

## A Step Back in Time

By Bobbie Sue Shelton



Mrs. Clara Holton Redmon

One of my winter projects this year is organizing old newspaper clipping. Of course this is really a time consuming project since I take time and read each article before it's added to a notebook or make a telephone call to Jane Shelton, who is also a paper clipping collector, and we discuss an article.

I find death notices, engagement and marriage announcements and early local events, which are all very interesting to me, but there was one group of clippings I thoroughly enjoyed. The "Eagleville News" written by my great aunt (by marriage), Mrs. Clara Redmon for the Rutherford Courier, published in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

Aunt Clara and her husband Mac Ernest (Hatcher) resided in their home on south Main Street, now owned by Phil Williams. They

were married in 1911 and were parents to 4 children; Percy, Claris and Sarah. One child died as an infant. Uncle Hatch was a farmer and they were members of the Baptist Church. Aunt Clara was a charter member of the Home Demonstration Club, which was established in 1935. In January 1955 she starting writing the "Eagleville News" articles. By gathering the community news from telephone calls and visiting, she shared her wisdom with the readers for 22 years, retiring March 1977. She only missed writing her weekly article one time when she was in the hospital. Aunt Clara continued living at the home place several years after Uncle Hatch died in 1959 but eventually moving to a nursing home in Murfreesboro. She died June 19, 1988 at the age of 84.

The following is news from one of her article on April 19, 1973:

Don't forget the Easter Sunrise Service to be held, Sunday, April 22nd on Turner's Hill at 6 a.m., with the Rev. Jerry Thomason bringing the message. All that attend the service are invited to come by the school cafeteria and have breakfast.

PTA met Thursday night for their regular meeting. Miss King's kindergarten gave the program. Mrs. Carol Turner gave devotional. New Officers elected to be installed at the next meeting are - President, Mrs. J. L. Lambert, Vice-President, Mrs. H. L. Spivey, Secretary, Mrs. Jane Puckett, Treasurer, Mrs. Bithie King.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hendrix attended the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Lilly Mae Wortham of Unionville at the Lawrence Funeral Home with burial in the family cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crick were dinner guests of their granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Ford in Nashville. They had their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crick, Mrs. Gladys Crowder, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gene Crick, Lisa Jo and Willie Gene.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Hay of Atlanta, Georgia have named their new born daughter born April 3rd, weighing 9 pounds and 10 ounces Christy Ann Hay. Mrs. Alice Hay spent last week with them.

Mike and Melinda Marable of Chattanooga spent last weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Marable.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Abernathy, and Miss Maxine Crosslin were guests recently of Mrs. R. C. Crosslin.

Mrs. Alnor Jordon returned home this week after spending this past winter in Jackson, Mississippi with her niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Landis, who accompanied her home and stayed a few days.

Ted Floyd attended the Tennessee Annual Fox Hunters Association Bench Show and

Field Trial Wednesday, April 11th through Saturday the 14th at Cedars of Lebanon State Park.

Mr. R. P. Little has returned home after two weeks in Nashville with her daughters, Mrs. Lorene Owen and Randy and Mr. and Mrs. Baxter James.

The Women's Prayer Group of the Baptist Church met with Mrs. Mac Tombs Wednesday, April 11th.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Taylor and grandchildren, Judy and Jeff Taylor were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fulgham of Murfreesboro last Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Ralston of Chapel Hill and Mrs. Leon Frost of Nashville will return home about April 15th after having a nice trip to Belgium where they were the guests of Mrs. Ralston's daughter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Landa and son, Jo Jo recently been transferred. Mr. Landa is in the Armed Forces.

Mrs. Alice Hay and Mrs. Sue Puckett made a business trip to Nashville last Wednesday.

Revival at the Baptist Church closed last Sunday night with five additions to the church.

John R. Holton, with his school bus, carried Mr. Gannon and his science class to the Alabama Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. Last Friday. Mothers going were: Mrs. Marjorie Patterson and Mrs. Mary Ellen Loyd.

Remember it is nearing the time to run your clocks up one hour.