

## Musing During The Last Week Of 1954

We hope Morehead's new Christmas street decorations will be taken down and properly stored and not left up for weeks as in the past . . . . Uniting of our churches in the Week of Prayer is the finest thing the Pastors have done in some time . . . . Dissension on the Morehead College basketball team has, in our opinion, ceased to exist, and we may see some of the victories this column went out on a limb about . . . . seems like it has rained every day judging from the rain in our broken leg . . . . the rainy weather . . . . Sunday was ideal for fishing, but ice covered most ponds and small streams . . . . Christmas business in Morehead stores was a little over 1953 . . . . the 'rat' race between car manufacturers seems to be leveling off and there won't be the bargains in 1955 as in the latter part of 1954 . . . . our tobacco farmers will, in 1955, cease thinking so much of poundage and concentrate on varieties with low nicotine content . . . . Rowan County should plan some kind of observance in 1955 when the Baptist Home on Flemingsburg Road is formally opened . . . . 1955 means that we're only one year away from our centennial. Morehead and Rowan County were created by an act of the 1856 legislature. We should begin planning soon for the greatest celebration in our history marking this 100th birthday . . . . there was no real big news story in Rowan County during the year. Probably the major one was the change in the Presidency at Morehead State College . . . . the biggest news story of all time in this county was the July 4, 1939 flash flood.

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### Our Parting

#### 1954 Observation

In wishing that your New Year be prosperous and happy, we resolve: (1) We'll pick the 1955 winner of the Derby; and (2) We'll never again get out on a limb we did on the Eagle basketball team.

As the year's creep up on us we will undoubtedly follow the pattern of couching optimism with caution.

The United States is going to see a war, someday; it can happen.

**THE WEEK**

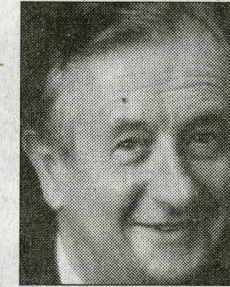
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## About the Author



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## Morehead Memories:

## People & Places

### 2008 time deposits

By JACK ELLIS  
Special to The Morehead News

*"You observe days, months, times and years."*  
(Galatians 4:10)

New Year's Day is a time of reflection and anticipation...a time to look back over the past year as well as looking hopefully into the New Year. But with each year we become more aware of the fast-rushing current of time swiftly sweeping us down the river of life out into the sea of eternity. But this relentless flow of time need not alarm us if we examine thoroughly our priorities of time, and spend that time wisely.

It occurred to this writer some while back that the time allotted to

each of us during our lifetime is like a bank account. As we know, some bank accounts are larger than others, just as many of us live longer than others. Just as we're never satisfied with the size of our bank account, we're probably never satisfied with the length of our lives. But each year everyone has the same size bank account in their "Bank of Life".

#### Bank of time open 24/7

This bank of life is located on the corner of Yesterday, Today, and Forever. The President and CEO of that bank is God, the Creator of time and life. Therefore, assuming the world will exist for another year, on January 1, 2008, each of us will have 365 days directly deposit-

ed into our account by the Bank President. Those days consist of 8,760 hours, 525,600 minutes, or 31,535,000 seconds.

Check the calendar for your balance

The Bank of Life is open 24/7. There can be no online or direct deposits. There can be no passbooks issued. There can be no accumulation of funds, no accumulation of interest, and no joint accounts. If you need to know your balance during 2008 just check the calendar and the clock. Also, remember everyone's balance is the same. (Talk about equality, that's it.) However, as each year draws to a close we each begin to think of just how precious each moment is, and we wonder if we are

spending our time wisely.

#### Be wise managers of time account

We like to think of ourselves as good managers of our money. We try to be thrifty, but not selfish. But as our bank accounts get smaller, our money becomes more precious, and we become more prudent with our money. We would never think of taking a fistful of fifty-dollar bills and throwing them out the car window as we drive down I-64. That would be foolish. But we often throw our time away.

Today many become addicted to television, Internet, video games, sports, or so many other activities that rob us of our time. However, all of these things are good in proper

perspective and we all are addicted to them to a certain degree. But if just a small portion of the time spent on these activities was spent with family, friends, visiting shut-ins, meditation and Bible study—think of how much richer our lives could be. We need to put people ahead of technology in the use of our time.

#### Beware of time robbers

As we each examine our lives at the end of 2007 most would agree there have been many things that have robbed us of our bank account of time. However, if we were being robbed of our material possessions, we would quickly start doing something about it—new door locks, bars on the windows, alarm system, or a

vicious dog. We would try to stop it from happening again.

If we would go to great lengths to keep from being robbed of our material possessions that can be replaced—why do we continue to be robbed of precious time that cannot be replaced? On January 1, 2008 we will each be given a new bank account of 365 precious days (or maybe some with a portion thereof). Therefore, with the Great President of the Bank of Life as our adviser, let us spend our time wisely!

Life can be great in '08. Happy New Year!

Thanks to my wife Janis Ruth for greatly contributing to this article.



Vanessa Overholser photo  
**Holbrook's Embroidery Plus relocated from 110 West Main Street to its new location, which is at 117 West Main St (Old Martin's Building). Featured in the photo are two of the retail store owners, Cari Flander and Janie Holbrook. Also featured are employees from the retail store and production facility. The employees are Sunshine Stamper, Ashley Cains, Sarah Barker, Murisa Adams and her daughter Brooklin Adams. The retail store will reopen on Jan. 7.**

## Holbrook's Embroidery Plus relocates

**By VANESSA OVERHOLSER**  
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Holbrook's Embroidery Plus is starting out the New Year in a new facility. The embroidery business relocated from 110 West Main Street to 117 East Main Street. The new and improved retail store will be re-opening Jan. 7 in the old Martin's building.

Cari Flander is one of the owners of the store.

business are Cari Flander, Cam Flander and Janie and Eddie Holbrook. Flanders said the retail business had another facility, which was located on Hargis Avenue behind Arbys restaurant. This is the location where employees produced the embroidered items.

"We merged our production facility with our retail facility," Flander said. "We brought all our employees together."

The retail store features many products to fit every customer's needs. She said the store fea-

items that can be personalized with photos.

"We will be carrying sublimation products," Holbrook said. "Some of the examples of sublimation products are key chains, necklaces and mouse pads."

Holbrook added, "Customers can bring their personal photos into the store and have them transferred onto a product of their choice."

There are 11 employees that work for Holbrook's Embroidery Plus. She said the Jan. 7 opening is not



Photo by Patrolman Mike Curtis  
**The driver of this Ford pickup, Dwight D. Houck, called Morehead Police after losing control of the vehicle and crashing into a pole near the ambulance station.**

## Local man taken to hospital after truck crash

**By TONIA NOE**  
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A 21-year-old Morehead man was transported to the hospital Wednesday after he lost control of his truck and struck a pole along West Main Street.

Dwight D. Houck was transported to St. Claire Regional and treated for injuries sustained in the crash. He was released the same day.

"We received a call from the operator (11:59 a.m.) of the 1979 Ford pickup who advised us he

had just struck a sign and then a pole," said Capt. Mike Adams with the Morehead Police Department.

The accident remains under investigation by Patrolman Erskin Davis.

## Lost billfold had special keepsake inside

**By TONIA NOE**  
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Morehead Police seek information concerning a

Capt. Mike Adams said although the credit card was fraudulently used twice, Caruso is more concerned about finding his mother's in-memory card.

has been reported stolen, he is more concerned about getting the laminated card back. We have searched the area and in garbage cans but have not

## Local Trivia

### Early History

■ Two of Morehead's elite service clubs in 1954 were the Chamber of Commerce and the Morehead Merchants Clubs. (Later, they would combine into one organization).

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# Morehead Memories:

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### 1963: reflections, selections, and predictions

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"Ask now of the days that are past." (Deuteronomy 4:32)

The beginning of a new year is a time for reflection and resolution. A time of looking back at what we may have accomplished, or failed to accomplish, as well as looking forward with renewed hope and determination to do better in the new year. That seems to be a part of the eternal cycle of our personal life as well as our community life.

#### Blue ribbon panel selects major events

At the end of 1963, a panel of 18 distinguished Rowan County residents selected what they considered the top 10 accomplishments in Morehead and Rowan County that year. Here are the results of their voting (first place vote was 10 and second 9, etc., down to 0).

First place with 166 votes and 15 first place votes was the construction, opening and staffing of St. Claire Hospital. It was the second straight year St. Claire was voted number 1. (Evidently a panel of judges did that every year.) The previous year, even though the hospital had not

been completed, it was selected the number 1 accomplishment in Rowan County for 1962.

Second place with 112 votes and one first place vote was the continued planning and "almost certain" construction of the \$39,000,000 Cave Run Reservoir. (This would not be completed until 1972.)

Third place with no first place votes was that the City of Morehead voted to build its own water plant instead of paying increased rates to Morehead State College. President Adron Doran said it was necessary to increase the price of water to the city to help pay for additional equipment needed to supply water to the city. (That resulted in the historic "women for water" drive that enabled the city to build a pipeline to Licking River for its water.)

Fourth place with 68 votes and one first place vote was for Morehead State College's first Founders Day. It was the 40th anniversary of the college and the celebration brought a host of dignitaries to Morehead including Governor Bert Combs. Buildings were named that day for Combs, Harry Lee Waterfield and various members of the Board

of Regents. It might be pointed out that the program was cut short by the shocking news that day that President John F. Kennedy had been assassinated.

Fifth place with 64 votes and no first place votes went for the continued growth and expansion of the Morehead Tobacco Warehouse. That year they had sales totaling 9,000,000 pounds even though the selling season had been cut short by one week. The average price of Morehead's tobacco sales that year was second highest in the state at \$68.04 per hundred pounds.

Sixth place resulted in a three way tie with 56 votes each and no first place votes. Those three included: 1) the construction of 30 units of Morehead's municipal housing, 2) Morehead State College's continued growth and construction and, 3) the opening of 20 new businesses in Morehead that year.

Tenth place went to Rodburn Park as those U. S. Forest Service areas were expanded to provide additional recreational facilities in the Cumberland Forest (now Daniel Boone National Forest).

Although Morehead's first

United Fund Drive was held that year, it failed to make the top ten because it reached only 50 percent of its goal.

The distinguished panel of judges that year read like a who's who of Rowan County and included: Roy Cornette, Norman Tant, Russell Barker, Leland Hall, Adrian Razor, Roger Caudill, Mary Alice Jayne, Hubert Allen, C. L. Brooks, and Arthur Black.

Also John Rogers, Vernon Alfrey, Ray Hornback, Curt Hutchinson, O. P. Carr, Dr. Harold Holbrook, D. B. Caudill, Robert Bishop, Ray Lytle, Myrtle Wolford, James C. Clay, William C. Layne, Eugene White, Randall C. Wells, and Virginia Rice.

#### Panel predicted future events of 1964

In addition to reviewing the past New Year's activities, the group also included prophesying future happenings. The above committee, along with a few other distinguished citizens, offered their thoughts at predicting events in the coming year.

Mr. W. E. "Snooks" Crutcher, esteemed publisher of the Rowan County News, waxed eloquently as he published their predictions for 1964. Some of those came to pass but many took longer

than one year. Some of the top ten predictions for 1964 were:

First - Plans will be drawn up for a 750 seat ultra modern cinema to be located on Morehead's Main Street. The University Cinema did not open until January 1968.

Second - Survey projected I-64 through the North Fork of Triplett Valley, but not a spade of dirt was turned in 1964. (I-64 was built as projected but not until 1969.)

Third - Morehead's City Council and M.S.C. will do a lot of horse swapping and looking down the mule's mouth before arriving at a new contract for water. It was predicted to be a more serious problem than most realized. (Indeed it was, and the City elected to build its own water treatment plant and pipeline to Licking River.)

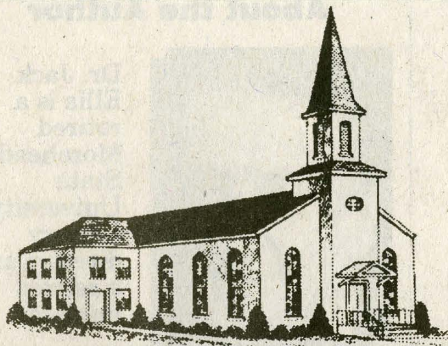
Fourth - The rift between Mayor Eldon Evans and the City Council and the Utility Plant Board will widen. The rift did widen because of where the Utility Board deposited their money. The Mayor and Council claimed that they could get \$5,000 more per year interest if they deposited their money in 90 day short term securities instead of regular checking accounts.

Fifth - Steve Hamilton, Morehead's star southpaw

relief pitcher for the New York Yankees, was predicted to become one of the best relief pitchers in the major leagues. (His 5-2 record as a reliever that year was proof of his ability, and although the Yankees traded him, he did become one of the best in the big leagues before returning to Morehead State College where he became baseball coach and Athletic Director.)

Publisher Crutcher predicted several society weddings and several "juicy divorces". He said he would publish the weddings but refused to publish the divorces. Also that year he announced the "winner" of the next Kentucky Derby five months before the race. He flatly predicted "Chieftain" to win the 1964 Derby, but did say don't bet the farm on him. (That was good advice because Mr. Crutcher was wrong on his touting. "Northern Dancer" won the Kentucky Derby that year.)

What were the major events that happened in Morehead and Rowan County in 2004? They were published in The Morehead News, I'm sure. Also who wants to go out on a limb and do a little prophesying of what might happen in our community in 2005? Not this writer!



# Faith and Values



**Grace Assembly of God**  
Behind SealMaster, turn right just across Pruda Garey Bridge, McBrayer Rd., Sunday Worship 10:30am & 7pm; Children's Church 10:30am; Youth Service 7pm Sunday. Nursery Service Available. Midweek Service Wednesday, 7pm  
Pastor Bill McCoy  
Church phone 784-3888

**Johnson First Church of God**  
590 Cranston Road, Sunday School 9:30am; Morning Worship 10:30am; Sunday Evening Service 6:30pm; Wednesday Service 7pm; Pastor Ben Furman, Associate Pastor Mark Poston

**First Baptist Church of Morehead**  
123 East Main Street, Sunday School 9:30am; Morning Worship 10:45am; Youth 6:00 pm; Evening Worship 6pm; Mother's Morning Out 9am-1pm; Wednesday Service 7pm  
Rev. Don Mantooh, 784-5768 or 784-2789

**Bible Baptist**  
KY 32 North of Trademore, Sunday School 10:00am; Morning Worship 11am; Evening Worship 6pm; Wednesday Service 7pm  
Rev. Jack Tackett, 784-2649

**Farmers Christian Church**  
US 60 W. and 801 S. Near Cave Run Lake. Sunday School 9:45am; Morning Worship 10:45am; Sunday Evening & Youth Services 6pm; Choir Practice follows Sunday Evening Service, Minister Jim Quisenberry 784-9307; Minister (Youth), Richard Ingold 783-1471

**Fraley Chapel Church of Jesus Christ**  
KY 504, 1 1/2 miles above Elliottville. Services 2nd & 5th Sundays 10:30am 2nd & 5th Saturdays 7pm  
Pastor Thomas James, 784-5509

**Slaty Point Baptist Church**  
KY 1722 off KY 801. Sunday School 10:00am; Morning Worship 11am; Sunday Evening Services 6pm; Wednesday Evening Service at 7pm  
Pastor Rusty Hedrick 780-4813

**Assembly of Faith Church**  
352 Blevins Road, West Liberty, Ky., off of Hwy. 519 on Rt. 3036, 12 miles from Morehead. Phone 606-743-4555. Pastor

**Holly Fork Freewill Baptist Church**  
Located at 2015 Holly Fork Road, Morehead, KY. First Saturday Night Services 7pm; Sunday School 10am; Sunday Worship 11am; Sunday Night Services 6pm; Wednesday Evening Service 7pm  
Jim Porter Pastor, 784-6245

**Family of God Baptist Church**  
Pine Hills, Valley Road. Sunday School 10am; Worship Service 11am; Wednesday Youth Group & Service 6:30pm; Sunday Evening Service 6:30pm  
Pastor Joe Planck, 784-9409

**The Church of God International**  
Meets each Saturday 1:30pm at the Carl Perkins Community Center, Flemingsburg Road. Charles R. Tackett, Minister. Phone (606) 780-0451. Everyone welcome!

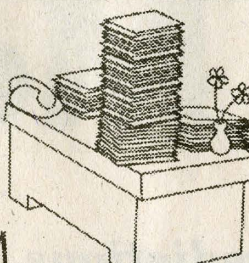
**Rock Fork Gospel Tabernacle**  
KY 799 Rock Fork Road. Sunday School 9am; Morning Worship 10am; Sunday & Wednesday Evening Services 6pm  
Pastor Lansford May, 783-1820  
Everyone Welcome!

**Siloam First Church of God**  
Bull Fork Road. Sunday School 10am; Morning Worship 11am; Evening Worship 6pm; Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7pm  
Rev. Albert McCalvin, Pastor

**Missionary Missions for the Nations, Inc.**  
141 E. Main Street, Sunday Service 10:30am; Tuesday Service at 1pm; Friday Service at 7pm  
Rev. Thelma T. Oney, 784-6786

**United Pentecostal Church**  
1020 North Tolliver Road. Sunday School 10am; Sunday Apostolic Apogee 6pm; Wednesday Bible Study 6:30pm; Friday Youth Activities  
Pastor, Dr. H. Michael Anderson, 784-3020  
www.moreheadupc.org

**First Church of God**  
KY 32 & I-64. Sunday School 9:45am; Morning Worship 10:45am; Evening Worship 6:30pm; Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7pm  
Pastor, Rev. Allan F. Hutchinson, 784-



**Be Faithful!**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

## Don't Settle for Happiness!

That may seem like strange advice, because everyone wants to be happy. However, happiness is an emotion that depends on the circumstances around us. If "good things" happen to us, we're happy. But, if "bad things" happen, we're not happy. We have no control over happiness. What we need instead of happiness is Joy! Joy comes from and depends on Jesus and Jesus is not controlled by circumstances. He controls the circumstances. We can always "Rejoice in the Lord" (Phil. 4:4), because Jesus is in control, He's consistent, He loves us and He works all things out for our ultimate good (Rom. 8:28).

If we have Jesus, we have everything!  
Have a Joyful New Year!

**Elliottville Baptist Church**  
KY 32 East • Christy Creek  
Elliottville, KY  
Tim P. Rhodes, Pastor

**Morehead First Apostolic Church**  
1.5 Miles West of Morehead on US 60. Sunday School 10am; Evening Worship 6pm; Wednesday Bible Study 7pm  
Pastor Kenneth L Binion 286-5163

**First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)**  
227 East Main Street, Morehead, KY 40351. Sunday School 9:45am; Worship Service 10:45am; Bible Study, Tuesday 12:00 Noon; 784-4836  
Minister John Dunstan

**Morehead United Methodist Church**  
227 West Main Street. Early Service 8:45am; Sunday School 9:45am; Morning Worship 11am  
Pre-School program for 3 & 4 year olds  
Pastor Bruce Nettleton

**St. Alban's Episcopal Church**  
145 East Fifth Street. Sunday School 10am; Sunday Worship (Holy Eucharist) 11am; Wednesday Worship (Holy Eucharist & Healing Service) 11:45am;

**Rock Fork Christian Church**  
1.8 Miles on Rock Ford Road. Sunday School 10am; Sunday Morning Worship 11am; Sunday Evening Service 6pm; Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7pm  
Pastor John Butch Kelsey 784-8610

**Grace Lutheran Church**  
2nd Sunday of each month, Worship & Bible Study (adults & children), 6pm  
**Wesley Foundation**, 304 University Blvd., 606-745-2873, call collect. For more information contact Ronald H. Jahnke, Pastor/Teacher

**First Freewill Baptist**  
750 West Main Street, Sunday School 9:45am; Morning Worship 10:45am; Evening Worship 7pm; Wednesday Service 7pm; Church phone 784-4260  
Pastor David Starcher

**Morehead Church of Christ**  
107 2nd Street. Sunday Services: Bible Study 10am; Morning Worship 11am; Wednesday Mid-Week Bible Study 7pm  
Pastor Len Knight

**Charity Freewill Baptist Church**  
Located on 519, six miles from Morehead. Sunday School 10am; Sunday Morning Worship 11am; Sunday Evening 6pm; Wednesday Night Service 7pm  
Pastor Robert Kidd

**End Time Harvest Tabernacle**  
Dry Creek Road, Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:30am; Sunday Evening Worship 6:30pm; Wednesday Evening Services 7pm. Bus service available. 783-1414 or 783-1388.  
Pastor, Rev. Tracy Fannin

**Morehead Seventh-Day Adventist Church**  
927 East Main Street. Saturday Services: Church Service 11:30am; Sabbath School 9:30am  
Pastor Daryl Crane (606) 723-0811

**Bluebank First Church of God**  
KY 1722 off KY 801  
Sunday School 10am; Morning Worship 11am; Evening Service 6pm  
Wednesday Bible Study 7pm  
Pastor Jeff Fannin 784-9241

**Judah Christian Fellowship Non-Denominational**  
We invite you to praise & proclaim Jesus with us! Sundays - 10:30 Worship

**House of Prayer, Inc.**  
600 Whispering Oaks Rd. Morehead, Ky. Sunday School 10am; Morning Worship 11:15am; Praise & Worship Sunday 5pm; Sunday Evening Service 6pm; Adult prayer meeting & Bible study Wed. 7pm; Youth & children's classes Wed. 7pm (pre school - high school grades).  
Pastor: Winston McClurg Phone 784-7023; Asst. Pastor: Carl Griggs Phone 606-683-6080 Everyone is invited

**The Church of Jesus Christ House of Faith**  
KY 377 - Cranston Rd. to 60 Dry Branch Rd.  
Evangelist Larry Jones, phone 784-2299

**Morehead Church of God**  
Located across from Clearfield School. Sunday School 10am; Sunday Morning Worship 11am; Sunday Evening 6pm; Thursday Evening 7pm  
Pastor Rev. Ted Blankenship

**Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses Morehead Congregation**  
1455 U.S. Highway 60 West, Morehead, 606-784-1331. Sunday Public Meeting 10am; Book Study, Tuesday, 7pm; Theo. Min. School, Thursday, 7pm; Service Meeting, Thursday, 7:55 pm.  
Free seats and no collections

**Salt Lick Christian Church Church Street in Salt Lick**  
Sunday school 9:30am-10:30am; Sunday morning worship 10:30am-11:30am; Sunday evening worship 6pm-7pm; Wednesday evening Bible Study 7pm-8pm. For more information call Minister George Stewart 606-674-3181 or Calvin Lindell 606-784-2635

**Upper Dry Creek Church of God**  
Located 3 miles up Dry Creek Road on the right. Service each Sunday morning 11am; Saturday night service before 1st Sunday of each month 7pm  
Pastor Gary Madden

**New Home Christian Church**  
Sunday morning worship services 10am Second & fourth Saturday night services 7pm. Located on Trent Ridge  
Pastor Jack Evans. Everyone Welcome!

**Haldeman Church of God**  
Located on Haldeman

NEW

**MOREHEAD MEMORIES: PEOPLE AND PLACES**  
**2003--LOOKING BACKWARD WITH PRIDE: FORWARD WITH HOPE**

BY  
**JACK D. ELLIS**

*Lift up your eyes and look from the place you now are.*  
*(Genesis 13:14)*

Hope springs eternal in the human breast. That hope has always been in the hearts of Moreheadians even though they faced an uncertain future. That was especially true in the political arena. In 1941 with the nation on the verge of a world war, J. Don Talbott, state democratic leader, addressed 450 democrats at a local Jefferson Jackson Day dinner and called upon our nation to beware of our enemies "within and without." Of course, it was the original "axis" nations of Germany, Japan and Italy that brought us into WW II for the next four years. Today we face another axis, "the axis of evil."

In 1941 County Clerk Vernon Alfrey urged all sportsmen to buy their hunting and fishing license because local game wardens would be cracking down on violators. It was something new then, but everyone over 16 including women were required to purchase the \$1 license. Also that year Kenneth Vencill and Kenneth Lewis opened a new business called "The Open Air" fruit and vegetable market on East Main Street. It was one of the first such businesses in the county.

1946 BROUGHT NEW HOPE

In post war 1946, hope would again spring eternal in the hearts of Rowan Countians with the prospect of building Cave Run Lake. There were both pro and con groups organized. The anti-reservoir group was led by County Judge Luther Bradley and the Rowan County Farm Bureau came out solidly against the project. The pro forces had not yet organized, but the dam would not be build for almost another 30 years. That year land

owners in the Licking Valley were hopeful of a major oil strike following a 150 barrel<sup>2 day</sup> oil well drilled on McCulley Branch in Salt Lick not far from the already established Ragland Oil Field.

In 1946 farm ponds and contour farming were major projects of the Rowan County Conservation Committee. That year Bishop William T. Mulloy visited Morehead to select a site for a Catholic Church or Chapel and the Morehead Stockyard sales hit a new record high as top veal calves sold for \$18.15

1946 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP AND SENIOR PLAY  
Of course it is the hope of every school in Kentucky to win a state basketball championship. In 1946 that hope was realized in Morehead when Breckinridge Training School captured the State Basketball Championship. (This writer has written much about that team and it will "hopefully" be in a future book).

Another proud moment for the Breck class of 1946 was their classic senior play. The cast included Martha Lee Pennebaker, Elaine Lyon, Ailene Caudill, Janet Patrick, Jean Tabor, Jean Flannery, Betty Coleman, Nell Fair, Janis Caudill, Jean Christy, Jean Sorrell, Barbara Schafer, Louise Kelly, Margaret Gullett, June Bentley.

Also Lois Jean Wheeler, Harold Caudill, Bill Roberts, Harve Mobley, Jr., Sonny Allen, Joe McGruder, Bill Litton, Carl Johnson and Edward Fannin.

In politics hope always springs eternal in the breast of would be future elected county officials. Following the deadline for filing for political office in 1951, there were a total of 57 candidates for political office in Rowan County's democratic and republican primary. Among those filing for magistrate that year were: Elmer R. Crisp, John A. Hamm, John

Harvey Trent, Bruce Botts and Edmond Oney. Also Austin Alfrey was a candidate for re-election as County Attorney.

ROWAN CENTENNIAL BROUGHT NEW HOPE

1956 was Rowan County's centennial year and local residents went all out in planning and organizing a spectacular centennial celebration that brought thousands of visitors and former residents to Rowan County. The herculean effort included a planning committee, a contest for centennial queen, parade, pageant, centennial ball and a special five day celebration.

A Centennial Committee was appointed by the fiscal court that included Randall C. Wells, chairman, as well as M.L. Tate, Roger Caudill, Mary Alice Jayne, Dwight Pierce, Mickey Ponder, George Cline, Glenn Lane, Beulah Williams, Eunice Cecil, W.T. McClain, William Whittaker and W.E. Crutcher. Dr. Normal Tant, audio-visual director at MSC and survivor of the infamous WW II Bataan Death March was the official photographer. He took over 500 photographs for the centennial.

CENTENNIAL PAGEANT PRODUCTION

The Centennial Committee made plans for an elaborate pageant. As is the case in any pageant, a Queen must be selected and a contest was held to select the Pageant Queen. The Queen would be the young lady who sold the most pageant tickets. Tickets could be purchased in advance all the way up to the night before the pageant opened. General admission tickets were \$1.50, reserved seats \$2.00 and box seats \$2.50. Children's tickets were \$0.75. All tickets purchased before May 19th received a 50 cent discount.

Twenty two lovely young ladies, both married and single between the ages of 16 and 30, began heatedly selling tickets "hoping" to earn the honor of being Pageant Queen. Thirty



three were nominated but 16 withdrew, many to help a friend or relative in the contest. The active candidates included: Merle Allen, Patty Skaggs, Barbara Hyden, Loreda Hardin, Janice Moore, Joyce Brown, Donna Kautz, Joan Lewis, Mary Louise Cox, Joyce Hall, Betty Green, Shelby Manning, Lydia White, Marilyn Easterling, Gail Crosthwaite, Patty Johnson, Ella Bocook, Joyce Gullett, Ruth Green, Phyllis McBrayer, Joyce Moore and Wilma Lewis.

Although the lead changed from week to week the young lady who sold the most Pageant tickets was Loreda Hardin who became "Pageant Queen." Her court included the first, second and third runner-ups Pat Skaggs, Wilma Lewis and Barbara Hyden respectively. The tickets were sold and the pageant ran for six nights in May 1956.

The title of the 1956 centennial pageant was "Within This Valley." The name was suggested by Mrs. Marie Howard who felt the name was most appropriate for portraying the historical events of Rowan County. The title was also intended to present an image of a valley of peace and calm which was opposite of the image of Bloody Rowan in the early days of its history.

The pageant was an elaborately staged production of the 100 year history of Morehead and Rowan County. It was presented in 28 scenes that ran for six nights, May 21-26. There were 300 costumed persons on a stage almost as long as the football field in old Jayne Stadium where the pageant was presented. It opened with the fanfare of trumpets that heralded the arrival of the Centennial Queen and her court.

Following an introduction by a narrator called "The Old Timer" there was a

transportation scene that took you backward in time from the airplane to the automobile, horse and buggy, wagon and mules and covered wagon. The final backward journey took you back to the "travois" or an "indian drag" behind a pony to walking through the wilderness of Rowan County in 1856.

The next scene took you back to the time of the red man who for many moons lived, loved, hunted and fought within this valley. There was a tepee studded village of Indian families with old men shivering in blankets around the campfire as children ran and played and dogs barking.

Rowan Countians have always looked back nostalgically and looked forward with hope. Building upon what has been and improving on what is to come. ....