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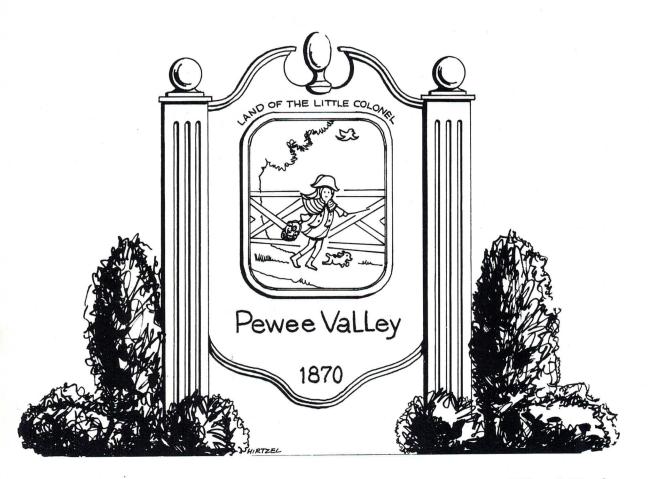
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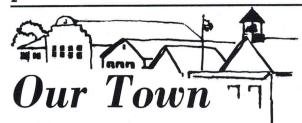
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NEW TOWN SIGNS to be dedicated at 2 P.M. September 15, designed by Pewee William J. Hirtzel



#### **BICENTENNIAL NEWS**

#### PLACES TO GO



Vivien Hoskins Reinhardt

THE City Council met at the Town Hall on August 5. Mayor John F. Stewart presided with the following Members present: Frank B. Conn, Walter F. Hayes, Paul E. Staniford and Norman Turner.

The Council has a new member, Walter F. Hayes. Mr. Hayes is a Transportation Specialist for General Electric Co. He is married to the former Shirley Grether from Louisville. They have a nine-year-old daughter, Patti. The Hayes family has lived in Pewee Valley, at 111 Ash Avenue, for eleven years. Mr. Hayes was sworn in by Mayor Stewart at the August 5 meeting and will fill the unexpired term of Mr. Alwyn Dickerson, who resigned from the Council. Welcome Councilman Hayes!

Four visitors were welcomed to the meet-

ing with requests or inquiries:

Mrs. Peggy Pace of Old Forest Road requested a street light at her property. She feels this might stem vandalism that is occurring there.

Mr. Eric Visand from Highway 22 inquired into zoning laws for building a garage on his

property.

Mr. Jack Riley of Ash Avenue asked that the City upgrade its specifications for construction of city streets. He feels that the streets deteriorate too rapidly.

Mr. William Rommel of La Grange Road inquired into the status of his request of July 1 to be annexed to the City of Pewee Valley.

Sept. 19—Belle of Louisville—"18th or 19th Century Costume Ball". Boarding 8:00 PM—\$10.00/couple

Oct. 5—Westport, Ky.—"19th Century River Town"—Historic Home Tour, Fish Fry, Festival on the Green. Public Cruise on the Belle of Louisville from 4th & River with 2 hour stopover at Westport. Boarding at Westport for Bethleham with ½ hour stopover and return to Westport. Re-embarkation of Louisville travellers for return. Events begin at Westport at 1:00 PM. For Boarding Time of Cruise contact: Belle of Louisville.

Oct. 26 & 27-Pewee Valley, Ky.-"Pewee Vallev - Land of the Little Colonel" - Costumes encouraged. 19th Century Arts & Crafts. Dedication of Restoration of Town Square: Presentation of Fifth "Ky. Little Colonel Award." Little Colonel Players Production of "The Little Colonel in Loydsboro", an original play. Southern Fried Chicken Dinner. Music Schedule: Saturday-11 AM to 2 PM "Leave of Autumn"; 2 PM to 5 PM-David Trabue, Folksinger. Sunday – 12:30 to 2 PM – Square Dancers-Beard's Parking lot; 2 to 2:30 PM - Pewee Valley 1st Baptist Church & Jr. Homemakers Chorus; 2:30 to 4:30 PM-David Trabue; 4:30 to 6:30 PM - "Leaves of Autumn." All of the above music events, except the square dancing, will take place along the town square.



#### Modern Day 'Huck Finn'

WHAT could be better than a balmy summer day when the fish are biting, so says a freckled face, thirteen year old, Jack Smith. Jack, along with many Pewee Valley folk, have been fishing daily in the Oldham County Fair Fishing Contest. Regina Satterly has walked away with several prizes in the 16 and older division, while Jack and his little brother Billy have won nightly in the 15 and under group. Jack ended up with a total of 211 for the Grand Prize.

#### Pewee Kathie Buckler Makes First Oldham County Flag



ATHIE Buckler played Betsy Ross for Oldham County recently by constructing its first official flag. The flag, designed by Richard Crossett, won first place in the Oldham County Sesquicentennial Flag Contest and was officially presented to County Judge Wendell Moore at Flag Ceremonies on opening night at the Oldham County Fair. Pictured (1. to r.) County Judy Wendell Moore, President of Fair Board Howard Garrett. Mrs. William Buckler, Richard Crossett, and Bicentennial Chairman William Buckler.

### Vignettes of Pewee Valley

#### FIFTY YEARS AGO

Florence Dickerson

THE following letter was written by a resident of Pewee Valley to Amelia Moody who was born and lived here until she was a young lady:

April 5th, 1924.

Dear Old Miss:

If you keep moving around I will finally learn how to spell all of the important cities of the United States. No sarcastic remarks now about the rush I cause the Post Office people. I am naturally a very polite person, I don't think I owe more than ten letters. But honest now, what is the good of inflicting your miseries on your friends. I have had very little else to give them this winter. It has been one long fight between me and the world and the flesh and the devil. With the flesh in the lead. Your friend Dr. . . yanked, pulled, sawed and finally dug out my tonsils about three weeks ago. I think he would make a much better plumber than a doctor. Nothing could have been more utterly ghastly. Thirty full minutes of actual cutting and he doesn't give an aesthetic and of course the first gush of blood removes the effect of a local. It was more like a bull fight than anything I can describe. He insists that he never had to go through anything quite so bad and was very nervous and excited. But I used much stronger language to express my side of it.

Every year I have some kind of spring pruning to go through with and I am relieved to have this ones behind me, although I still feel like a worm and am not sure yet that they have found the trouble. Three M.D.s have agreed that it is infection from

something and so now that it can't be tonsils maybe I'll begin to live again.

Haven't seen Issy for an age but she was "doin poorly" the last I heard of her. Bee is greatly excited over the prospect of an extravagant wedding and I think they call her fiance Mac. His last name is STUBS.

Gen's house is nearly finished. It is very pretty, Southern Colonial with red brick and big white columns.

Miss Fanny had a tea the other day to meet Mrs. Reimers and five of the people were deaf, and nobody except Lillian Fletcher under fifty. I had a sore throat so you can imagine how much I got out of it. Once I tried to tell Miss Lizzie Hunt that it was a very late spring and she thought I said I had lost my ring, so I gave it up as a bad job and drank lots of tea. Miss Fanny finally took pity on us and played the piano.

I understand Miss Fanny sent Old Aunt Lucinda a Valentine this year of a comical looking hobo presenting a bunch of flowers which had a dollar bill pinned on to them; and Aunt Lou keeps it in her Bible and shows it to everybody as a picture of Alex Craig and will not be convinced that it is not Alex.

Miss Hay broke one of her front teeth out at the last meeting of the Ladies Aid trying to eat one of the cakes. And somebody made the remark that the Ladies Aid meeting were getting rather untoothsome. Poor Mrs. Armstrong has been quite upset this winter because she hasn't been able to make anything good for the meetings because she can't use any flavoring. The boys swipe all of her vanilla and get drunk on it.

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Garret ... had a new outfit of teeth top and bottom and he hasn't learned how to handle them very well when he talks but they make him better looking.

Gosh darn, I believe that's all the news there is.

What's life doing to you, anyway.

#### **TOWN GALLERY**



LAST MONTH'S BABY: Mr. Matthews Fletcher

#### The Call of the Pewee

is published by the Pewee Valley City Council (John Frith Stewart, Mayor) and is mailed free to all Pewees. To submit news or to order extra copies (\$.15 each or \$1.80 for a year, mailed anywhere), phone Editor William H. Buckler (241-4114).

#### Pewee Valley Public Library Hours

(Basement of St. Aloysius School)
Tuesday — 6:00-8:00 P.M.
Friday — 2:00-8:00 P.M.
Saturday — 10:00-4:00 P.M.

#### Community Kindergarten

MRS. Georgia Nuss has been named director of the Community Kindergarten. Her experience includes teaching first grade in the Simi Valley, California schools as well as in local schools.

The kindergarten, jointly sponsored by the Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church and the Pewee Valley Woman's Club, will continue to meet in the Presbyterian Church and Mrs. Margaret Turpin will again assist the director.

There will be an Open House Wednesday, August 21 at 8 p.m. for the parents to meet the new director. The public is invited.

Classes for four and five years olds will begin Wednesday, September 4. Enrollment is still open. For additional information call Mrs. Dorcas Merhoff, 241-4881 or Mrs. Betty Diebel, 241-4203.

#### Church News

THE people of St. Aloysius Parish would like to thank everyone who attended their picnic. A special thanks to everyone who worked to make the picnic a success.

Here is a list of the winners of the Capital Prize. Winners: 1st prize went to T. Schweitzer Jr., \$500.00; Seller of winning ticket — Gene Schweitzer, \$100.00; 2nd prize Mrs. Bill Page, \$300.00; 3rd prize William J. Simpson, \$100.00; 4th prize Julius F. Roso, \$100.00.

## **Eanglewood**



#### **LANDMARKS**

Ann Montgomery

THE following advertisement appeared in the Courier-Journal on July 30, 1869.

"For sale — in Pewee Valley — 'Hillside Cottage' and 10 acres ground — lies immediately on the railroad adjoining St. James Episcopal Church and within 5 minutes walk of the depot. The house is now being built and will be ready for occupancy August 10; is Swiss in style and contains 10 rooms, has all requisite closets with storerooms and cellar. Must be seen to be appreciated. Will take good low-priced city property in part payment. Apply on the premises to John F. Dickson, Trustee."

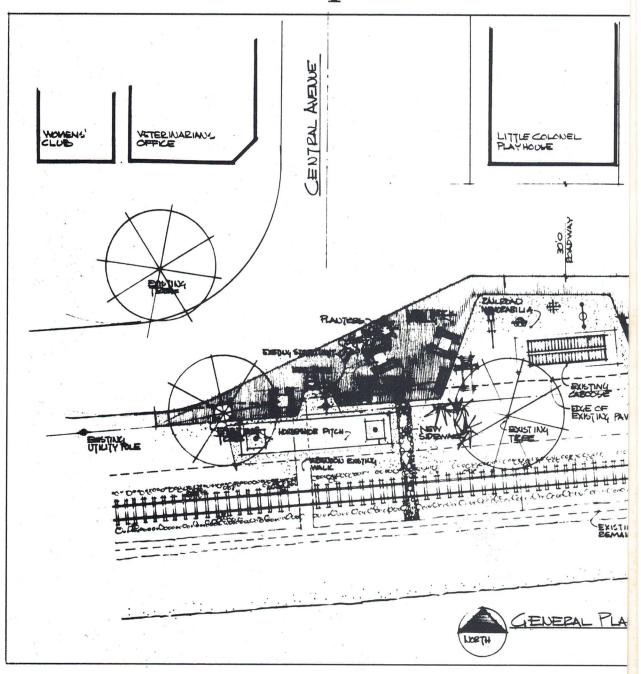
There were several owners of Tanglewood prior to July of 1951 when Mr. and Mrs.

Grove Gleason acquired the property. There are now 16 acres with the charming victorian home, and a cottage which was built in 1953. Each room has its own fireplace. Ponies and burros graze on the picturesque grounds. The whole estate has a rather quaint, informal, natural beauty. The Gleasons' two children, Carole and David, were raised at Tanglewood and presently their two grandchildren, Kristen and Cynthia Reynolds (of Ash Ave., Pewee Valley) spend time there.

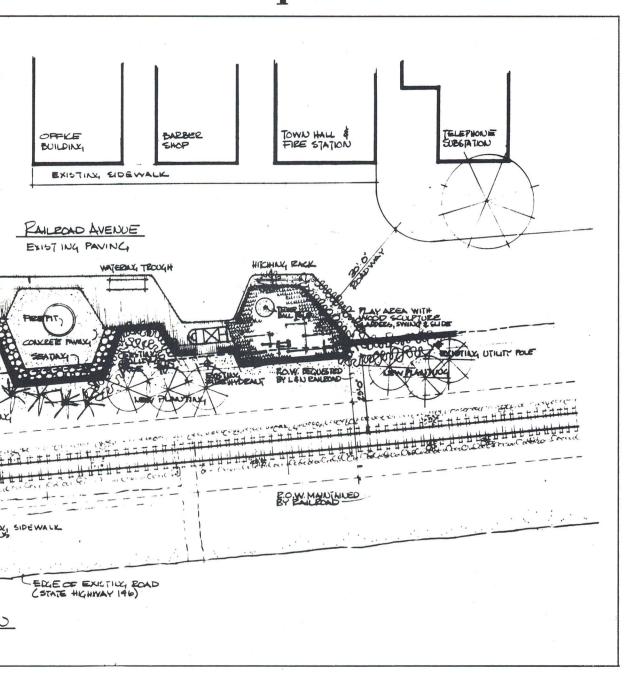
Tanglewood is mentioned throughout the Little Colonel Stories as the home of Mary Ware, the Little Colonel's friend. In fact, that is how it got its name! The Little Colonel used to enjoy walking among the wildflowers at Tanglewood. She was proposed to amidst the lillies of the valley there. She and her friends would spend time sitting in the shade by the Tanglewood stile, which is still there. People could be seen on Sunday going over it into the churchyard. During the period before Tanglewood was built all the residents of Pewee Valley enjoyed themselves on the grounds as it was a public park. Take a glimpse the next time you're driving down LaGrange Road!



## **Proposed Plan For**



## New Town Square

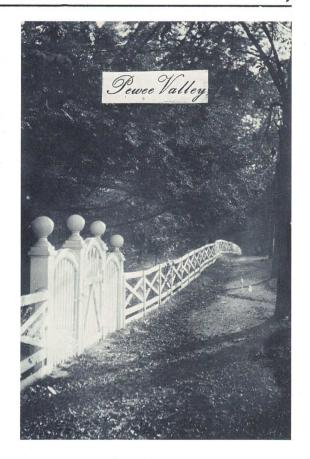


# Pewee Valley— The Land of The Little Colonel

In conjunction with the Kentucky Bicentennial celebration, Pewee Valley is publishing a new 64 page pictorial history of the Valley. The book is divided into three sections, the past; the present — pictures of homes, old and new; and the Valley's future, pictures of the faces of the Valley children.

An order blank to reserve your copy is provided below. Please make your checks payable to *Pewee Valley Bicentennial Committee*. Each copy will be \$2.50, add  $50\phi$  if you wish your book mailed directly to you. You may pick up your copy Sunday, September 15, 1974 between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Town Hall where the Book will be on sale for the first time.

Mail reservations to PEWEE VALLEY BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE, Pewee Valley, Kentucky 40056.



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