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ANNOUNCING THE
1990 NATIONAL SHIRLEY CONVENTION

June 9 & 10th

CAVE CITY CONVENTION CENTER
CAVE CITY, KENTUCKY

This is the nearest location to the
SHIRLEY area in BARREN COUNTY KENTUCKY!

It is 90 miles from Nashville, Tenn. and
80 miles from Louisville, Kentucky and
25 miles from Bowling Green...just to
give you some perspective as to distance.

Mr. and Mrs. James Young will be our host
and hostess. James is descended from
Thomas Shirley and his wife, Mollie Grubbs
who were in Prince William/Fauquier Co. Va.
before going to Abbeville Co. South
Carolina. In late 1790's they are of
record in Harrison/Scott Co. Kentucky
and by 1798 they were in Barren Co. Ky.

Details on the convention and reservation
forms and overnight accommodations info
are enclosed separately with this issue
of the NEWS. PLEASE PASS THE WORD! ...AND
join us on a SHIRLEY SOUTHERN STATES TOUR,
details also enclosed!

In a recent issue of the NEWS we mentioned
James Youngs sons being in a group, KENTUCKY
HEADHUNTERS. They are doing quite well and
thought we would inform you of their success
to date. I know Mr. and Mrs. James Young
are very proud of their childrens success!

KENTUCKY HEADHUNTERS JUMP INTO COUNTRY is
the featured story of one Tennessee paper.

I talked with James Young a week ago and he
said the group has done 6 shows with Hank
Williams Jr. The publicity is very favorable
and they are up for some award.

CONGRATULATIONS from the SHIRLEY ASSOCIATION!
Newspaper clipping sent by Anne Bumpus.

KENTUCKY HEADHUNTERS JUMP INTO COUNTRY

ROBERT K. OERMANN

Staff Writer

What is going on here?

The shirtless drummer is prancing across the stage wearing a baseball cap and shorts; the lead singer is tossing souvenirs to the wild crowd and clowning around with a variety of props; the burly guitarist has long stringy hair that's soaked in sweat; bandmembers are spraying the audience with squirt guns; the volume is way up; the energy level is over-the-top.

Welcome to country music 1990, as demonstrated by The Kentucky HeadHunters.

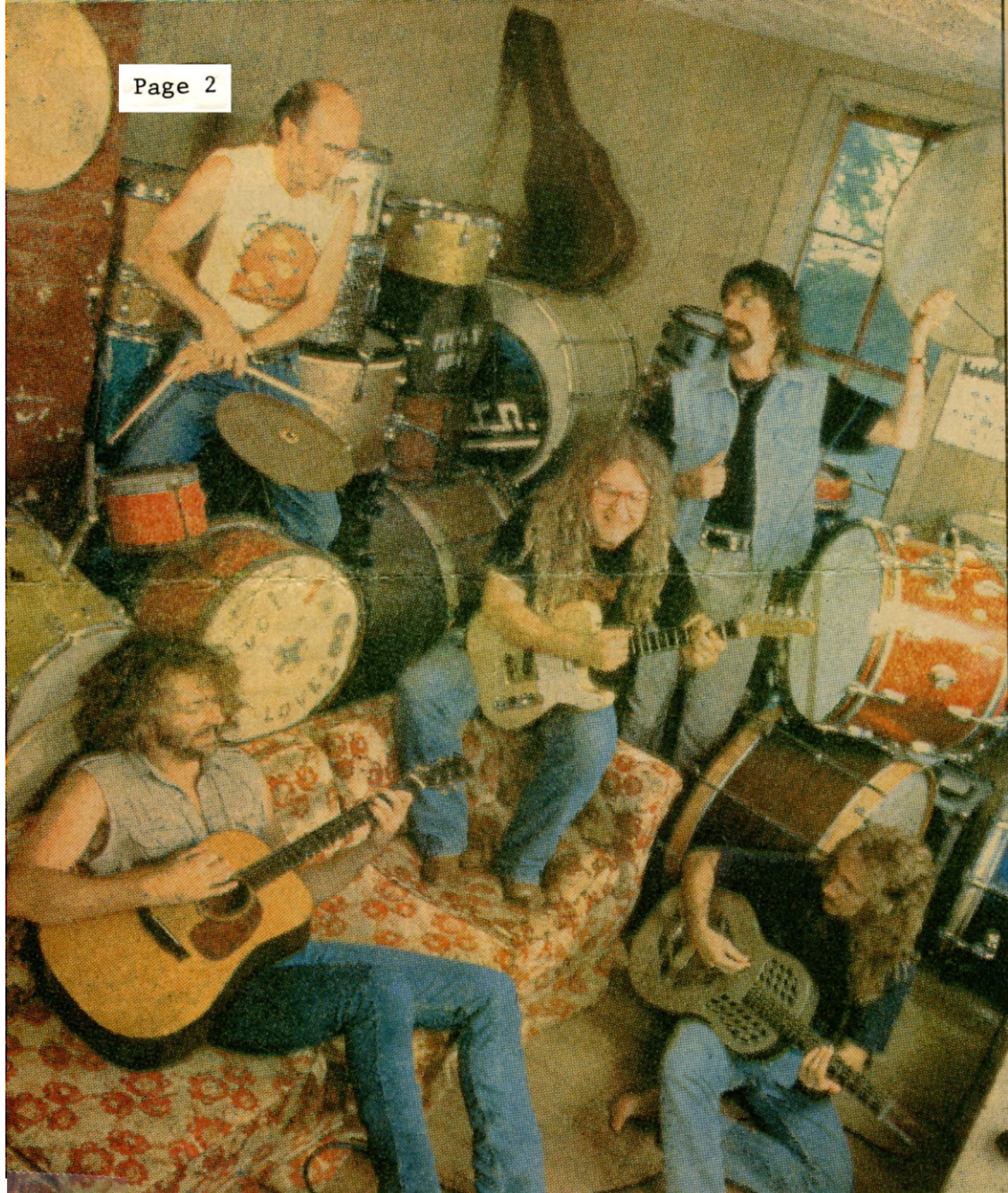
"We're country music with a rock 'n' roll attitude," says lead singer Ricky Lee Phelps, in an Ozark accent you could cut with a knife.

"Most country acts are a little cotton-footed: They step lightly in their music."

Not the Heads. Ricky Lee's got a snarl in his honky-tonk delivery that has made the entire country world sit up and take notice. Brother Doug Phelps propels things forward with a snaky bass line. Drummer Fred Young pounds like a metal-rock disciple while his brother Richard provides rhythm guitar work that gives the act its focus. The lead guitar style of the Youngs' cousin Greg Martin would bring a smile to Eric Clapton.

"Anybody would be crazy to say this is totally country," Greg says. "It's blues, jazz, bluegrass and country."

To almost everyone in Music City's surprise, the unlikely fusion is a hit. The act's debut LP, *Pickin' on Nashville*, is approaching Gold Record status. *Rolling Stone*, *Newsweek* and *Entertainment Tonight* have lined up features. The Kentucky HeadHunters are final-



ists for an Academy of Country Music award next month. Hank Williams Jr. wants them on his tour.

Six months ago they were just five hillbilly hippies.

Kentucky natives the Youngs played rock music with cousin Greg for more than a decade. Billed as The Itchy Brothers, the group was regionally popular in the 1970s. But as the 1980s dawned, it became clear to the members that they'd have to find more gainful employment.

Richard traveled to Nashville and got a songwriting job at Acuff-Rose. Fred became a member of Sylvia's band and had a bit part in the *Sweet Dreams* movie playing Patsy Cline's drummer. Greg went on the road in Ronnie McDowell's band, where he met Doug.

Doug and Ricky Lee Phelps had grown up in Arkansas and Missouri as gospel singers. When the five joined forces they discovered that despite the different musical slants, they all shared something distinctly "country." For the Youngs it was a bluesy Allman Brothers-type thing. For the Phelps boys it was holiness churches and bluegrass sounds. And for all of them it was outhouses and country living.

The band was born in a practice house on the Youngs' grandmother's farm near Edmonton, Ky., a place that had been in the family since 1798. She was the group's biggest booster until her death in 1981.

Once when the youngsters got cheated at a club, grandma Effie went in and got the money.

"She always carried a pistol," explains Richard.

In nearby Munfordville the raucous, rambunctious bunch got a 90-minute monthly radio program called *The Chitlin Show* on WLOC. That's where the Heads' musical stew was simmered.

Their name evolved, too.

"We may look shabby as hell, but we ain't tacky," says Richard in a soft country-boy drawl. "We're ragtag hillbillies, so we were The Hillbillies From Hell. But then we found out that kids like us so we didn't want to use that name."

"If we never made a penny out of this, that's the greatest achievement you can make, to have children like your music."

Mindful of the example they should set, they turned to "HeadHunters," in reference to an old Muddy Waters blues story. Later, the "Kentucky" part of the name was added.

"We all just got together and did our radio show once a month," Richard recalls. "I said, 'We'll make a tape, thank people for comin' to the shows, hand 'em out, sell a few and that'll be that.'"

"We were havin' a hard time and were gettin' some age on us [They range in age from 29 to 36]. We never really looked at gettin' a major record deal. We said, 'We'll just put our little tape together and be satisfied with that.'"

They made 500 copies, several of which found their way to Music Row. Nashvillians began to talk and in a matter of months Mercury Records had signed the act.

Eight of the 10 songs on *Pickin' on Nashville* were recorded in one week as "homemade" tapes.

Country radio has pretty much shied away from the Heads' aggressive music on the singles *Walk Softly on This Heart of Mine* and *Dumas Walker*. There's not a pretty face in the band, but the videos and zany live performances have done the trick.

"We take our silliness very seriously," says Ricky Lee, adding that the band is considering incorporating live pigs and chickens into its madcap stage act. Why not? He already has a prop telephone that connects him to Elvis.

But there's a tender side to these rampaging roughnecks. As the interview concludes a letter arrives from Kentucky Governor Wallace G. Wilkinson, thanking the band for taking the state's name to fame.

Greg and Richard dissolve into tears and the others get too choked up to speak.

Now that's country. ■

COULD THERE REALLY BE AN INHERITANCE FOR SOME U.S.A. SHIRLEYS ?

I heard several years ago about an inheritance that was due SHIRLEYS in the United States from England. I listened to the story, read thru many letters and other info that was given to me about a retired doctor and his wife who spent \$12,000 traveling in Virginia, Pennsylvania and other states in that area trying to find this money. I gave it some thought and then put it behind me as I was too busy really trying to do SHIRLEY GENEALOGY and was afraid if there were rumors of some inheritance, people would think this was the reason for my interest in the Shirleys. In fact I almost dropped the Shirley work at that time. My heart actually sank when I thought over the whole thing. Then...I put it aside and dropped the whole matter. This doctor was deceased along time ago and it was his wife who gave me these papers and told me of their experiences. Some of the stories of their experiences sounded abit bazaar. Some of the stories could have merit and I can't say they weren't on to something! But what, I am not sure.

The story goes, a cousin of theirs was contacted in Pennsylvania in the 1930's in regards to an inheritance due the Shirleys in the USA. The amount was no small amount...\$40 Million dollars!

Dr. Shirleys adventure and quest for this money took place in 1955. It is believed by he and his wife that this money was collected by someone in charge of these funds and put in an account waiting for distribution as this person began looking for the heirs. This is where the investigation was centered in 1955. This person was a very reputable person and I do not want to mention the branch of the people involved as some are members of the Shirley Association. I am personally acquainted with this persons nieces and I wouldn't want to do or say anything that would offend anyone!!! Believe me when I say this! But...what an experience the doctor and his wife had running around a whole year. They hired attorneys and etc.....

Well, I laid the story to rest in my mind and have only casually mentioned it as a fun thing since the time I learned of it several years ago.

But, what an intriguing idea!

WELL....THIS IS NOT THE END OF THE STORY!

Last year I was given the name of a SHIRLEY in New York and I called him to talk about Shirleys and learn who his ancestors were. In the course of conversation, he told me another story about some inheritance!

This story goes like this... as told to me by the grandmother of this New York Shirley.

In 1926 a lawyer called her father-in-law, trying to trace the Shirleys. A big estate in England was to be divided. Shirleys down to the 5th generation would be the heirs. After 50 years the money would revert to the crown.

This group of Shirleys were so sure they were getting an inheritance and bragged about it. Unfortunately, nothing more is known about this inheritance.

So...WAS THERE AN INHERITANCE?

Well, IF there was and IF no one claimed it, it must have reverted back to the crown by now...right? But then we have the other story...someone from the USA went to England and claimed the money putting it in a trust fund until he could find the heirs.

SO NOW WE HAVE A GOOD MYSTERY! HA!

That will give you something to tell your grandchildren and your friends!!!

And...I know most of you will! We've mentioned the earlier story to a few and I know you will do the same....and the reason ? Because its in intriguing thought!

Don't stay awake nights now trying to figure out how to find this money! You need your rest!!!

BUT...IF you find it, would you let us know????

SERIOUSLY THOUGH...HAS ANYONE EVER HEARD THESE STORIES BEFORE ABOUT AN INHERITANCE THAT WAS DUE THE SHIRLEYS FROM ENGLAND? We'd like to know!

Write your editor...Betty Shirley

BITS AND PIECES

Attention VALENTINES LINE....

LINCOLN CO. MO. WILL BOOK A&B 1825-1855

Shearly, John, will dated Oct. 3, 1835.
Bequeath to John Foster all my right and
interest in following named negroes (8) &
all personal property...and he is to pay
my brothers, Henry and Charles Shearly.
Wit:Wm. Highsmith & F.K. Duncan
Recorded Dec. 25, 1835 (A:40).

*Is this John son of Valentine who we
know so little about ?*

CEDAR CO. MO.

"History of Cedar Co. Mo." page 359

May 16, 1846, Nathan Shirley, Josiah
V. Edwards and John B. Gordon were appointed
to view and mark out a county road leading
from the county town to the county line at
Packard's Ford on Clear Creek.....

Purchased land in section #3 (Cedar Co.)

NATHAN SHIRLEY in 1857
ISAAC SHIRLEY in 1860

CEMETARY DIRECTORY OF CEDAR CO. MO.Sandridge Cemetery Benton Twp.

SHURLEY, M.J.
SHURLEY, JAMES, M. 1861-1928
SHURLEY, LAURA B. 1872-1932
SHURLEY, IRA T. 1890-1928

Clintonville Cemetery Box Twp.

Shirley, Verna J. 1958-1958

El Dorado Cemetery

SHIRLEY, MARY F. 1858-1925
SHIRLEY, MARGARET E. 1845-1941

Hazel-Dell Cemetery

SHIRLEY, Elder I.F. 1859-1928
SHIRLEY, Juan 1862-1942
SHIRLEY, S.H. 1863-1896
SHIRLEY, Margaret 1824-1895

HISTORY OF POLK CO. MO.

Sec. 10 - In 1857, Mary C. Shirley
bought land in Sec. 10. She is listed
among the first people who bought land
there.

CARROLL Co. MO. WILL RECORDS INDEX

Page 87..

Nancy Shirley and John A. Powers, Exe.
for William Shirley Dec. 28, 1845.

Page 151...

Caleb Shirley, Adm. for:
John C. Shirley, Aug 1, 1849

DANIEL SHIRLEY was a witness on a
will of Jacob Smith and written
April 14, 1878.

BOLLINGER CO. MO. MARRIAGE BOOK A

1866-1872

William P. Shirley - Minister of
the Gospel (Baptist)

CASS CO. MO. TAX LIST 1848 p. 109

Henry Shirley

BARTON CO. MO MARRIAGE BOOK A

1866-1880

Adelia Shirley m. Wm. J. Wallace
Feb. 13, 1870. Both of Crawford Co.
KANSAS!

BATES CO. MO. MARRIAGE BOOK A

1860-1870 (Vol. 27 page 43)

Wastzell A, Shirley m. John L.
Garrison July 17, 1870

DADE CO. MO. 1860 Census

Shirley, John from Tenn.
Eliz. Va.

children: Edward P b. Mo.
Mary E. b. Mo.
Isaac b. Mo.

DALLAS CO. MO. (Vol. 20 page 95)
of MO. PIONEERS

Z.M. Shirley signed as a witness on
March 18, 1869 of the will of James
Guthrie, of City of Washington
Dallas Co.

(Guthrie was rich. He had lots of
railroad stock and other properties).

WHO IS Z.M. SHIRLEY ???

[Material sent by Ron Triplett]

BITS AND PIECES...CONTINUED!"Soldiers in King Philip's War"

[From The New England Historical and Genealogical Register Vol. 41 p. 210].

Soldiers credited under Capt. Wm. Turner

August 24, 1676 John Sherly
(lived in or around BOSTON Massachusetts)

From Vol. 40 page 71 of same...

- Patents. The English are planted in this Countrie by vertue of Patents granted unto them from the President and Counsell of New England w^{ch} soe farr as I can understand are in number 18 viz^t
- 1 The Patent of New Plymouth
 - 2 The Patent of Massachusetts Baye:
 - 3 The Patent of Agawam granted to Captaine John Mason
 - 4 A Patente granted to S^r fferdinando Gorges
 - 5 A Patent of Laconia granted to S^r fferdinando Gorges and Captaine Mason
 - 6 A Patent of Pascataquacke graunted to S^r fferdinando Gorges and others
 - 7 A Patent granted Edward Hilton
 - 8 A Patent of Accaminticus granted to Captaine Norton wth othe^{rs}
 - 9 A Patent granted to John Stratton about Cape Porpus Rive^r
 - 10: 11 Two Patents of Sohaketocke granted to Richard Vynes & Thomas Lewis
 - 12 A Patent granted to Captaine Thomas Cañock of black pointe
 - 13 A Patent granted to M^r Trelanye of Cape Elizabeth
 - 14 A Patent of Casico granted to Captaine Levitt
 - 15 A Patent of Peechipscothe granted to Thomas Purchis and othe^{rs}
 - 16 A Patent granted to Richard Bradshaw of the Northeast side of Peechipscothe Rive^r
 - 17 A Patent of Quinabecke belonginge to them of New Plymouth
 - 18 A Patent of Sagadehock granted to Crispe and othe^{rs}
 - 19 A Patent of Pemaquid granted to M^r: Alde^r and M^r Elbridge
 - 20 A Patent granted of Penobscott to M^r Sherlie. and othe^{rs}

The Patent of Penobscott is largest of extent, it comprehendinge (as is pretended) nere 40 leagues in length yett it is planted but wth one house. And is now possessed by the french¹³

¹³ The Plymouth Pilgrims had a trading post at Penobscot, and the "one house" spoken of is probably the truck house of their trading station. The French captured this and seized that portion of Maine in 1625, and as the writer states that it "is now possessed by the french," the inference is that this paper could not have been written till that year.

[The above material sent by Gary F. Shirley]

From: San Francisco Chronicle Newspaper

Saturday, May 18, 1878 page 4

SHIRLEY - In this city, May 17th, James Shirley, a native of Salem, Mass., aged 47 years, 2 months, 7 days.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral tomorrow (Sunday) at 2 O'clock P.M. from his late residence, 1518 Howard St.

BRIDGEWATER, MASSACHUSETTS

(East Bridgewater Marriages)

Debby Sherly married Samuel Wood
Sept. 30, 1801

WALTON COUNTY MASSACHUSETTS

Eliza Shirley (of Concord) married William Cutter July 22, 1830

Hannah Shirley married David Linnel
March 15, 1652/53

Children: Samuel Dec. 15, 1655
Elisha June 1, 1658
Hannah Dec. 17, 1660

FIRST SETTLERS OF BARNSTABLE M.S.

John Shirley, Fitzeltram, Nov. 28, 1850. aged 94 years
found in NEW HAMPSHIRE ANNUAL REGISTER.

Above material sent by Florence Hodges

HENRY SHIRLEY came to America at age 18 years. He came to visit Fitzwilliam Shirley, his older brother, on a vacation and never went back to England to enter college. He stayed in Boston. He mixed with the Boston people and became convinced that the struggle for liberty was right. He joined the army as a private. He was taken prisoner on that horrible prison ship in Boson Harbor.

FAMILY TRADITION SAYS HENRY WAS A YOUNGER BROTHER OF GOV. WM. SHIRLEY OF MASSACHUSETTS.

RECORDS OF MASSACHUSETTS MILITIA IN WAR 1812-1814 VOLUNTEERSSHIRLEY

Arthur
Private John
Private Jonathon
Joshua
Sargeant William

ANDREW SHIRLEY from Massachusetts killed at the BATTLE OF THE ALAMO in Texas. His name appears on monument.

TIOGA COUNTY NEW YORK

Jonathon Shirley born Nov. 10, 1812 England of Owego, Tioga County New York names his heirs in his will of 1887.

He left no widow, but he left the following named persons, his children, _____ heirs at law and next of kin, viz: Nathaniel Shirley, Jonathon R. Shirley and your petitioner (Hannah E. Howe), residing in said town of Owego; Edward Shirley and Abbie Dolen residing in Susquehanna Pennsylvania; Charlotte Letts residing at _____ Missaukee Co. Michigan; Mary Ann Jayneresiding at Edgar, Clay Co. Nebraska and Samuel Shirley.

The said Samuel Shirley died in said town of Owego about the 12th day of July 1895, leaving _____ Janet Shirley, his widow, and Andrew L. Shirley, Cora Le Grand, Carrie Shirley, Jennie C. Shirley, Samuel J. Shirley, Abbie Winne, Mary M. Walters, Edwin Shirley, Oscar Shirley, Harry Shirley and Daisy Shirley. his children.proved in 1897.

1850 Census Tioga Co. New York

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|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Jonathon Shirley | 1813 England |
| Mary | 1814 England |
| Mary Ann | 1834 England |
| Abigail | 1838 NEW YORK |
| Samuel | 1840 N.Y. |
| Nathaniel | 1842 N.Y. |
| Jonathon | 1844 N.Y. |
| Ann | 1845 N.Y. |
| William [Edwin/ Edward] | 1849 N.Y. (yrs. estimated by age) |

In 1855 census Long Island is the birthplace given for Samuel and Nathaniel.

Also note that in 1855 Edwin is the name used and shows him as 7 yrs.

Jonathon and Mary Shirley were married June 12, 1832.

From family records...

Edward William Shirley b. ca. 1847 d. 1935 married Mary Valentine and they were the parents of Edward William b. Aug. 1, 1885 Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. He married Cora Westbrook and were the parents of Ellsworth Westbrook b. Oct. 4, 1907 in Bradford, Pennsylvania. He married Georgia Abbott and they were the parents of Edward B. Shirley b. Feb. 26, 1930 Dorchester, Mass.

WORKED FOR ERIE OVER FIFTY YEARS

Edward W. Shirley of Church street, who will soon observe the seventy-fifth anniversary of his birth, has the proud distinction of having served the Erie company fifty years and six months. At one time he had charge of all brass work on locomotives between Jersey City and Hornell. Years ago, Mr. Shirley was police chief in Susquehanna. In the past forty years, over three hundred good friends passed on to the "better world," and Mr. Shirley remembers the name of each and every one of them, and speaks of them with affection, remembering only their good deeds.

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Dr. E. W. Shirley Died Tuesday

Edward W. Shirley, former Chief of Police in Susquehanna, and one of the best known citizens in this section, died Tuesday night at his home in Susquehanna at 8:20 o'clock, at the age of 88 years.

Mr. Shirley was very well known in Forest City, Vandling and Carbondale. For many years he manufactured medicines and tonics which he personally distributed throughout this section. He was a physical giant and of commanding appearance. He became favorably known throughout this section as Dr. Shirley.

Surviving are his wife and two sons, Andrew J., at home; and E. W. Shirley, Jr., of Sayre. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Family records listed the death of Mother: Edeth Shirley died age 55 yrs on Feb. 22, 1840.

Edward B. Shirley before his death wrote several times to England to locate this Edith...as well as he traveled to England in 1972. At last she was found

Edith Shirley wife of Jonathon Shirley, labourer. Died Feb. 23, 1840 at Dadford, Stowe, Buckingham Co. England.

MATERIAL SENT BY JOHN SHIRLEY

THANK YOU!

BARREN COUNTY KENTUCKY
MARRIAGES

SHIRLEY, Benjamin to Maria T. Tunstall, June 13, 1843, Sur: David Bullock. Md. June 15, 1843 by George B. Harland.

SHIRLEY, Caleb to Pheby Gibbons, March 24, 1819, Sur: Presley Thomas, consent James (*Thomas) Gibbons and Susannah Gibbons, Wit. Presley Thomas, Beverly Bradley. Md. March 25, 1819 by Daniel Shirley.

SHIRLEY, Carter T. to Betsy Ann Cook, Feb. 4, 1836, Sur: George B. Cook.

SHIRLEY, Daniel to Betsy Howell, md. May 23, 1805 by Jacob Lock.

SHIRLEY, Elijah to Mary Harbison, June 9, 1828, Sur: Adam B. Harberson. Md. June 12, 1828 by Robert Leeper.

SHIRLEY, George to Sarah A. M. Young, March 23, 1841, Sur: William H. Young, consent guardian Thomas Depp, Wit. George H. Tunstall, William H. Young. Md. March 30, 1841 by Ralph Petty.

SHIRLEY, George Y. to Evelina Gorin, Sept. 7, 1829, Sur: William G. Logan.

SHIRLEY, Henry to Sophia Reed, Jan. 21, 1833, Sur: Levi C. Read. Md. Jan. 24, 1833 by Cornelius Deweesa.

SHIRLEY, James to Mary Shirley, March 5, 1825, Sur: James Shirley.

SHIRLEY, James to Deborah Presly, Dec. 10, 1827, Sur: Joseph Presley. Md. Dec. 13, 1827 by Ralph Petty.

SHIRLEY, James to Louiza Murry, Dec. 30, 1828, Sur: John Howell, consent father Alen Murry, Wit. John Howell. Md. Jan. 19, 1829 by Ralph Petty

SHIRLEY, James A. to Frances Giddings, April 18, 1826, Sur: John Montague. Md. April 20, 1826 by Zacheus Quisenberry.

SHIRLEY, John to Mary Jane Hatchett, April 15, 1840, Sur: Archibald Hatchett. Md. April 18, 1840 by Thomas J. Malone.

SHIRLEY, John M. to Mary L. Pool, Sept. 14, 1824, Sur: William Porter, consent her father _____ Pool, Wit. M. B. Cook, J. A. Shirley.

SHIRLEY, John W. to Patsy Young, Jan. 16, 1809, Sur: Edmund Rogers. NOTE: See page 235.

SHIRLEY, Moses to Juliveth Hunt, Jan. 12, 1833, Sur: Alemeth Hunt, consent Abel Hunt. Md. Jan. 17, 1833 by Ralph Petty.

SHIRLEY, Nimrod to Betsey Dale, Sept. 7, 1807, Sur: William Shirley. Md. Sept. 7, 1807 by Thomas Skaggs.

SHIRLEY, Norman to Malinda Collier, Dec. 14, 1846, Sur: J. W. Beauchamp. Md. Dec. 15, 1846 by J. B. Robertson.

SHIRLEY, Reubin to Lettitica Shirley, Dec. 4, 1826, Sur: James Shirley. Md. Dec. 13, 1826 by Ralph Petty.

SHIRLEY, Richard to Elizabeth Dale, no date on bond, Sur: Reuben Dale, personal consent of father Reuben Dale. Md. Aug. 17, 1816 by Daniel Shirley.

SHIRLEY, Richard W. to Polly Yates, Nov. 24, 1817, Sur: J. C. Culp, consent father George Yates, Wit. J. C. Culp, consent father Thomas Shirley. Md. Nov. 25, 1817 by Zacheus Quisenberry.

SHIRLEY, Robert to Sarah Pressly, md. April 1, 1828 by Ralph Petty.

SHIRLEY, Robert to Sarah A. Whitney, July 8, 1839, Sur: Thomas J. Whitney, consent father Thomas Whitney, Wit. Edward Holder, Thomas J. Whitney.

SHIRLEY, Thomas to Martha Piper, July 12, 1830, Sur: James Gooden, consent James Shirley. Md. July 15, 1830 by Thomas Scrivener.

SHIRLEY, Thomas W. to Patsey Montgomery, md. Nov. 28, 1819 by Zacheus Quisenberry.

SHIRLEY, William to Sarah Presley, March 29, 1828, Sur: Joseph Presley. Md. April 1, 1828 by Ralph Petty. See above entry "Robert Shirley to Sarah Pressly."

SHIRLEY, William A. to Harriet H. Logan, Sept. 23, 1820, Sur: John Snoddy. Md. Tues. Sept. 26, 1820 by William Warder.

HODGES, Samuel to Patsy Y. Shirley, Nov. 16, 1807. Sur: Thomas Shirley. Md. Nov. 17, 1807 by William Hiser.

HODGES, Samuel H. to Margaret S. Morton, Feb. 9, 1848, Sur: Benjamin R. Clark, consent John M. Shirley "my adopted daughter Margaret Shirley Morton", Wit. Benjamin Clark, George M. K. Kendall. Md. Feb. 10, 1848 by William Neal.

TAKEN FROM: Marriage Records of Barren Co. Kentucky 1799-1849 "The First Fifty Years" by Martha Powell Reneau. (1984)

Martha began copying marriage bonds fourteen years ago. She did not use the marriage index in the clerk's office. Many of the marriage bonds/consents are missing. Even now, some have vanished since I began copying them.

A friend xeroxed the minister's return book, and from it I learned many of the actual marriage dates. Some were included for which I had not found a bond. Others were found that I know are recorded in surrounding counties. Evidently most of the ministers were circuit riders, and perhaps performed marriages in one county, then gave the return to the county clerk in another county, as convenient.

If you wish a copy of the original bond, they are on file in the office of the BARREN COUNTY COURT CLERK, BARREN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, GLASGOW, KY. 42141. (fee: \$2.00 per copy, plus a SASE).

TURKEY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
ABBEVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Included below is a brief of the church minutes of Turkey Creek Baptist Church for the period 1785-1815. Records are on microfilm in Greenville, South Carolina at the Historical Commission of Southern Baptist Convention at Furman University.

Only references to Shirleys were listed - although an effort to list all references was made, it should be realized that items could be missed due to quality of microfilm, handwriting, etc.

Members who constituted the church included-

- Thomas Shirley
- Richard Shirley
- Mary Shirley
- Margaret Shirley
- Archibald Shirley
- Susanna Shirley,

Individuals who also signed the church covenant-

- Dorcas Shirley
- Elizabeth Shirley
- Elizabeth Shirley
- John Shirley
- Thomas Shirley
- Richard Shirley
- Mary Shirley
- Lydia Shirley

- February 12, 1785 - Thomas Shirley censored for drunkenness.
- March 12, 1785 - Richard Shirley removed from fellowship of church for drunkenness.
- September 10, 1785 - Richard Shirley restored to fellowship by repentance.
- May 7, 1787 - Polly Shirley received by baptism.
- July 6, 1787 - James Shirley received by baptism.
- March 14, 1788 - Thomas Shirley listed as trustee of church.
- April 10, 1789 - Thomas Shirley appointed to consult with Ambrose Foster as to why he (Ambrose) was neglecting church meetings.

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- June 12, 1789 - Lydia Shirley received by letter.
- January 11, 1791 - James Shirley censored for drunkenness.
- Richard Shirley excommunicated for gameing and drunkenness.
- May 7, 1791 - James Shirley restored to fellowship.
- July 9, 1791 - Thomas Shirley appointed to committee to inquire whether body of people at Hogskin were ready for constitution.
- August 11, 1791 - Thomas Shirley reported that body at Hogskin was ready.
- - Thomas Shirley and Archibald Shirley appointed to attend Little River Church.
- March 8, 1792 - Richard Shirley restored to fellowship.
- June 9, 1792 • - Church resolved dispute between John Shirley and Robert Ritchey. John said that Ritchey killed a mare by riding. Church ruled in favor of Ritchey.
- October 12, 1792 - Thomas Shirley refused to give his bond to James Hodges after he had promised it.
- November 10, 1792 - Thomas Shirley restored to fellowship; Mary Shirley received by baptism.
- March 10, 1793 - Thomas Shirley appointed to research matter for church.
- May 11, 1793 - Elijah Shirley received by baptism.
- June 8, 1793 - Archibald Shirley inquired of membership if when visited by a minister of a sister church after hearing him preach, though his gift be small in their esteem, is it right for them to condemn his gift in a public way - answer was negative.
- July 13, 1793 - Thomas Shirley to be messenger to deliver a letter to the association.
- August 3, 1793 - Thomas Shirley and others to meet with John Bane about his living in disorder.
- October 11, 1793 - John Shirley and others appointed to meet with Anne Delp to find out why she was not attending.

Briefed from the microfilm and sent by: GEORGE N. SHIRLEY. George says he spelled all as SHIRLEY and after realizing this went back and checked some of the spellings and they are noted by heavy dots. The others he did not check as they had been returned to Furman University.

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- January 11, 1794 - John Shirley and others yet to meet with Delp.
- Complaint filed against Richard Shirley for drinking in excess - he was suspended.
- February 7, 1794 - Richard Shirley continues under suspension.
- March 8, 1794 - Richard Shirley repented and was restored to fellowship.
- - Thomas Shurley chosen as deacon.
- - Thomas Shurley, wife, and son Elijah petition for letter - also James Shurley and wife and Archibald Shirley.
- August 9, 1794 • - John Shurly, Richard Shurly, and Thomas Shurly to attend meeting at Little River Church to try to gain fellowship with Nancy Hanks who was previously excommunicated.
- September 13, 1794 • - SR. Shurly departed this life 12th this instant.
- November 8, 1794 • - John Shirley and others to meet with individual to see if they had joined the Methodist Society.
- April 10, 1795 - John Shirley to settle a difficulty.
- May 9, 1795 - John Shirley made a report to the church.
- June 13, 1795 - Thomas Shirley appointed to settle a difficulty.
- September, 1795 - Thomas Shirley appointed to settle a difficulty.
- November, 1795 - Thomas Shirley appointed to settle a difficulty at Little River.
- February 12, 1796 - John Shirley to cite Brother Yarbor at next meeting for drinking.
- June 8, 1796 - Thomas Shirley reported a difficulty.
- October 17, 1796 - Thomas Shirley and others working on difficulty at Poplar Springs.
- December 10, 1796 - Thomas Shirley offered his letter to the church and the church received it.
- February 11, 1797 - Appointed John Shirley and Nimrod Smith to cut the pulpit lower.
- February 10, 1798 • - Thomas Shirley Deacon applies for letter for himself and wife; also John Shirley and wife and sister.

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- October 9, 1807 • - A charge by Thomas Shirley of Little River Church against James Fennier for a rash speech in the church.
- May 7, 1814 • - A committee of 9 members from the various churches was appointed including Thomas Shirley of Little River.
- October 14, 1814 - Thomas Shirley signed report of committee.

* Who is this SR. SHIRLEY who died in 1794? Is this Richard, husband of Margaret, who is supposedly the father of Thomas (m. Mollie Grubbs) and James (m. Mary McMekin)? This group settled in Barren Co. Kentucky in the 1790's.

Any feed back on this subject will be appreciated.

It can't be John Shirley who married Elizabeth Barmore as he died in 1808.

Thought you would find these events interesting about their lifestyles in this era.

Additional information about the people at Turkey Creek Baptist church can be found in Oct. 1979 NEWS pages 3-5. Lists of many people who were not Shirleys are also given as well as information about the church.

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SHIRLEY

| | | Born | Died | Cemetery |
|--------------|----|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Emma Parris | 65 | Emma Parris Shirley w/o W.T. Shirley | * 22 Dec 1870 20 May 1918 | Liberty United Methodist Church |
| Manofield | 66 | Manofield Shirley | * 16 Feb 1824 30 Mar 1901 | Liberty United Methodist Church |
| Margaret Ann | 66 | Margaret Ann Shirley | * 10 Feb 1831 3 Mar 1904 | Liberty United Methodist Church |
| William J. | 66 | William J. Shirley | * 12 Dec 1850 7 Sep 1931 | Liberty United Methodist Church |
| J. J. | 65 | — see Emma Parris | | |

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SHIRLEY

| | | Born | Died | Cemetery |
|---------------|-----|--|---------------------------|---|
| Infant | 261 | "Infant" Shirley s/o Mr & Mrs J.R. Shirley | — 22 Nov 1932 | Rose Hill |
| J. P. | 244 | — see H.E. Sims Shirley | | |
| Agnes P. | 285 | Agnes P. Shirley | 15 Oct 1916 19 Feb 1943 | Middle River Baptist Church or Cleveland 1st Bap Waccross |
| Andrew O. | 399 | Andrew O. Shirley | — 1880 — 1953 | Waccross Baptist Church |
| Anna Lindley | 399 | Anna Lindley Shirley | 1882 — 1934 | Waccross Baptist Church |
| B. Marvin | 163 | B. Marvin Shirley s/o T.W. & M.E. Shirley | 26 May 1904 26 Aug 1905 | Hawkins Family Cemetery |
| Bell F. | 414 | Bell F. Shirley | 9 Jan 1884 4 Sep 1935 | Enoree Baptist Church |
| Benjamin A. | 129 | Benjamin A. Shirley | 11 Oct 1882 21 Jan 1949 | Salem United Methodist Church |
| Bertie King | 129 | Bertie King Shirley | 1 Dec 1886 24 Nov 1969 | Salem United Methodist Church |
| C. Truman | 258 | C. Truman Shirley | 2 Apr. 1907 — | Rose Hill |
| Frank | 254 | Frank Shirley | * — 1874 — 1958 | Rose Hill |
| Gary Lee | 232 | Gary Lee Shirley | — 8 Nov 1943 | Rose Hill |
| H. E. | 254 | H. E. Shirley | * — 1877 — 1908 | Rose Hill |
| H. E. Sims | 244 | H. E. Sims Shirley w/o A.P. Shirley | * 13 Jun 1872 23 Feb 1898 | Rose Hill |
| Irene L. | 258 | Irene L. Shirley | 23 May 1910 — | Rose Hill |
| Nellie M. | 261 | — see Nellie M. Shirley | | |
| John Edward | 42 | John Edward Shirley | 6 May 1911 2 Aug 1973 | Mountain Creek Baptist Church |
| John F. | 254 | John F. Shirley | * 22 Oct 1840 15 Jan 1906 | Rose Hill |
| John R. | 254 | John R. Shirley | * 7 Sep 1868 23 May 1953 | Rose Hill |
| Less Lee | 203 | Less Lee Shirley w/o Monref Woodard | * 3 Mar 1877 26 Jan 1943 | Cedar Rock Baptist Church |
| Lillie Bowers | 424 | Lillie Bowers Shirley w/o Alvin D. Robertson | 5 Feb 1907 25 Feb 1935 | Enoree Baptist Church |
| Lucia | 254 | Lucia Shirley | — 1880 — 1918 | Rose Hill |
| see B. Marvin | 163 | see B. Marvin Shirley | | |
| Mack Eugene | 233 | Mack Eugene Shirley | — 19 Jun 1941 | Rose Hill |
| Maurice | 233 | Maurice Shirley | 17 May 1909 3 Jul 1974 | Rose Hill |
| Minerva | 254 | Minerva Shirley | * 1877 1964 | Rose Hill |
| Muriel G. | 233 | Muriel G. Shirley | — 24 Aug 1916 | Rose Hill |
| cont. | | | | |

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| <u>HIRLEY</u> | | | <u>Born</u> | <u>Died</u> | <u>Cemetery</u> |
|---------------|-----|---|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Nellie M. | 261 | Nellie M. Shirley w/o J.R. Shirley | 27 Apr 1876 | 29 Oct 1956 | Rose Hill Enoree |
| Roy A. | 430 | Roy A. Shirley - Maryland Pfc 120 INF. 80 DIV | 8 Sep 1920 | 17 May 1949 | Baptist Church Mountain Creek |
| Sharon Ann | 42 | Sharon Ann Shirley | 30 Jun 1970 | 30 Jun 1970 | Baptist Church |
| W. | 162 | see B. Marvin Shirley | | | |

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| <u>SHIRLEY</u> | | | <u>Born</u> | <u>Died</u> | <u>Cemetery</u> |
|----------------|----|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Charlie F. Sr. | 26 | Charlie F. Shirley SR (Masonic) | 18 Apr. 1905 | — | Grandview Memorial Gardens |
| Charlie S. | 26 | | 23 Jul 1908 | | Grandview Memorial Gardens |
| Charlie F. Jr. | 26 | | 31 Oct 1928 | 8 Apr 1929 | Grandview Memorial Gardens |

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| <u>SHIRLEY</u> | | | <u>Born</u> | <u>Died</u> | <u>Cemetery</u> |
|------------------|-----|---|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Annie W. | 242 | Annie W. Shirley | 22 May 1898 | 9 Nov 1966 | Graceland |
| Beulah N. | 27 | Beulah N. Shirley | 3 Sep 1906 | — | Graceland |
| Ethel | 263 | Ethel Shirley d/o J.T. & L.M. Shirley | 21 Nov 1915 | 4 Jun 1925 | Graceland |
| Idell | 263 | Idell Shirley w/o R.P. Craft | 23 Oct 1896 | 20 Oct 1919 | Graceland |
| James Cullen | 74 | James Cullen Shirley | 26 Nov. 1906 | 24 Sep 1974 | Graceland |
| C. | 74 | see Matthe Ben Pitts Shirley | | | |
| Monroe | 128 | J. Monroe Shirley (se PVT 156 Dept Brg. 402) | 20 Jun 1894 | 18 Mar 1951 | Graceland |
| John C. | 118 | John C. Shirley | 20 Aug 1908 | 22 Aug 1937 | Graceland |
| John Thomas | 263 | John Thomas Shirley | 10 Apr 1874 | 30 Sep 1932 | Graceland |
| T. | 263 | see Ethel Shirley also Lydia M. Fortner Shirley | | | |
| M. | 263 | see Ethel Shirley | | | |
| Lydia M. Fortner | 263 | Lydia M. Fortner Shirley w/o J.T. Shirley | 4 Jul 1872 | 3 Jun 1924 | Graceland |
| Mary C. | 263 | Mary C. Shirley w/o C.S. Roberts | 25 Sep 1910 | 8 Jan 1928 | Graceland |
| Matthe Ben Pitts | 74 | Matthe Ben Pitts Shirley w/o J.C. Shirley | 9 Feb 1908 | 4 Oct 1943 | Graceland |
| Paul | 246 | Paul Shirley | 21 Jan 1897 | 10 Apr 1972 | Graceland |
| Rebekah Kern | 74 | Rebekah Kern Shirley | 13 Aug 1910 | — | Graceland |
| Riley C. | 27 | Riley C. Shirley (se PFC 311 INF 78 DIV) | 20 Sep 1925 | 11 Apr 1945 | Graceland |
| Riley E. | 27 | Riley E. Shirley | 13 Dec 1901 | — | Graceland |

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Sorry this edition was so late! I will have the next out on time!

My youngest daughter, Debbie, got married March 10th, 1990. Since Christmas I have spent alot of time going to Bridal Shows and shopping etc. with her. We did all the food and decorations...and if you have been thru it...you know how much work there is!

I appreciate all the nice letters I have received since the last issues. I also welcome all of our new members!

I owe quite a few letter and will be answering these over the next few days.

I am babysitting full time my grandson 6yrs and his 7 month old sister. Just leaves me the evenings and week-ends to do my Shirley work again! Someday.....?

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| <u>SHIRLEY</u> | <u>Born</u> | <u>Died</u> | <u>Cemetery</u> |
|--|-------------|--------------|---|
| Armond 223 w/o Robert Kay w/o Jesse Rutledge Shirley Kay Rutledge d/o Benj. & Eliz. Shirley | 7 Aug 1942 | 5 Jan 1974 | Westminster First Baptist Church |
| Armond 262 see above | | | |
| Shadwick 240 Shirley | 1972 | 1972 | Clearmont Baptist Church Seneca Mtn. |
| Edna 194 Edna Shirley Lee | 25 Apr 1913 | 10 Apr 1950 | View Cemetery Seneca Mtn |
| Edward W. 181 Edward W. Shirley | 22 Oct 1875 | 11 Jan 1952 | View Cemetery Coneross Baptist Church Earle's Grove Baptist Church Seneca Mtn. |
| Lavaca R. 145 Lavaca R. Shirley w/o Wm. C. Shirley | 14 Mar 1885 | 25 Apr 1969 | |
| Leah H. 112 Leah H. Shirley w/o Louis Shirley | 1894 | 1976 | |
| Louis N. 191 Louis N. Shirley | 23 Feb 1923 | 16 Apr. 1970 | View Cemetery Earle's Grove |
| Louis M. 112 Louis M. Shirley | 1887 | 1928 | Baptist Church Seneca Mtn. |
| Mary F. 181 Mary F. Shirley | 18 Jan 1878 | 4 Dec 1960 | View Cemetery Coneross Baptist Church Coneross Baptist Church |
| Wm C. 145 Wm. C. Shirley | 19 Jul 1882 | 20 Apr 1954 | |
| Wm. C. Jr. 144 Wm. C. Shirley, Jr. SGT | 14 Dec 1916 | 8 Jan 1945 | |

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|---|-------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Arnie W. 284 | | | New Hope |
| Arnold W. 48 Arnold W. Shirley | 11 Aug 1896 | 4 Nov 1946 | Baptist Church Rocky Fork |
| Cinnie W. 284 Cinnie W. Shirley w/o Steve Shirley | 14 Aug 1946 | ? | Baptist Church New Hope |
| Estelle A. 48 Estelle A. Shirley w/o Arnold Shirley | 25 Mar 1900 | 1 Feb 1941 | Baptist Church New Hope |
| Marvin D. 48 Marvin D. Shirley s/o A.W. Shirley | 15 Jul 1939 | 11 Jan 1941 | Baptist Church Rocky Fork |
| Ruby B. 284 Ruby B. Shirley | 14 Aug 1921 | 29 Apr. 1956 | Baptist Church |
| ? | | | |
| Steve T. 284 Steve T. Shirley | 20 Mar 1941 | 9 Jul 1976 | Rocky Fork Baptist Church |

from your editor...

I received several letters about the records like this used in the last issue of the NEWS, so here are the rest of what I have from Gary F. Shirley. Hope this helps you fill in some of the spaces in your records.

Also...I am delighted how well the 10th Anniversary books have sold and are still selling. Members who have many of the back issues have been ordering and I have had many complimentary letters from newer members who did not have the back issues.

* Birth before Dec. 31, 1879

I regret to say that as of May 1st the cost will go up on the book and instead of \$50 per book plus \$5 for mailing etc...it will be \$60 as our copy prices and cover and gold stamping price has increased. Since I have some books on hand now...it is a good time to order at \$50 plus \$5.

[Book is hard cover, 40 back issues from July 1978 thru July 1988. Back issues are \$3.00 each, so this is a good buy if you want the back issues].

MEMBERSHIP is still \$15 per year (4 issues of the NEWS). List of other members from your branch upon request.
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