

## PICTURE FROM THE PAST



Tylertown Baptist Church as it appeared before construction of today's sanctuary to its rear in the early 1950's. The building was constructed with a copper dome on the roof and featured stained glass windows at the front entrance. It was demolished a few years ago to make room for the church's new music building.

## THE PASSING TIMES

### **20 years ago...**

The county received a \$160,000 Capital Improvements Revolving Loan at 3% interest for the purchase of two new fire trucks for Fourth District and Enon fire departments. The previous year, Lexie purchased a new pumper from funds it had accumulated and Third District bought a pumper using a CAP loan.

### **30 years ago...**

At a special called meeting the Walthall School Board accepted the bid of Trustmark Bank for 6.99% for a \$100,000 loan to pay current debts. The

loan, for a three-month period, was to carry the district until ad valorem taxes were received.

### **40 years ago...**

Tylertown's first Ag-Fair was to be held at the National Guard Armory featuring a convocation of national, state and local experts in the field of agriculture. Brewer Huber, Swift Farm Center manager, was coordinating the project.

### **50 years ago...**

James Kellum was named the new pastor at Union Baptist Church.

### **60 years ago...**

A public hearing was set for a proposed new Hwy. 27 crossing of Magee's Creek. The project was to be slightly over a half-mile in length.

### **70 years ago...**

The first snow in Tylertown in eight years fell for about three hours Jan. 23, covering the ground and streets with about three inches.

### **80 years ago...**

Walthall Gin Co. installed a cotton seed delinter in a building adjacent to the gin. By delinting seed before

planting increased germination was said to result.

### **90 years ago...**

Parker Byrd advertised that he had moved his barber shop back to its old stand--upstairs over Walthall Grocery & Grain.

### **100 years ago...**

A bill introduced in the Mississippi House to prohibit the sale of cigarettes within the state stirred up tobacco dealers and cigarette smokers to mount a fight against the measure. The bill came back with a favorable committee report setting the stage for a showdown between the two sides.