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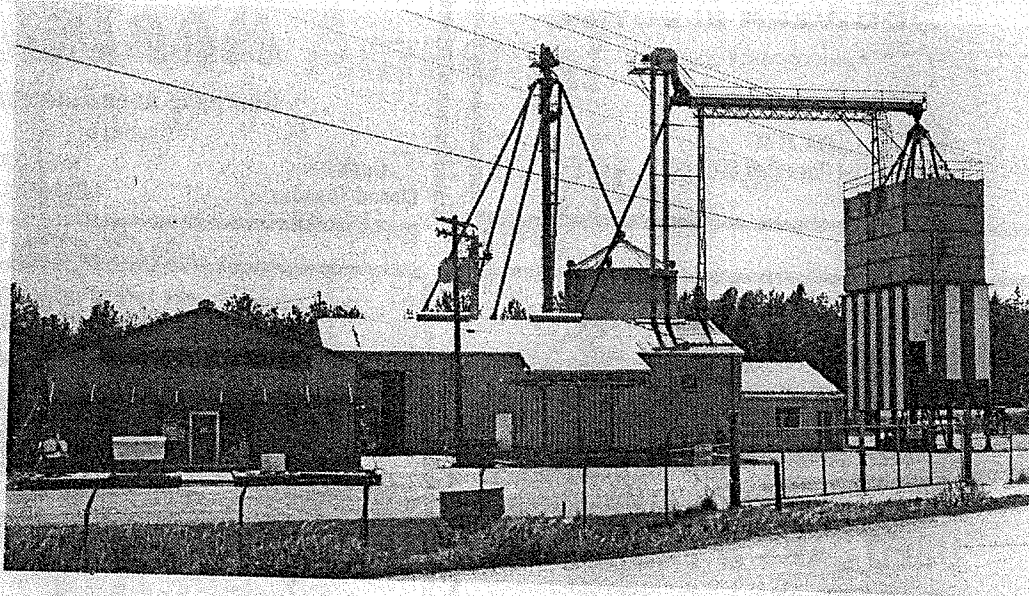
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Hunting summer berries

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Summer = berries

Summer means blackberries and for those who brave the untraveled paths along rural St. Clair County roads, there is a bonanza of the small black fruit waiting every year. It is not uncommon on summer evening to pass by a spot where cars are parked on both sides of the road as residents, often times entire families, take the the berry patches to pick the favorite fruit. In the photo at the left, Lorene and Morris Nixon of Pell City were captured last year as they started the summer right with fresh blackberries. Equipped with the necessary tools of the hunt, mainly buckets, the Nixons filled their containers. In the photo below, Christa Nixon, 12, and Cindy Nixon, 10, fight off a light drizzle of rain, a variety of insects and eternal thorns to get their favorite berries. They are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nixon. A favorite hunting place for berries in the cool of the evening is Riverside but the wild blackberries can be found throughout St. Clair County.



Treasured fruit



Hunting summer berries



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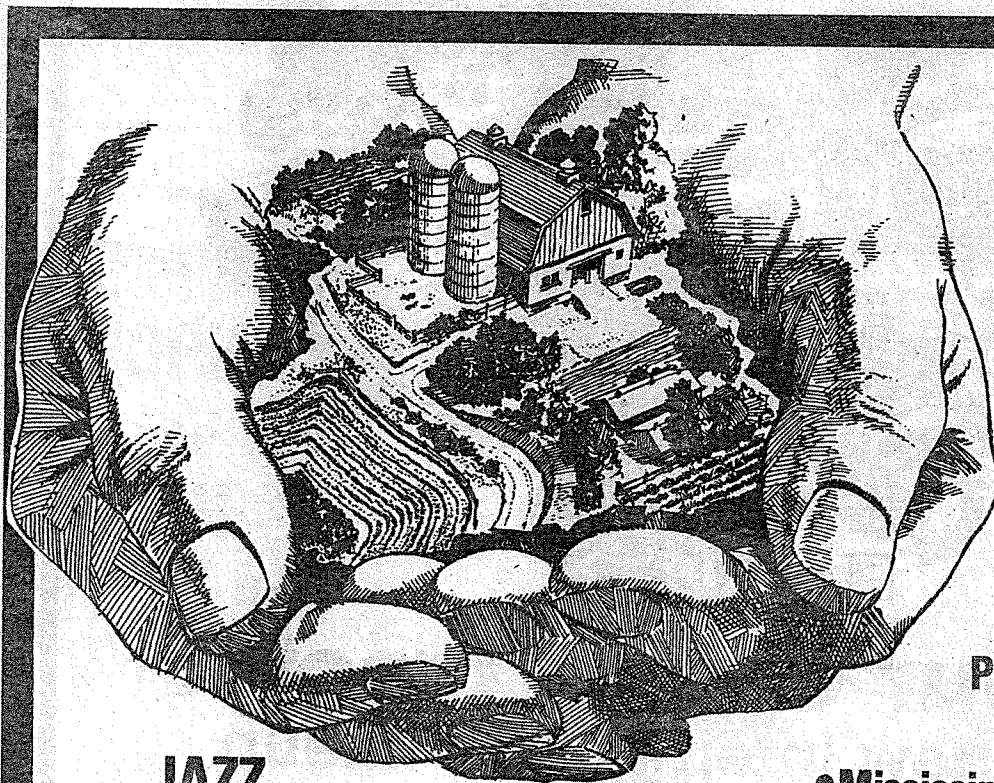
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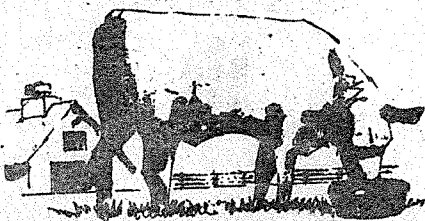
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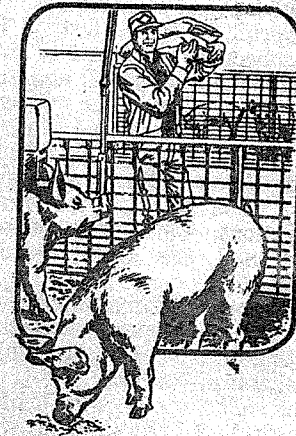
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County attractions draw

BY WAYNE RUPLE -
News-Aegis Staffwriter

Bluegrass music, patriotic messages, arts and crafts displays and water skiers are all a part of several county attractions, usually held in May, which draw large crowds from inside St. Clair County as well as from outside the county.

The top two contenders, as far as crowd numbers are concerned, are probably the Springville Olde Tyme Day and the events at Horse Pens 40.

The "Springville Olde Tyme Day" which has the theme "Grab Your Bonnet and Go To Town" began last year as a project by the Springville Chamber of Commerce to draw interest in the town's growing downtown businesses and to focus on the historical heritage of the county which has made it one of several historic districts in the county.

The "Day" was an enormous success with an estimated 7-8,000 people turning out for the events which included ballon rides, arm wrestling contests, arts and crafts displays, historical displays, music and performances and plenty to eat.

The "Day" has now been turned into an annual event which grows bigger. This year's event boasted more activities, a parade and appearances by television and radio personalities.



A legend on stage

The late Lester Flatt and band performed on the Horse Pens 40 stage helping the festival to become a success. (Aegis photo by Wayne Ruple)

Attractions draw crowds



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(by Wayne Ruple)

Church camps abound in St

The beginning of summer signals the end of school and the beginning of a hidden feature that abounds in St. Clair County—summer church camps.

There are eight such camps sprinkled across scenic St. Clair and all become the temporary homes of youth from around the state.

The dean of all camps in St. Clair is Camp Winnataska, located in the Prescott community in southwest St. Clair. The camp was established in 1918 and is operated by the Birmingham Sunday School Association.

Camp Winnataska has also become the home of a statewide camp for diabetic children.

Bible Methodist Camp, originally known as Camp Eden, was established in 1938 and is located four miles west of Pell City off Interstate 20. It is also the home of the Christian Day School.

Camp Chula Vista was established 16 years ago by the Church of God and is located in the Chula Vista community, also just off Interstate 20.

The Church of God Youth Camp is located just outside Springville and was once owned by the Methodist Church but was taken over by the Church of God in 1964.

Cooks Springs Baptist Camp was established in 1959 by the Baptist Association and is also located just off Interstate 20, in the Cooks Springs community.

Covenant Mountain Camp is

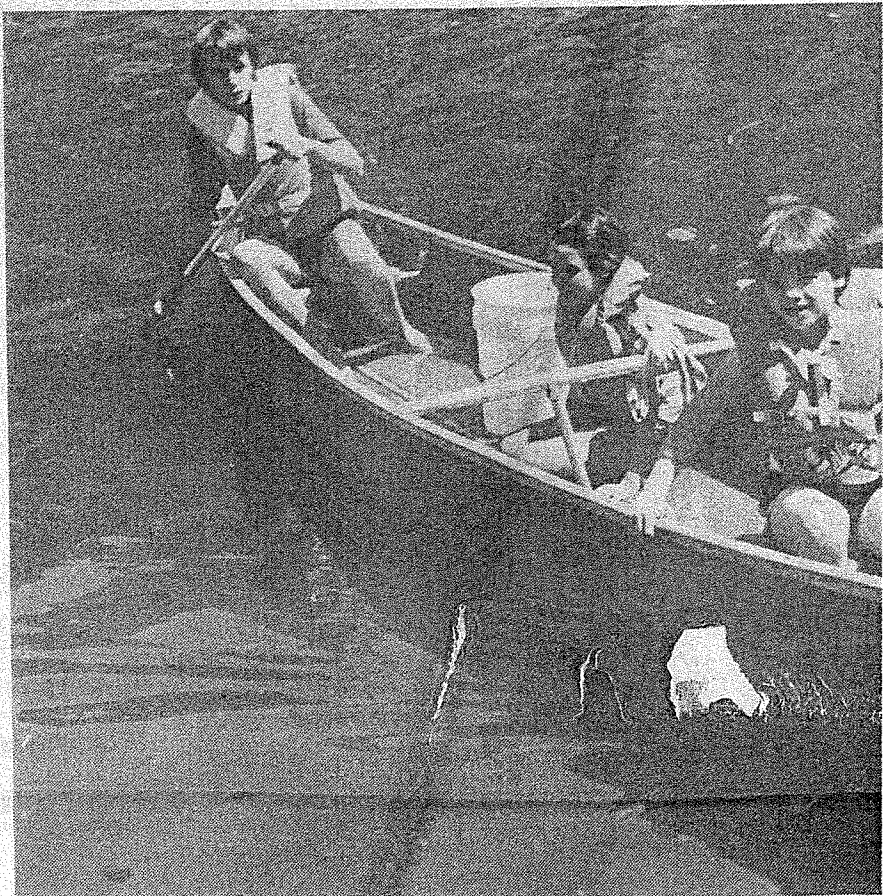
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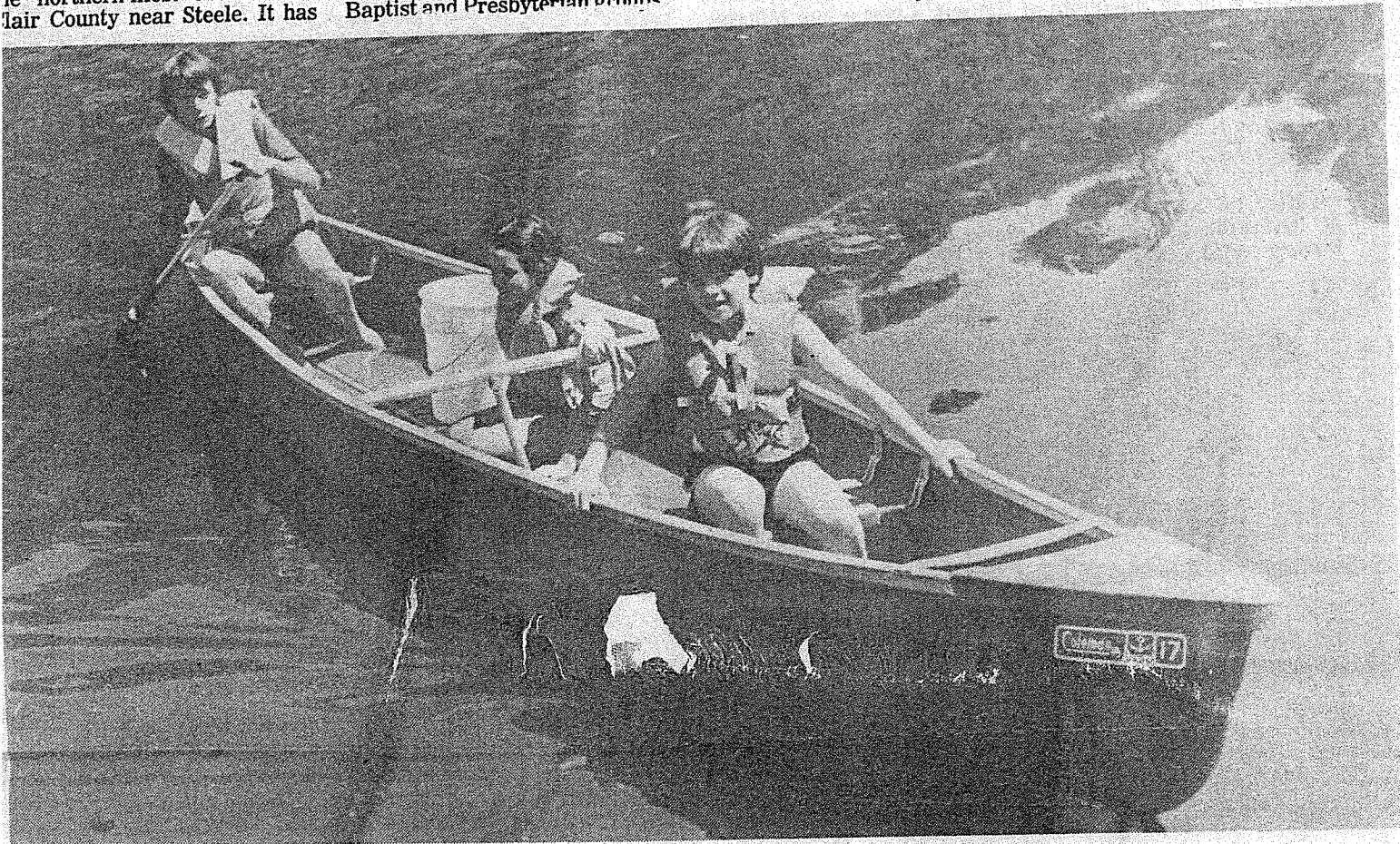
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Camp Tekwitha is the only Catholic Church-operated summer camp in Alabama and is located near Springville. It was founded in 1950.

These camps offer a summer vacation not only for the children who attend, but also the parents and provide an educational process in a relaxed atmosphere.



Canoeing is one outdoor sport enjoyed by campers

Attractions

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Sitting high on Chandler Mountain is a 250 million year old rock formation which, for the past few years, has served as home for Horse Pens 40 and the many arts and crafts and bluegrass festivals which have made the site nationally famous.

Hundreds of visitors from throughout the United States make their yearly treks to the fall bluegrass festival held October 15, 17 and 18 high atop the bluffs.

What's new at Horse Pens 40 includes a big arts and crafts Labor Day celebration scheduled for September 5, 6 and 7.

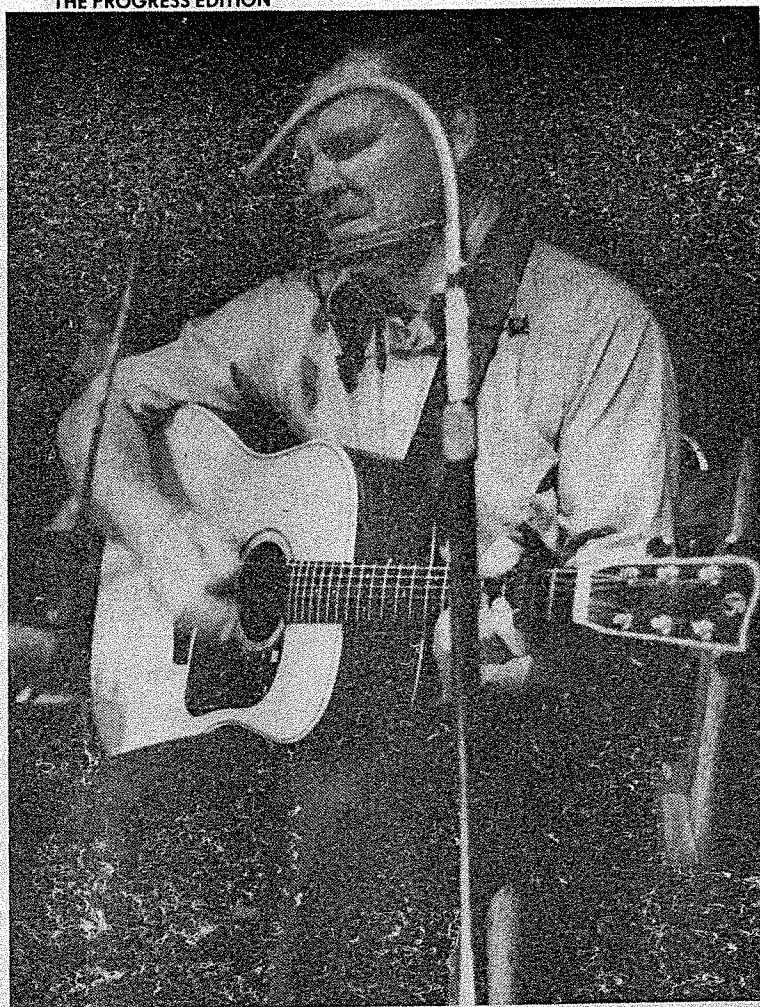
These dates are the new annual dates set for the old craft show to coincide with Horse Pens 40's 20th opening day anniversary.

The celebration will include arts and crafts. No music will be schedule for the three day event and camping will be permitted for workers and craftsmen only.

Horse Pens 40's Big Stone Zoo - a vast collection of nature-carved stone formations will also be opened on a daily basis for those interested in a mini-trip close to home.

According to a new HP 40 brochure describing the rock wonderland, "After catering only to music and folk festivals for the past decade the 250 million year old stone gardens will be open from 9 a.m. til 6 p.m. for hiking, picnicking and camping.

"Formed 250 million years ago when the great pressures of oil and gas couged up the mighty boulders from a river bed to form Chandler Mountain, the rocks



Doc Watson performs

Blind performer Doc Watson makes a night appearance on the stage at Horse Pens 80. The HP 40 annual bluegrass festivals draw performers and crowds to St. Clair County from throughout the nation. (News-Aegis photo by Wayne Ruple)



have just been sitting here since, while nature with her rains and winds and storms blustered out her works of art."

A 45-minute on the nature trail which winds itself among the rock fortress will give an individual a close look at some of nature's handiwork - a camel, the headless hen, a turtle, a dinosaur, a pair of 300 pound groundhogs, a baby elephant, a three-story tall adult elephant and some other out-of-this-world critters just waiting for your imagination.

The trails will be open daily except for festival weekends. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 6-12 years old.

A spring bluegrass festival is also scheduled for May 15-16 and 17 featuring Bill Harrell and the Virginians, The Blue Grass Cardinals, Norman and Nancy Blake, The Foster Family String Band, Glenn Tolbert, Amazing Grass, Pea Ridgz, The Grass Reflections, Cider Mill String Band and the High Cotton Cloggers.

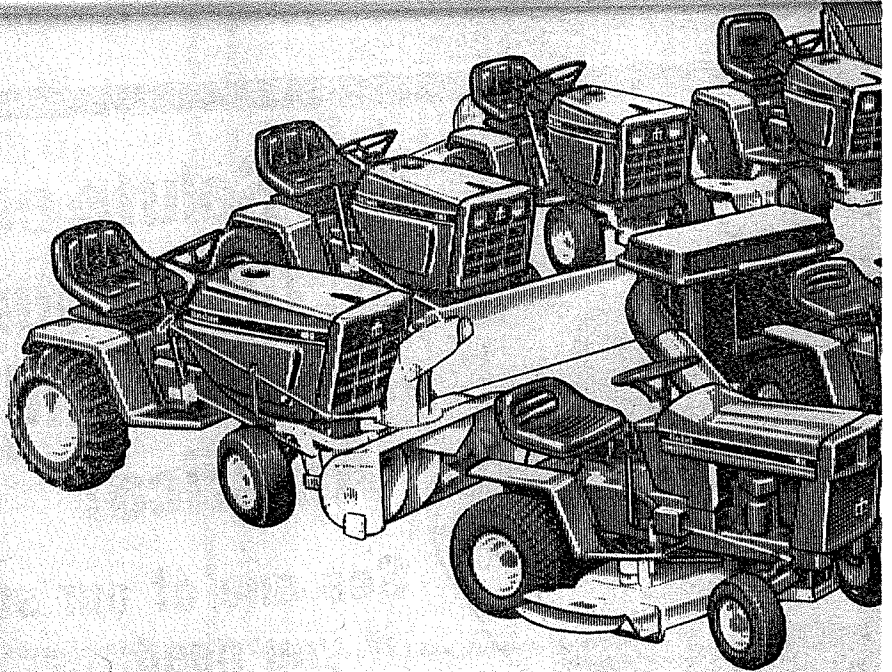
HP 40 owner Warren Musgrove also expects to announce soon the starting date for the folk drama "Alabama at War 1863."

The folk drama will depict General Nathan Bedford Forrest's pursuit and capture of Streight's mule mounted Raiders from Day's Gap to Rome.

The setting will be a secret toll-gate bluff down on the last big toenail of the Appalachian Mountains, a passage for many questionable characters and a sanctuary for draft dodgers of the Southern Cause.

The action of the drama will include a spoof war based on the rumors of the chase and acted by the motley crew of draft dodgers in addition to the terror of constant preparation for the impending arrival of Big Boy Brumbalo.

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Be alert for dates and times to be announced later.

Just off the mountain down in the flatland community of Ashville the American Legion Post 170 and Auxiliary have been hard at work for the past few years organizing and sponsoring a Memorial Day Celebration on the courthouse square.

The day is full of bands, parades, patriot speeches, a

beauty pageant, arts and crafts displays, dunking machine and other interesting displays and activities.

Proceeds from the annual event helps the Legiom and Auxiliary sponsor many community projects and assistance programs.

The Pinedale Shores community, led by the Pinedale Shore Association, sponsored their first big "Gigantic Weekend" event May 2 and 3 and

promoters say they plan to make the weekend an annual affair.

This year's proceeds went toward improving the 200 square mile man-made lake.

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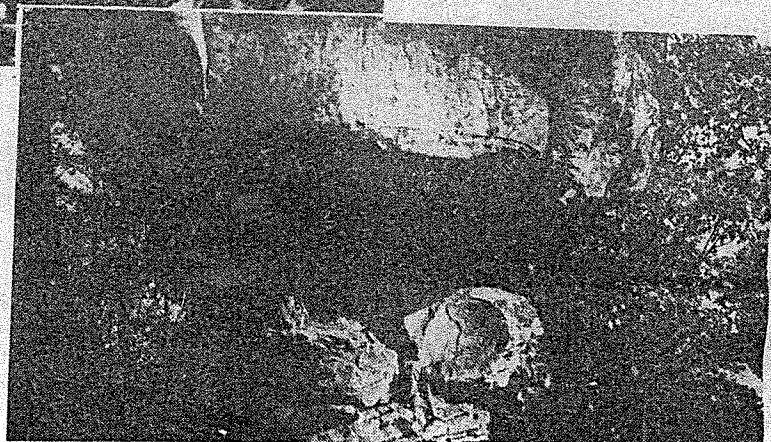
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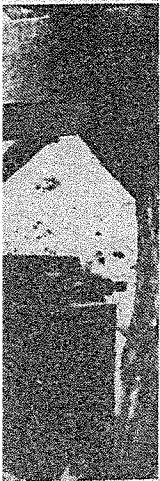
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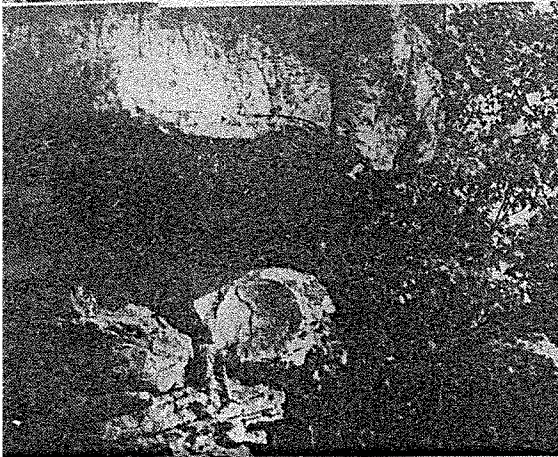
The annual event is held on the

courthouse square and features artists and craftsmen from throughout the state.

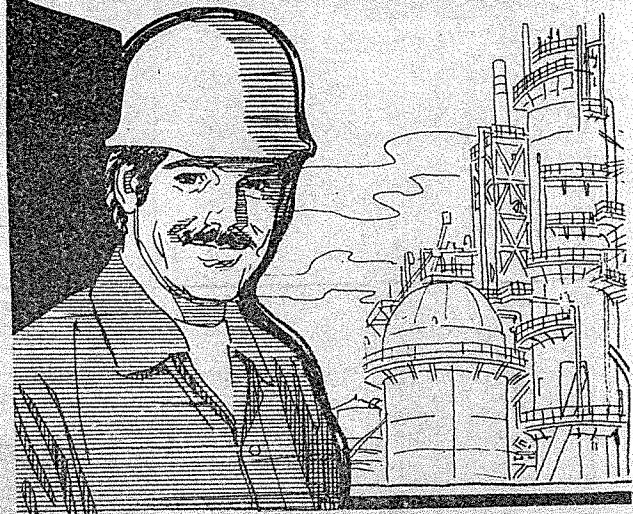
Proceeds go to the Jaycettes many activities.



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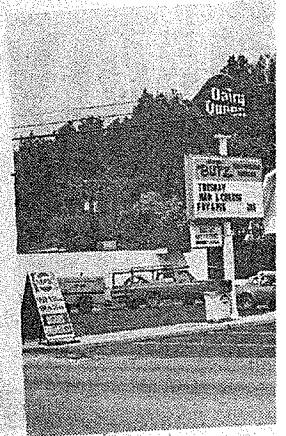


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TST races

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In the weekly races, however, first place takes \$75 and second gets \$50.

Macon has been in the top 3 of each race he has driven in this year. But he totalled his car recently and was out of action for a little while.

He got another car, a '64 Chevelle. He's planning on some first place finishes now.

Like Goodwin, Macon wants to change his status as a driver. Macon isn't planning on becoming a pro, but he does want to move to the cadet class.

The cadet cars cost more. You can easily tie up \$3,000 in one of those cars, he said. You can get by on \$500-\$700 in a bomber car.

Next year, maybe, he'll be in the cadet.

One of Macon's buddies, Barry Bright, also races in the bomber class in Talladega.

In fact, Macon helped Bright get involved in racing.

He's in his second year of racing. So far, Bright hasn't had any first place finishes this year. But when one remembers he has been starting in the rear of the pack, a fifth or sixth place finish isn't bad.

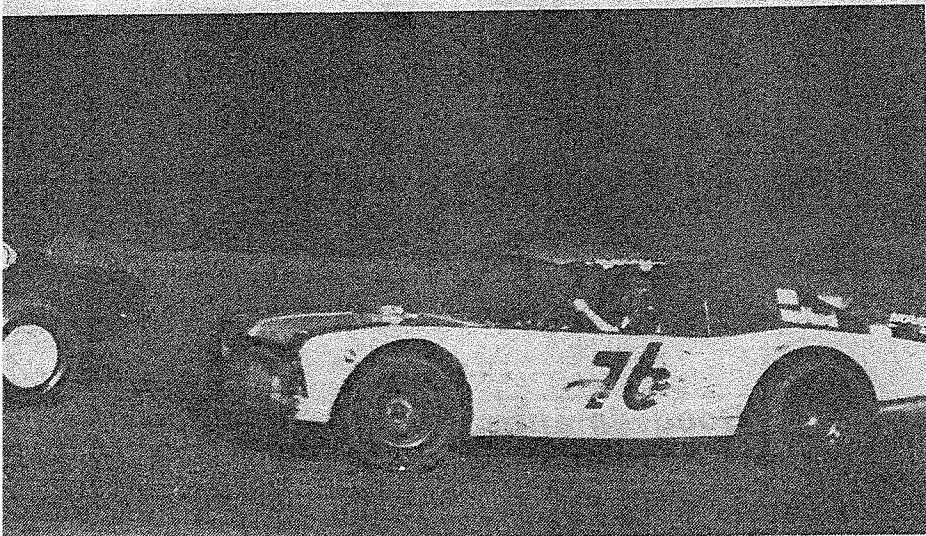
Last year he did better than he has so far this year. But he's not giving up. "I've just had a little bad luck," he said.

The traction bar in the rear end of his '67 Chevelle broke recently. He fixed it, and he's working out any other bugs in the car.

He's hopeful about the car. "She's alright," he stated.



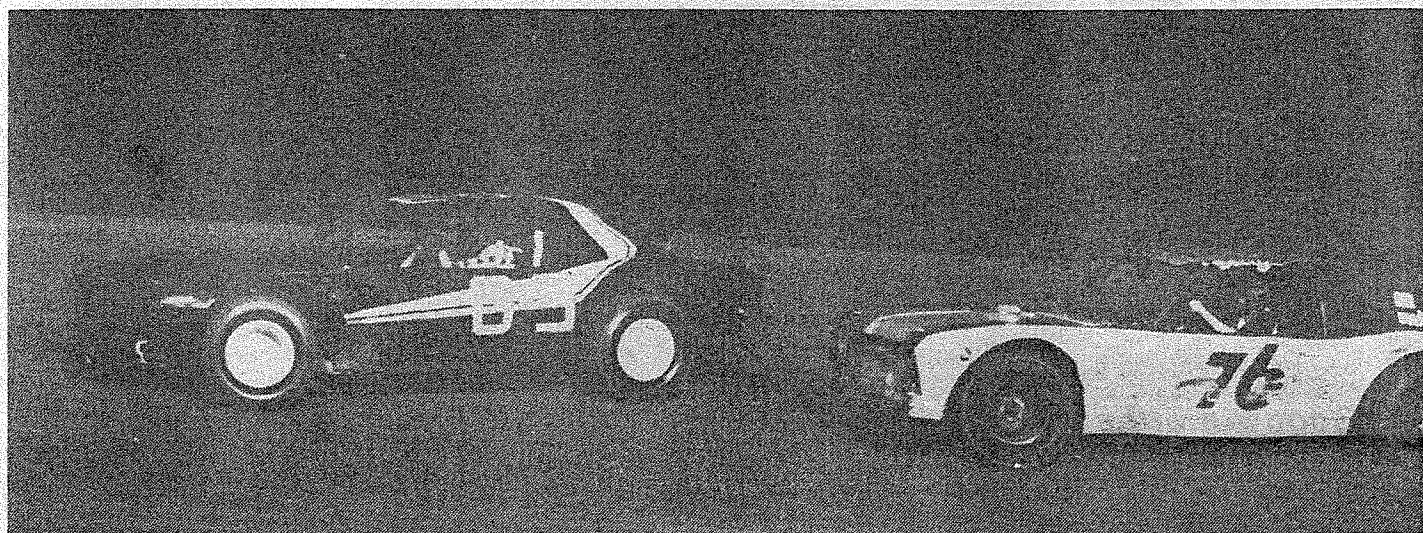
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Mack Abercrombie with entry



Gardner in close race

TST tests county



Goodwin after recent win

Many of the drivers who race at The Talladega Short Track are from Saint Clair County. They race every Saturday night, starting at 7:30.

Some of the drivers, like Jerry Goodwin from Leeds, have

become legends at the Track. As of this writing, he had won 4 races in a row. By the time this is published, he probably will have added a few more first place finishes.

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ST tests county drivers

others.

Goodwin is no newcomer racing. He used to drag race as teenager. And for 12 years now he has been running on a row track.

The car he drives on the dirt tracks is his own car, but the asphalt cars belong to someone else.

Keeping a race car in shape is no easy task. Each week Goodwin and his 3 pit crewmen search the entire engine for any defects as well as defects anywhere else on the car.

And if Goodwin wrecks some week, they strip down the car completely checking each bolt.

Goodwin is in the late model sportsman division at Talladega. In the bomber division Dav Macon is a Pell City favorite.

He's been racing for 3 years. When he first started, only 3 cars were in the bomber class. Now, 100 drivers race regularly at Talladega. So many drivers are in that class now that each Saturday night, 2 bomber races are run.

Macon is not doing well so far this year. He hasn't won a race. But the first year he raced, he won the bomber championship.

A racer gets a certain number of points each week depending on how well he did in the race. At the end of the year whoever has the most points wins the championship. They don't get any money; they receive a trophy, and the satisfaction of being number 1.

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Already, he had has a couple of Grand National races lined up for 1982. And, for some time, he has been racing on asphalt. On asphalt tracks he runs against nationally famous drivers like Allison, Bonnett, Pearson and

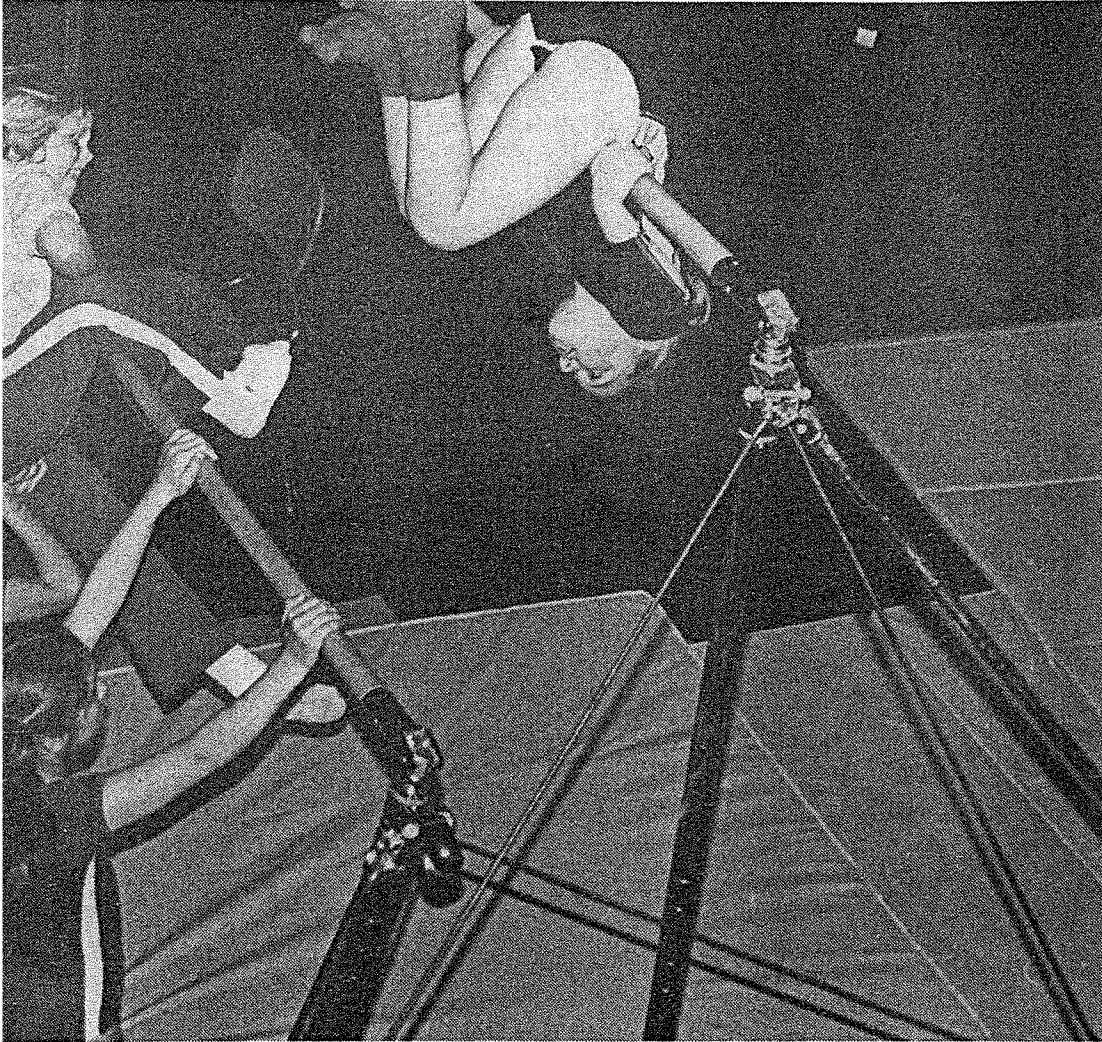
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Gymnastics....expressive art



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BY KAYE MOORE

Gymnastics is one of the fastest growing sports in the world today because it is one of the most beautiful, expressive, and fulfilling sports there is. It is this beauty mixed with the excitement of mastering a new gymnastics move that is making gymnastics extremely popular with participants and as well as spectators.

It is now possible for your daughter to participate in an organized gymnastic program at the Pell City Civic Center. I will explain about how the program is set up a little later, but first I would like to explain how it was started.

In May of 1977, my husband and I moved to the Logan Martin area. I had actively participated in gymnastics while we lived in Birmingham, so I began checking to see if there was a gymnastics program in Pell City. I found that there was not a program in existence, but that the Civic Center had purchased some equipment in expectation of developing some type of program. After talking with the director of the Civic Center, I began a pilot program in the summer of 1977. I feel it is now time to expand this program to include as many interested participants as possible.

Let me give you some background information about myself. I started my experience

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Gymnastics

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with nine years of ballet, which is a very important part of gymnastics. While still taking dancing, I started some gymnastics in high school. I was on the gymnastics team for Western Carolina University for two and one-half years and the team at the University of Alabama in Birmingham for one and one-half years.

During the time I was on the team in Birmingham, I started attending clinics on gymnastics and took several courses in coaching and spotting. I also became interested in judging competitive gymnastics so I took courses and tests to get my certification. I was a certified judge with the National Association of Women's Gymnastics for four years. I have judged in regional competition for the Junior Olympics and many state meets in addition to the more frequent two and three team local meets.

Well, that's my background. Now let's look at the future. I think there is a good potential for a gymnastics program here in the Pell City area. The Civic Center has been very gracious in allowing me the use of equipment (I pay them a percentage of all the fees) and they are looking into the possibility of purchasing more equipment (special padded beams) for the gymnastics program. At the present time we have two balance beams, a spring board, vault, uneven

program now include around thirty girls in beginner, intermediate and advanced classes.

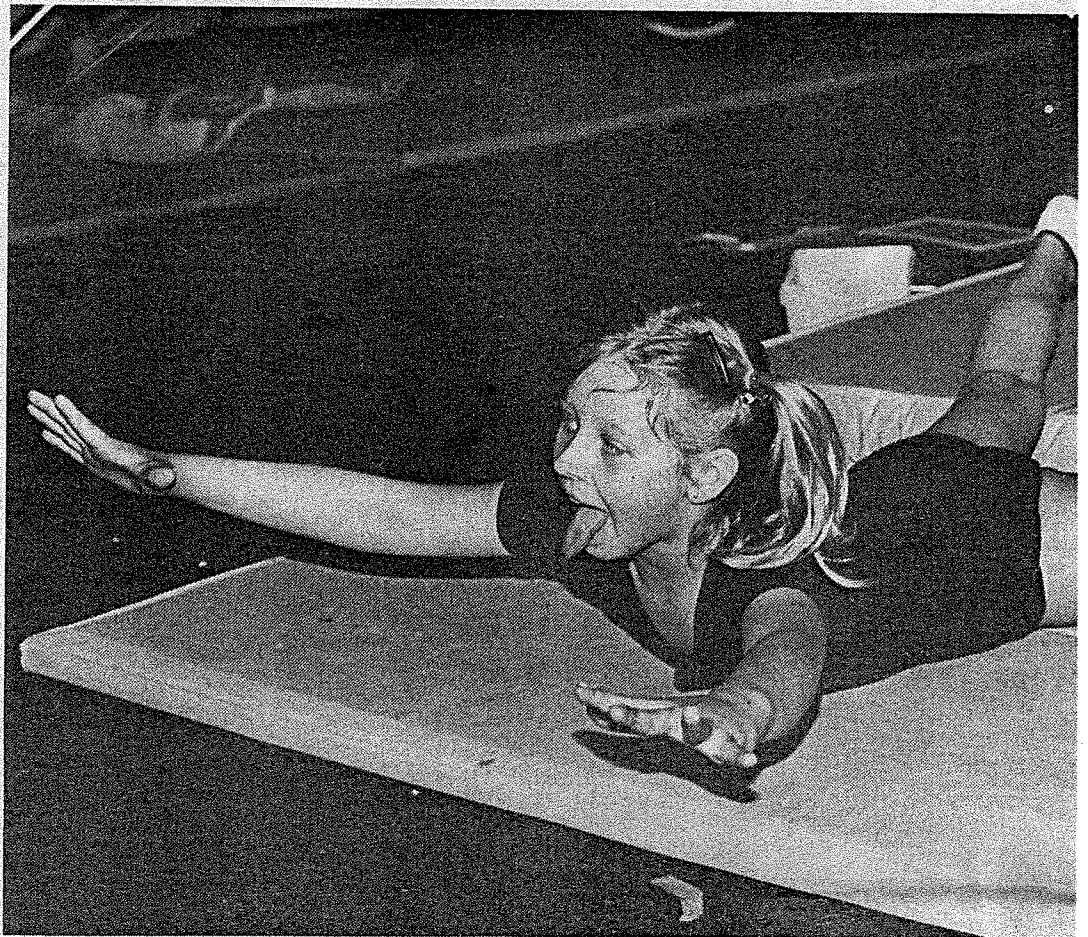
Our classes run for four weeks and the cost is \$27.50 for non-members and \$25.00 for members

of the Civic Center. I will also teach a pre-school program this summer which will include basic tumbling.

So if your day daughter is interested in gymnastics, give the

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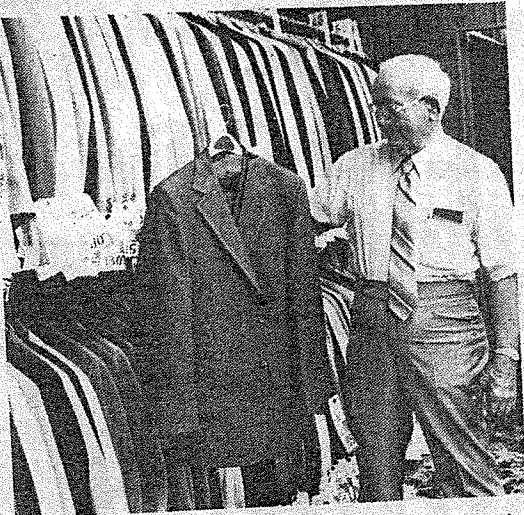
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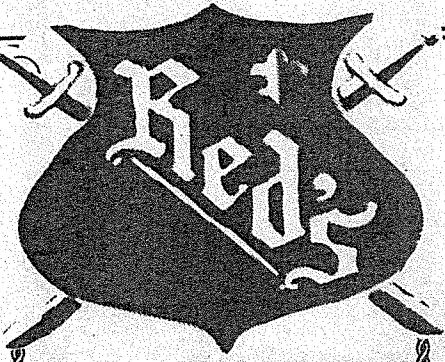


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Mrs. Purdy shows us one of the sharp new knit shirts.



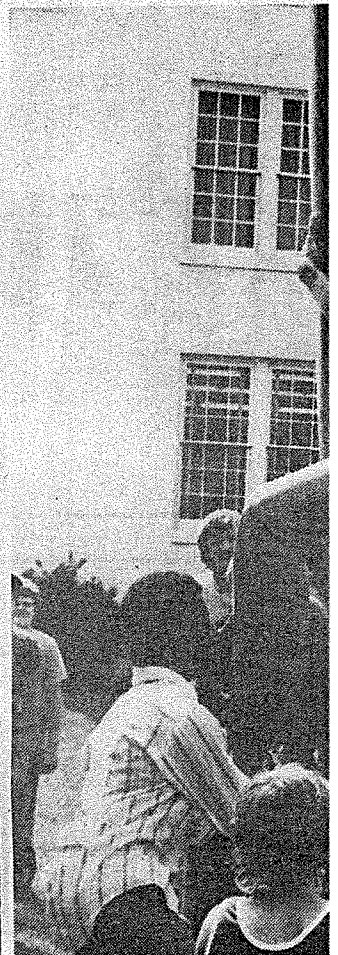
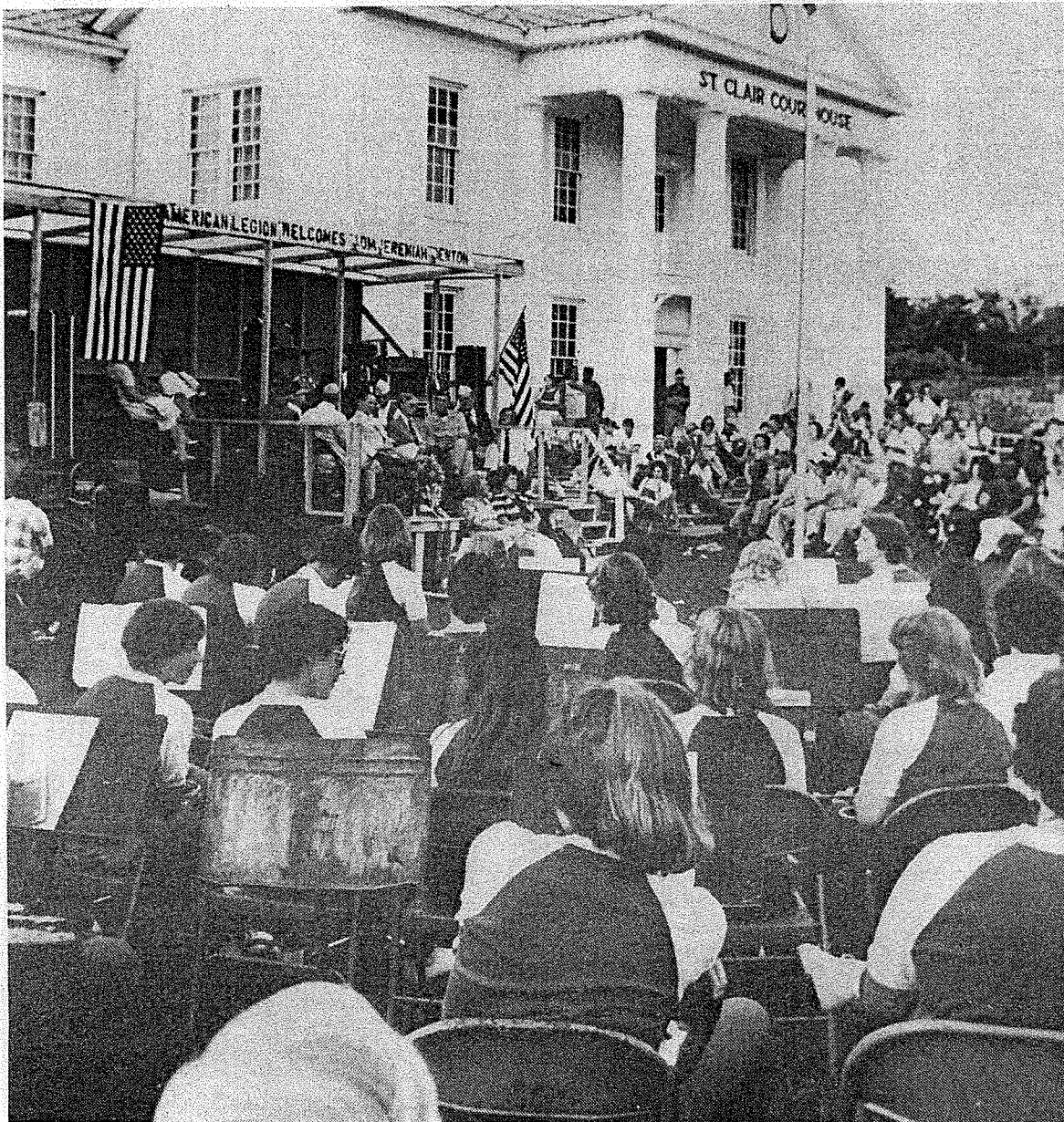
Customer Glenda Collier picks out a tennis set from Mrs. Johnson

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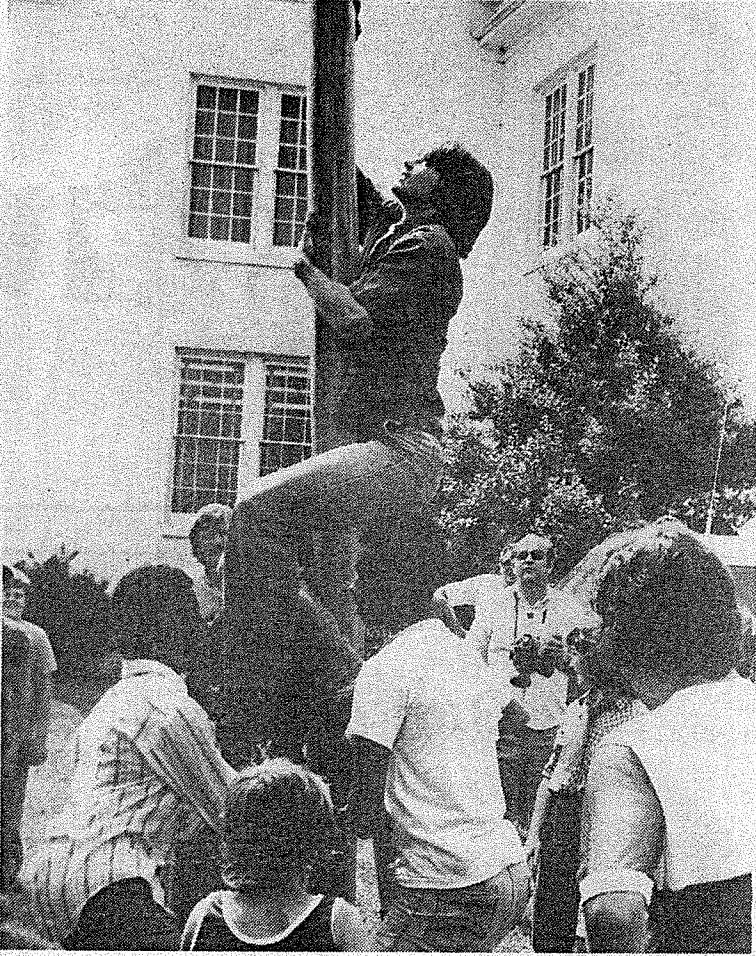
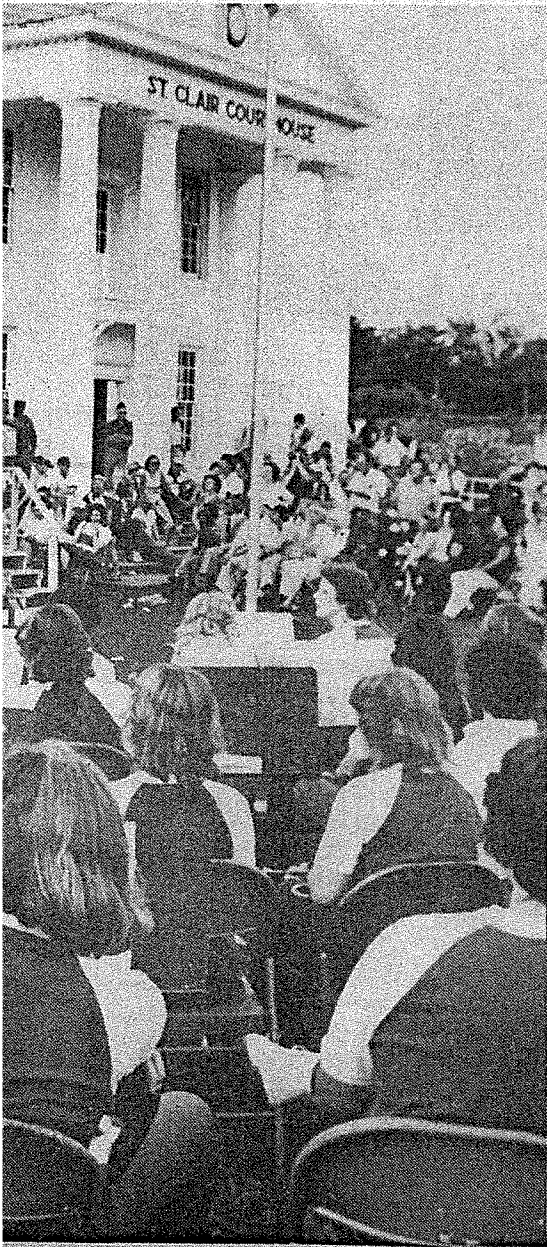
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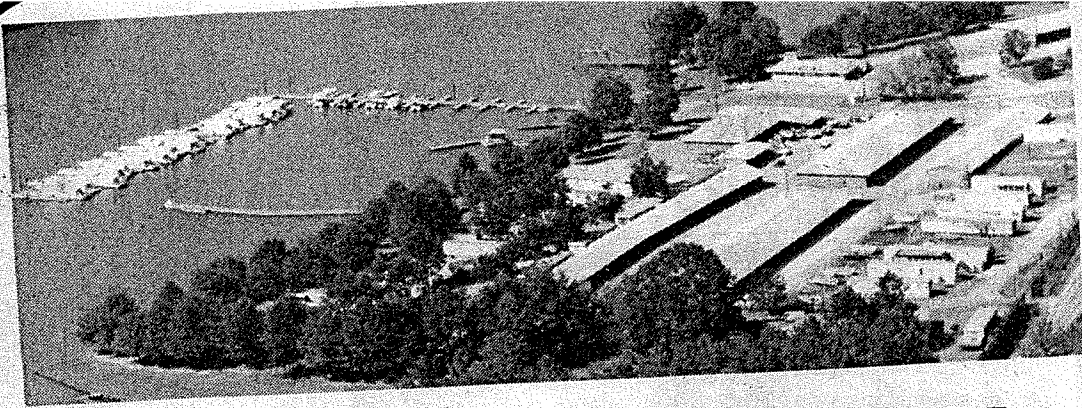


Crowds gather

Crowds gather on the courthouse square in Asheville to hear patriotic music, listen to speakers and participate in the American Legion Post 170 and Auxiliary sponsored activity. (News-Aegis photo by Wayne Ruple)



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Civic center expansion

At long last, the dreams of the planners of the Pell City Civic Center and director, Marcie Vandegrift, are becoming a reality. This week, it is expected that the two new softball fields and concession will be opened and plans include two more fields when Phase I of the plans is completed.

When the Civic Center was first built, the planners had been working on the current facility and the possibility of future expansion. The plans call for a three phase expansion program, which in the end will result in Pell City having one of the finest recreation areas in the state.

Phase I includes plans for two softball fields, with lights and concession, and a multi-purpose field which will include a quarter mile outdoor track.

Phase II will include two additional softball fields, and four additional lighted tennis courts. Phase III will see the installation of parking facilities, lights for the all purpose field and walk ways.

Director Marcie Vandegrift is excited about the prospects of the expansion and looks forward to serving as director over the complete complex. Miss Vandegrift attended the University of Montevallo where she worked toward a degree in recreation and physical education.

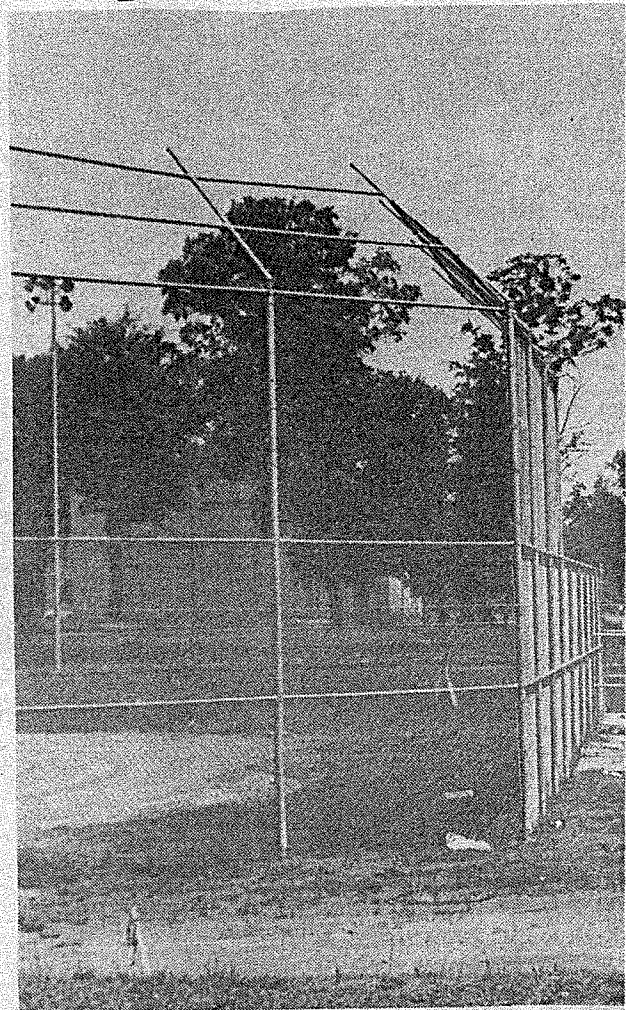
This years softball teams will enjoy the new fields as men's church leagues, seven ladies church leagues, five men's city

leagues hit the fields for fun and entertainment. The lighted fields will encourage more spectators and teams to the area.

Organized sports are not the only recreation offered at the Civic Center. The building, itself, houses gymnastics, basketball (adult and children's), art and craft classes, the stage is used by the Civic Chorus and other groups, plus meetings are held daily. Slimnastics and aerobic dancing classes also meet in the building.

In addition to the other entertainments offered at the complex, the Pell City Lion's Club, under the leadership of president George Williams and chairman, Bill Waller, will have a special surprise for the youngest of the area. Beginning in the next few weeks, the Lion's Club will begin construction of a playground for the children. It will be called Lion Country Kiddie Park and will have swings, slides, and other equipemnt for the child to use his or her imagination for extended fun. Dr. James McClendon, Chairman of the St. Clair County Commission, has already made a \$50.00 donation to the park and with the dOnations of others and the use of private equipemnt donated, the park will become a reality.

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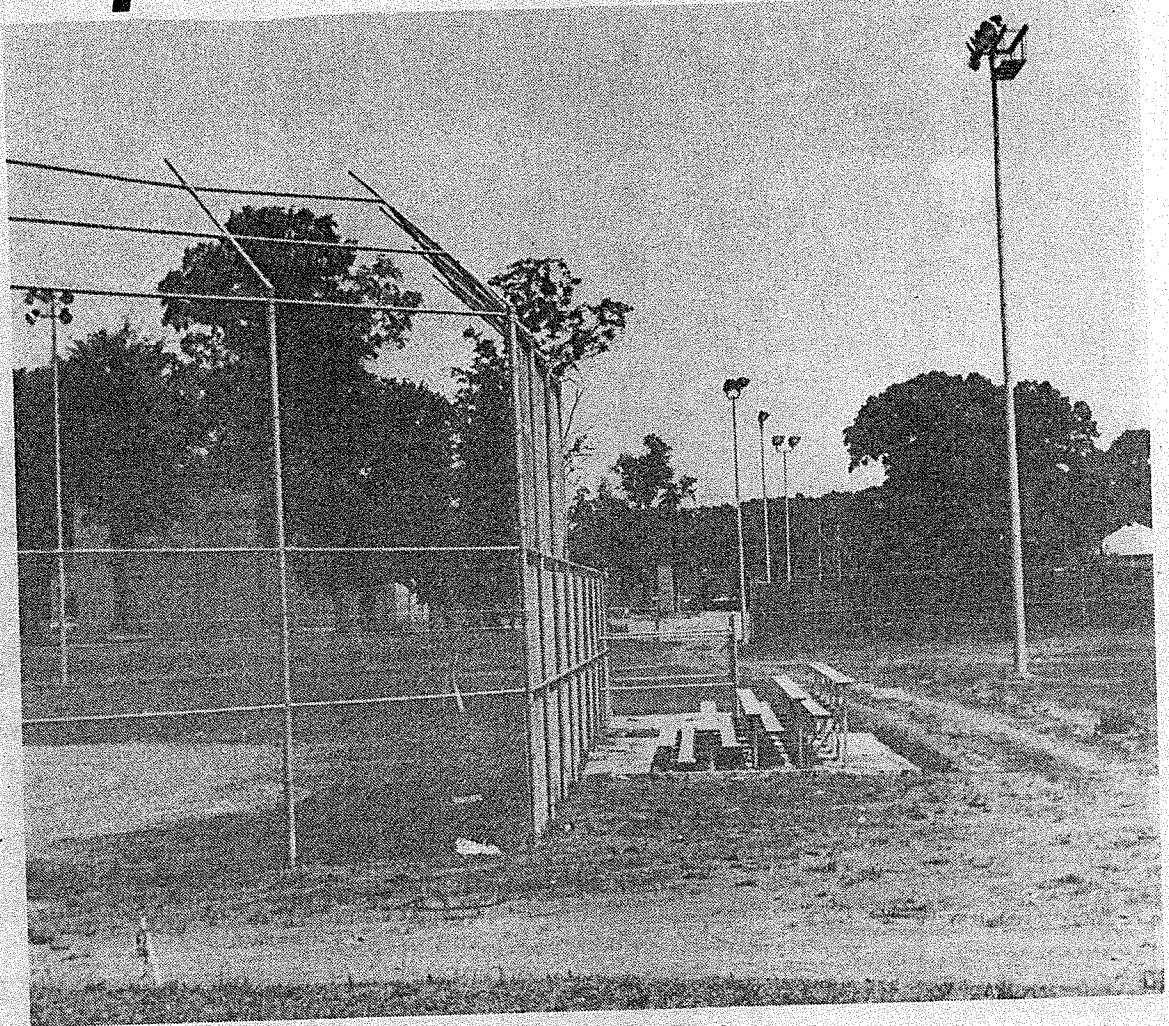
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Visit Ingram Manor Nursing

Ingram Manor Nursing Home opened its doors in Pell City more than 16 years ago as privately owned, but now is under the Aegis of Medi-Plex Corporation, a Jackson, Miss., based firm operating more than 40 such homes, primarily in the southeast.

Operating under all state and federal requirements and guidelines, Ingram Manor offers 74 beds for skilled, intermediate and private-pay health care services.

Occupancy at Ingram Manor according to administrator Ms. Katherine Ponder, averages 99 per cent. Mrs. Ponder became administrator November 17, 1980 after being transferred from Oneonta where she was assistant administrator.

Ingram Manor does, when space allows, accept day-care residents.

Set in a stand of hardwood and pines on approximately six-acres of undulating St. Clair County land, Ingram Manor has a combined professional staff of 64 persons, including medical, pharmaceutical, recreational advisors and consultants including a full-time recreational and activities director at the Home.

Nearby St. Clair County Hospital affords immediate medical care when needed by residents of Ingram Manor.

Adjacent to the Home is Eden Elementary, with which the Home has an agreement to house residents in case of natural emergency disasters concomitant with inclement weather or others that require outside resident housing.

Melba Campbell, a professionally-trained dietitian directs food service for the residents, adhering to dietary needs of a wide variety.

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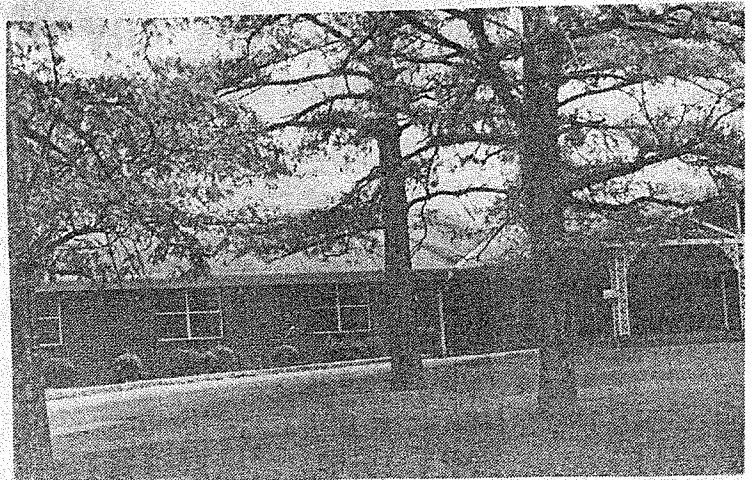
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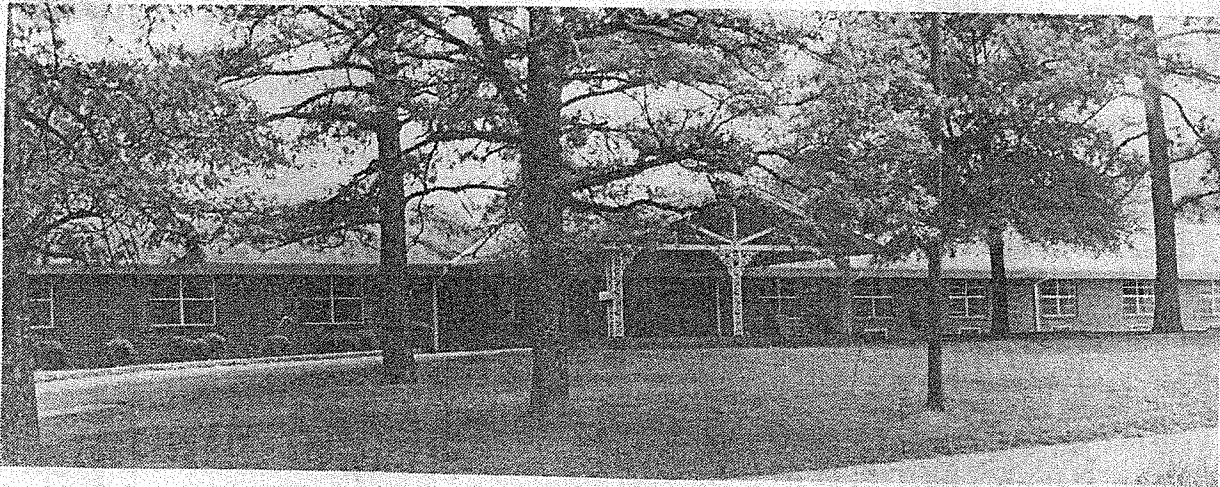
"We strive for a home atmosphere here," says Ms. Ponder, "and stay away from the institutional impression in every way possible."

The facility itself is equipped with the HEW and state-required safety equipment and its staff is professionally trained "from the kitchen up."

At Christmas time the residents engage in making their own decorations, plus some for other sources.

"And in the Spring," says Ms. Humphreys "when we have fresh strawberries, lots of the residents get together and help prepare them."

At Ingram Manor it is evident that residents receive every facet of health care in a professional, home-typed situation.



Ingram Manor's tranquil setting

Beauty on the border...a rock

BY WAYNE RUPLE
News-Aegis Staffwriter

Tucked along the edge of Blount Mountain weaving in and out along the St. Clair-Blount-Etowah county lines on a bluff overlooking County 35 and Greasy Cove is a rock wondzrland.

Here, along the mountain top, are rocks estimated at 200 million years old which look as if some giant may have molded them in a waffle iron and stacked them along the mountain.

One rock, termed by some locals as an "Indian bathtub" sits among the midst of the rocks looking much like a ancient fountain as rainwater flows from a small spout in one side.

The rocks, located on private property, also provide homes for some small mini-environments as lichens and small flowers proceed through their assigned biological stages hidden safely within the confines of numerous rock pools.

The colors of the mosses and lichen combine well with the yellow jasmin to give a splash of color to the whole scene making for a nice walk with a camera on a spring



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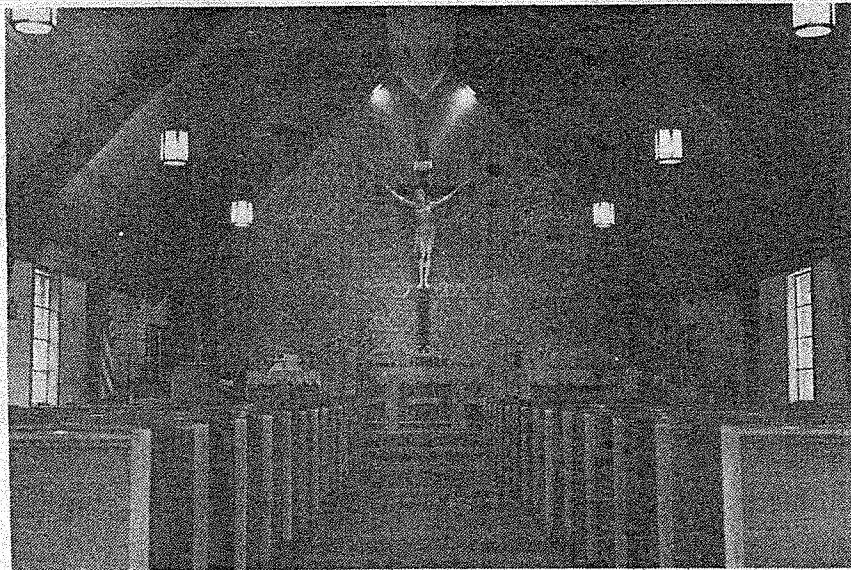
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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

**Rev. Matthew Brennan,
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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church traces its history back to the year 1968, when approximately 10 families began meeting in facilities donated by Coosa Valley Telephone Co. Pell City.

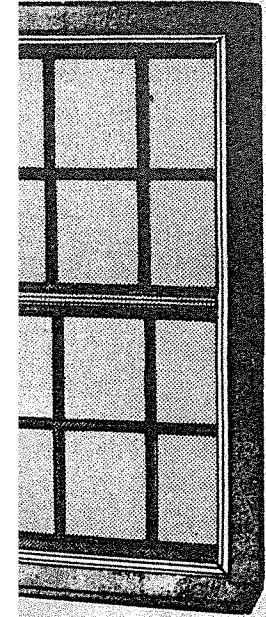
The growing influx of vacationers and new residents attracted to the Logan Martin Lake area brought about a great need for a permanent house of worship. Permission was granted by then Archbishop T.J. Toolen for the construction of a new church on U.S. 231 S.

After two years of fund raising and hard work, the new church was formally dedicated on August 16, 1970 by Bishop Joseph G. Vath of the Birmingham Diocese.

Today, about 90 families are served by Our Lady of the Lake and its Pastor, the Rev. Matthew Brennan. Construction of a new Parish Hall with classrooms has been completed. The new building adjoins the church.

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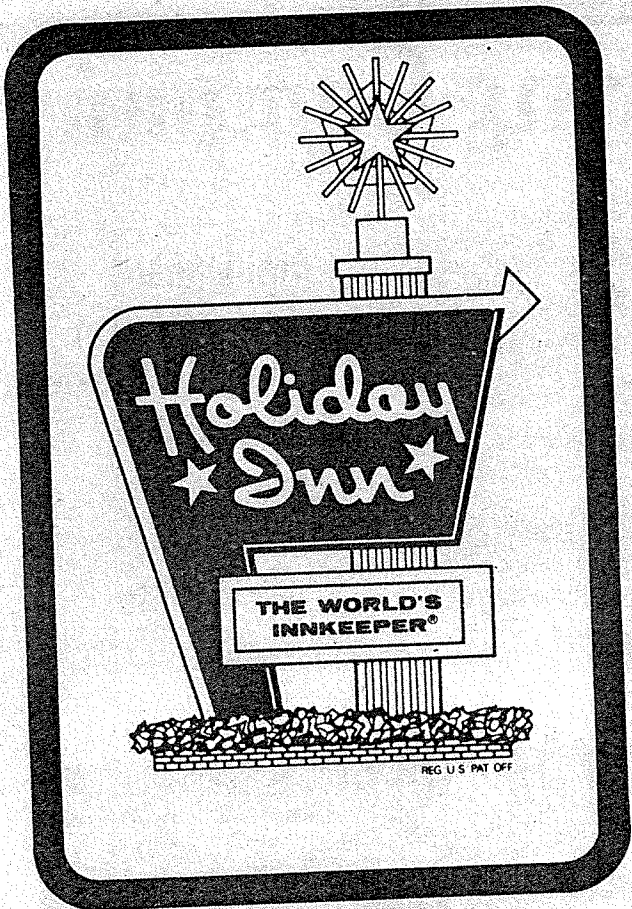
Blount Mountain beauty



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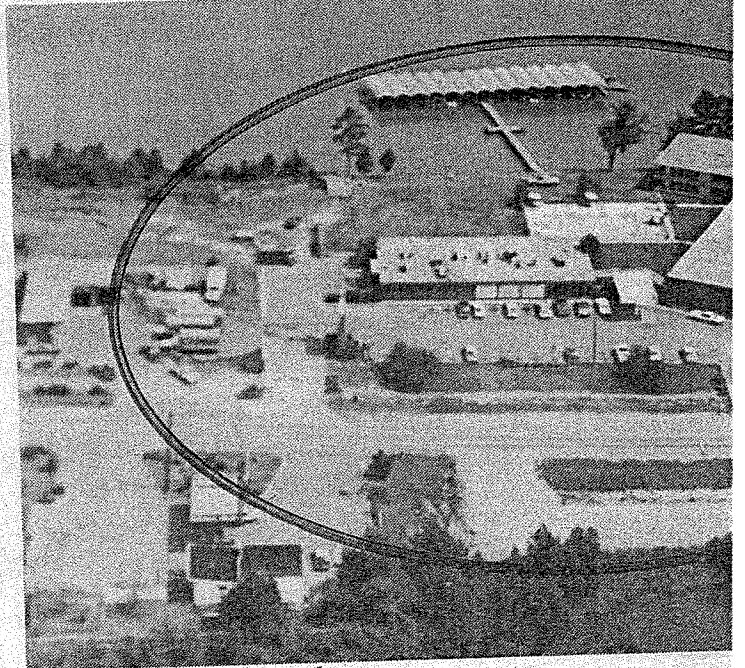
Sitting atop the "Indian bathtub" Carol DeMnison Smith gazes into the murky water of the little pool situated atop a large rock. (News-Aegis photo by Wayne Ruple)





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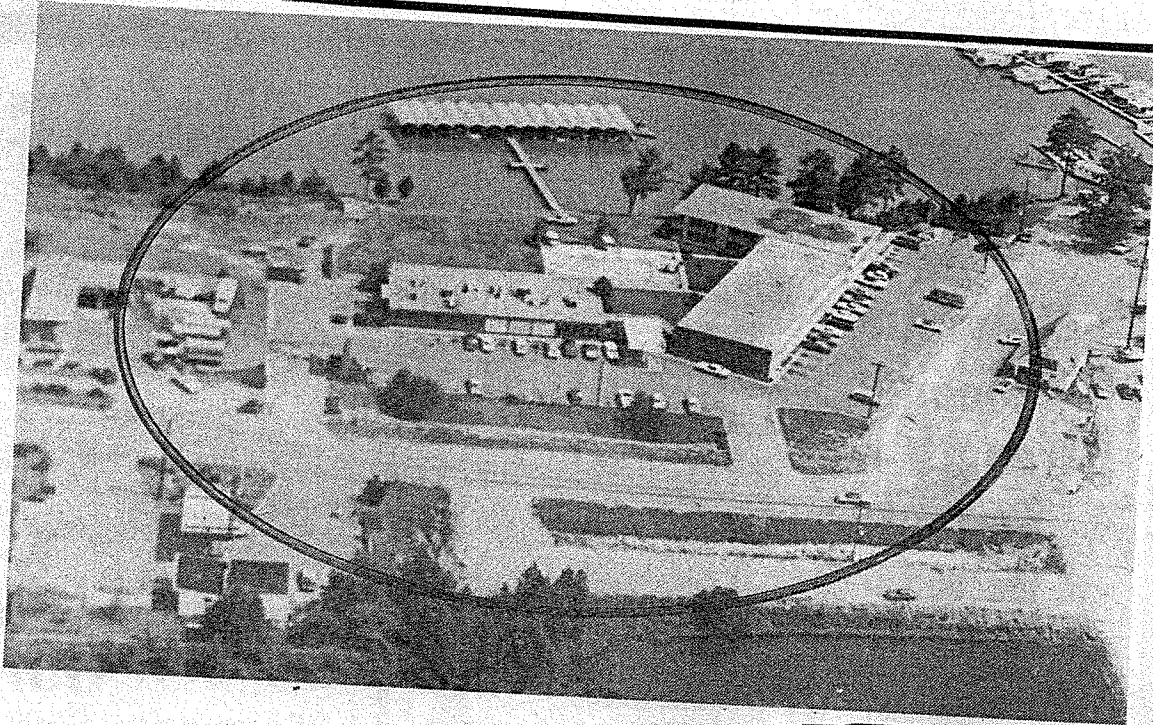
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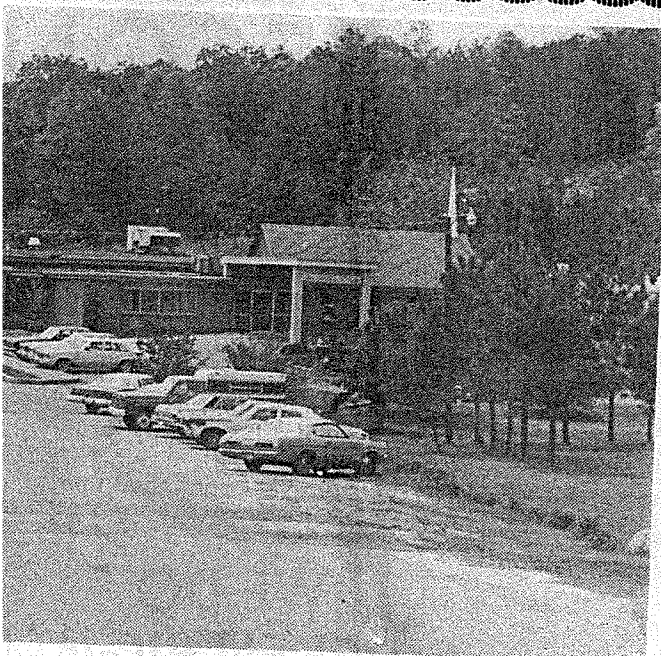


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Morton's grandchildren can now have the thrill and pleasure that
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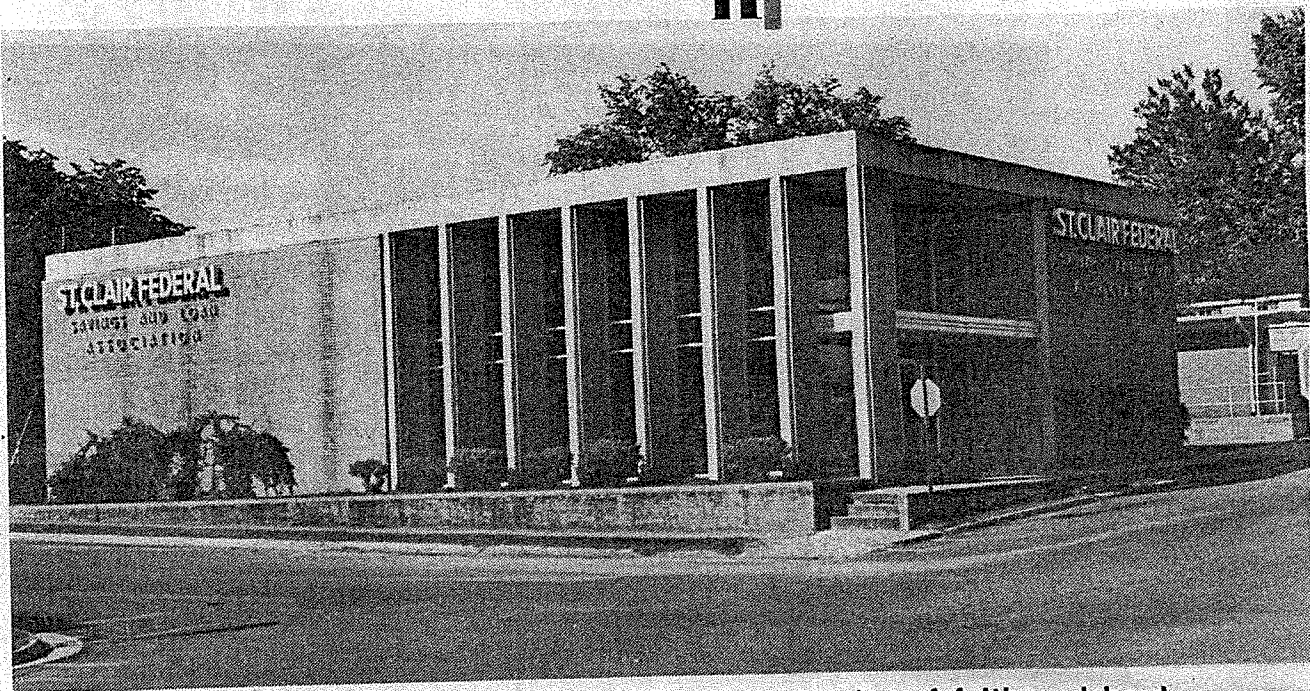
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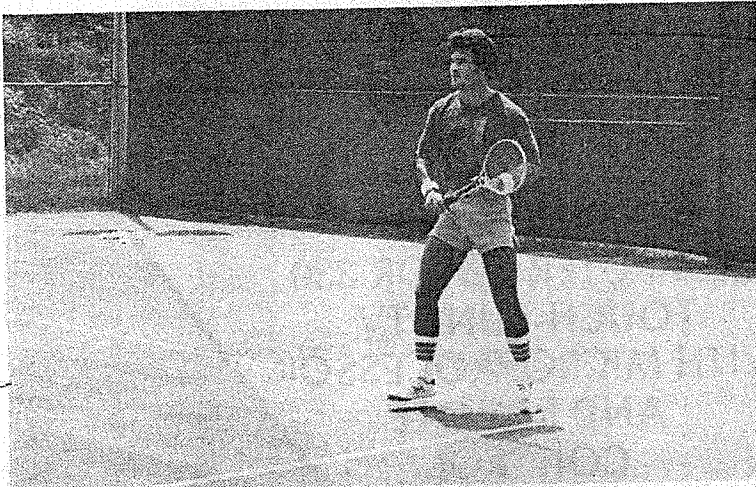
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Brown uses tennis courts

Sammy Brown of Pell City, really enjoys the game of tennis. He and other players will really enjoy the six additional courts that are projected for the Pell City Civic Center Complex.

City-county park is set

BY KAREN HAND
News-Aegis Lifestyle Editor

The St. Clair County Commission has announced plans for construction of a County Park which will be located adjacent to the Pell City Civic Center. Plans are underway for the addition of a nature trail, lighting (old lights are being moved for this area), boat landing, fishing piers, comfort station, primitive camping sites, two more tennis courts, and other recreational uses.

The City of Pell City is coordinating the project in conjunction with the Commission. Mayor Hugh Williamson spoke with the News-Aegis about the future plans. The park will be located on land next to the Pell City Civic Center and will cover 30 acre of land. The

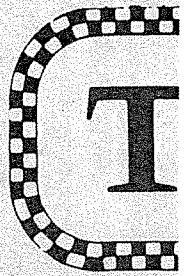
\$100,000 is expected for the completion. The City and the county will provide funds for the facility.

In addition to the facilities mentioned, there will also be a new horse show ring. Pell City businessmen Johnny Turner, Dick Walls, and Barnett Lawley and Dr. John Haynes will provide the capital needed to construct the show ring. The city has provided the land in the Pell City Civic Center Complex for the horse show ring. This is expected to attract horse show people from through-out the country which will bring in revenue for the area.

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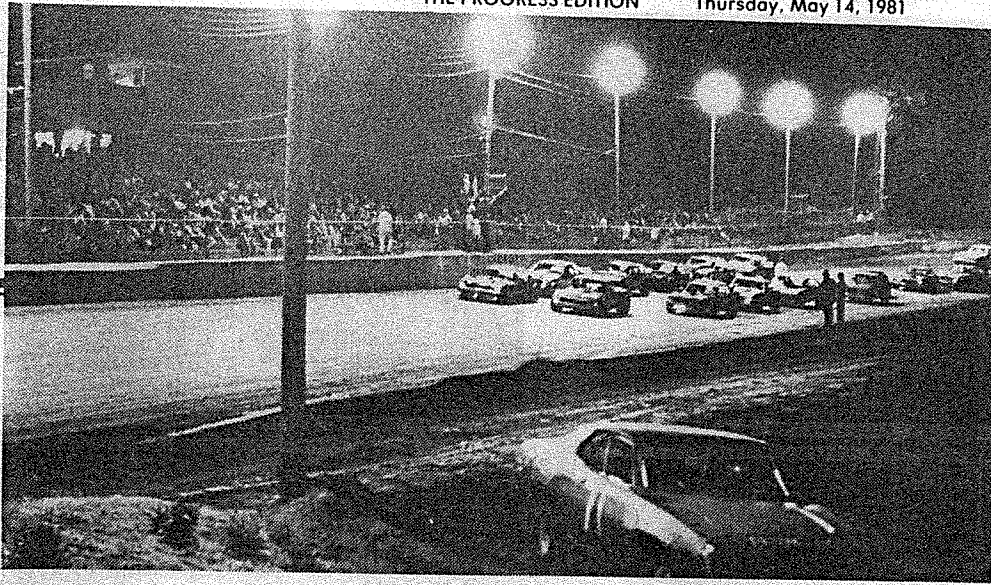


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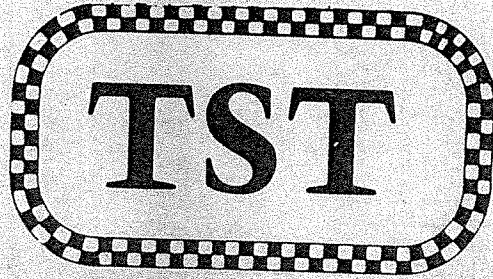
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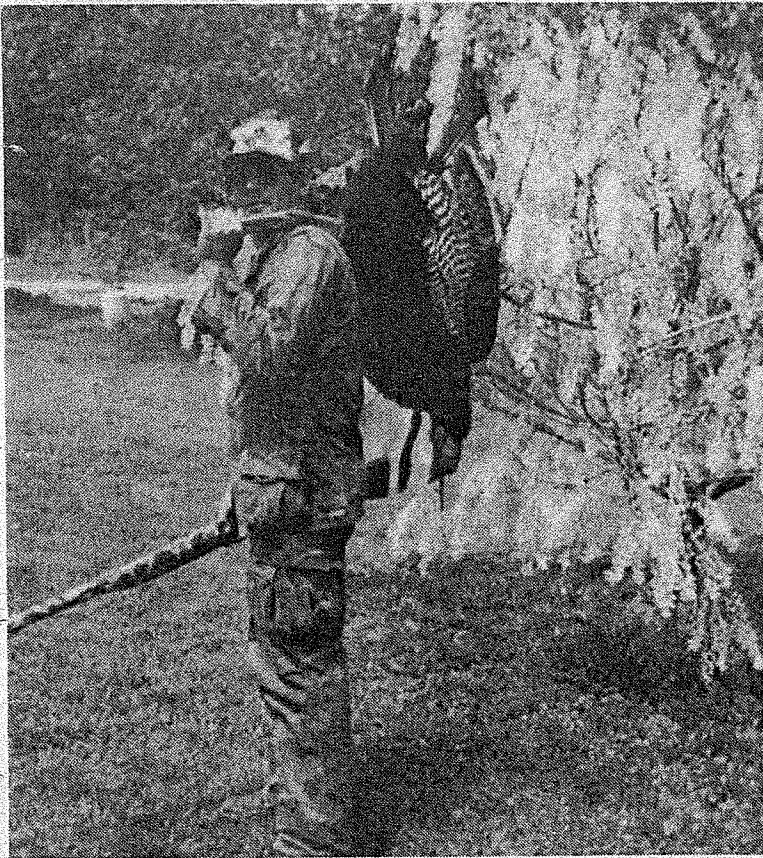
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Bags gobbler

Hunting is a prime feature of recreation in St. Clair and Stanley Batemon of the Pell City area had a successful hunt recently when he bagged this 19 pound gobbler with an 11 inch beard. Batemon, who is a Conservation officer, stated he got the Tom in the county at 6:10 a.m. but declined to pinpoint where he got his prize.

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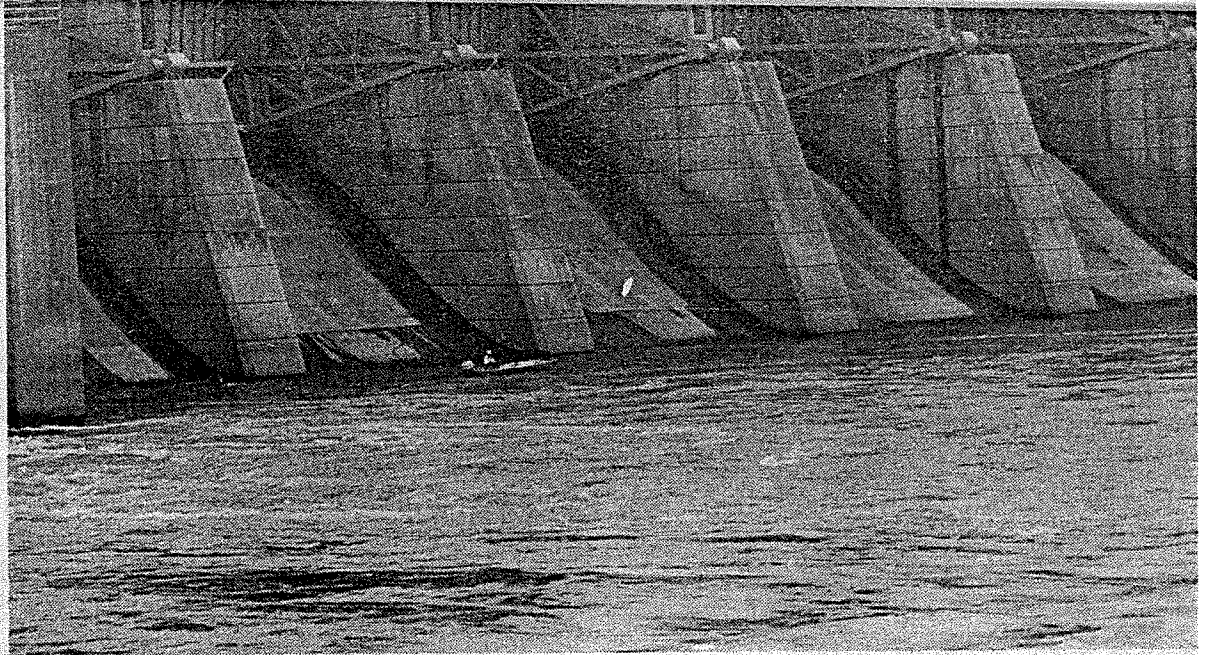
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Whether you go in for basketball at the Civic Center in Pell City or enjoy outdoor festivals at Horse Pens 40, camping out

under the stars, there's something for you.

Whether you enjoy deer hunting, winter or turkey hunting in the spring, dove, quail, rabbit or trapping, there's something for you. In the field of recreation, St. Clair really has got

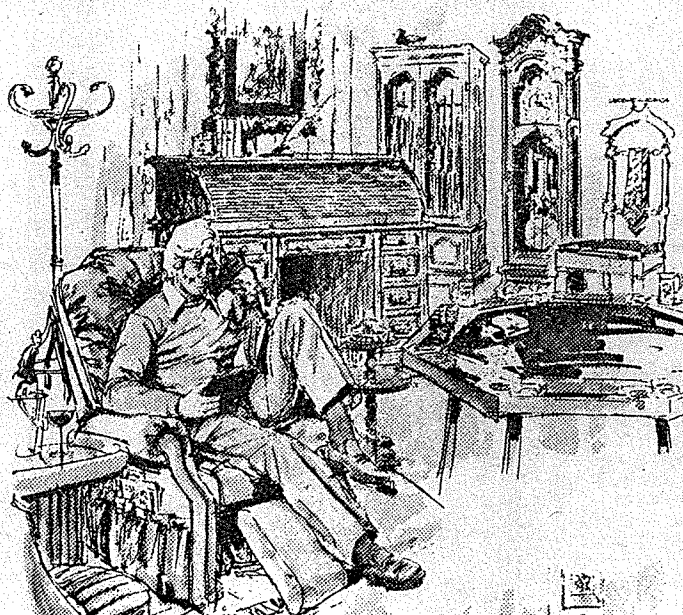
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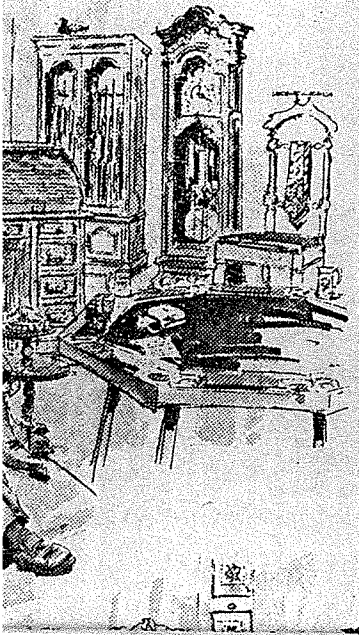
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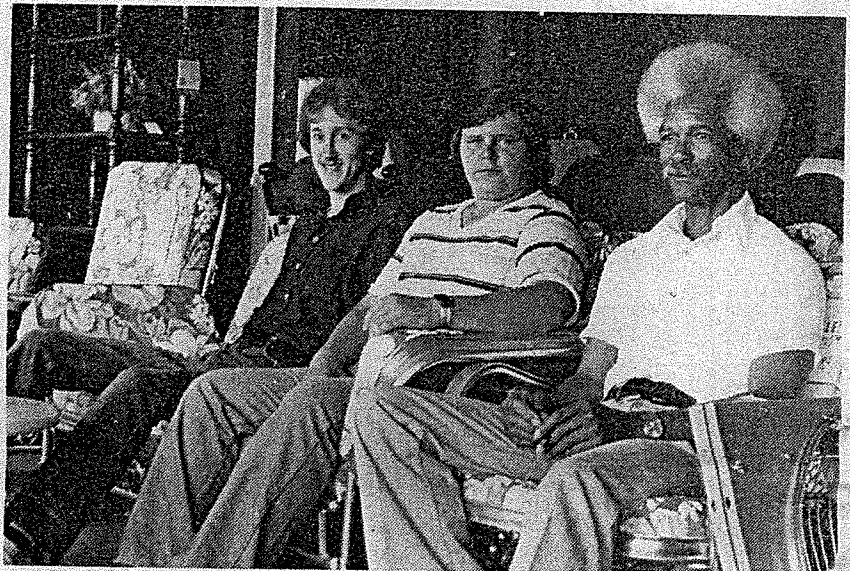


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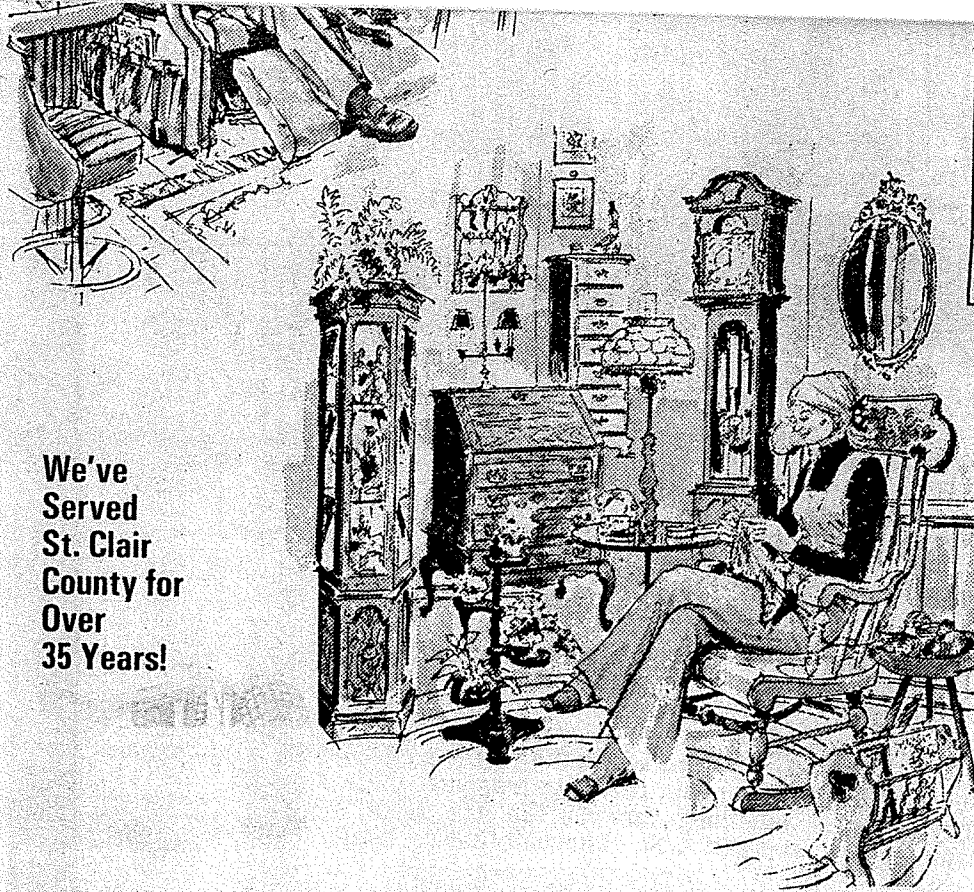
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Now, get ready for the best Bluegrass music around and you're ready for Horse Pens 40.

Once nothing more than a mountain crowned with odd-looking rock formations, Horse Pens has grown into the top Bluegrass festival in the south.

Horse Pens was the imagination of Warren Musgrove, a writer from Huntsville, who visited Chandler Mountain in the late 1950's.

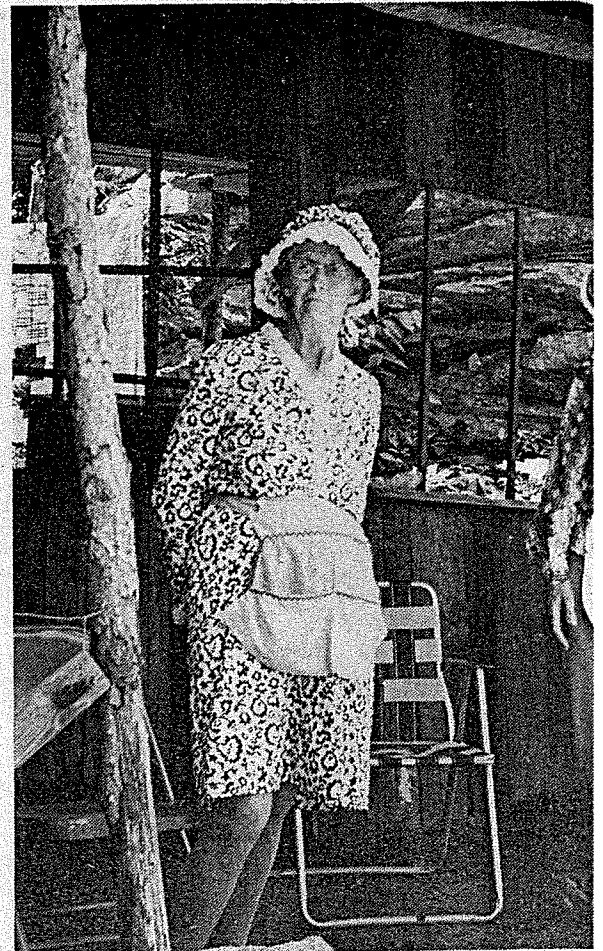
Nearly a thousand feet above the surrounding coves, the great sandstone formations, stacked 30 feet high, would provide the

perfect outdoor theatre.

Musgrove was fascinated by what he saw and he came back some four years later to develop the Pens. The grand opening was held on Labor Day, 1961, and the festival has grown to a spring and fall shows featuring the best Bluegrass artists—Doc Watson and Merle, Three on a String, The Foster Family, The McClain Family and on and on.

In conjunction with the festivals is Alabama's largest outdoor Arts and Crafts Festival with many demonstrations and good, country cooking on the side.

Today people not only from Alabama but from all over the southeast travel the trail to Horsepens 40, leaving their troubles behind and enjoying the best in Bluegrass music.



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If you don't have a bonnet, you can always buy one on the mountain at Horse Pens 40 during the combined festival and bluegrass show. Above, Mrs. Dorrie Gilliland and Mrs. Hazel Coffman display their top line of bonnets at a past festival.

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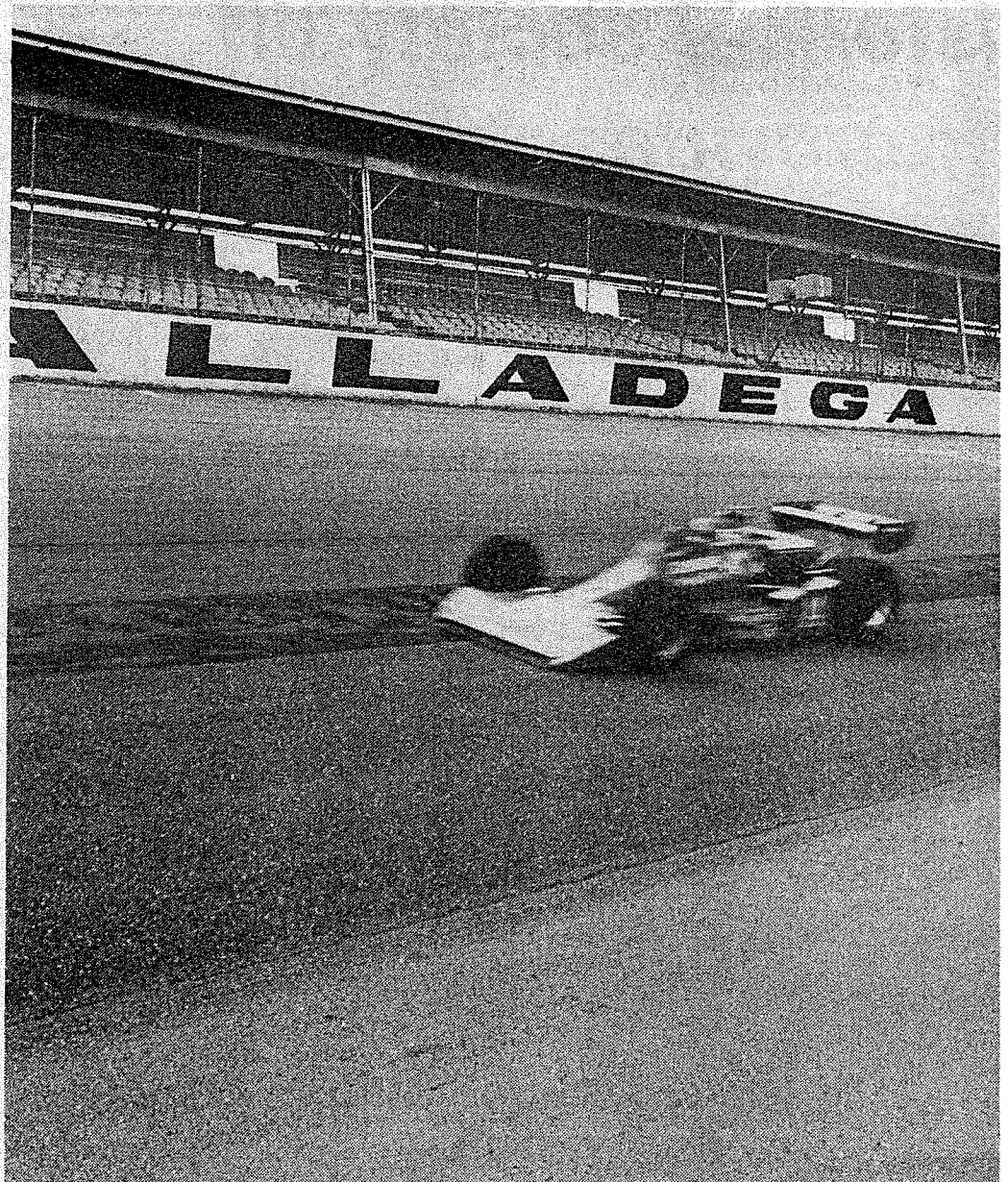
County Historical Society

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What fun it will be to picnic by the sparkling brook which turns the mill wheel while waiting to have corn ground into meal.

During each decade throughout the long history of the county important happenings have occurred here. Surely for the 1970 decade the most noteworthy was the birth of St. Clair Historical Society. Long may it live.....

Present officers are: President,Carolynn Scott, first vice-president, Niomi Lee, second vice president, Dianna Sullivan, third vice-president, Wayne Wylie, fourth vice-secretary, Vivian Qualls, recording secretary, Ann Aldridge, treasurer, Isobel Welch, parliamentarian, Elmer Welch, historian, Hope Burger, Roard members are; Alma Smith, Tracy Burger, Tera Trammell, Tom Adams, Mamie Baker and Dr. J. H. McClendon.



High Speeds At Talladega

Raceway provides excitement

If its action and excitement you're seeking, the Alabama International Motor Speedway is just minutes away from St. Clair County.

Giving race fans the Talladega 500 in the fall and the Winston 500 in the spring, AIMS provides race fans with the very best in NASCAR action.

In addition, the track offers a variety of other thrills ranging from motorcycle races to go-kart races.

Over 100,000 people sat in the hot May sun May 4th of this year for four to five hours to catch a glimpse of one of the 42 cars streak by at nearly 200 mph in the Winston 500.

Opened in 1969, AIMS is America's longest enclosed race track. The whole complex covers 1,800 acres and the tri-oval has produced some racing's exciting moments.

Almost impossible to describe, the track is 2.6 miles with banked curves five stories high and a car traveling less than 100 mph can not hold the track.

Not only do hundreds of thousands flock to the raceway each year, millions of dollars are pumped into the local economy annually from the Alabama International Motor Speedway.



High Speeds At Talladega



St. Clair's historical society off to good start; provides festival

BY MATTIE LOU CROW

"St. Clair—a county older than the state of Alabama—with no historical society? I don't believe it..."

The above remark was heard prior to 1972. That was the year that the St. Clair Historical Society was chartered. For a number of years prior to this date there were abortive efforts to

organize a heritage group. These efforts were centered around the importance of having old Fort Strother restored. At the same time many citizens were talking of the possibility of restoration for the 1820 log house in Beaver Valley known as the Lonngergan-Looney house, which was the property of Col. and Mrs. J. R. Crietz.

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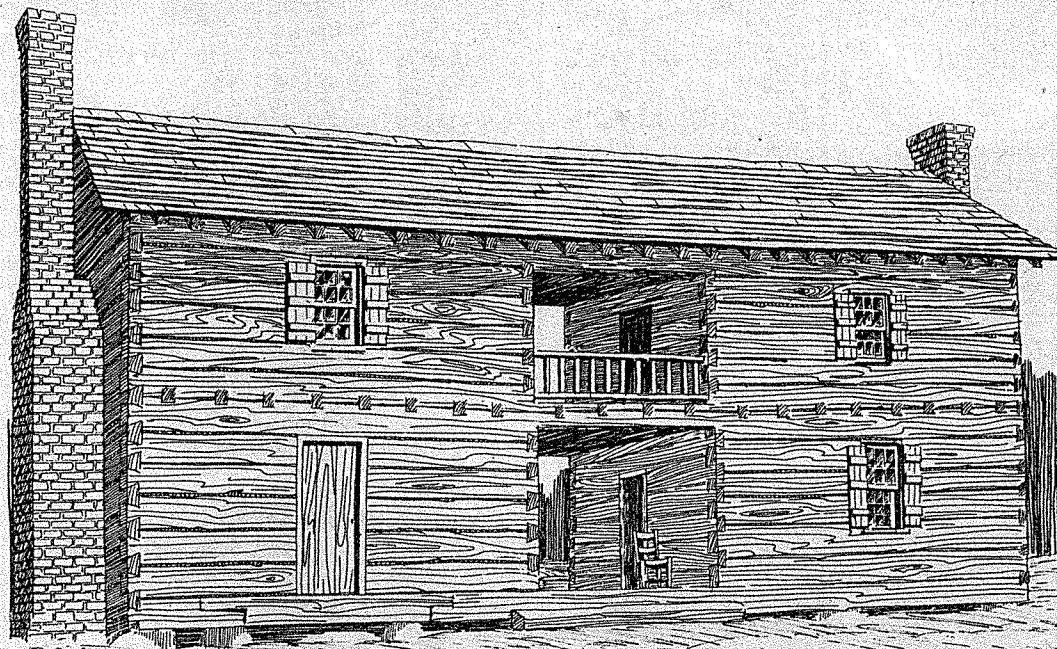
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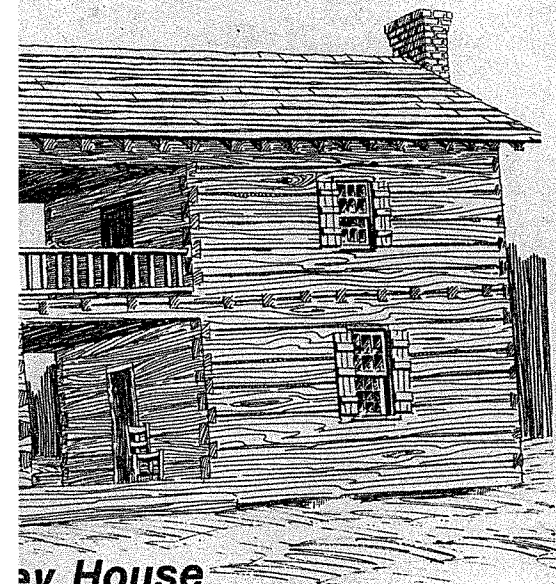
The Society owes a debt of gratitude to W. Werner Floyd, who during the organization period was the executive director of the Alabama Historical Commission. He came often to the county to advise and he spoke. He gave the society excellent coverage in the quarterly preservation report of the Alabama Historical Commission.

The society, in conjunction with the Birmingham Regional Planning Board, has surveyed the county for historic structures and historic areas. These places have been properly added to county maps.

All members have worked like beavers to accomplish the many worthwhile happenings. Along with their labor they have enjoyed many fun events: bus ride to the restored village at Westville, Ga.; to Kymulga Mill in Talladega County; and to places on interest in St. Clair County. One delightful annual event is the covered dish luncheon at Looney House in June, and the open house at Christmas is always a happy occasion. Membership in the society has brought people who love St. Clair County closer together and many lasting friendships have been made.

The present activity is the restoration of another historic site which was a gift to the society from the O'Donnell family. O'Donnell's Mill and Park, located in beautiful Shoal Creek Valley, will be ready for visitors in the not-so-far -future.

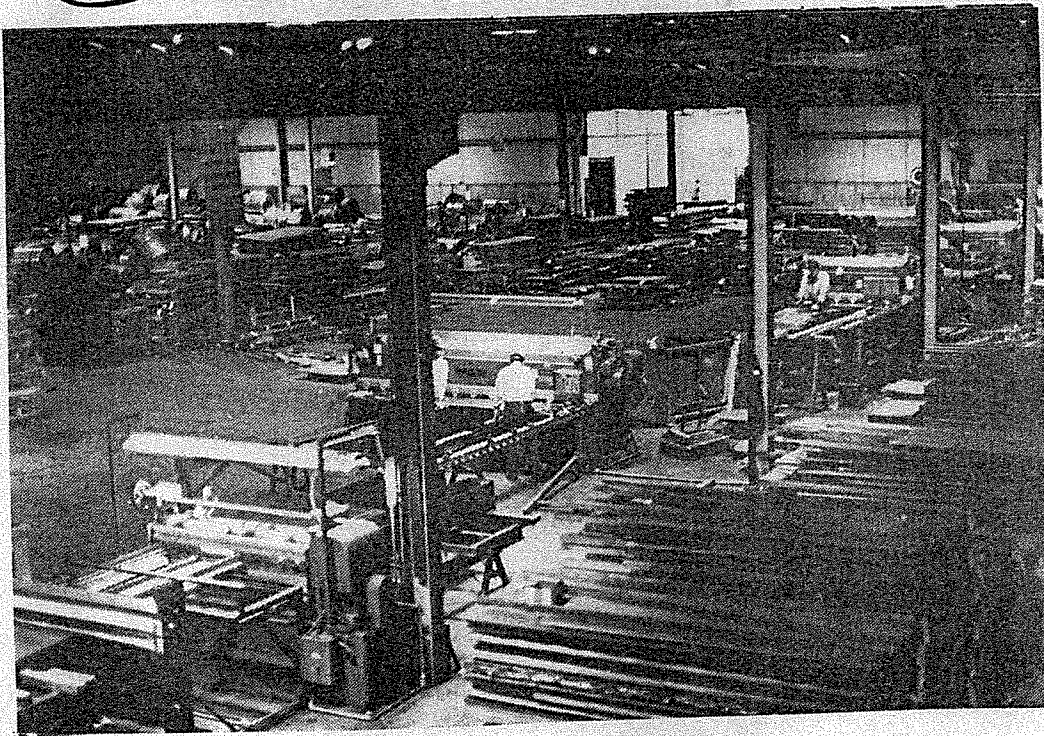
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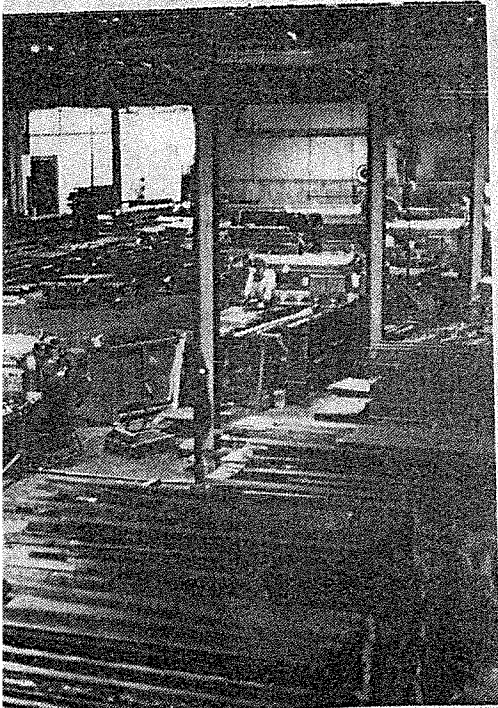
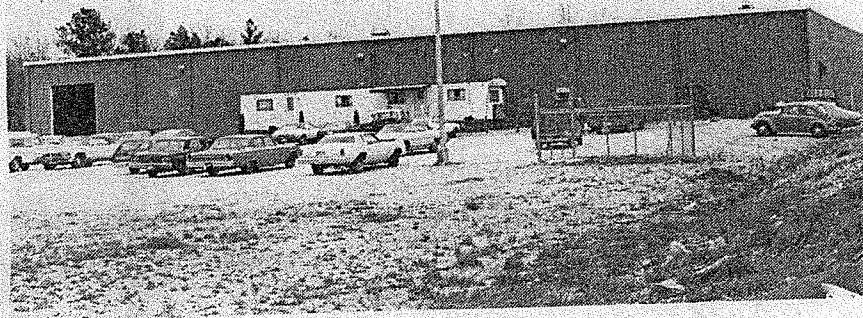
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The Dietrich organization include plants in Hicksville, Ohio, Blairsville, Penn., Baltimore, Md. and one in the Chicago Area. The Ashville plant now employs 78 and has just awarded a contract to double the size of their plant. Of course, this will mean more local jobs, more money for the community.

Plant manager Bruce Gage stated the Ashville town leaders were most helpful in the location of the plant. "We have always had a good relationship with community and the labor force in this area was exactly what we needed," added Gage.

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Sign Of Progress

One sign of progress in St. Clair County is in Pell City at the St. Clair County Hospital. Workman are busy building a fourth floor addition to the facility and soon the above picture will be obsolete as it only shows three stories. St. Clair County can be proud of its medical facilities and per-

sonnel. The county currently has as many doctors. In the next few pages you will see a wide variety of medical services provided here in progressive St. Clair County.

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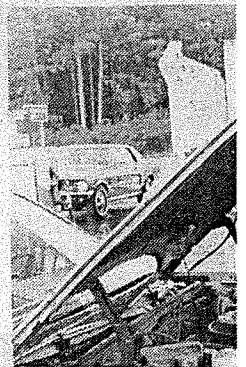


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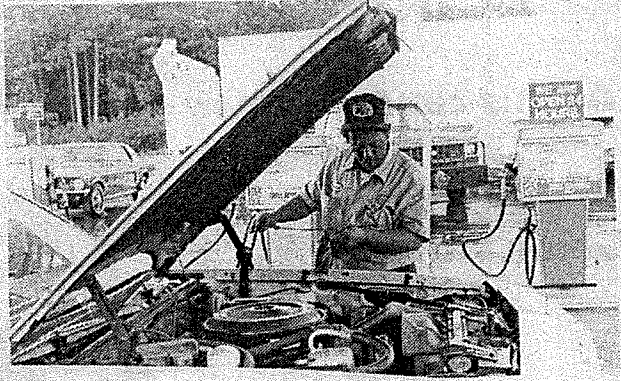
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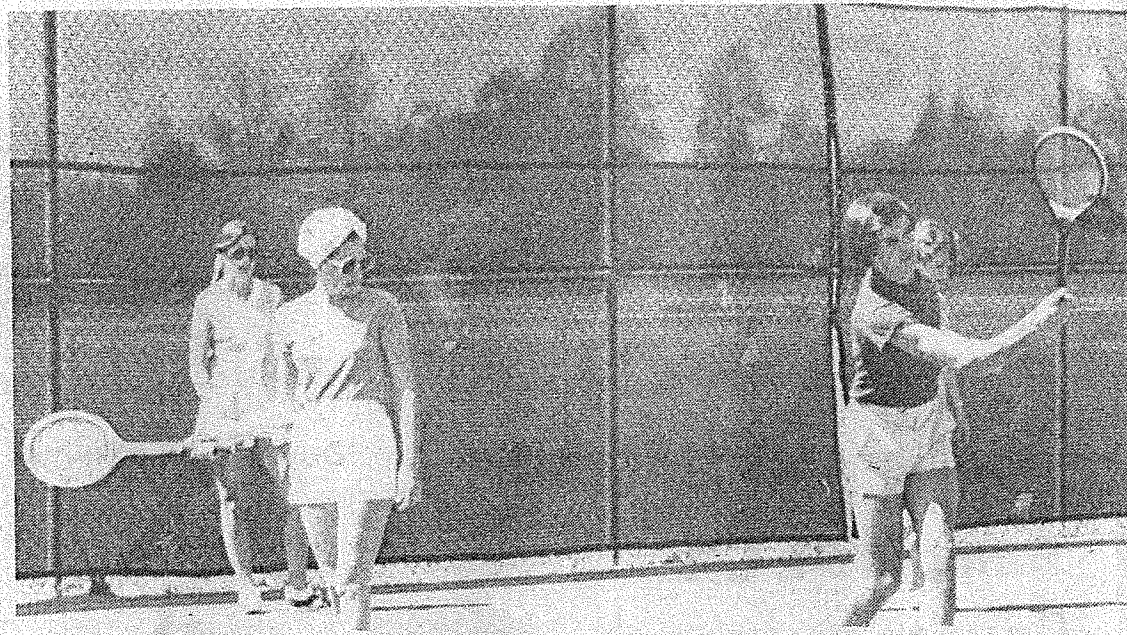
DPS is always there and in the past has helped provide emergency welfare services in the case of natural disaster.

The list goes on and on and by now one should get the impression that the Department of Pensions and Securities is a busy place, providing necessary services for a number of St. Clair County citizens.

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DPS is more than food stamps

The Department of Pensions and Security (DPS)—when most people here those initials they automatically think of foodstamps. And while the department does handle a large amount of food stamps for St. Clair County, that is not there only service.

Telephone calls in the middle of the night reporting child abuse or reporting the need of finding a temporary home for a child is one service and is not an uncommon occurrence.

Adoption service and adult foster care are also services the department handles with regularity and St. Clair County is no exception.

One may wonder what ever happend to those long lines in the courthouses at Ashville and Pell City the first of each month. This past year DPS started a new program that allows the mailing of food stamps to those recipients who are already enrolled in the program.

This is for the convience of not only the public but the department as well.

To illustrate how the food stamp program has grown in St. Clair County, in the year from October 1, 1978 to September 30, 1979, \$104,723.25 worth of food stamps were pu.chased from the local DPS offices.

In addition, \$1,509,466.75 were issued free for a total of \$1,614,190.00 to 1,133 households in the county, serving 3,771

persons.

This compares with the year starting October 1, 1972 and running through September 30, 1973, when the county was still participating in the commodity distribution program.

That year a total of \$433,118.54 worth of food or 879,179 pounds of food was processed to 815 households benefiting 2,488 persons.

According to a statement of condition published recently, DPS locally issued expenditures of state, federal and local money for financial assistance payments as follows: \$71,944.00 in old age pensions; \$39,611.00 in aid to permanently and totally disabled; \$527,511.80 in aid to dependent children; \$217 in other grants and benefits for a total of \$644,283.80.

In addition, the St. Clair DPS office made social service payments of \$44,598.70 for foster care for children; \$510.00 for child day care vendor. The report stated 310 persons enjoyed social services from the local office.

Social services include such programs as day care and foster care. Foster care is an established service in St. Clair County. Ideally, foster care is only a temporary plan for children who will be returned to their own parents or adoptive parents.

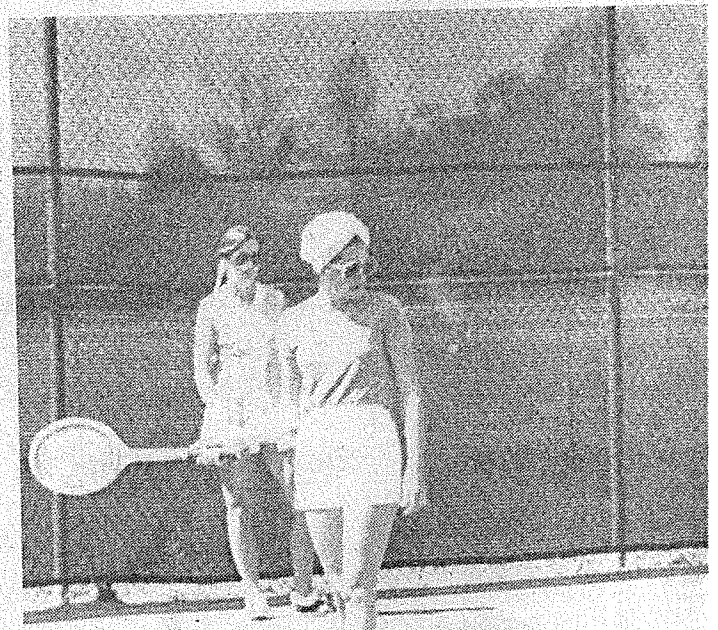
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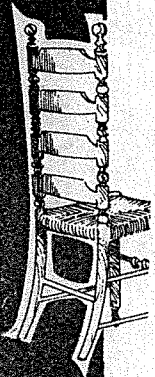
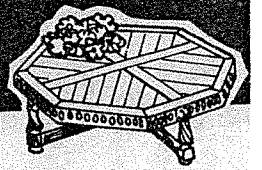
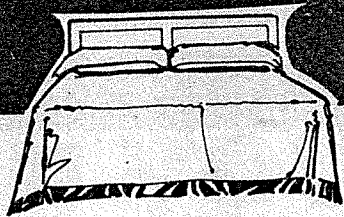
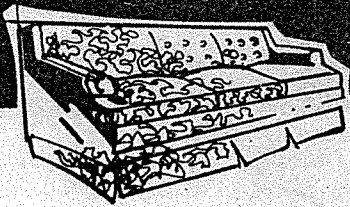
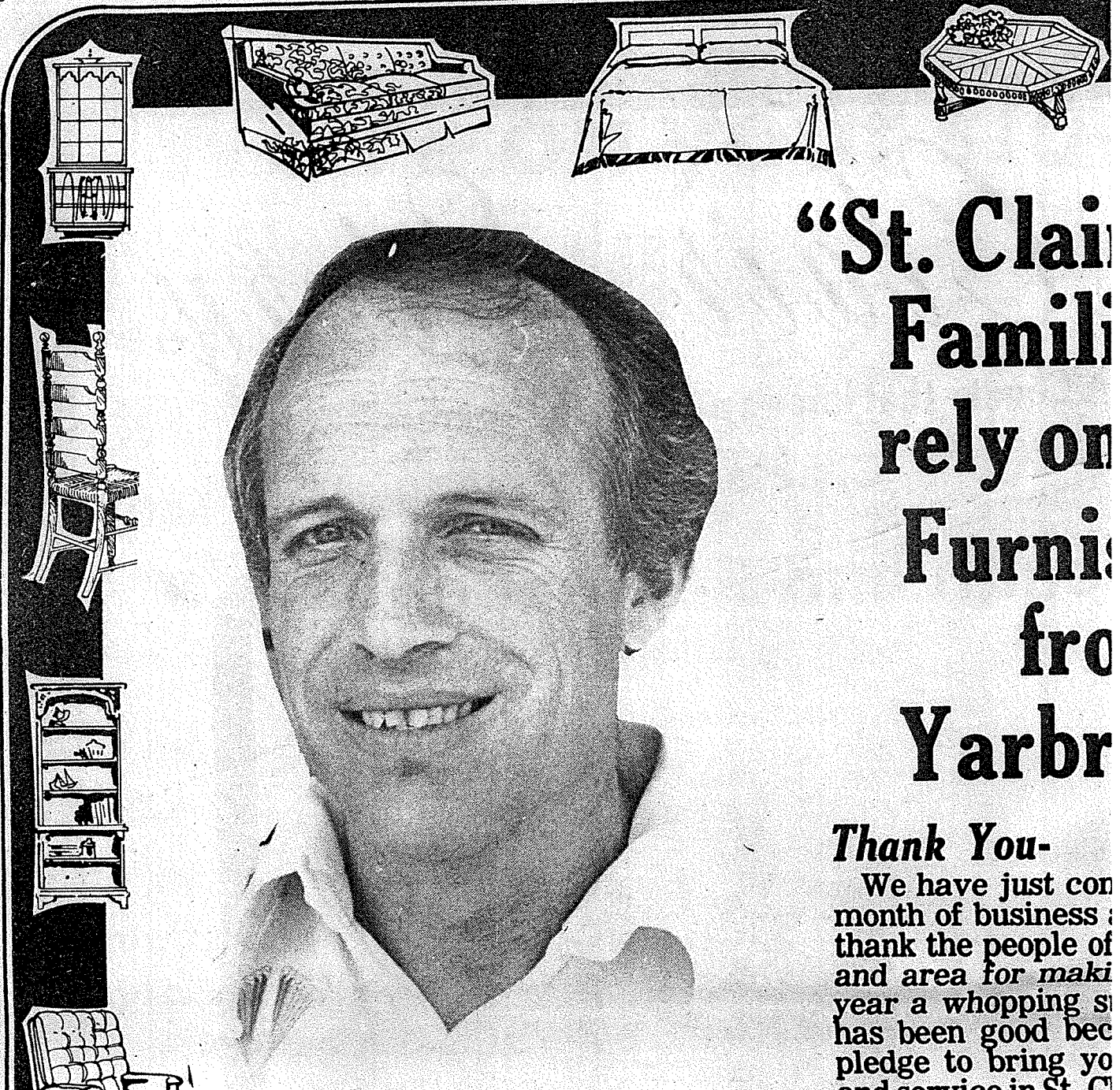
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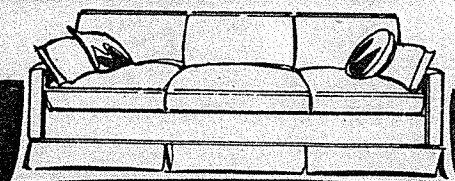
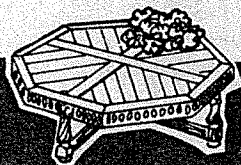
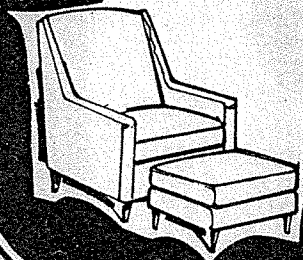
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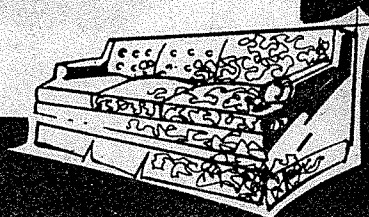
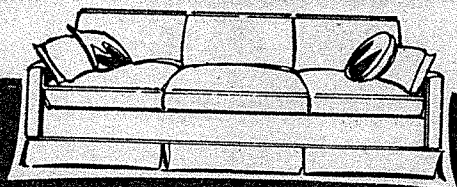
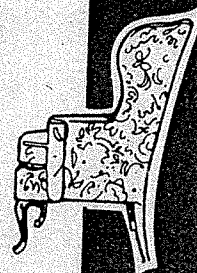
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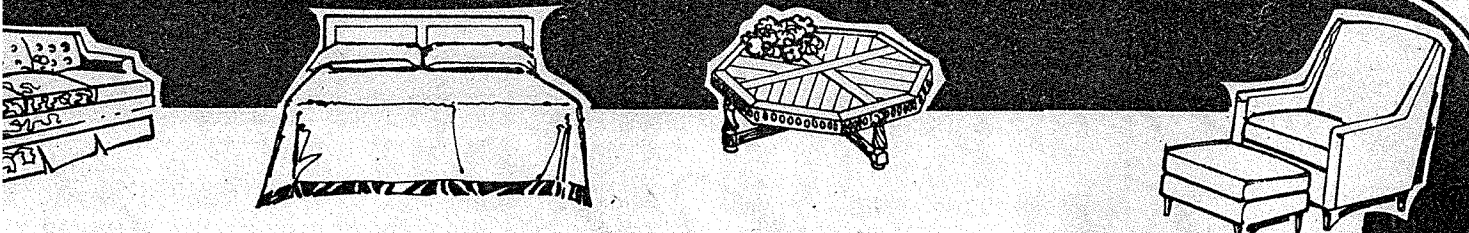
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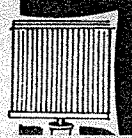
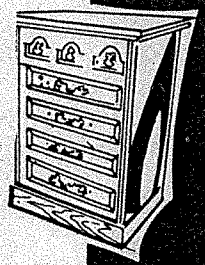


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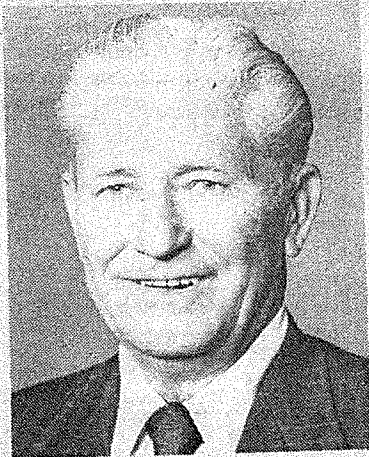
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Immunization Programs Vital

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One of the largest problems facing the health department is the lack of personnel. "We are very understaffed," Adams added.

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Another serious picture is painted by Adams when he told of the single nurse who handles the immunization programs. "She is

forced to handle on the average of 200 people in the clinic when one of the programs is underway," said Adams.

Only four nurses of the department are charged with the responsibility of taking care of the home health services, which means they leave the health offices and travel the county taking care of the medical needs of the home-bound. "We have about 100 patients all of the county now receiving our help," said Adams.

"It is a bleak situation. We are just not capable of providing the services that are required by state mandates," he added.

And with the prospect of even more cutbacks on federal funding such as the revenue sharing program, Adams is not at all convinced the problems will be alleviated.

"I confess that I have no concept as to what will happen to this entire state if the revenue sharing monies are done away with," said Adams.

Right now, the administrator is concerned with maintaining the programs that are already established, since new programs are completely out of the question.

"I have met with the members of the legislature. And, they are all very receptive to the problems we are having. They do realize what is going on. But they are faced with the problem of fighting for every little thing they can get," said Adams.



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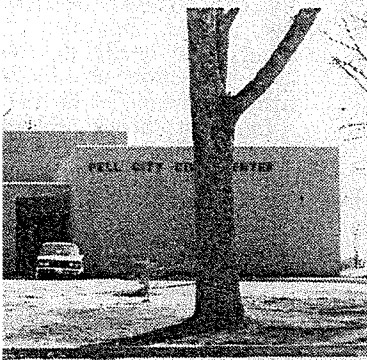
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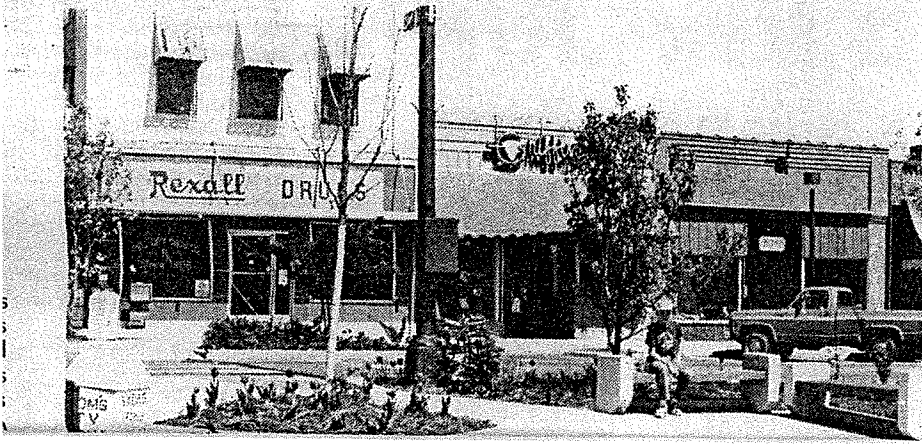
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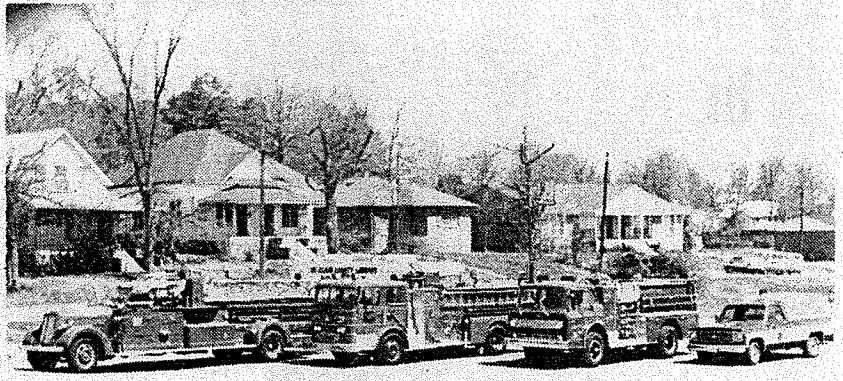
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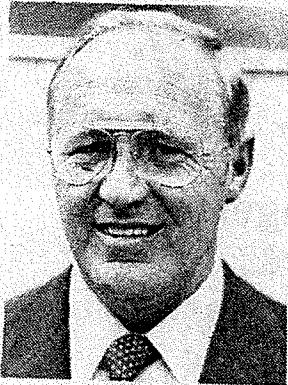


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Jack Cline Nursing Home is family owned after 25

When the Interstate Highway, 20, began to send traffic around the Moody area, Jack Cline turned his motel into a nursing home.

At least, the front portion of the motel was transformed into that enterprise, around 1956.

Ten years later a new wing was added for expansion, including private rooms.

Today, Jack Cline nursing home is operated by Ms. C. W. Bischoff, who has been a licensed administrator since 1972. She assumed operation of the home in 1970, at the retirement of her parents.

Now a completely licensed intermediate care facility, she went from a skilled classification to intermediate in 1972.

Mr. Bischoff handles assistant administrative duties with his wife.

A 49-bed facility, Jack Cline—the name of its founder is retained—is located on U. S. 78 near the Moody community.

Residents include those from mental health facilities of the state as well as welfare indigents without sponsors.

Administering daily duties is a staff of 29, including a consulting RN, consulting pharmacist and medical director plus an LPN staffer. A professional dietician handles adequately the required dietary needs of the residents, which comprise an average 98 per cent

occupancy.

Jack Cline Nursing Home features 16 private rooms.

The unit owns 80 acres of site and the physical facility occupies about six of them.

A full-time activities director keeps residents occupied in social activities, including regular Bingo sessions, church activities, ice cream socials, coordinating visiting groups from the Leeds-Moody area for special activities such as song-fests.

The Home is a fully licensed intermediate care unit, with all federally and state required safety and emergency equipment and standards.

"We probably have the highest average age of elderly here," Mrs. Bischoff noted, "with several residents in their 80's."

When weather permits, residents enjoy out-of-doors activities in what is called the "barn", an open-air area for sitting, strolling or visting. Front and back landscapes at the facility also are arranged for out-of-doors congregating areas for residents.

For regular religious services, no less than six church groups visit the facility regularly, Mrs. Bischoff poits out.

In terms of the longest operating family-owned nursing care facility in St. Clair, Jack Cline Nursing Home probably is it.

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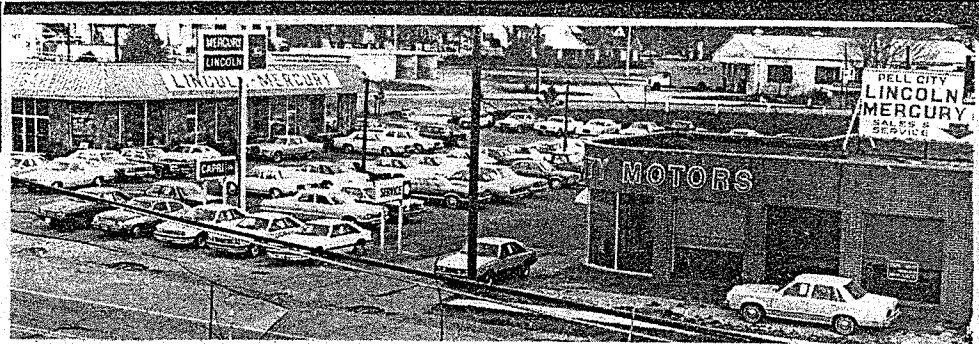
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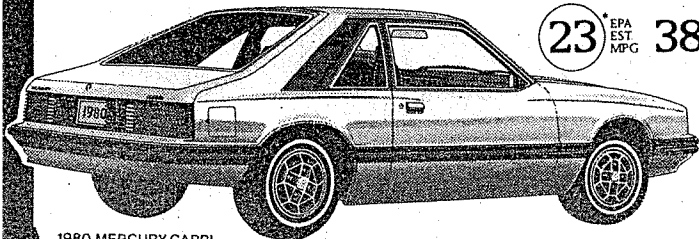
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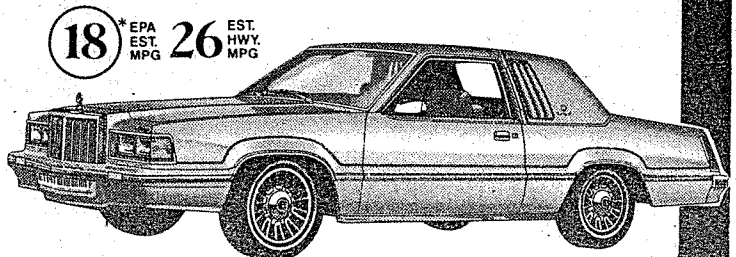
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Ingram Manor setting quiet, tranquil but residents remain happily busy

Ingram Major Manor Nursing Home opened its doors in Pell City more than 15 years ago as privately owned, but now is under the Aegis of Medi-Plex Corporation, a Jackson, Miss., based firm operating more than 40 such homes, primarily in the southeast.

Operating under all state and federal requirements and guidelines, Ingram Manor offers 74 beds for skilled, intermediate and private-pay health care services.

Occupancy at Ingram Manor, according to administrator Ms. Becky Ethridge, averages 99 per cent.

Ingram Manor does, when space allows, accept day-care residents.

Set in a stand of hardwood and pines on approximately six-acres of undulating St. Clair County land, Ingram Manor has a combined professional and non-professional staff of 58 persons, including medical, pharmaceutical, recreational advisors and consultants' including a full-time recreational and activities director at the Home.

Nearby St. Clair County Hospital affords immediate medical care when needed by residents of Ingram Manor.

Adjacent to the Home is Eden Elementary, with which the Home has an agreement to house

residents in case of natural emergency disasters concomitant with inclement weather or others that require outside resident housing.

A professionally-trained dietician directs food service for the residents, adhering to dietary needs of a wide variety.

For Ingram Manor residents, activities are continuous and well-planned. Activities director Ms. Joanne Humphreys says some regularly-planned features of the activities are monthly birthday celebrations, regular church services, volunteer reading programs, occasional outside picnicking, visiting singing groups, and, on occasion, special dinner outing for some residents.

On Thursdays a visiting instructor holds "classes" in which residents discuss a variety of subjects, in what has come to be enjoyed as a therapeutic "rap" session. Ms. Humphreys points out that those residents attending the sessions look forward with zeal to their regular "classes."

Small crafts are taught those adept at working with their hands, one project in which was turning out some 100 Easter baskets for children in the nearby Child Development Center.

"We strive for a home atmosphere here," says Ms. Ethridge. "and stay away from

the institutional impression in every way possible."

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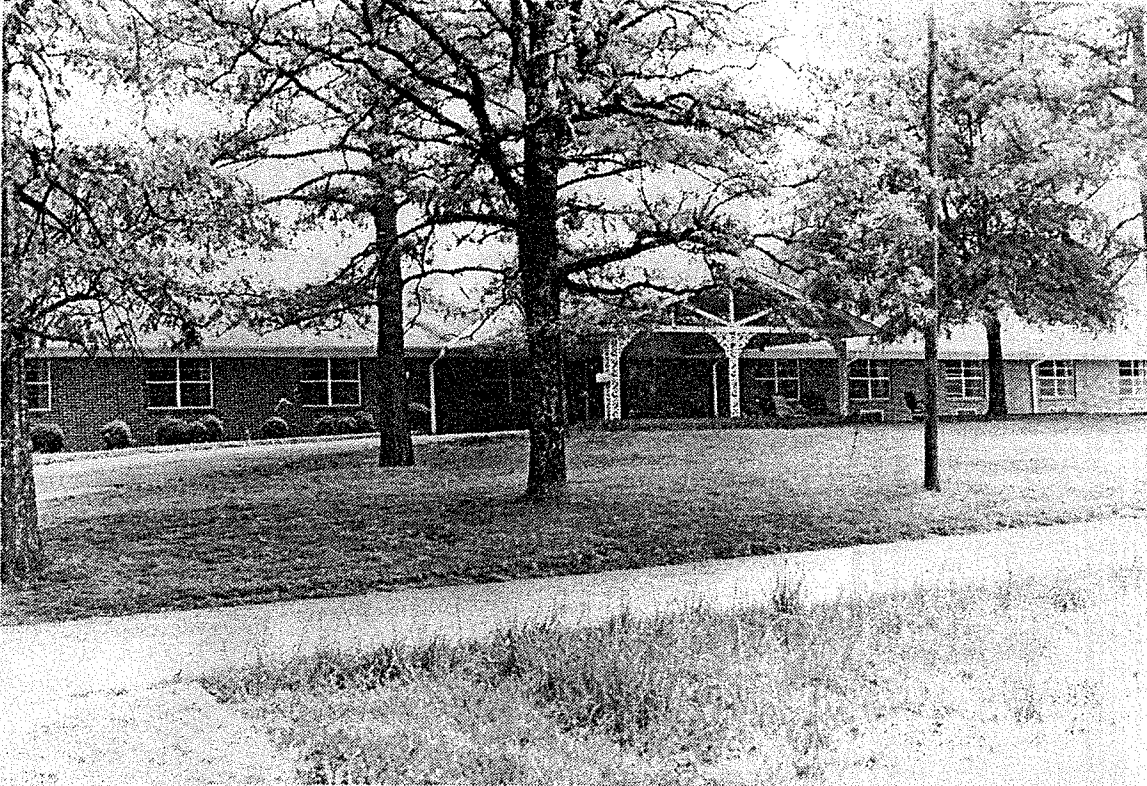
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At Ingram Manor it is evident that residents receive every facet of health care in a professional, home-type situation.



Ingram Manor's Tranquil Setting

Hospital completes decade c

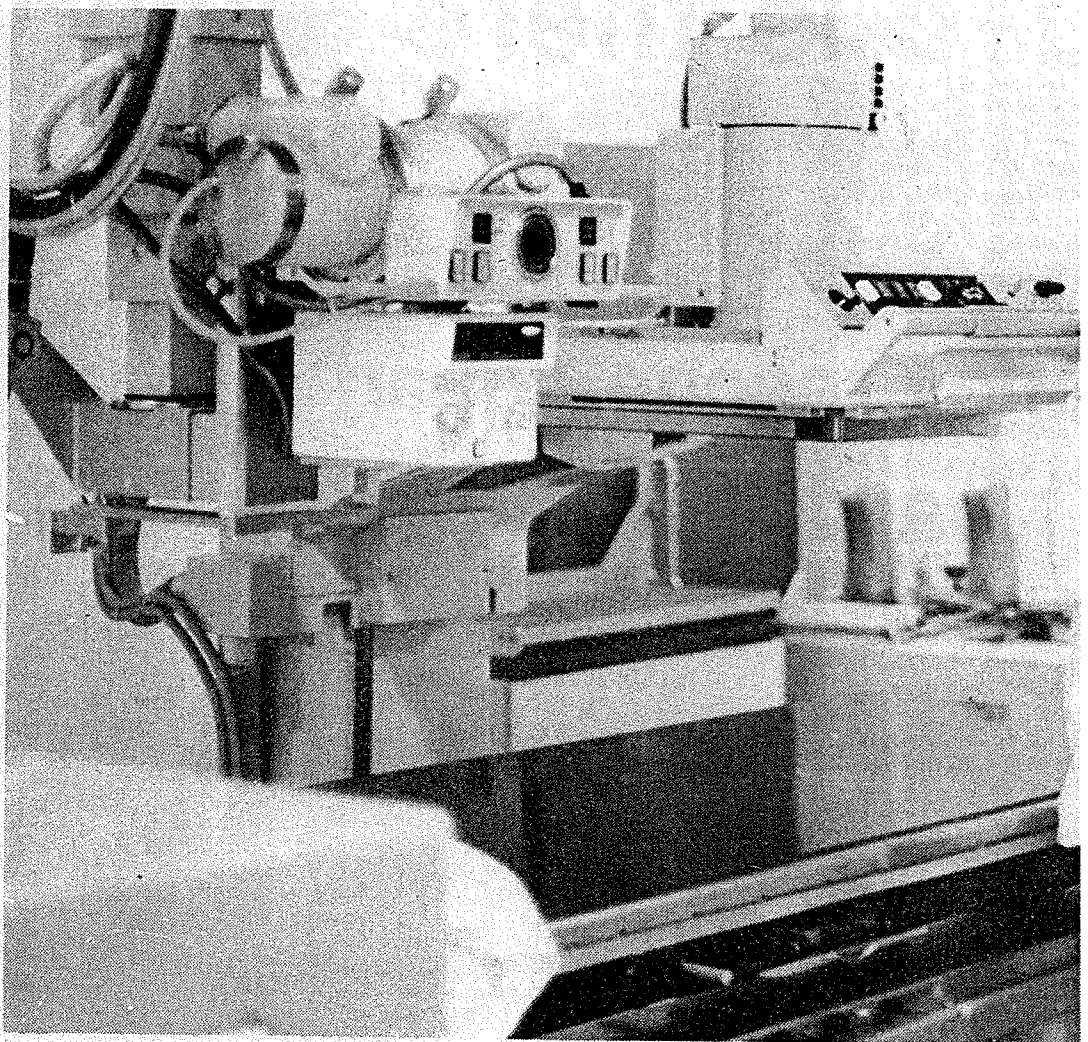
By C. M. Jones
St. Clair County Hospital
Administrator

The St. Clair County Hospital recently ended its first decade of operations. On April 1, 1970, the hospital opened officially by admitting a total of eighteen patients. Since that time more than twenty thousand patients have been admitted to this institution, with the number continuing to increase each year. We have attempted to respond to this community support by constantly striving to implement new services designed to benefit our patients and support our medical staff in developing treatment programs.

An overview of the past decade highlights some of the more outstanding achievements such as the addition of: the hospital Auxiliary, Respiratory Therapy, Physical Therapy, E R physician coverage, microfilming, computerized data system, ER renovation, a second diagnostic radiology room, EEG's, echocardiograms, nuclear medicine, orthopedics, urology, gastroenterology—and many, many more. Literally every department has expanded its horizon since its inception.

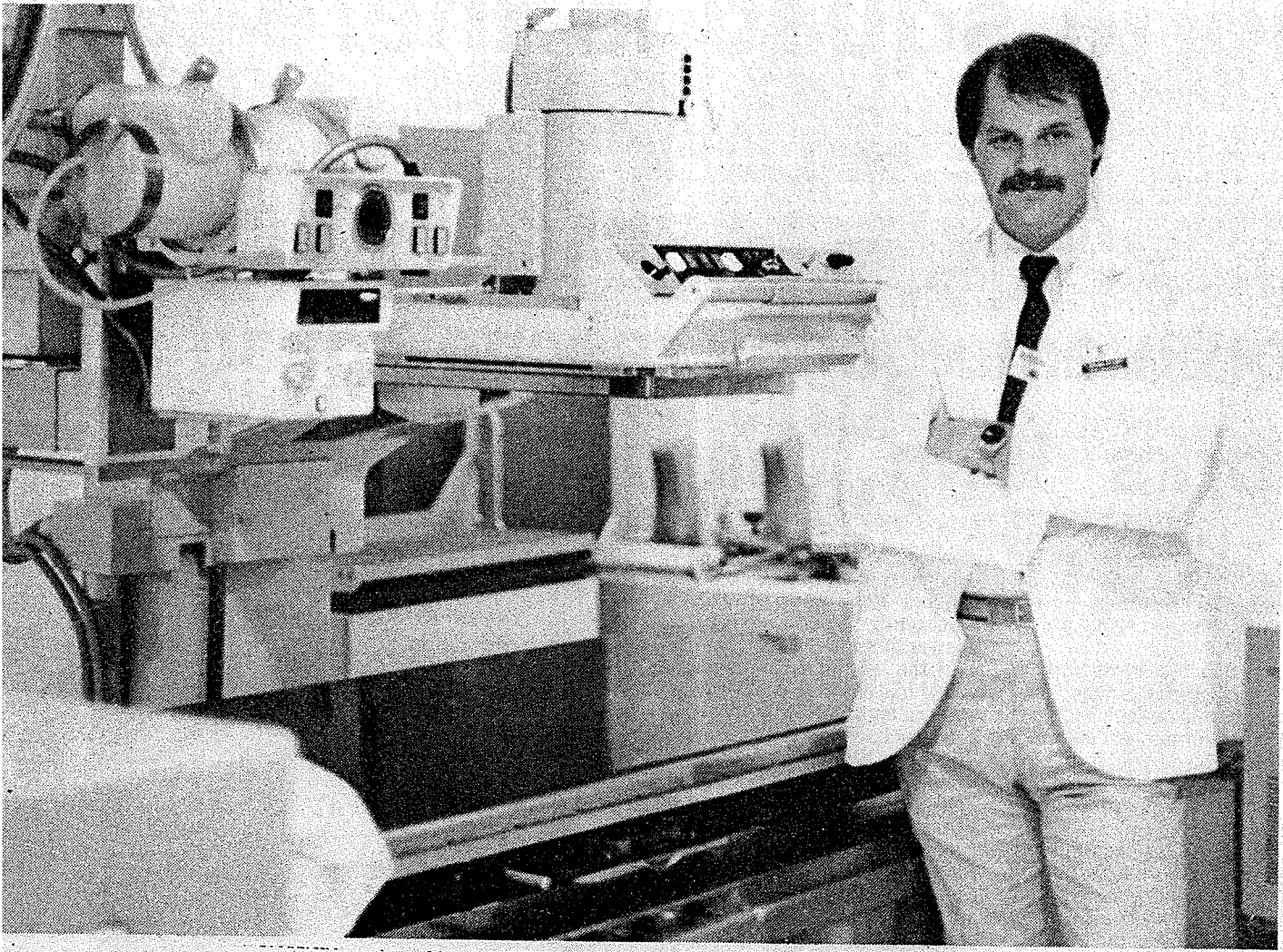
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Diagnostic Radiology Room Is Another New Feature At Hospital

Ashville-Whitney nursing home s but standards still remain high

Situated just northwest of Ashville, near I-59 and the Blount County line in St. Clair County is Ashville-Whitney Nursing Home, better known as Whitney Junction.

Smallest in the county in terms of bed numbers, the facility is a fully-licensed intermediate care home with 43 beds.

Operated by Ashville-Whitney Nursing Home Corp., it is administered by Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Terrell.

There are three private rooms and four semi-private rooms, which have not more than four beds. The remainder are considered "ward" areas.

A staff of 28 run Ashville-Whitney, including professional consultant: pharmacist, medical, R. N., dietetic, and activities and social director. The activities director is professionally trained and certified by both federal and state authorities.

In addition to the home's intermediate care residents, it also accommodate private-pay residents. The facility is built on almost five acres, with out-of-doors facilities for resident use when weather permits. "We urge our residents to get out and take advantage of good weather and exercise when they can," says administrator Terrell. He said

the facility tries urgently to promote a home-type atmosphere of living at all times for its residents, who come from virtually every county touching, and including, St. Clair.

Home visits are promoted when doctors deem a resident able to leave the home for stay with family or relatives. The facility maintains an average occupancy of more than 96 per cent, according to Mr. Terrell.

Special dietary needs are seen to by a professional dietician who, the administrator says, makes it a point to vary menus as much as possible to please the residents. He says he feels the food at Ashville-Whitney is perhaps among the better varied and prepared among the county nursing facilities.

For safety features, the home has a full emergency power generator on stand-by, a full sprinkler system, smoke and heat detectors, with emergency and power and lights tied to every room in the building, including bathrooms.

Birthday celebrations are a monthly feature at the home, groups of citizens conduct religious services regularly and special activities are planned and carried out for the holidays.

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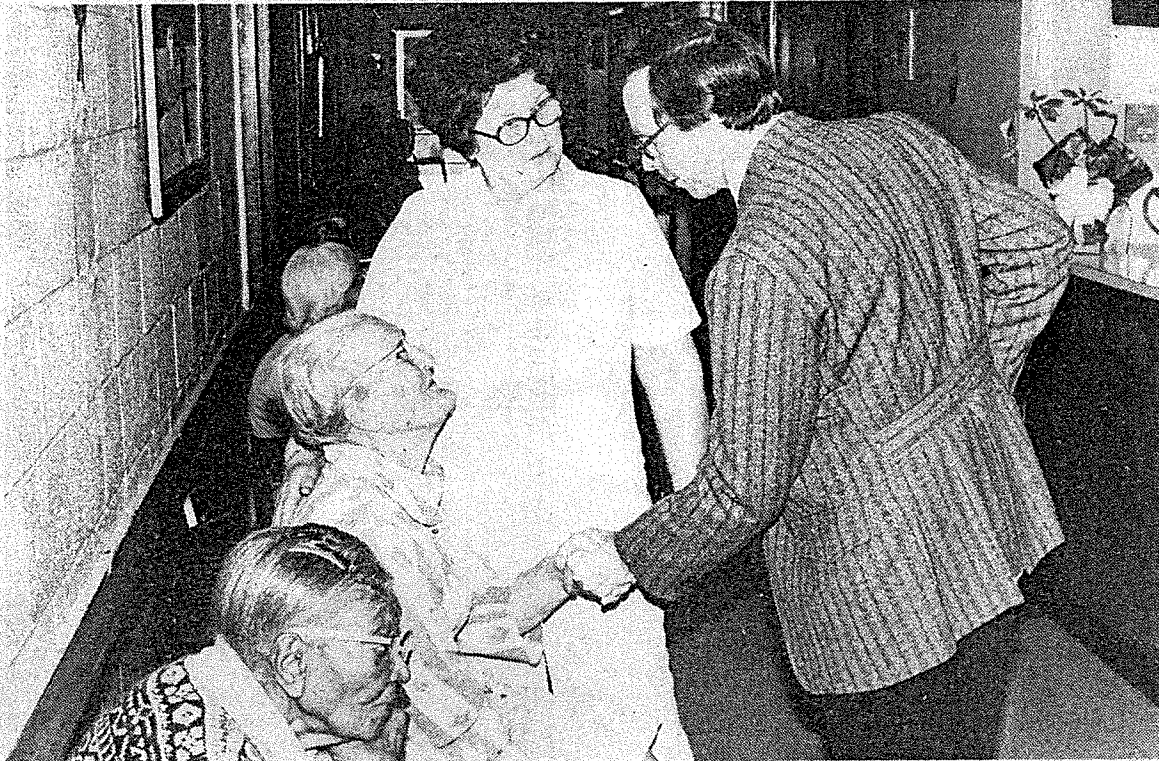
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