

# The EVERGREEN NEWS

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## Wallace Wins Here

Although voters in the Vollintine/Evergreen community have generally chosen the conservative candidate in past elections, the May 4 Presidential primary results make them look almost "reactionary." Most voters chose to vote in the Democratic primary where George Wallace received majority support (68-86%) in the three predominantly white precincts and varying support (12-31%) in the racially mixed neighborhoods.

Precinct 36-3 continued to be the most conservative section of the neighborhood at the polls, with 86% of its Democratic vote going to Wallace. The Southwestern area (36-1) and the precinct between Jackson and Vollintine (36-2) also gave the Alabaman majority support. (In the 1968 Presidential election Wallace received about a third of the VECAA votes.)

Humphrey was the only other Democratic candidate to receive strong support in any of the precincts. He received 46% of the vote in the Springdale area (52-1). The Baron Hirsch area, the most "liberal" portion of the community, and the Vollintine-Watkins area (40-2) split fairly evenly between Wallace, Chisholm and Humphrey. Although Humphrey received about 10% of the Democratic votes in the all-white districts, McGovern fared less well, receiving only 9% of the votes in his best precinct.

Less than 450 votes were cast in the Republican primary and virtually all of these were accorded to Nixon.

On the busing issue, all six precincts recorded a majority in favor of the amendment. Precinct 36-3 was again a leader with 93% of its voters marking "for." The other pre-

dominantly white precincts also had lopsided final counts, while the highest proportion in favor of the amendment in the mixed areas was 62%.

The turnout for the primary was poor with only about 40% of the registered voters going to the polls. Precinct 36-2 had the best participation (45%) and 41-2 had the worst (32%).

## Polls Open

On August 3 voters will be presented with a lengthy list of candidates for Shelby County offices as well as party primary candidates for Tennessee and United States offices.

Critical county races are the four at-large district posts on the County Court (Justice of the Peace). Candidates are:

District 8, at-large	
Lucille C. Place	David M. Rosenberg
Tracy Rainey	Lewis Taliaferro

District 9, at-large	
J. Gordon Bingham, Jr.	O. McKinley Parker
Clayton P. Elam	Billy Ray Schilling
Rudolph Jones, Jr.	C.D. Vander Schaff

District 10, at-large	
William W. (Bill) Farris	Louis M. Garner

District 11, at-large	
John F. Canale	Dr. John T. Sorensen
Oscar H. Edmonds, Jr.	

Voters who express a Republican preference will vote in the party's primary, selecting candidates for the November election. The only contest here is for residents of Precinct 52-1 who have a choice between Edward Bousson, Jr. and Tom W. Theobald for State Representative, District 97.

Voters in the Democratic primary have several contests waiting for them, some of which are:

United States Senator	
Ray Blanton	Don Palmer
Herman S. Frey	Ron Stinnett
Raymond P. Gibbs	

(Winner will face Howard Baker or Hubert Patty in November.)

United States Representative, 8th District (all V/E)	
Slater Hollis	J.O. Patterson, Jr.
Phillip E. Kuhn	Gabriel Talarico

(Winner will face Dan Kuykendall)

Public Service Commissioner, Eastern Division (all V/E)	
Bob Clement	Hammond Fowler

(Winner will face Thomas J. Garland)

State Senator, 28th District (Precincts 40-2, 41-2, 52-1)	
Edgar H. (Ed) Gillock	W.R. Petreman
James E. (Jimmy) Thompson	

(Winner will oppose Chris T. Ellis)



State Senator, 30th District (36-1, 36-2, 36-3)  
 Albert C. (Al) Harvey James H. (Jim) White  
 (Winner will oppose John D. Peeples, Jr.)

State Representative, District 89 (36-1, 36-2, 36-3,  
 40-2)  
 Doy L. Daniels Thomas J. Troope  
 (Winner will oppose Claud Haire)

State Representative, District 97 (52-1)  
 Bob Hawks  
 (Unopposed, will face Bousson or Theobald)

State Representative, District 98 (41-2)  
 Harper Brewer, Jr. William M. LarSha  
 Dave Elion  
 (Winner will be unopposed)

## New Boundaries

The Tennessee legislative district lines have been redrawn this year. The list below shows the precincts of the neighborhood which fall in each district.

United States 8th Congressional District: all precincts

State Senator, 28th District: 40-2, 41-2, 52-1.

State Senator, 30th District: 36-1, 36-2, 36-3.

State Representative, District 89: 36-1, 36-2, 36-3, 40-2.

State Representative, District 97: 52-1.

State Representative, District 98: 41-2.

## Report Card

On July 3 the Board of Education moved the eastern boundary of the Northside High district from University to Hollywood, putting all the V/E area north of the L&N railroad in the Northside district.

The Board also proceeded with a plan of its own to pair some schools but declined to pair Snowden and Volland, tabling a resolution offered by the Snowden-Volland Parent Involvement Group (SVPIG). Pairing of Snowden and Volland for the elementary grades is the major effect in the V/E neighborhood of the Federal school desegregation order, implementation of which is being held up by the Appeals Court. SVPIG had proposed that pairing be adopted so that the teachers and parents could begin to make plans now for the fall.

The SVPIG advocates quality, unified education and is offering its services to help resolve school problems in the community. Information on the group's activities may be obtained from Genevieve Fridland (274-2312) or Dianne Smith (office - 527-8529; home - 274-1928). The group is inviting interested persons to its meeting July 20 which will feature the "open space curriculum" used

last year at Snowden. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of McLean Baptist Church.

The group is also inviting neighborhood families to a picnic on the Volland school grounds, Saturday August 5 at 4 p.m. In case of bad weather, the picnic will be held the following Saturday (12th). Families should bring their own food; the group hopes to provide beverages and asks those planning to come to telephone Mrs. Fridland or Mrs. Smith before the picnic.

### Wanted to Rent

Young architect and wife seek mid-town residence for July occupancy. Prefer house in \$140 - \$150 range. Call 275-7779 after 5 p.m.

Apartment or house in V/E area. Call 274-4492 after 5 p.m.

### For Sale

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12" black/white portable TV. 3 months old, Zayre brand, American made. Call after 7 p.m. - 275-8858.

### Babysitter Wanted

Need babysitter for 5 mo. old baby boy. Starting Aug. 21 through this school year, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. References needed. If interested call 274-0038.

### Garage Sale

Garage sale 1012 N. Avalon off Volland. Ladies dresses all sizes, household items. Daily through July.

## Meet The Neighbors

Charles and Ann Goforth of 1066 North McLean have purchased the home at 1867 Monticello and will be moving to that address soon. Mr. Goforth is an associate planner with Coloredo Associates, Inc. and Mrs. Goforth is a certified laboratory assistant in the blood bank at Baptist Hospital. The Goforths are natives of the Covington area and have a 2 1/2-year-old daughter, Leslie.

CLARENCE and EDNA PERRY recently bought the home at 931 N. McLean. Mr. Perry is the owner of Perry Realty Company located at 2263 S. Third and Mrs. Perry is a teacher at Colonial Junior High. Their children are Ann, 4, Vincent, 3, and Ardra, who is one year old. Both Mr. and Mrs. Perry are natives of Memphis, and Mr. Perry is treasurer and deacon at Evangel Temple Church.

MIKE and LINDA HUDSON moved recently to 933 N. Hawthorne. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hudson work at Sears, Linda as a records and invoice clerk at Crosstown and Mike part-time at the Jackson Avenue warehouse. Mike is also a full-time student at MSU. Both of the Hudsons grew up in Texas but have many friends and relatives in Memphis.

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DARRELL and WANDA VALENTINE moved recently from Knoxville to 2079 Cabana Circle North, Apartment 8. Darrell is a first-year student in the U.T. College of Dentistry and Wanda is a secretary with Travelers Insurance Company.

Coming from East Memphis to 919 North McLean are CHARLES and PRISCILLA MCARTHUR and their children, MARK, 8, and DAVID, 5. Dr. McArthur is the Assistant Director of Research and Planning for the Board of Education. Mrs. McArthur describes herself as a homemaker and "would-be" history professor.

The home at 998 N. Barksdale was recently purchased by Mr. and Mrs. JAMES SMITH. Mr. Smith is a mail carrier and Mrs. Smith works as a telephone operator for the Gailor Clinic. The Smith household includes sons Gregory, an eleventh grader at Central; Frederick, an eighth grader at Snowden Anthony, a fifth grader at Vollentine, and Mrs. Mary Lou Thompson, the boys' grandmother.

The home at 1490 Vollintine was bought recently by BERNARD and ALBERTA WILSON. Mr. Wilson, a native of North Memphis, is a new car sales representative with John T. Fisher Motor Company and is a retired sergeant-major, having completed 27 years service in the army. Mrs. Wilson is a native of Detroit and is an accounting technician for the IRS. They share their home with Peter, a seven-year-old poodle.

Recently, Mr. JACK DELANY, his wife Yvonne and their five-year old son, Jason, moved from 1828 Lyndale to their new home at 913 Sheridan. Mr. DeLany is a lawyer with the C.N.A. Insurance Company. He also cultivates tropical fish, loves chess and is active in various sports, among them golf and fencing. Mrs. DeLany works for the Memphis Athletic Club.

Another family of new neighbors consists of JAMES and CECELIA RUSSELL and their one-year-old daughter Sally. They have been in the big house at 1931 Lyndale since Mid-February. Jim is a vice-president in charge of operations for a firm which builds student housing. Although most of Cecelia's time is now spent shaping up their new home, they both enjoy such outdoor activities as bicycling, canoeing and tennis.

## Gossip

KENNETH BRIXEY joins McLean Baptist Church July 1 as director of music. He replaces Reid Moore of 667 N. Idlewild who went to Largo, Florida to serve the First Baptist Church there. Mr. and Mrs. Moore were honored at a reception at the church May 28.

MAURICE and PAUL KILPATRICK of Omaha, Nebraska have been visiting their grandmother, Mrs. M.B. Kilpatrick of 1449 Lyndale. Mrs. Kilpatrick will be moving to Omaha soon to make her home with her son, Col. M.

L. Kilpatrick, who is stationed at Offutt Air Force Base.

GERRE WELLS of 573 N. Avalon participated in the Histology Scientific Assembly in Minneapolis in June. Miss Wells is supervisor of the Histopathology Laboratory at City of Memphis Hospital.

At the annual Memphis Heart Association meeting last month, MRS. CHARLES SULLIVAN of 2104 University Circle was honored for her work with the Queen of Hearts contest and the Queen's Court gift shop.

BOB BLANKLEY of 872 N. Barksdale attended EXPLO '72 in Dallas. Bob will attend Carson-Newman College this fall.

### Natural Foods

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## Busting Blockbusters

On June 19 neighborhood residents heard Mr. Johnnie L. Johnson, Jr., Assistant United States Attorney, describe the efforts of the U.S. Attorney General's office in enforcing the anti-blockbusting provision of the Fair Housing Act. Mr. Johnson mentioned injunctions or consent decrees involving certain real estate agents operating in other parts of the city and said his office was aware of the complaints voiced in the V/E neighborhood.

For the record, to blockbust is, for profit, to induce or attempt to induce any person to sell or rent any dwelling by representations regarding the entry or prospective entry into a neighborhood of a person or persons of a particular race, color, religion or national origin. Blockbusting under this law involves not buying or selling but a particular form of inducement to sell.

## Happenings

### JULY

- 12-----Summer Night Studies in Relevant Religion at Evergreen Presbyterian Church at 6:30 p.m. following Church Night Dinner.
- 16-----Guest minister, Rev. Prof. Edward A. Russell at morning worship service, 11 a.m. at Evergreen Presbyterian. Prof. Russell is from Belfast Presbyterian College in Belfast, Ireland.
- 16, 23, 30, AUGUST 6-----Youth Sunday Evenings at Evergreen Presbyterian. Overall theme: "How Can I Feel Close to Christ?" Supper at 6 p.m. Program at 6:45 p.m.
- 18-----Shell Concert featuring Isaac Hayes.
- 25-----Shell Concert featuring Myron Floren - accordionist with Lawrence Welk.

### AUGUST

- 1-----Shell Concert featuring Nancy Tatum - vocalist.
- 8-----Shell Concert featuring Tommy Ferguson and his stage band.

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## Credit Due

This is absolutely the first issue of the Evergreen News to go to press without the capable and gentle direction of John Bruhwiler. John, eager to catch up on his research and complete a textbook on conversational German, has turned over his role as chief to a collection of bewildered aides, who are wondering how he was able to do so much so well. For the past 18 months John and his good wife Sallee have dedicated themselves to the propositions that the V/E neighborhood is a choice place to live and that a spirit of community cooperation is good for everybody. The optimism that prevails today is, we feel, a direct result of that dedication and effort, and in behalf of the whole neighborhood the staff of the Evergreen News would like to acknowledge, John and Sallee, the debt we owe you.

## Thrifty Shopping

The building at 1428 Jackson just east of Crosstown is the new home of the Hadassah Thrift Shop. Its opening July 10 was announced by Mrs. Morris Katz and Mrs. H. Kirke Lewis who are president and vice-president, respectively, of the Memphis chapter of Hadassah.

The shop will feature used merchandise in excellent condition and some new merchandise donated by members and friends. The shop will be open 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. on weekdays, closing earlier on Fridays during the winter months for the Jewish sabbath, opening again on Saturdays after sundown, and on Sundays from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Mrs. Abe Lesser of 904 N. Watkins will be the manager and the shop will be manned by volunteers.

Receipts from sales at the shop will go to Hadassah's many service projects in the United States and Israel which include educational programs, schools, camps and a medical center.

## Open-Air Aairs

One of the many benefits of living in the mid-Memphis area is the proximity to Overton Park and the free summer concerts under the stars. Each Tuesday night at 8:15 through August 8, Memphis residents may enjoy a varied program of music under the directorship of Noel Gilbert, who is celebrating his 25th anniversary with the Memphis Concert Orchestra. Listings for the guest artists and dates are under Happenings and include such notables as Isaac Hayes, Myron Floren, Nancy Tatum, and Tommy Ferguson.

## A Kindergarten Lament

Even if Volland School has a kindergarten this fall, it can accommodate only 24 of the hundred or so 5-year-olds which need it. This fact spurred Mr. John Brannon of 709 Maury to push for an additional kindergarten at Evergreen Church. Working with a June 15 deadline, Mr. Brannon signed up 14 pupils, including his own 5-year-old, but fell short of the 24 required to meet expenses. The middle of July may be too late for this year, but certainly some plans should be made for next year for those now 4 years old, of which, Mr. Brannon reports, there is a bumper crop.

## Getting Ahead

by John Bruhwiler

The 18 six-year-olds who graduated from the Headstart Center at McLean Baptist Church June 29 are well prepared to enter grade one this fall. Their carefully planned curriculum included language arts, speech and hearing, mathematics, science, health, music, story telling, finger painting, woodworking, and supervised free play.

Mrs. Diane Manning, the Center's supervisor, however, said the children acquired more than some basic academic skills. They also acquired a "tremendous change of attitude" in their emotional and social behavior. She explained that in a racially mixed group of 29 black and 25 white children adjustments had to be made, even though they brought from their homes "a respect for the other race".

In addition to becoming at ease in a racially mixed group, the children learned to appreciate different ethnic and social backgrounds. 90% of the children were from families with incomes under the so-called subsistence level, but while the black children had a fairly homogeneous background, the white children represented various ethnic groups. The remaining 10% of the children came from middle or upper class families, rounding out the wide cross-section of social and cultural backgrounds.

Mrs. Manning believes that she and her nine assistants cannot succeed entirely without parental involvement. "Without a homestart," Mrs. Manning said, "there is no headstart." Parental involvement this past year consisted primarily in get-togethers to exchange ideas and discuss mutual problems. Some enterprising mothers initiated sewing classes to help them stretch their budget and perhaps even earn some extra income. Mr. Cliff Taylor and Mrs. Melinda Bergman also offered a German language class for other parents and members of the staff. Any project, Mrs. Manning said, that might improve a family's material or spiritual well-being is encouraged.

The scope of the care for the children was comprehensive. Besides the excellent instructional program and active parental interest, the children got two hot meals a day and received physical, dental and psychological care. They also took excursions to points of interest in Memphis and vicinity, and Mrs. Manning expressed the hope of taking the children on a longer trip next year.

Although the social success of the Headstart program seems obvious, Mrs. Manning did not have any statistics for its academic success. This fall, however, a follow-up study of each graduate's progress in grade one will be implemented, and Mrs. Manning was confident the children will do well. If they don't, the fault lies not with the Headstart Center, for it appears to have the strongest pre-school program around.

Registration for the fall session is August 23 through August 26. For information, call 275-5917.

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