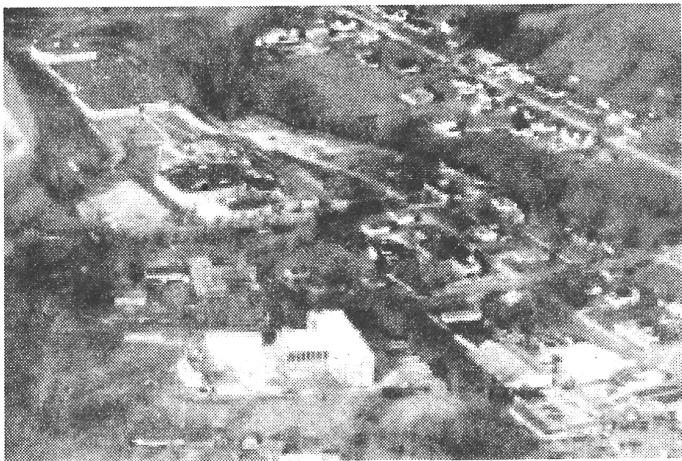


# From Our Files

## Somewhere



**By C.D. Long**

We have all heard the saying, “We have to be from somewhere”, and that we don’t have a choice in where we were born. Well, I first saw the light of day or probably a better description would be, the dark of night, since I was born at 11:30 p.m. on Main Street, Campton, Kentucky. If you go east on Main Street and gaze at Edward Gay Campbell’s Liquor Store, you are seeing my birthplace, not the store, but where the little rent house was setting in 1946. There were three identical houses setting in a neat row beside the street. One of my older brothers was living in the middle house, and mom was staying with him at the time because Doctor James Henry Dunn lived just up the street and assisted with my birth.

Now that we have gotten me into this world, we can move on the reason for this article. The photos shown above are aerial views of Campton taken in February 1998. When you look at



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them there is really not a lot to see, the old school on the hill, the courthouse, etc. It does not have the impressive skyline of New York City, Chicago, Illinois, or Los Angeles, California, but it is the center of many people’s lives. True it isn’t what it once was. During my childhood it was bustling little mountain town. There were numerous retail establishments along main street and adjoining streets. There were several grocery stores, dry goods stores, two car dealerships, a movie theater, Greyhound bus station, Allen’s Pool Room, Campbell’s Pool Room, Sewell’s Restaurant, Monty Lovelace Furniture Store, and Rose’s Store and Hotel. And I have to mention Booth’s Texaco Station in the curve. There were numerous little shops where shoes were repaired, watches repaired, women got their hair dressed. The Farmers & Traders Bank has been and remains an “institution”, although in recent years it has gotten some competition. With the coming of the Mountain Parkway and the new Highway Fifteen, downtown Campton kind of dwindled away. Gone are the grocery stores, movie theater, bus station, post office, and so much

more. Gone are the days when you had to thread your way down the sidewalk on main street. On Saturday the streets and sidewalks were bustling with people doing their weekly grocery shopping. Now almost everyone has a car and can afford to go out of town to shop for almost everything. In my childhood only a few people shopped anywhere but Campton.

I guess the only claim to fame that Campton has is that the legendary John Swift camped here, and President Abraham Lincoln’s uncle is buried in the “Old Campton Burying Ground”. Do

we really need to have any noteworthy event other than the fact it is home to you and I. A prominent local attorney when asked why he didn’t move to Dayton or Cincinnati, Ohio, made the comment, “There I would be a small fish in a great big pond, here I am a big fish in a small pond”. This little pond is the anchor for so many people’s lives. No matter where they have gone, what they have accomplished or what they may have seen, this is where it all began. Whenever, I was away from here, this was the one place I felt the most secure, the most welcome, this was and is home.

## Kentucky Politics Weekly podcast Teams with FOX 56 News for live Fancy Farm coverage

LEXINGTON, KY- Kentucky Politics Weekly, one of Kentucky’s most popular political podcasts, announced Tuesday that they will be joining FOX 56 News’ live streaming coverage of the 145th annual Fancy Farm Picnic political speaking on Saturday, August 2nd in Fancy Farm, Kentucky. Kentucky Politics Weekly, started in January 2020 by former Republican Party of Kentucky Communications Director Tres Watson, KPW is co-hosted by Watson, longtime Democratic political operative Jared Smith, and Abby Piper, founder of Piper-Smith, a Lexington-based lobbying shop. FOX 56 News political reporter and host of Red, White, and Bluegrass Bode Brooks

will anchor the coverage, which will stream live on FOX 56’s digital platforms.

“As a native of West Kentucky, the Fancy Farm picnic is near and dear to my heart,” said Watson, who has worked on Republican campaigns in Kentucky for more than 20 years. “Not only does it draw much needed attending to an oft forgotten part of the state, the picnic and it’s political speaking form an important and valuable part of the fabric of the Commonwealth. We’re excited to join the folks at FOX 56 in bringing coverage of the picnic to a statewide and national audience.”

Known as the country’s largest church picnic, the Fancy Farm Picnic is a fundraiser for the St. Jerome’s parish church

in Fancy Farm, KY. Along with the tens of thousands of pounds of pork and mutton barbeque, the picnic’s political speaking has become nationally known and is the unofficial kickoff point for Kentucky political campaigns. For over a century, it has hosted Presidential, Vice-Presidential, and Congressional candidates, along with those running for statewide and local offices. Confirmed to speak at this year’s picnic are US Senate candidates Rep. Andy Barr, Daniel Cameron, and Nate Morris, along with Congressman James Comer and other elected officials. Invited but unconfirmed are US Senators Mitch McConnell and Rand Paul.

“Fancy Farm is a unique event, not just in Kentucky, but

in the nation,” said Smith, a former Kentucky Democratic Party of Kentucky Finance Director and campaign manager for Andy Beshear’s 2015 Attorney General campaign. “Where else do you have people of all political stripes engage in what can only be described as voice-to-voice, oratory combat then break bread in friendship over a mutton sandwich and a glass of Sun Drop?”

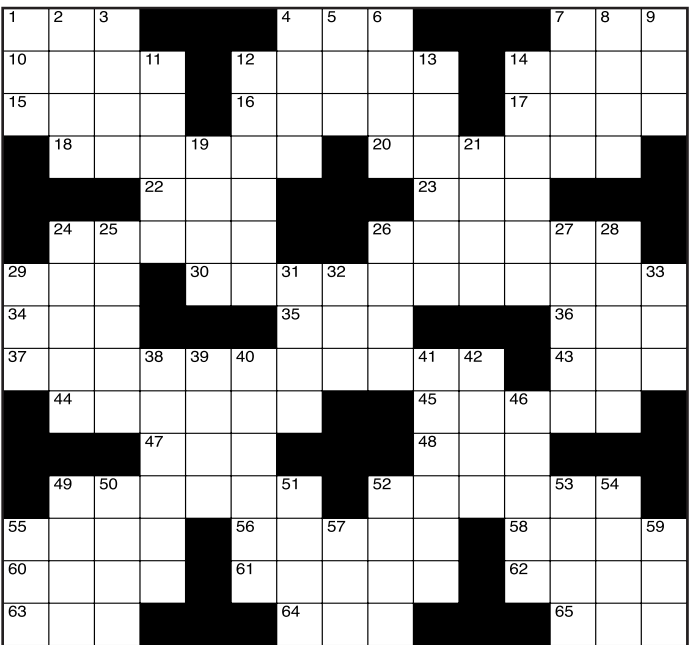
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### CLUES ACROSS

- Swiss river
- A high mountain
- Woman (French)
- Bulla
- Killer whales
- Afrikaans
- Picasso’s mistress
- Father (Spanish)
- Covered with frost
- Makes joyful
- A large fleet
- Cannon
- An informal debt instrument
- Refrain from harming
- Las \_\_\_\_\_: Canary port
- Dekalitre
- Checkered flower
- \_\_\_\_ Lilly, drug company
- E. central English river
- Rip off
- Retractable keel
- Mandela’s party
- The body’s immune
- Douroucoulis genus
- Longest division of geological time
- Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
- “Town Without Pity” singer
- A salt or ester of boric acid
- Dutch for Meuse
- Codfish genus
- Scientific workplaces
- Highest point of some thing
- 2 door Lotus model
- Not what it seems
- A small amount
- Ethiopia
- Transmits genetic information

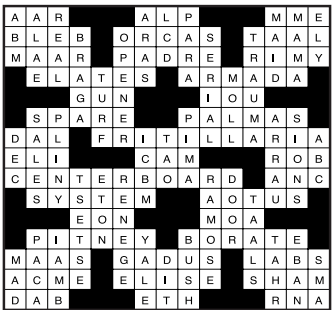
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- Defensive nuclear weapon
- Winglike structures
- Not fake
- Macaw genus
- Digital watch display
- 100 = 1 yugoslavian dinar



- A female domestic
- Female parent
- 55731 or 89301
- Brazilian actress Sonia
- The first event in a series
- Presented in installments
- Emotional shock
- Surface layer of grasses
- A gangster’s girlfriend
- Gross revenue
- \_\_\_\_\_ the elder
- Extra long staple cotton
- Chilean pianist Claudio
- Type of pigeons
- 12th month
- #1 down worldwide
- Venetian nightclub
- Easy as
- Blood-sucking African fly
- British School
- Change mind
- Branched
- Portal
- Afrikaans
- Large burrowing rodent of S and C America
- Metrical unit
- A university in Connecticut

- A large wilderness area
- Himalayan shaggy goat
- Israeli politician Abba
- Angry
- Telegraphic signal
- Senior offi



## Available For Adoption



This is Lola Belle - a 1 year oldfemale Dalmatian mix.



This is Echo - a 2 year old female mix breed, very sweet girl.

**For More Information: contact the Morgan County Animal Shelter at 743-2545 or stop by. Shelter Hours are Mon., - Fri. 10:00--2:00**

## Annual Notice of Non- Discrimination Public Notice

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