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## Processing For Stamp Recipients Begins March 1

Beginning Wednesday, March 1, needy persons in Jackson County may apply for food stamps in Marianna at 516 E. Lafayette St. (the old Cowart Motors Company building).

Commodities will be distributed in Malone on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 21-23, for the last time before the county switches to the food stamp program.

### Apply In Person

Officials emphasize that the stamp program is an entirely new program and anyone who wishes to receive stamps must visit the new office in Marianna and fill out an application.

Even people who are now receiving commodities must visit the stamp office and file an application. Although stamp applications have been distributed to some people this month as they received their commodities, the applications must be taken to the stamp office in person.

However, after a person has visited the office and been approved to receive food stamps, he need not return to the office again. He can mail in his stamp payment each month and his food stamps will be sent to him by mail.

The stamps can be traded in any grocery store that has been approved to receive them by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

### Edible Goods Only

The stamps can be used only for edible goods. They cannot be traded for alcoholic beverages, tobacco or paper products, animal foods or imported foods.

While 4,367 needy people in Jackson County have received commodities under the county commodity foods distribution program, it is expected that more than 9,000 will be eligible for food stamps.

### More May Qualify

Many people who could not qualify for commodities can qualify for the stamps. In addition to welfare recipients, also eligible for food stamps are people receiving small payments from social security, retirement pensions and veterans benefits.

Although commodities were free, a fee is charged the recipients of stamps. The fee is based upon ability to pay.

### Payment for Stamps

The State Division of Family Services, which administers the stamp program, estimates that the average family receiving the stamps is composed of 3.6 persons who pay \$24.47 of their own money each month in exchange for \$88 worth of food stamps.

Grocery stores in the county are expected to receive approximately \$232,840 monthly in business from the food stamps, according to estimates made by the State Division of Family Services.



GREENWOOD HONOR STUDENTS--Greenwood High School Principal W. F. Melvin has announced the highest ranking students, academically, in the graduating class of 1972. They are, left to right, front row, Elmira Pollocks, salutatorian; Pam Davis, valedictorian; second row, Betty Comerford and Sharon Cooper, honor students; back row, Ervin Long, honor student, and Alexander Tripp, salutatorian.

## Hickory Grove Church Honors Willie Stephens

Willie Stephens Day will be held at Hickory Grove Free Will Baptist Church on Sunday, Feb. 20.

A special morning service followed by a basket lunch will honor the man who has served his church as clerk for 69 years. He will be 94 years old on Feb. 23.

The church congregation invites all friends of the honored guest to attend.

## Schools Will Be Closed On Friday

Schools in Jackson County will be closed all day on Friday, Feb. 18, so that all teachers may attend training sessions.

County School Superintendent Robert E. Childs said the teachers will return to school themselves on Friday for training that will bring them up-to-date in the various subject areas that they teach.

County supervisors will conduct the training sessions for teachers in elementary subjects, English, mathematics, science and social studies.

Classes will resume on Monday, Feb. 21, the superintendent said.

## Beauty Contest Is Thursday

Miss Greenwood High School will be selected from 11 contestants in a beauty contest at the school auditorium on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m.

Admission will be \$1.25 for adults and 75 cents for students.

## Greenwood Wins

Greenwood won a close game over Cottondale, 64-63, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 15.

High scorer for the Dragons was Greg Dickens with 25 points. Harvey Standland scored 10.

## Mount Olive Young People Enjoy Valentine Banquet

Brenda Conrad and David McArthur were crowned queen and king of the Sweetheart Valentine Banquet held by the young people of Mount Olive Baptist Church in the church social hall on Friday evening, Feb. 11.

Mrs. T. E. Cozart, wife of the pastor, crowned the couple. They were selected for having the best records of attendance and participation at Sunday School and Training Union activities.

The Rev. Gene Speight spoke on the subject, "Five Steps To Be More Christ-Like." Speight and his sister, Mrs. Fritz Taylor, sang a duet.

Brenda Conrad served as master of ceremonies and Allen Stephens welcomed the young people and their guests. Dawn

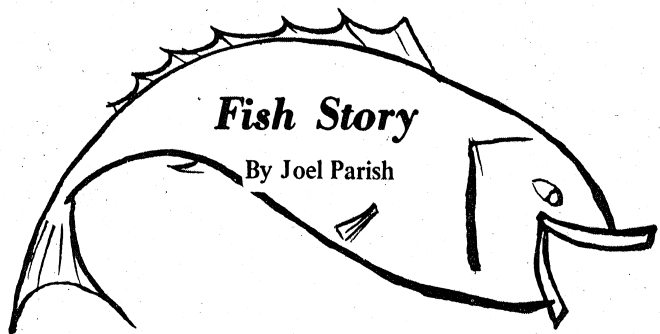
Stephens and Charles Stephens led several games.

For the occasion, the social hall was lavishly decorated in a Valentine motif. The Women's Missionary Union provided the banquet food which was served by Mrs. Doyle Robinson, Mrs. Earl Hatcher, Mrs. Cecil Taylor and Mrs. Cecil Oswald.

In attendance at the banquet were Robbie Peeler, Joy Williams, Bobbie Hatcher, Charles Stephens, Bruce McMullian, Barbara Williams, Debbie Ditty, Allen Stephens, David Brookins, Brenda Conrad, the Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Cozart, the Rev. Gene Speight, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Taylor, Clint Beasley, Sandy Helms, Brenda Shiver, Dawn Stephens, Billy Cloud, Diane Hatcher, Andy Bowden, Leonard Robinson, Debbie Conrad and David McArthur.



VALENTINE QUEEN AND KING--Brenda Conrad and David McArthur reigned over the Sweetheart Valentine Banquet for the young people of Mount Olive Baptist Church on Friday evening, Feb. 11. Brenda and David won their honors by having the best records of attendance and participation at Sunday School and Training Union activities. Additional picture on page 2.



For the young'uns, or a bedtime story for little fishermen:

Once upon a time, in a secluded little pond deep in the woods, lived a very large bass. This bass was enormous. He must have weighed at least 14 pounds. He was the biggest, meanest creature in the whole pond.

Now a really big bass is lazy and likes to lounge in cool waters, exerting himself only to satisfy his fickle appetite; but he is also easily provoked and often irritable for no apparent reason.

Well one morning old Mr. Bass got up on the wrong side of the bed and decided that he would spend the day harassing the other fish in the pond. So he started out, determined that before the sun went down he would be unanimously confirmed as the bull-of-the-woods.

The first fish he came upon was a rooster bream. "Hey, stumpy, who is the big-daddy in these parts?" said the bass.

"Everybody knows that you are, Mr. Bass," replied the bream.

"Remember that," said the bass as he swam away. The next fish the bass met was a catfish. "Hey, fuzzy-face, bring it down front. Who is the daddy-rabbit in this pond?"

"Good buddy, you are the man with the plan as far as this cat is concerned," said the catfish.

And the bass swam on until he saw a crappie. "Hey, spots, I'm going to ask you a question and you'd better give me the right answer. Who is your leader?"

"You are, dear large-of-mouth," answered the crappie.

The teeth-a-plenty jack and

the silver-plated shiners and the redhorse suckers all told the bass that he was the Prince-of-the-Pond. This made the bass very happy and his chest swelled and he began to swim with a swagger.

As the bass traveled on, looking for another pond-mate to intimidate, he saw a strange looking fish about five inches long near the top of the water. The little fish wiggled and made shallow dives and had some unusual appendages hanging from the underside of its body.

Approaching the odd runt of a fish, the bass said, "Squirt, who do you think is the boss of this pond?" The little fish seemed to ignore the big bass and continued its game of darting about playfully.

The bass became furious because nothing in his domain had ever dared ignore him before. "Boy, you'd better put an answer on me and be quick about it."

The little fish just kept right on playing and didn't pay the fuming monster any attention. Well, ole Mr. Bass didn't long tolerate this disrespect of the prissy little weirdo fish. The bass struck him with the awesome fury that only a huge bass can muster.

However, it didn't take the bass long to realize that he had made a mighty bad mistake, for the little fish was actually the artificial lure of a skilled fisherman.

Brother bass was never seen in the pond again. And no wonder, the lucky fisherman had him mounted and hung in his family room.

Don't feel sorry for the bass though; being majestically displayed, he had at last found the wealth of admiration he had been seeking.

That's the reel truth.

## Local Talent May Audition

An organization that features home-grown musical talent is now operating in Dothan at the old Houston Theatre on North Foster Street.

Miss Marian Windham of Malone, who works for the organization--Taylormade Productions--says that amateur performers in the area should come to the old theater for auditions on Saturdays at 2 p.m.

Talent selected at the auditions is given the opportunity of appearing on "The Taylormade Opry," a country and western music show offered each Saturday evening at 6 and 9 p.m.

## Melba Hagler Williams Weds In Louisiana

Mrs. Melba Hagler Williams was married to Robert M. Hebert, Jr., in a ceremony performed by the bride's father, the Rev. J. T. Hagler of Bascom, on Friday evening, Feb. 11, in Baton Rouge, La.

The private ceremony, attended by family and close friends of the couple, was held at the home of the bridegroom's parents.

The bride wore a blue crepe gown with Empire waist, Victorian collar and long, full organza sleeves. She also wore an antique lavalier belonging to Mrs. Henry Rome, the bridegroom's grandmother, and diamond earrings, a gift from the

groom. She carried a nosegay of white carnations and blue baby's breath centered with a blue orchid.


Greg Johnson served as best man and Mrs. Robert G. Clarke was matron of honor. Both are from Baton Rouge.

Presiding over the reception which followed the wedding were Mrs. Brooks Dearing and Mrs. Michael Belanger, sisters of the groom, and Miss Kathleen Faust and Mrs. Norman Babin.

Present for the occasion were the bride's four-year-old son, Adam Williams; her mother, Mrs. J. T. Hagler of Bascom; and her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Donald Bates and children of Bogalusa, La.



VALENTINE GAMES--Among the young people who enjoyed the food, fun and games at Mount Olive Baptist Church's Sweetheart Valentine Banquet on Friday evening were, left to right, Charles Stephens, Bobbie Hatcher, Joy Williams and Robbie Peeler. (Photo by David McArthur)



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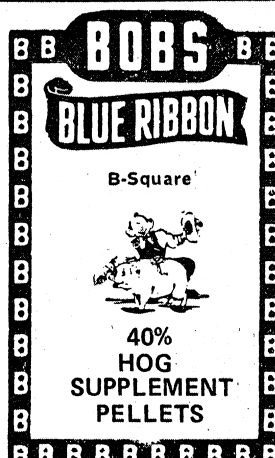
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# Historical Commission Places Marker At Great Oaks



GREAT OAKS, BEFORE AND AFTER--In 1961, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Reese undertook the five-year task of restoring Great Oaks (top photo) to its original splendor. The bottom photo shows the results. Mr. and Mrs. Reese have kept a photo album of each stage of the transformation. The interior of the house, furnished in antiques, is as charming as its exterior. (Photos from the Reese album)

An historical marker for Great Oaks, ante-bellum home in Greenwood, was unveiled by the Jackson County Historical Commission at a ceremony on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 12.

The marker was unveiled by Lawrence Pender, III, great-great-great grandson of Hamilton Bryan who had the house built in 1860 for his mother and eight sisters.

Descendants of the Bryan family owned the house until 1961 when it was purchased by Claude Reese, chairman of the Jackson County Historical Commission.

Between 1961 and 1965, Mr. and Mrs. Reese had the house restored to its original grandeur, both outside and in. Its interior is furnished in antiques, many of European origin.

At the ceremony Reese displayed the receipt of payment for \$5,500 given to Hamilton Bryan by the contractor, Isaac

C. Jeffreys, when the house was completed.

The site of the house, at the south city limits of Greenwood, was originally part of a 5,200 acre plantation established by Hamilton Bryan's father, Elijah Bryan, a pioneer settler in the area.

Also on display Saturday afternoon was a photograph album on the restoration of Great Oaks that has been kept by the Reese family. The photographs show the mansion interior and exterior during the various stages of its transformation from a ruin to a proud monument.

Mrs. Frank Harris presided over the ceremony on Saturday afternoon. The Rev. Jimmy Miller delivered an invocation and Billy Grant gave a brief talk on the history of the house.

The Great Oaks marker is the first of several that the historical commission plans to erect this year in commemoration of the county's 150th birthday.



MARKER UNVEILED--Lawrence Pender, III, unveiled an historical marker on Saturday afternoon for Great Oaks, the ante-bellum mansion that his great-great-great grandfather, Hamilton Bryan, built in Greenwood in 1860.

## Malone Teams Win Over Sneads

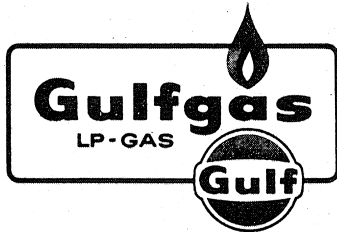
Malone's varsity and "B" team won close games over teams from Sneads on Tuesday evening, Feb. 15.

The varsity won 66-62 with James Jackson scoring 28 points. Leonard Arnold scored 11 and

Kenneth Mathis 10 for the home team.

The "B" team won 40-38 in an overtime. Coleman Glover, Leroy Waters and Joe Bob Baxter scored 10 points each for the Tigers.

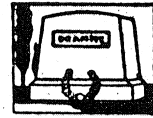
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Mrs. James Brady Harrell

## Miss Wanda Banks Weds James Brady Harrell

Miss Wanda Jean Banks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack K. Banks of Greenwood, was married to James Brady Harrell, son of Mrs. Mary Harrell Edenfield and the late James M. Harrell of Grand Ridge at a double-ring ceremony in the Greenwood Baptist Church on Saturday evening, Feb. 12.

The Rev. Dr. Wiley Richards officiated. The bride was given in marriage by her father. Sylvester Harrell was best man.

The bride wore a long white velvet gown, fashioned with Empire waist and long, pointed sleeves adorned with lace and seed pearls. Her chapel train, edged with lace, and her veil were attached to a headpiece trimmed in seed pearls. She also wore a pearl necklace.

Miss Kristy Banks, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Miss Carol Kines, cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Sue Ellen Schack was junior bridesmaid.

The maid of honor wore a floor-length crepe dress of pale pink trimmed in lace. The other attendants wore identical crepe dresses trimmed in lace, but of a deeper pink. Maid of honor and attendants wore veils of illusion attached to crepe headpieces. The maid of honor carried pink carnations and the attendants carried white carnations.

The flower girl, Lisa Davis, wore a pink crepe dress, a pink wrist corsage and carried a basket of petals.

The ushers were Pete Darden and David Banks. Mark Banks was ringbearer and Glenn Harrell and David Banks were candlelighters. Mrs. Margret Deloney directed the wedding.

Miss Sherri Davis, pianist, played a lovely arrangement of nuptial music for the occasion.

The altar was decorated with four candelabra holding pink candles and flanked on either side by baskets of white gladiolas and pink carnations.

The bride's mother wore a dress and coat ensemble of mint green, a corsage of pink carnations and black accessories. The groom's mother wore a navy blue dress with matching accessories and a corsage of pink carnations.

At the reception in the church social hall, Mrs. Harold Davis introduced guests to the receiving line. Mrs. Cathrine Mickel, Mrs. Marie McCormick, Mrs. Linda Schack and Mrs. Norma Jensen served. Miss Jeanette Andreassen, Miss Pam Davis and Mrs. M. A. Schack were floor hostesses.

Mrs. Sherry Herring of Jacksonville attended the bride's book.

For her wedding trip to Mexico Beach, the bride wore a Kelly green, knit dress with matching coat and black accessories.

Out of town guests at the wedding included Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kimes, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kimes, Sr., Mrs. Laura Zimmerman and Mrs. Patsy Davis, all of Miami.

The newly married couple will reside in Greenwood.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. Willie Hazel Andreassen of Greenwood, Mrs. Lillian Rodgers of Bascom and Mrs. Frances Taylor of Malone attended a Postmasters District Conference at Faiver's Lobster House in Panacea last Thursday.

Guests of the Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Richey in Malone last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Richey, Mark, Many, Elizabeth and Kim of Warner Robins, Ga.

Mrs. Lucy Jane Howell of Malone had several visitors during the past week. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fraser of Daytona Beach visited Sunday through Wednesday. Mrs. Bill Paine of Montgomery arrived on Monday and left Wednesday. Mrs. William Russ of Littlestown, Pa., Mrs. Howell's granddaughter, paid a surprise visit on Friday and Saturday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davis in Greenwood last Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rogers and Bess of Panama City.

Mrs. Will Culpepper of Malone was admitted to Jackson Hospital on Saturday.

Mrs. Vassie Daniels returned to Malone on Monday after visiting her sisters in Miami and Hollywood.

Mrs. Henry Anderson of Malone is recuperating from surgery at Donalsonville Hospital.

The 24th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davis was celebrated with a dinner on Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jensen in Greenwood. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Pender, Bryant, Marcus and Russell, and Sherri, Pam and Lisa Davis and Don Jensen.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Culpepper and Mrs. Ethel Conrad spent the past weekend in Jacksonville visiting Mr. and Mrs. Toy Glass, Randy and Stacey, and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Atwell, Ray, Penny and Sam.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Taylor early in the week were Mr. and Mrs. Michael Goodson of Birmingham, Ala., and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gise of Lake Zurich, Ill. They were joined by Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Hatten of Cottondale for dinner with the Taylors on Monday evening.

Neil Lockhart of Valdosta, Ga., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lockhart in Matorie.

Mrs. Charles W. Prescott of Tallahassee is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Livingston, in Malone.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Banks in Malone were their daughters, Mrs. Patsy Davis and son, Johnny, and Mrs. Laura Zimmerman, all of Miami. They were here to attend the wedding of the Banks' granddaughter in Greenwood on Saturday evening. Also attending the wedding was Mrs. J. W. Stewart of Malone, great aunt of the bride.

Mrs. Margaret Nichols and Mrs. Dick Spillers of Port St. Joe visited Mrs. Fannie Herring and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hall in Malone last weekend.

Mrs. Annie Mae Jackson of Detroit, Mich., and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Purvis of Hazel Hurst, Miss., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Jones and Donnie in Malone.

Mrs. Ronnie Edge of Malone was admitted to the Attendant's Infirmary at Florida State Hospital, Chattahoochee, on Tuesday.

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**Newly Marrieds  
Visit Cowarts**

Miss Teresa Hayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Hayes of Columbus, Ga., was married to Steve Cowart, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Cowart of Malone on Feb. 7.

The young couple are presently visiting the bridegroom's parents. He is scheduled to leave on March 12 to serve a tour of duty with the U.S. Army on Okinawa.

The bride plans to live in Tallahassee with her sister until she can join her husband in Okinawa.

**Mrs. Welch Weds  
Mr. Ed Supkoski**

Mrs. Vera Welch of Malone married Mr. Ed Supkoski of Detroit, Mich., at a private ceremony in Dothan on Monday afternoon, Feb. 14.

Mr. Supkoski is a retired production supervisor for the Ford Motor Company in Detroit.

The couple planned to leave Wednesday for a wedding trip to Clearwater. Before returning to Malone, they also plan to visit his daughters in Lenoir, Tenn., and Chicago, Ill., and make a brief visit to his home in Detroit.

**Miss Judith Ann Bird  
Is Engaged To Teacher**

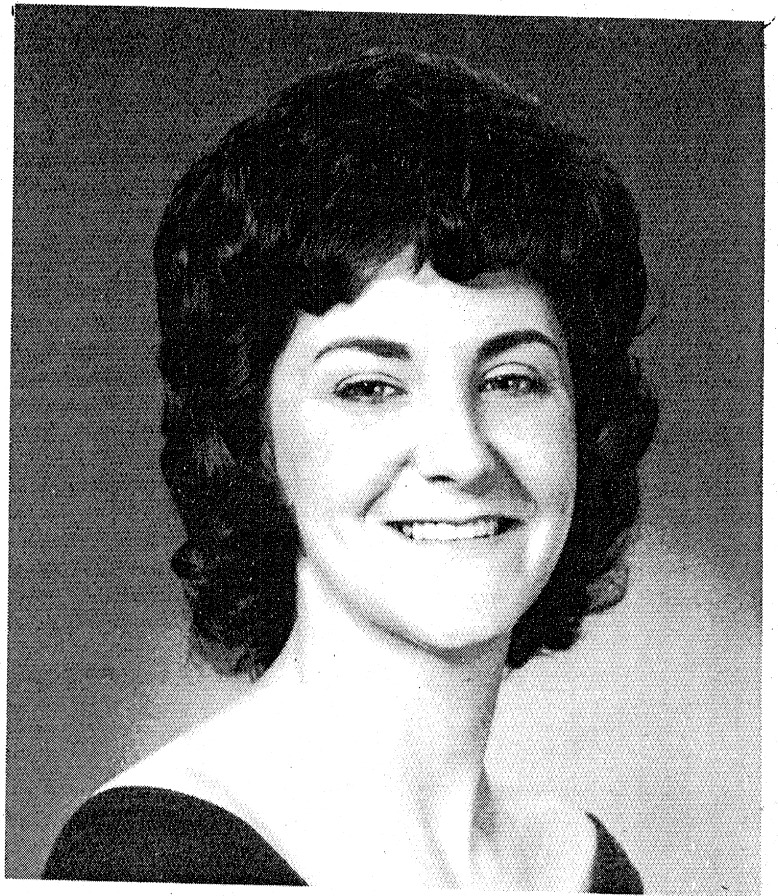
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bird of Malone announce the engagement of their daughter, Judith Ann, to Stephen E. Reckenwald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen F. Reckenwald of St. Petersburg.

The wedding will be April 2 at 12 noon in the First Baptist Church of Malone. Friends of the bride are invited to attend.

Miss Bird graduated from Career Academy in Atlanta, Ga. She attended Dekalb Junior College in Clarkston, Ga., and received her dental hygienist license under the Georgia Preceptor Program in 1969.

She was employed at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Atlanta before moving to St. Petersburg where she is presently working at the Bay Pines Veterans Administration Center Hospital.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Fairmont State College in Fairmont, W. Va. He taught two years at Weirton, W. Va., before moving to St. Petersburg. For the past four years, he has instructed in the industrial arts program and coached football and wrestling at Boca Ciega High School in Gulfport, a suburb of St. Petersburg.



Miss Judith Ann Bird

**Lakers And Bucks Win In Boys League**

The Lakers won over the Hawks and the Bucks won over the Celtics in two games played by the Malone Elementary School Basketball League at the gym on Thursday evening, Feb. 10.

Tied 20-20 at the end of four quarters of play, the Lakers outscored the Hawks by one point in an overtime to take the game, 23-22.

Randy Jordan led the Lakers

in scoring with 11 points. Michael Russ scored eight points, Wilton Crawford, three, and Kenny Stewart, one.

Leading the losing effort for the Hawks was Tracy Keys with 12 points. Henry Sanders scored five, Tim Benton, four, and Randy Cowart, two.

After leading through three quarters of play, the Celtics lost to the Bucks, 26-20. Leading scorer for the Bucks was Hayes Dickens with 10 points. Ricky Sanders scored eight, Mark Murdock, six, and Chester Bland, two.

Greg Clemmons, with eight points, was high point man for the Celtics. Marcus Brookins scored six, Clay Patrick, four, and Ricky Jones, two.

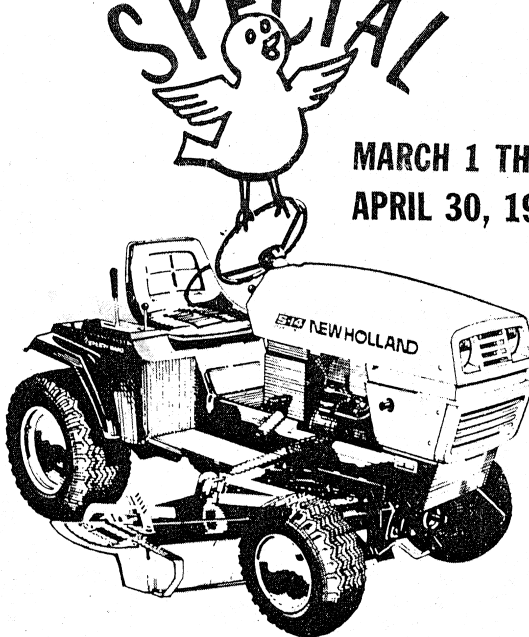
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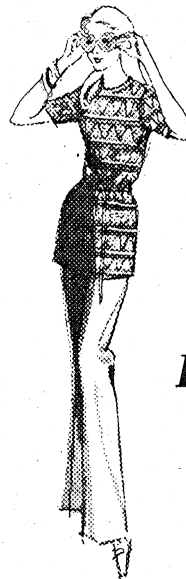
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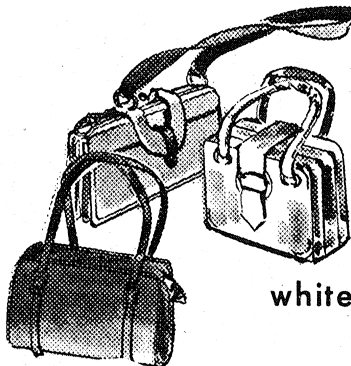
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