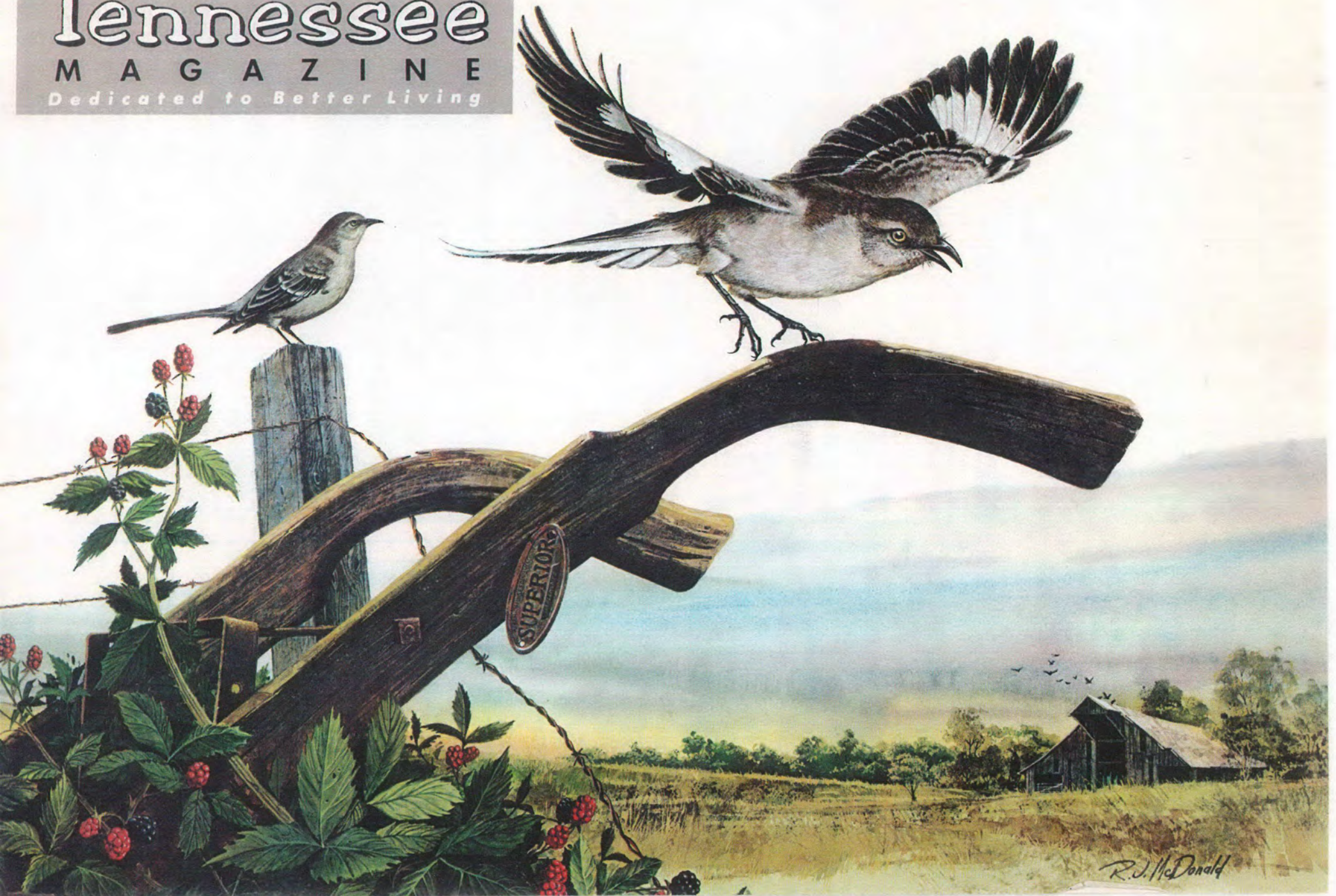


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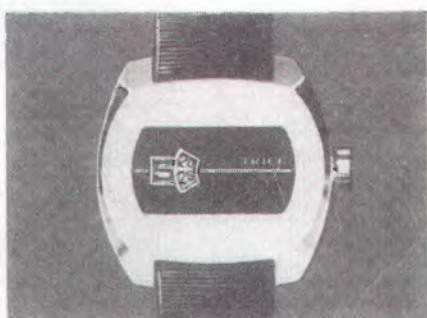
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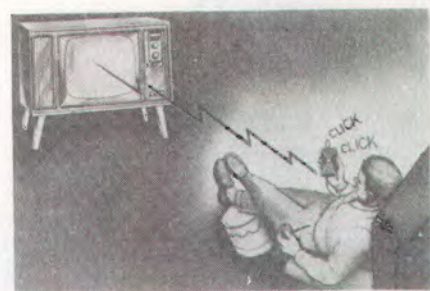
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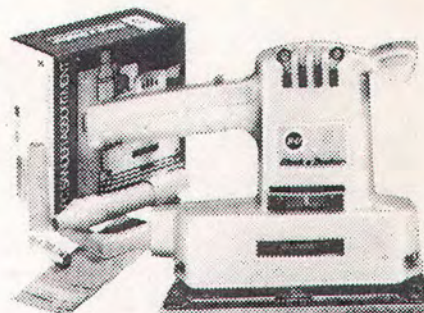
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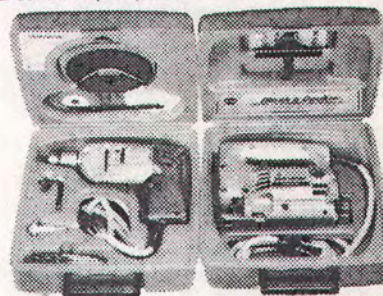
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ON THE COVER



Our cover this month featuring Tennessee's official bird, the Mockingbird, is also an official painting in that the State of Tennessee, through Governor Winfield Dunn, commissioned talented artist Ralph McDonald to paint this magnificent picture. For those interested in a copy, please see Page 23.



Volunteer Views

By J. C. Hundley
Executive Manager, TECA

Why are cooperatives important in the life of the United States?

Many reasons can be given. We choose four fundamental ones.

First, cooperatives are important because they can strengthen the economic bargaining power of the still-competitive parts of our economy. Otherwise the monopolistic elements would overwhelm them.

An example: farmers' marketing, supply and credit cooperatives, which make it possible for them to own together the storage, processing, marketing, production, procurement, distribution, credit, insurance and linking agencies which are related to agriculture. By so doing, many farmers who would be economically helpless as individuals can own some of the profitable parts of the food and fiber business. They can stand in the market place, when they sell and when they buy, on a basis of greater equality with the huge corporations with which they must deal.

Another example: retailer-owned cooperative wholesales, enabling small businesses to compete more equally with integrated competitors.

Second, cooperatives are important because they give consumers a more effective voice.

Third, cooperatives are important because they are motivated by purposes different from those that move investor-owned, profit oriented business. Because this is true, cooperative business can expand an economic activity into areas which the profit motive cannot reach and thus assure a better economic growth rate for our country than would otherwise be possible.

An example: Rural electrification, which profit power companies rejected as a field of activity, but which was made possible by the organization of the need of rural people for electricity and the motive of mutual aid and service to all who need it. A whole new business was created that could not have existed without cooperatives.

Fourth, cooperatives are important because they broaden ownership. There are 50,000 more families who own shares in cooperatives and mutual businesses than all the families which hold even one share of stock in all the investor owned corporations in the country.

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*By Joe Sloan
Director of Member Services
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Fifteen years ago the Rutherford County Quarterly Court commissioned a Peabody College team to study the county's school system and make recommendations for improvements. One of the major and most controversial proposals was a consolidation of the county's nine high schools. After much political maneuvering and many false starts, Rutherford County this fall has only four public high schools, with 80 percent of the students attending two magnificent new comprehensive high schools.

Situated on opposite sides of Murfreesboro, the new Riverdale and Oakland high schools are virtually identical in size, design, and furnishings. Both are about a mile beyond the city limits on 80-acre tracts. Together, they house about 3,000 students in grades 9 thru 12 that formerly attended Murfreesboro Central, Holloway, Christiana, Rockvale, Kirtrell, Lascassas, and Walter Hill schools. All that remains of the old system are Eagleville High, 20 miles away at the edge of the county, and Smyrna High, a booming school in one of the state's fastest growing communities.

In describing the new schools, one is tempted to talk about the obvious physical features — the carpets, the air conditioning, the swimming pools, the closed circuit television, the open spaces. But most new schools have these now, and the real uniqueness comes in the concept and the program.

A number of basic decisions had to be made by the school board four years ago. Observing the experiences of other school systems in the state, the Rutherford county board decided it would not try to build the biggest, most spectacular school building in Tennessee. It already had a 2300-student high school on its hands, and knew that "bigness" was no particular virtue. So the board opted for two identical 1500-student schools.

Nor did the board want to spend so much on "brick and glass" that nothing was left to improve the other aspects of the educational system, such as curriculum and pupil-teacher ratios. The specific charge to the architects, Burkhalter-Hickerson & Associates of Nashville, was, "We don't want monuments to architects or educators, but simple, functional, economical housing for our students." The board particularly banned curving walls and irregular shapes.

The final design produced a three-building complex for each school consisting of an academic building, a music and physical education building, and a vocational-industrial building, totaling over four acres under roof.

A 75-man Educational Specifications committee worked for six months detailing the curriculum, staffing, and space requirements for every course to be offered in the new schools. The committee included educators from Middle

Tennessee State University, the State Department of Education, the superintendent's staff, and teachers from all the schools being consolidated. It was chaired by Dr. Homer Pittard, vice chairman of the board and an MTSC faculty member.

The popular educational concepts of team teaching, open spaces, and ready access to the library were pioneered in round and hexagonal-shaped buildings. For the Rutherford county schools, the architects and the state school plant planning specialists adapted these modern concepts to rectangular design. Each department consists of a cluster of instructional areas (classrooms) around a core containing teacher offices, work room, store room, restrooms, and a special projects area. These clusters, in turn, surround the common use areas — library, cafeteria, auditorium, administrative offices, clinic, and guidance rooms.

The school board was hesitant about accepting the "no-wall" concept, but agreed to the design after doorways and lighting fixtures were aligned so that walls could be built at a later date, if desired, to divide the open spaces into conventional classrooms. The biggest open area is in the English department where the equivalent of eight classrooms have no partition walls.

There were no study halls designed into the buildings. The committee

proposed that the number and length of periods be altered so that the traditional study hall time would be spent in the classroom under supervised study, or in the special projects areas.

The special projects area of each department, along with the library, contain study carrels where students may individually hear or see programs, films, lectures, or other audio-visual materials through a dial access system.

The schools have the capability of televising, taping, and showing their own TV productions, and the library has a capacity of 22,000 books.

Vocational classes at both Oakland and Riverdale include agriculture, home economics, office occupations, food service, child care, building trades, and distributive education. In addition, Oakland offers classes in graphic arts (printing) and metals. Riverdale has automotive trades and electricity.

The vocational food service area includes a complete commercial kitchen and a glass-walled serving area looking out on the mall. Here students will learn restaurant operation, from cooking to waiting table, on such "live" customers as students and teachers. The child care area will function as a day-care nursery and include pre-school children in certain segments of the course.

The physical education facilities include a 3,000-seat gym with two playing floors — one located on an upper deck and separated from the main floor by forward-folding bleachers. To the rear of the gym is a six-lane 75' by 36' enclosed swimming pool. It is to be used primarily to teach water safety, but will also make possible a school swimming team, and provide recreational swimming in the summer. Seven large overhead doors on two sides of the pool open onto an outdoor patio.



Study carrels in the library and special projects areas encourage individual study and provide dial access to programmed audio and video presentations.



Spaciousness of the classroom areas is illustrated in this view of a home ec sewing class.



The 500-seat cafeteria serves as a "commons," or meeting place, for many groups besides hungry students.



Special areas include this 100-seat tiered lecture room in the science department. Both schools also have a greenhouse for the biology classes.



Team teaching is underway here as a single teacher presents a portion of the lecture for two classes, while the second teacher stands by to assist with individual instruction.



This chemistry lab is one of 7 science laboratories in each school.

At the front of the gym are classrooms for the band, chorus, and ROTC.

Football practice fields are located at each school, but all games will be played in the 16,000-seat MTSU stadium. The school board had \$234,000 earmarked for a stadium, but decided to use this money to buy AstroTurf for the MTSU field in exchange for a 20-year contract to play all games there.

The Riverdale school contains 195,330 square feet and is slightly larger than Oakland. This is because it contains an extra cluster of six classrooms to accommodate about 100 retarded students enrolled in a special program.

How It Happened

The political history of the twin schools is as interesting as the new buildings. During the 21 years prior to 1968, Rutherford county schools were operated by an 11-man county board. The board, like the County Court, was grossly mal-apportioned. The city of Murfreesboro contained 47 percent of the registered voters, but had only nine percent of the vote on the school board. The sentiment for maintaining the small high schools and their basketball teams was reflected in the overwhelming majority of rural magistrates and school board members, who for years frustrated all efforts by progressives to consolidate and improve the schools.

Finally, the one-man, one-vote rulings of the Supreme Court spawned lawsuits seeking the reapportionment of both the county court and the school board. Affirmative rulings came in 1968, and new private acts were passed by the Legislature reorganizing and reapportioning the court and school board.

The new 7-man school board which took office September 1, 1968, began working immediately on the building
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Sherrri Bishop, 1972 Tennessee Junior Miss

*By: Ann Throneberry, Home Economist
Duck River Electric Membership Corporation*

Number thirteen has brought good luck to Sherrri Bishop during the past year. Sherrri, a nineteen year old from Huntland, Tennessee was contestant number thirteen in her local Junior Miss contest in November of 1971 and won the title of Franklin County Junior Miss.

With fingers crossed that she would be number thirteen in the state contest, Sherrri went to Chattanooga in January, 1972. For four exciting days she again proudly wore number thirteen as she competed with eighteen other beauties from across the state. On Friday night she was crowned as Tennessee Junior Miss, a dream come true not only for Sherrri, but for her family and her friends from Franklin County.

Sherrri is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bishop of Huntland, a small town with a population of 633 in the southwestern portion of Franklin County. Any visitor entering Huntland is welcomed by a red, white and blue sign recognizing Sherrri as the 1972 Tennessee Junior Miss. She holds the only key to the city which was presented to her by the Mayor when she returned from the state contest and was welcomed home in grand fashion at the county-wide reception (complete with police escort).

The Junior Miss contest is sponsored on the local, state and national level each year to recognize the most outstanding high school senior girl. This girl must be very versatile as competition in the state and national contests includes evening gown competition, youth fitness, scholarship, talent and judges' interviews. Sherrri won both the talent and scholastic competition in the state contest, quite an accomplishment for a "small town girl."

Each girl participating in state competition is asked to compete for some awards prior to the state contest in Chattanooga. These include competition for the Kodak award of a \$500 college scholarship and the Hostess award of a \$100 savings bond and other gift items, including a typewriter.

To compete for the Kodak award, each girl was asked to picture something which was meaningful to her. Sherrri selected the historical cross at Sewanee, located in Franklin County, as her entry for the Kodak award. This cross was erected as a memorial to students at the University of the South at Sewanee "who answered their country's call to service in the World War, I." Her color picture was selected as the winning photo, thus adding \$500 to her college scholarship fund.

To compete for the Hostess award, each contestant had to plan, prepare and serve a party menu. Sherrri planned a party for three of her friends and their dates, prepared the food and did all



Sherrri Bishop, Tennessee Junior Miss of 1972, proudly displays the trophies, banners and crowns she has received at local and state Junior Miss contests during the past year.

the serving. She used a "smiley" theme and served such things as pimiento cheese sandwiches, smiley cookies, cheese smiles on crackers, and sip-n-smile punch. For her skills in menu planning, food preparation, and ability to attractively serve the meal, the blue-eyed blonde received the Hostess award, also, which was a \$100 savings bond.



Sherri enjoys cooking for her family and friends but finds it takes practice in the kitchen to assure success. A portable hand mixer is a convenient appliance in preparing some of her tasty dishes.



An electric hair setter with mist control is a favorite appliance of Sherri's. As she said, "It's perfect for quick touch-ups."

A brief visit with Sherri makes one aware of her many talents and interests. A very religious young person, Sherri selected to present a religious patriotic reading entitled, "The Common Man," in the state contest. She has since shared this reading with many church groups, at Christian banquets, and most recently in August with approximately 250 4-H'ers at District III 4-H Camp at Crossville.

Each day since being crowned has been an exciting one for Tennessee's Junior Miss. One of her most memorable experiences is receiving hundreds of letters, phone calls and telegrams (including one from Governor Winfield Dunn) from friends and well wishers across the state.

In May, Sherri represented Tennessee in the nationally televised America Junior Miss pageant in Mobile, Alabama. She

got to meet such personalities as Ed McMahon and Anita Bryant. Later in the month Sherri was selected as one of five Junior Miss panelists to hold a press conference in Atlanta to speak out for the youth of today.

This vivacious teenager received many honors during her high school years at Huntland. She was Valedictorian of her senior class, voted "Most Likely to Succeed," a delegate to Girls State, editor of the yearbook, president of the Glee Club, and a member of the Beta Club. She also has worked in many community functions including Cerebral Palsy, Heart Fund and Multiple Sclerosis drives.

Sherri entered Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro this fall carrying with her \$1,600 in college scholarships she had won in Junior Miss contests on the local and state levels. She also carried with her full support of her family, friends of Huntland, Franklin County and the State. Her present plans are to major in Office Management with hopes of possible secretarial work in the future.



Hometown residents were so proud of Sherri and her accomplishments that they erected this sign in her honor. The red, white and blue sign tells everyone Huntland is the home of the 1972 Tennessee Junior Miss.

Making friends along with reading and taking part in all water sports are hobbies of Sherri's. She recalls the highlight of her year as 1972 Tennessee Junior Miss as being the night all the contestants in the America Junior Miss pageant were on a boat ride and all fifty started to sing the popular song, "You've Got A Friend." Realizing how many friends they had



Whether packing for going away to college or for making a trip as the Tennessee Junior Miss, Sherri always finds that a variety of electrical personal care aids must accompany her. Here she checks to make sure her electric shaver, lighted make-up mirror, hair rollers and dryer are ready to be packed away.

Sherri found the chore of packing for her first semester of college to be very enjoyable. She packed not only her clothes and other personal items, but included the many electrical appliances she uses each day to care for her complexion and hair. These appliances included an electric hair dryer with mist control and a sauna attachment, an electric hair setter, and a lighted make-up mirror.

made during their experiences caused all the Junior Misses to become quite "teary-eyed."

Sherri Bishop has made many friends, partly because of her beauty and intelligence, but most of all because she's a friendly and sincere person. A girl her parents, friends and admirers are justifiably proud of. Her parents are members of Duck River Electric Membership Corporation.

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Farmers should take care in anticipating their needs when purchasing a waterer to obtain maximum operational economy. When the correct size waterer is used the constant change of fresh water brings in well-temperature water, cutting down the length of time the electric heating element must operate.

As a rule of thumb, a general

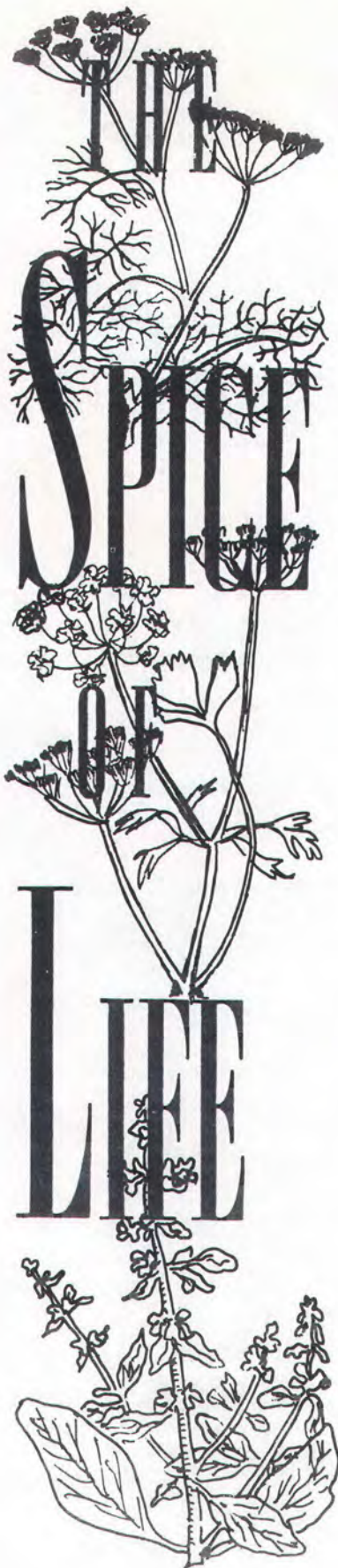
purpose bowl will handle up to 30 head of cattle or 60 hogs with a large combination waterer handling up to 150 cattle and 250 hogs.

Water should not be heated above 45° F. as tests show that it is neither profitable or necessary. You can easily double your operation costs by heating a few degrees above this temperature.

Not only do the automatic electric livestock waterers provide water in the winter but they keep the water cool in the summer. Ohio and Missouri researchers have found that feeder cattle with access to 65° F. water in summer, gained from .26 to .44 pounds more per head per day than checklot steers with access to water heated by the sun to 89° F.

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Can a wreath of parsley protect you against evil spirits? Will bay leaves under your pillow bring sweet dreams? If you twine rosemary in your hair, will your memory improve? And can the scent of old spice make you irresistible to the opposite sex?

Don't laugh. For centuries people believed all this and more about the magic power of spices; many still do!

These superstitions testify to the tremendous importance of spices in human history. As early as 50,000 years before Christ, archeologists believe, cavemen had learned that certain leaves made food taste better. Later men found they could add spice to life in the form of fragrant toiletries, pungent incense, potent medicines. War, economics, religion, romance—all were influenced by "the spice of life."

Sesame seed wine inspired the gods to create the earth—thought the ancient Assyrians 4000 years ago. "Spices for anointing oil, and for sweet incense" (Exodus 25:6) were important in Hebrew religious rites in Biblical times. "Ye pay tithes of mint and anise and cummin," said Jesus (Matt. 23:23).

Cinnamon was used in Biblical days, not only to prepare the holy oils, but to make everyday life sweeter; it was strewn over garments and bed linens. "All thy garments smell of myrrh and aloes and cassia (cinnamon)," Psalm 45 says of the reigning king.

The Egyptians, who considered spices their most valuable possession, also used them for perfume; Cleopatra is said to have led men astray with the scent of kyphi, a temple incense made from spices. To

this day, Arab women in the desert perfume themselves by sitting in the smoke from fires of burning spices.

The men of the Roman Empire perfumed their arms with mint and their hair and eyebrows with marjoram! War heroes and outstanding athletes received, as a crown of victory, a wreath of aromatic bay leaves.

The sweet smell of social success was a little different in China—where courtiers in 266 B.C. had to hold cloves in their mouths when addressing the emperor!

During the Middle Ages, when people hungered for ways to make their poor food supplies more palatable, a sack of spices was literally better than a bag of gold. A pound of ginger was worth the price of a sheep; a pound of mace (related to nutmeg) would buy three sheep or half a cow; cloves cost the equivalent of \$20 a pound. The guards on London docks, even down to Shakespeare's time, had their pockets sewn up to make sure they didn't steal any spices!

Pepper was the greatest prize of all. In the 11th century, many towns kept their accounts in pepper, taxes were assessed and paid in it—and a sack of pepper was considered to be worth a man's life! By the 14th century its value had declined little—people who were "the salt of the earth" frequently preferred peppercorns to money in payment of wages and bills.

The quest for spices has molded history. Christopher Columbus, Magellan, Vasco da Gama were seeking new routes for the spice trade when they made the explorations that changed world maps. For centuries, European powers battled for control





of spice-producing lands. The Dutch emerged triumphant in the 17th century and ruled the market with a rod of iron—they actually burned cinnamon in the streets of Amsterdam to keep supplies low and prices high.

One of America's greatest universities owes its beginning to the spice trade; with the fortune he made dealing in spices in India, Elihu Yale founded Yale University.

Health as well as wealth has often been sought in spices. "Waes hael!" (be healthy) was the toast of the Anglo-Saxons who drank each other's health with hot spiced ale. Their drink became known as was-sail. More direct medicinal benefits were thought to come from sage tea, still drunk in many parts of England as a spring and fall tonic! Saffron tea is an American folk remedy for measles; in colonial times some people took mint baths to calm the nerves.

Some Texans still think that a piece of cotton sprinkled with black pepper can cure earache. But this isn't nearly as bad as an old Bavarian filling for tooth cavities: a paste of black pepper and sugar!

Lovesickness was also thought curable by spices. In parts of Czechoslovakia, a girl can charm the man of her heart by handing him a sprig of basil. And in Italy, a swain who wears a sprig of basil in his hair may be declaring his matrimonial intentions!

On second thought, you may find life less complicated if you keep spice out of your hair. But would it do any harm to plant a bit of basil outside the house? The Hindus say it brings happiness



Sweet-n-Sour Meat Loaf

Try basting meat loaf with ½ cup brown sugar, 1 tablespoon dry mustard, ½ cup tomato juice, ½ cup chili sauce and ¼ cup pineapple juice. Adds a delicious flavor.

Homemade Varnish Remover

For a good varnish or paint remover, mix well equal portions of soda, cornstarch and hot water. Spread on paint or varnish and let stand 15 minutes. Scrape off with putty knife and wash off well with vinegar to counteract the varnish remover.

Away With Ants?

If you are bothered with ants in your house, place a piece of soap pad at their entrance. They won't come in anymore.

De-Crease Materials

To take creases out of materials and garments, use 1 part white vinegar to 2 parts water. Dampen a pressing cloth in the solution and press with a steam iron.

"Leather Hands" Solved

If your hands are roughened from housecleaning and garden work and prove annoying while trying to sew on fine materials, wash them in alum water before starting to sew. It will make them smooth.

Patches Should Be Neat

When patching overalls or jeans, sew on new knees by turning edges of hole under and pinning in place with patch. Turn the garment inside out and tack patch in place on the sewing machine.

Appley-Good

Substitute 1 cup of finely cut apples for the raisins in your favorite spice cake recipe.

Car Washing Made Easy

Worn-out nylon hose make good car washrags — they take off splattered insects easily.

Child's Delight

For a different refreshment for a children's party, bake cakes in ice-cream cones. Fill them just barely half-full. When done, decorate with a scoop of ice cream or frosting.

Remove Beverage Stains

To remove coffee and tea stains from plastic and china cups, use a little dry soda on a damp rag.

Timely Topics



GRAZE SMALL GRAIN WHEN 8 INCHES HIGH

Oats, barley, wheat and rye which were planted by September 15 and are at least eight inches tall can furnish high quality fall grazing, reminds Joe D. Burns, University of Tennessee agronomist.

"Research has shown that small grains will produce twice as much fall grazing if allowed to reach an eight-inch height before pasturing, as compared to grazing the pasture when it is only four inches tall," says Burns, associate professor with the UT Agricultural Extension Service.

He adds that small grain which is grazed at a four-inch height has very limited leaf area to manufacture food for fast growth. Most of the fall growth is made before cold weather begins. This is especially true of oats and barley.

"The plants must have lots of leaves, moisture and warm weather for fast growth," Burns explains. "When the leaves are grazed off early, the plants will only make slow growth at best."

MAN CROWDS OUT WILDLIFE

A University of Tennessee Extension forester believes that the average hunter in this country will eventually depend on privately owned farm land and woodlots, mostly smaller units, for his "day in the field."

"The disappearance of the bison and prairie chicken shows what happens when man takes over wildlife habitat," says Earl Cady, assistant professor with the UT Agricultural Extension Service. "The same thing is taking place, to a lesser extent, with other species such as turkey, quail, squirrel and rabbit. As the size of the human population increases, the wildlife habitat shrinks."

He adds that this shrinkage of habitat contradicts the frequently made promise that if we only had the right people in charge of our fish and wildlife work and certain specific things were done, there would be plenty of game for everybody.

"This is just plain impossible," Cady says. "Less and less habitat cannot produce more and more game for an ever-increasing number of hunters. The fact is that we must become reconciled to less and less game per hunter except in the case of large landowners. Bag limits on all species will have to be revised downward as already has been done in the case of quail and waterfowl."

The effect of population pressure is also demonstrated by changes in the use of agricultural land, he says. Farm lands are used more intensively — less waste land for wildlife — because the farmer is trying to grow more crops.

"As time passes, we see fewer and fewer of the old ragged corn and weed fields remaining during the cold winter months," Cady explains. "These fields which were formerly left as stubble, corn stalks and weed trash are now perfectly clean and

supporting winter cover crop. This is a good practice from the standpoint of the farmer, but it gives little or no food and cover for wintering wildlife."

Most of the small game hunted is produced on small, privately owned farms, he points out. If the game disappears from these lands, the average hunter will be left holding an empty bag. In fact, if this is permitted to happen, we will have adopted the European system of "hunting for the landed gentry" and their guests and friends. In the past, conservationists of this country have vigorously condemned the European system, but despite this attitude, the American counterpart of the system we denounce in Europe is rapidly gaining ground.

"The large holdings of land by certain individuals constitutes the basis for the system," Cady says. "The effect of this trend may be counteracted to a very limited extent by providing publicly owned hunting grounds. This approach will afford but little relief because again, due to increased population pressure, insufficient land is available. Moreover, much of the land still in public ownership is concentrated in the less densely populated regions and hence is unavailable to the majority of the small game hunters."

AUTUMN LEAVES — BEAUTY AND BOTHER

Indian summer and the beauty of autumn leaves have been a longtime American tradition. The deep orange of the maples, the bright crimson of the gums and the soft yellows of the hickories have always been appreciated.

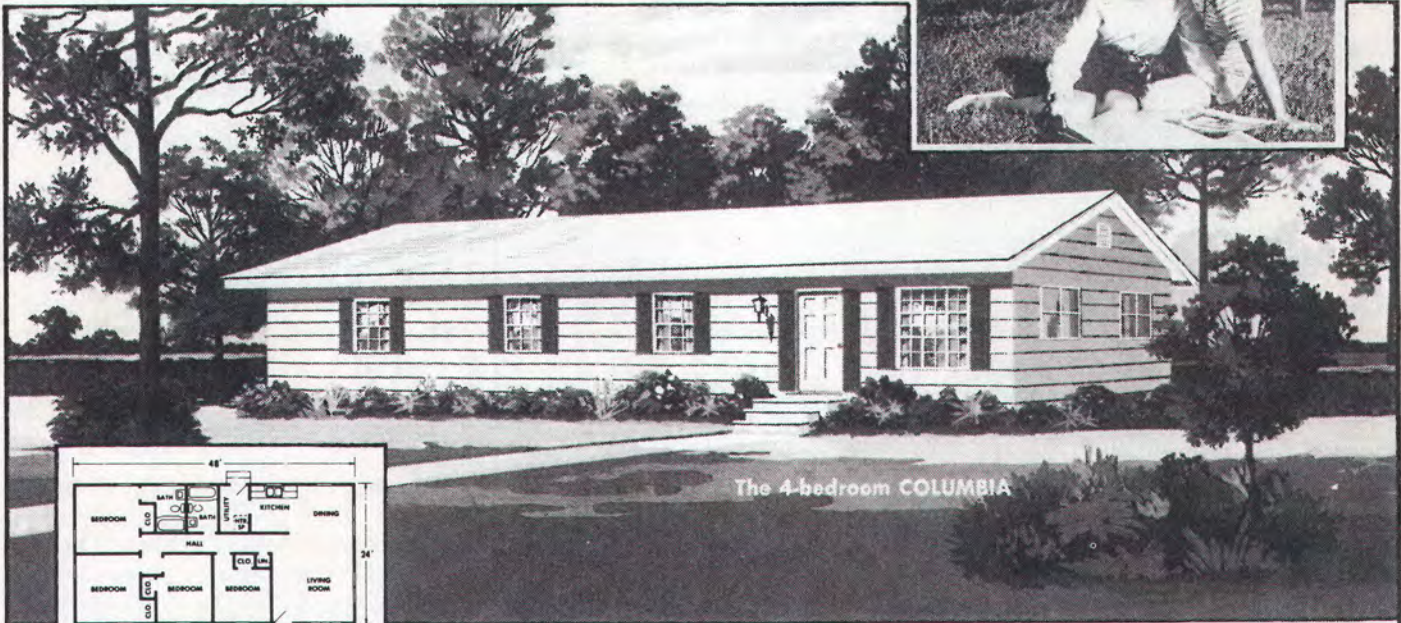
"This picture of natural beauty loses some of its allure when the homeowner faces the problem of removing the fallen leaves from his lawn," comments J.B. Sharp, professor and leader of forestry, University of Tennessee Agricultural Extension Service. "The once beautiful leaves become a nuisance when they clog the gutter drains. And if enough leaves accumulate on the lawn, they may kill the grass. As days become shorter there is only a limited time to dispose of the leaves."

If you have a very small lawn, raking the leaves is perhaps the best way to handle the job, suggests Sharp. The leaf rake was used before the time of Christ. If your lawn is larger, a compost heap may be the answer. Leaves can be placed in the compost pile and be a valuable asset to your garden in two or three years.

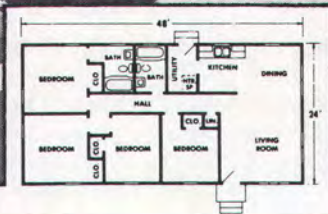
A leaf-blower may be the thing if you have a heavily wooded lot and lots of leaves, continues the forester. This machine expels a jet of air which will blow the lawn completely free of practically everything which is loose. All you need is a wooded area or vacant lot to blow the leaves into, or you can blow them into piles for easy removal.

Some people prefer a lawn vacuum, which picks up the leaves and deposits them in a large canvas bag, adds Sharp. You must have a place to empty the bag pretty often, but it does a thorough job.

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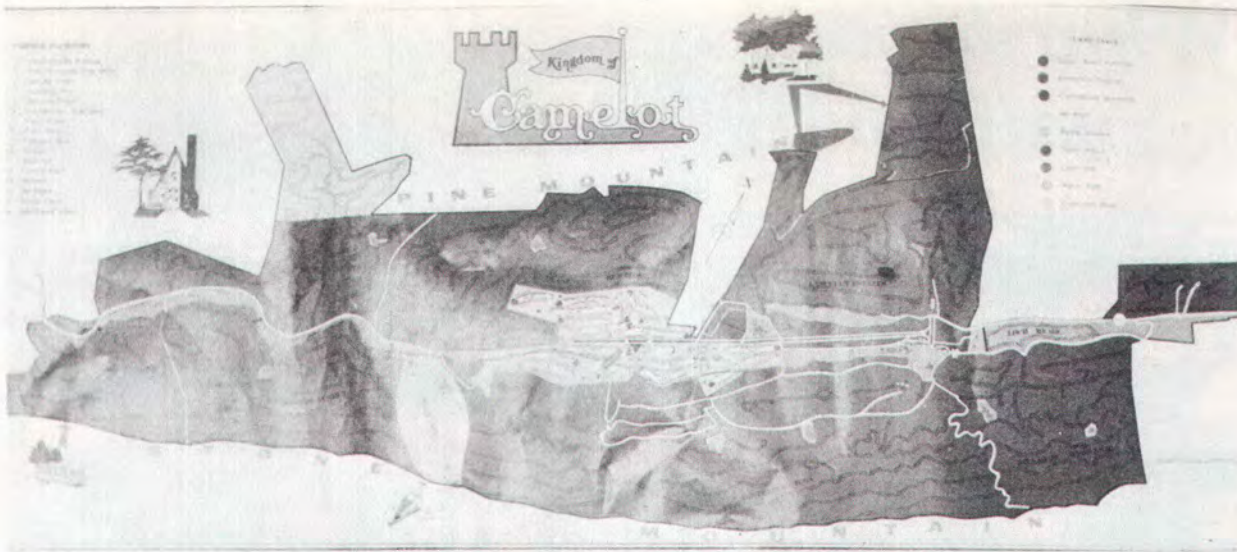
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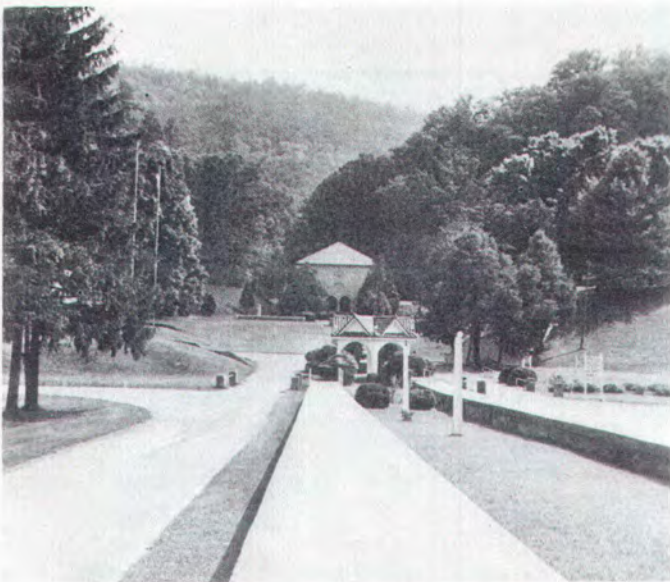
Once the home of International Printing Pressmen's Union, and founded by the late Major George L. Berry, it for many years was an almost self sustaining village for printers, both students and tuberculosis patients.

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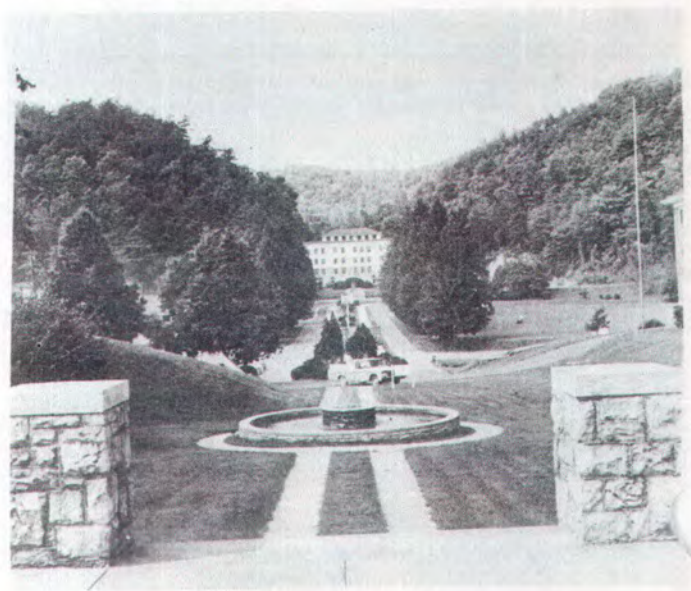
Recently purchased by Kingdom of Camelot, it is being developed into one of the finest vacation resorts in east Tennessee. There is a choice of estate and residential property and mountain vacation lots that will offer a choice of entertainment for the young and old, including: fishing from beautiful Lake Loch Meare, Olympic size swimming pool, tennis

courts, shuffle board, fenced children's play ground and splash pool, horseback riding on miles and miles of mountain trails, Camelot Golf and Country Club — 9 holes are now completed and 9 more in the near future — which is PGA approved, a four hole Par 3 course, Camelot Cabaret Dinner Theater, nature parks, hiking, picnic areas, teen center and Merlin's caves, hospitality room for owners and their guests and winter sports such as sledding and horse drawn sleigh rides.

Camelot contains a world of history and begins with the quaint old hotel. It was previously named "Hotel Pressauna" and is now called "The Camelot Inn." The Inn was built in 1928 with European decor, including "across the hall" baths and showers for the majority of the 126 rooms. Most of the furniture and decorations are antique and will put you in mind of the relaxing peaceful days of old. There are also pool tables, ping pong tables, a card and game room, and a ballroom for your indoor recreation while you are there.



Memorial Chapel with spring located in foreground.



A view of "Camelot Inn" from Memorial Chapel.



A scene from golf course with a private chalet overlooking No. 2 green.

Directly across the valley from the hotel is a memorial chapel built in memory of union members from this valley who died in World War I. It is a gorgeous chapel with 30 feet high ceilings, a beautiful painting over the altar and tiffany glass windows. Several local people have chosen this beautiful chapel for weddings. The first printing press ever used in the state of Tennessee is placed outside the chapel. Also nearby on a hill overlooking the valley is a large white apartment building with redwood floors and cedar lined closets. It has approximately 350 rooms.

Most of the buildings are constructed of Tennessee marble and there is a large school structure with the foyer being pink marble.

While driving through the valley on State Route No. 94, upon entering the Kingdom of Camelot you will see hundreds of beautiful evergreen shrubs, some nearly 50 feet in height. Part of the road through the area is a divided highway with well kept greenways between with tall evergreens. Roads are developed throughout the entire mountain acreage and several chalets are finished and more under construction. Signs guide you through the Kingdom of Camelot with names such as: Enchanted Forest, Canterberry Tors, Gallahad Highlands, Lancelot Estates and the



A view from No. 4 green looking northeast at the club house in background.

43 acre Lake Loch Meare. One can imagine they are in "Merry Old England."

Holston Electric Cooperative provides electricity to this as well as the surrounding area. Most of the chalets are using electric heat and air conditioning.

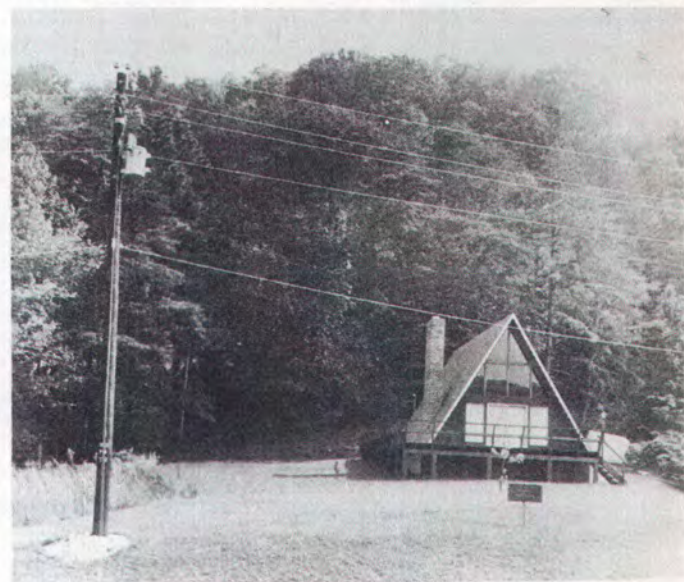
A trip to this beautiful setting would not be in vain, for connected with the Kingdom of Camelot is a history that once resounded with the hunting cries of the Cherokee Indian. Located here are mineral springs. The main spring was once named "Tallegonquin", which meant life-giving waters. Many an Indian brave drank deeply of this spring believing in the curative qualities of the water.

After the days of tribal hunting the valley where Camelot lies attracted people who built a hotel, again utilizing the spring, making it a health spa for local and visiting guests. The hotel was called Hale Springs, named again for the life-giving waters of the springs.

Camelot is in a desired area of the country with three major Tennessee cities nearby and served by air service. A 500 mile radius of Camelot includes 48% of U.S. population. The elevation here is 2,350 feet.



Lake Loch Meare and lakeside picnic area across lake.



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A pep rally is held in the 3,000 seat Oakland gym. The photo was made from the upper level playing floor of the auxillary gym.

Meanwhile, eight architectural firms were being interviewed, and 21 potential school sites around Murfreesboro were being evaluated. Burkhalter-Hickerson were named architects in March, and final site selections were made in June, 1969. During this time the new county court was kept informed of progress through special meetings and monthly written reports.

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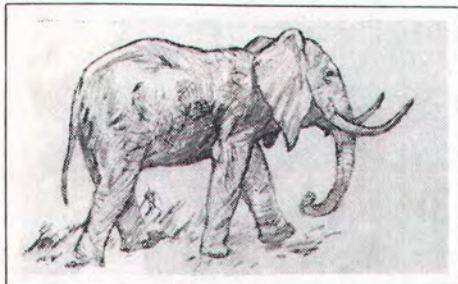
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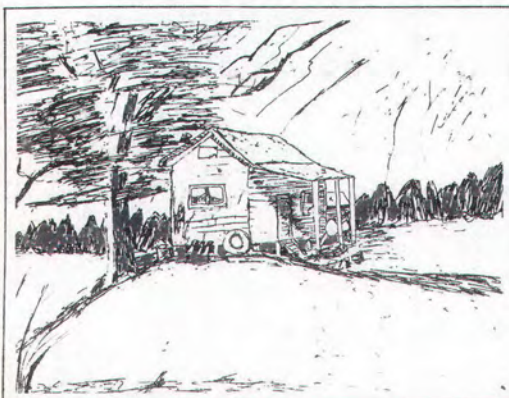
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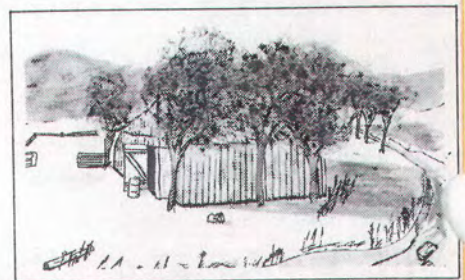
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