

# ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRAINING SCHOOL

WALTER M. KENNEDY, Principal

PELL CITY, ALABAMA

February 18, 1954

Mr. Roy Gibson  
St. Clair County Board of Education  
Ashville, Alabama

Dear Sir:

We the undersigned teachers of the St. Clair County Training School, support and pledge our allegiance and loyalty to you and are asking that you seek another term as Superintendent for the following reasons, because;

1. of your fairness
2. your devotion to duty
3. your competence as a school administrator
4. because of your love for children, people and the cause of education.
5. because of your interest in the development of good schools for all people.

Respectfully yours,

*Walter M. Kennedy*  
Principal  
*Nellie K. Beay*  
*Sterling Harris*  
*W. J. Hill, Sr.*  
*M. R. Lawson*  
*L. F. Turner*  
*Cassie L. Burns*  
*Addie M. Adair*  
*Monnie M. Henderson*  
*Beatrice G. Green*  
*Christine R. Simpson*  
*Clevie L. Turner*  
*Odie Smith*  
*Lloyd G. Newton*

sending orders to his players.

### SCHOOL TO BE DEDICATED.

PELL CITY, Ala., June 14.—Special.—  
The dedication of the Colored Industrial Institute for Negroes will be held on Sunday. The buildings have been completed and will be ready for occupancy at the opening of schools in September. A program consisting of addresses by prominent white men of Pell City and colored educators from the state has been arranged. With the aid of the Julius Rosenwald fund, matched by an equal amount raised by the negroes of Pell City and vicinity, the school will be one of the largest and best fitted of its kind in this section.

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**EVERYTHING FOR YOUR**

# SCHOOLS OF ST. CLAIR COUNTY PRESENT UNIQUE FIELD DAY PROGRAM

Annual Field Day was observed April 4 at Pell City, Ala., by the Negro Schools of St. Clair County, under the supervision of Miss Elena Peterson, County Supervisor of Negro Schools. The exercises were held at the Pell City Rosenwald School. The program was very unique and highly entertaining. Some of the features were The Mountain March and drill by Riverside School; Slide Dance, Pell City Rosenwald School; gymnast- am stunts, Greenport School; Maypole Dance, New Life School; Intelligence Test, Whitney School; Folk Dance and Intelligence Test, New Town School, Ragland. The Glee Club from the Whitney School rendered pleasing selections. Acmar School presented the Howdy-Do Yell, See-Saw, Wand Drill, several choruses and plays. The principal, Prof. Garrett, gave an interesting address on Sanitation. The Negro National Anthem was beautifully sung by the Acmar, Pell City and New Life Schools. America, the Beautiful, was sung as a great chorus by all schools.

The supervisor, Mrs. Peterson, expressed her deep appreciation for the fine spirit manifested by the teachers, patrons and friends in helping her to make this day a crowning feature in the health program of the St. Clair County Schools. The program was concluded by the awarding of the following prizes:

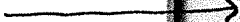
Sewing: First prize, Riverside School, Miss Sadie B. Stone, principal; second prize, Pell City Rosenwald School, Mrs. Callie J. Stone, principal. Physical culture: First prize, Acmar School, Prof. W. H. Garrett, principal; second prize, Greenport School, Miss Eva Lou Simmons, principal; third prize, New Life School, Mrs. Clevelee Johnson, principal; and Pell City Rosenwald School.

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will be announced later.

## PWA Projects For Alabama Approved

Washington, April 1.—Comptroller General McCart Wednesday approved Alabama PWA projects to cost \$14,373, including park improvements in Tarrant City, \$6,992; extension of water main on Shade Mountain, \$2,992, and sewer improvements in First Court, supplementary, \$148.

Projects for St. Clair county are: For school additions and repairs to Garland School, Pell City High School, Ashville Negro School and Rosenwald Negro School at Pell City, \$3,927. Marion county, construction of four-room school building at Brookside, supplementary, \$314.

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**HOMECOMING QUEEN ...** Pauline Lipscomb (above center) reigned as Queen when the St. Clair County Training School held its first homecoming celebration last Monday. She is shown with her attendants, Helen Huston (left) and Sara Sawyer as they rode through town on one of the several gaily decorated floats which participated in the huge parade through

town Monday afternoon. A crack marching band from Westside High of Talladega also participated. The celebration was somewhat dampened Monday night, however, as the SCCTS Bulldogs, the first football team ever fielded by the school, lost to a powerful Moton High, of Leeds, by a score of 47-0. (News-Aegis Photo.)

### St. Clair County, Ala.

The following is a list of Managers, Clerks and Returning Officers appointed for the holding of the Constitutional Amendment Election to be held Tuesday, December 6, 1955. The first three names are Managers, the next two Clerks, and the last, Returning Officers.

#### Beat 1—Box 1

- Ashville Courthouse
- John McClendon, Ashville
- Porter Thompson, Ashville, R
- Thurman Cox, Ashville, R
- Frances Roberts, Ashville
- Mrs. Pauline Frazier, Ashville
- E. L. Elders, Ashville

#### Beat 1—Box 2 Whitney

#### Beat 9—Ragland.

- H. A. Ashley, Ragland
- Tommy Hare, Ragland
- Wm. E. Leatherwood, Ragland
- Mrs. Ted Brannon, Ragland
- Leon (Buck) Dickinson, Ragland
- J. S. Bowlin, Ragland

#### Beat 10—Coal City Cross Roads

- R. L. Alverson, Ragland, R
- Sidney A. Barber, Ragland R
- Archie Pemberton, Ragland, R
- Mrs. F. W. Jackson, Ragland, R
- Viola Darrah, Ragland, R
- Jack Savage, Ragland, R

#### Beat 11—Seddon

- George Hannah, Cropwell, R
- Leilas Walker, Pell City, R
- J. W. Hurst, Pell City, R
- Irene Glosson, Pell City, R (Miss)
- Ruth Hullett Jones, Pell City, R
- W. J. Snyder, Pell City.

#### Beat 12—Essonville

- Ruth Brown
- J. M. Savage
- M. A. McMurrain
- Beat 21—Fairview
- E. E. Williams, R-, Ragland
- J. W. Barber
- J. T. Edge Jr.
- Bertha J. Savage
- Mrs. Plina Mitchell
- Uvernon Day, R-, Ragland

#### Beat 22—Chandler Mountain

- Mattison Rogers, R-1, Steele
- T. H. Smith, R, Steele
- G. W. Boatwright, R, Steele
- Frank W. Dewese, R, Steele
- Ernest Kell, R-1, Steele
- C. W. Fore, R-1, Steele

#### Beat 23—Stewarts Cross Roads

- Willard A. Hollis, R-1, Eden
- J. C. Powell, R-1, Eden
- Charles E. Bradley, R-1, Eden
- Mary Rich, R-1, Eden
- Ann Conner, R-1, Eden
- Arthur Hollis, R-1, Eden

#### Beat 24—Wattsville Depot

- J. A. Crance, Pell City, R.
- John L. Savage
- J. C. Barber
- Gertrude Alverson
- Thelma Louise Crump
- J. D. Hammett

#### Beat 25—Margaret

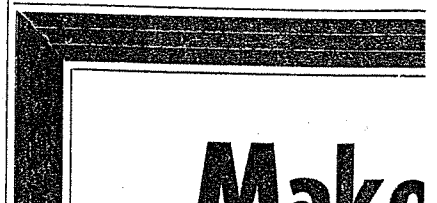
- Bert Glidewell
- Jack Simmons
- J. G. Morse
- Fate Wilson
- R. F. Aderholt
- Vernon R. Inzer

#### Beat 26—Acmar

- Rex Adams
- Odell Fulmer
- John T. Newton
- Clyde James
- John McLaughlin
- Bruce Bailey

#### Absentees

- Mrs. Burnett Hodges
- Mrs. Postell Hodges
- Mrs. Annie T. McClendon
- Mrs. W. V. Melton
- Miss Fan Young
- John Yarbrough

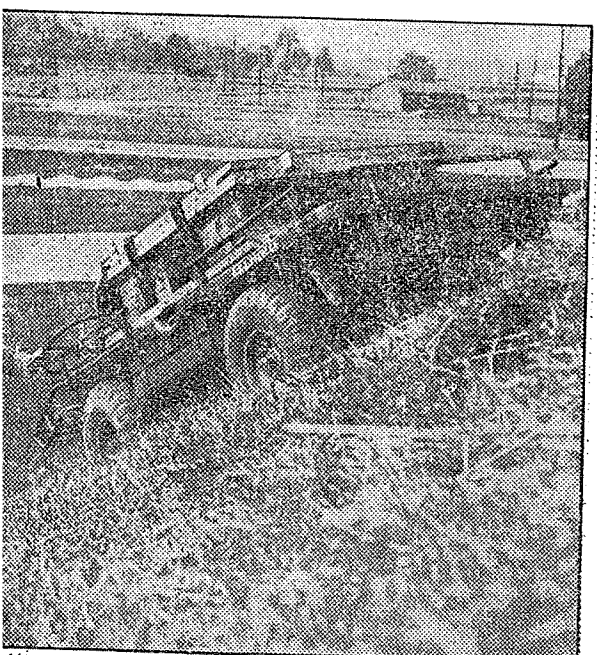


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**REAL "CAR" TOONIST**—This touring Italian artist has turned his auto into an advertisement for his wares. He pauses in the Piazza Cavour, Milan, Italy, to sell a few paintings before resuming his gypsy-like trek across the countryside.



**"MULE"** — The Army's answer to nature's own mule, undergoes tests at Aberdeen Proving Ground, 7 inches high, the gasoline-burner can either be "d" by its adjustable controls. It will climb grades of 45 percent, weighs 750 pounds, and is designed to accompany a soldier in the field, giving him supply transport and cover at the same time.



**Pell City Colored News**

**By RAMON WOODS**  
 We are glad to have Mrs. Nora Hard back home after spending a months vacation in Birmingham.  
 Miss Emma Jean Allen was home over the weekend visiting friends and relatives after attending Grady Memorial Hospital for three weeks.  
 Hillie Robinson celebrated his 63rd birthday, Saturday October 8th. He received many useful gifts from relatives and friends.  
 Mrs. Ernestine H. Shelton was honored by her aunt, Mrs. Marie Jones with a stork shower, Saturday night, October 8th. She received a variety of beautiful gifts.  
 The Bulldogs of County Training School of Pell City, played Centre High School Saturday night. The cheerleaders and other boosters were there, although they were defeated but played a real good game.  
 The Bulldogs will play County Training of Talladega Monday night October 17th at the Pell City Stadium. We are inviting everyone to come out.  
 Sunday October 9th was a grand day at the First Baptist Church in Pell City. Rev. R. E. Avery, pastor, preached a wonderful sermon. His text was stay on the ship, or you will be lost.

Sunday afternoon the church gave R. E. Avery, Appreciation Day. Along with Rev. Avery was his wife and friends. We had visitors from Acmar, Margaret and Blooming Light.  
 The St. Clair County P. T. A. is sponsoring a Fair October 29th at the St. Clair County Training School. Everyone is invited.

featured in the Parade Friday, Oct. 14 at 1:15 p.m.  
 Saturday, October 15, at 7 p.m. Alumni will gather in the school lunch room for the Annual Coffee. Alumni have been contacted throughout the state and indications point to a record breaking crowd.  
 Immediately following the Alumni Coffee the Homecoming dance will be held in the school auditorium. During the intermission the Homecoming Queens will present a trophy to the most outstanding player in the Homecoming game.

**A COSTLY LEAK**  
 Peoria, Ill. — Leaks from barrels on a transport truck cost a perfume company an estimated \$10,000. Workers in the area took

**Funeral Services Held Saturday For John L. Dillard**

Funeral services were held Saturday for John L. Dillard, 24, of Ragland who passed away Thursday. Services were held at the Chandler Congregational Methodist Church.  
 The Rev. George Williamson and the Rev. Oscar Mitchell officiated at the services.  
 Burial was in the church cemetery, with Kilgroe Funeral Home in charge.  
 He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Barbara Dillard, 1 son, Julian Dillard, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dillard, 1 brother, Troy Dillard, five sisters, Mrs. Junior Dunn, Mrs. Auburn Bailey and Misses Ivodean, Marilyn and Joyce Dillard.

**Ragland Prepares For Homecoming October 14-15**

Coach George Eden's Purple Devils have been working hard getting ready for the Homecoming tilt with the Winterboro Bulldogs Friday night, October 14.  
 In addition to the big game other activities have been scheduled throughout the weekend.  
 Thursday night the student body, team and cheerleaders will stage a giant Bon-fire-Pep rally beginning at 7 p.m.  
 For the first time in Ragland High School history two Miss Homecomings will reign over the Parade, they are Kathryn Dickinson and Janice Muncher.

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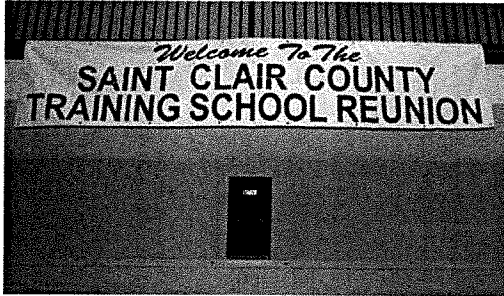
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## Classmates attend reunion for county Training School

by Gary Hanner

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Reunions.

A time to see old friends and make new ones.

A chance to reminisce about years gone by.

The opportunity to recall a special moment that took place, in this situation, more than 40 years ago.



All these things and more took place last weekend during the fourth St. Clair County Training School Reunion.

For those too young to remember where St. Clair County Training School was, just cross the railroad tracks and go to the Glenn City area of Pell City.



What is now known as Duran South School was the St. Clair County Training School for many years before integration in 1969.

Classes from 1946 to 1969 were invited to attend and be part of the reunion, which is held every two years.



The latest reunion Saturday at the Pell City Civic Center had more than 100 in attendance.

J.T. Carter, a 1952 graduate, served as Master of Order.

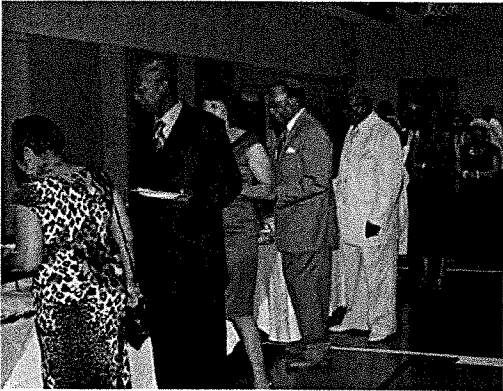
“At our last reunion, we had over 275 people here,” Carter said. “They come in from all over the state. I guess the economy hit a lot of them hard this year. With those who are here tonight, we still have a good representation.”





Carter said it means so much to him to be able to have this reunion.

“I haven’t seen some of these folks in 30 to 35 years,” Carter said. “It’s a great thing just to come back and be able to associate with them and talk with them. So many times, we only see each other at someone’s funeral or something like that. People don’t have to come back just on a sad occasion. This is a happy occasion.”



The reunion was held over a two-day period with a “meet & greet” and fish fry the night before.

Barbara Collins attended St. Clair County Training School through the 11th grade in 1969.

That’s when the school was closed due to integration; she graduated from Pell City High School in 1970.

“It’s always good when you meet new people and reunite with old friends, because I love to talk,” Collins said. “I think it is a wonderful thing, and I just want to continue on.”

Collins said this is the fourth reunion, with the first one being in 1990.

“There was a 16-year break in there, and then we came back with this one in 2006,” Collins said. “We anticipate having this reunion every two years “

Raymond Turner served as president of the 2011 reunion officers and graduated from the school in 1962.

“I think more of the public needs to be involved in going back and recounting old times,” Turner said.

“Not all the times were tough. There were a lot of good times, and we remind each other of the good times we did share. It is just fun to be with these people. First of all, we are very close friends. We have that in common. We loved our school when it was open and we went there. We continue to have that love for the school and respect for what the education system did for us.”

Turner said a lot of opportunities sprang up right after the time most of them graduated in the 1960s.

“With the type of environment we had and we had integration going on and the



closing of schools,” Turner said.

“But we never lost that pride in our school. As we went out into the world and to colleges and to work, we discovered we had some pretty good instructors at St. Clair County Training School. We didn’t know that until we started comparing ourselves with other people. We found ourselves able to compete all over the world. We have people here tonight as far away as California. We love our school and we just enjoy being together.”

Turner lives in Huntsville and is a retired information technology specialist.

“My last position I held was director of information services at Alabama A&M, the university I graduated from,” Turner said.

“I earned a degree in mathematics and was drafted into the military during the Vietnam era, although I never served in Vietnam.”

Turner said he has two sisters who live here and he owns property in St. Clair County, so he visits often.

Before leaving to go back home to Huntsville, Turner planed on going by to see the old school.

“Actually, two years ago, we held part of the reunion at the school,” he said.

Marion Frazier served as vice president of the 2011 reunion officers and also graduated in 1962.

“Since the school has closed, we try to get together,” Frazier said.

“We’ve had more people from out of town this year. It just means a lot because we graduated from that school. Even though the school is closed, we still remember.”

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## Good-bye, for now

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by Laura Nation-Atchison

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Friday morning, Elsie McGowan was going about the business of running St. Clair County Head Start as usual.

Greeting students and parents coming into the small school in its rural setting just north of Pell City, McGowan helped with registering new students, part of her job as the school's director for the past 16 years.

As parents and students came in, she stopped in the hallway next to her office, reaching down to offer a pat and her reassuring smile.

McGowan has been an educator and administrator for 41 years, spending all of them in St. Clair County, but has

announced her retirement planned for Aug. 1.

"I am missing it already," she said, speaking of the approaching change in her life. "But, I do feel it is time I moved on before I could not do something else."

McGowan said she knew very early in life that she would become a teacher. It was her first grade teacher, Jeanette Cunningham who taught her at Riverside school, who inspired her, she said.

She laughs, telling the story of how she and Cunningham became acquainted, at a much earlier age than most children meet their first grade teacher.

"I had two older brothers who were already going to school," she said. "I was about 3-years-old, and I wanted to go to school, too."

The little girl would listen as her brothers got up in the mornings to get ready for school, and then sneak outside and hide behind a tree until the bus came to pick them up.

"Then, I would just get on the bus, too, and go with them," she said. "I do not know why they let me, but they did. I do not even know for sure if my mother knew I was going."

McGowan's love of education continued through her elementary school and later years, and she went on to earn her bachelor's degree in business education with

concentration in English from Knoxville College in Knoxville, Tenn. in 1969. She later completed her master's degree in educational administration at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and her educational specialist degree in educational administration from UAB as well in 1989.

Her postgraduate work continued with additional training from Johnson and Johnson Fellows at the University of California at Los Angeles, sponsored by the Office of Head Start in Washington, D.C.

McGowan was just 21-years-old when she faced her first classroom full of students, it was 1969 and the place was St. Clair County High School in Odenville.

She experienced another first that day, too, she was the school's first black teacher.

"But I never felt uncomfortable at all," she said. "I believe it was because of the way I was raised. And everyone there treated me very well."

Her position was one that allowed her to address her "first love," teaching business education. She taught grades 10 through 12 for 14 years.

On that first day of teaching, McGowan said she doesn't recall feeling afraid of her new task.

"What I remember is just wanting to do the very best job that I could," she said.

McGowan was nominated as Favorite Teacher of the Year four times during her years there.

During this time, McGowan also worked as a part-time instructor for the Adult Education Program at the county's vocational school, John Pope Eden Area Vocational Center.

In 1972, she began working in the county's Migrant Education Program on Chandler Mountain, where her students ranged in age from infants to high school and night vocational students.

She later became director for the night program at John Pope Eden, and four years later, became director for the full day program at Chandler Mountain, working from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m.

From 1983 through 1989, McGowan was assistant principal for Moody Elementary School and in 1989, she returned to St. Clair County High as assistant principal until 1994, when she was hired as director for Head Start, to replace Walter M. Kennedy, who was also assistant superintendent for St. Clair County Schools at one time.

Kennedy had a strong reputation to follow, McGowan said. "and I was very

apprehensive about accepting the position because of that.”

Since becoming director, the Head Start program has grown from 160 children to serving 217, and the staff has grown from 28 full-time employees to 48.

“I am very proud of our program and its growth,” she said. “I still have mental visions of growth and expansion.”

The Head Start program is one McGowan holds close to her heart.

“I know that we have produced great men and women, the boys and girls who received their initial training through our program,” she said. “Although we enroll only 217 children each year, our quality of services impact many more lives in all of our communities throughout St. Clair County.”

The main purpose of an educational institution is to prepare young people to become productive members of society, she said.

“It has always been my belief that young people are special and deserve the best education that we can afford them,” she said.

After a 40-plus year career in education, teaching students with special needs, different cultures and varied socioeconomic backgrounds, McGowan said they all share the same needs.

“They need love, respect, patience and understanding,” she said.

Though she turned her career from the classroom to administration years ago, McGowan said she still missed the classroom.

“I thought about going back into the classroom many times through the years,” she said.

Being an educator means more to McGowan than the academics that take place, she said.

“I wanted to teach, too, that it is important how you treat people, that you learn to treat them with love and respect, and have understanding and caring for people,” she said.

She reached out too, to the children she taught through the years who seemed to have difficulties.

“I wanted to care enough to reach out to that child in the classroom who seemed not to grasp what we were doing,” she said. “I wanted them to know that I cared.”

Through the years, McGowan has been a member of a number of professional and civic organizations, including the national, state and local professional education associations, United Way, the Red Cross Auxiliary, the Pell City

Schools Educational Foundation, Habitat for Humanity, the Community Resource Development of the St. Clair County Extension System and the John Pope Eden Advisory Council.

She is a former member of the Pell City Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Pell City and Leadership St. Clair County, a golden life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and is program chair for the local Women's Society Organization. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society of the University of Alabama at Birmingham and was nominated as Outstanding Woman of the Year in 1979.

Two accomplishments she is especially proud of are coordinating and conducting the Substitute Teachers' Workshop for St. Clair County Schools in 1986 and in 1979, during her leadership as former president of the St. Clair County Education Association, initiating the SCCEA Scholarship Fund of \$500. The programs both continue today.

She said she is thankful to have worked with the fine staff at Head Start, the managers, specialists, teachers, assistants, food service staff, custodial staff and her administrative staff.

"They truly dedicate their souls, their efforts and their lives to the children and families in this program," she said.

She is grateful, too, to the agency's governing bodies, the Policy Council made up of community leaders and parents from throughout the county and members of the board of directors, for their dedicated service to Head Start.

"I leave Head Start with happiness, knowing that all is well here, but also with a heavy heart, sadness and a special love for our employees and children," she said.

McGowan is married to James McGowan, city councilman for District 2 in Pell City, who was also an educator for 27 years, teaching telecommunications at John Pope Eden. He now works part-time at Jefferson State Community College Police Department in Birmingham.

The McGowans have two children, Kenneth McGowan, a corrections officer for Childersburg Work Release; and LaCindra McGowan, who works as a claims specialist for State Farm Insurance in Birmingham. There are two grandchildren, Jaylond, 15, and Kenya, 10.

She is a member of First Missionary Baptist Church in Cropwell where she is a member of the choir, serves as a youth advisor, deaconess and youth Sunday School teacher.

"Everyone keeps asking me what's next," McGowan said. "They may not believe it, but I have told them anytime they want me to come back, just to call me. They just need to tell me where they want me to go and what they need me to do. I do know I will miss Head Start."

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## America's News

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### Beatrice Green Contributing to St. Clair's History

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Beatrice Green was born and raised in Carrollton, Alabama. The upper window of her hometown's courthouse bears the ghostly face of Henry Wells, an ex-slave whose image was burned into a window on the top floor by a bolt of lightning in 1876 just before a mob dragged him from the courthouse and hung him for allegedly burning down the previous courthouse.

Just as the impression of Henry Well's face still can be seen today in that courthouse window, so can the impact on St. Clair County that Mrs. Green contributed.

Mrs. Green, who celebrated her 90th birthday last week, was instrumental in assisting a great number changes in St. Clair County including the integration of the county's school system and voting rights, as well as, directing the first Head Start preschool program.

She said that her parents John and Ruth Cook raised her and her nine siblings in a strict Christian home. She has remained a devoted Baptist all of her life and has attended First Baptist Church in Cropwell for 60 years.

She finished high school in Carrollton and from there went to Stillman College where she obtained her associates degree. She then went on to earn her bachelor's as well as master's degrees from Alabama State University.

In 1945, she met her future husband, Reverend O.W. Green, after he sought her out as she was standing behind a pillar trying to avoid being seen by the soldiers getting off of a bus. The couple married on December 7, 1946, the day of the Pearl Harbor bombing.

Reverend Green brought his bride back to Greensport. The couple lived there until 1950 when they settled on an 80-acre homestead in Cropwell. He would farm and preach while also working at Avondale Mills and she would travel each day to a school just up the road from her home to teach. The couple had two sons, Stanley and Jerome.

After the state of Alabama started funding African-American education in 1947, Mrs. Green took a job teaching at the St. Clair County Training School, which was housed where Duran South stands today.

She then became principal of Greenville Elementary School a short distance from her home.

Her two sons attended Greenville and Jerome Green-who ended up pursuing both his father's passion for the ministry and his mother's commitment for education by becoming both a minister as well as a college professor-remembers well growing up with a mother that taught school with a no-nonsense attitude towards education.

"You've got to know my mom," he said with a smile. "She has mellowed tremendously over the years. She was the General Patton of education, as anyone in this community will tell you who knew her then."

When Mrs. Green began teaching, cotton was king in St. Clair County and the schools had staggered sessions so children could take time during the day to help tend the fields. In the 1950s, Greenville

elementary didn't have a lunchroom; the milk was delivered and stored in the ice-cooled refrigerator and the coal man would come to deliver the coal, which the male students were charged with keeping lit to keep students warm in the winter.

After a stint teaching close to home, Green ended up traveling over to Ragland where she was principal at the New Town Junior High School on the northern end of town. She was principal there from 1965 to 1967 when the St. Clair County schools were integrated.

Once integration came to St. Clair County, the New Town school was shut down and Mrs. Green went over to the Ragland School where she taught in the elementary department until she retired after 37 years in education. "It was a very good time back then for children's education," Green said. She said that the change from moving from New Town to Ragland was "quite different. Seemingly, it was different in that we wouldn't have as much to deal with [at the Ragland School]." She said that at New Town there would be two or three grades taught in one room, whereas at Ragland each grade had its own dedicated classroom.

"It was quite a change but we endured it very well because we had a relationship with [the two schools] about the changes in going back-and-forth between the different schools," Green said. "So, we integrated easily. It was a good time and I enjoyed it."

To this day Green still has students stop by occasionally to see her.

Both Green and her husband held a firm belief in the equality of people and had a deep-rooted faith that led them to work hard to make strides for the African-American population in St. Clair County.

Both Green and her husband were constantly involved in civic affairs and were always striving to get the most out of what the county had and has to offer. The Greens were heavily involved in the African-American voter registration and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) initiatives during the 1950s and 1960s and played a large role in getting issues pushed to the forefront of county residents' minds.

"I took part in the St. Clair County Democratic movement for the Advancement of Colored People," Mrs. Green said. "We [pushed to] move forward and it went well. We had a good working relationship with both blacks and whites during that time."

"They lived for that," her son Jerome said. "And at the time when [they] were doing it, it was not a safe thing to do. I can remember as small child going to voter league meetings with my parents down some backwoods, dirt road to a church in the woods and when you saw headlights behind you, you got a chill. But it was their faith [that guided them]. They found strength and courage and confidence in the church. And the thing that they knew was that even though race was a real problem, they always understood that all white people were not against them. They knew that because there were always significant members of the white community who did not think that things were right and so they had help and were not alone. And they were never bitter. They were always optimistic and confident. They believed in America and they believed that if you worked hard and you did what you were supposed to do, then it would be alright."

In addition to working with the NAACP, Green was also the first director of the Head Start program in St. Clair County and was instrumental in getting its preschool curriculum up and running. "We had a good beginning," Mrs. Green said. "Everything went well and we all worked together for the good of the whole community."

At the time, activist John Davis was pushing for the preschool program, but he was met with hesitation by



county officials because of his so-called "radical" views; so Mrs. Green was installed as the first director.

She said that she had many "great experiences" throughout her career in education. "I worked with lots of schools in the county," she said. "I really enjoyed it."

Green said that she's seen "great changes" in her 90 years. "I walked to school. I went from walking to the riding the bus. I drove to Ragland for 20 years to teach up there. I did a lot of going and coming. I saw some cloudy days and some sunshiny ones. But they were good. And I worked with some good people. I've had some good days and some bad days, but all the good ones outweigh the bad ones. I've had some hills to climb but I made it."

Mrs. Green stays optimistic about the changes in both the county and the country as a whole. "There have been changes and there will be changes," she said. "It won't always be well. But God will carry us through and life will go on. There will be progress and continued progress and as the years come there will be more changes. The world may not seem the same, but time changes [and with that] there will be new ideas and new generations coming along and they will make changes. There are women coming up in the world and doing [more] things now. Men had better step out of the way because women are taking over," she said with a warm smile.

She said that in her lifetime she's seen people go from horses to cars "and now we're flying. I don't know what's going to take place next, but something will. Some great change will come about and it's going to be different. There will be new ideas, new judges. But you can't go much faster than you can push a button. But I think that we've done well as a people and I thank God for his goodness and his grace."

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## ***America's News***

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### **Cunninghams leaders in Riverside for half a century**

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*Author/Byline: Gary Hanner Section: stclairlifestyle Readability: 6-7 grade level (Lexile: 970)*

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James Fred and Jeanette Cunningham have been married 53 years.

They have lived in the same house on Depot Street in Riverside all those years.

As a matter of fact, Mrs. Cunningham has lived in that house her entire life.

How many years that is, is unknown, because Mrs. Cunningham laughed when she was asked how old she is.

Mr. Cunningham, on the other hand, was glad to announce he is 84.

These two people are special in their own way. Mrs. Cunningham was a school teacher for 45 years and was the first black teacher at Riverside School and one of the first black teachers in St. Clair County.

Mr. Cunningham was the first black councilman to serve the Town of Riverside.

Mrs. Cunningham attended Riverside Elementary School from grades one through seven. Grades eight through 12 were attended at Roswald High School, where she graduated in 1938.

She attended college at the Alabama State Teachers College in Montgomery for two years, received a junior college certificate and started teaching the next year.

Mrs. Cunningham started her education career in 1940 at Ashville High School teaching 12th grade. In that one year, she transferred to Mt. Zion Elementary School in Cropwell, teaching grades one through six and on to Pleasant Hill Elementary School in Piney Woods teaching grades one through three.

In 1941, she worked at Copper Springs Elementary School in Odenville for one year teaching grades one through six. She moved on to Riverside Elementary School, the school she attended as a little girl, and became the first black teacher at the school in Riverside She taught grades one through three for 13 years.

She also served as principal at the two-teacher school.

In 1952, Mrs. Cunningham went back to Alabama State Teachers College and received her bachelor's degree in elementary education.

In 1955, she became a teacher at St. Clair County Training School and Walter M. Kennedy was her principal. She taught at that school for 12 years, and in 1967, she moved on to Iola Roberts Elementary School.

In 1976, Mrs. Cunningham received her master's degree in elementary education from the University of Alabama in Birmingham.

She retired from education in 1985.

"Every minute I was at school teaching, I enjoyed it," she said. "I loved every child I taught. I couldn't teach a child if I didn't love him or her. Whatever I told my students to do, they did it. I always tried to keep my students busy to keep them out of trouble. We had a good time because I enjoyed them and they enjoyed me."

Mrs. Cunningham said she feels public education took a tremendous blow when God and prayer were taken out of the schools.

"I always started the day in school with a devotion and prayer," she said. "Then, when I first went to Lola Roberts School, I was told we could not say a prayer here at this school. But I said my prayers because our principal, Mr. D.A. Cox, was a praying man and he never bothered me while I said my prayers. I continued to say my prayers the whole time I was at Lola Roberts."

Mrs. Cunningham said her students were very good, as were the parents.

"I turned out some very good students who went on to be doctors, lawyers, teachers and preachers," she said. "I still have a love for children. Sometimes, I wish I was still in the classroom because I believe I can still help them."

After her retirement, Mrs. Cunningham worked at James McGowan's Daycare for two years.

"God has been so good to me and I praise Him every day for the good things He has done for me," she said. "I've attended the church up here all my life and I've been everything in that church except the deacon and the preacher."

Mr. Cunningham was born in Anniston and lived in Lincoln for 17 years before marrying Mrs. Cunningham in 1950. He worked for the Anniston Army Depot 42 years, five months and eight days before retiring in 1985. During those years, he also worked in the garden and saw mill and picked cotton.

On Aug. 10, 1972, Cunningham was appointed to fill a vacancy left by Emil Bukacek. In October of that same year, he was elected to serve as a councilman for Riverside, Place One, a position he held for three consecutive terms. He served through Sept. 30, 1984.

When asked how he felt about being a councilman, Cunningham said it was good and they all had a good time.

"At times, we had one or two little struggles, but other than that, we met and everything went smooth," he said. "The entire time I was on the council, we never had to pay for any garbage pickup. We did not have enough users to have a water system in place. Many residents had their own wells, while others had to use water from Riverside Coves or the Best Western Motel."

When Riverside did decide to put a water system in place, Cunningham said he and others went to then Alabama Gov. George Wallace for funds.

"Governor Wallace put \$40,000 in my hand," Cunningham said. "We have a record of it at city hall. He said he was so glad to help us."

Cunningham said he has enjoyed living in Riverside the past 53 years and is proud to have been the town's first black councilman.

"Overall, I've seen a lot of changes down through the years," he said. "During my tenure, I never did have a problem in my district or any part I was serving on. As soon as I left, people had to start paying for everything. I saved this city and its residents a whole lot of money."

The Cunninghams have also been faithful members of the First Baptist Church of Riverside, where Mr. Cunningham has served as superintendent of the Sunday school department since the day he married his wife.

"My wife was superintendent before I was," he said. "All blessings come from God and He has been so good to us."

Although they have no children of their own, they helped raise five family members who were just like their grandchildren.

"They all called us Paw Paw and Granny," Mrs. Cunningham said.

**Caption:** James F. Cunningham of Riverside was Riverside's first black councilman, while his wife, Jeanette, was one of the first black school teachers in St. Clair County./Gary Hanner/St. Clair Times

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### Who was... Walter M. Kennedy?

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Walter M. Kennedy Elementary School, built in Pell City in 1998, was named after Walter Malcolm Kennedy.

Kennedy was born in Birmingham a century ago, on Aug. 10, 1914, and the prominent educator and community leader died Jan. 29, 1995, in Birmingham.

In 1969, Kennedy became the first African American to be appointed as the assistant superintendent of education in the St. Clair County School System, which the Pell City school system was a part of at the time.

Kennedy had a long career in education.

He received his B.S. degree from Miles Memorial College in Birmingham, and his master's degree from Columbia University in New York.

After graduating from college, Kennedy was employed as a classroom teacher at Zion City Elementary School and Westfield High School, before being drafted into the military service.

After his discharge from the armed forces, Kennedy was hired as a teacher at Parker High School in Birmingham.

Kennedy also served as the principal for Acmar Junior High School, which later became Acmar High School, from 1947 to 1953, before accepting the principal position at the St. Clair County Training School in Pell City.

St. Clair County Training School is now the site of Duran South Junior High School in Pell City.

Kennedy received many awards and recognitions during his lifetime, including the Public Service Award in 1970 from St. Paul United Methodist Church, the Leadership Award of 1974 from the Cooperative Extension Service of Alabama, the Leadership Award of 1976 from the National Black Women Political Leadership Caucus, the Citizens Award of 1977 from Lawson State Community College and the Leadership Award of 1980 from the Young Women Society Club.

Kennedy was also a volunteer director for Head Start and a member of various education organizations.

-- David Atchison

**Caption:** Walter M. Kennedy

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## ***America's News***

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### **St. Clair's first black doctor speaker at 'Evening With the Stars'**

*Daily Home, The (Talladega, AL) - February 26, 2008*

*Author/Byline: By David Atchison Section: News Readability: 8-12 grade level (Lexile: 1100)*

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PELL CITY - Organizers for the Second Annual Black History Banquet, "Evening With the Stars," say the event was a big success.

"I was totally impressed," said Pastor Donald Gover with Life Family Worship Center in Pell City. "We were well pleased with the attendance and participation."

There was another strong showing at this year's event, with more than 200 people in attendance Saturday night.

Gover said people have told him they enjoyed this year's program even more than last year's.

"We've received many favorable responses already," he said. "We enjoy looking forward to the continuation of this program."

Several county and city officials attended the banquet, including St. Clair County Probate Judge Wallace Wyatt.

"I enjoyed it," Wyatt said. "I thought it was very inspirational."

Last year's program was held at the Pell City Civic Center. This year's program was held at Duran South, which was once the all-black St. Clair County Training School. The event was held in the school's gymnasium.

"This is a historic building in our community," Gover said. "This is a place where they met for the struggle."

He said Saturday's program, which was free and open to the public, was a time to remember, reminisce and rejoice.

"This gym holds a lot of memories for me," said Peggy Threatt, who was in the last St. Clair County Training School senior class when segregation ended in Alabama.

Threatt went on to become an educator and served her community for 33 years.

Michael W. Verges, assistant pastor of Holy Hill Church in Lincoln, sent people back in time during the banquet with a rendition of Martin Luther King's "I Have A Dream" speech.

Many in attendance said Verges' eloquent impersonation of King was perfect, saying he sounded exactly like King when he gave the speech on Aug. 28, 1963, during a march for jobs and freedom in Washington D.C.

A buffet dinner was served as names of local African-Americans were flashed on a large wall at the back of the gymnasium. The names were African-Americans who made achievements and contributions to their community and Pell City.

Also included in this year's event was a special candle-lighting ceremony in which former Pell City High School football coach Pete Rich, who coached the first integrated high school football team for the Panthers, lit a black candle, representing unity.

Vickie Shealey, a minister at Life Family Worship Center, thanked Rich for the message he instilled in the hearts and minds of children during a trying and changing time in American history.

Shealey said Rich judged players not by their color but "by their ability and attitude."

Shealey spoke about the importance of looking beyond color and seeing instead individual character.

Gover and the Rev. Dr. O. Jerome Green, a full-time pastor at Gaines Chapel and visiting professor of political science at Miles College, also participated in the candle lighting ceremony.

Green introduced the main speaker and special guests, including former Miles College President Dr. W. Clyde Williams, and Miles College professor Dr. Bernice Coar Cobb, who helped bring the first African-American doctor to St. Clair County.

Green said Dr. Frank Benson III the banquet's guest speaker, made his way to St. Clair County because of Miles College.

"He (Dr. Benson) broke the color barrier in St. Clair County," Green said. "And the institution that made it possible was Miles (College)."

The college assisted in a grant application for a non-profit health clinic in St. Clair County, a rural community that had limited access to health care.

The grant was approved for the clinic and prospective doctors, who were working off federal medical loans, began flying into the Birmingham Airport.

Unexpectedly to many, the doctors who arrived at the airport were African-Americans.

"They were put back on the plane and told there had been a mistake," Green said. "It happened at least three times, we found out. The next time, we were there."

Green said Benson was met by about 50 people from the black community.

"He took the job, and history was made in St. Clair County."

Beason, who was born in Tuskegee and raised in Jackson, Miss., said all he wanted to do was pay off the federal loan, which paid for the last two years of his medical school.

Beason said he basically lived a sheltered life while in college. He was naïve and "didn't live in the real world," while in college and medical school in the North.

Beason, who grew up in a family of educators, recalled the scrutiny he received when he arrived in St. Clair County.

"It was like a congressional hearing," he said. "It was nerve-racking."

Beason said Green eventually took him to his mother's home, where he ate a piece of sweet potato pie.

He said it reminded him of his own mother's pie. He felt safe again.

"That's why I came to St. Clair County, Jerome's mother's sweet potato pie," Beason joked.

However, it really was a scary time for the doctor, who graduated from Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn., and medical school at Howard University College of Medicine in Washington, D.C.

"Really, I didn't know the real world of Alabama and the South," he said. "Basically, I didn't know Jack. I was terrified."

Beason said the local medical community came to his rescue, and he began working in the health care clinic in Ragland as the first African-American doctor in St. Clair County.

"It started out as a slow trickle, but a few more people started showing up, and it gradually grew," Beason said. "... I'm grateful for the people who stood by me."

**Memo:** About David Atchison

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### St. Clair Pre-K programs awarded grants; Head Start celebrates 50th anniversary

*St. Clair News Aegis (Pell City, AL) - May 29, 2015*

*Author/Byline: Staff Writer Section: News Readability: 10-12 grade level (Lexile: 1160)*

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On May 26, Gov. Robert Bentley announced St. Clair County pre-kindergarten programs would receive \$466,500 in grants to expand access for 4 year olds. Local match funding of 25 percent will be required.

The funding will be divided between the St. Clair County Board of Education (\$376,500) and St. Clair County Head Start (\$90,000) as follows:

- Ashville Elementary: \$120,000
- Margaret Mustangs #2 Pre K: \$85,500
- Moody Elementary Pre K #2: \$85,500
- Springville Elementary Pre K #2: \$85,500
- St. Clair County Head Start #1: \$45,000
- St. Clair County Head Start #2: \$45,000

2015 is also the 50th anniversary of St. Clair County Head Start, and this month the Pell City City Council recognized the organization for its service to the community.

According to the Head Start website, the initial Head Start Program began in 1965 under the leadership of John Davis. This program was housed in church basements, classrooms of St. Clair County Training School, old Eden Elementary School, and then finally, in the early 1980s moved to its present site – Coal City School.

Walter M. Kennedy was instrumental in growing the program in St. Clair County. It is now led by LaToya Orr, who has served as Executive Director since June 2011.

This month, Mayor Joe Funderburg presented Orr with a proclamation recognizing the anniversary.

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### **KENNEDY, WALTER MALCOLM**

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KENNEDY, WALTER MALCOLM born August 10, 1914, died on January 27, 1995 at his home. He was one of nine children, born to William and Viola Kennedy. He was a dedicated black educator, who served in teaching capacities in Birmingham and St. Clair County in the early part of his career. Later, he became principal in St. Clair County Training School and served with such distinction that the school at which he served was renamed the Walter Malcolm Kennedy School in his honor. From his position as principal, he was promoted to the St. Clair County Board of Education where he served as the First Black Assistant Superintendent. He retired from this position and began a new career as Director of the St. Clair County Head Start Program. In May of 1994, he retired from this position. He was a member of the St. Paul United Methodist Church, where he served in virtually every non-pastorial capacity. He is survived by one sister, Juanita Kennedy Morgan; three nieces, Charlene Kennedy Fields, Roslyn Green, Wanda Kennedy; one nephew, Leon Kennedy, Jr.; nine great nieces and nephews. There will be a family hour involving his fraternity, Omega Psi Phi on Thursday, February 2, from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Davenport and Harris Funeral Home on Martin L. King, Jr. Dr. S.W. Funeral services will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the St. Paul United Methodist Church, 1500 6th Avenue North, Rev. Clinton Hubbard, Jr. presiding. Funeral procession will leave 630 11th Court West at 10 a.m. Friday, February 3, 1995.

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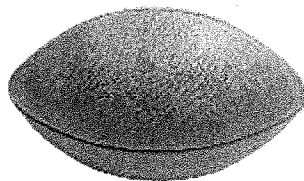
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# St. Clair County Training Football Team History

## St. Clair County Training

St. Clair County Training School



Pell City, AL 0  
Stadium:  
Colors:  
Coach: Alfred Catrell

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### 1968 Season Highlights

Alfred Catrell enters his 1st season as Head Coach at St. Clair County Training.

This was the last season St. Clair County Training fielded a team.

Merged with Pell City.

The set a team record by scoring 25 points.

The set a team record by winning 3 games.

The set a team record by scoring 19 in a game.

The set a team record for margin of victory at 13 points.

### 1968 Season

Date	Opponent	Score		
Fri., Sep. 6	<u>R.R. Moton Sycamore</u>			W
Sat., Sep. 14	vs. <u>Westside</u>	0	13	L
Fri., Nov. 1	<u>Talladega County Training</u>	19	6	W
Wed., Nov. 13	vs. <u>Phylis Wheatley</u>	6	2	W

### 1968 Season Totals

Record	3-1
Points Scored	25
Scoring Average	6.3
Points Allowed	21
Defense Average	5.3
Opponents Record	55-29
Home Record	1-1

### 1968 Class AIAA Rankings

**Date Week Rank Record Votes Source**  
**St. Clair County Training was not ranked.**

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#### 1968 Player Awards

Player	Position	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Award	Team	Source
<b>No St. Clair County Training Players on File.</b>							

#### 1968 All State Players

Player	Position	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Team	Source
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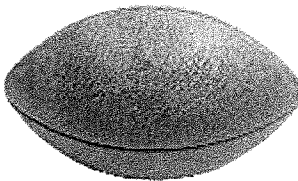
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1968 Season

Team Timeline

First Team: 1958 (#1)

1968 - Merged with Pell City.

Championships

State Playoff Championships

None

State Mythical Championships

None

Region Championships

None

Team Records

Overall Record	4-12-1
Winning Pct.	25%
State Playoff Titles	0
State Mythical Titles	0
All State Players (#3)	0
NFL Players (#4)	0
Weeks Ranked #1	0
Home Record	1-4-0
Away Record	0-1-0

By The Numbers

Seasons	14
Winning Seasons (#2)	0
Losing Seasons (#2)	0
Most Wins in A Season	3 (1968)
Most Loses in A Season	3 (1967)
10 Win Seasons	0
Most Points Scored in a Game	19 (11/1/1968)
Most Points Scored in a Season	25 (1968)
	54 (10/21/1965)

9/6	<u>R.R. Moton Svcamore</u>			W
9/14	vs. <u>Westside</u>	0	13	L

11/1	<u>Talladega County Cen</u>	19	6	W
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1968 Season Totals

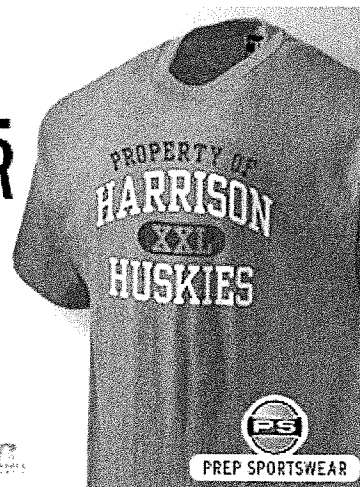
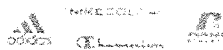
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Most Points Allowed in a Game		Westside has won 5 games. with 0 tie games.
Most Points Allowed in a Season	90 (1966)	
Largest Margin of Victory	13 (11/1/1968)	
Largest Margin of Defeat	54 (10/21/1965)	Border Wars
Most Points Both Teams in a Game	62 (10/20/1966)	No games on record vs. Border States.
Last Shutout	1961	
Last Time Shutout	9/14/1968	Weather
Shutouts All-Time	1	
Been Shutout All-Time	4	<a href="#">Get the weather for the St. Clair County Training</a>
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## Streaks

Longest Win	2 (11/1/1968-11/13/1968)
Longest Losing	6 (9/14/1962-9/15/1967)

Some records may be incomplete. We have chosen to publish this information in hopes our visitors will participate in assisting us to complete every school. Join us in the forums to submit corrections and new information.

## NOTES:

- (1) If 'First Year' is unknown we assume a year based upon research.
- (2) Winning and losing seasons counted only if team plays at least 5 games.
- (3) All State players counted for the all state teams we have in our database. We must have an entire team for the appropriate classification to make additions to the teams. Only ASWA teams are recognized after 1982.
- (4) NFL Players counted for any player that participated in a regular season game.

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Woody Clements was the head coach at Holt for a record 41 straight seasons.

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### 1958 Season Highlights

The Head Coach is unknown.

This was the first season St. Clair County Training fielded a team.

### 1958 Season

Date	Opponent	Score
Fri., Nov. 21	<u>Talladega County Training</u> vs. <u>Westside</u>	13 14 L

### 1958 Season Totals

Record	0-1
Points Scored	13
Scoring Average	13.0
Points Allowed	14
Defense Average	14.0
Opponents Record	7-8
Home Record	0-0
Away Record	0-0

### 1958 Class AIAA Rankings

Date	Week	Rank	Record	Votes	Source
<b>St. Clair County Training was not ranked.</b>					

### 1958 Player Awards

Player	Position	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Award	Team	Source
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### 1959 Season Highlights

The Head Coach is unknown.

### 1959 Season

Date	Opponent	Score
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Fri., Oct. 30	@ <a href="#">Westside</a>	
Wed., Nov. 4	<a href="#">Talladega County Training</a>	

### 1959 Season Totals

Record	0-0
Points Scored	0
Scoring Average	0
Points Allowed	0
Defense Average	0
Opponents Record	4-9
Home Record	0-0
Away Record	0-0


### 1959 Class AIAA Rankings

Date	Week	Rank	Record	Votes	Source
<b>St. Clair County Training was not ranked.</b>					

### 1959 Player Awards

Player	Position	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Award	Team	Source
<b>No St. Clair County Training Players on File.</b>							

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1960 Season Highlights

The Head Coach is unknown.

1960 Season

Date	Opponent	Score
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Thu., Nov. 3	<a href="#">Talladega County Training</a>	
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1960 Season Totals

Record	0-0
Points Scored	0
Scoring Average	0
Points Allowed	0
Defense Average	0
Opponents Record	2-4
Home Record	0-0
Away Record	0-0

1960 Class AIAA Rankings

Date	Week	Rank	Record	Votes	Source
<b>St. Clair County Training was not ranked.</b>					

1960 Player Awards

Player	Position	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Award	Team	Source
<b>No St. Clair County Training Players on File.</b>							

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### 1961 Season Highlights

The Head Coach is unknown.

### 1961 Season

Date	Opponent	Score
	<u>O.S. Hill</u>	0    0    T
	<u>Westside</u>	W

### 1961 Season Totals

Record	1-0 -1
Points Scored	0
Scoring Average	0.0
Points Allowed	0
Defense Average	0.0
Opponents Record	15-6 -3
Home Record	0-0
Away Record	0-0

### 1961 Class AIAA Rankings

**Date Week Rank Record Votes Source**  
**St. Clair County Training was not ranked.**

### 1961 Player Awards

Player	Position	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Award	Team	Source
<b>No St. Clair County Training Players on File.</b>							

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### 1962 Season Highlights

The Head Coach is unknown.

### 1962 Season

Date	Opponent	Score
Fri., Sep. 14	vs. <u>Westside</u>	L

### 1962 Season Totals

Record	0-1
Points Scored	0
Scoring Average	0.0
Points Allowed	0
Defense Average	0.0
Opponents Record	32-0 -16
Home Record	0-1
Away Record	0-0

### 1962 Class AIAA Rankings

Date	Week	Rank	Record	Votes	Source
<b>St. Clair County Training was not ranked.</b>					

### 1962 Player Awards

Player	Position	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Award	Team	Source
<b>No St. Clair County Training Players on File.</b>							

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### 1965 Season Highlights

The Head Coach is unknown.

The set a team record for points allowed in a game with 54.

The set a team record for margin in a defeat by allowing 54 points.

### 1965 Season

Date	Opponent	Score
Sat., Nov. 13	<u>Phvlis Wheatley</u>	L
Thu., Oct. 21	<u>East Highland</u>	0 54 L

### 1965 Season Totals

Record	0-2
Points Scored	0
Scoring Average	0.0
Points Allowed	54
Defense Average	27.0
Opponents Record	54-1
Home Record	0-0
Away Record	0-0

### 1965 Class AIAA Rankings

**Date Week Rank Record Votes Source**  
**St. Clair County Training was not ranked.**

### 1965 Player Awards



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### 1966 Season Highlights

The Head Coach is unknown.

The set a team record by allowing 90 points.

The set a team record for most points scored by both teams with 62 points.

### 1966 Season

Date	Opponent	Score
Sat., Sep. 17	vs. <u>Westside</u>	0 42 L
Thu., Oct. 20	@ <u>East Highland</u>	14 48 L

### 1966 Season Totals

Record	0-2
Points Scored	14
Scoring Average	7.0
Points Allowed	90
Defense Average	45.0
Opponents Record	56-12 -8
Home Record	0-1
Away Record	0-1

### 1966 Class AIAA Rankings

Date	Week	Rank	Record	Votes	Source
<b>St. Clair County Training was not ranked.</b>					

### 1966 Player Awards

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### 1967 Season Highlights

The Head Coach is unknown.

The set a team record for losses in a season with 3.

### 1967 Season

Date	Opponent	Score		
Fri., Sep. 15	<u>Westside</u>	6	12	L
Mon., Sep. 25	<u>O.S. Hill</u>			
Wed., Oct. 18	vs. <u>Hatcher</u>	12	20	L
Fri., Nov. 10	<u>Phylis Wheatley</u>	2	36	L

### 1967 Season Totals

Record	0-3
Points Scored	20
Scoring Average	6.7
Points Allowed	68
Defense Average	22.7
Opponents Record	49-15 -2
Home Record	0-1
Away Record	0-0

### 1967 Class AIAA Rankings

Date	Week	Rank	Record	Votes	Source
<b>St. Clair County Training was not ranked.</b>					

### 1967 Player Awards

Player	Position	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Award	Team	Source
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## ***America's News***

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### **Dr. Betty Young**

*Free Press, The (Mankato, MN) - February 3, 2009*

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Betty Sue Young, age 64, of Mankato, died Monday, February 2, 2009, at Immanuel Saint Joseph's Hospital in Mankato.

Funeral Service will be 10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 5, 2009, at Centenary United Methodist Church, Mankato. Visitation will be Wednesday, February 4, 2009 (TODAY) from 4 to 7 p.m. at Mankato Mortuary and one hour prior to the service at the Church Thursday. Burial will be at a later date in Rocky Zion Baptist Cemetery, Pell City, AL. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the family to be set up in a trust fund for her children.

Blessed to the union of Edward and Birtie Mae Young, Betty Young was born September 26, 1944, in Pell City, Alabama. There she was united with the Rocky Zion Missionary Baptist Church at an early age. Betty attended and graduated from St. Clair County Training School. She furthered her education with a Bachelor's Degree, Master's and a certification from Tuskegee University. She continued her education with a Doctorate Degree from Virginia Tech University. She provided services to humanity through employment with Greene County Extension office, Tuskegee Institute, Virginia Tech, Louisiana Southern, Mankato State University, and Zimbabwe University. Currently at Minnesota State, she taught in the Family Life & Child Development Area. She was a Co-Chair on the Presidents Commission of Diversity. Betty was awarded the Woman of Distinction from the YWCA in 2007, where she also served on the board for six years. Betty was also involved with the College Access Program (CAP) at Minnesota State University and the Mankato NAACP. Through her interest in diversity and equality, Betty has taught many young and old alike.

She is survived by her two sons, Tiahti and Terry Dion Young; siblings, Bertie "Faye" Jordan of Pell City, AL, Lynda Young of North Carolina, Lorenzo (Mary) Young of New Jersey, Edward (Willie Kate) Young of Iowa, and Terry (Wendy) Young of Pell City, AL; nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Betty is preceded in death by her parents, Edward and Birtie Young; siblings, Mattie Louise Young of Pell City, Girtha Lee Gordon of New York and Charles Eugene Young of Pell City.

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### OBITUARIES

*Daily Home, The (Talladega, AL) - November 9, 2012*

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#### LONNIE D. ANDERSON

SYLACAUGA - Lonnie D. Anderson, 65, died Nov. 7, 2012. Arrangements will be announced by Curtis & Son Funeral Home North Chapel.

#### DONALD BENJAMIN

FAYETTEVILLE, NC - Donald Benjamin, 56, died November 4, 2012. Arrangements will be announced by Westview Funeral Home.

#### GLENELLA HOWARD

#### CUNNINGHAM

DETROIT, MI- Funeral services for Glenella Howard Cunningham, 85, formerly of Wattsville will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 10 at Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church, Ragland. Rev. Wallace Pinson will officiate. Interment will be in St. Clair Memorial Gardens. The body will lie in state at the church one hour prior to the service.

Glenella passed away November 2, 2012 at Sanctuary at the Abbey in Warren, MI. She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie Cunningham; parents, Gurley and Rachel Howard; son-in-law, Frank Ward; siblings, Harry Howard and Betty Borden. Mrs. Cunningham was a member of Morning Star Baptist Church; educated in St. Clair County Schools where she was a graduate of St. Clair County Training School; was a homemaker.

Survivors are her daughters, Pauline Ward of Detroit, MI and Betty Cunningham of Talladega; a brother, Fred Howard of Pennsylvania; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Visit [www.terrismortuary.com](http://www.terrismortuary.com) for online obituary and condolences.

Terry's Metropolitan Mortuary will direct the services.

#### BARBARA BARNES

#### JOHNSON

SYLACAUGA -Graveside service for Barbara Barnes Johnson, 68, will be Saturday, November 10, 2012, 1 p.m. in Rocky Mount Cemetery. She died November 5, 2012 in the Mobile Infirmary Medical Center.

She is survived by her daughter, Kim Johnson of Mobile; sisters, Ethelene Brooks of Sylacauga and Frankie Eubanks of Sylacauga; numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Friday, November 9, 2012, 5-8 p.m. at Curtis and Son North Chapel.

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ERNEST WHITE

Pell City- Funeral services for Ernest White, 77, were held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, November 5 at First Baptist Church, Pell City. Rev. Jeffrey Wilson, pastor. Rev. Ronnie Beavers officiated. Interment was in Roberson Chapel Cemetery.

Ernest passed away November 1, 2012 at St. Vincent's St. Clair. He was preceded in death by his son Ronny White; mother, Bertha Bush; step-father, Johnny Bush; a great-grandson, Elijah Carmichael.

Mr. White attended First Baptist Church where he served as a deacon, church clerk, treasurer and on the building committee; graduate of **St. Clair County Training** School; retired from the US Postal Service and was employed with many businesses and organizations in the Pell City area most recently being Pell City Parks and Recreations; served in many civic capacities including board member of Pell City Board of Education, St Clair Regional Hospital, Lakeside Hospice and St. Clair County Head Start.

Survivors are his wife, Alice White of Pell City; sons, Roy (Sandra) White and Gregory (Joycelyn) White of Pell City, Mark Keith (Patricia) White of Alabaster; father, Robert White of Birmingham; daughter-in-law, Melba Tatum; half-brother, George White; sisters-in-law, Marion (Jesse) Frazier and Pearlie Roberson of Pell City, Alvieta Roberson of River Rouge, MI, and Barbara Roberson of Ecorse, MI; and eight grandchildren.

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Terry's Metropolitan Mortuary directed the services.

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### **GOVER, JR., MILTON "BUG"**

*Birmingham News (AL) - September 7, 2012*

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### **GOVER, JR., MILTON "BUG"**

Funeral services for Milton "Bug" Gover, Jr., 75, formerly of Pell City will be 12:30 p.m. Saturday, September 8 at First Baptist Church South. Rev. Jeffrey Wilson is pastor. Rev. Roger Shack will officiate. Interment will be in Robinson Chapel Cemetery. The body will lie in state at the church one hour prior to the service.

Milton passed away September 4, 2012.

Mr. Gover was a member of Mount Pleasant Baptist Church where he served as an usher; attended St. Clair County Schools where he was a graduate of St. Clair County Training School; retired from Thomas Foundry.

Survivors are daughters, Mia Jordan of Pell City, Selena Grady of Birmingham and Diana Singleton of Atlanta, GA; sons, Rolando (Robin) and Michael Gover of Pell City, Derrick Gover of Talladega and Rodrigues (Tara) Ragland of Lincoln; a sister, Emma Gover of Pell City; twenty- eight grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

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Mortuary will direct the services.

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### Helen Singleton



Singleton, Helen Juliett (Juliett) Born August 24, 1941 to the late David and Cornelia Singleton. She graduated from St. Clair Training School Pell City Alabama. She was preceded in death by both parents, also 2 sisters, Ora McCrimon and Ophelia Singleton, special Aunt Maude Bowman and grandparents Jannie and Duke Singleton. She leaves to cherish her memories 2 sisters Bessie Bowman of Gary, IN; and Winette Singleton of Detroit, MI; 2 brothers Cawthorn (Dorothy) Watters of Chicago, IL; James Ewing of Detroit, MI; 5 special nephews and 6 special nieces, devoted cousins, Timothy Minnifield, Annie Frazier of Chicago, IL; Eddie (Martha) Carlisle of Gary, IN; Lois Green of Vincent, AL; friends Gail Hardin, and Dorothy Madry, and a host of other relatives and friends. Memorial services Saturday, August 27, 2011 at 11:00am at the Guy & Allen Chapel, 2959 W. 11th Ave.



### Funeral Home

**Guy & Allen Funeral Directors, Inc.**  
2959 West 11th Avenue Gary, IN 46404  
(219) 949-6325

Published in the Post Tribune on Aug. 24, 2011

A native of Gadsden, Bill J. Allman is a instructor in computer science. A graduate Jacksonville State University with an M. A. the University of Alabama, Allman has 17 experience in data processing.

Mrs. Katie Woods Bonner is an instructor English department. She is a native of Raglan a graduate of St. Clair Training School an completed work at Allen University, Columbia and Fisk University, Nashville.

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# A TRUE STORY OF SCOUTS IN ACTION

by ALSTEN

ON DEC. 17, 1965, SIX-YEAR-OLD SIDNEY B. BEDFORD WAS PLAYING IN THE BACK YARD OF HER HOME IN RAGLAND, ALA., WHERE HER MOTHER WAS BURNING TRASH. DESPITE HER MOTHER'S CONSTANT WARNINGS AND WATCHFULNESS, SIDNEY GOT TOO CLOSE TO THE FLAMES AND HER CLOTHES CAUGHT FIRE. THE TERRIFIED LITTLE GIRL RAN SCREAMING INTO THE STREET.



ACROSS THE STREET JACKIE D. ROBINSON, 13, SAW WHAT HAPPENED AND RACED OVER TO THE GIRL'S AID, RIPPING OFF HIS JACKET AS HE RAN.



HE QUICKLY WRAPPED HIS JACKET AROUND SIDNEY...



PUSHED HER TO THE GROUND AND SMOOTHERED THE FLAMES.



DON'T CRY, SIDNEY. IT'S ALL OVER NOW. THE FIRE'S OUT.

BUT IT HURTS! THANK THE LORD YOU WERE CLOSE BY, JACKIE. I JUST FROZE WHEN I SAW THOSE FLAMES.



A FEW DAYS LATER...

HELLO, JACKIE. SIDNEY'S DOING FINE. WHERED YOU LEARN HOW TO PUT OUT A FIRE SO QUICKLY?

AT OUR SCOUT TROOP. WE PRACTICE IT A LOT.



FOR HIS KNOW-HOW AND PROMPT ACTION IN THIS EMERGENCY, SCOUT JACKIE D. ROBINSON WAS AWARDED THE MEDAL OF MERIT BY THE NATIONAL COURT OF HONOR, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA.

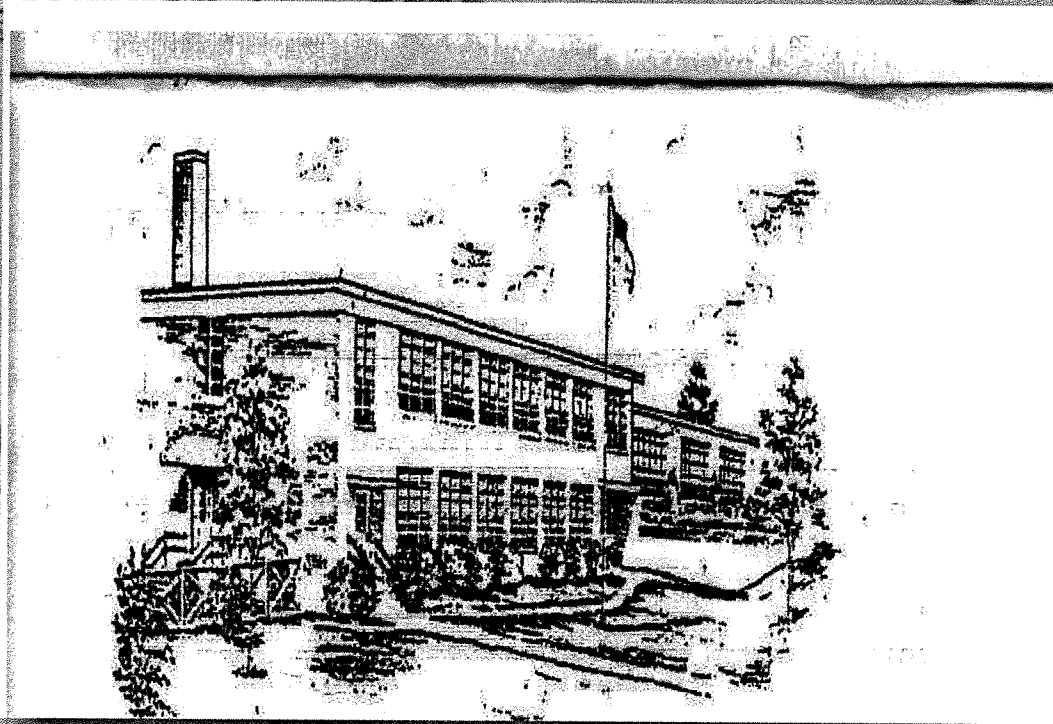


JACKIE IS A MEMBER OF TROOP 333, PELL CITY, ALA., SPONSORED BY THE ST. CLAIR TRAINING SCHOOL.

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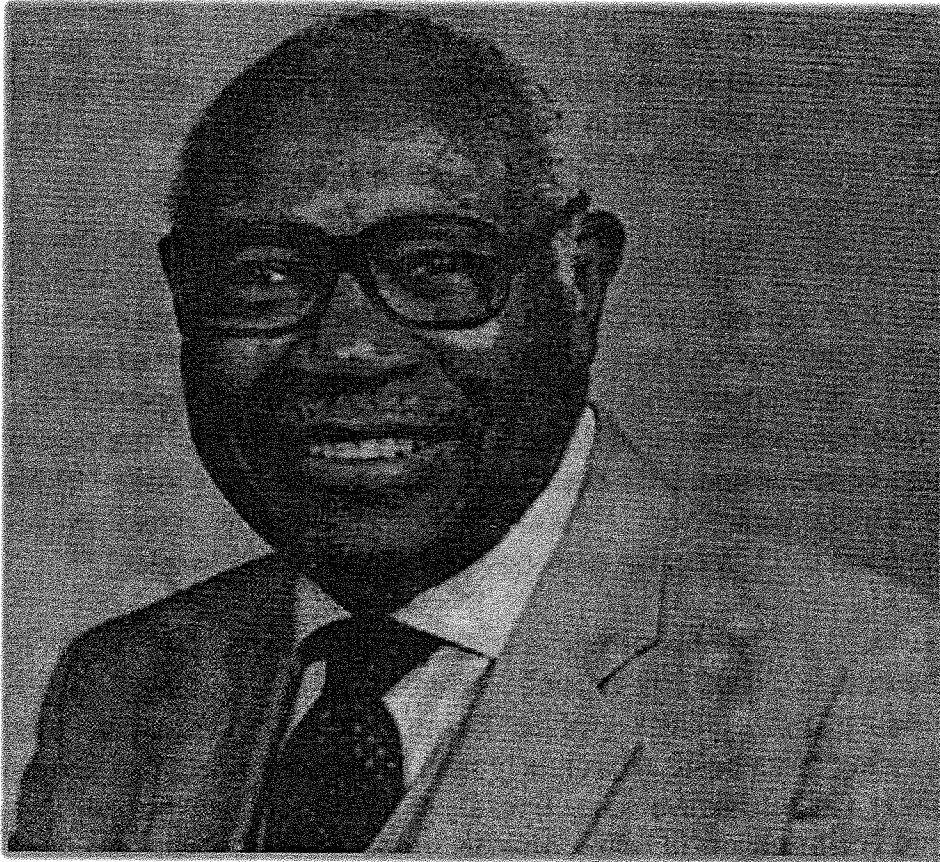
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**In Memory of ...  
Walter M. Kennedy**



**Walter M. Kennedy, Principal  
1953-1969**

Walter Malcolm Kennedy was born on August 10, 1914 in Birmingham, Alabama. He was a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church. He was married to Mary Martin Kennedy, also an educator.

He attended the public schools of Birmingham, Alabama. He received his B.S. degree from Miles College, Birmingham, AL and a Masters degree from Columbia University in New York, New York.

Kennedy was first employed as a classroom teacher at both Zion City Elementary and Westfield High School. He was drafted in the Armed Services. Upon his discharge from the Army, Kennedy accepted a position as Instructor of the choir and academics. Later he accepted a position at H. Parker High School where he

served as Instructor in the Veteran's program. In 1947, Kennedy became Principal of Acmar Junior High School from 1947 until 1953.

In 1953 he accepted the principal ship at the St. Clair County Training School, Pell City, Alabama where he served until 1969. In 1969, Kennedy was appointed Assistant Superintendent of Education in the St. Clair County School System. He had the distinction of being one of the first black educators in Alabama appointed to this position. His influences therefore touched the lives of thousands of people of all races. Kennedy was arbitrator of all Civil Actions brought before the St. Clair County Board of Education. His influence resulted in a smooth transition to an integrated system encumbered in turmoil. He later became the director of St. Clair County Head start and served there until his last retirement.

Kennedy will be remembered as a man who loved helping others. He devoted more than 47 years of his life to the educational field. A school now stands in his honor, Walter M. Kennedy Elementary School, located at 250 Otis Perry Drive, Pell City, Alabama.

We the class of 1966 Salute your memory and give recognition, honor, love, and gratitude to such a wonderful and inspiring individual who gave so much of himself as a human being. For he fought a great fight, with wisdom, teaching, listening, and inspiring young people to do their best.

By example he was the epitome of what children and teenagers needed for this day July 2, 2016. We applaud you and thank you for your leadership and support of African -American children that came through St. Clair County Training School under your leadership.

Walter M. Kennedy departed this life on January 29, 1995.

**St. Clair County Training School  
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July 2, 2016  
THEME: EVENING IN PARIS**



**Menu**

**Mixed Green Salad with Feta Cheese  
Cornish Hens  
Green Beans  
Garlic Mashed Potatoes  
Rolls  
Strawberry Shortcake  
Mixed Fruit Bowl  
Sweet Tea  
Unsweet Tea  
Water**

**St. Clair County Training School  
Pell City, Alabama  
Class of 1966  
50<sup>th</sup> Reunion  
Saturday, July 2, 2016  
Time: 6:00 p.m.**

**Committees:**

**Decorating Committee**

**Jimmy Lou Johnson Fomby  
Rosalean Looney Robinson  
Evelyn Shepard Chaney  
Jacquelyn Wills Williams  
Larry C. Turner  
Jesse J. Frazier  
Willis Oden**

**Food Committee:**

**Mary Geneva Martin  
Shirley Jean Posey  
Dorothy Datcher**

**Music Committee:**

**Larry Turner  
Mary Geneva Martin**

**Gift Committee:**

**Evelyn Shepard Chaney  
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**Programs**

**Mary Geneva Martin**

## St. Clair County Training School Class of 1966 50TH Class Reunion July 2, 2016

### Theme: Evening in Paris

### Do You Remember

Principal, Mr. Walter M. Kennedy's strap named Bessie. His plans for all students under his watch will be educated, respectful, and advance as far as our minds will take us. Mr. Kennedy even had his sister Juanita Kennedy come and speak to the school. She was an attorney who had won several cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. Mrs. Jeannette Cunningham the motherly teacher for us in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. She had the patients of Job, making sure we continue to have a solid foundation in education. She taught us how to paint pictures on the windows to celebrate each holiday. Third grade teacher Mrs. Cook from Vincent, AL who had a son she called King Kong, maybe that was his real name. She would tap us on our knuckles with her pencil when we didn't know our lesson or being disobedient. Our 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers Mrs. Edna Davis Morris and Mrs. Betty Allen McCurry continued to keep us on tract. All of the teachers worked diligence with Mr. Kennedy to insure our school was accredited. Moving on to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade we had Mrs. Morris again. Ms. McCurry 4<sup>th</sup> grade class had Mrs. Mary Kennedy for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade, (she was a dynamic seamstress making all of her clothes) Mr. Kennedy's wife. Mrs. JoAnne Ellington's saying: "I'm going to tear it up" "and "get up and get out of here" while hitting the side of her desk with that leather strap; when she would hear us talking during study period. Remember also in the sixth grade having to bring the ingredients to make homemade ice cream, then telling up how much she thought we could eat. Mrs. Ellington would say I think you can eat \$.50 worth, another she would say look like you can eat \$.75 worth. We would have to take our \$.06 drink money to pay our bill off. Yes, she had a book with our names and how much we owed. And yes, drinks were \$.06 then. You wouldn't dare come to school without a penny; if you did, there was a possibility of going without a drink that day. No one would have 5 pennies for a nickel. The drink machines then were not set up to give change back. Some of our classmates missed this treat because they were in Mrs. Baker's class the other 6<sup>th</sup> class. They would just buy what they had money for. Other classmates came from the Cropwell School System when we were in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. We also had classmates who joined us from Acmar and Ragland School Systems upon entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. We had wonderful substitute teachers except one. We were no longer bothered with him after Mr. Kennedy overheard him being rude to the 12<sup>th</sup> grade class when we were in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade. Guess what, when we entered the 12<sup>th</sup> grade there she was again, Mrs. Ellington as our homeroom class and literature teacher. She was a doll nonetheless. Let's not forget her daily assignment of our sale duties of potato chips and candies again. At least we didn't have to bring ingredients for ice cream again. Not only did we have to raise money to help our classmates who were running for queens but also for the senior gift to the school alone with paying the payment on the curtains for the stage and microphone system the classes before us had purchased for the school. We also had to leave a gift from our class. Mrs. Addie Maude Adair Robinson was the ninth grade homeroom and history teacher. Brenda Joyce Nobles Malone was the first Ms. St. Clair County Training School Queen ever crowned from the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Our senior year we had Jimmy Lou Johnson Fomby as Ms. Saint Clair County Training School and Mollie Cunningham O'Neal as the Homecoming Queen. Mrs. Nellie R. Seay was our English teacher from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. She was also our librarian. She made sure we knew the Dewey Decimal System for the library in order to find and return books to the right place. Mrs. Sadie Fitzpatrick Byers taking over our English class in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. She was determined we diagrammed the sentences and used the verbs correctly. Mrs. Marguerite Tinsley and Mr. Bernard Floyd 12<sup>th</sup> grade communism classes. They also taught our history classes. Let's not forget Mrs. Tinsley had us typing on those blind typewriters. The Easter sunrise pageants coordinated by Mrs. Tinsley with Larry Woods playing Jesus and Mollie Cunningham O'Neal playing The Virgin Mary. Mrs. Mary Harris

Cook not easing up on teaching math and French in May until we turned our books back in. And then there was Mr. James Lanier Dilworth our 7<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom and general science teacher. In fact he was the science department teacher. Somehow we made it through his biology class in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. The day we had to dissect the earthworms and the smell of formaldehyde. The field trip he took us on that was through the woods and onto farm lands of cotton fields. Willie Kate Garrett Young do you remember arriving at school the morning of the science fair and one each of your white mice and my (Geneva Martin) white rat had died? So we put the remaining two rats together and made one project. One of the judges kept asking did they really start out the same size. Yours were the effect of nicotine on mice (white mice, which we put water on his hair to make him look weak) and my project was healthy eating and I had a white rat. Mr. Dilworth just stood by smiling because he knew the truth. Then the young man who arrived on the scene, Mr. Floyd Singleton with his boyish looks (he was only 20) who enjoyed teaching chemistry and hated wearing a tie to school everyday. That was one of Mr. Kennedy dress code. All male teachers had to wear a tie to school everyday. Speaking of ties, we had the best dress teachers. The southern drawl of Mrs. Margaret Gadd's our other chemistry teacher. Mr. Norris Robinson had to take over the physics class so Mr. Singleton and Mrs. Gadd could teach chemistry. We had two teachers who loved teaching chemistry. Mrs. Gadd also became our new girls' P. E. teacher.

Her interest in teaching us about dating not knowing some of the boys were outside the windows listening; Who could that have been? lol Mr. Norris Robinson came the same year. He was a science teacher as well. Mrs. Annie Bryant Curry home economic class included some of our classmates: Willie Lois Davis Crim, Orvelina McCoy Jordan, Annette Ledford, Rosa Mae Looney, and Rosa Mae Green Beavers. The rooms and halls were filled with wonderful fragrant on the days they were not sewing. No one could stand us against these students in the oratory contest, Sherry Evans Scaife and Evelyn Shepard Chaney. These students were on point. The hours of practice our classmates put in with the school choir conducted by Mrs. Sadie Fitzpatrick Byers. The song birds of our class were: Vivian Yarbrough Allen, Gloria Jean Turner Jordan, Rosa Mae Looney, Roselean Looney Robinson, Veronica Thomas Hill, Rev. Dr. Theodus Jordan, Jane Ethel Murphy, MacArthur Jordan, Larry Woods, and Milford Callahan. Mr. George Washington taking the time in our study period each Friday afternoon encouraging us either to read a story, poem, sing a song, etc. in front of the class. We didn't realize this at the time he was preparing us for public speaking. He also taught us algebra in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. The coaches for the football team Mr. George Lewis Lewis, Mr. George Moore, Mr. Bernard Floyd and Mr. Norris Robinson. Mrs. Adele Robinson was the girls' basketball coach and cheerleader sponsor and our guidance counselor. All the football games and dances after the home games, except the Leeds games. We could never have a dance after the Leeds games, always a fight. It didn't matter if they won or lost.

Speaking of dancing, remember the Friday afternoon dances we had in the Vocational Agriculture Department. Later on a recreation building was built across the street from the school. Mr. Horace Moore, Mr. Charles Daniel, Mr. Washington and later Mr. Thomas Stewart and Mr. Larry C. Turner (our classmate Larry C. Turner was the last band director at St. Clair County Training School) teaching music and leading the band marching downtown for the homecoming parades each year. Oh, the times we spent decorating the floats and the cars for the parades. Mr. Rufus Gilford teaching shop and having the guys especially our classmates Willie Charles Carter, Charles Bernard Peavey, Robert Hicks, Madison Lyons, Prentice McGraw, James Michael McGraw, Bobby Ray (Pap) Gover, Billy McAfee, Tommy Allen, Bennie Ray Brand, Kenneth J. Fomby, Jesse James Frazier, Ronald Jackson, and Gary Massey to build the floats. Who could forget all the practicing and outfits for May Day, especially the gym outfits we had to wear not only for P.E. (physical education) but for May Day to do the exercises. They had to be starched and ironed for May Day. There was the plaiting of the May Pole, dancing the minuet, and the square dancing. Walking to the National Guard Army for basketball games until all of Mr. Kennedy effort paid off in having an auditorium built. We know longer had to have assembly in the hall. The girls in the class who played basketball: Jimmy Lou Johnson Fomby, Gloria Jean Turner Jordan and Willie Kate Garrett



Young. Drum roll for our majorettes Jimmy Lou Johnson Fomby, Jonie Robinson, and Lillian Tartt Treadwell along with the cheerleaders Mary Geneva Martin, Evelyn Shepard Chaney, and Jimmy Lou Johnson Fomby. Leading the horn section were class members Larry Turner and Ronald Jackson. Running down the football field were classmates Prentice McGraw, Charles Bernard Peavey, Willis Oden, Robert Hicks, and Edward Young, II. Our hardwood court basketball team members: Bobby Ray (Pap) Gover, Charles Bernard Peavey, Willie Charles Carter, Edward Young, II, and Prentice McGraw. Our classmates, Willie Charles Carter, Larry Woods, and Robert Hicks were bus drivers that make sure our classmates arrived to school on time. The variety show stars included Brenda Joyce Nobles Malone, Nancy Sawyer; Jacqueline Wills Williams, Mary Geneva Martin, Mary Elizabeth Nobles Wilson, Rosa Mae Green Beavers, Edward Young, II, Larry Woods, Rev. Dr. Theodus Jordan, Milford Callahan, Mac Arthur Jordan, and Artie Joe Byers. Our class field trips to the Zoo, Vulcan and some to the science fair at Parker High School. Parker was known for having rough students. Upon our arrival the students started throwing banana peels at us and Mrs. Gadd said don't say anything just keep on walking which we did. The school picnics to Lot 4 riding on the back of a truck lined with hay for us to sit on. What a beautiful place with the trees, swimming pool, and the river. Was I the only one who thought we had gone a great distance from the school? Remember the swimming pool below the recreation building. Mrs. Robinson was so angry because some of us would not get in the pool. The guys had told us some scary stories about the pool. Then our senior picnic on someone's farm, with Mrs. Ellington making sure she kept us in sight at all time. On Class Day we were just darling in our pink dresses. The boys were dressed in their black suits looking like they were G-Q models. Ronnie Byers a former graduate of St. Clair County Training School spoke to us on that day informing us about the coming computer era. He said the computers would be replacing jobs. His example was: If there are 10 people working at a company. The company switched from manual labor to computers. Now which would you want to be the 9 people leaving or the 1 person staying. Willie Kate paid attention to his words of wisdom. Our senior Baccalaureate Service on a Sunday afternoon on the lawn in May. Food, food, food! The lunchroom workers could really cook. I can still see the vegetable soup and cornbread. They would serve ginger bread topped with lemon sauce as a dessert with this meal. Fridays we had fish. We were always glad to have visitors. The lunches were even better. Apple pies or lemon pies were always served as dessert and sometimes we had chocolate milk. Even the milk was sooo delicious then. Brenda, Elizabeth Nobles, and I (Geneva) worked in the cafeteria on a class rotation basic helping cook until school was out doing the month of May. One of the workers was sick. Mrs. Tinsley and the prom committee did an excellent job in preparing for our Prom night. We were all stunning. The theme was Evening in Paris; hence, our theme for tonight's 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion. We had the hottest band Clarence and Calvin. I know Mary Ruth Forman Coleman took a sigh of release when she finished pressing and curly our hair. Then the 12 years we had been waiting for had finally arrived, graduation night. We walked across the stage with pride and our heads high. Our graduation dance followed the service. We had a stern warning from Mr. Kennedy. He said remember there were no actual diplomas in our books and if we messed up that night we would not get one. Oh yes, we had to attend the last day of school, that's how Mr. Kennedy rolled.

For some of us that would be the last time we would see each other for years.

The class Valedictorian Sherry Evans- Scaife and Salutatorian Willie Kate Garrett Young.

Those were the days!!!!

## The Year of 1966

President: Lyndon B. Johnson  
Vice-President: Hubert H. Humphrey  
Population: 196,560,338  
Life expectancy: 70.2  
Dow-Jones  
High: 950  
Low: 744  
Federal spending: \$134.53 billion  
Federal debt: \$328.5 billion  
Inflation: 2.7%  
Unemployment: 4.5%

### TV Shows

Ed Sullivan Show  
Bat Man  
Beverly Hillbillies  
American Band Stand  
Lawrence Welk's Show

### Memorable Songs and Bands

Clarence and Calvin  
Hershey Taylor and The All Stars  
It's a Man World  
Jackson 5

### A Sign of the Times

Average Income \$4938.36 - New House \$23,300.00  
New Car \$3,500.00 Gallon of Gas \$0.32  
Minimum Wages \$1.25 First Class Stamp \$0.05  
Dozen eggs- \$.60 Gallon of milk - \$.99

50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion  
July 2, 2016

Portion of the Last Will and Testimony of St. Clair County Training School Class of 1966  
Submitted By: Jimmy Lou Johnson Fomby

- I, Sylvia Thornton, leave to Carol Pollenitz my ability to lead songs in the Alto section.
- I, Tommy Allen, leave my football ability to Johnny Frank Cannon.
- I, Mac A. Jordon, leave my singing ability and pleasant disposition to Rohdell Byers.
- I, Jesse Frazier, leave to my sister a deep regret that I want be back next year.
- I, Charles Peavy, leave my inherent ability to Bennie Carter.
- I, Doris McAfee, leave my reciting ability to Bertie M. Montgomery to use at her discretion.
- I, Vivian Yarborough, leave my long curls to any nice young lady who can use them.
- I, Wilbert Catlin, leave all my art implements to next year's Art Class.
- I, Gloria Turner, leave my beautiful hair styles to Yvonne Thomas.
- I, Madison Lyons, leave my job and masculinity to Judson Lyons.
- I, Robert Hicks, leave my knowledge and will power to Charles Osley.
- I, Veronica Thomas, leave my spiritual assessments to 50% of the students.
- I, Orvelina McCoy, leave my neatness and politeness to Earnestine O'Neal.
- I, Jane Murphy, leave all my chewing gum wrappers to Clara Huggins. They will start a good fire in the furnace next winter.
- I, Rosa L. Looney, leave my quiet voice to Sandra Wynn.
- I, Larry Turner, leave my faithful Chevrolet to John Sturkey. You can't ruin a good ford.
- We, Jonie and Nancy leave our walking finesse to any young miss who might need it.
- I, Prentice McGraw, guarantee the boy's basketball teams that they want have to buy uniforms next year; they can have the ones the girls left.
- I, Bobby Gover, leave my black hat to anyone, man enough to wear it.
- I, Willie Kate Garrett, leave my ability to make A's in Plane Geometry to Alfaira Wells.

I, Brenda Nobles, leave my charm and poise to the Junior Class.

I, Jimmy Lou Johnson, leave my walk to Francis Thomas. She may need it.

I, Rosa Mae Looney, leave shortness to Jacquelyn Hartley.

I, Evelyn Shepard, leave my personality and praying ability to Charlene Greene.

I, Lillian Tartt, leave my majorette suit and ability to step high to Janice Frazier.

I, Mollie Cunningham, leave my driving ability and beautiful figure to Mildred Wynn.

I, Annette Ledford, will Janice Nobles a book entitled "How to Control Your Temper."

I, Charlotte Shepard, leave my quietness to Vivian Lindsey.

I, Claudia Hallman, leave my high I.Q. to Vicky Freeman.

I, Rosa Mae Green, will my pleasing personality to Brenda Threatt.

I, Edward Young, will leave my singing and dancing, ability to Joseph Hill.

I, Mattie Sue Vaughn, leave my job and Chemistry book to Glen Dean Garrett.

I, Milford Callahan, leave my bass singing to Harold Bowman.

I, Kenneth Fomby, leave my heart and hearing ability to Otis Looney.

I, Jerry Waites, will my thin hair and pleasant way with the opposite sex to John Sturkey.

I, Benny Brand, leave my ability to skip class, whenever he fell like it to Perry Forman.

I, Gary Massey, leave my ability to think, dance, and to act to----.

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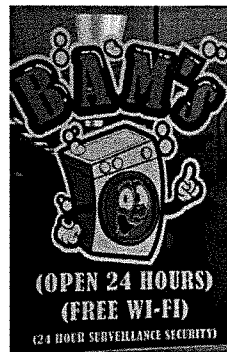
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## **DIMENSIONS OF A COMPLETE LIFE**

So I say to you, seek God and discover him and make him a power in your life. Without him all of our efforts turn to ashes and our sunrises into darkest nights. Without him, life is a meaningless drama with decisive scenes missing. But with him we are able to rise from the fatigue of despair to the buoyancy of hope. With him we are able to rise from the midnight of desperation to the daybreak of joy. St. Augustine was right- we were made for God and we will be restless until we find rest in him.

Love yourself, if that means rational, healthy, and moral self-interest. you are commanded to do that. That is the length of life. Love your neighbor as you love yourself. You are commanded to do that. That is the breadth of life. But never forget that there is a first and even greater commandment, Love The Lord thy God with all thy heart and all thy soul and all thy mind." This is the height of life. And when you do this you live the complete life.

Thank God for John who, centuries ago, caught a vision of the new Jerusalem God grant that those of us who still walk the road of life will catch this vision and decide to move forward to that city of complete life in which the length and breadth and the height are equal.

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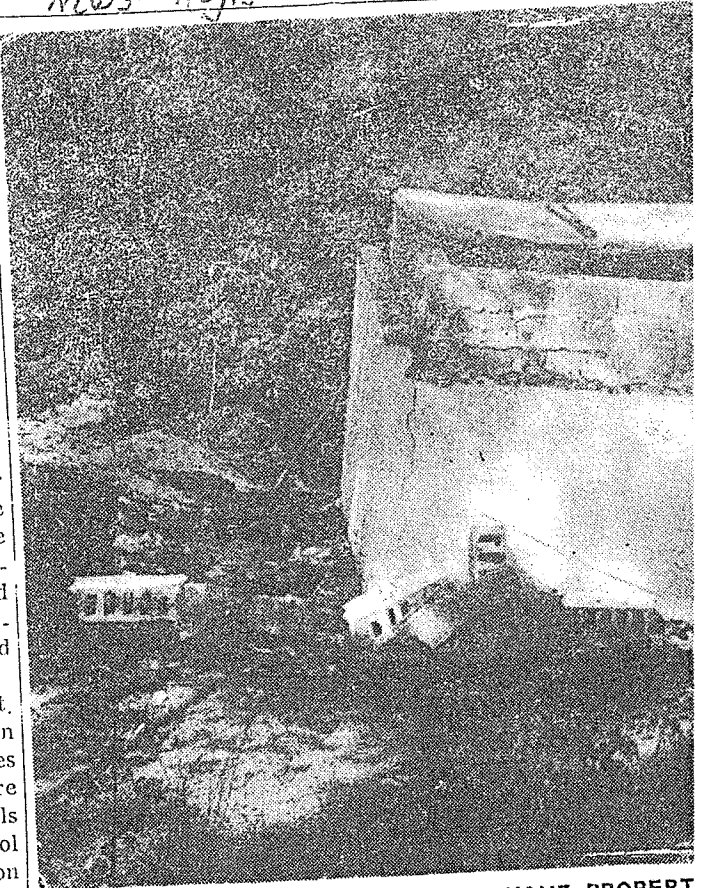
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One of the highlights of the program will be the history of the school by Prof. W. J. Hill. Music will be by the school band and the school choral club. Prof Leon Kennedy, principal of Wenoah High School, Birmingham, will be the dedication speaker. He will be introduced by Mrs. R. G. Oliver, Supervisor of Negro Schools in St. Clair.

Barto Lipscomb, a 9th grade pupil, will accept the new school for the pupils and faculty.

Walter M. Kennedy, principal, heads of faculty of 15 members at the school. Every faculty member with the exception of two hold degrees, and they expect to obtain their degrees in a short time. Prof. Kennedy expects to receive his Masters Degree in a short time.

### Civitan Club Hold Monthly Meeting



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MRS. OTTO WALKER

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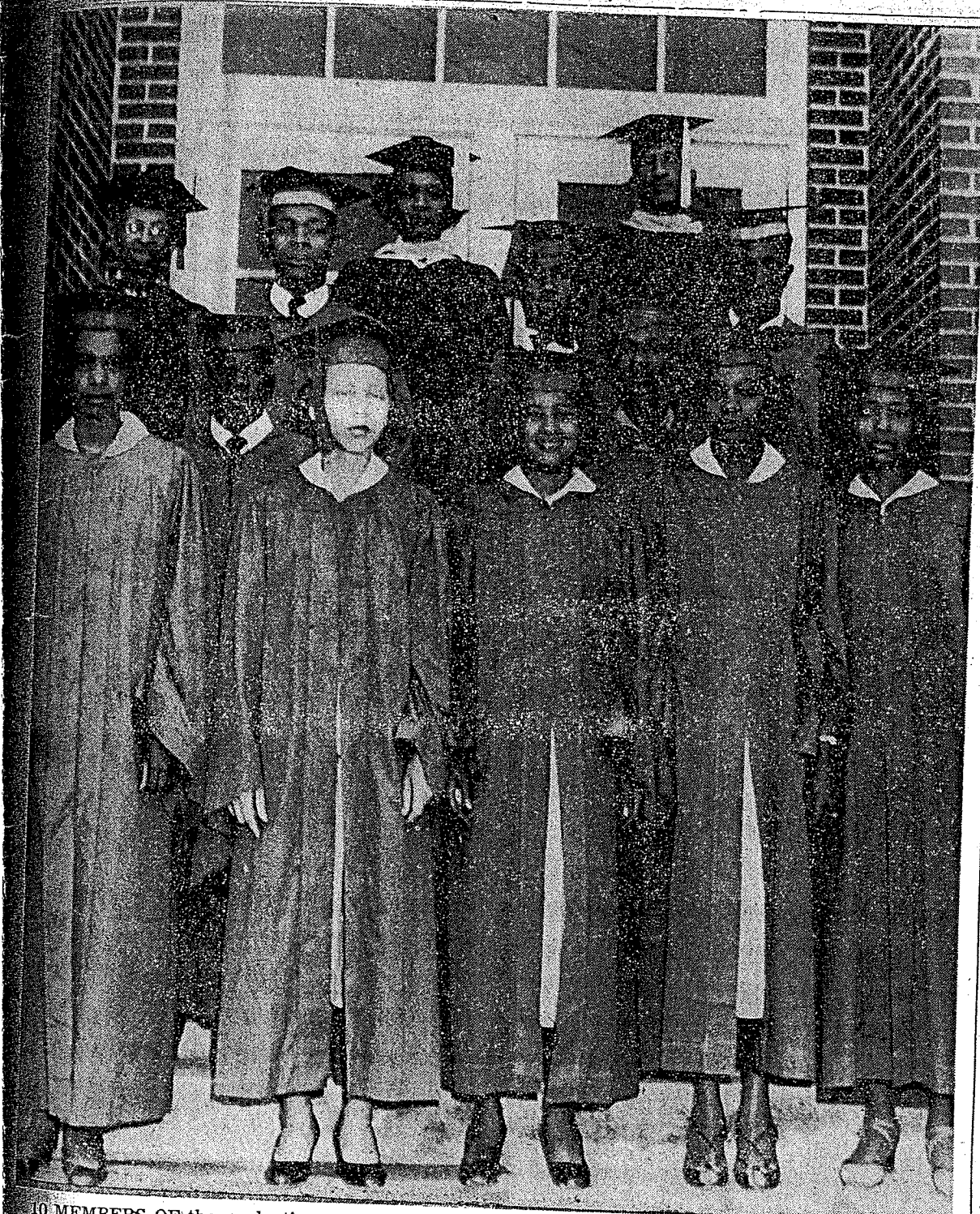
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10 MEMBERS OF the graduating class of St. Clair County Training School at Pell City, received their diplomas at graduation exercises held at the school Monday night. Prof. W. J. Hill, principal, presented the diplomas. A playlet, "From this Time Forward", was presented graduation night, with

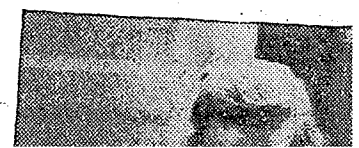
members of the Junior and Senior classes and members of the faculty taking part. The Baccalaureate services were held last Sunday. The graduates, front row above are from left to right, Ella Mae Green, Mary Jordan, Gwendolyn Burts, Dorothena Singleton, Betty Robinson. Second row: Wilbert

Mosley, Samuel Hill. Third row: Milton Turner, Jimmy Beavers, J. D. Willingham. Back row: Prof. W. J. Hill, principal, a graduate of Talladega College, Mrs. Bertha Grover Larking, faculty adviser, and Prof. Sterling Morris, faculty adviser.

**Ragland Students Rate High In Scholastic Zeal**

**Norma Mattison Honored On 13th Birthday**

**Mrs. M. D. McRoberts Hostess To Ashville Garden Club**



*The St. Clair County Training School  
requests the honor of your presence  
at the Formal Dedication of the  
New Addition and Swimming Pool  
Sunday, March 7, 1965  
4:00 P. M.*

*Mrs. Mamie L. Foster, Speaker  
Elementary Supervisor  
Jefferson County Schools  
Birmingham, Alabama*

*Choir Festival 3:00-4:00 P. M.  
Dedication 4:00-5:30 P. M.  
Guided Tour 5:30-6:30 P. M.  
Coffee Hour*

**ED DESTRUCTION**—Seven units of a "Matador" bomber appear in this form just before packaging. The deadly aircraft are constructed in seven units, which changeable with any other packaged bomber shipped Glenn L. Martin Bomber plant in Baltimore, Md. Final s made by Armed Forces units, much as you'd assemble parts from several model kits.

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**Corbett's Comments**

**BOB CORNETT**  
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**Colored Schools Meet At Stadium Monday Night**

The St. Clair County Training School's Bulldogs and the Tigers of Talladega County Training School will meet at Alumni Stadium Monday night, October 17, in the first Negro football game ever staged in Pell City.

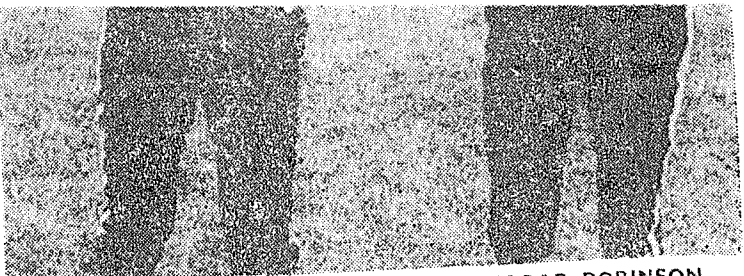
Arrangements have been made to segregate the stands so that white and colored will have equal seating space for the event. White fans will occupy the east end of the stadium and will be asked to enter through the big gate on that end of the field, the one through which cars are admitted to the field.

This is the first year the Pell City Colored school has fielded a football team, and Coach Sterling Morris and his Bulldogs will be looking for their first win, having played only one game previously this year, which they lost to Hatcher High, of Centre, Ala.

The Bulldogs will play three games at Alumni Stadium this year. Besides the Talladega fracas there will be a return game with Hatcher High on October 24, and then a big homecoming event with Moton High of Leeds, on November 21.

Lineups for Monday night's game which is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. will be as follows:

<b>BULLDOGS</b>		<b>TIGERS</b>
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Sanders	LT	Collins
Ledford	LG	W. Brown
A. Beavers	C	Tuck
McAfee	RG	Groce
Young	RT	Thornton
B. Beavers	RE	Turner
Ragland	QB	Chetman
Coleman	RH	Ware
Rutledge	LH	Weed
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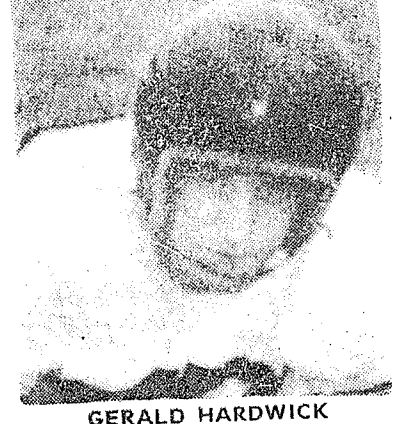


**BOB BANKS**

**BUGGAR ROBINSON**



**DON HYDE**



**GERALD HARDWICK**

**LOOKING TO TARRANT** . . . Above are some Panthers who'll see action at Tarrant tomorrow night. In the top picture are pair of Ashville transfers playing their first season with the Panthers. Charles "Buggar" Robinson is a fast-improving quarterback, and

Bob Banks has shown up well at halfback. Don, Hyde, lower left, will start at guard for the Panthers tomorrow, replacing injured Ronald Sumner.

At lower right is Gerald Hardwick, who has played some fine defensive tackle, and will see plenty of combat against Tarrant.

**Tide-Vols Will Clash At Legion Field Saturday**

**UNIVERSITY, Ala.** — Alabama and Tennessee will clash for the 38th time since the series started in 1901 Saturday at 2 p.m. in Birmingham's Legion Field. In the over-all series it is 18 wins for Alabama, 14 for Tennessee and five ties.

Alabama will enter the game seeking its first win since the two teams met a year ago and the Crimson Tide ran over the Volunteers 27-0. Since that time Bama tied Tulane and Georgia 0-0 and have lost games to Mississippi State, Georgia Tech, Miami, Au-

burn, Rice, Vanderbilt and Texas Christian University. The Crimson Tide enters the game Saturday with a 0-3 record having lost to Rice, Vandy and T. C. U. this year.

Since the two teams met last year Tennessee has won only two games and that was over Dayton, 14-7, the week after the Bama loss and 13-0 over Chattanooga last week.

Although Saturday's game will not decide a major bowl winner as the series has so many times in the past it is still expected to be colorful and hard fought as all Tennessee-Alabama affairs. The records of both teams is not keeping fans away as every football fan in the state knows that anything can happen when these two teams get together.

Mrs. Virginia Snyder, Alabama ticket office manager, announced that over 30,000 tickets have already been sold. The advance sale has been so good that all seats on the sides have been sold. Tickets are now on sale for the horseshoe in Legion Field at E. E. Forbes in

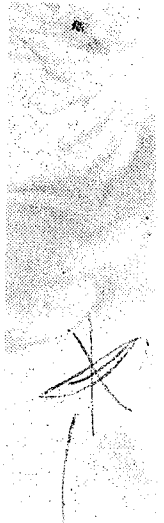
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A group of talented young dancers from Parker High School, Birmingham, Alabama were at the County Training School, Friday night, September 16th. They presented creative, ballet and tap dances.

Mr. and Mrs. Davie Threatt and Mrs. Susie Threatt are visiting friends and relatives from Detroit, Michigan.

Iris Lewis is visiting friends in Detroit, Michigan.

Lavonia Frazier has returned home after visiting her uncles and aunts in Detroit.

Hillie Robinson, who has been employed by the Avondale Mills for over 39 years was awarded a beautiful service pen with a diamond in the center from officials of the Avondale Mills at a banquet in Sylacauga, Ala.

A football team has been organized at the Training School under the direction of Sterling Morris.

**PROPHECY COMES TRUE**

Athens, Greece — Antony Byzos, 26-year-old porter, was carrying a heavy oak coffin down the street. When asked whom it was for, he quipped, "For me." A few minutes later, he slipped, fell and was crushed to death by the weight of the coffin.

service of Scouting throughout Northeast Alabama.

A series of valuable awards and prizes is offered by President Comer. Every boy registered in the ten-county Council area is eligible to compete and it would be possible for every boy to win one or more of the prizes.

The chief reward will be an all-expense trip to the Pensacola Naval Air Station in October for all Boy Scouts, who recruit 25 new members. Explorers will receive an all-expense trip to the Elgin Air Force Base on Florida Cub Scouts will receive three choice football tickets for themselves, dads and mothers at a big-time game in October.

Adult volunteer leaders may qualify for the same prizes, if they help two Scouts or more to win the top prizes.

Other awards to attract the interest of all Scouts are as follows: Free week at Camp Zinn or Camp Seddon next summer; \$5.00 worth of official Scout equipment; A Boys' Life magazine subscription; A liberty bell neckerchief slide; A Scout recruiter badge. These prizes will be given to all Scouts who recruit from 1 to 24 new members.

Rules are simple, stating that Unit Leaders must approve and

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Two of the principal speakers at the meeting are shown at the right. They are J. C. Lowery, left, and R. G. Arnold, both of Auburn. Mr. Lowery is Extension Agronomist of the Extension Service, and Mr. Arnold is Organizational Director of the Southern Region, American Farm Bureau Federation. Between 400 and 500 attended the meeting. (More farm meeting pictures on an inside page.) (News Staff Photos.)

**BIG BELLS TO RING—**

**As More Than 7,000 Pupils Begin  
Nine Months Trek To Schools**

**Faculty Of 210 To Start New Sessions  
In County Educational System**

School bells will ring for more than 7,000 pupils in St. Clair County, Monday morning, September 3. Roy Gibson, County Superintendent of Education, estimates that a total of 7,300 will start the new school year in this county.

Of this number, an estimated 2,000 will be in the high school classes, the remainder in junior high and elementary schools. 5,800 of this number will be enrolled in white schools, 1,500 in 11 colored schools in the county. There are 17 white schools.

Administration of the county school system will be headed by Professor Gibson, with about the same staff of assistants that were with him during the 1950-51 session. C. C. Garrison, a graduate of Clemson College and a long time employee of Alabama Fuel and Iron Company, has been added to the administrative staff. Mr. Garrison will be the new attendance supervisor and takes over his new work this month.

Others of Mr. Gibson's staff include Miss Nellie Hitt, supervisor of instruction; Paul Turner, school transportation; Miss Electra Prickett, bookkeeper and custodian of school funds; and Mrs. Ruby Lee Braswell, secretary. C. B. Riddle heads the building maintenance crew. He has as his assistants B. H. George and Webb Borroughs. The staff for school bus maintenance and repair includes L. D. Crow, head mechanic, Travis Dubois, Leonard Dean, Virgil Newton and J. C. Arnold.

abeth Starnes, history and civics; Miss Beatrice Alexander, social studies; Miss Marie Tuck, English and speech; Mrs. Corrine T. Jackson, math; Mrs. Vernon Whittle, commercial subjects and music; Mrs. Dorothy Mays, art and civics; Mrs. J. W. Locke, home economics; J. W. Locke, vocational agriculture, Mrs. E. H. Childs, librarian, and Clarence Lee, English.

Two new courses will be offered at Pell City high school this year. Mrs. Dorothy Mays will teach art and Mrs. Whittle will teach journalism.

A pre-school three-day teacher conference and institute will be held at Cooks Springs August 29-31. The teachers institute is scheduled for the final day of the meeting. H. L. Blocker is president of the St. Clair County Teachers Association, and Miss Annie Lee Jones, Odenville, is secretary.

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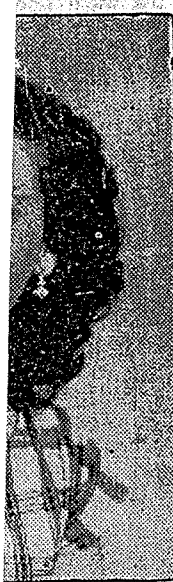
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During the past  
years, St. Clair County has made  
great progress in building up the  
school lunch room program and  
in transportation of students to  
and from school. Forward strides  
in these two important phases of  
education have not been confined  
to any one section of the county,  
but have been moving forward at  
a rapid pace in every district  
where a school is located.

Fourteen county schools will  
start the school year with fine  
lunch rooms. A 15th is expected  
to be added a short time after  
school opens. The schools where  
carefully supervised lunch rooms  
are being operated are Steele,  
Springville, Ashville, Odenville,  
White's Chapel, Cropwell, Moody,  
Eden, Easonville, Pell City, Avon-  
dale Mills, Ragland, Coal City, and  
Ashville colored. Plans are being  
made to start a new lunch room  
program in a short time at the  
Colored County Training School in  
Pell City. A building to house the  
lunch room at the training school  
is under construction.

Fifty-six all-steel body buses  
will haul approximately 4,500 pu-  
pils every day. The buses are all  
owned by the County Board of  
Education.

There will be a total of 210  
teachers in the county system this  
year. Principals are E. H. Childs,  
beginning his tenth year at the  
helm of Pell City high school; L. L.  
Porch, Ragland; W. E. G. Sutton,  
Springville; R. M. Satterfield, Ash-  
ville; Miss Nancy Wilson, Oden-  
ville; Miss Iola Roberts, Avondale;  
E. C. Boles, Eden; Leslie Blocker,  
Moody, C. H. Jones, Wattsville; O.  
D. Duran, Pell City Elementary,  
and Professor Gibbs, Easonville.  
E. T. Hill is principal at the Coun-  
ty Training School.

Additional members of Pell City  
high school's faculty are Miss Mary  
White, girls' physical education;  
W. H. Glover, coach and physical  
education; Lester Bryant, math and  
science; Miss Naomi Lee, English;  
John Slovensky, science; Mrs. Eliz-

of Education are E. A. Borders,  
Ragland, president; R. R. Woodall,  
Springville; Sam High, Ashville;  
Joe W. Kilgroe, and Sam Burt,  
Pell City.

## Alabama Teachers To Be Honored At State Fair

Dr. W. J. Terry, State Superin-  
tendent of Education, today urged  
all Alabamians to support the  
forthcoming Alabama Teachers'  
Day at the Alabama State Fair,  
Monday, October 1, 1951.

In a letter sent Miss Mary Ruth  
Holleman, chairman of the Ala-  
bama Teachers' Day Committee at  
Birmingham, the state education  
official termed the plan to honor  
the teaching profession of Ala-  
bama a "most commendable under-  
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"No one knows better than I",  
Dr. Terry said, "the sacrifices of  
our teachers and the loyalties and  
devotion to duty of all our school  
officials in providing the greatest  
opportunity that can be offered  
our youth—an education."

The State official asked in his  
letter that "the entire State offers  
its full support to making Alabama  
Teachers' Day outstanding."

The special celebration honoring  
Alabama teachers will be held on  
the Alabama State Fair's opening  
day.

Sixty-seven teachers from each  
of Alabama's counties who have  
given the longest number of years  
of service within their respective  
county and who are members of  
the Alabama Education Associa-  
tion will be honored guests on  
Alabama Teachers' Day. Nominees  
for the special honor will be se-  
lected by city and county school  
superintendents in the State.

The Birmingham Classroom  
Teachers Association will be the  
host organization to the guests and  
visitors on October 1.

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### Homecoming Services To Be Held March 23

There will be homecoming services at the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church in Shoal Creek Valley, Sunday March 23.

The services will last all day. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Springville News

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Windham and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Forman attended the anniversary party of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Windham in Birmingham Saturday night.

On our sick list this week are Mrs. S. M. Pearson, Miss Sarah Ann Pearson, Mrs. John Cosby, Gene Cosby, F. L. Rutland Jr., and Mrs. Louise Rutland, and Mrs. Myrtis Jones.

Mrs. Jack Cowan has been spending this week in Oneonta where her mother is ill in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bradford left Wednesday for Florida where they will spend several weeks.

Mrs. W. E. Dean spent last week in Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Simmons were dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Burttram last Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Bradley of Biloxi, Mississippi, and Mrs. L. B. Overton of Birmingham spent last Tuesday with Mrs. Marcus M. Pearson.

Mrs. T. E. Allgood, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ash, attend the funeral of George Inzy in Birmingham last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Peason spent last Tuesday in Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McK...

## What's Happening Among Negroes

Oscar Green, Reporter

The homecoming service at Shiloh Baptist Church, Wattsville, Rev. G. W. Washington, pastor, was well attended Sunday. Other churches represented were Rocky Zion and First Baptist, Pell City Refuge, Morning Star and Ebenezer, Ragland and Mt. Mariah, Irondale. A total of \$128.70 was raised. Rev. J. H. Wood preached at 11:00 o'clock and Rev. I. H. Henderson at 3:00 o'clock.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Mary Robertson Monday afternoon at the Rocky Zion Baptist Church. Her body was shipped here from Welch, W. Va., few days ago and lay in wake in the home of her brother, Mr. Earnest Robertson. Burial took place in the

Roberson Chapel Cemetery.

Mrs. Essie Threatt, aunt of Mr. Lee Drew Goover, was suddenly stricken with an attack of illness Monday afternoon. Her doctor considers her condition as serious and said she is suffering from high blood and bad nerves.

Prof. W. J. Hill, principal of the County Training School is at home sick. He complained of being ill several days ago but stayed on the job until Friday.

Mr. Amos Davis is in the hospital to undergo an operation. We are wishing for him an early recovery.

Sunday guests of Mrs. Gussie Burks were Mr. and Mrs. Will Bradford of Birmingham.

### Ragland Rt. 1 News

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Weiss visited Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Sweatt Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Flora Sweatt visited Rev. and Mrs. Almos Sweatt Thursday.

Mrs. Zanker Kitchens was week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cox.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Jim Edge is on the sick list this week. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Stewart visited Mrs. Willie Sweatt Friday afternoon.

Rev. J. M. Edge visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Edge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nix and children and Mrs. Mattie Campbell visited Mr. and Mrs. Otis Rice Sunday.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sweatt Sun-

### Collapsible Rubber Drum Made for Shipping Liquids

NEW YORK—A new collapsible rubber-fabric drum suitable for shipping liquids has been developed by the U. S. Rubber Co. The new drum is expected to effect considerable savings in return shipping costs, since more than 2500 collapsed drums can be shipped in a standard railroad box car that would hold only 300 ordinary rigid containers.

Limited quantities, already are being produced for essential uses in the petroleum and liquid chemical fields.

The drum is made of a strong, low stretch cotton cord fabric, impregnated with synthetic rubber and molded in one piece. The result is a tough, flexible drum about the size of a regular barrel or drum. It is equipped with simple yet effective fittings for filling, emptying, lifting, and handling.

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# Pell City—The Center Of Progress

**K**EEPING abreast of the times has certainly been the constant goal of Mayor Joe Kilgroe and the members of the Pell City council since they began their duties in October, 1952.

More than 30 various projects have been undertaken since the Kilgroe administration entered town hall and all have been improvements that have been needed in this growing community, the leading trade center of St. Clair County.

But Mayor Kilgroe and the council believe that more can be done for citizens and have the future of their municipality at heart as they plan projects to make their home-town a better place to live, work and play.

## Planning For Future

Among these plans are an overall planning program that will consist of such developments as zoning, street maps, park areas and an overall general plan for continuous growth of the community for years to come. They are planning to undertake a contract with the State Planning Board in this endeavor.

Mayor Kilgroe and the council are also planning the opening of more streets, the paving of alleys in the business section, increasing water storage capacity, re-codifying the ordinances of the town and seeking of new industries.

The opening of new streets, Mayor Kilgroe said, will enable new areas to be developed for more construction of residences.

One alley has already been paved in the business section on an experimental basis and has worked out in such a way that perhaps all alleys in this area will be paved.

## Increase Water Storage

Although Pell City has an abundant water supply which serves 410 customers, water storage is an important factor and one of the plans of the council will be to increase the storage capacity.

As Pell City looks to the industrial future, Mayor Kilgroe and the council have pledged their support to President Roy Coshatt and members of the Chamber of Commerce with the No. 1 goal — new industry. The Chamber has already obtained a 30-acre site for future location of an industry and the town officials have given assurance that water and natural gas will be available to the property when needed.

## Councilmen Are Civic Leaders

Council members J. H. Stokes, a druggist; J. B. Embry and J. L. Garrett, in

the oil business; E. L. Love Jr., an automobile dealer and Edmund Blair, the publisher of the *St. Clair News-Aegis*, the weekly newspaper, along with Mayor Kilgroe have worked diligently on various projects since they entered office.

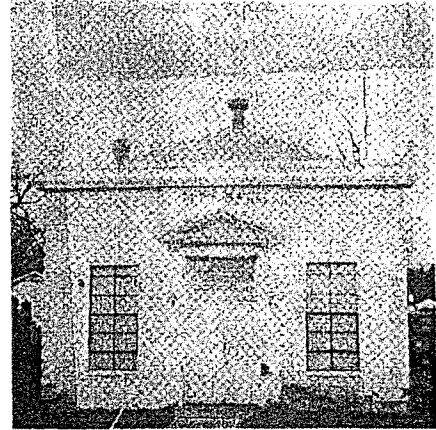
These include marking of streets with modern metal signs, mapping of the entire area including the extension of the city limits, doubling the whiteway, acquiring a new police officer, extending the water and gas systems and a host of other activities.

Pell City has increased in population from 98 as recorded in the 1900 census to 530 ten years later. Nearly 2,000 persons were included in the 1950 census but today the population is constantly on an increase.

The home of Avondale Mills where Indigo denim is manufactured in a plant that employs some 700 workers, Pell City's industrial future dates back for many years as the history of the town shows.

## Incorporated In 1890

Historical records point out that Pell City was first incorporated under the general laws in 1890 by the Pell City Iron and Land Company but a panic of 1893 stopped the developing of the thriving community. The Pell City Manufacturing Company in 1901 acquired the town site and a charter under the general laws of the state was obtained in 1902. Original settlers of the locality were Green C. Evans, John Truett, Marion Hazlewood and Abner Lacy. Its original promoter was George H. Pell of



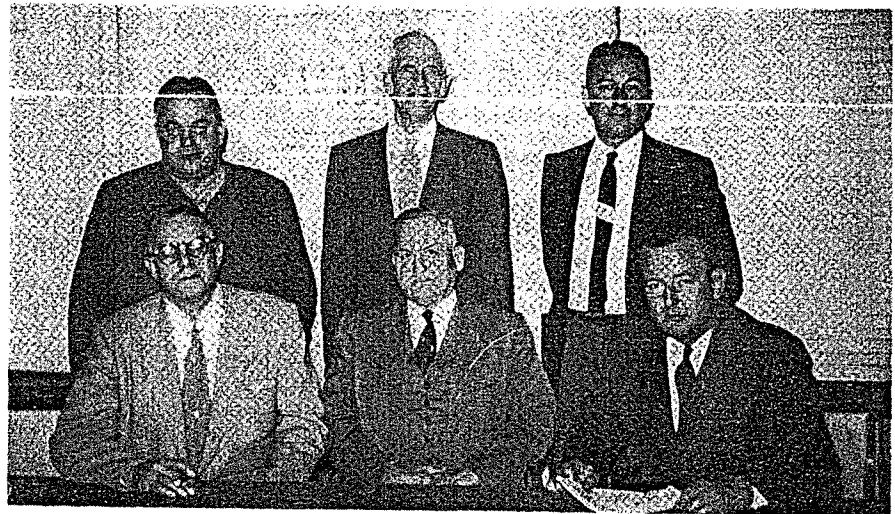
**PELL CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING**—This building serves as the town hall at Pell City. The interior of the building has been renovated and refurbished since Mayor Joe Kilgroe and the council have been in office.

New York City for whom the town was named in 1899.

Pell City at one time was served by three railroads but now the Southern Railroad provides rail service. U.S. Highways 78 and 231 cross at Pell City providing unexcelled transportation facilities.

Along with good transportation, the town offers modern schools and general educational progress is the aim of public officials. A new grammar school has been completed, a junior and senior high school is operating and construction is in progress on additional classroom facilities at the colored school.

Churches also play an important part on the Pell City scene and this capital



**THEY GOVERN PELL CITY**—Mayor Joe Kilgroe and members of the Pell City municipal governing body are pictured in the above photograph. On the front row (left to right) are Councilmen J. H. Stokes, J. B. Embry and Mayor Kilgroe. Standing are Councilmen Ed Blair, J. L. Garrett and E. L. Love Jr.

21. A survey of the city limits was made and permanent concrete and bronze markers were placed at each quarter section.

22. The council cooperated in securing house to house mail delivery service which is scheduled to become effective this month.

23. Cooperated with the county government in paving the road to the Negro school.

24. Final indebtedness on the natural gas system will be paid in June. The town has the money in the bank to have paid off the bonds which were not callable.

25. An alley in the business area was paved on an experimental basis.

26. A new Negro school is under construction.

27. Street lights in the colored section have been installed.

28. A recreation program has been established and Coach W. H. Glover has been obtained for fulltime work as athletic director.

29. The Police Department has been expanded and an additional officer was hired.

30. The City Hall was refurbished. New equipment was obtained, and the building renovated.

31. New equipment purchased included a street truck, Gas Department truck, police car and Addressograph and other facilities for the bookkeeping system.

32. Books have been audited each year and a new bookkeeping system was established under the supervision of H. A. Gumpf, Montgomery accountant.

33. The length of the whiteway has been doubled.

34. A new court house is under construction and while the building is underway, the town is providing office space for county departments rent-free.

## Martin Serves As Pell City Clerk

E. O. Martin, who has lived in Pell City most of his life, is serving as clerk of the municipality.

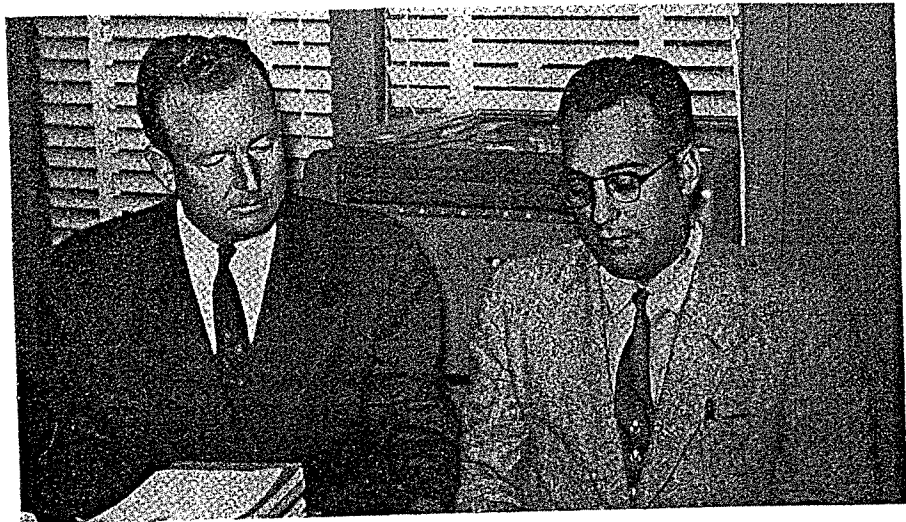
Martin became clerk in February, 1952, a few months prior to the ending of the administration of Mayor W. T. Starnes and has remained in the position continuously during the term of Mayor Joe Kilgroe.

The clerk, had been in the real estate business before coming to the town hall, was employed by the Alabama Fuel and Iron Company for 23 years.

He is married and has a daughter.



E. O. Martin



PELL CITY'S MAYOR AND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESIDENT—Mayor Joe Kilgroe (left), the first president of the Chamber of Commerce, is shown looking over a report on recent Chamber activities with the current head of the organization, Roy Coshatt, an optometrist.

## Pell City Chamber Of Commerce Goes All Out To Attract Industry

The bee-busy Chamber of Commerce of Pell City is all set to go after more industry according to Roy Coshatt, president of the organization.

Mr. Coshatt and members of the board of directors recently announced the purchase of a 30-acre area for location of an industry. It is in the eastern section of the city on the Southern Railway.

Mayor Joe Kilgroe, the first president of the Chamber and now head of the city government, has pledged the cooperation of the city in supplying water, natural gas and sewer services to the new area as soon as these utility services are needed by an industry.

In concentrating on attraction of industry, two important steps in this direction are also being planned by the Chamber — a labor survey and publishing of a brochure in which they will be assisted by the State Planning Board.

### Chamber Of Commerce Activities

Among other Chamber activities have been the sponsorship of Trade Days, cooperation in the securing of mail delivery service which begins this month, in-

stallation of Christmas decorations throughout the city, co-sponsoring of the State Gospel Singing Convention along with several other organizations, entertaining of visitors to the dedication program at the new National Guard Armory, working with the Alabama Power Company on the obtaining of several dams with two of these being planned for location in St. Clair County, and maintaining a spirit of cooperation of the Greater Pell City municipalities — Eden, Oak Ridge, and Pell City.

The Chamber on Oct. 23, 1954 sponsored a Denim Day honoring the officials and employes of Avondale Mills, Pell City's largest and most important industry.

President Coshatt assumed the duties of office in July, 1954, and other officers to serve with him are E. L. Love Jr., a member of the Pell City council, as vice president, and J. R. Moore, a hardware dealer, as secretary-treasurer.

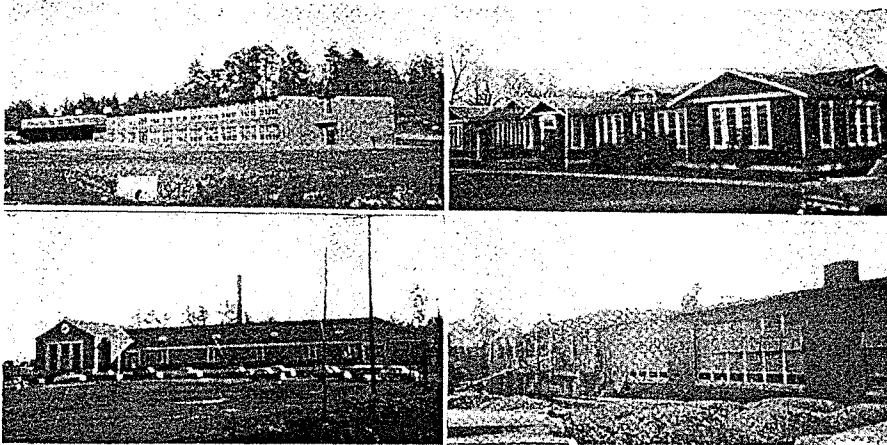
Approximately 20 new residential street lights will be installed in Vestavia Hills, officials said.

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**PELL CITY'S EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES**—The newest building in Pell City's educational setup is the South St. Clair Elementary School (top left). Top right is the junior high school. Bottom left is the Pell City High School and bottom right is the Negro school where additional classrooms are under construction.



**STREET AND SANITATION EMPLOYEES AT PELL CITY**—Employees of the Street and Sanitation Department of Pell City are shown in front of the trucks used in their work. Left to right are James Tyus, W. C. Carnnell, Linsey Haldbrook, Fred Mays, Alfonza Gover, Jessie Howard, Lowerance Gover, Jim McGraw and Joe W. Thomas.

## Edwin Holladay City Attorney At Pell City

A young Pell City native, who got his law degree from the University of Alabama in January, 1950, is serving as city attorney for Pell City. He is Edwin Holladay, a member of the firm of Starnes and Holladay.



Edwin Holladay

The young attorney is a past president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, president of the Young Democrats Club of St. Clair County, a member of the Baptist Church and a teacher of the Young Men's Sunday School class. He is married and has two children.

His law partner is W. T. Starnes, who served as mayor of Pell City prior to the beginning of the present administration.

## Pell City Has Oldest City-Owned Gas System

Natural gas has long been available for Pell City residents.

Mayor Joe Kilgroe said the natural gas system was constructed during the administration of Frank Embry, now circuit judge, and is said to be the first system in Alabama to be municipally owned.

The system was built during WPA days for \$25,000 and probably is valued today at more than \$150,000. There are 545 customers.

The mayor pointed out that 1,088 feet of natural gas mains have been extended.

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- How Great Thou Art.....Stuart K. Hine  
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- Scripture.....Rev. N. H. Thomas,  
 Pastor of First Baptist Church  
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- Invocation.....Rev. J. E. Townsend,  
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- Responsive Reading.....Rev. Craig Smiley,  
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Emily Moore, Vocalist

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Congregation: In gratitude for the labors of all who love and cherish this educational institution;  
In loving remembrance of those who have struggled so hard;  
To make this building the center of knowledge.

Minister: We dedicate this building.

All: We now, the people of this educational institution, compassed about with a great cloud of witnesses, grateful for our heritage, sensible for the sacrifice of our fathers in faith, confessing that apart from us their work cannot be made perfect to dedicate ourselves anew to this new addition.

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Accept, O God our father, this service at our hands,  
and bless it to the end that this congregation of  
faithful people make manifest, this institution of  
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*Honoring and Celebrating the History*  
*Of*  
*St. Clair County Training School*

*Pell City Municipal Complex*  
*Pell City, Alabama*

*July 5 - July 6, 2019*

# St. Clair County Training School

## ALMA MATER

St. Clair, dear school

We love thee; you mean so much to me.

We'll honor, trust and cherish

Your loving memory.

Blue and gold, our colors are true

We'll always adore thee

All the long years through

St. Clair, dear school

We Love Thee

Our Alma Mater dear

**Our School Colors**

**Royal Blue and Gold**

## Greetings

It is with profound gratitude that we have served as the committee during the 50<sup>th</sup> year closing of our school. The past few months have been some of the most enjoyable moments of our lives – our reminiscing at the meetings, laughing at all the silly things we did in high school, which at the time did not seem silly. Let us remember “feelings pass, thoughts pass and opinions change, but what you do lasts. It is well to think well, but it is divine to act well.”

At this point in our lives, we realize how much sand has passed through the hourglass and the importance of friendship. Be determined to continue to grow spiritually, realize your responsibility to live a life that influences others for good and when we make a mistake (and we all still do) take responsibility for your behavior and go forward. Last, realize that we all give many valuable gifts and we can begin by challenging to give others the benefit of the doubt.

The  
Committee

**St. Clair County Training School Reunion Committee**

President.....Mary Geneva Martin  
Vice President.....Raymond Allen, Jr.  
Secretary.....Elise Allen  
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**St. Clair County Training School**

**50<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration**

**Friday, July 5 – Saturday, July 6, 2019**

**Friday Night**

**Master of Ceremony.....Stanley Nobles**  
**Welcome.....Duran South School**  
**Devotion.....J.P. McGowan**  
**Slide Show.....Larry Turner**

**The Variety Show**

**Host Donald Gover**

**Crowning of the Queens**

**Ms. St. Clair County Training School**

**Ms. Homecoming**

**Ms. Prom**

**Remarks: District Elder Raymond Allen, Vice President**

**Benediction**

**St. Clair County Training School**

**50<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration**

**Friday, July 5 – Saturday, July 6, 2019**

**Saturday Night**

**Master of Ceremony.....District Elder Raymond Allen, Jr**

**Welcome.....Dr. Michael Barber**

**Devotion.....Baylous Oden**

**Dinner**

**Reflections.....J.P. McGowan**

**Presenting the Queens**

**Song.....Alma Mater**

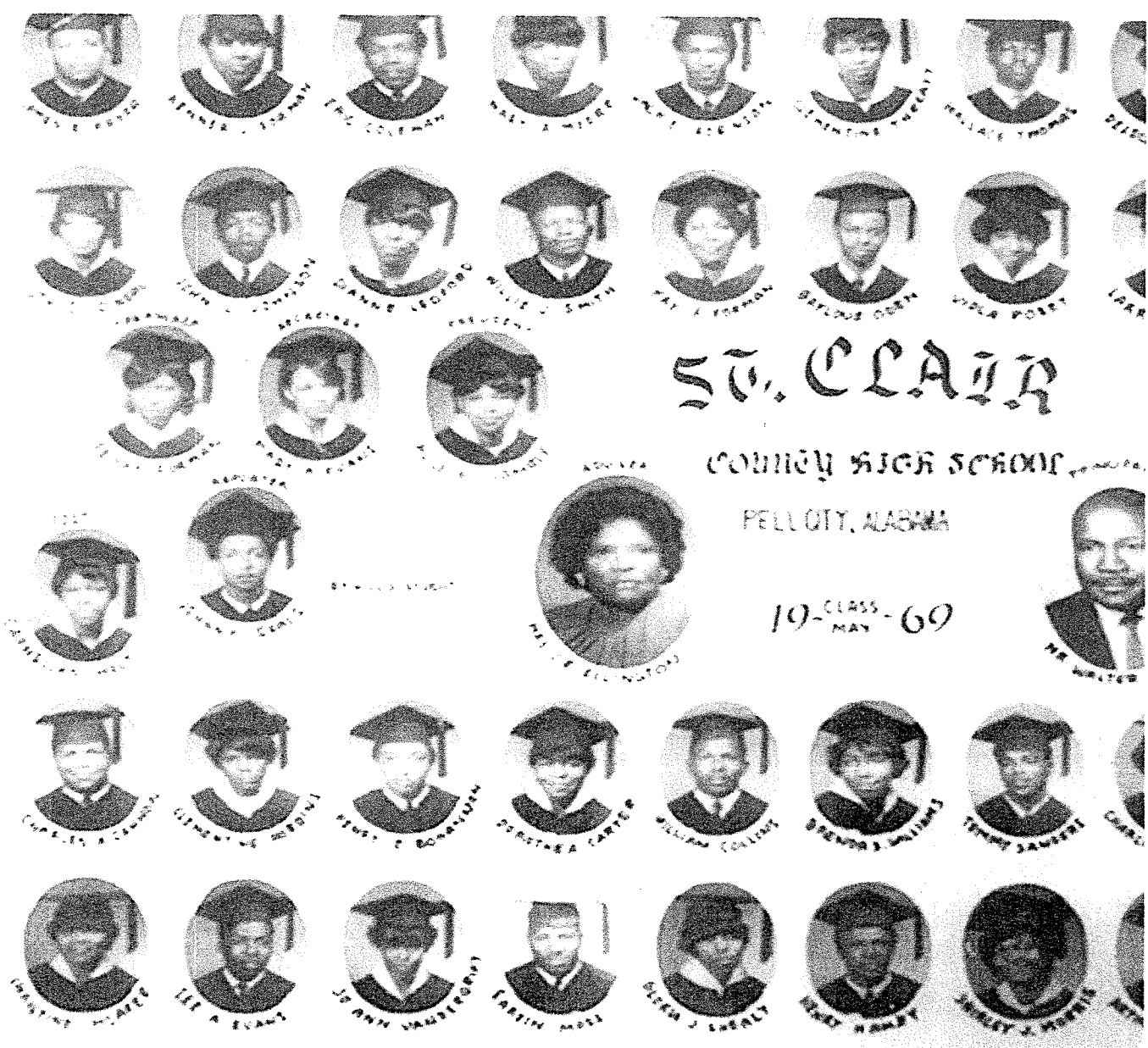
**The Prom**

**D.J. Terrence Morris**

**Remarks: Larry Turner.....,.....The Dreamer**

**Mary Geneva Martin.....Reunion President**

**Benediction.....District Elder Raymond Allen, Jr.**



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COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

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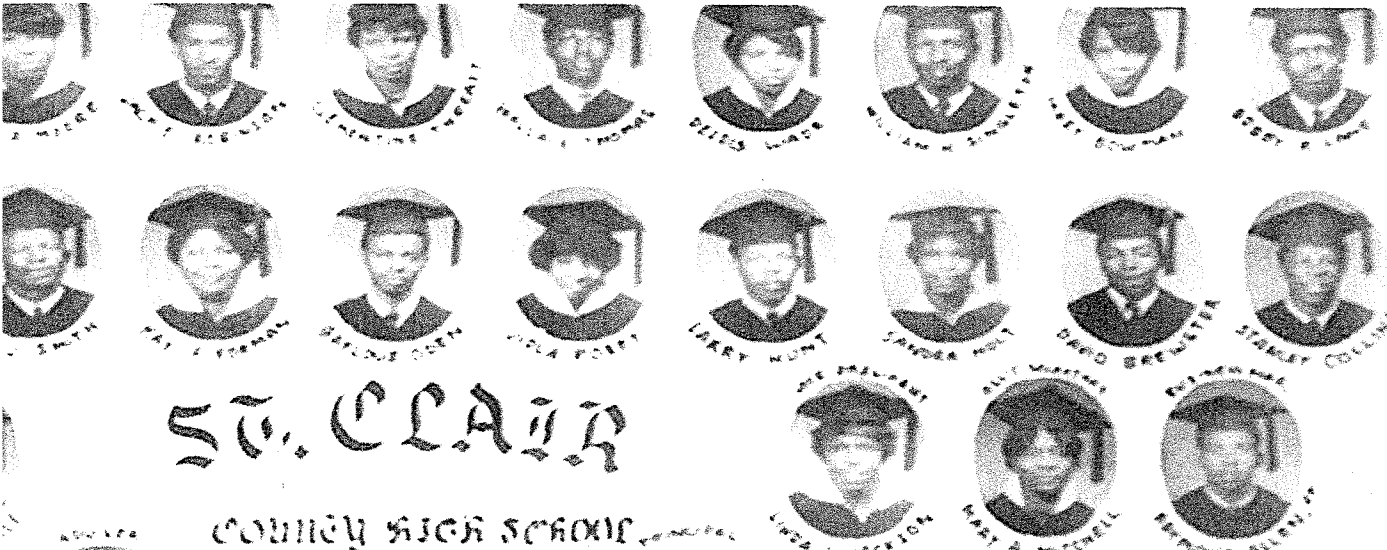


Class of 1969

We wish to express our appreciation to the Senior Class of the St. Clair County Training Schools for their assistance in the production of this yearbook. We also wish to thank our parents and Mr. Walter M. Kennedy for teaching us to be good. Upon a happy Anniversary to our father showing us what life had to hold.

Class of '69





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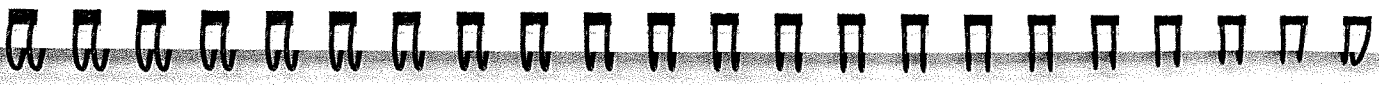
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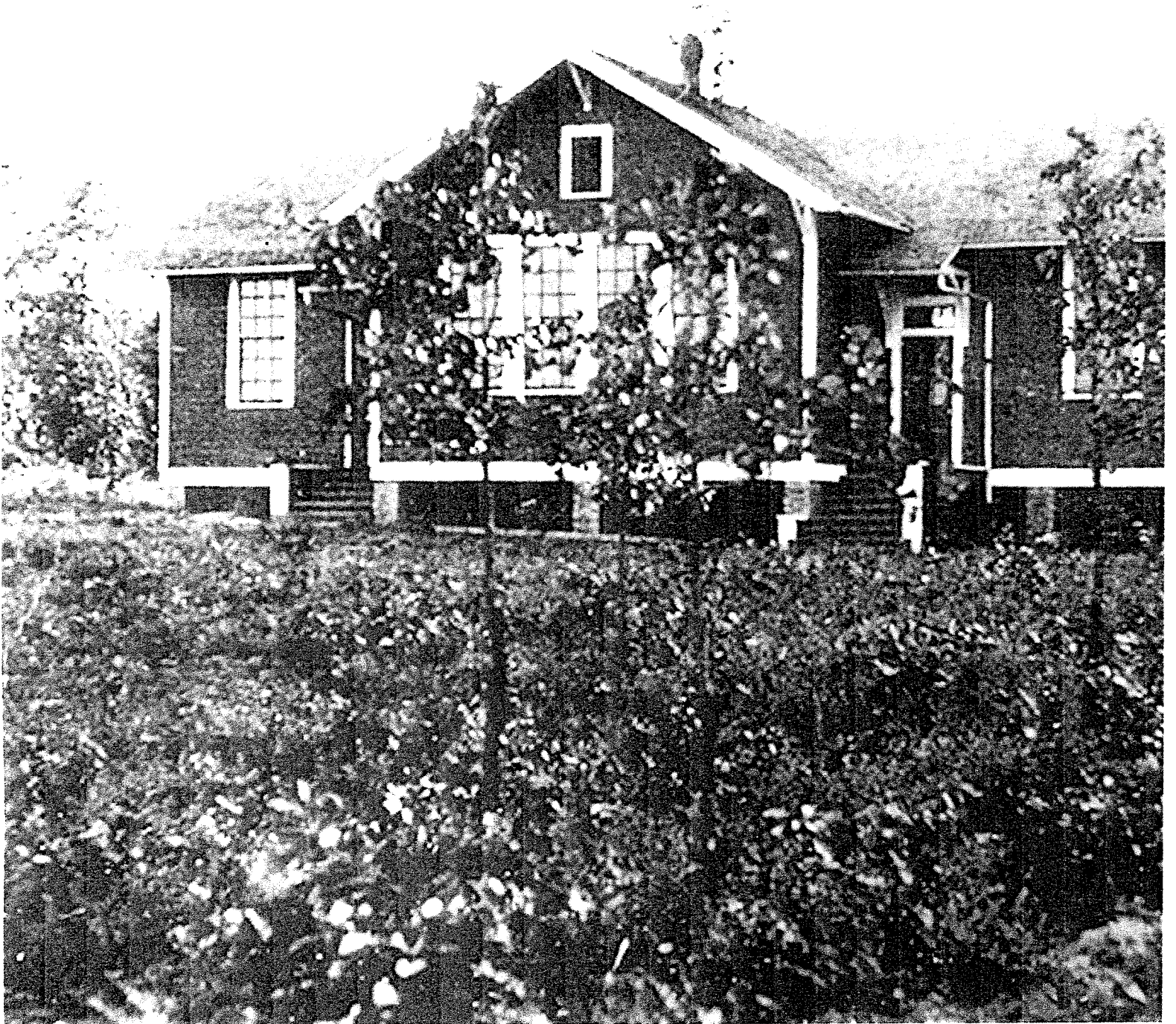


Class of 1989

The Senior Class of the St. Clair County Training School started out on a very good government with the staff, along with Mr. Walter M. Kennedy for teaching us those 12 years of what we were in School for showing us what life had to hold.

Class of '69





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1954 ----St. Clair County Training School – Faculty, Students



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CONGRATULATIONS  
ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRAINING SCHOOL  
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF  
MR. CHARLES E. FRAZIER



YOUR FAMILY,  
Peggie, Phaith, Ryan,  
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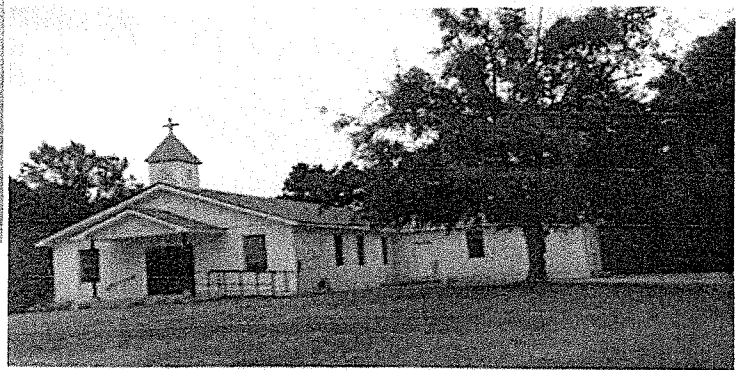
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Re'Chelle Turner joined the Fox 16 Station in Arkansas as a general assignment reporter in August 2018.

Re'Chelle transitioned from KSWO 7 News, the ABC affiliate in Lawton, Oklahoma where she was a multimedia Journalist. During her time in Southwest Oklahoma, she covered stories ranging from deadly dog attacks, crimes, the Oklahoma teacher walkout, wildfires, tornadoes and agriculture.

She also reported on a pastor's body burned near his church in Chickasha and a pig carcass dumped at the Islamic Center in Lawton.

Her most memorable moment was when she flew with the United States Air Force Thunderbirds.

Prior to working in front of the camera, Re'Chelle worked at WJTV, the CBS affiliate in Jackson, Mississippi's CW for WJTV.

She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Information Services from the University of Alabama. While in college, Re'Chelle completed internships at WVUA-TV, WBRC FOX 6, WIAT CBS 42, ABC 33/40 and she served as a correspondent for ESPN Campus Connection.

Re'Chelle is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists and values community service. In her spare time, she enjoys judging pageants, talent shows and emceeding events.

She loves trying new foods, hiking and Alabama football (ROLL TIDE ROLL).

Re'Chelle is a native of Pell City, Alabama and is excited to be living in The Natural State (Arkansas).

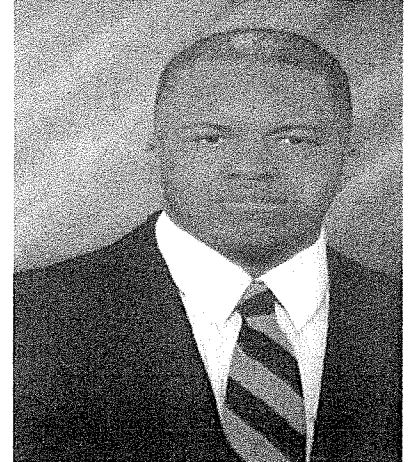
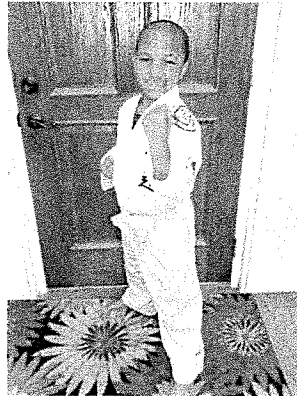
Re'Chelle tried very hard to take vacation time during The St. Clair County Training School Reunion in Pell City, Alabama to MC the Variety Show. However, her duties as a reporter for Fox 16 News Arkansas, too priority over vacation at this time.

We are very proud of Re'Chelle Turner and wish you the very best.

If you have any story ideas feel free to send her an email at [rturner@kark.com](mailto:rturner@kark.com)



Jimmy Lou Johnson Fomby  
And her Family, would like to say  
Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Closing Anniversary for St. Clair County Training School  
Bitter but Sweet Day.



Troy Johnson, Mattie Johnson, Elton, Jimmy Lou, Matthew & Anna Fomby, Felton Fomby,  
E.T. Johnson, Martha Pryor and John L. Johnson

**GO BULLDOGS!!!!!!!**



**Clementine Thomas Nobles Kids**

**Mike (D) - Liz - Lavonia - Stan - Carol - Carl (D)**

**Tonya - Sonya (D) - Charon - Stephen - Jeff**



**The Nobles**

**Stan - Catherine - Stan II - Anthony**





**Our First Date**



**Our 10<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**

**May 30, 2019**



April, 1964 - I asked Janice to be my girl

1. May, 1965 - I am still in love. We celebrated one year of dating.

2. September, 1969 - I asked Janice to marry me. We became engaged.

3. July 4, 1971 - Our wedding day. We were so happy.

4. December, 1971 - Our first Christmas together.

5. June, 1984 - We have our two sons, Randall and Norman.

6. December, 2001 - The boys are grown and gone. We are so HAPPY!

June, 2004 - Janice retired from Pell City School System as Counselor.

November 2004 - I retired from Alabama National Guard Technician Program as Supervisor of Special Forces Equipment Pool.

January 8, 2005 - Janice completed her part of our wedding vows.

7. This is the completed love story of Larry and Janice



## Our Love Story

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Felicia Edcarlonessa Martin Cochran*

*August 10, 1965 – June 11, 1992*



*Children ~ Brandi ~ LaTonya ~ Quadrius*

*Granddaughters ~ Tamia Edcarlonessa Threatt & Kylanie Cochran*

*Brother ~ Tony E. Martin*

*Mother ~ M. Geneva Martin*



*In loving memory of my sister*

*Jacquelyn Collins Forman*

*7/25/1950 – 3/3/2017*

*Love Eternally,*

*Barbara Collins*

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WE KNEW

ST. CLAIR TRAINING SCHOOL

CLASS REUNION 2019

First Football Team

ST. CLAIR TRAINING SCHOOL

Professor Wilbert Don Moseley	Head Start Program, AL
Dr. Alto Lee Moseley	Doctor of Education
Roderick Earl Mosley	National Honor Society
Dora Ann Moseley	Outreach Program Atlanta, GA

Submitted by Brother Jerry Moseley

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Congratulations to all!

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Billy Ledford  
Jerry Moseley  
Willie E. Sanders  
Albert Beavers  
Jerry Swan  
Jeremiah Willingham  
Johnny Jordan  
Sylvester Jordan  
Joe L. Robinson  
John L. McFee  
Walter Lee Thomas

Thank you, Essie Mae Truss, Willie James Forman, Perry Forman and Jerry Moseley for remembering all our classmates and for their time! Thanks to Alto Lee Moseley and Barto Lipscomb for leading our school band.

Jerry Moseley



**MILES MOSLEY** is an upright bassist, vocalist, producer, composer and arranger.

As a teen, Mosley was selected to play bass for the Grammy All-American High School Jazz Band & Choir and was acclaimed as a "technical virtuoso" by Los Angeles Times jazz critic Don Heckman. He received his classical training at the Colburn School of Music in Los Angeles, had years of study with jazz bass legends John Clayton, Ray Brown and Al McKibbin. He received his undergraduate degree in music at UCLA. Since then Mosley has greatly expanded his repertoire, mastering the bass and a vast array of instruments, deftly blending jazz with rock, pop, funk and R&B. Mosley has successfully combined bow work, effects and in your face dexterity to give his instrument his own signature sound. He is the son of Jerry Mosley of Pell City, AL.

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Treat all races as your equal

We are all equal and I mean all  
Whether you are short  
Or whether you are tall

It shouldn't matter  
About your color  
We all should be sisters and brothers

Maybe you are skinny  
Or maybe you are fat  
Being fair is where it's at

Let's treat those with disabilities fair and equal  
We are no better than they are  
We are all special people

Please don't treat other people mean  
They are just like you  
They are human beings

By Frank Withrow

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