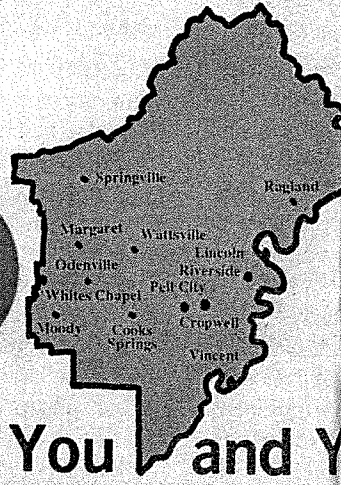


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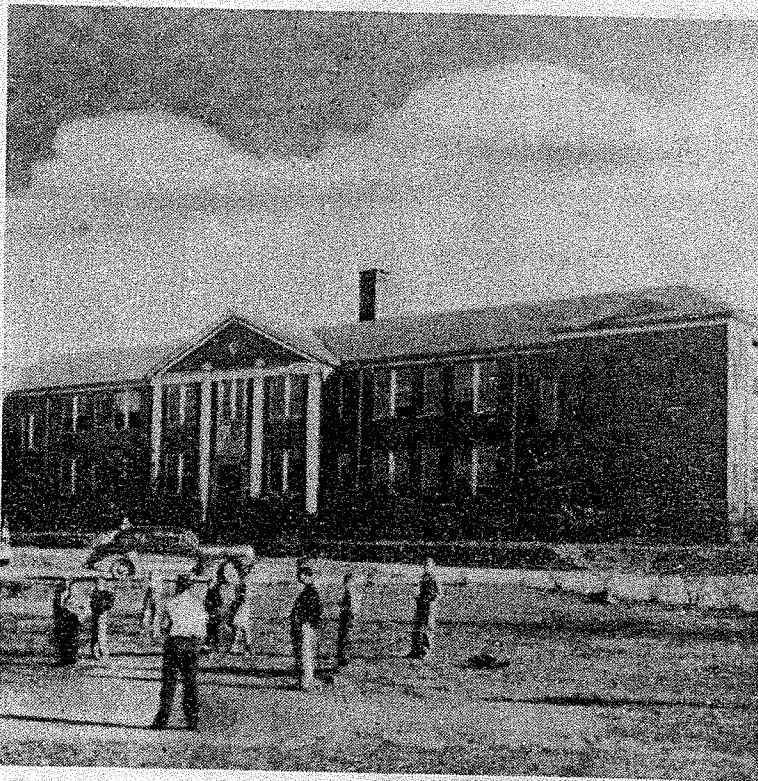
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by Bob Cornett

Isn't this a great name for a newspaper? I mean, who wouldn't like to hear a little Good News now and then? Plane crashes and riots and murders and rapes and shady stories about shady politicians and shady financiers and money-grubbing, women-loving television preachers, all make great grist for the popular journalistic mills. But one grows weary.

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THE GOOD NEWS is that Bobby Skelton, whom I still prefer to call Robert Wayne, once again brought his old hometown of Pell City some good publicity by getting himself named field judge for the Super Bowl game between the Bengals and the Forty-niners.

Those among you who do not qualify as Pell City old-timers may need to be reminded that Skelton, once the pride of Panther fans and later a Crimson Tide quarterback, has gained renown as a game official, first in the Southeastern Conference and now in the National Football League.

Skelton, who played for the Bear in the Sixties, was hired by the NFL four years

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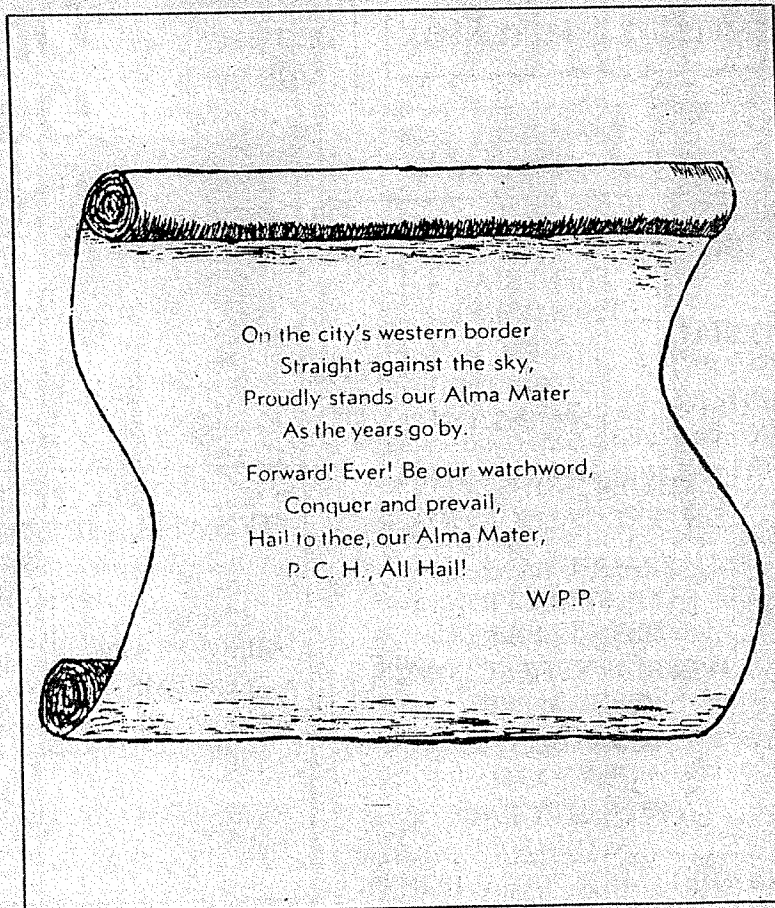
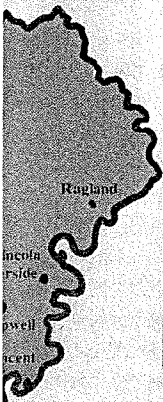


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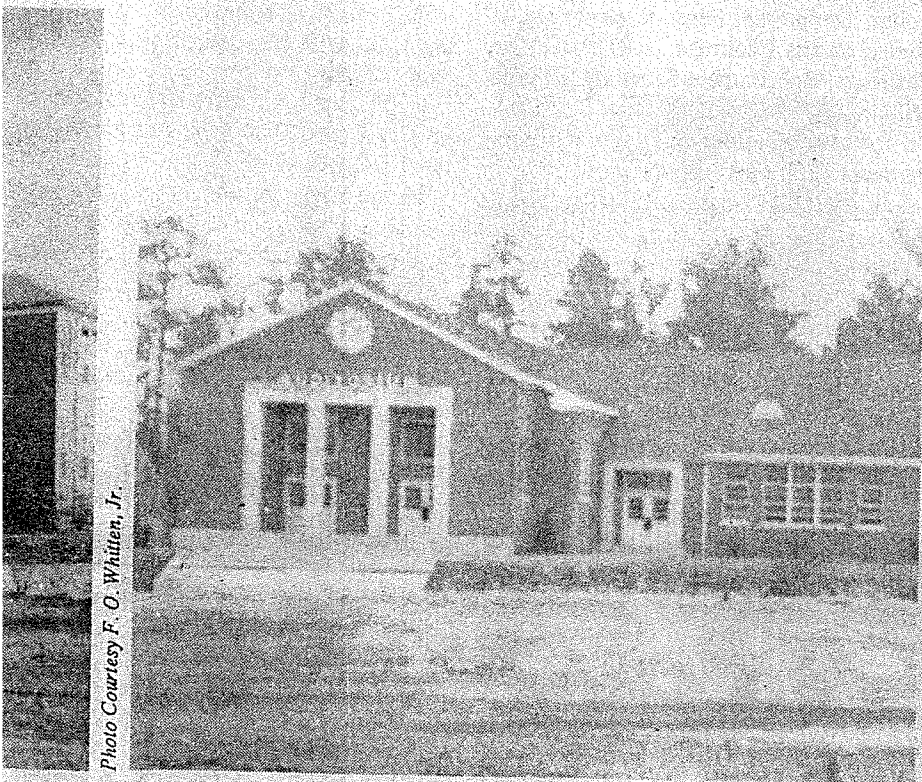


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TEACHER

School No. Cell City, Wash. Dist. Township Seventeen, Range

REPORT.	Whole number enrolled, including transfers.	Number who attended less than ten days,	Number sixteen years old who cannot read, write, or spell.	Average daily attendance.	Average age of pupils,	Orthography.	Reading.	Writing.	Geography.	Discipline and
Males.....	19		0	16	12	19	19	19	10	
Females.....	39	1	0	33	11	39	39	39	24	
Total.....	58	1	0	49	11½	58	57	58	34	
Number Days School was Taught <u>Twenty</u>										

AFFIDAVIT. I do solemnly swear that the foregoing report is correct and that I have complied with the terms of my contract of tuition of the United States and of Alabama. I further swear that I have held a legal certificate from the State Board of Education.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this..... day of....., 190...

....., Township Trustee.

WARRANT. To..... County Superintendent:

We hereby approve the above report, and authorize you to pay to the order of the said.....

\$.....; from T....., R....., \$.....; from

This..... day of....., 190...

Township Trustees of T....., R..... Township Trustees of T....., R.....

- NOTE.—1. Report of teachers for the last quarter should show enrollment
 2. The above warrant must be signed by at least two Township Trustees
 3. Never use pencil in making your reports Write plainly, and legibly
 4. County Superintendents must not pay the amount called for

A TEACHER'S QUARTERLY

en, Range *Three*, *St. Clair*

NUMBER OF PUPIL IN EACH BRANCH.

Writing.	Geography.	Physiology and Hygiene.	Arithmetic.	Grammar.	U. S. History.	Physics.	Algebra.	History of Alabama.	Geometry.
<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>7</i>		<i>1</i>		
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Number of Visits by Township Superintendent.....*2*

is of my contract to the best of my ability. I further swear that I have carried out the
 rom the State Board of Examiners for the entire time called for in this report. So help me
 190...

nsnip Trustee.

....., Teacher, the followi
 ; from T....., R....., \$.....

....., R.....
 Township Trustees of T....., R.....

ould show enrollment, daily average, number of days taught, etc., for the entire session.
 east two Township Trustees of each Township from which you expect to draw your public
 Write plainly, fold carefully, and keep your reports neat and clean.
 amount called for in this report unless every blank necessary is filled.

12th
quarter ending

29th, 1902

Number Transferred from other Districts.			Monthly pay from fund of Township in which School is located..... \$-----	
Township.	Range.	Number Transferred.		
			Monthly pay for transfers:	
			From T-----R-----	
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Number of Teachers' Institutes Attended... 0

as to teaching every pupil in every grade Physiology and Hygiene and the Consti-

R. E. Cooley Teacher.

P. O. Address, Pell City, Alabama.

of Poll Tax, to-wit: From T....., R.....
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....., R..... Township Trustees of T....., R.....

O. D. Duran's Death Shocks Community

Our town should be getting used to shocks. A few weeks ago a fine young man and a beautiful little girl of our community lost their lives in an automobile wreck.

Tuesday morning it was the sudden unexpected death of Orville David Duran that was a shocker, a real jolt to the happiness of this community. When death comes to anyone it is an awesome thing, but when news of the death of a well known and highly respected and loved member of the community comes singing over the wires early of a morning it is something that

gets hard to live with.

O. D. Duran, as he was known to a legion of friends, was 50 years old. In that comparatively short span of half a hundred years he had accomplished more than many of us do in more than a lifetime. He was born on a farm near Albertville in Marshall county. He formed early plans for an education, after high school attended Jacksonville State, Howard College and finally the University of Alabama where he won his Masters Degree after an earlier degree at Howard.

He worked hard for his education. He taught school and returned to college, going in the summer months, at any time he could make a chance for himself. He came to Pell City in the late 1930's, first worked in the then new farm program with the Extension Service. Then he started teaching school, at Pell City's Grammar school, and as his own personal education progressed at Pell City's junior high school, and then after his Masters degree was principal of Pell City high school. While principal at Pell City he was

a candidate for and was elected Members of the class with ed County Superintendent of ways like to thing so. Mer Education, a position he held of the class will tell yo with distinction at his death, was the finest teacher

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July 1, 1965

Community

Members of the class will always like to thing so. Members of the class will tell you he was the finest teacher they have ever heard, and they came eagerly every Sunday morning to hear his words. His interpretation of and memory of the Bible was amazing. We buried this most useful man Wednesday afternoon on the last day of June. His pastor, Dr. Austin F. Staples, Jr., flew back from a Baptist convention in Miami to conduct the services. He was assisted by two other devout ministers, Rev. Marvin Heflin and Rev.

Laney Bain. Services were conducted at the First Baptist church, where he was a member for many years and a church to which he had devoted so much service and where he had spent so many happy hours. Interment was in Valley Hill cemetery. The gracious funeral was directed by the ever reliable Joe Kilgroe and his able assistants. He leaves behind a devoted wife, Mrs. Janice Duran, two children, James Edward Duran and a daughter Mrs. Sandra Barrett, and two sisters Miss Lellia Duran and Mrs.

Deland Crowe. Pall bearers were Paul Turner, Judge Hoyt Hamilton, Ed Holladay, Hugh Hardy Williamson, David Jackson and Elza Sims. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Barraca Class, County Board of Education, all ministers of the county, all school principals in the county, Pat Robertson, Roy Gibson, Travis DuBoise and Carl Riddle. Orville Duran's life could be well written with this sentence: "A lifetime of service dedicated to Christian religion and to education." (cb)



ORVILLE D. DURAN

School Name To Be Changed; Governor Wallace Is Speaker



MISS IOLA ROBERTS
... School Named For Her

Members of Pell City Lions Club will see one of their top projects become reality Sunday when the name of the South St. Clair Elementary School will be changed to the Iola Roberts School, thus honoring a Great Lady who has perhaps taught school continuously in St. Clair county longer than any other person.

Governor George Wallace will help the people of Pell City and St. Clair county do honor to Miss Roberts in a program that starts at 2:30 Sunday afternoon at the school and ends at four o'clock. A reception inside the Iola Roberts School will follow the program.

The program has been set up for outside, but in case of rain or extremely cold weather it will be held inside the auditorium.

Governor Wallace will make the main dedicatory address. He will be introduced by Col. J. Craig Smith, president of Avondale Mills. Other dignitaries to be invited include Austin B. Meadows, state superintendent of education, Mayor Otis Perry, Judge Hoyt Hamillon. Pell City High School band will make

music and Pell City Boy Scouts will direct traffic.

Miss Iola Roberts has taught in St. Clair county a total of 43 years. Forty-five of the years has been in Pell City. Prior to coming to Pell City she taught a total of three years at Ashville and Ragland. She has taught in Pell City schools since the fall of 1920, first at Avondale Mills school and later with the merged school known as South St. Clair School.

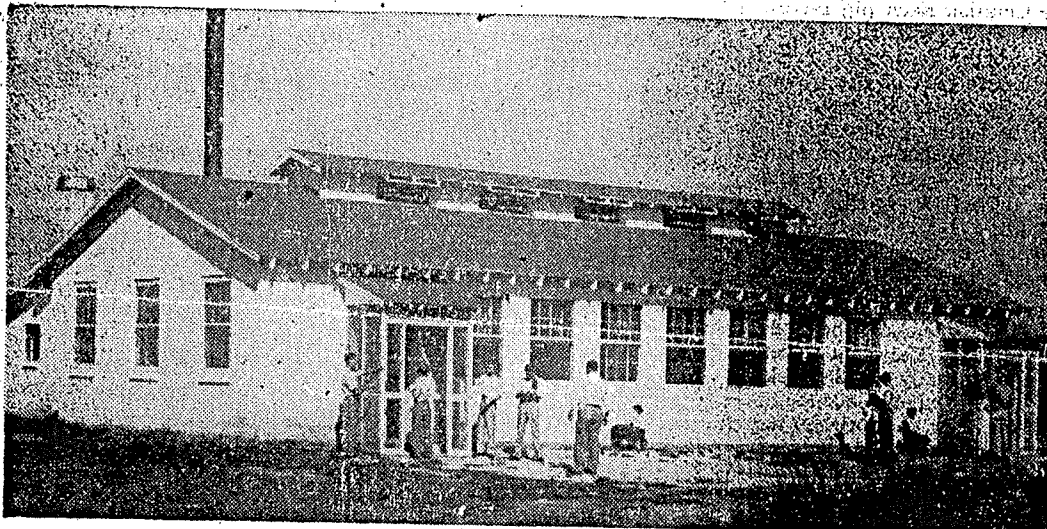
The resolution sponsoring changing the name of the school was adopted as a project by the Pell City Lions Club, sent to the state legislature where it was passed and made official and signed by Governor Wallace.

Miss Roberts was educated in the schools of her home town of Wadley, Ala., Huntington College, Auburn and did special work at Columbia University. She did continued work at Auburn where she was awarded a Masters Degree.

Miss Roberts is not only a dedicated teacher, but is a community leader and builder and is always interested in the spiritual and cultural life of the people. She gives her time and money freely to every worthy cause. She has been an active member of the Pell City First Methodist Church for 45 years participating in the various programs of the Church.

In the field of education she has made contributions in many areas. She is a member of A.E.A., N.E.A. Classroom Teacher's Association, Principal Associations and Delta Kappa Gamma, the highest classroom teachers professional fraternity.

She has always been an influence in the Civic affairs of our County. She is a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club, St. Clair County Development Committee and was one of the organizers and guarantors of St. Clair Federal



The Pell City canning plant will be a duplicate of the one shown in the above picture.

Huge Canning Plant To Be Constructed At High School

The Pell City High School has been selected as one of twenty-three centers in Alabama for community canning plants, according to an announcement made today by Roy Gibson, County Superintendent of Education.

The Pell City plant will have a daily capacity up to 5000 cans of fruits, meats, and vegetables, and will be housed in a modern building with 1900 square feet of floor space. The last word in canning equipment will be installed according to Mr. Gibson. Supervision of this program will be under the direction of J. W. Locke teacher of vocational agriculture, and the local F. F. A. Chapter.

Use of the plant will be opened to the entire public of St. Clair and surrounding territory, Mr. Gibson said. It was emphasized that those who take advantage of the plant will do their own work, including the preparation of foods and the actual canning; however, proper supervision will be under the direction of the teacher of agriculture and home economics.

Some of the reasons why people like to use the community food plant are that it (1) saves times, (2) reduces labor, (3) eliminates drudgery operations, (4) lowers cost, (5) provides supervision, (6) adds to safety of products processed, (7) insures greater variety of foods for home use, (8) makes it unnecessary to provide home food preservation equipment, (9) keeps "messy" jobs out of the homes, (10) encourages all members of the family to assist in the work of food preservation, (11) popularizes food preservation and provides a community social center where workers may meet and visit with friends and neighbors.

Our wartime food situation emphasizes the desirability of community cooperation in the preservation of foods for home use. After the present emergency is over, these plants will be just as useful, just as practical, just as desirable as they are today.

Community food preservation centers are permanent institutions. They simply provide new and better methods of doing the work and lift home canning and

other food preservation tasks out of the hose and buggy stage of development.

As pointed out by R. E. Cammack, State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, it was once thought that our only food problem was to produce more of it. The general conception of a complete food program today does not end with only the production. There are many phases to a complete food program which should include: (1) planning the food need, (2) producing the food proficiently, (3) canning/preserving and conserving food, and (4) preparing the family meals.

Our teachers of vocational agriculture and home economics well realize that food has won wars, and that the lack of food has lost wars. Food today is playing a vital part in the winning of this great war. Credit for the continuous line of nourishment that flows to our boys on the fighting front, to those on the home front, and to the millions of people in the famine stricken areas goes to the many farmers and farm women who are toiling night and day to meet this emergency.

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Guardsmen arrived on the scene early Wednesday morning, bringing with them two large boats of the type used in pontoon bridge building.

The search continued on a 24-hour schedule, much of the time in driving rain, and extended from the Highway 78 bridge at Riverside, where the drowning occurred, to as far down the river as Lock Five.

Game Warden Morris said he is very grateful to the National Guardsmen for the part they took in the search. "They did a fine job", he said, "and deserve a lot of credit".

A Salvation Army emergency food service unit from Anniston was on hand continuously to supply the searchers with hot soup, coffee, sandwiches, etc. Major Robert Bott, commander of the Anniston Corps, said that he was contacted at a little past midnight on the night of the drowning, and that he had a unit on the scene about two hours later. They remained until the body was found Monday morning.

Crowds estimated in the thousands thronged the banks of the river over the weekend, and throughout last week to watch the logging operations.

Sally Inzer *2-21-57*
New Reg
Named Chairman
of Heart Drive

Miss Sally V. Inzer, Manager of Alabama State Employment Service and vice for St. Clair County is chairman of the 1957 Heart Fund Campaign in St. Clair County, Dr. J. Finney, president of the Alabama Heart Association, announced recently.

The Alabama Heart Association, which is affiliated with the American Heart Association, is conducting an annual fund-raising drive from January 1 through 28. The campaign will reach a peak on Heart Day, February 24, with a door-to-door collection by scores of local Heart Fund volunteers. Last year a total of \$200 was collected for the Heart Fund in St. Clair County, a major portion being raised here and in the state to support local heart programs. This is not enough. St. Clair County has set for \$1700 in

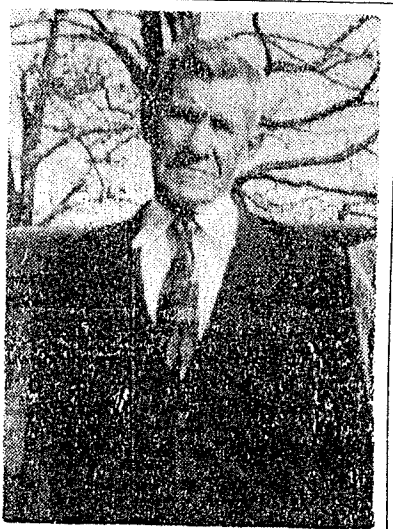


**NOW IT'S NO MORE
To Make Way For Progress**

Take a good long look, (cry if you want to) all you who attended school in the old red brick schoolhouse pictured above. Unless some of you already have a picture in your possession, this will perhaps be your last chance for a long look. (Why don't you cut the picture out and keep it?) Built in 1906

with the Gertrude Tilton auditorium added a few years later, the building has been torn down to make way for Pell City's new and modern city hall which is to be built on the spot. Built with funds derived from a city-owned dispensary in the early part of the century, the building first housed both

the high school and the elementary school, later was used as an elementary school only after the new high school was built. R. P. Henderson and Son was low bidder on the project. They expect to complete the new city hall in about 8 months. (News-Aegis photo).



WILL R. CLINE
Buried Tuesday
Services Held For
William R. Cline

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday for William Robert Cline at the Cedar Grove Baptist Church. A resident of Eden, Rt 1, he passed away Sunday p.m. at the age of 79. Rev. O. A. Forehand officiated; Kilgroe Funeral Home was in

BROMPTON-EDEN LINK NEXT

**Plans Stepped Up For
New Four-Lane Highway**

Construction of super highways through St. Clair, Jefferson and adjoining counties that will mark changes in the topography of this end of Alabama may be started earlier than most have anticipated.

G. C. Davis, chief of the State Highway Department's engineering crew in this area, said location of the link connecting the four-lane highway from Red Diamond to Brompton had been completed and work on the construction plans has been going forward for several weeks.

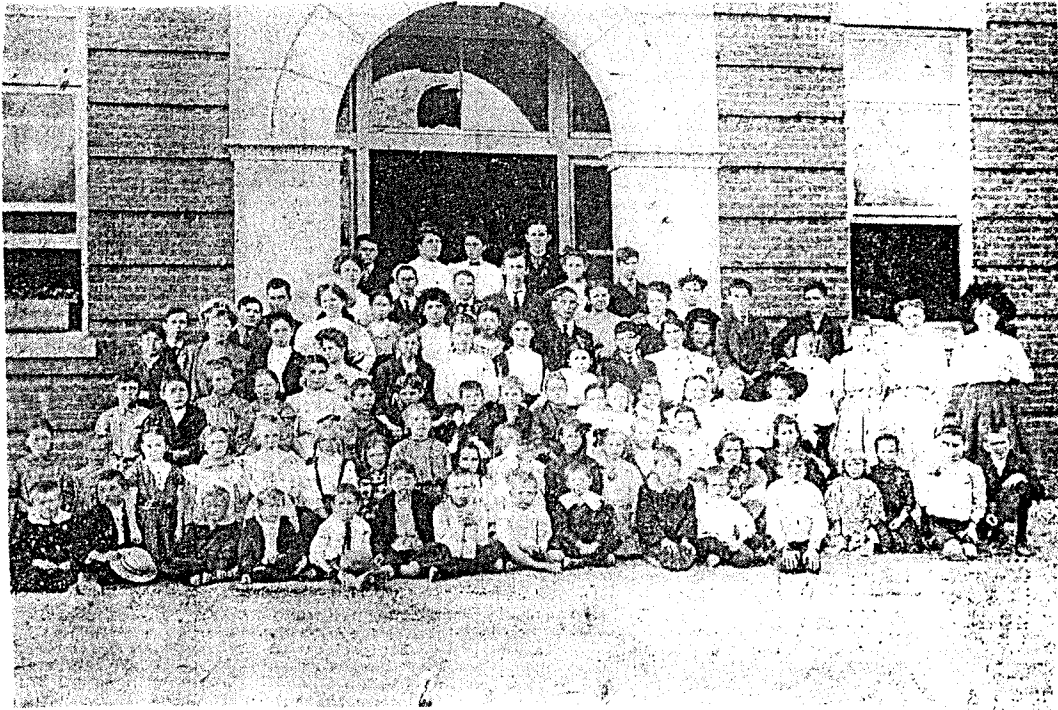
Davis said right-of-way was being bought at present and that the highway department had tentative plans to let the job for construction in May of this year. This would mean that actual work would get started in late May or early June.

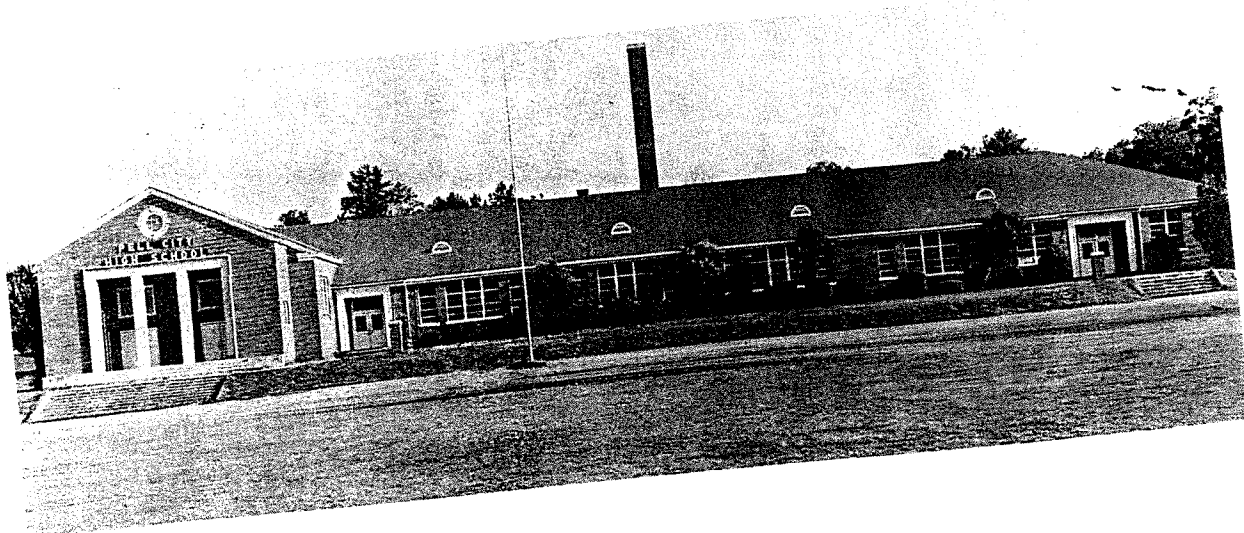
to cross the Leeds-Ashville road a little more than a mile north of the Leeds business district. It will go through the Manon DeShazo home place north of Leeds, about one-quarter mile north of Cedar Grove cemetery.

The Eden to Coosa river link will cross highway 231 slightly more than a mile above the Pell City business district, according to present plans. The road is located a short distance south of the Riverside cemetery and a four lane modern bridge spanning the Coosa is being planned.

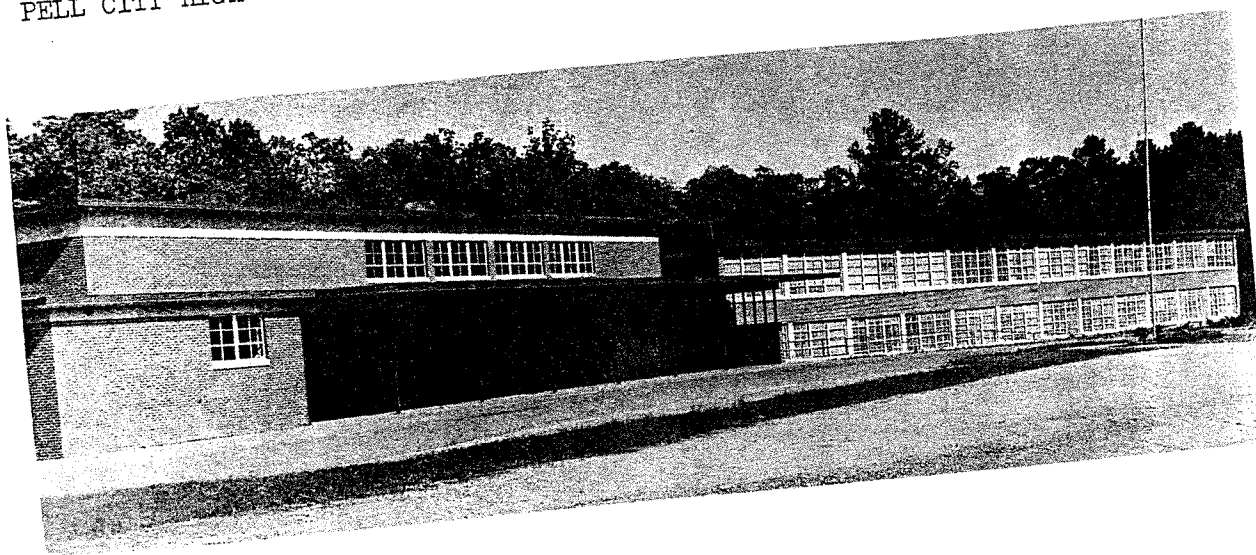
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1968 Pell City School Group

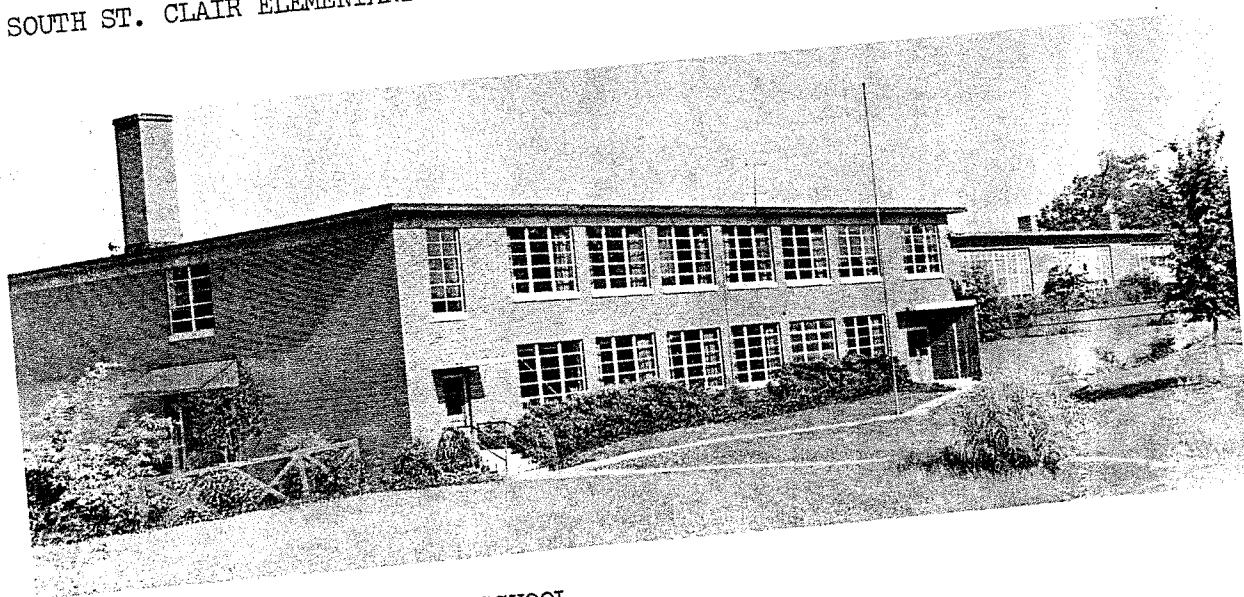




PELL CITY HIGH SCHOOL



SOUTH ST. CLAIR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRAINING SCHOOL

Pell City High School, It's Beginning

By NVA

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In 1908, Pell City aggressively worked to obtain the St. Clair County High School; however, when they lost that prize, they began to work just as diligently to organize Pell City High School. Reproduced here are two articles that ran in the Pell City Progress on Thursday, May 7, 1908. Editor of Progress was McLane Tilton, Jr., who built the home now occupied by Kilgroe Funeral Home.

"A LETTER To The People of Southern St. Clair: The committee of Beat 15, appointed to work for the location of the [State] High School at Pell City, takes this means of thanking all who have assisted in the work, whether by contributions or time devoted to the cause. We have failed to attain the end desired, but have reason to hope that this defeat will be but a resting place along the road to final victory.

"The Coosa Valley may rest assured that a High School is going to be located at Pell City, and this without help from the State. We have reason to believe that not less than four thousand dollars will be raised to build a high school addition to the present building, in other words, completing the structure as it was originally drawn and this will be done in time to start the high school division the coming school year.

"If this plan is carried out, we will have the satisfaction of owning our own school, built and maintained by ourselves, and as the building will have no superior in excellence and convenience in North Alabama, the same will be true of the course of instruction offered. If our hopes mature, we will have far and away the best school facilities in the county, which will be at the disposal of all who may live in this section.

"Donations to the [State] High School are hereby declared void. If anyone wishes their note returned, call at the Bank of St. Clair County before May 15th, on which date they will be destroyed.

"Again, thanking you for your kind efforts in behalf of the progress of southern St. Clair.

"Very sincerely,

"McLane Tilton, Ch'm'n"

"A SUGGESTION FROM PROGRESS To the Town Council and School Board. The Town of Pell City has two thousand dollars which it contributed to the [State] High School fund and now [it] goes back to the treasure. The editors of Progress suggest that no better use for this money can be found than to devote it to an addition to our present school building and complete the plans as originally drawn by the architect. This will give us four rooms in the primary department, accommodating 160 pupils, two large rooms for high school department seating 120 pupils, and an auditorium sufficiently large to care for all.

"This addition can be built for three thousand dollars, and it will be easy to raise the extra thousand. Subscriptions in cash to the sum of \$350.00 have already been left with the Bank of St. Clair County for this purpose provided the city will contribute the two thousand now on hand.

"The Coosa Valley ought to be very much ashamed of itself if it cannot give any other community in St. Clair County a start of two thousand dollars per annum from the State and then beat it out in the total yearly fund at our disposal for education. The same arguments used to locate the County School here now demand of us that we show what we can do alone and unassisted.

"If this work is done as we can do it, an educational spirit will be developed in this section that will mean much for our future advancement. If this work is not done and done now, the Coosa Valley will be without proper school facilities for years to come.

"Progress demands of the Council and School Board to hold a called meeting at once to consider this subject, and asks all citizens take occasion to create a public sentiment that will result in the action desired without delay.

"It is up to you, gentlemen, what are you going to do about it? We must have this school by September 1st."

Pell City Progress, June 4, 1908. "COUNCIL AND SCHOOL BOARD MEET Important Business Transacted. The regular monthly meeting of the City Council was held at the Town Hall last Monday evening which turned out to be one of the most important sessions ever held by that body. The School Board also held its regular meeting and one of the results is that the Coosa Valley will have its High School finished by September 15th.

"The Council and School Board each appropriated one thousand dollars from their respective treasury's, two thousand in all, and the money will be at once utilized to build the high school addition to our present building. ..." The remainder of the article deals with city business.

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Pell City Progress, June 4, 1908. "HIGH SCHOOL NOW ASSURED To Be Ready By September 15th--Send in Your Subscriptions. As told elsewhere in this issue the city authorities have appropriated two thousand dollars to complete the school building according to original plans of the architect. This will give the lower floor of the building, four rooms, accommodating 200 children, to the exclusive use of the primary department while the two high school rooms and large auditorium will be on the second floor with a seating capacity of as many more. "To build this addition as called for by the plans and specifications will take not less than three thousand dollars, so it will be necessary to raise one thousand dollars by private subscription. Messrs. F. H. Lathrop, Sumter Cogswell, the Bank of St. Clair County and several others have already made generous contributions and it is expected that the balance will be speedily forthcoming. Send donations to T. J. Kilgroe, Clerk of Pell City, and send them in cash as the money will be needed at once.

"The Building Committee will shortly be selected when material will be ordered and the work rushed through to completion in time for starting the high school department with the beginning of the new school year.

"This will be a Coosa Valley High School and open to all children of this section without regard to residence. The best teacher that money can produce will be put in entire charge of the High School and there will be no doubt but what our school facilities will be second to none in North Alabama."

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Pell City Progress, August 13, 1908. "SCHOOL MEETING Important Business Transacted. An important meeting of the School Board was held last Monday in the office of Mr. M. M. Smith and all arrangements were completed for what appears to promise the most successful school year in the history of Pell City.

"The new addition to the school is rapidly nearing completion and will be ready by the first day of the term. This addition will cost in the neighborhood of \$3500.00 including furnishings and will give us a ten thousand dollar modern structure second to none in the State. The four large school rooms will seat over fifty pupils each, while the auditorium, fitted out with orchestra chairs, electric lighted stage and dressing rooms, will hold 400 people with comfort.

"Spiro, of Birmingham, has contracted to place the metal roof in position and run all extensions and connections from the furnace to the auditorium and addition. This and the brick work will be completed by August 20th and the work of the painters, plasterers and carpenters can be done easily within twenty days, giving Pell City and south St. Clair a primary and high school sufficient for our needs for several years to come.

"The School Board is to be congratulated for the passage of a by-law which recognizes no distinction between the children of the Pell City school district and those living outside in adjacent districts and all will be admitted to the privileges of either department on the same bases. As the money received from the State is insufficient to meet the heavy expenses required, it was decided to make a charge of fifty cents per month for each pupil, regardless of residence. This is a small charge in return for nine full months of schooling and it is expected to bring the available funds up to twelve hundred dollars per annum. What further sums may be required will be raised by popular subscription from the public spirited citizens of this section who have never failed to respond to the call of education.

"Mr. John Worth Allen has been engaged as principal for the coming year. Mr. Allen hails from Kentucky, is a giant in size, and graduated from Georgetown University with high honors. He submitted with his application many superb references from prominent educators and professors who have had the opportunity of knowing the man. We quote from some of these. 'Mr. Allen's influence is always on the right side of all questions where

there is a right and a wrong side. He will be a valuable acquisition wherever his lot is cast.' 'During Mr. Allen's entire college course he maintained an unusually high grade in all his class work, exercised an excellent influence over his fellow students by leading in the Y. M. C. A. and in all other social, athletic and religious work of the college.' The above quotations are taken from letters written by Professors of Georgetown, while equally strong recommendations were given by several bankers and the Supt. of the Kentucky Sunday School Association, and many others.

"Mr. Allen will reach here very shortly and we take pleasure in bidding him welcome while promising our earnest support in all matters where the interests of his school are concerned.

"Two other teachers have been engaged for the primary department and the music department will be continued under the charge of a competent instructor. Altogether the outlook is bright indeed and it is to be hoped that the public will lend to the School Board and Mr. Allen all good wishes and hearty support."

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Pell City Progress, October 15, 1908. "SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Business of Importance Transacted / School Open to all County Children. The first meeting of the newly elected Board of the Pell City School District was held last Saturday at the City Hall with every member present. McLane Tilton, Jr., was elected President of the board and M. M. Smith Secretary-Treasurer.

"The Board ratified the action of their predecessors by declaring the school open to all children of the county on precisely the same basis, a nominal charge of fifty cents per month for tuition being made whether the pupil resides within or without the corporate limits of Pell City. The total expense therefore of nine months attendance at the Pell City School will be only \$4.50, and already this offer has been accepted by many parents in other districts with the result that the school has now enrolled 150 pupils, many of whom are from homes outside of town.

"It was resolved that the Principal should be required to attend all meeting of the School Board, and these will be held on the first Tuesday of each month, at seven o'clock p.m. at the Town Hall.

"It was also decided that each member of the Board should visit the school during school hours at least once each month, and file a written report of his visit at the next succeeding meeting.

"It was decided to light the School Assembly Room with electricity and Mr. T. H. Rennie, as President of the Pell City Manufacturing Co., has already agreed to furnish the current free of charge, for which curtesy his company deserves the thanks of all citizens.

"The seats for the hall have been ordered and it will be necessary to raise about four hundred dollars by popular subscription to pay for them as well as put the finishing touches on the building. The Board will at once proceed to raise this money and it is hoped that their efforts will meet with a prompt and liberal response from all persons interested in education. Without the seats and lighting arrangement, the hall will be useless, so it is absolutely necessary that our people give to this cause as generously as possible.

"Messrs. Kilgroe and Walker were appointed a committee to audit the books of the former board and report at the next meeting.

"A special meeting of the Board will be held this Thursday for the purpose of taking steps to start the subscription lists. The electric wiring will be installed at once, all paint work has been finished and when the seats arrive, and they are expected any hour, the new building will stand completed in every particular and be second to none in north Alabama."

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Southern Aegis May 15, 1890

Coosa Valley High School

Coosa Valley High School located at Easonville, St. Clair County, Alabama.

The spring term of this institution begins in a new building of two stories, Wednesday, January 1st. 1890 and continues for six months.¹

The analytical methods of instructions are pursued. Discipline is mild but firm. Special attention given those preparing for college, or to teach. Satisfaction guaranteed. Rates as follows:²

	Per Month
Primary Department	\$1.50
Intermediate	2.00
Grammar School	2.75
High School	3.50
Incidental	.10
Music	3.00
Art	3.00

Board including washing, lights and fuel from \$8 to \$10 per month.

For further information apply to

I. W. Hill, A. M. Prin. 3
or J. W. Willingham, Asst.

1. In same colomun as Ashville Academy article.
2. This same article is in May 29, 1890 No. 22.
3. Both men later served as State Superintendent for Alabama.

LIST OF CHILDREN OF COMPULSORY
SCHOOL AGE 1934-36

Avondale Mills - Dist. 57-1A.

School and District

White
Race

Last Name	Name of Child		Date of Birth		Sex		Parents' Name	Address	Dis. to School
	First Name		Age	M	F				
Adams, Georgia	Higginbotham	2/22/20	15		X		George W.	Pell City	
Adams, Freeman		5/19/20	15	X			Joe F.	" "	
Adams, Ruby		10/7/21	14		X		" "	" "	
Adams, Esther		10/1/25	10		X		" "	" "	
Adams, Helen		3/9/22	13		X		Sid	" "	
Adams, Jewell		3/18/25	10		X		"	" "	
Adams, Bobby		1/16/28	7	X			"	" "	
Austin, James H.		9/3/22	13	X			Henry	" "	1/2 mi.
Ayres, Melvin		1/27/24	11	X			Walter L.	" "	
Ayres, Mary Sue		1/20/26	9		X		" "	" "	
Bain, R. W.		3/14/26	9	X			Homer	" "	
Bain, Donald		2/10/25	10	X			Otis	" "	
Bain, Lurland		1/11/27	8	X			"	" "	
Bain, Bobbie		1/12/28	7	X			"	" "	
Bannister, Mary J.		3/25/23	12		X		Harry M.	Eden,	2 mi.
Barber, J. W.		6/17/22	13	X			John W.	Pell City	
Barber, Louline		11/28/27	8		X		" "	" "	
Barber, L. N.		1/8/21	14	X			Lewis N.	" "	1 mi.
Barber, Kenneth		12/6/23	11	X			C. M.	" "	1 mi.
Barrett, Ernest		4/29/22	13	X			H. M.	" "	3 mi.
Barrett, Howell		11/7/24	11	X			" "	" "	
Barrett, Edna		12/9/26	8		X		" "	" "	
Bishop, Grady V.		12/5/27	7	X			Grady C.	" "	
Bowman, J. T.		1/11/24	11	X			Dosie	Eden,	2 mi.
Brazier, Rachel		6/28/25	10	X			Joe J.	Pell City	
Brazier, Wallace		3/2/27	8	X			" "	" "	
Brown, Emeline		8/25/20	15		X		F. W.	Pell City	2 mi
Brown, Mildred		4/15/24	11		X		" "	" "	
Brown, Thelma		1/28/27	8		X		" "	" "	
Brown, William		8/10/26	9	X			John M.	" "	
Brown, Annie Ruth		1/4/28	7		X		Wesley	" "	
Brown, Eugene		1/12/20	15	X			Wm. O.	" Rt.	4 mi
Brown, Nellie Ruth		10/28/22	13		X		" "	" "	
Burnham, Edward		11/30/26	9	X			John	J " "	
Burnham, Pauline		1/21/27	8		X		Thurman	Pell City	
Burnham, William		6/7/28	7	X			"	" "	
Callahan, Oscar		4/30/21	14	X			James L.	" "	
Callahan, Margaret		1/20/23	12		X		" "	" "	
Carlisle, Charles, Jr.		4/22/25	10	X			Charles L.	" "	
Carlisle, Jas. S.		5/1/27	8	X			" "	" "	
Causey, George, Jr.		3/12/22	13	X			George E.	" " Rt.1	2 mi.
Causey, Lillie B.		10/30/23	12		X		" "	" "	
Causey, Aline		5/20/28	7		X		" "	" "	
Causey, Elise		8/22/21	14		X		James Henry	" "	2 mi.
Causey, Mary		4/10/23	12		X		" "	" "	
Causey, Charles		11/6/25	10	X			" "	" "	

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	First Name				M	F			
Champion, Elizabeth			10/14/21	14		X	Vivian M.	Pell City	
Champion, Marshall			8/23/25	10	X		" "	" "	
Chatman, Edriss			5/13/27	8	X		Clarence W.	" "	
Compton, Lois			10/26/21	14		X	Virgil P.	" "	
Compton, Florence			6/10/25	10		X	" "	" "	
Compton, Clara Mae			9/12/27	8		X	" "	" "	
Cornelius, Christie			3/18/26	9		X	Alfred Jackson	Eden	3 mi.
Cornelius, Edward			7/23/28	7	X		" "	" "	
Davis, John Thos.			5.17/21	14		X	Artie	Pell City	1/2 mi.
Deason, Floyd Ray			5/10/20	15	X		C. S.	" "	
Deason, Flora Mae			5/10/20	15		X	" "	" "	
Dickey, Hazel Jean			5/1/28	7		X	Henry	" "	
Dickey, Betty Lou			7/12/27	8		X	Lester D.	" "	
Drummonds, Charles T.			8/23/27	8		X	Homer	" " Rt. 1	2 mi
Drummonds, Jack, Jr.			11/15/26	9		X	Jack	" "	1 mi.
Dunlap, Roberta Lee			1/2/23	12		X	William G.	" "	1/2 mi.
Edmunds, Calvin			12/22/26	8		X	Jesse L.	" "	2 mi.
Endfinger, Howard			5/31/22	13	X		John W.	" "	
Endfinger, Jewell			9/10/24	11		X	" "	" "	
Endfinger, Bobbie			9/4/27	8		X	" "	" "	
Ensley, William			8/6/21	14		X	James Elmer	" " #1	3 mi.
Ensley, Aline			8/11/23	12		X	" "	" "	
Ensley, Helen			1/22/25	10		X	" "	" "	
Ensley, James Elmer			3/7/27	8		X	" "	" "	
Franklin, Louise			7/8/24	11		X	James L.	" "	
Franklin, George Ray			2/14/26	9	X		" "	" "	
Franklin, Ruthie Bell			5/25/21	14		X	Will J.	" "	
Franklin, Josephine			2/23/23	12		X	" "	" "	
Franklin, Will Embry			1/7/26	9	X		" "	" "	
Fulmer, Helen			6/28/22	13		X	Norman	" 2	1/2 mi.
Fulmer, Opal			6/13/24	11		X	" "	" "	
Fulmer, Dorothy			4/26/26	9		X	" "	" "	
Funderburg, Ola Mae			4/29/20	15		X	Peter Charles	Eden,	2 mi.
Gann, Robert Lee			4/28/25	11	X		Virge	Pell City	3 mi.
Garrett, Frances			2/20/27	8		X	Leonard	Eden	2 mi.
Glass, Louise			10/5/21	14		X	Denis G.	Pell City # 2	2 mi
Glass, Margie D.			7/27/27	8		X	" "	" "	
Glidewell, Leonard			8/29/24	11	X		Jeff L.	" "	
Gossett, Lois			8/12/21	14		X	Joe B.	" "	1/2 mi.
Gossett, Florence			8/23/23	12		X	" "	" "	
Gossett, Etta Ruth			4/2/27	8		X	" "	" "	
Graham, Buren			1/2/20	15	X		B. O	" "	1 mi.
Graham, John L.			11/14/22	13	X		" "	" "	
Graham, Mary Lee			5/15/25	10		X	" "	" "	
Graham, Manuel			9/15/27	8	X		" "	" "	
Graham, Ernest			1/31/20	15	X		Oscar C.	" "	1/4 mi.
Graham, Evelyn			4/23/23	12		X	" "	" "	
Graham, Curtis			8/30/25	10	X		" "	" "	

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Green	Margaret	8/14/21	14		x Floyd V.	Pell City	
Green	Opal	9/27/23	12		x " "	" "	
Green	Tempie	3/29/26	9		x " "	" "	
Green	Jerry	7/5/28	7	x	" "	" "	
Griffin	Ruby	4/24/21	14		x Wylie	" "	1 mi.
Gunthorpe	Billie	5/8/28	7	x	George	" "	
Harris	Magdelene	10/20/21	14		x Elbert W.	" "	
Harris	Kery	2/22/23	12	x	" "	" "	
Harin	Dorothy	6/5/20	15		x Will M.	" "	
Herin	Martha	3/3/27	8		x " "	" "	
Hesterly	Sterling	5/3/21	14	x	Britton	" "	
Hesterly	Shirley	10/25/24	11	x	" "	" "	
Higginbotham	Buford	7/21/20	15	x	George M.	" "	#2 2 mi.
Higginbotham	Hayward	4/13/23	12	x	" "	" "	
Higginbotham	Marjorie	3/18/26	9		x " "	" "	
Higginbotham	Carl	8/12/20	15	x	Lloyd	" "	
Higginbotham	Ernestine	11/9/22	13		x " "	" "	
Hollis	Charlie E.	11/10/27	8	x	George W.	" "	1 mi.
Hollis	Elizabeth	7/12/25	10		x Grady	" "	
Hollis	Grady, Jr.	4/9/27	8	x	" "	" "	
Hullett	Austin, Jr.	1/22/23	12	x	Austin O.	" "	#1 2 mi.
Hullett	Mildred	7/6/24	11		x " "	" "	
Hullett	Ruth	6/12/22	13		x Claud	" "	
Hullett	Geraldine	10/7/23	12		x " "	" "	
Hullett	Dolly Dimple	9/27/26	9		x " "	" "	
Hunter	Corrie	7/9/24	11		x Paul H.	" "	
Hunter	Paul, Jr.	8/28/26	9	x	" "	" "	
Hurst	Louise B.	4/13/21	14		x Robert A.	" "	1/2 mi.
Hurst	Charles B.	12/1/22	12	x	" "	" "	
Hurst	Elizabeth	6/18/25	10		x " "	" "	
Jackson	Martha Lois	3/1/20	15		x Will G.	" "	
Jackson	Frank	3/23/23	12	x	" "	" "	
Johnson	Mildred	12/15/22	12		x Ernest L.	" "	
Johnson	Christine	1/15/25	10		x " "	" "	
Johnson	Roy	8/29/27	8	x	" "	" "	
Kendrick	Freeman	3/9/27	8	x	Irvin	" "	1 mi.
Kendrick	Marshall	8/9/24	11	x	William	" "	1/2 mi.
Kendrick	Fred	11/10/20	15	x	" "	" "	
Kendrick	Aline	8/9/24	12		x " "	" "	
Kimberly	Martha	1/3/20	15		x Albert	" "	
Kimberly	Mary	10/3/23	12		x " "	" "	
Kimberly	Junior	11/23/25	10	x	" "	" "	
Kimberly	Ethel Louise	8/13/27	8		x " "	" "	
Kimberly	Roy	2/9/24	11	x	Sylvester	" "	
Kimberly	Virginia	3/27/27	8		x " "	" "	
King	Grady, Jr.	4/9/24	11	x	Grady P.	" "	3 mi.
King	Charles D.	11/3/27	8	x	" "	" "	

Holbrook Walton

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Avondale Mills

White

School and District

Race

Name of Child		Date of	Sex	Parents'	Address	Dis. to
Last Name	First Name	Birth	Age M	F	Name	School
Kirby, Frank		4/17/21	14	X	Jesse E.	Pell City, 1 mi.
Kirby, James		5/8/23	12	X	" "	" "
Kirby, Lelland		8/14/24	11	X	" "	" "
Lambert, Freeman		8/27/20	15	X	Armon A.	" "
Lambert, Jack		4/20/26	9	X	" "	" "
Ledlow, Mozell		9/13/21	14	X	Ben	" "
Ledlow, Bennie		3/18/23	12	X	"	" "
Ledlow, Charles		4/22/28	7	X	"	" "
Lee, Mildred		1/28/21	14	X	Andy B.	" "
Lewis, Mary L.		10/9/20	15	X	Mannie Lee	" "
Lewis, Nathan		7/23/22	13	X	" "	" "
Lewis, Mozell		2/17/25	10	X	" "	" "
Luker, Jonas		12/29/25	9	X	Will J.	" "
McCoy, Duke		7/8/21	14	X	James Perry	" "
McCullough, Jack		7/12/27	8	X	Andrew J.	" "
Maddox, Stanley B.		9/4/26	9	X	Sam W.	" "
Maddox, Lada Mae		6/29/28	7	X	" "	" "
Mahaffey, Jerry		8/1/27	8	X	Rupert J.	" "
Maples, Joseph		3/7/23	12	X	Sam E.	" "
Maples, James Allen		5/14/27	8	X	" "	" "
Meehan, Ludford		9/9/22	13	X	Pat Thomas	" "
Meehan, Daisy		5/14/28	7	X	" "	" "
Merryman, Margaret		1/30/21	14	X	Eddie R.	" "
Merryman, Mildred		3/15/23	12	X	" "	" "
Merryman, Charles		6/15/27	8	X	" "	" "
Merryman, Truman		7/13/23	12	X	W. H.	" "
Mitchell, Mildred Mae		5/21/22	13	X	Arlie Lee	" "
Mitchell, Arlie Lee, Jr.		9/21/25	10	X	" "	" "
Oliver, Frank		1/28/20	15	X	G. W.	" "
Oliver, Eugene		4/7/24	11	X	" "	" "
Perker, Mary Helen		8/28/25	10	X	William J.	" "
Patterson, Ruby		6/30/21	14	X	Charlie B.	" "
Patterson, Mary		12/20/27	7	X	" "	" "
Patterson, Derward		9/25/20	15	X	Columbus J.	" "
Patterson, Nelda Jean		7/31/26	9	X	Leonard A.	" "
Phillips, James		3/5/24	11	X	Albert	" "
Phillips, Ledford		1/10/22	13	X	"	" "
Phillips, Otis		5/22/24	11	X	J.H.	" "
Purdy, G. W.		11/11/26	9	X	Homer	" "
Purdy, Billie Ray		4/17/28	7	X	"	" "
Reeves, Marjorie		8/12/22	13	X	R.L.	" "
Rich, Madgie		6/22/23	12	X	Doc	" "
Rich, Robert		11/22/26	9	X	"	" "
Rich, Ardemia		1/26/20	15	X	Jesse	" "
Rich, Necie Lee		8/27/22	13	X	"	" "
Rich, Jim		12/6/26	8	X	"	" "

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Rich, Jewell		6/12/24	11		X		Marvin R.	Pell City	
Rich, Pete		5/23/28	7	X			Tal	" "	1 mi.
Richerson, Gertrude		2/22/20	15		X		Chess	" "	
Richerson, Mary		8/28/22	13		X		"	" "	
Rowe, Jackie		7/6/25	10	X			J. Huddy	" "	3 mi.
Sanders, Sara		5/9/22	13		X		Louis	" "	
Sanders, Joyce		1/21/25	10		X		"	" "	
Silvernail, Mattie Florence		8/1/22	13		X		Perry M.	" "	
Silvernail, Lucille		6/19/25	10		X		" "	" "	
Simpkins, Mary J.		8/14/22	13		X		George W.	" "	
Simpkins, Ruthie E.		7/25/25	10		X		" "	" "	
Singleton, John W.		1/25/25	10	X			John W.	" "	
Smith, Evelyn		2/25/26	9		X		Arthur	" "	
Smith, Tommy		6/10/23	12	X			Floyd	" "	
Smith, Junior		2/24/24	11	X			Heflin	" "	
Smith, Marie		5/29/28	7		X		"	" "	
Smith, James		7/4/22	13	X			Lenzie E.	" "	
Smith, Annie Ruth		11/6/24	11		X		" "	" "	
Smith, K. W.		2/24/22	13	X			Leroy	" "	
Smith, Alice		2/18/24	11		X		"	" "	
Smith, Edford		11/27/20	15	X			"	" "	
Smith, Delbert		7/14/21	14	X			Tommie	" "	
Smith, J.L. Jr.		5/30/24	11	X			"	" "	
Smith, Douglas		10/24/26	9	X			"	" "	
Spruiell, Junior		1/7/22	13	X			Preston S.	" "	
Spruiell, Juanita		2/4/25	10		X		" "	" "	
Spruiell, Myrtle Jean		7/17/27	8		X		" "	" "	
Stephens, Claudie Mae		10/14/20	15		X		Claude S.	" "	
Stephens, Juanita		6/11/24	11		X		" "	" "	
Stephens, Betty Jean		12/19/27	7		X		" "	" "	
Stewart, Edna		8/21/20	15		X		Herman L.	" "	# 1 3 mi.
Stewart, Herman		8/12/24	11	X			" "	" "	
Stewart, Martha		12/29/26	8		X		" "	" "	
Stines, Pattie Nell		4/19/25	10		X		Canie	" "	1 mi.
Streety, Buford		6/13/21	14	X			Clifford J.	" "	
Streety, Hazel		11/7/23	12		X		" "	" "	
Streety, Evie Dee		8/18/26	9		X		" "	" "	
Streety, Margie Dee		5/8/22	12		X		Newton C.	" "	
Streety, Mary		11/13/26	9		X		" "	" "	
Streety, Fay		7/17/28	7		X		" "	" "	
Streety, Ray		7/17/28	7	X			" "	" "	
Thackerson, Bernard		3/16/21	14		X		L. C.	" "	3 mi.
Thackerson, Edna Earl		8/30/25	10		X		" "	" "	
Tolison, Frank		7/16/22	13	X			Tom	" "	1 mi.
Tramble, Chlora		3/26/22	13		X		John	" "	
Tramble, Ophelia		7/20/24	11		X		"	" "	
Turner, Johnnie		3/9/28	7	X			Marvin V.	" "	
Tuttle, Mildred		11/16/24	11		2		Wilbur L.	" "	
Tuttle, Helen		2/22/27	8		X		" "	" "	

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Underwood, Garrie Lee			2/22/21	14		X	Edward B.	Pell City	1/2 mi.
Underwood, David			9/7/24	11	X		" "	" "	
Underwood, William			9/12/26	9	X		" "	" "	
Underwood, Juanita			2/11/27	8		X	Tom	" "	
Vaughn, Emory			11/20/20	15	X		N. A.	" "	2 mi.
Vaughn, Milliscent			10/16/22	13	X		" "	" "	
Vaughn, Howard			4/17/26	9	X		" "	" "	
Voss, Nola			9/1/20	15		X	Luther V.	" "	
Voss, Houston			6/25/21	14	X		" "	" "	
Walker, Louise			2/26/26	9		X	Berry	" "	1 mi.
Walker, Lelas E.			1/22/21	14	X		Lelas L.	" "	1 mi.
Walker, Lena Mae			12/27/22	12		X	" "	" "	
Walker, Robert Lee			9/15/24	11	X		" "	" "	
Walker, Billie Lander			4/15/26	9	X		" "	" "	
Walker, Lillian Joyce			3/24/28	7		X	" "	" "	
Wadsworth, Edward			1/5/28	7	X		Nealous	" "	
Webster, Johnnie			9/12/21	14	X		J. T.	" "	
Webster, Alpha Lee			3/24/22	13	X		" "	" "	
Webster, J. T.			12/5/24	10	X		" "	" "	
Webster, Laura Mae			8/10/28	7		X	" "	" "	
West, Jack			5/1/25	10	X		D. D.	" "	
West, Bobbie			6/14/26	9	X		" "	" "	
Whitten, Annie Jean			3/9/24	11		X	Corvin	" "	
Whitten, Willard			5/3/25	10	X		" "	" "	
Whitten, Jimmie			7/2/27	8	X		" "	" "	
Wiggins, Johnnie Rapph			6/24/20	15	X		Rogers W.	" "	
Wilkerson, Virgil			6/10/21	14	X		Eddie W.	" "	1 mi.
Wilkerson, Mabel			5/11/23	12		X	" "	" "	
Wilkerson, James			4/13/27	8	X		" "	" "	
Williams, Fay			5/8/24	11		X	Austin	" "	
Williams, Irene			8/23/21	14		X	M. E.	" "	1 mi.
Williams, Johnnie			6/18/24	11	X		" "	" "	
Williams, Ruby			7/21/27	8		X	" "	" "	
Williams, Lola			6/18/28	7		X	" "	" "	
Willis, John L.			4/28/22	13	X		Enos	" "	
Willis, Katie			11/9/27	8		X	" "	" "	
Willis, Gladys			3/1/20	15		X	John F.	" "	1/2 mi.
Wilson, Austin			10/20/20	15	X		Jim H.	" "	
Wilson, Edward			8/27/24	11	X		" "	" "	
Windsor, Katherine			8/8/24	11		X	J. J.	" "	1 mi.
Windsor, William			9/27/22	13	X		Jim S.	" "	
Windsor, James Elmo			5/15/27	8	X		Wm. O.	" "	
Wright, Rachel			12/19/20	14		X	C. A.	" "	
Wright, Odell			8/6/22	13		X	Melvin W.	" "	1 mi.
Wright, Ershine			10/28/24	11	X		" "	" "	

Williams, Ruth

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LIST OF CHILDREN OF COMPULSORY
SCHOOL AGE 1932-33

#57 Avondale Mills
School and District

St. Clair County

White
Race

Name of Child		Date of Birth	Age	Sex	Parents' Initials	Address	Dis. to School
Last Name	First Name			M	F		
Ayers,	Melvin	1/27/24	8	m		W. L.	Pell City
Ayers,	Mary Sue	1/3/26	6		f	"	"
Adams,	Lilas Higginbotham	3/28/18	14		f	Geo.	"
Adams,	Geo. M.	2/22/20	12		f	"	"
Adams,	Virginia	8/27/19	13		f	Syd	"
Adams,	Helen	3/9/22	10		f	"	"
Adams,	Jewell D.	3/18/25	7		f	"	"
Adams,	Freeman	5/19/20	12	m		J. F.	"
Adams,	Ruby	10/7/21	10		f	"	"
Adams,	Esther Mae	10/1/25	6		f	"	"
Barber,	Margaret Lena	3/11/20	12		f	Henry	Pell City
Barber,	Elsie Virginia	6/4/21	11		f	"	"
Bain,	Donald Otto	9/29/23	8	m		Otis M.	"
Barber,	Louis M. Jr.	1/8/22	10	m		Louis M	"
Brown,	Louise	4/13/21	11		f	May	"
Brown,	Chas. E.	12/1/22	9	m		"	"
Brown,	Elizabeth	6/18/25	7		f	"	"
Braszier,	Rachel	6/27/25	7		f	Joe	"
Barber,	Alvin	3/11/17	15	m		John	"
Barber,	Louise	10/14/18	13		f	"	"
Barber,	John U. Jr.	6/17/22	10	m		"	"
Burnham,	Robert	5/20/16	16	m		John	"
Brunham,	Johnny	4/1/19	13	m		"	"
Burham,	Edward	11/30/25	6	m		"	"
Brown,	William Howell	8/10/26	6	m		J. M.	"
Carlisle,	Charlie Jr.	4/22/25	7	m		Charlie	"
Castleberry,	Florine	4/21/20	12		f	Thos. C.	"
Castleberry,	Teddy	4/22/26	6	m		"	"
Callahan,	Chester	2/24/16	16	m		J. T.	"
Callahan,	Oscar	4/30/21	11	m		"	"
Callahan,	Margaret	1/20/23	9		f	"	"
Compton,	Lois	10/26/21	10		f	Virgil	"
Compton,	Florence	6/10/25	7		f	"	"
Champion,	Hazel	3/11/18	14		f	V. M.	"
Champion,	Louise	10/14/19	12		f	"	"
Champion,	Elizabeth	10/18/21	10		f	"	"
Champion,	Marshall	8/23/25	7	m		"	"
Dickey,	Martha L.	2/23/23	9		f	Hugh A.	"
Dickey,	Mildred Aline	4/11/25	7		f	"	"
Davis,	Dora Mae	12/13/17	14		f	Ardie L.	"
Davis,	John Thomas	3/17/21	11	m		"	"
Deason,	Bertha	6/9/16	16		f	C. S.	"
Deason,	Floyd Ray	5/10/20	12	m		"	"
Deason,	Flora Mae	5/10/20	12		f	"	"

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Last Name	First Name	Birth	Age	M	F			
Williams, Fay	✓	5/8/24	8		f	Austin	Pell City	
Wright, R. W.	✓	12/27/17	14	m		Mollie	"	
West, Fannie L.	✓	5/15/25	7		f	Dee	"	
West, Robert	✓	6/14/26	6	m		"	"	
Whitten, Annie Lee	✓	9/16/17	14		f	F. O.	"	
Whitten, Sarah J.	✓	2/19/19	13		f	"	"	
Windsor, Catherline	✓	8/8/24	8		f	J. T.	"	
Wilson, Samuel	✓	10/15/16	15	m		J. A.	"	
Wilson, Harold	✓	10/21/18	13	m		"	"	
Wilson, Austin	✓	10/20/20	11	m		"	"	
Wilson, Edward	✓	8/27/24	8	m		"	"	
Welch, Elgie	✓	3/12/19	13		f	J. H.	"	
Welch, Georgia	✓	10/5/20	11		f	"	"	
Welch, Henry	✓	2/28/24	8	m		"	"	
Windsor, James T.	✓	11/17/16	15	m		James	"	
Windsor, Douglas	✓	9/27/22	9	m		"	"	
Whitten, Onie Juan	✓	3/9/24	8		f	Colvin	"	
Whitten, Willard	✓	5/3/25	7	m		"	"	

Certificate

Name Of South St. Clair School Will Be Changed

All legal technicalities have been observed and now it remains only to set a date for the formal program to change the name of South St. Clair School.

The new name of the school will be the IOLA ROBERTS SCHOOL. Thus the lady who has been a part of the Pell City educational and cultural scene for more than 40 years will be signally honored. She is at present principal of the school which will bear her name down through succeeding generations.

The move to change the name of the school to honor the woman who has taught three generations of boys and girls in this community was sponsored by the Pell City Lions Club. Col. Sam Burt and A. T. Winkler were appointed as a committee to make plans for the change.

The had a resolution written which received unanimous support from the Lions Club. The resolution was passed on to St. Clair Representative Ed Holladay who passed it through the House and Senate. It became a law when Gov. George Wallace signed it and sent a copy of the

resolution and the law to Hugh H. Williamson, County Superintendent of Education and the County Board of Education. Mr. Williamson said the County Board would approve the resolution in a short time.

Lion President Harold King said at Tuesday night's Lion Club meeting he would appoint a committee on arrangements for the date of the formal change in name will become effective.

Gov George Wallace will be invited to make the main address for the occasion. Other dignitaries from the field of education and industrial activities will be invited. The sponsors plan to make of this a real big day in the life of this city.

The South St. Clair school was completed and occupied for the first time the beginning of the 1954-55 school year.

Nearly 7000 Expected To Enroll For School

Nearly 7,000 St. Clair county school children will answer the call of the school bells Monday morning August 31, when they are called back to their desks for the first time since vacation started last June.

Enrollment this year, according to Roy Gibson, county superintendent of education, will be between 400 and 500 more than when school started for the 1952-53 term a year ago.

County school officials are planning for the new future a new building and repair program for St. Clair schools that will cost well over \$500,000. The new elementary school building at Pell City will top the list of new buildings. A new building is also planned at Ragland and extensive repairs at Odenville. Construction of additional space is already underway at Steele.

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Miss Iola Roberts will again be principal at Avondale Mills School, E. H. Childs at Pell City high school and O. D. Duran at Pell City Elementary school.

Principals in the other white high schools are R. M. Satterfield, Ashville, W. E. G. Sutton, Springville, Miss Nancy Wilson, Odenville, and Chas H. Jones, Ragland. Principals in the colored high schools are Rueben Yancy, Ash-

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Mr. Gibson is a native of Morgan County, attended the Hartsell schools, Jacksonville State Teachers College and took his B. S., and M. A., degrees from the University of Alabama.

He was elected County Superintendent of Education 9 years ago. He was recently re-elected for his third term. He is married to the former Miss Vera Burleson.

MRS. COGSWELL DONATES GROUND FOR SCHOOL BLDG.

Mr. John R. Dyke Calls on Citizens of South St. Clair for Their Aid Toward Erecting a Stone Building.

The heavier the burden the greater the reward.

To the people of South St. Clair County, Greeting:

We, the Board of Education, of St. Clair County have located the ground upon which to build the High School for South St. Clair County. Now to get this school your representative had to pledge that we would furnish the ground on which to erect the building and play ground to the amount of five acres, which is the amount the State requires for accredited high schools.

Mrs. Sumter Cogswell has come to our relief and donated a beautiful plot of land containing the required five acres. Now it is up to the citizens of South St. Clair County to erect the building which is to be of stone.

Now it will cost 50 or 65 thousand dollars to complete this building. We have to get up half of this money and I will be to see you in a few days to solicit your donations to be used in the erection of this high school building.

We are going to try to erect a building that will be a credit to the people of South St. Clair County, and that will show to the world at large that we believe in an educated people and one that future generations can point to with pride and feel proud that their ancestors erected this building to which they can come and seek knowledge that they cannot be robbed of.

We hope and trust that the teachers in this institution will take pride in teaching all children put in their care. Honesty and Efficiency, Honest of heart, honest of purpose, honest of words and honest of action with the wisdom of industry will produce an intelligent and an efficient people.

Now we hope to see this little plant bring forth good fruit in every nook and corner of South St. Clair County.

Now we aim to visit every home in the southern part of the county and give each and every one an equal opportunity to help on this school building. It is our intention, and our right for future generations to know who gave them this building and grounds. Consequently, each person's name and the amount he donates will be registered on a book and when the building is completed it will be published in The Pell City News showing who donated to this great cause.

Now, hoping that one and all will join in and say, "I will help," and when everyone pulls together it makes the wagon go. Look for me, I will be there.

Your humble servant,

John R. Dyke.

The present
Pell City High School
Today - March 1989

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, ST. CLAIR COUNTY.

Know all Men by These Presents, That for and in consideration of One ^{no} 100 DOLLARS,
 to the undersigned grantor Lydia E. Cogwell Lydia Cogwell
 in hand paid by Trustees of the Public High School and their Successors in Office the receipt
 whereof is hereby acknowledged WE do grant, bargain, sell, and convey unto
 the said Trustees of Public High School & their Successors in Office
 the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot Numbers Fourteen (14) and Fifteen (15) Block No. Eighteen (18) Public City Alabama
as shown by map of said town made by S. H. Lee
and now of record in the office of Judge of Probate
Roberts, Shelby, Alabama and
situate in St. Clair County, Alabama -

This conveyance is such that should the above
described property be sold at any time, the proceeds
of such sale, is to be reinvested for educational
or school purposes for the benefit of the white
people of Public City, Alabama and their
children in perpetuity

situate in St. Clair County, Alabama

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, to the said Trustees of Public High School
and their Successors in Office its heirs and assigns forever.

And we do, for our Trustees their executors and administrators
 covenant with said Trustees

his heirs and assigns, that we lawfully seized in fee-simple; of said premises that
 they are free from all incumbrances, and that we have a good right to sell and
 convey the same as aforesaid; that we will, and our
 heirs, executors, and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said
Trustees heirs, executors, and

assigns, forever, against the lawful claims of all persons.

Given under our hand and seal this 17 day of April 1902

WITNESS:

Lydia E. Cogwell l. s.
Lydia Cogwell l. s.
 _____ l. s.
 _____ l. s.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, ST. CLAIR COUNTY.

I, Florence C. Spears a Notary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certify that Charlotte Cogswell whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, she executed the same voluntarily, on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand, this 10 day of May, 1902

Florence C. Spears N.P.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, ST. CLAIR COUNTY.

I, Florence C. Spears a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that on the 10 day of May, 1902, came before me the within named Lydia C. Cogswell known (or made known) to me to be the wife of the within named Charles Cogswell, who being examined separate and apart from the husband touching her signature to the within conveyance, acknowledged that she signed the same of her own free will and accord, and without fear, constraint or threats on the part of the husband.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand, this 10th day of May, 1902

Florence C. Spears N.P.

Lydia Charlotte Cogswell

- TO -

Charles Cogswell
Per. C. C.

WARRANTY DEED.

The State of Alabama, }
St. Clair County. } ss.

I hereby certify that this conveyance was filed in my office for record on the _____ day of _____, 1902, and was duly recorded in Vol. _____ page _____ of Record of Deeds.

Record Fee \$ _____
Judge of Probate. _____

PELL CITY

CLOTH ROOM

Mrs. Odessa Taylor and little son are visiting in Brompton this week.

Miss Mayburn Spruelli spent last week-end in Leeds, visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Myrtle Hollis and Mrs. Prizzie Lee Williams were out Tuesday.

Mr. Horace Glidwell and family of Lincoln spent last Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Glidwell.

Mrs. Clara Dickey reports her husband doing nicely and will soon be able to return home. We will be very glad to see Mr. Dickey again in Pell City.

The singing at the Free Will Church last Saturday night was a great success. There will be another on the fourth Sunday of this month there. Also home coming day. Every one invited.

Mother's Day will be observed at First Baptist Church Sunday. Every one should attend this service in memory of our dear mothers that are dead, and those who are still living. Come and bring your mothers with you.

Misses Ola and Myrtle Hollis, Mr. G. W. Hollis and Mr. Rodger Wiggins attended the singing at Refuge last Sunday and reported a good singing and a fine dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Jones of Alabama City are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Stevens this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Scloscher of Molton are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Gussie Smith, this week.

Mr. C. S. Stevens and Mr. Laney Drummonds attend the services at Coosa Valley Baptist Church Sunday.

Mrs. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Barber and Shortie Adams attended the singing at Refuge.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Hagedwood, Mr. and Mrs. Allington, Mr. and Mrs. Hammers and a few friends from Birmingham, visited Mrs. Mollie Wright Saturday afternoon and they all went on a fish fry to Lock 5 and had a grand time.

MIGNON— PICTURE PROGRAM

May 10th—"The Man I Love," featuring Richard Arlen and Mary Brian; "Show Vote," Crazy Kat comedy.

May 12th—"Cheyenne," featuring Ken Maynard; "Stage Fright," Al St. John in comedy.

May 14th—"So This Is College," all-star production by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer; "Hold That Monkey," Al St. John in comedy.

May 17th—"Applause," Paramount picture, star cast; "Phanto Trail," Crazy Kat comedy.

SPINNING ROOM

Mr. Obie Robertson of Willford spent Monday night with Mrs. Parlie Voss and family.

We are so sorry our ball team lost their first game. Pep up, boys, we can't lose many more.

Miss Lala Voss motored to Coal City Tuesday to visit relatives.

Miss Mable Windsor is recovering rapidly following an operation for appendicitis. We hope she will soon be back with us.

Misses Robbie Freeman, Thelma Stephens and Audice Wright went fishing to Lock Five Saturday afternoon and stayed until Sunday.

We are glad to have Mrs. Iola Higginbotham back at work after being out so long because of her baby's sickness.

Wonder why Marvin (Burnham) was so upset Tuesday.

PELL CITY HIGH SCHOOL

Senior Class Officers

President.....Forrest Luker
Vice-President.....Sam Masfara
Secy.-Treas.....Sara Wadsworth
Poet.....Anna Belle Stewart
Prophet.....Sara Kate Eatman
Musician.....Mary Edmunds
Class Will.....Matilee Truitt
Sponsor.....Mr. Young
Flower.....White Rosebud
Colors.....Green and White
Motto: "To Strive, to Seek, to Find, and Not to Yield."

Who's Who

Prettiest Girl: Margaret Johnson.
Best Dressed Girl: Josephine Bukacek.
Cutest Girl—Josephine Bukacek.
Most Popular Girl: Lora Kate Eatman.
Sweetest Girl: Zele Rowe.
Most Striking Girl: Alta Mae Newbourn.
Most Handsome Boy: George Stines.
Cutest Boy: Sam Masters.
Most Popular Boy: Forrest Luker.
Best All Round Senior: Matilee Truitt.
Best Athlete: Edgar Pepper.
Neatest Girl: Mary Edmunds.
Neatest Boy: George Stines.
Most Original—Matilee Truitt.
Peppiest: Annie Lee Stone.
Most Sincere: Sara Wadsworth.
Most Dignified: Ernes Harrison.

MIGNON— CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for their kindness, sympathy and service during the sickness and death of our baby.

Also Brother Ingram for his word of prayer and Brother Woods for his kind, sympathetic, encouraging, last serv'ce.—M. C. and Alma Walker.

THREE GRADUATES



1. Matilee Truitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Truitt. 2. Forrest Luker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Luker. 3. Mary Edmunds, daughter of Superintendent and Mrs. J. T. Edmunds.

Matilee Truitt, Forrest Luker and Mary Edmunds, three of the outstanding members of the graduating class of thirty members of the Pell City High School. These young people attended Avondale Mills School before entering high school. Throughout their entire school life they have done excellent work. Matilee has done the

twelve years' work in ten, and has been voted the best all round pupil of her class. Forrest has completed his work in eleven years, and is the most popular boy, as well as the president of his class. Mary took only eleven years, too, to complete her work. She is class musician as well as valedictorian. These young people's parents are connected with the Avondale Mills. Forrest, Matilee and Mary have many friends who predict for them a bright future, as they will continue their studies by entering schools of higher learning in the Fall.

BASE BALL

The Pell City baseball club opened the season with the Bemiston lads last Saturday, May 3rd, losing to the tune of 5 to 4, in a very fast and interesting game.

Pell City hopped off to an early lead by scoring in the first inning.

Bemiston tied the count in the third after Horne tripled to deep left field, later scoring when the pitcher threw wild at home plate.

Bemiston broke loose in the sixth to tally twice and take the lead.

Pell City scored once in the sixth and seventh to tie the count at three all.

The game was decided in the ninth when Bemiston scored twice and the home lads once.

R. H. E.
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Pell City100 001 101—4 5 1
Batteries: Cochran and Ryin for Bemiston; Dickey, Hollis and Gallops for Pell City.

JOLLY GIRL'S CLUB

Jewel Hesterley, Reporter

Tuesday evening the club meeting was opened with roll call, followed by the reading of the minutes.

The club girls were very glad to welcome as a member of our club, Miss Florence Streetly.

The following program was given:
Bible Reading: Thelma Stephens,
Joke: Pauline Adams.
The Anglus: Mable Howell.
A Great Man of Today, "Charles A. Lindbergh:" Una Matthews.

MIGNON— CENTRAL CARD ROOM

Mr. Joe Hardy was seen riding in his cousin's "Ford" Sunday.

Miss Flossie Holdridge is our new roving marker.

E. L. McCain, our new married man, is awfully quiet these days. We wonder why? ("Blush, Blush.")