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Eighteen Eighty-Four: A Very Good Year

The long-expected 1984 has arrived and there is a good possibility that Americans are growing a bit weary of the many speculations about how many of George Orwell's projections have come true.

Why don't we move back a century in time, to a view of the world when our town was laid out, given a name, and the Mentone Springs Hotel was built.

In some ways 1884 was a very good year; conversely it was a somewhat typical year. There had been a war between Chile and Peru, which fortunately came to an end.

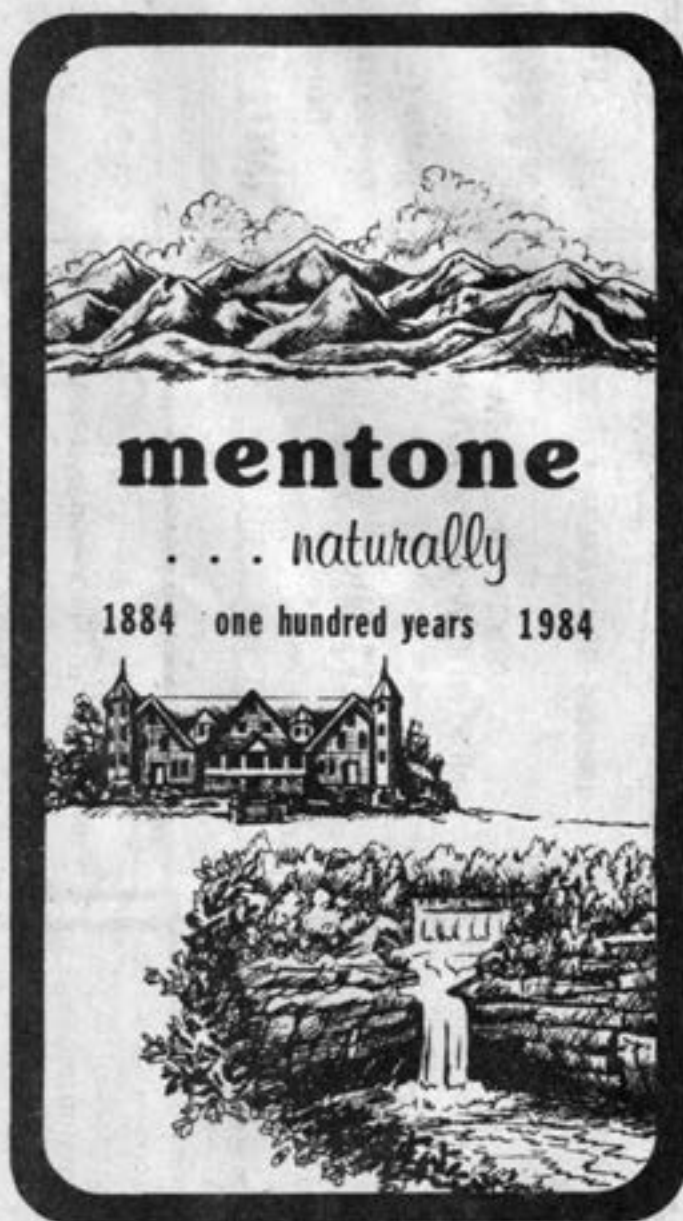
There was a Presidential election in which Grover Cleveland defeated Blaine, using the eloquent and bigoted theme of "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion."

The Methodist church was celebrating its centennial, and the Ringling Brothers Circus was organized. A man named Waterman invented a new type of fountain pen, and George Eastman invented a machine to coat films which rolled continuously.

People were standing around pianos and pump organs singing LOVE'S OLD SWEET SONG and WHILE STROLLING THROUGH THE PARK ONE DAY. The Louisville Slugger baseball bat was invented, and for the first time the major leagues allowed overhand pitching.

When you visited a big city hotel, the Watchtower Bible Society, which was organized that year, saw to it that a Bible was in your room. Montgomery Ward issued a 240 page catalog to make certain your shopping needs could be met right in your own home.

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County Commissioners Speak At MAPA

President W. C. Buttram of the DeKalb County Commission and Billy Colley, commissioner for roads in the Mentone district, will be speakers at the next meeting of the Mentone Area Preservation Association Tuesday evening, April 3, at 7 o'clock at Mentone Maggie's in the Hitching Post.

Subjects to be discussed are widening of the DeSoto Parkway, county roads in general, and the ramifications of the proposed one cent sales tax. Time will be provided for questions from the audience.

Director Homer Crow, who will preside at the meeting, invites all Mentone citizens to attend the meeting and remain afterward for the Second Birthday Celebration of MAPA highlighted by the cutting of a cake.

At the business session preceding the program, reports will be given concerning the upcoming plans for the Centennial and various other MAPA projects.

Scour The Attic For Old Photos

Old photographs!

Old Documents! Old mementos!

Especially old photographs...

These will be helpful in making the 100th Anniversary Celebration more meaningful. They will be returned after use in the Centennial brochure in *The Groundhog* and in displays for visitors to examine. Events. People. Sites of interest.

Leave them at the Hitching Post with Chairperson Bernise Crow. They will be returned.

Last Step Taken For Mentone Water

Mayor Rob Hammond and Councilmen Jimmy Wright, Max Cash, Kenneth Crow and Jim Davenport voted unanimously at the regular March Mentone Town Council meeting to adopt the resolutions dealing with the agreement with the engineers for implementing the \$191,000 water grant. This is the last step before letting the bids and beginning work to improve the town's water supply.

The mayor and councilmen Cash, Davenport and Wright have been investigating possibilities for alternate methods of improving Mentone's water system. Mayor Hammond stated that next year Mentone should begin applying for a grant for its own water system, in order not to be dependent upon Fort Payne. State approval would not likely be forthcoming for any plan to tie in with the Valley Head system because of surface water flooding problems.

Soon the town will begin the patching and paving of damaged roads within the town limits. Mr. Davenport stated that the state will soon either blast or build a bridge over the bad cave-in spot half way up the mountain on Highway 117.

Members of the council were asked to fill out the state ethics questionnaire before the next meeting. This is a complicated, detailed form concerning possible conflicts of interest on the part of public officials.

Before the meeting was adjourned, Mayor Hammond urged passing of the one-cent sales tax which will be on the ballot in November. This should raise some \$11,895, largely to improve Mentone's police protection.

Jimmy Frazier Portrait Given To Saint Joseph's

The James Frazier portrait of the Rev. Graham Glover which was the cover of the March *Groundhog* was presented at the last meeting to St. Joseph's on-the-Mountain church by the Mentone Area Preservation Association.

Artistically framed in barnwood by Ron Godbois of the Tree Top Shop, the portrait was accepted for the church by Mrs. Glover.

The recent Granny Dollar cover portrait by James Frazier has been purchased by a lady in south Alabama. The portrait of Colonel Milford Howard is still available for purchase.

Did You Know?

That Colonel Milford Howard laid out streets in the Alpine area after streets in New York City like Broadway, 42nd Street, etc.? There's a penciled map in his handwriting on record at the court house, according to Alice Woolf.

Centennial Festivities Will Continue Throughout The 100th Anniversary

Following three meetings of the special Centennial Committee appointed by Mayor Rob Hammond, plans are rapidly shaping up for the gala celebration of the 100th birthday of the Town of Mentone and the Mentone Springs Hotel. Four principal events are the Rhododendron Festival and Run May 18-20; the Eighth Annual Crafts Festival July 7-8; the week-long Mentone Centennial Celebration Oct. 13-21; and Christmas at Mentone Dec. 15-16. Other events will be forthcoming.

Bernise Crow has been elected chairperson of the Centennial Committee, which is composed of the heads of local organizations. Associate coordinator is Barbara Cameron and Linda Brown is secretary-treasurer. Other members are:

Homer Crow, Mentone Area Preservation

Spring Rhododendron Festival And Run Are May 19-20

Plans are well underway for the spring Rhododendron Festival, to be held on May 19 and 20, according to general chairperson Donna Bukley. Committee members include Bernise Crow, Grace Howard, Ann Climer, Patti Bryan, Dorothy Crow, Sharon Barron, Harrell Jenkins and Jean McGehee.

One of the highlights of the last October Color Fest was the Tony Goggans band, and Tony will be back to be the master of ceremonies for the Rhododendron Festival weekend. On Friday evening, May 18, three queens will be crowned, one each from the elementary, junior high, and senior high grades. Girls living in the area of Mentone, Cloudland, Valley Head and Hammondville will be eligible. Trophies and crowns will be awarded in the dining room of the Mentone Springs Hotel. Entry blanks will be distributed through local schools. Judges for this event will be Homer Crow, Phil Howard, Shurlee Froehner and Jean McGehee. The queens will preside over the festivities.

During the weekend healthy two-year-old rhododendron plants will be available from the Lookout Nursery at attractive prices. Entertainment will include Gail Jones' dance group and young cloggers, who will perform alongside the Hitching Post. Local organizations will be in charge of food and snacks will also be available from Dorothy Crow's shop in the Hitching Post.

River boat cruises will be available on Sunday in order for visitors to enjoy the rhododendron splendor, courtesy of Warren Coppedge. The principal event on Sunday, May 20, will be the first annual spring run, the Rhododendron Run. Chairperson for this run will be Rainey Therrell of Camp Saddle Rock.

For full details on the Spring Run see the application blank on page 5.

Local Fire Department Saves Mentone House

One grateful Mentone citizen wants to thank the North Lookout Mountain Fire Protection District Volunteer Fire Department and adjoining companies for saving his home.

Charles McGee, local businessman, reports that on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 26, he detected an out-building on fire about 20 feet from his house.

"We called the fire department," he said, "which was there within 12 minutes. The Mentone firemen were joined by Valley Head and Hammondville units and dozens of volunteers in putting out the fire."

He especially wants to thank Hershell Pruitt, Sam Whatley, Charles Ferguson, Jimmy Whatley, J. B. Flarity, Joe Gregory, Chuck Whittle and dozens of others.

Fire Chief Sammy Cash and Board Director Chairwoman Marty Griffin are always ready for additional support in the activities of this vital unit in our area.

Mondale Is Winner At Mentone Precinct

Mentone voters followed the pattern of the remainder of Alabama in giving Walter Mondale a victory in the Democratic Primary for the Presidential nomination. Local figures in the Super Tuesday voting were:

Walter Mondale: 71

Gary Hart: 44

John Glenn: 18

Jesse Jackson: 3.

Beat Committeeman Sammy Cash and the following coordinated the local voting: Edmund Crowe, Eleanor Tate, Linda Brown, Mrs. Joseph Tate, Leonard Shigley, Floyd Smith, Nancy Brown, Charlene Smith, Crystal Coots and Hobson Kirby.

A total of 145 votes were cast, 136 were for the presidency. Seventeen votes were cast by Republicans for delegates.

Association; Helen Hill, Rhododendron Garden Club; Leonard Shigley, American Legion and Rescue Squad; Sammy Cash, North Lookout Mountain Fire Protection District; Ray and Sandra Padgett, owners Mentone Springs Hotel; Donna Bukley, coordinator Rhododendron Festival; Marty Griffin, coordinator the spring and fall runs.

Special committees are Brochure — Sandra Padgett, Sharon Barron and Homer Crow; Logo — Marty Griffin and Rob Hammond; Events — Ray Padgett; Publicity — Donna Bukley and Charles W. McGehee; Museum and Welcome Center — Barbara Cameron and Bernise Crow.

The men of Mentone are being urged to grow beards for the big celebrations.

Centennial Chairperson



Bernise Crow

Groundhog In Need Of Suitable Camera

Do you have a reasonably good camera lying around the house that is serving no good purpose? Preferably a Canon AE 1 or Sureshot, or something in that class.

One of the largest expenses of *The Groundhog* has been the photographs. It will increase our margin of profit if the staff can take more of its own photos. The available cameras are not of the category to provide our needs.

Contact the editors. Meanwhile, please submit to us photographs you have taken of events you attend, or items of interest.

April Groundhog Award



Mentone Wesleyan Methodist Church has been given the Groundhog Award for April for the most improved structure in the community. The church was organized in 1912 by the Rev. George French. Among the charter members were the H. F. Shigley family and Miss Ruth Brown (aunt of Catherine B. Bailey). First services were held in the old Ed Mason Hall. The church motto: "Enter to worship — leave to serve."

The church was actually built five years later. H. A. Johnson was the pastor who served the longest time. The Rev. D. C. Clements now lives in the new parsonage. Extensive landscaping was done at the church by the Rev. F. B. Williams.

Selection committee for the awards is Mabel Kirk for MAPA, Max Cash for the Town Council, and Nelda Howe for the Garden Club.

For Our Visitors

WHAT TO SEE

Begin at the Hitching Post, the Mentone equivalent of a Welcome Center and Chamber of Commerce. If it is open, directions will gladly be given and suggestions made. Maps are available there.

Standing outside the Hitching Post, you can look across the highway at the Victorian Mentone Springs Hotel. Adjoining it to the west is the former annex to the hotel, now the White Elephant Galleries.

Across DeSoto Parkway you can see the Mentone Inn and St. Joseph's-on-the-Mountain Church, built around a log cabin said to be Mentone's oldest structure.

DeSoto Falls is about two miles down the parkway. Five miles farther are DeSoto Park and Howard's Chapel, built against a giant boulder, where were placed the ashes of the well-known Col. Milford Howard.

This is just the beginning. Ask questions. Keep in motion.

WHERE TO EAT ON THE MOUNTAIN

1. Just across from the Hitching Post, the Log Cabin Deli.

2. About two-and-a-half miles down the parkway, Cragsmere Manna.

3. Farther down the parkway, DeSoto Park Resort Restaurant.

4. East on 117 about nine miles, Lookout Restaurant at Cloudland.

5. At the bottom of the mountain are Tiger's Inn and the Depot Restaurant (in Miracle's Grocery) in Valley Head and the Rock Castle Cafe in Hammondville (on old Highway 11 on your way back to the interstate).

MAPA Minutes

The March MAPA meeting was held at Mentone Maggie's on March 6, 1984. Following the reading of the minutes the treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1,931.47 as of March 1. For that same date the GROUNDHOG reported balance was \$297.53.

Marty Griffin presented the idea of caps for the Rhododendron Festival Run. Approval was given for the \$765.00 necessary for the purchase and printing. Rainey Therrell from Saddle Rock Camp was introduced and will be in charge of the run on Sunday, May 20.

Donna Buckley reported on the crowning of the queen. A \$5 application charge will go to MAPA. Sale of Rhododendron plants will also provide funds for MAPA. Donna's request for \$100 for expenses was approved.

Homer Crow, director, reported on the Centennial meeting at which Bernice Crow was elected chairman. All groups participating will be asked to donate \$100 for Centennial expenses.

The group approved a motion that MAPA will agree to sponsor a Centennial brochure contingent on fund-raising by the Centennial committee. Motion was also approved that membership dues be reduced to \$5.00 until the end of the fiscal year on July 1.

Milton Howard brought designs for the proposed sidewalk from The Hitching Post to the Post Office. Patty Bryan and Sammy Cash will take pictures and measure the area. Shurlee Froehler was elected treasurer to replace Ann Climer who resigned.

Speaker John Taylor, executive director of the DeKalb Tourist Association, told MAPA not to hesitate to call the tourist office for assistance to promote Mentone or for grants regarding brochures. All Mentone businesses, he said, need to do collective thinking and collective programs to help let people know about Mentone. Citizens need to start calling Ray Bass' office for signs. He said the John F. Kennedy trail of 77 miles, starting at DeSoto Falls and ending at Noccalula Falls, was put together by people working together.

— Condensed from the minutes of Amelia Brooks, secretary.

Brow Briefs

The Mentone Inn was prominently featured in the February 26th Progress Review Special edition of the Fort Payne Times Journal. Randy Still's Cragsmere Manna restaurant got a good review in a recent food article of the Birmingham News.

Did you know that there are three other towns in this country named Mentone? They are in Texas, California and Indiana. Benny Goss recently received a request for information from a reporter of The Akron-Mentone News in Indiana which is publishing a special edition about the four Mentones. Benny passed the letter along to The Groundhog editor, who has compiled the information and will keep you informed.

The premier issue of The Trader's Tab, a Mountainview Communication, edited by Bruce Bon Fleur, was circulated the first week in March and will be a monthly publication in the tri-state area with information about flea markets, trade events, outlet shopping, antiques, auctions, and discount buying. Bruce is to be congratulated for this excellent beginning.

A Community Chorus has been organized and is meeting every other Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the Moon Lake Baptist Church. April 2 is the next scheduled practice. The chorus is for men and women and will sing patriotic, religious and show tunes. Director is David Mays, and accompanist is Lou Ann Reynolds. Residents of Valley Head, Hammondville and Cloudland are welcome, too. If you want more information, phone Jane Meadows or Christa Brown.

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MAPA Celebrates Second Birthday

Happy Birthday to MAPA!

On Friday, April 6, the Mentone Area Preservation Association will be two years old. The occasion will be celebrated with the cutting of a birthday cake at the MAPA meeting of Tuesday, April 3, at Mentone Maggie's in the Hitching Post.

On Groundhog Day, Feb. 2, 1982, 37 residents and business people of Mentone accepted the invitation of Bruce Bon Fleur to come to Cragsmere Manna and discuss the future of Mentone. Further meetings were held at St. Joseph's on-the-Mountain. Sandra Padgett got out mailings.

Finally and formally on April 6 the group was activated, constitution and bylaws approved and nominating procedures for officers, all for the purpose of "preserving and protecting the heritage, natural environment and other unique qualities of the Mentone Area."

One local citizen said, "It's amazing that so much has occurred in such a short time."

Be at the April 3 MAPA meeting and help celebrate.

How To Vote? It's Very Simple

Mayor Rob Hammond has been getting questions about how to vote in the upcoming Presidential election and the Mentone Town Election. He asked THE GROUNDHOG to run an article on voter registration.

According to Town Attorney Pat Tate and a very knowledgeable young lady in Judge Paul Thomas' Probate office, it's quite simple.

There is no poll tax, no cost whatsoever. Once you have registered, it's forever, unless you move elsewhere.

You do not have to register as Democrat or Republican or anything else.

You must have resided in the county 30 days. If you have not registered, just go any day to the Board of Registrars, a white house across from the Fort Payne Court House.

It's all very inexpensive and simple.

ViewPoint...

By Charles White McGehee

Perhaps it would be in order for us to outline the Groundhog policy in connection with the upcoming July election for all our municipal offices. First, we will not endorse or editorially favor any candidate, not even by inference. The bylaws of the Mentone Area Preservation clearly state that it is "non-partisan."

When candidates announce, we will run a background story based on materials submitted by the candidate. We will, of course, allow the candidates to purchase as much advertising space as they so desire. Indeed, we encourage them to do so. The funds from such ads go to underwriting the cost of printing The Groundhog, with any surplus going toward the work of MAPA.

As time draws nearer the election, we will publish a list of all candidates, perhaps with photographs.

We must constantly be reminded that the council members and the mayor receive only token gratuities. In actuality they are donating much valuable time to the community. They are conducting our business for us, providing leadership in our decisions.

At this point we do not know who will be seeking these six offices. Whoever they are, they must consider certain factors.

Virtually no one wants to develop Mentone into a sprawling metropolis, not even into a bustling resort area. But the beauty of our scenery and the appeal of our youth camps, inns, and eating places inevitably bring visitors to our town — especially in summer, and to a certain degree in the winter during the time Cloudmont's ski run is operating.

These activities provide employment for our people, business for our merchants. It is a fact of life that tourism and our camps are the core of Mentone's economy.

The town of Mentone, through its mayor and council, has three principal areas of responsibility which the new officers must consider.

- (1) Adequate police protection.
- (2) Adequate fire protection.
- (3) Adequate water supply.

These are complicated matters which require comprehensive planning, financial considerations, good business judgments. Added to this, these office-holders should consider certain human relations skills, working with a group, learning the art of compromise. They also must consider that the town of Mentone is part of a large political entity which involves the county, state and federal governments. There are tax considerations and the need for securing the grants for which we are eligible.

More is involved than coming in to the Town Hall on the first Monday of each month, sitting around a table, and voting yea or nay on issues.

Those who are civic-minded enough to announce for these offices and their responsibilities and those who are elected deserve both our gratitude and our support.

Here again is a review of the election procedures:

- (1) You must have lived in Mentone for 90 days prior to qualifying time.
- (2) You must register at the Town Hall by June 5 before 5:00 p.m.
- (3) For mayor you must pay a registration fee of \$25. Fee council, \$10.

(4) You must specify which of the council places you are seeking. The places are: Place 1, presently held by Jimmy Wright; Place 2, Cash; Place 3, Kenneth Crow; Place 4, Hobson Kirby; Place 5, Lee Davenport.

If run-offs are necessary, they will be held on Tuesday, July 31, three weeks after the regular election. The newly-elected officers assume duties on Monday, Oct. 1.

Meanwhile, many of us are busy hoping to make the Centennial celebration happy and meaningful. Too often the facilitation of such events means that too few people are doing too much of the work. It can even on occasion lead to tensions.

It is important for us to remember that the celebrations are for good purpose. First, they call attention to our heritage, our history, our significance. Next, they give us opportunity to get together and celebrate, to enjoy each other's company. Finally, the influx of visitors to these events brings business volume to our various establishments. Most of them expressed pleasure at the influx, especially to the Groundhog Classic Run last fall. The upcoming events should be even better.

Pitch in and help. Right now the two busiest committees are those of Donna Buckley who is operating the Rhododendron Festival and Marty Griffin for the spring run. Call them and offer help.

Letters To The Editor

I am enclosing \$10.00 for membership in the effort to preserve and protect the beautiful environs of Mentone. I attended the first summer of Camp DeSoto (then a boy's camp) in 1927. I courted Lois in 1936-37 when she stayed with Miss Clara and later at the Riverside Hotel. I came to Mentone, depression-style on the railroad, got off at Valley Head, and bumped up the mountain with a gentleman known, I believe, then, as Hal. We visited with Mrs. Miller several summers beginning in 1951; and now have a cabin opposite Nippersink. The cabin has been visited and denuded by vandals, but we are enjoying what was left.

Jerome (Buddy) Cooper
Birmingham, Alabama

Mountain Cookery

Keep those recipes coming in to Box 50 for the coming Mountain Cookbook. This month features two famous Mentone cooks, Nelda Howe and Fern Fitzgerald.

NEVER FAIL CHEESE SOUFFLE (Nelda E. Howe)

1/2 cup flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup scalded milk
1/2 pound grated sharp Cheddar cheese
1/4 teaspoon paprika
4 egg yolks
4 egg whites

Mix flour with salt; add cold milk, mix to smooth paste. Stir into hot milk and cook until smooth and thick, stirring constantly. Remove from stove and add cheese and paprika. Stir until cheese is melted. Add egg yolks one at a time and beat vigorously after each. Fold in stiffly beaten whites. Place in a greased baking dish in hot oven (425) for 20 minutes. Serve immediately.

GRITS CASSEROLE (Nelda E. Howe)

2 cups grits
10 cups water
1 tablespoon salt

Cook these until done and then add

1 stick butter
4 eggs, slightly beaten
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 cup milk
2 tablespoons sugar
2 cups sharp Cheddar cheese

Bake in 400 oven until set (uncovered), about one hour. Good with baked ham.

This next recipe is an original recipe developed by the Fitzgeralds about 1951. Fern says this is good served with wild rice or brown rice.

FITZ'S BEEF AND BURGUNDY

2 slices sirloin 1/2-inch thick; all fat removed.
Cut meat into bite sized pieces, sprinkle with salt and paprika; fry as rapidly as possible in small amount of vegetable oil. Rinse out skillet with 1/2 cup good burgundy and add scrapings to sauce (recipe follows).

Saute 1-pound fresh mushrooms, cut into large pieces or thirds, in as little margarine as possible. Rinse skillet with 1/2 cup burgundy. Put sauce, mushrooms and meat in casserole and bake for one hour.

SAUCE

1 carrot thinly sliced
2 medium-sized onions, thinly sliced
1 large outside celery stalk, strings removed and cut into pieces
1 large leek, thinly sliced
1 medium-sized green pepper, seeded and cut into strips.

Saute in small amount of margarine until soft. Add 1 small can tomato sauce and 1/2 can tomato paste, and:

1 teaspoon dried sweet basil
1/4 teaspoon thyme
1/2 teaspoon marjoram

1 large bayleaf and several peppercorns (8 to 10) tied in cheesecloth.
NO salt

4 cups of bouillon made from 5 beef cubes.
Simmer slowly until reduced by half. Remove bayleaf and peppercorns. Put sauce in blender and puree. Add 1/2 cup burgundy.

Mountain Greenery

There is a truth that nothing tastes as good as homegrown vegetables. They have a flavor rarely matched by those you buy. The spring weather should be nibbling at your green thumb by now. Here are a few tips to consider in getting the most from your garden:

1. Consider where the garden should be planted. Top consideration should be given to planting as closely as possible to the house, near irrigation water, and away from large trees that sap valuable water and nutrients.

2. Tools and equipment range from a hoe to rakes, spades, or tillers and tractors. The larger garden will obviously need more equipment or more labor.

3. The size of the garden should depend on the number of people to be fed and the care you will be able to give it. The size is often too large for the effort that can be given. It will take at least four to five hours a week to produce a garden that will be worth while. If you can't give that, consider a smaller garden.

4. Soil preparation consists of not only plowing but also adding nutrients and organic materials. The most frequently neglected fertilizer nutrient is lime. The soils in our area need from 500 pounds to 2,000 pounds for a 1/2-acre plot if it hasn't been applied before. Lime is relatively inexpensive, but can make a world of difference in how much and in the quality of vegetables you produce. Mulching or adding leaves, straw, rotted sawdust, or other decaying plant

Families Of Mentone

The Kirbys Ninth In A Series

Just as there are several branches of the Crow family extant in Mentone, there are also various Kirby lines. One of the divisions of the Kirby family traces its origins to Dr. Bailey Kirby, who was married to Elizabeth Sherrill. They are buried in Young Harris, Ga. They had seven sons, one of whom was Jason C. Kirby.

Jason married Elizabeth Crow in 1844 and moved to DeKalb County in 1851. They had nine children, one of whom was Thomas Nelson, born in 1849. During the Civil War Jason was a soldier in the Union Army stationed near Stevenson, Ala. In 1864 he became ill, died and was buried there. His wife Elizabeth left her fourteen-year-old daughter at home in charge of the younger children. She traveled to her husband riding a mule, with her son Thomas Nelson walking beside her. She is buried in Little River Cemetery in Mentone.

Thomas Nelson Kirby married Martha Painter. They had five children, including Louis Bailey Kirby, born in 1880. Louis married Maggie Luvenia Crow, born in 1885. Louis was a carpenter and a farmer. He worked in Tullahoma, Tenn., in the early years of World War II, constructing a military installation. Louis and Maggie had eleven children. Two daughters died in early childhood from pneumonia and diphtheria. Their nine children were the following:

Ruth married Emmett Sewell. They live in Fort Payne, where Emmett was with the post office for many years. He is a World War II veteran and a former teacher. Ruth worked many years in retail sales and was pianist and now is organist for St. Paul's Methodist Church in Fort Payne. She plays for many local funerals and weddings.

George married Myrtice Crow. He was a farmer and trucker. He delivered ice in the '30s and '40s before electricity was common. He carried campers on trips for virtually all area camps for more than thirty years. Today he is a patient at Collinsville Nursing Home. Myrtice resides in Chattanooga where she recently retired from Miller's Department Store. Their children are Jean Houston of Atlanta; Kenneth of Roanoke, Va.; and Martha Nation of Oneonta, Ala. There are 10 grandchildren.

Frances married Joe Kirby. Both are now deceased, but they lived in Tullahoma where Joe worked for Riegel Textiles, and where their son Donald still lives. They had one grandson.

Paul married Bertha Holland. He was a carpenter and worked in timber. He is now a patient at Mountain Manor Nursing Home in Fort Payne. Bertha is deceased. Their two children are Amanda Gray of Valley Head and Mentone's town councilman Hobson.

materials is also a must for water absorption and for holding for those hot dry weeks. The addition of commercial fertilizer should be added according to soil tests, where possible. However, a general rule is about three gallons of 8-8-8 per 100 feet of rows three feet apart.

5. In planting seed a good rule of thumb is to plant seed four times as deep as the greatest diameter of the seed. Small seed about 1/4-inch, seed okra 1/2-inch, corn, beans, 1-1 1/2 inches deep. Transplants such as tomatoes should be planted as deeply as possible and still leave at least 3-5 leaves exposed. They should be watered immediately to settle soil round the roots. Seed and plants should be recommended varieties purchased from a reputable dealer.

6. Don't plant too early unless you can protect young seedlings. Greenhouse plant production is ahead of last year's crop, especially our hanging pots. Thanks again for your continued purchases and support of our greenhouse.

Roberta Cash began gardening about 10 years ago. She borrowed Garden Without an Aching Back by Ruth Stout from Ruby O'Rear. Mrs. Cash began using spoiled hay. You don't have to plow or till using this method. The spoiled hay is spread over the garden spot, and over a period of time the hay deteriorates, forming a mulch that enriches the soil. The hay is raked back to form rows. Over the years Mrs. Cash had added more spoiled hay. This conserves moisture, and during very dry periods, Mrs. Cash's garden flourishes while others wilt and burn. She considers herself an organic gardener, although she does use Sevin Dust if the bugs get too bad. Planting marigolds around the edges of the garden plot also repels insects. Mrs. Cash waits until the last of March to plant, and she grows everything from seed. Mrs. Cash does not use raised beds, just wider rows. She does not have to fertilize the mulched area.

— L. A. Smith, Agr. Business teacher, VHHS (In this regular feature Mr. Smith will be pleased to answer any questions submitted from readers or to include any views or experiences they have had in the areas of mountain greenery).

Did You Know?

That Bobby Brown's grandmother was born in the Mentone Springs Hotel?

Kirby. There are three grandchildren.

As you may have noticed in the family series article about the Brown family, the next two Kirby children married Brown siblings. Mary married Raymond Brown. He was an electrician and was associated with Athens College in Alabama and with Camp Sumatunga. They are both active in the United Methodist Church in Mentone and divide their time between Mentone and Florida. They have four children: Stacey of Montgomery, Stanley in Mentone, and Dee Dixon of Decatur. They have 10 grandchildren.

Luther married Carrie Ruth Brown, Raymond's sister. Luther was a trucker and is now associated with Alpine Camp where they reside. Their children are Elaine Keith, principal of Valley Head High School, and Eddie Kirby of Mentone. They have six grandchildren.

Margaret married Paul Stallings. He worked for Riegel Textile and also was a carpenter and timber worker. They live at Moon Lake and had two children. Nelson lives in Mentone and Dwight is deceased. There are two grandchildren.

Britton married Florence Pullen. He, too, worked for several years at Riegel. He has been a carpenter and substitute mail carrier and still raises quail. They live at the old home of Louis and Maggie Kirby in Mentone. Their children are Faye Grady of Orlando, Fla.; Joyce Brown of Summerville, and Kathy McMunn of Hammondville. They have four grandchildren.

Roy married Mary Kate Ryan. They live in Fort Payne where both are retired from the Sand Mountain Electric Coop. Roy worked at the textile mills in Trion, and is a veteran of World War II. Mary Kate has a daughter, Barbara King, of Fort Payne. She has four grandchildren.

— Martha Kirby Nation

Garden Club History Is Still Available

After its winter hiatus the Rhododendron Garden Club met on March 13 at the home of Lydia Speed. New members Alice Springer and Frances Rosano were welcomed into the group.

President Helen Hill announced that District 2, to which Mentone belongs, is the only one in the state with 100 percent paid dues. There are some 1,036 members and 51 clubs in District 2.

Members voted to sell the History of Mentone booklets for \$1 each during this centennial year. The county extension service sponsored a Home and Garden Club Show at the Rainsville Civic Center March 16 and 17. Virginia Bosworth, Theresa Bosworth and Helen Hill served as hostesses for the Rhododendron Garden Club.

The new Welcome Center on I-59 has been cited as a model for the state. Local garden clubs assisted with the landscaping. Mabel Kirk, Alice Springer, Ruby Daniel, and Theresa Bosworth will refurbish one of the plots with plants from L. A. Smith's greenhouse at Valley Head High School. The Mentone garden club will also re-plant the Mountain Manor Nursing Home planters in Fort Payne.

Members should plan for the county luncheon meeting to be held at the Best Western restaurant on Saturday, April 28.

The next meeting of the Rhododendron Garden Club will be an outing to Reflection Riding nature center in Chattanooga. Members should meet at the Mentone Inn parking lot on April 10 at 9 a.m. Drivers are needed, phone Helen Hill. Hostesses for this meeting are Linda Brown, Vivian Sherrod and Theresa Bosworth, who will bring dessert and drinks. Members should bring their own sandwiches and \$6.50 dues.

The program for the March meeting was introduced by Betty Johnson, vice president. She told of growing up surrounded by her family's apple orchards and distributed literature from the county agent's office on the care and pruning of fruit trees.

Grace Howard shared knowledge gained from attending a Wild Life Workshop in Signal Mountain, Tenn. The theme of the meeting was "A Back Yard Wild Life Rally." The event was sponsored by the Chattanooga garden clubs, the U. S. Fish and Wild Life Service, and the National Parks Administration.

Mrs. Howard spoke about the effect new development and building has on bird populations and of the necessity to feed birds during the summer months. Birds which like eating from feeders are called pet chers. If one desires to attract mocking birds, she should put raisins and chopped apple on the feeder.

Blue birds like their houses out in the open, facing east or southeast. Birds like corridors to fly through, such as hedge rows. If starlings are a nuisance, paint their houses white on the interior.

Trees attractive to birds include the dogwood, black cherry, hemlock, hackberry and holly. It is desirable to leave three dead trees per acre for nesting places.

Requests Arriving For Crafts Festival



A Peaceful View Of The Site

The Crafts Festival Committee for this centennial year has already begun receiving requests for spaces in the 1984 celebration. Linda Brown chaired the first meeting of 1984 on March 15 and announced that this year there will be upward of 65 exhibitors and demonstrators.

This summer the committee hopes to operate from a new shelter, to be built by donations from MAPA, the Crafts Festival Committee, and others. Dorothy Crow is in charge of a Sunday morning devotional which will include gospel singing.

There will be demonstrations of crafts practiced 100 years ago here in Mentone, such as churning, pottery making, furniture making and blacksmithing. The committee plans to have clowns and period toys for children. Food will be served by various churches and service groups in the community.

Sub-committees include Ribbons and Categories, in charge of Barbara Duncan and David and Sunny Mays. Gay Godbois will once again handle publicity. Luke Lucas, Hobson Kirby and Milton Howard will

handle traffic, assisted by Little Leaguers.

Stanley Brown, Linda Brown and Raymond Brown will be in charge of signs; Bobby Brown will arrange the street banner and the electrical needs of the festival. H. P. Goss, Luke Lucas, Stanley Brown and Bobby Brown will be in charge of security and clean-up.

Entertainment will be arranged by Barbara and Ovie Blalock, who promise a variety of music and dancing throughout the festival. Assignment of spaces will be handled by Grace and Milton Howard, Linda Brown and Barbara Blalock.

The program will be in charge of Gay Godbois, Christa and Stanley Brown, and David and Sunny Mays. Centennial advisor is Sue Lucas. Linda Brown, festival president, will handle garbage and sanitation duties.

The next meeting of the festival committee will be at 7 p.m. May 10, at the United Methodist Church. Interested citizens are invited.

John F. Kennedy Trail Now Getting Underway

Since its dedication on Nov. 22, plans are underway for activation of the John F. Kennedy Trail, which begins in the Mentone area at DeSoto Falls and continues along the mountain to Nocalula Falls Park. It is hoped that the trail will ultimately link with the Appalachian Trail, which now reaches from North Georgia to upper Maine.

Signs will direct hikers and tourists to DeSoto Falls, DeSoto State Park, Little River Falls, Canyon Land Park and chairlift, Little River Canyon Mouth Park, Yellow Creek Falls, Cherokee Rock Village Park and Nocalula Falls just north of Gadsden. From Rock Village Park the trail will overlook the Coosa Valley from the brow of Lookout Mountain enroute to Nocalula Park.

Most of the right-of-ways have been secured and plans are underway to erect safety barriers. Some of the stretches will have spectacular views, especially the descent into Little River Canyon.

As a spokesman for the Kennedy family, Senator Ted M. Kennedy endorsed the trail as a "timeless memorial" for John F. Kennedy.

Its 65-miles wind through three counties and boast four waterfalls. If it ever connects with the Appalachian Trail, it will be part of a 1,995 mile stretch that winds through 14 states, two national parks, and eight national forests.

An ultimate connection with the Kennedy and Appalachian trails would stretch from Mentone to Springer Mountain, a distance of about 40 miles.

New MAPA Members

MAPA welcomes these new members this month: W. P. Camp, Flintstone; Mrs. Coley Harvey, Bart Kennedy, Montgomery, Ala.; Jerome Cooper, Birmingham, Ala.; Evelyn Allen, Birmingham, Ala.; David and Martha Nation, Oneonta; Mrs. Odell Thompson, Tusculum; Senator Lowell Barron, Fayette; and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jones.

Centennial Calendar

May 18, 19, 20: Rhododendron Festival and Run, crowning of the queens, music of the Malibu Mountain Band, clogging and dancing, festive foods, river boat cruises up Little River from DeSoto Falls, four mile run. Donna Bukley, chairperson.

July 7 and 8: Eighth Annual Crafts Festival, over 65 exhibits, entertainment, practicing crafts of 100 years ago such as churning, quilting, blacksmithing; period toys, ribbons for various categories, participating local organizations. Linda Brown, president.

Oct. 13-21: The Mentone Centennial Celebration; week-long events with special days dedicated to schools, churches, history, the Mentone Springs Hotel; climaxing with the second annual Groundhog Classic Run with runners from throughout the Southeast. Bernice Crow, chairperson.

Dec. 14 and 15: Christmas at Mentone; Community Chorus sings, lighting of the community tree; gala decorations, arrival of Santa. Ed and Geri Disney, chairpersons.

Dicker Days Resume At Old Hotel Square

Beginning Saturday, May 12, Dicker Days, a monthly trading event, will be resumed at the Mentone Springs Hotel, according to owners Sandra and Ray Padgett. Dealers, traders, and buyers from this area will converge at this historic spot.

Many Mentone citizens enjoyed the activities when the Dicker Days were held in the summer in 1982. It is now planned that they will be a regular Second Saturday event. Space may be reserved by writing P. O. Box 23, Mentone, Ala., or by calling 634-4731 Saturdays and Sundays, or (404) 471-8683 during the week.

Vernon Family Reunion At Mentone June 22-24

In conjunction with the Centennial celebrations, the Vernon Family has reserved the Mentone Springs Hotel for the weekend of June 22, 23, 24.

The descendants of Simmie Sherman Vernon will be descending on this historic structure. Sandra and Ray Padgett, owners of the hotel, say that the parking lot that weekend will be filled with RV's.

Mr. Vernon also built the cabin, said to be the oldest structure in town, which is the central portion of St. Joseph's on-the-Mountain Church.

News of the Vernon Family Reunion is being circulated nation-wide by *The Vernon Tree*, edited by Daisy Hicks Sanders, 4811 S. 71 E. Avenue, Tulsa, Okla. 74145.

Letter To Editor

By IDA MAE THOMPSON

Just wanted you to know how pleased I was to pick up your paper and find my Crow family in it. I think the *Groundhog* is great. We want to receive it regularly. My husband and I come up to the park twice a year. My husband helped build the DeSoto State Park. I would love to hear from the Crow family or the Cox family or anyone in Mentone. I was raised in Fort Payne. Isaac Crow Sr., is my great-great-grandfather. Isaac Allen Jr., and Catherine Cox are my great-grandparents.

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Fire Dept. News

Fire Chief Sammy Cash reports that the main truck is undergoing pump repairs in Birmingham at a cost of \$5,000.

He urges citizens to continue to collect aluminum and bring it to the fire hall. Proceeds from the sale of the aluminum go to maintenance of the fire department.

Attention

The Crafts Festival Committee is looking for people who can demonstrate crafts that were in use 100 years ago. For this 8th annual and the centennial festival, if you or a friend can practice a craft July 7 and 8, please phone Linda Brown, chairperson, at 634-4755.



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SPLITS: Called at halfway mark. Water available on the course.

ORGANIZED BY: All proceeds go toward the goals of the Mentone Area Preservation Association, an organization dedicated to preserving and protecting the natural heritage, environment, and other unique qualities of the Mentone area.

TIME: Pre-registration until 1:00 PM

DATE: Race begins at 2:00 PM

DEADLINE: April 20th

Entrants will be enchanted by the scenic course of the four-mile run, which begins at the historic Hotel Square, continues down DeSoto Parkway underneath Spring splendor of dogwood, rhododendron, redbud, oak, and maple, then circles at the DeSoto Falls turnoff and returns past Windward Inn, St. Joseph's-on-the-Mountain and returns to the starting point at the Hitching Post.

The Rhododendron Festival Run will cap off the Centennial Celebration in the Mentone area. The weekend will begin with the Rhododendron Queen pageant, a Fire Department Rummage Sale, and cloggers and music providing entertainment during the day.

Mentone is located on Lookout Mountain, halfway between Chattanooga and Gadsden, on highway 117. There are exits on I-59 north and south. Follow 117 through Hammondville, Valley Head, and up the mountain. From the east, Mentone can be reached through Lafayette or Summerville, Georgia, through Menlo to Cloudland to Mentone.

RELEASE FORM:

Detach and mail or bring to: The Mentone Rhododendron Festival Run, Box 299, Mentone, AL 35984. Entry fee of \$6.00 must accompany each application. \$7.50 after April 20th. Please make checks payable to M.A.P.A. (Mentone Area Preservation Association)

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Eighteen Eighty-Four: A Very Good Year

(Continued From Page 1)

Losing's HISTORY OF NEW YORK CITY expressed concern that the cost of living was resulting in an elimination of the middle class, a wide division between the rich and the poor. The first roller coaster was built at Coney Island. The Chelsea Hotel and the Dakota Apartments were built. Over in the Windy City of Chicago the first skyscraper was constructed.

1884 was the year people began bathing with Gold Dust Soap, occasionally looking at the label which featured the Gold Dust Twins. The first packaged food in the nation was introduced — Quaker oats, which became and remains a standard breakfast item.

This was a productive year for literature. Mark Twain wrote HUCKLEBERRY FINN; Frank Stockton turned out the best seller THE LADY OR THE TIGER; in Russia the classic novel THE DEATH OF IVAN IL-YICH was written by Tolstoi. The eloquent speech ACRES OF DIAMONDS which was delivered throughout America by the clergyman Russell Herman Conwell resulted in funds which built Temple University. In Britain Oscar Wilde was writing plays.

Much musical history was made in the year 1884. Gilbert and Sullivan were writing their humorous and melodic operettas in England. McDowell was at his height in America, and in Europe Tchaikowski and Bruckner were writing symphonies. Massenet wrote his opera MANON and Puccini, MANON LESCAUT.

Impressionistic painting was beginning to emerge with the brilliant technique of Van Gogh and Cezanne.

Capitalism in America was peaking. Avenues of philanthropy were indicated by the statistic that John D. Rockefeller's Standard Oil Company produced 80 percent of all the nation's oil.

1884 was the year for one of the visits of Queen Victoria of Britain to the Riviera resort of Mentone, France, near Nice and Monte Carlo. A report of this visit in THE NEW YORK TIMES had direct bearing on the naming of our town.

The incident has now become historical lore and involved three persons: John Mason, his daughter Alice, and Dr. Franklin Caldwell.

John Mason, who may well be called the father of Mentone, was a native of New York who enlisted in the Cavalry and went west, later becoming a wealthy Iowa wheat farmer. After the death of his wife, he became ill and sought an area with good water and clear air.

He found it at Mentone and settled here, bringing his 12-year-old daughter Alice in 1872. He farmed, bought property, and eventually his sons Ed and Henry settled here, too. Ed was a surveyor and promoter, mailing information east about the attributes of this area.

One of the persons whom Ed persuaded to come here was Dr. Franklin Caldwell, who had inherited \$20,000, a fortune in those days, and he wanted to invest it. His decision was to build a resort hotel near the site of the two springs which were said to have curative powers.

At that time the only other building at the top of the mountain area known as Old Hotel Square was the Vernon cabin, which later became the central portion of St. Joseph's on-the-Mountain. One other residence was down Vernon's Gap toward Valley Head, and several houses were in the general area now known as Moon Lake — principally the Mason House.

One morning at breakfast Dr. Caldwell, who was boarding with the Masons, said, "Ed has got a nice little town laid out here and my hotel is about finished. What are we going to name it?"

John Mason, the native New Yorker, insisted that his daughter regularly read THE NEW YORK TIMES. She had just finished reading of the visit of Queen Victoria to Mentone, France. She noted that the name Mentone means "Musical Mountain Springs." They agreed that this name was especially appropriate for the town and the hotel.

A year later Alice Mason was married in the social room of the hotel to Samuel A. O'Rear. Two of their daughters presently reside in Mentone: Ruby O'Rear and Mrs. Paul Whitehead.

These then were the beginnings 100 years ago. Such are the wellsprings of rich history and tradition which our town will be celebrating and commemorating throughout the remainder of the year.

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Monday, April 2, 6 p.m.	Town Council meets at Town Hall. Rob Hammond, Mayor.
7 p.m. ⁷ ₂₁	Community Chorus meets at Moon Lake Baptist Church. David Mays, Director.
Tuesday, April 3, 7 p.m.	MAPA meets at Mentone Maggie's in the Hitching Post. Homer Crow, Director. Two County Commissioners speak.
Wednesday, April 4, 10 a.m.	Bookmobile comes to Town Hall. Judy Dowlat, Librarian.
Thursday, April 5, 7 p.m.	Volunteer Fire Dept. meets at Fire Hall. Sam Cash, Chief.
Saturday, April 7, 5 p.m.	Centennial Committee meets at Town Hall. Bernise Crow, Chairperson.
	St. Jude Bike-a-Thon.
Tuesday, April 10, 9 a.m.	Rhododendron Garden Club meets at Mentone Inn parking lot for trip to Reflection Riding. Helen Hill, President.
Monday, April 16, 7 p.m.	Community Chorus meets at Moon Lake Baptist Church.
Wednesday, April 18, 10 a.m.	Bookmobile comes to Town Hall.
Thursday, April 19, 7 p.m.	Volunteer Fire Department meets at Town Hall.
Saturday, April 21, 5 p.m.	Centennial Committee meets at Town Hall.

Dekalb Tourist News

The Executive Board Meeting for the DeKalb Tourist Association was held March 5. FAM Tour, Home and Garden Show, Cleveland Travel Show, Membership Renewals, Matching Grants Program and Fund-Raising Projects were all discussed.

Alabama Travel Council for North FAM Tour of DeKalb was held March 12. Forty people from all over the United States representing travel agencies, tour brokers, travel professionals visited Alabama Fan Club, DeSoto Falls, Mentone, Sequoyah Caverns, and back to Fort Payne for a lovely dinner at Western Sizzlin and overnight at Best Western. Those present were John Taylor, executive director; Billy McDow, president; Amelia Brooks, vice president; Diane Connell, secretary-treasurer; Charles Walker, and Kenneth Pennington all of the executive board. Randy Still, John Gilbreath, Rita Adrian, all directors.

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Mountain Stuff Opening At Mentone Springs Hotel

Mountain Stuff is the name of a new set of shops on the ground floor of the Mentone Springs Hotel, opening at 10 a.m. on May 5, managed by Richard Steinberg.

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Groundhog Finance Report

MARCH ISSUE

Income:	
Balance on Hand	\$430.24
Ad Sales	405.00
Debits:	
Handbook for Mayors & Councilmen	\$10.00
Frank Bower, photos	25.00
The Summerville News	315.25
U. S. Post Office	56.68
Eleanor Moerlins, phone	14.28
Jimmy Frazier, art	30.00
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