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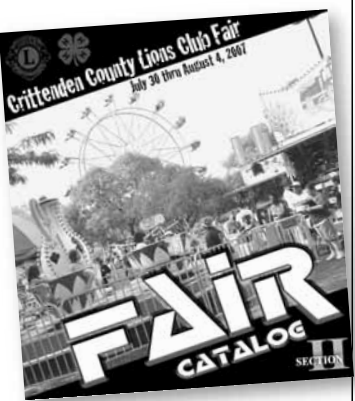
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## August Gathering creates concerns

The eighth annual Gathering of the Juggalos is coming to Cave in Rock, Ill., next month. If you don't know what a Juggalo is or why they may gather across the river, you're not alone. But many on both sides of the Ohio River are concerned about the element these followers of the Insane Clown Posse may bring to the area.

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## County fair info available soon

The annual Crittenden County Fair is slated to start July 30 and run through Aug. 4. In just two weeks, a 36-page catalog will give fair-goers all the information they need, including dates and rules to enter items in the 4-H exhibit contests. The catalog will be inserted into The Crittenden Press July 19.

## High school band gets new director

A new band director/music teacher has been named to replace David Moss at Crittenden County High School. Moss is departing after five years of service at the school, but will help the new director transition just in time for band camp later this month.

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## Cherokee: Learn native language

Cherokee 101 at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion will teach students how to speak the language of the Native American tribe. Sign-up for the five-Saturday class is through Friday.

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## Local meetings

**UPCOMING**  
• Crittenden County Board of Education will meet 6 p.m., July 10 at Rocket Arena.  
• Salem City Council will meet 7 p.m., July 10 at City Hall



## Rain gauge

Reported by UK Agriculture Weather Service as of Wednesday at Paducah.

7 days 30 days 2007  
**3.15" 4.93" 22.83"**  
below average: 3.80"

## Forecast

Reported by the National Weather Service.

**Friday** **Saturday**  
   
Mostly sunny 90/68 Partly cloudy 91/67

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# Students dropping out at alarming rate

By **DARYL K. TABOR**  
MANAGING EDITOR

More than 3 percent of Crittenden County High School students dropped out during the most recent school year, according to official records.

Twenty-two teens gave up on their education in 2006-07, according to Al Starnes, director of pupil personnel. That's on the heels of 15 that dropped out the previous year.

"Alarming. That's not a good thing," Starnes said. "We're not meeting their needs."

He acknowledged that getting through to a teenager who has made up his mind to quit school is difficult, but efforts are being made to keep students from reaching that point.

The effort will be part carrot, part punishment.

Next year, Starnes said Crittenden will become a bully-free district, part of a nationwide effort to curb abusive behavior from students that may discourage others from attending school, leading to drop-outs. A Peers for Peace Club will focus on the same issue.

"Anything positive they can belong to, any group, that's a good thing," Starnes said.

That's the carrot. But the punishment could leave more teens at the mercy of their parents once dropping out of high school.

Kentucky's No Pass, No Drive Law forces 16- and 17-year-old drop-outs to give up their driver's license. And, a student



Starnes

would also be considered a drop-out with nine or more unexcused absences in the preceding semester. Poor grades, the reason cited by nine of the 22 drop-outs last year, could also yank a student's driving privileges.

"A couple of students have quit rather than go to court (to face truancy issues) or attend alternative schools," said CCHS Principal Karen Nasser.

It takes a guardian's signature for a 16- or 17-year old to drop out, but once

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## B Company: Awaiting the homecoming



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR

Awaiting their return home from Iraq, the medical records office at Crittenden Health Systems pays homage to Marion's National Guard unit, known simply as B Company to many. The door, as well as many others in the hospital complex, was decorated in a patriotic theme for the Independence Day holiday.

# July could host unit's return from extended Iraq war stint

By **DARYL K. TABOR**  
MANAGING EDITOR

When dealing with the military, the only certainty is uncertainty. But, hopes are high that Marion's "weekend warriors" will return home from an 17-month deployment to Iraq later this month.

Nothing could sound better to Vicki Martin, who is still reeling from her son's six-month extension in the dangerous war zone.

"Oh my gosh, it was horrible,"

Martin said, recalling the moment she learned her son, Spc. Josh Jackson, could be in Iraq another six months with the Marion National Guard Unit.

Jackson and the rest of Company B, 2nd Battalion, 123rd Armor of the Kentucky Army National Guard have been Iraq since February 2006. They were first mobilized for training at Camp Shelby, Miss., in late November 2005.

Capt. David Page with the Department of Military Affairs in Frankfort said nothing is 100-percent, but the local unit should be stateside before July expires.

Martin said B Company's replacement unit is already onsite in Iraq, meaning it should be just a matter of a couple of weeks before it is trained and outfitted to spell the Marion group from their

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# Board set to explore 4-day week

By **DARYL K. TABOR**  
MANAGING EDITOR

Next week, the first official steps toward exploring a four-day school week are expected with the creation of four fact-finding committees by the board of education.

Crittenden County School Board members set the course for each of the four committees at a work session earlier this week. While the make-up of the exploratory groups has not been determined, each will be charged with researching specific areas of concern that may be brought on by the prospect of a shortened school week.

The committees should be approved at Tuesday's 6 p.m., board meeting at Rocket Arena.

Despite the move, board members maintain that a four-day week is only one option being examined as a cost-saving measure for a school system already forced to cut jobs and programs.

"We would be shirking our duties if we do not explore all options," board member Bill Asbridge said.

The board is modeling its approach after that of neighboring Webster County, the first Kentucky school district to implement a four-day week. While Webster County has shown a savings, increased test scores and improved attendance since starting the abbreviated week in 2003, more than 100 school districts in mostly western states have been utilizing the measure for years. Most four-day weeks are used in rural districts.

Superintendent John Belt ensures that careful consideration, which includes public input, will be given to the option locally. He said the study will be modeled after a drug-testing policy implemented here a few years ago. And, he said no changes will come this year.

"We will be going Monday through Friday beginning Aug. 6," he said last week.

Classes for students start Aug. 8, but teachers and staff report two days earlier.

While it is uncertain what other types of cost-

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# Recent grads reaping honors



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Evan Head, a 2007 graduate of Crittenden County High School, earned a Star in Agribusiness award at the annual FFA state convention last month.

## Head now Star of FFA

By **JERRITT HOVEY**  
PRESS STAFF WRITER

After dedicating four years to FFA, Evan Head's hard work paid off with an honor he won't soon forget.

Head, a recent graduate of Crittenden County High School and former FFA Chapter president, took home the Star in Agribusiness award at the annual Kentucky State FFA Convention in Louisville June 5-8.

The Star Program in FFA is an initiative to help recognize outstanding members at each degree level. According to the FFA Web site, anyone who earns a FFA degree is eligible for recognition.

Head has been a part of FFA since his freshman year in high school and has since been keeping track of everything he did, past and present, in order to be eligible for a FFA degree.

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# Phelps, Stout earn FBLA's top award

By **ALLISON EVANS**  
ASSOCIATED EDITOR

Leigha Phelps and Logan Stout have the maturity level of many 30-somethings. Though just out of high school, they exhibit the poise and business sense that catapulted them to the top of a national competition that dealt with ethical issues in the workplace.

Last weekend, they put their professional spirit to work and won first place in the business ethics category at the Future Business Leaders of America's National Leadership Conference in Chicago. Stout and partner Cody Brown placed in the nation's top 20 at last year's competition. Phelps and Stout earned Kentucky's only first-place trophy.

Though merely 18, Phelps and Stout's business savvy is not surprising. One was a Crittenden County High School valedictorian, and each has worked in professional environments for the last two years - Stout at The Farmers Bank, Phelps at Stout Law Office and both at The Crittenden Press.

They placed second in regional and state competitions this spring in the business ethics division, which gives teams of two or three 20 minutes to prepare an impromptu response to an ethical



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Leigha Phelps and Logan Stout display their awards received at a recent FBLA conference.

situation.

"Our first round topic related to ethical jokes in the workplace, and how we would handle a situation if a co-worker was offended," Phelps explained, fresh from her summer job in a skirt and heels.

"We talked about how we would

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# Gathering draws Juggalos, worries

## Illinois minister says festival should cause concern here, too

By DARYL K. TABOR  
MANAGING EDITOR

The tickets are already in the mail, but that's not stopping a southern Illinois minister from railing against what he calls a spiritual attack on the area.

Shawnee Ministerial Alliance Vice President Greg Degrave is fighting the planned Gathering of the Juggalos in Hardin County, Ill., Aug 9-12. He's still hoping to stop the event expected to draw thousands to the little river town of Cave in Rock, though the tickets for the four-day Woodstock-like event were mailed to concert-goers this week.

"I'm seeing a lot of people very concerned about it," said Degrave, also pastor of a Pentecostal church in Hardin County.

The Juggalos are followers of the metal rap group Insane Clown Posse, or ICP, which will host its eighth annual Gathering for the first time in Cave in Rock. The Detroit-area band consists of Violent J (Joseph Bruce) and Shaggy 2 Dope (Joseph Utsler), who both wear so-called "evil clown" make-up during performances.

The music festival will be held on private land owned by Tim York. The property is the same as where HogRock River Rally is held annually.

York did not return phone calls or e-mails from The Press seeking comment.

The Gathering has been plagued with reports of violence and crime, though many unconfirmed, at its previous incarnations. Those paying \$150 or more to attend the festival often wear masks or painted faces for festival weekend sideshows such as BloodyMania wrestling and the Bomb House amateur stage.

Degrave is concerned about lawlessness in the rural county, with limited law enforcement and emergency capabilities, particularly when one cited reason for picking Cave in Rock was for its former outlaw connections.

"We're opening the door to some very bad things," he said.

The pastor and others are so concerned they are inviting members of the community to a meeting next Tuesday to not only voice concerns about the festival, but to plead with federal and state legislators to somehow put a stop to the Gathering.

"I am totally 100-percent against the Juggalos... the Gathering of the Juggalos," he said.

He is even inviting those in Crittenden County to attend the 7 p.m., meeting and form a coalition against the Psychopathic Records

duo and its associated festival.

"You are our neighbors," he said. "We would really appreciate it if (officials and citizens) would attend."

His pleas have not fallen upon deaf ears on this side of the Ohio River.

Sheriff Wayne Agent said he is already planning for measures to address any potential problems.

"We're gonna be prepared for it," Agent said.

The sheriff will be adding patrols and setting up road blocks to avoid potential problems. He is even requesting state police help for the weekend.

"I think they've got something to worry about," he said of the Hardin County community. "They (Juggalos) sound like a bunch of idiots."

Degrave is trying to get local businesses to close for the weekend in protest, as some do during the HogRock River Rally. In fact, his family owns Gee Jays restaurant in Cave in Rock, which regularly closes during the motorcycle festival. It will once again be closed next month for the Gathering.

"We don't want to make them feel welcome," he said.

He is requesting Marion businesses do the same for the weekend.

Michele Edwards, Marion Tourism



Agent



**"A man is chattin on his cell phone, I spatter his brain."**

- "The Tower"

Lyrics from Insane Clown Posse's latest album, Tempest

director, said she does not like the fact that three Marion businesses are listed on JuggaloGathering.com as potential lodging for festival goers. However, she said one Juggalo reservation at a local bed and breakfast was cancelled when they learned the ferry would close at 10 p.m.

While ICP's lyrics are often violent, lewd and chock full of expletives, the band's Web site claims its violent, pro-drug image is misconstrued.

"They use their Insane Clown personas to reflect on the insane world around them, and this world is indeed filled with violence," the Web site counters.

The sponsoring record company's logo is that of a dreadlock-wearing man wielding a hatchet.

ICP's latest album, Tempest, features songs like "Hum Drum Boogie" about oral sex, and "Watch My Ride" that describes taking a man's life and "his ride," or car. "The Tower" and "If I Was a Serial Killer" talk about shooting victims arbitrarily from atop a tower and decapitating victims of a killing spree.

## FBLA

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ask management to initiate a workplace meeting to help people overcome their differences and we said if we were in management, we would use technology - such as e-mails - to address codes in the handbook," she continued.

Both felt confident about their answer after the first round, in which Stout provided a recap of the question and Phelps provided their response.

In no more than seven minutes, the pair convinced their panel of judges, which consisted of business owners and company executives, that they were among the best in the nation. Their first-round showing was enough to send them to finals.

They weren't nearly as convinced of their performance in that round, when they were asked to evaluate the ethics in a buy-10, get-one-free proposal from a computer salesman. "We said we wouldn't make the deal unless the free laptop could be used for business purposes and we could talk to the salesman's manager to make sure he was aware of the offer," Phelps said.

Stout said there have been examples in Marion where employees used public funds or equipment for personal gain; and for that reason, he felt confident in his and Phelps' stance that the deal made over the table.

The rapid fire questioning from judges, which further tests competitors' stance on the hypothetical situation, left Phelps and Stout confused about their success.

"It was very intimidating," Phelps said.

Regardless, the two found out Sunday night that they took first among all 100 competitors. They won \$500 each and left with experiences that will benefit them in college - not to mention further bolstering their maturity levels.

## Democrats: Fletcher playing politics with special session

AP AND STAFF REPORTS

Gov. Ernie Fletcher deflected criticism from Democrats on Tuesday that he was playing election-year politics by forcing the General Assembly into a special session to deal with potentially volatile issues four months before the fall election.

Fletcher, in setting the legislature's special session agenda, shoved to the forefront the controversial question of whether public university employees should be eligible for domestic partner health insurance benefits. Rather, Fletcher said, the primary task waiting for lawmakers when they return to Frankfort today is to deal with a proposed \$315 million incentives package for energy companies looking to build high-tech alternative fuel plants involving coal.

"That is the primary purpose for the call, and I think any other year it would be a no-brainer," Fletcher said. The first-term Republican governor is fighting for a second term against Democrat Steve Beshear in the Nov. 6 election.

Fletcher signed an executive order on Monday calling lawmakers back to Frankfort at a cost to taxpayers of about

\$60,000 per day.

Fletcher's 67-item agenda includes a proposal to authorize \$427.6 million in capital projects - most of which he has vetoed once before from the two-year state spending plan.

"We have dealt with a majority of this stuff, and in his infinite wisdom, he vetoed it," said Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson).

Some of those projects include new dormitories at Murray State University, an energy and advanced technology center at Madisonville Community and Technical College, grants for animal shelters and several projects at Western Kentucky University and Murray State.

Rep. Mike Cherry (D-Princeton) suggested the long list of appropriations in the summer before an election "may be politically beneficial" for some.

Ridley is concerned that the agenda is too monumental to tackle in a short period. However, across the capitol, Cherry thinks things will wrap up in a couple of weeks, with legislators agreeing to agree or agreeing to disagree in that time, sending lawmakers home until the 2008 regular session.

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they reach 18, the decision is all their own, and they may retain their vehicle operator's license.

The No Pass, No Drive Law is not mandatory for school systems, but Superintendent John Belt appears ready to enact the punishment to curb drop-outs.

"This is the challenge we're up against," he said.

Starnes said the reasons for students leaving school varies, but a survey of the 22 who dropped out last year pointed primarily to failing grades, followed by a desire to work full-time. One each

dropped out due to boredom, pregnancy and illness. Seven listed "other" as reason for their exit.

For many, it's a family pattern. The students are just following the lead of their own parents.

"We try to tell them it's a cycle," Starnes said of the counseling each prospective drop-out is required to undergo. "They don't want to hear it."

While five of the 22 drop-outs have already gotten their GED, life can still be tough for those without a high school diploma, even a post-secondary degree.

"It's going to be an easier life if you get a high school diploma," Starnes said.

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cutting measures the board might consider over the next few months, the four-day option is in direct response to increased transportation costs brought on by higher fuel prices. Belt said the board needs some sort of contingency plan if fuel goes as high as \$5 a gallon for buses that may get five miles per gallon.

According to board Finance Officer Brent Highfil, \$100,000 has been budgeted for fuel alone in the 2007-08 school year. Last year, \$80,000 was spent on fuel and \$89,000 the year before.

By reducing the number of days students are picked up for school and extending the hours they are in session by a half-hour or so, the board could meet the required 1,062 hours pupils must be in class

each year and effectively cut busing costs by 20 percent.

But implementing a four-day school week - with most, but not all, Mondays off during during the year - would have several hurdles to overcome. The biggest concern among board members is childcare on those weekdays students are not in session.

Pam Collins, the mother of a second- and sixth-grader, said she is intrigued by the prospect of a four-day week, but has questions about the childcare issue. A second-grader, she said, is not old enough to stay at home alone and some parents, limited by budget, could have few options. And, can the local daycare centers handle more children one day a week?

"Everyone is affected differently," Collins said. "This needs much, much consideration."

In fact, exploring daycare

issues will be the mission of one of the four board-created committees. The other committees will address academics, finances and communications with the public and board employees.

Harold Grace, a teacher for 27 years in the Crittenden County school system and head of the retired teacher's association, is undecided on the shorter week.

"I can see the pros and cons," he said.

As a former bus driver as well, Grace said he understands transportation costs are one of the most expensive a district pays for, but focusing on that could leave students playing catch-up on Tuesdays. "Three days off (each week) could be a hurdle," he said. "They have a tendency to get out of the cycle."

"It's going to be hard to make these decisions," Grace added.

## BLUEGRASS

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**QUIET AREA** - 3 br home, 1 bath, liv. rm, kitchen w/dining rm combo, full basement, central H/A and carport. Storage bldg (needs repair), county water, 61 acres. \$53,000.00. **lw**

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**RENOVATORS DREAM** - 1920 2 story home, 4 or 5 br, 3 bath, dining rm w/french doors, living rm w/fireplace & storage rms. Has oak hardwood floors & trim throughout. **gm**

**OPEN & SPACIOUS** - is this 3 br, 2 bath w/kitchen, living rm & updates on the interior. Celler, central h/a. Also has an outside wood burner for the home, out bldgs & county water on 2 acres +/-, Hwy 60 E. **rp**

**NICE SINGLE WIDE** - 2 br, bath, laundry, big eat-in kitchen & living rm. Stove & refrigerator stay. Situated on 1 +/- acre lot. County water, Hwy. 60 E. **rp**

**NEW - PERFECT LOCATION** - Spacious 3 br, 2 bath home, kitchen w/lapp., a dining rm, living rm, sun rm & partial basement. Nice out bldg., fenced tree shaded lot. Need to see to appreciate. **rp**

**NEW - LOVELY A FRAME** - You'll find this home just 5 minutes from town on 2.5 +/- acres, 3 br, 2 bath, living rm, dining rm & kitchen w/lapp., a large deck & out bldg, w/water, **sp**

**NEW - IMMEDIATE POSSESSION** - On this 3 bed-room home with bath, living room, kitchen, 2 car garage, paved drive and 3 +/- acres. **lc**

**NEW - PRICED RIGHT** - Ranch style 3 br w/large family rm, eat-in w/oak cabinets & lots of storage. Nicely landscaped, fruit trees, nice back deck. Close to town. **tk**

**NEW - OLD SALEM ROAD** - 2 or 3 br w/2nd story & basement. Metal garage, older barn, 4.5 acres. Won't last long! Price \$59,000.00. **lw**

**AFFORDABLE** - Triple brick home, 3 br, 2 bath, dining rm, corner lot. Attached & detached garages. Price \$59,900.00. **do**

**NEW - STARTING OUT** - 3 br, bath, liv. rm, quiet st. Priced right. W. Depot St. **sp**

**NEW - GREAT PRICE** - 3 br, 1 bath, edge of town. \$22,000.00. **S.R. 56**

**COUNTRY COMFORT IN TOWN** - 3 bedroom, 2 bath mobile home w/lapp., laundry rm w/ld, a barn w/elec., storage bldg. \$57,900.00 **mc**

**SECLUDED** - 3br, 2 bath w/front deck, oversized storage bldg., fruit trees. Dead end rd. 10 +/- acres. \$90,000.00. **lf**

**NEW- ENJOY LIFE HERE** - 16 x 80 mobile home on 6.5 +/- acres, barn & pond. **dk**

**NEW - COTTAGE** - 4 years old, move in ready, super nice inside, beautiful Oak cabinets, hardwood floors, 24x26 carport, 12x16 storage bldg, w/lot, paneled & insulated. Only \$59,000.00. **lp**

**MOBILE HOME ON CORNER LOT** - Pierce St. \$8,500.00. **rd**

**EAST MOUND ST.** - (Old Eagles Club Building), older mobile home and 5 additional lots. \$45,000.00. **rd**

**JUST LISTED - HURRY, THIS WON'T LAST!** - 3 br home, w/office or sewing rm, large open kitchen, dining area & living rm, central air. Older barn/shed w/2 +/- acres & work shop bldg. w/electric. A pond, 10 +/- beautiful acres with lots of **twy**. Frontage & property is fenced. \$89,500.00. **ghp**

**CALL THIS HOME** - A 16x80 mobile home, 2 br, 2 baths, kitchen w/appliances and is open to liv. rm. Paved drive, beautifully landscaped lot with 3 storage bldgs, each has electric. Lots of extras. \$82,500.00. **ph**

**LOOKING FOR PEACE AND QUIET?** - Sheridan is where you'll find this 1 br home w/laundry, living rm, dining area, kitchen & 1 bath. Deck, front porch, 24x30 metal garage on 3 +/- acres. \$59,500.00. **nd**

**WHAT A DEAL** - This 3 br, 2 bath home features a living rm & kitchen w/living & dining area. A detached two car garage w/electric. Beautifully landscaped. Large lot. Only 4 years old. Reduced to \$84,000.00. **mo**

**SURROUNDED BY NATURE** - 3 br 2 bath manufactured home located in the country on 4 1/2 acres +/-, 2 car det. garage with a small out bldg. Lots of wildlife with the woods right at the back door. \$89,900.00. **jb**

**A GREAT LOCATION-RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL** - 3 br 2 bath home, formal dining rm or conference rm, large front foyer or could be waiting rm, tv or 2nd waiting rm, full basement w/ br or office, walk-out to basement, central H/A. Property within walking distance of banks, restaurants & court house, parking behind home. 326 N. Main. Price Reduced. **db**

**NEW - WHY RENT WHEN YOU CAN BUY** - 3 br, 2 ba home. Also has a mobile home, several bldgs. 1 bldg w/celler. House is 3 years old, situated on 2 1/2 +/- acres. Nice country setting, Burns. Reduced to \$82,000.00. **mo**

**NEW-PERFECT STARTER OR RETIREMENT HOME** - A 3 br, 1 bath home w/living rm, kitchen w/appliances, dining area, utility rm, family rm w/fireplace, central h/a, a storage rm, carport, and a large fenced back yard. \$79,900.00. **bd**

**EXTRA NICE** - A Brick 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with living room, kitchen complete with appliances, dining area, a carport, a nice deck, paved drive. This home is move in ready. \$79,000.00. **dh**

**READY TO MOVE IN** - Come look at this brick ranch shaded by mature trees. It's a 3 br, 1 ba home with living room, kitchen, complete with appliances and dining area. A 1 car attached garage, window air, a large storage building located on a 1 +/- acre corner lot. \$75,000.00. **rb**

**SALEM, KY** - 3 br, 2 bath brick home. Living rm w. gas log fireplace, kitchen dining combo & has a 1/2 basement, a carport, 3 car garage & lots of shade trees. Owner wants offer. \$72,500.00. **lb**

**TAKE A LOOK** - 3 br, 2 bath double wide w/living rm, kitchen w/appliances, dining rm, 2 car garage & 2 +/- acres located on Hwy 60 W. Motivated seller. Make Offer. **bk**

**DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY** - N. Grant St., Sturgis, 2 br bath home w/1 car detached garage. Conveniently located, Excellent for rental or first time buyer! Reasonably priced at \$31,900.00. **db**

**MINUTES FROM TOWN** - 2 br, 2 bath mobile home w/front & back porches, central h/a, detached garage, stocked pond, some woods, blacktop drive, new roof, windows & siding on 5 +/- acres. \$45,900.00. **am**

**LOTS & ACREAGE** - APPROX. 1 ACRE - Hwy. 506, \$5,900.00. **dh**

**GOOD LOCATION** - 10 +/- acres from Crittenden Farm Supply on **CR 56**. \$5,000.00. **rd**

**24.25 WOODED ACRES** - on Nunn Switch and Blackford Rd. **gg**

**NICE BUILDING SITE** - 3.75 acres, great for home or double wide. 3.75 acres/20 X 40 carport, 20 X 20 bldg, new roof, new concrete floor, dead end rd., Elec & water av... **lj**

**NEW - 3 NICE BUILDING LOTS** - On Campbell Lane & Hwy 641. County water & elec. Lots range from 1 acre to 2 1/2 acres. Mobile homes o.k. Broker/Owner. **jc**

**33.5 +/- ACRES** - 5 minutes from town on Hwy. 506 E. Beautiful wooded home woods, partially fenced, country setting. **sp**

**VERY NICE BUILDING LOT** - In Penn Estates, Lot size 150x200, close to town. \$13,300.00. **lg**

**NEW - 1 +/- ACRES** - 10.400 s.f. metal bldg w/show room, county water & elec. **lg**

**30 ACRES** - 10.400 s.f. metal bldg w/show room, county water & elec. **lg**

**NEW - DRIFTWOOD ESTATES** - Building lot, lake view at Barkley Lake, Eddyville. \$30,000.00. **gd**

**BUILDING LOT** - In a nice subdivision. Owner wants offer. **ck**

**NEW - .85 ACRE LOT** - A nice lot, located on Hwy. 141 in Union County. Water and electric available. \$3,500.00. **jc**

**NICE CORNER LOT** - This nice 1 +/- acre lot is located on the corner of Chapel Hill Rd and Oak Hill Dr. It adjoins the golf course property, has city water & sewer and is nicely shaded with lots of mature trees. \$27,500.00. **jn**

**3 BEAUTIFUL LOTS** - On Hillside Rd. off of Christopher Rd. in Fredonia, KY. Lots of big oak & hickory trees on these lots. Priced to sell at \$12,500.00. **jn**

**BUILDING LOT** - with underground city electric, phone and county water. \$5,300.00. **kd**

**BUILDING LOT** - Grandview Estates \$8,500. **jn**

**6 BEAUTIFUL BUILDING LOTS** - County water. \$8,700 to \$12,500. **jn**

## COMMERCIAL

**WORK FOR YOURSELF** - Buy Flowers Forever Lawn & Garden business, shed, lots of inventory. Must be moved. Hwy 60 E. \$35,000.00. **rp**

**COMMERCIAL** - 10,400 s.f. metal bldg w/show room, 2 office areas & 2 restrooms. Parts rm., storage bldg w/concrete floor. Fenced area, security system in & out. Pond on 5 +/- acres. Hwy. 641 Marion. **jc**

**NEW - MAIN STREET GOOD INCOME PRODUCING COMMERCIAL PROPERTY** - Bldg. has approx. 1,200 sq. ft. & is expandable. Low utilities, new roof, 3 phase electric, located on a double lot. **lw**

## AUCTIONS

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# Take a walk through Marion 1920's style

Marion was a bustling town in the late 1920s. There were many businesses available to fill the needs and wants of the community and surrounding areas. Let's take a look back to October 1926 and learn about some of the stores in business and the goods that were available.

### Banking Institutions

Banking Institutions are both splendid ones and in their regular published statements the public can see a steady growth. Both of the banks are located on the same street, at the same street intersection.

The Marion Bank stands at the southeast corner of the intersection of Main and Carlisle. The present building was constructed in 1919 to replace the old building, which was destroyed by fire. It is of an attractive and modern design. The officers of the Marion Bank are: J.W. Blue, president; Sam Gugenheim, vice president; T.J. Yandell, cashier; Katherine Yandell Runyan, J.V. Threlkeld and Orville Lamb, assistant cashiers; Virginia Flanary Vaughan, bookkeeper.

The Farmers Bank and Trust Company stands on the northwest corner of Main and Carlisle and is the youngest of the two banks. The building it now occupies, while not a very old one, has

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been recently remodeled and enlarged. The officers of the Farmers Bank and Trust Company are: W.T. McConnell, president; R.F. Wheeler and C.C. Wheeler, vice presidents; O.S. Denny, cashier; Hollis C. Franklin, N.G. Guess and May Cook, assistant cashiers; Melba Williams, bookkeeper.

### Meat Markets

A.W. Jones, at his location on Carlisle Street is conducting an up-to-date meat market. Mr. Jones only recently came to Marion from Eddyville, where he was editor of the Lyon County Herald. One section of his place of business is occupied with a lunch stand, specializing in lunches for school children.

### Feed Barns

Henry Paris, at his barn on Belleville Street, deals in all kinds of feed for cattle and other livestock. The barn in which this business is located was formerly a livery stable.

Agee Brothers have a feed barn on Belleville Street near the railroad station. Their barn has been built only recently.

### Produce Dealers

The Davidson, Seay, Adams Company, of Louisville, is represented in Marion by W.E. Belt, who conducts his business on Carlisle Street. Mr. Belt has been local representative of that company for several years. Poultry is brought to him for sale from all over the county and parts of Livingston.

Herman Koltinsky is also a dealer in produce. His place of business is on the vacant lot owned by W.E. Cox on Belleville Street.

### Fire Insurance

There are four fire insurance companies having offices in Marion. Woods and Walker, Bourland and Haynes, J.T. Hicklin and C.R. Newcom deal in this class of insurance.

### Marion Ice Company

The ice used in the homes



and in the business institutions that require it, is sold by A.G. Thomason, who is owner of the Marion Ice Company. Until recently his son, Wallace Thomason, was his business partner.

### Blacksmiths

Guess Brothers, on East Belleville Street, are blacksmiths and plumbers. Their business is one of long standing.

Hugh Driver is the owner of the blacksmith shop, which is located on North Main Street.

### Coal Companies

There are three coal companies in tow. R.S. Elkins is proprietor of the Elkins Coal Company. Mr. Elkins was in the coal business before he purchased an interest in the Overland and Willy-Knight garage. A few months ago he returned to the coal business.

The Marion Coal Company is owned by S.J. Sullenger, who came to Marion from Tolu last year.

Jake Crider and W. Scott Paris are owners of the Paris Coal Company, a company formerly owned entirely by Mr. Paris who sold an interest a short while ago to Mr. Crider.

### Steam Laundry

Marion has a well equipped steam laundry that is doing a great part of the laundry work of the town. C.D. Haynes is proprietor. The building that contains the laundry is located on a lot adjoining his residence on Clark Street.

### Monument Shop

Marion is represented in the monument and memorial business by Henry and Henry, who have a well equipped shop and display room in their building on Carlisle Street.

### Lawyers

Among the lawyers who have offices in Marion or live here are: Clem S. Nunn; John W. Blue, John A. Moore, Edward D. Stone, T. C. Bennett and J.G. Rochester.

### Physicians

Dr. T.A. Frazer is health officer for Crittenden County and one of the group of splendid doctors with which Marion is supplied. Dr. O.C. Cook, Dr. J.R. Perry, Dr. I.H. Clement, Dr. A.J. Driskill and Dr. C.G. Moreland are the other physicians.

### Auto Laundry

Cook's Auto Laundry on North Main Street, is completely equipped for its class



Pictured are a couple of Marion's businesses during the 1920s. Above is the Henry & Henry Monument Company, when it was located on Carlisle Street and known as The Concrete Building. At left is the blacksmith shop of Guess and Driver. Elbert Guess is shoeing the horse in the front left of the photograph. Hugh Driver is standing by the horse.

of work, the washing of cars and the cleaning of the upholstery. The business in Marion was established by Levi Cook and is now managed by Creed Threlkeld.

### Bottling Works

W.C. Byarley is manager of the Marion Bottling Works, a business which he carries on in his establishment on South Main Street. Mr. Byarley manufactures and bottles the "Hip-Hy" drinks.

### City Officials

J.G. Rochester is now serving his first year as mayor of Marion, succeeding M. N. Boston in that position. Other city officials are John G. Bellamy, clerk; J.C. Bourland, treasurer; J.A. Elder, police judge; John A. Moore, city attorney, and Hugh Norris, chief of police. The council consists of A.M. Henry, C.B. Hina, M.O. Eskew, George James, E.F. Sullenger and A.J. Baker.

### Boy Scouts

The Boy Scouts organization in Marion is fostered by

the American Legion, the Kiwanis Club and other organizations. Many of the boys were interested at once and most of them expressed a desire to join that organization. O.A. Adams was chosen as scout leader.

### Girl Scouts

The Girl Scouts are a comparatively new organization in Marion, being organized in the spring of this year and have been active in the work for which that organization stands. Their motto is "Be Prepared" and their slogan is, "Do a Good Turn Daily."

The council that helped organize the Girl Scouts consisted of Mrs. Mary Kuykendall, Mrs. Ted Boston, Mrs. A.H. Reed, Mrs. A.H. Crider, Mrs. W.O. Tucker, Mrs. D.W. Stone, Mrs. Maurie Nunn, Mrs. C.W. Haynes, Mrs. Walter McConnell.

Miss Mary Mitchell, first grade teacher, is scout captain.

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## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

**From The Crittenden Press Archives**

### Local news articles from this week 50 years ago:

•Hollis Franklin of Marion will be one of four Kentucky laymen to preside over discussion groups at the Second National Conference of Methodist Men at Purdue University July 19-21.

•Bill Monahan, a former teacher in the Marion school system, will attend the National School Public Relations Association seminar to be held in New York City July 7-11. Mr. Monahan is presently serving as assistant to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction in Frankfort.

•Mrs. Leslie May of Marion was named "Mrs. U.S. Navy" in a service-wide contest held last year. She was first named representative of Commander Training Atlantic and then won the final competition at Long Beach, Calif., last September. Judging was based mainly on an essay that contestants had to write titled "Why I'm proud to be a Navy Wife." Other things judged were poise and personality.

•A search for a light aircraft reported down was called off Wednesday when a sign of the crash or the crash itself couldn't be located. The search was touch off Tuesday night when several people reported they heard a plane flying very low and then heard its motor die out. About a year ago, a similar report of an airplane in trouble touched off a search with the same results.


### Local news articles from this week 25 years ago:

•Annabell Alexander has been selected to serve as chairman of the board of the Crittenden County Historical Society for the next year. Mrs. Alexander was chosen at the society's annual meeting held Tuesday afternoon at the Bob Wheeler Museum. She makes the fourth chairman of the board the society has had since its organization in 1967. She replaces Braxton McDonald who has served in the position for seven years.


•David A. Boone, son of Daniel M. and Anne E. Boone of Marion, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of Technical Sergeant.

•Hugh Highfill, 34, a veteran of 13 years in the Crittenden County school system, was named as boys' varsity basketball coach at Crittenden County High School at a special meeting of the Crittenden County Board Tuesday evening. Highfill will replace Norm Weaver, who resigned from the post earlier this month for a similar position at Edmondson County High School.

•Senior Master Sgt. Richard L. Perryman, director of management operations for Aeronautical Systems Divisions Deputy for Airlift and Trainer, received the Air Force Systems Command Certificate for his outstanding accomplishments as a staff support administrator during the past year.



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