

Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky

A SOMBRERO FOR LT. LOT D. YOUNG

I'm finding more fascinating information about our area's Civil War soldiers than I would have ever believed existed...

Case in point, I was driving along the Flemingsburg Bypass the other day and saw an old school buddy walking near the road. I gave him a couple of quick toots on my truck horn...

Wandered away to the written words of Nicholas County native Lot D.



Heaven is A Lot Like Kentucky By Charles Metzger

Young was an officer with the 1st Kentucky Regiment of the 1st Kentucky Confederate Infantry Brigade during the American Civil War. The 1st Kentucky Infantry Brigade is best recognized among historians as "The Orphan Brigade."

and were thus "orphaned." Regardless, what is known is that the brigade started the war with approximately 5,000 men.

They received their baptism of fire near the old Shiloh Church, and Union generals quickly considered them among their fiercest opponents. The orphans would play key roles for the remainder of the war.

the American Civil War was a member of Kentucky's Orphan Brigade.

By the end of the war barely 500 wounded and scattered survivors remained among the Orphan Brigade. Lt. Lot Young was one of those lucky few survivors...

intently of late, and was reminded of a passage in the book when I saw my buddy in his sombrero.

On August 6, 1864, members of the Orphan Brigade were positioned near Utoy Creek on the outskirts of Atlanta. Lt. Young was in command of the skirmish line covering the Orphan Brigade's "position," which was on the extreme Confederate Left Flank...

and feel the fatalistic way in which his thought process worked while walking around the dead.

In this engagement we lost only about eighteen men. The enemy's heavy loss in killed alone occurred and found the crest of the hill covered with the dead and wounded, swords, guns, cartridge boxes and other paraphernalia of war.



Willmer Halcomb 1922-2007

Willmer Halcomb, 84, died Sun. July 22, 2007 after a short illness. He was born Oct. 24, 1922 in Gordon, Ky.

He was a member of the Eastern Star, a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of the Rotary Club.

He was a graduate of Kingston Come High School, Eastern Kentucky State Teacher's College and The University of Kentucky.

He served in the Army during World War II fighting at the Battle of the Bulge in the 9th Infantry Division and was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received and the Bronze Star for courage during combat.

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Shriner. He was a former member of the Rotary Club and earned an appointment as Kentucky Colonel. He was an avid bookkeeper and was known to many as "Beeman."

Survivors include his wife Doris Hart for whom he received and the Bronze Star for courage during combat.

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Visitation will be 6-9 p.m. Wed., July 25 at the funeral home. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Thurs. July 26, 2007 at Mathers-Gaunce Funeral Home.



DeAnna Woosley Setters 1943-2007

DeAnna Woosley Setters, 63, Paris, widow of Billy Setters, Jr. died Thurs. July 19, 2007 at her home.

Survivors include six sons, Billy, Floyd, Eric, Bobby and Danny Setters; Paris and Tommy Setters, Carlisle; a brother James Woosley, Mt. Vernon; a sister, Elverson Woosley, Texas; five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her son, Terry Setters; two daughters, Dede and Mary Setters; five brothers and a sister.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Wed., July 25, 2007 at Mathers-Gaunce Funeral Home.

Simon Eli Bryant, 86, Ewing, died Tues. July 24, 2007 at the residence of his niece, Joyce Bunn.

He was born Aug. 12, 1920 to the late John T. and Malie Reed Bryant. He was a retired farmer.

Survivors include four nephews, John W. Bryant, Norman Bryant, Scott Bryant, and Jimmy Coleman; four nieces, Beanie Coleman, Ann Lamar, Joyce Bunn and Ruth Ann Giljise and several great nieces and great nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother, John H. Bryant and five sisters, Gertrude Duncan, Nellie Allen, Rena Bryant, Betty Hopkins and twin sister, Margaret Turner.

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Mercury Memories

25 years ago 1982

A serious case of Blue Mold was discovered in Talmadge Hatten's tobacco patch. Nicholas County Ag Agent Mike Phillips is investigating.

The Movie "Firefox" starring Clint Eastwood and the movie, "Sharky's Machine" starring Burt Reynolds are playing at the Judy Drive-in.

Eight 16-ounce bottles of Coke, Tab, Sprite or Mellow Yellow are \$1.18 at Jerry's IGA Foodliner.

Timmy Fooks, son of Mrs. Annette Flora of Carlisle is starting in this summer's Barnstorm production of the Stephen Foster Story.

The Nicholas County Homemakers honored Mrs. Warren Lowe, a past president and an active member with a special birthday party.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen Butler of Carlisle announce...

Postmaster for Carlisle. Cule steak is only 79 cents a pound at Gaunce & Crockett Shop.

The Movie "China Gate" starring Nat King Cole and Gene Barry is playing at the Lyric Theatre in Carlisle.

Lillian Allen Riggs, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Riggs became the bride of Ronald Scott Letcher Friday night.

Summer suits are \$17.95 and dress pants \$4.95 at C.C. Cole Company, the home of better children's clothing.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kerns of Carlisle, announce the birth of a son, James Lee Jr. night.

The Midway Drive-in of Carlisle Wednesday night. A.B. Tilton was re-appointed for a four-year term as the...

Mr. and Mrs. Chano Garcia of Sugar Creek Road announce the birth of their daughter Ruby Jane.

Farmer Tom Henaley was re-appointed to the Ky. Flood Control Advisory Commission.

30 years ago 1977

A crowd of 800 is expected to attend the annual Farm Bureau Fish Fry Thursday night at the Nicholas County High School.

A stone facing fell from the 2nd story of the Nicholas County courthouse Tuesday night. The area is roped off until repairs can be made.

Thieves stole 12 tons belonging to Deputy Sheriff L.B. Barton from a barn near Carlisle Wednesday night.

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The drive-in phone, a phone inside of a car is being tested in two cities across the U.S.

Miss Anita Stephenson and Marlon Campbell are chosen as the King and Queen of the annual Farm Bureau meeting.

Three pounds of ground beef is only 89 cents at Gaunce & Crockett Shop.

70 years ago 1937

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