. To make the building strong enough to support 30 or 40 tons of crushed feed, solid heart-pine pillars were set on concrete footing, and two by four-inch floor sills were set 18 inches apart.

When the feed shed was completed the Tallassee Rt. 1 farmer cut a two-foot wide hole in the floor, running the length of the structure. Below this opening he built a five-ton capacity, double trough, feed hopper. Feed in the upper shed is merely pushed into the hopper when feeding time comes around.

"The main reason I wanted a split-level self-feeder," says Murchison, "was the time



and work it saves in unloading feed. All I have to do now is back the truck into the shed and shovel it off."

Shed For Shelter

Another feature, the farmer added, was a shed on the back of the feeder to provide shelter for his cattle when the weather is bad.

Agent Keeble, who works closely with Murchison, says the FHD farmer has only about \$50 tied up in the building. He did all the carpentry work himself, and by using scrap lumber left over from another building, about all he had to buy was nails and part of the tin roofing.

To keep the self-feeder operating, Murchison raised about 2500 bushels of corn this fall and has over 100 acres of oats that will be combined this spring.

And being a good livestock producer, Murchison also has plenty of grazing. His cows are now grazing on 150 acres of oats, and he has 200 acres of permanent pasture.

More Game Now

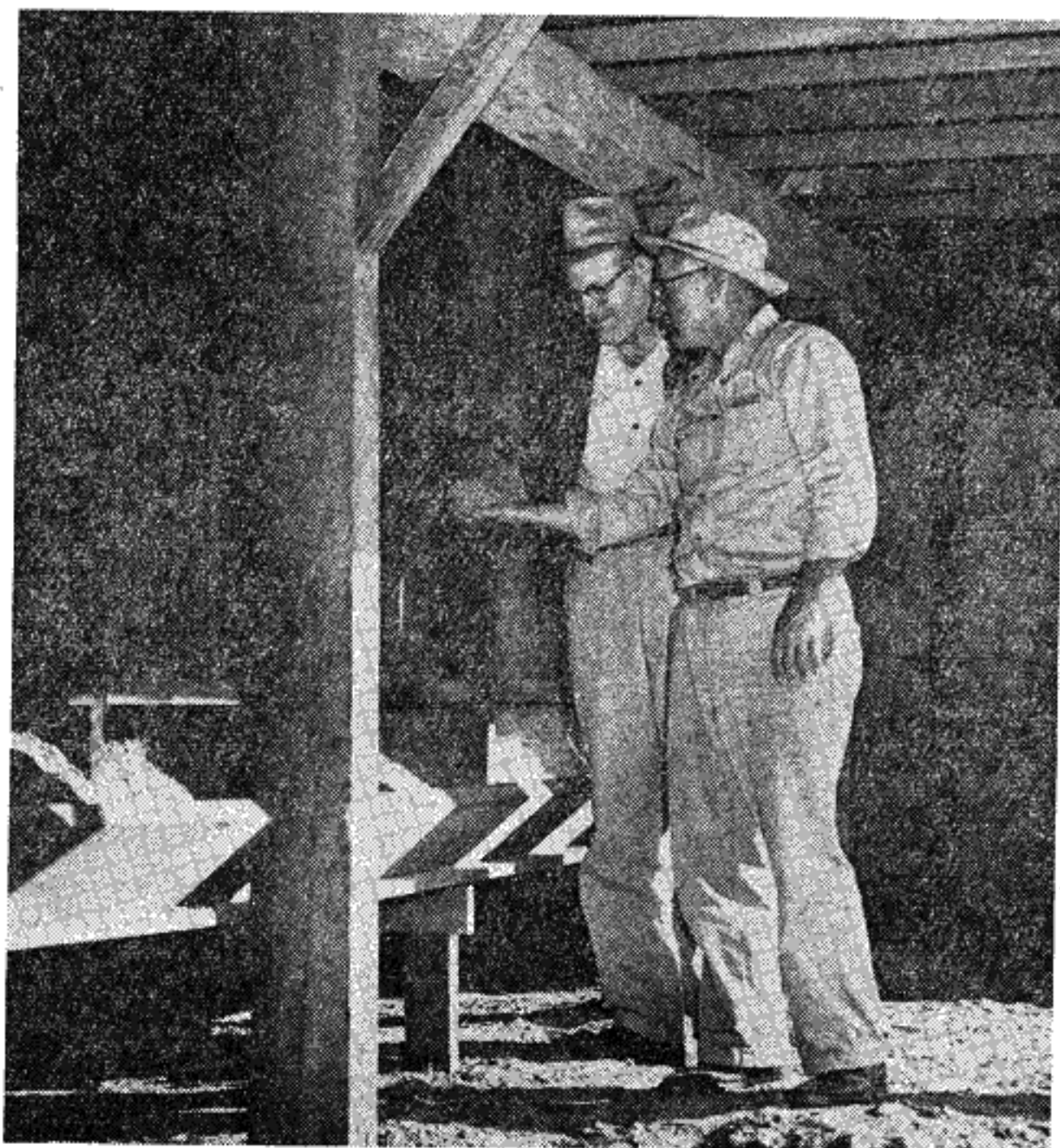
BELIEVE it or not, today's hunters have a lot more game to hunt than did the first settlers in Alabama.

Even though the buffalo that used to be seen in the state are no longer around, we have a greater abundance of other animals, according to API Extension Fish and Wildlife Specialist Earl Kennamer.

Kennamer pointed out that game birds and animals adapt themselves to man-made surroundings. Quail were found only here and there in the early days for timber covered the state. And when deer and turkey decreased with the clearing of land, quail, dove, and rabbits took their place.

Beavers are now found in practically every county in the state, said Kennamer. Due to low fur prices, trappers are not taking the animals. And because of special management practices, we are producing more deer and turkey on the same areas. Bear can also be found in all parts of the state, the specialist added.

HANDY AS A HANDLE ON A SLOP BUCKET—K. R. Murchison is mighty proud of the self-feeder shown and described on this page. The picture at the top of the page shows Murchison (center) discussing its construction with Elmore County assistant farm agents, V. L. Keeble (left) and Lewis Patten. Below, right Murchison (left) is showing Agent Keeble how the feed is simply pushed into the opening in the floor. The picture at the bottom left shows the feeding trough where the feed lands and is eaten by the cattle.



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Alabama 4-H Club Delegates Ably Represent State At National Congress

THE cream of the crop! This old saying very aptly describes the boys and girls pictured on these two pages. Each was selected last summer and fall as most outstanding in one of the fields of 4-H Club project work. And the competition was mighty keen for the honors these youngsters won. In fact, Alabama's thousands of 4-H Clubs include more than 130,000 members—almost every one of them with ambition to win a first-place award in the state and go to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago.

This trip to the national convention in the Windy City is one of the high points in any 4-H'er's career, a fantastic experience that any boy or girl can cherish for years. Nothing is spared by America's agricultural, business, and industrial leaders in giving the 1200 to 1500 outstanding clubsters one of the most exciting weeks of their lives.

*These Youngsters
Are The Best Of
State's 130,000
4-H Club Members*

Some 2000 delegates, adult leaders, and others take part in the National 4-H Congress each year. It was the 36th annual meeting that the boys and girls pictured here attended Dec. 1-5. They have warm memories of such exciting events as acts by entertainers from radio, television, and stage; special "Pop" concert presented by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra; dancing at Chicago's famed Aragon Ballroom; guided tours of Chicago and special trips to Chicago's Museum of Natural History and Museum of Science and Industry. Another memorable occasion was a visit to the International Livestock Exposition—held in Chicago at the same time as the convention, where they took part in the annual 4-H parade.

For a full account of the Congress, you'll have to ask one of these boys and girls. They are from 20 Alabama counties, and during the coming months they will tell their experiences to fellow 4-H'ers who did not make the trip this year.

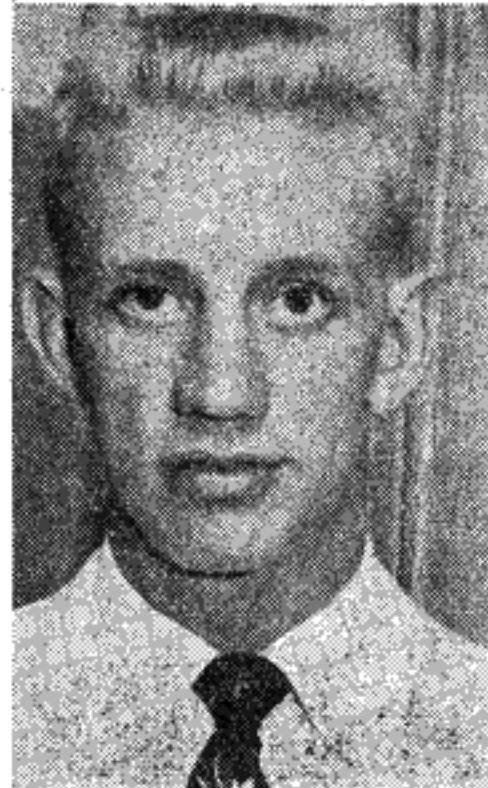
Since the youngsters represented all Alabama 4-H'ers at the Congress, perhaps you are wondering how they did—what sort of impression the citizens of Chicago got of our Alabama youth; how they stacked up with delegates from other states; what the leaders who sponsor the Congress thought of them?

Well, Hanchey Logue, state 4-H leader, and Ann Barr, state girls' leader, will tell you right quick that the Alabamians rate with the best. "In appearance, conduct, and ability, our boys and girls can't be beaten," declared Mr. Logue.

"The group this year is one of the finest we have ever taken to Chicago," Miss Barr added. "But it seems that we say that every year. It just looks as if they get better and better. All of Alabama, rural and urban, can be proud of the way they represented the state."

The two 4-H'ers shown at the top of this page brought special attention to themselves and Alabama at the convention. Frank Eaton of Walker County was named one of eight national winners in electricity and Jackie Sue Moore of Etowah County was a national winner in girl's home economics. Both won \$400 scholarships to help them further their education.

Carolyn Ann Finley of Calhoun County was another Alabama delegate honored. She just missed being one of the top national winners in the dairy field and was named the first alternate.



FRANK EATON
Electricity



JACKIE SUE MOORE
Home Economics



GUTHRIE JEFFCOAT
Hog Production



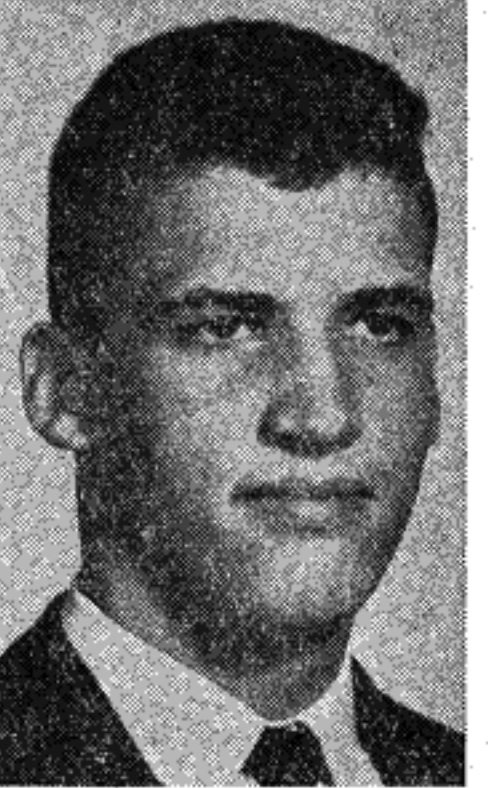
MARY BUCK MARTIN
Leadership



JERRY PRINCE
Cotton Production



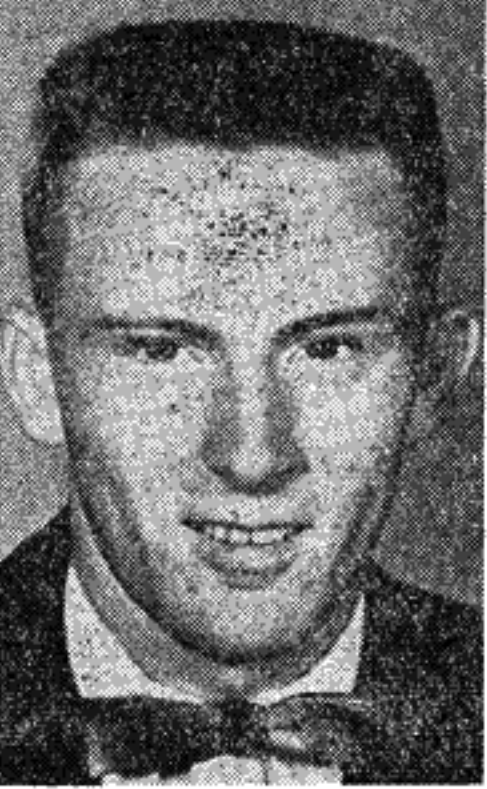
LYNDA BETTS FREEMAN
Dairy



ROLAND HARTWIG
Meat Animal



CAROLYN ANN FINLEY
Dairy Foods



TIPPER GARRISON
Leadership



CONNIE MCENTYRE
Canning



JAMES FLEMING
Tractor



JACKIE ROQUEMORE
Frozen Foods



BOBBY WIGGINS
Achievement



GLEND A BUTTRAM
Clothing



HERMAN MAJORS
Field Crops



SANDRA BROWN
Dress Revue



RICHARD GUTHRIE
Boys' Agricultural Program



EUGENE MANN, III
Entomology



ROSE MARIE GARDNER
Recreation



HENRY MUSE
Garden



JOE ANN SALTER
Health



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Forestry



BILL GUYTON
Home Grounds Beautification



MARTHA CROWDER
Food Preparation



CRAWFORD DRAKE
Dairy Showmanship



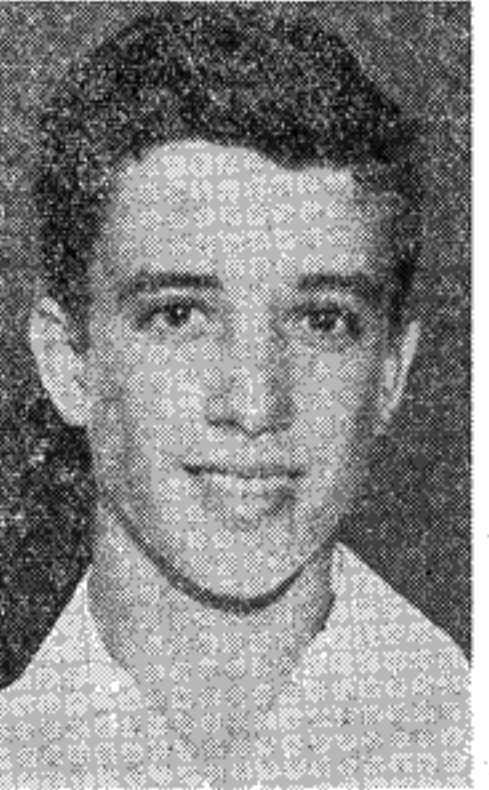
CAROLYN DUNKIN
Achievement



SPRUELL GRISSOM
Soil Building and Land Use



JULIA DAVIS
Safety



JERRY OLSEN
Poultry



OLGA FAUCETT
Home Improvement

Madison Cotton Farmer Goes To Layers

"SOMETHING had to replace the lost cotton acreage on my farm. And I found the answer in layers," says Vernon Spence of Madison County.

The Farm and Home Development demonstrator's cotton allotment on his 97-acre farm had been cut so low that he just couldn't make a living for his family on that crop alone. But when Spence began to look around for some other operation he found that his acreage was too small for such things as dairy or beef cattle. However, layers seemed to exactly fit the bill.

So finally the Meridianville community farmer took the big step about 20 months ago. After talking over the problem with Assistant County Agent F. M. Patterson, he decided on a building plan that fitted his needs and went to work.

"Evidently Spence made the right move," remarked Patterson, "for after he completed the building and stocked it with 1000 White Leghorn layers, he started to work on another 1000-capacity house last summer."

Both houses were built for only about \$1000 each, Spence explained. And this figure included the nests, feeders—which he built himself—and an automatic watering system.

This fall Spence ran into one of his first big

NEW POULTRYMAN—Vernon Spence found that he made the right move when he added 1000 layers to his farming operation in Madison County less than two years ago. And one reason the Meridianville community farmer likes the business so is that he went about setting the operation up in the right way. For example, he has found that with the egg grader shown at the right, he can handle about 800 eggs an hour. Below Spence is shown filling one of the home-made feeders in the layer house.



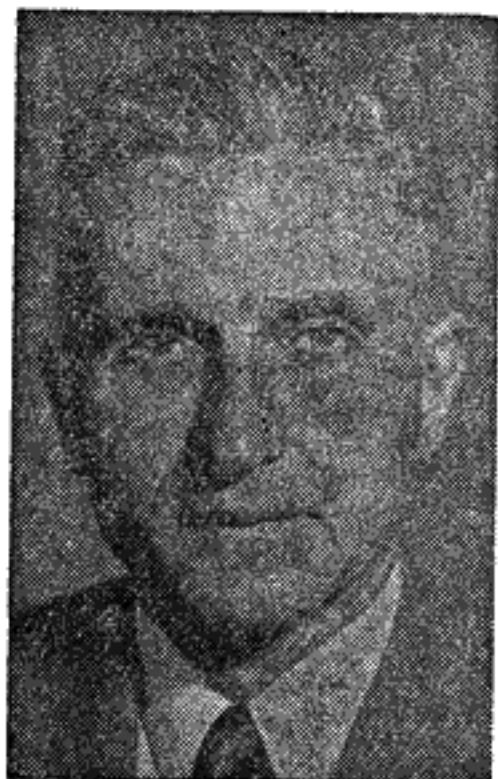
problems. He had raised out the first batch of replacement pullets in a brooder house that had been converted from an old barn. However, the house was being used for storing feed when it came time for the second replacements. So Spence had to buy starter pullets.

"I can't stand the cost of buying these pullets," he declared, "and by the time I need more replacements you can bet I'll do my own raising. I'm also planning to build two more laying houses in the next couple of years and buying replacement pullets, for four 1000-capacity houses could run into a lot of money," he added.

Spence also found that to market fresh eggs, he had to have some way to keep them cool. He took care of this problem by building a small, well-insulated house with a cooling unit. The cost of this cooler came to about \$350. "But it's money well spent," says Spence. "With the eggs kept at a constant temperature they will still be grade-A when ready for market."



J. C. Lowery Is Honored In Atlanta For Outstanding Work In Agronomy



J. C. Lowery

J. C. Lowery of Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, was elected a Fellow of the American Society of Agronomy at a recent meeting in Atlanta, Ga.

The award, made at ASA's Golden Jubilee meeting, cited Lowery for many outstanding contributions in both crops and soils work as an API Extension Service agronomist. He has been with the Extension Service since 1923.

In listing some of his contributions, the agronomy society said Lowery was instrumental in reducing fertilizer grades in Alabama from 56 to about a dozen. "He was one of the leaders in setting up the soil testing laboratory," the citation said. "He sponsored a successful long-time program to increase pasture and feed production." Lowery also helped write the Alabama crop improvement law and organize the Alabama Crop Improvement Association.

"For this work, Lowery was one of 12 individuals among the 14,000 Extension Service workers in the U. S. honored by Epsilon Sigma Phi, honorary Extension organization, for meritorious service in 1957."

A native of Cullman County and a graduate of API, Lowery served as assistant county agent and then as district 4-H Club agent before becoming Extension agronomist.

Research Results

from A.P.I. Agricultural Experiment Station

GOOD TOMATO VARIETIES—Three varieties of tomatoes have shown promise in Auburn tests and are worthy of trial in Alabama. All three varieties, Homestead 24, Kokomo, and Moreton Hybrid, produced higher yields than Rutgers. A mid-season variety, Homestead 24 is practically immune to Fusarium wilt. Its fruit is smaller than Rutgers and has less finish at the blossom scar. Kokomo is practically immune to wilt and is a good staking variety. It produces smaller tomatoes than Rutgers. Moreton Hybrid, which is 7 to 10 days earlier than Rutgers, is a tall wilt-susceptible variety.

PEANUT DISEASE CONTROL—Economic control of soil-borne peanut diseases has resulted from use of a soil nematocide, Nema-gon, in a two-year rotation test at the Wiregrass Substation, Headland. The treatment resulted in yield increases and reductions in soil-borne fungus and nematode diseases with these crops grown in the rotation: Dixie runner peanuts, Victorgrain 48-93 oats, and Sagrain grain sorghum.

VARIETY TEST RESULTS—Results of experiments with English peas and potatoes show that several varieties are good for Alabama use. They are: early peas, Little Marvel; mid-season peas, Ferry's Confidence, Victory Freezer, and Emerald; and late peas, Wando. Pontiac (earliest) and Red La Soda (second early) are good red skin potato varieties.

LOCAL PINE SEED BEST—Pine seedlings grown from seed collected locally are best to use in plantations. In several experimental plantations at Auburn, best growth has been obtained when local seed is used. Results of experimental work will identify exceptional races of trees if they exist in the South. So far, however, no outstanding races have been found.

FRESHNESS OF EGGS IMPORTANT—Freshness of eggs is more important to the housewife than price, size, or shell color, an Alabama study discloses. Breakfast eggs must look appetizing and taste good to please men, the largest consumers of eggs. Housewives often buy eggs direct from producers or pay a premium for eggs of proven quality to get freshest eggs possible.

PLANTING SPRING ANNUALS—This month is the time for planting early spring-flowering annuals, according to results of Auburn studies. Flats for growing these plants are prepared by putting in sterilized sandy loam, watering well, and covering with a one-fourth inch layer of sterile sand, vermiculite, or screened sphagnum moss. Flats are filled to one inch from top. Fresh seed are planted in three-sixteenths inch deep rows and covered with a light layer of sand. The flat is covered with glass and paper and kept in a warm place.

SOCIAL SECURITY FOR FARMERS—Available information reveals that many eligible farmers are not taking part in the Social Security program. The Social Security tax paid by farmers goes for purchase of an annuity at retirement age and makes possible the payments after retirement. The self-employed person under Social Security is also buying insurance. Should he die before retirement, his family receives benefits.

Joneses Move Back To The Farm--And Love It

By BRUCE JETTON

THE Marcus Joneses are a rarity in this day and time.

While thousands of persons are leaving the farms every day, this Calhoun County family bought a farm and moved out of town.

It seems the power behind this move was Mrs. Jones, who was raised on a farm, and the two boys in the family, 16-year-old Marcus III and 13-year-old Stanley. Of course Mr. Jones, also farm-reared, was all for the move. And eight-year-old Rebecca is just enjoying country life.

The Jones family had been living in Weaver up until two years ago when they bought the 340 acres on Ohatchee Rt. 2. "I thought it would be just the place to raise a couple of boys," Mrs. Jones explained, "and now I wouldn't swap the farm for a whole town."

And the rest of the family feel the same way as Mrs. Jones. They are a happy family that is having the time of their lives. They all pull together, with Mrs. Jones and the boys having to do most of the work around the farm at the present. Mr. Jones works at the Anniston Ordnance Plant and will continue with his job until he retires. In the meantime they hope to get a tenant this year to help out with the farming chores.

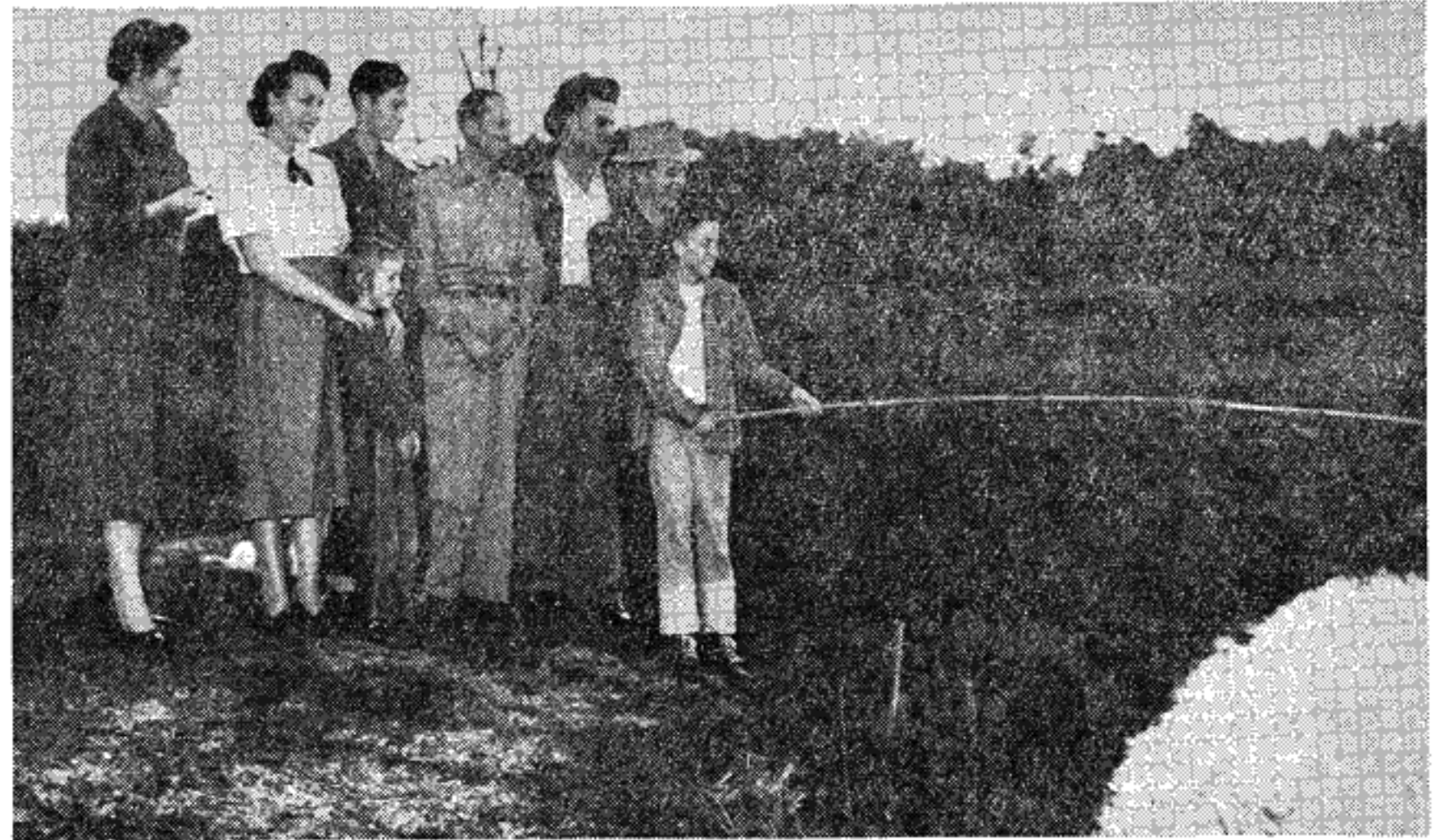
Assistant County Agent Tom Bass and Assistant Home Agent Christine Risher—who work with Farm and Home Development families in Calhoun County—broke in at this point to stress that the Joneses do farm; that the place is not just a rural residence for them.

In fact, they raised 15 acres of corn this year, have two brood sows and a boar, and 18 head of beef cattle. However, the pride of the entire family is a six-acre fish pond. It has been stocked for three years and is now open to the public.

"Tell how you happened to become Farm and Home Development demonstrators," suggested Mrs. Risher.

"Well, I read about it in the newspaper," said Mrs. Jones. "I figured we could use all the help we could get, so I just called and requested information."

And that seemed indicative of Mrs. Jones' nature. She doesn't sit back and wait for things to happen. She is the new president of the North Ohatchee Home Demonstration Club and president of the Room Mothers' Club at Ohatchee School.



BACK TO THE FARM—Two years ago the Marcus Jones family bought a 340-acre farm on Ohatchee Rt. 2 in Calhoun County and moved out of town. They have loved every minute of it since. The picture at the top of the page shows the Joneses with county Extension Service workers on the bank of a six-acre pond on the place. It has been stocked three years and is now open to the public for fishing. Stanley Jones is trying his luck as the others look on. From left to right they are Assistant Home Agent Christine Risher, Mrs. Jones and daughter, Rebecca, Marcus III, Mr. Jones, and assistant county agents Tom Bass and L. G. Pair. The three Jones youngsters are shown at right with a couple of the young calves on the place.

Stanley is a 4-H Club member at Ohatchee School and Marcus is in the FFA in addition to driving a school bus.

Yes, the Joneses feel right at home on their new farm. And they are at home in a way. Mrs. Jones said that after they bought the place, she found out that it had been in her father's family at one time.



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UNDER good management conditions and when properly installed and used, electric lights in poultry houses can increase fall and winter egg production by as much as 30 percent.

HAND PAINTED CHINA—Painting china and other glass objects has become quite an interesting project for some of the Jackson Home Demonstration Club members. These Clarke County ladies, under the supervision of Mrs. Jesse Bolen, crafts chairman, meet once each week to work on their project. Some are hand-painting complete sets of china, dinnerware or tea sets, while others are working on vases. Mrs. Bolen, who has a kiln, says the process of painting designs on china is quite slow. First the light color is put on and then comes the shading process and next the detail painting. After each application of paint the china must be fired in the kiln. Home Agent Lucile Burson says the members are very proud of their creations for it makes any china or glass article look expensive. Here, Mrs. Bolen (seated) shows (left to right) Mrs. Howard Robinson, Agent Burson, Miss Frances Rogers, Mrs. D. T. Chastain Sr. and Mrs. Ward Pritchard some fine points on painting the designs.



100,000 View Relief Map Of Alabama

IT seemed to L. G. Brackeen that things were moving mighty slow last spring when he and one assistant spent two months building an enormous relief map of Alabama.

But things have been moving a lot faster for the chief soil surveyor of the Alabama Department of Agriculture since the map was completed on July 13. The seven-foot, 250-pound plaster model has traveled some 2000 miles on a trailer behind Brackeen's car and has been viewed by more than 100,000 persons.

So far Brackeen has exhibited the map at nine county, state, and regional fairs and has shown it on commercial and educational television. He also put the map on display at the Alabama Soil Fertility meeting in Montgomery in December. In October the huge map was taken to the annual convention of the American Society of Agronomy in Atlanta, Ga., where it was viewed by delegates from all the states and 25 foreign countries.

Brackeen explained that the map is also being used as a visual aid in teaching the relationship between soils, geology, and relief. For example, the artesian flow of water can be graphically illustrated with the map, he explained. The model is also useful in showing other water movements and locating areas in the state adjacent to sources of surface water, timber, and other things that might make the land desirable for irrigated farming, industrial sites, and so on.

When the map is shown at fairs, civic club meetings, or other events, it has a gauge attachment allowing a person to determine the elevation of almost any spot in the state, said Brackeen. He added that this feature has been of great interest to most viewers.

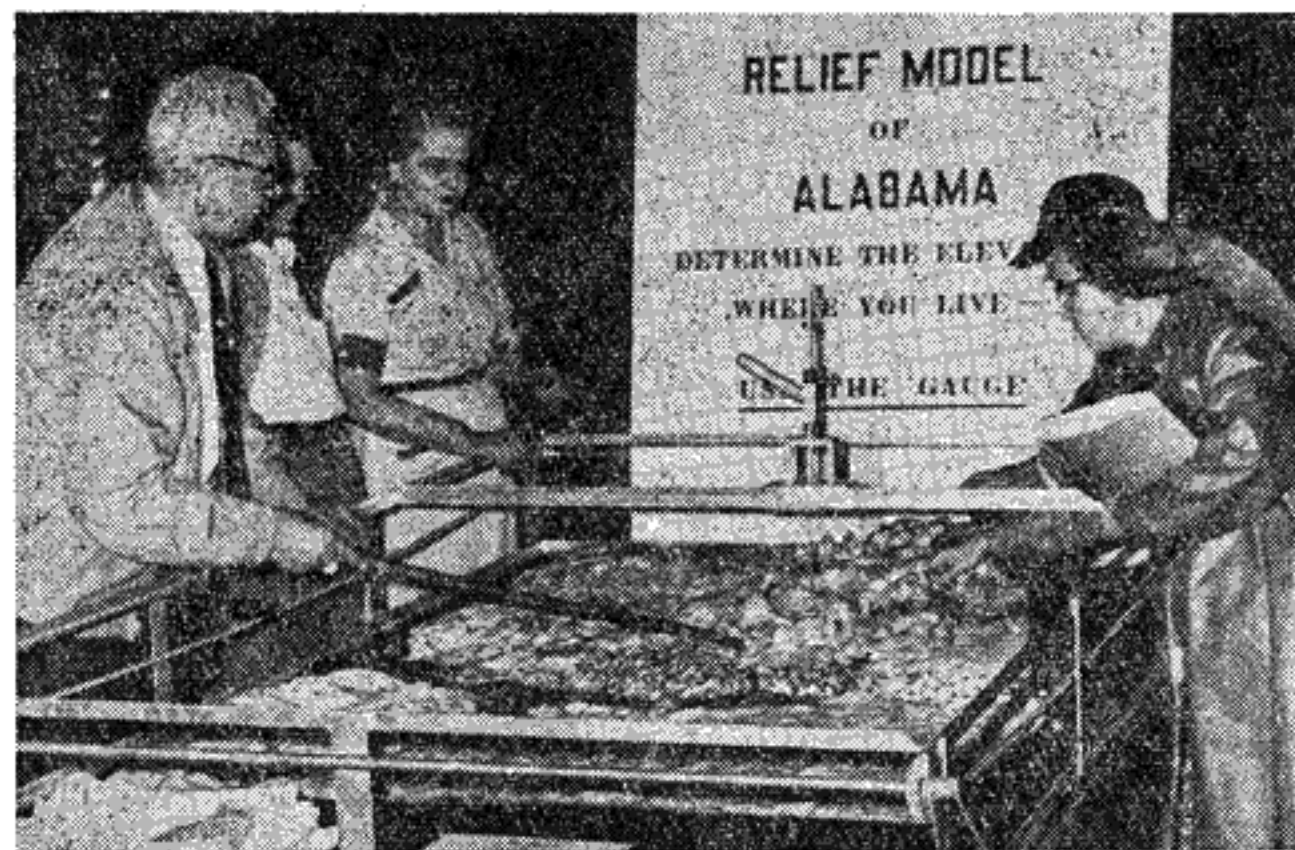
Seven feet long and five feet wide, the map has a maximum elevation of six inches, representing Mt. Cheaha near Anniston. This



spot is actually 2,407 feet above sea level.

And it seems that Brackeen, who lives in Auburn and works closely with the API Extension Service and Experiment Station, has started something with his model. The API Experiment Station is working on a relief model of the Agricultural Engineering farm at Auburn, and Brackeen is starting on a model of Mobile County. Soils will be superimposed on the Mobile map, which will be extremely accurate.

Brackeen says his Alabama map is available to the various counties for use in programs before civic clubs, agricultural and other groups whenever a schedule can be worked out.



TRAVELING MAP—

Alabama is really getting around these days. At least a seven-foot-tall relief map of the state is. Built by L. G. Brackeen, chief soil surveyor for the Alabama Department of Agriculture, the map has traveled 2000 miles to fairs and other events over the state and viewed by some 100,000 persons. In the above picture Brackeen is shown pointing to the highest spot in the state—Mt. Cheaha, which is 2,407 feet above sea level. This point is six inches high on the model.

New Tax Guide Available

THE farmer's 1957 tax guide is now available through county agents.

API Extension Economist Foy Helms pointed out that the farmer's knowledge and understanding of expenses, depreciations, and other tax deductions explained in the guides can save him money. And he added that every farmer probably wants to know how to manage his farm so he won't have to pay more than his share of taxes.

The correct method of making out a farm

record will also prove useful to the farmer, both for management purposes and income reports for taxes and social security.

What's Ahead In 1958

(Continued from page 1)

Supplies of processed fruits, vegetables, and nuts are plentiful. Little or no expansion of these crops is needed. However, certain crops, such as vegetables and peaches for the fresh market, do offer some opportunity for expansion if outlets are available.

This Month on the Farm

by A.P.I. Extension Specialists

DURING lambing season—most important time of the year for shepherds—watch ewes very carefully. Turn them on a small pasture during the day when weather is good. In bad weather, however, and at night, keep them housed. Check on ewes three or four times each night. If grazing is limited, continue to feed ewes two to four pounds of legume hay or two pounds of grain and one-fourth to one-half pound of cottonseed meal.

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TO get a big crop of high-priced fall calves, turn bulls in with the cow herd now if you didn't do this in December. Bulls not in good flesh should get a daily ration of oats mixed with two pounds of cottonseed meal. Turn cows on grazing once or twice a week when the ground is not too soft. Green grazing throughout the winter will help keep cows healthy and prevent trouble at calving time.

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GET ready to seed dallis grass in February or March. If you plan to seed a new pasture, turn the land, disk it, and let rains make a firm seedbed.

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RIGHT now is the time to start next year's cotton crop. Take soil samples and send them to the API Soil Testing Laboratory in Auburn. Your county agent has the instructions and shipping cartons. If the test shows you need lime, you can put it on 60 to 90 days ahead of cotton planting time.

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ON the average, growing-fattening hogs use up one-third of their feed for body heat—to keep warm. If forced to sleep and eat in drafty and muddy pens, hogs use even more of their feed for body heat. The point is, use low-cost, homemade shelters so that hogs will make more economical gains this winter.

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ANOTHER note to hogmen: Use of good farrowing houses and jackets will help save many little pigs that otherwise would chill and die or be crushed by their mothers.

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OWNERS of new farm ponds should send orders to the State Conservation Department as early as possible in order to receive bluegills before the deadline date, usually late in February.

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EGG producers are likely to find 1958 a more profitable year than 1957. Egg prices will be higher, feed costs lower, and sales only slightly under the record volume of the last two years.

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PROSPECTS for broilers aren't so favorable as for eggs. Broiler production probably will rise slightly above last year's output. Prices should average close to those of 1957.

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BECAUSE of the greater number of heating devices used in homes and farm buildings during cold weather, the threat of fire is greatest now. For this reason, fire extinguishers are a must for every farm, as they provide a practical and inexpensive means of reducing fire damage.