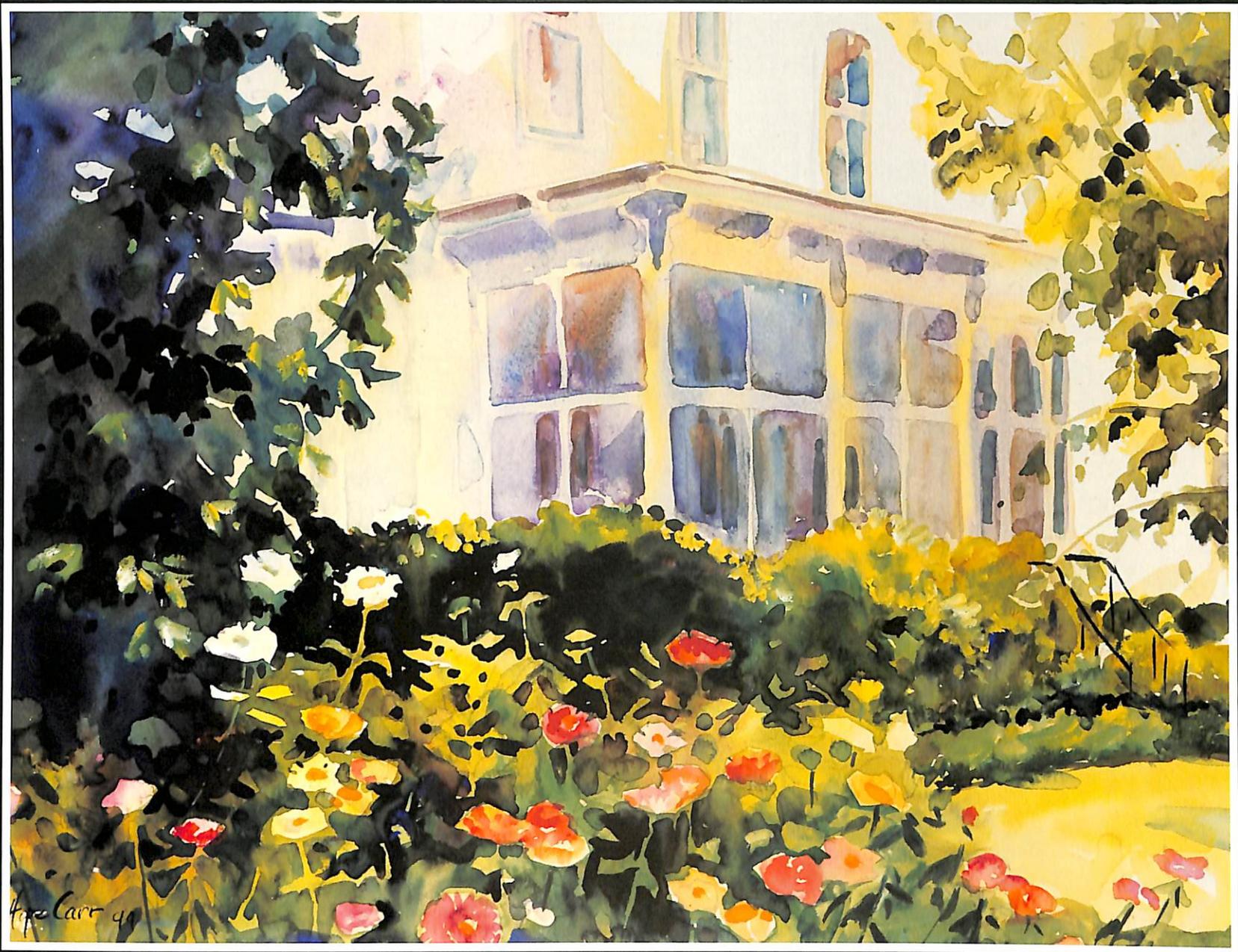


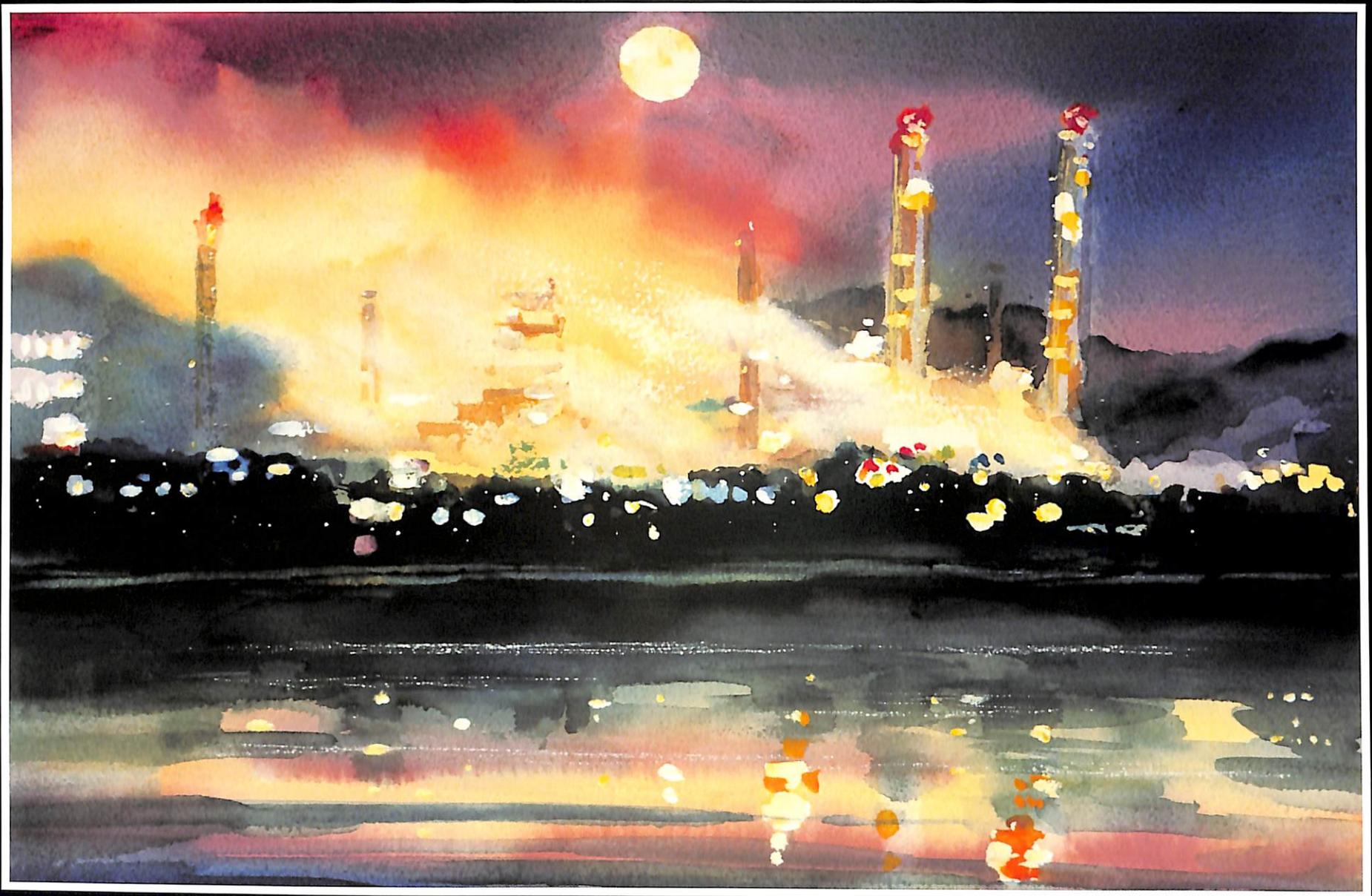
Yazoo Art Calendars

Content: Calendars for 2000 and 2004 featuring scenic art of
Yazoo City

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"Susan's Zinnias"



"Mississippi Chemical At Night"

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 <i>New Year's Day</i> |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | <i>January</i> | | 14 | 15 |

A company has character just as much as an individual person does. And I think the character of our organization is one of its most important aspects. Character isn't something you DO. It's something you ARE.

—Owen Cooper



"Old Main Street School"

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 Groundhog Day | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |

February

When you make children feel good about themselves, they're more willing to learn, and learning is fun... Human needs have not changed. They need to be loved, accepted, respected, successful, and to be praised.

—Jevonne McCoy



"Mrs. Cooper's Azaleas"

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 12 | 13 | 14 | March | | 17 | 18 |

The coming of Springtime for Skip and me in that old town! The prolific chorus of the land, which sang like a living being; the overpowering fragrances of the vines, flowers, and grasses; the early jonquils and flowering quinces and then the blossoming pears and dogwoods and azaleas; the incessant cadence of the katydids in the night; the broad lawns glistening with dew; the lightening bugs in the late spring



"Lintonia Garden Club At Goose Egg Park"

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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In...1908 Yazoo City began operating its "Street Electric Railway," said to be one of the first city-owned car systems in the state...I do recall their clanging nosiness as they rumbled up and down Broadway, and clanked the length of Main Street and out Grand Avenue as far as the Circle (Goose Egg Park), thence back and out to the ball park, the southern end of the line.



"Mississippi Symphony At The Triangle"

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I don't care how good you can pick a guitar, how good you can sing, how good you can tell a story, how good you can perform...if you still ain't good people, you ain't nothing.

—Jerry Clower

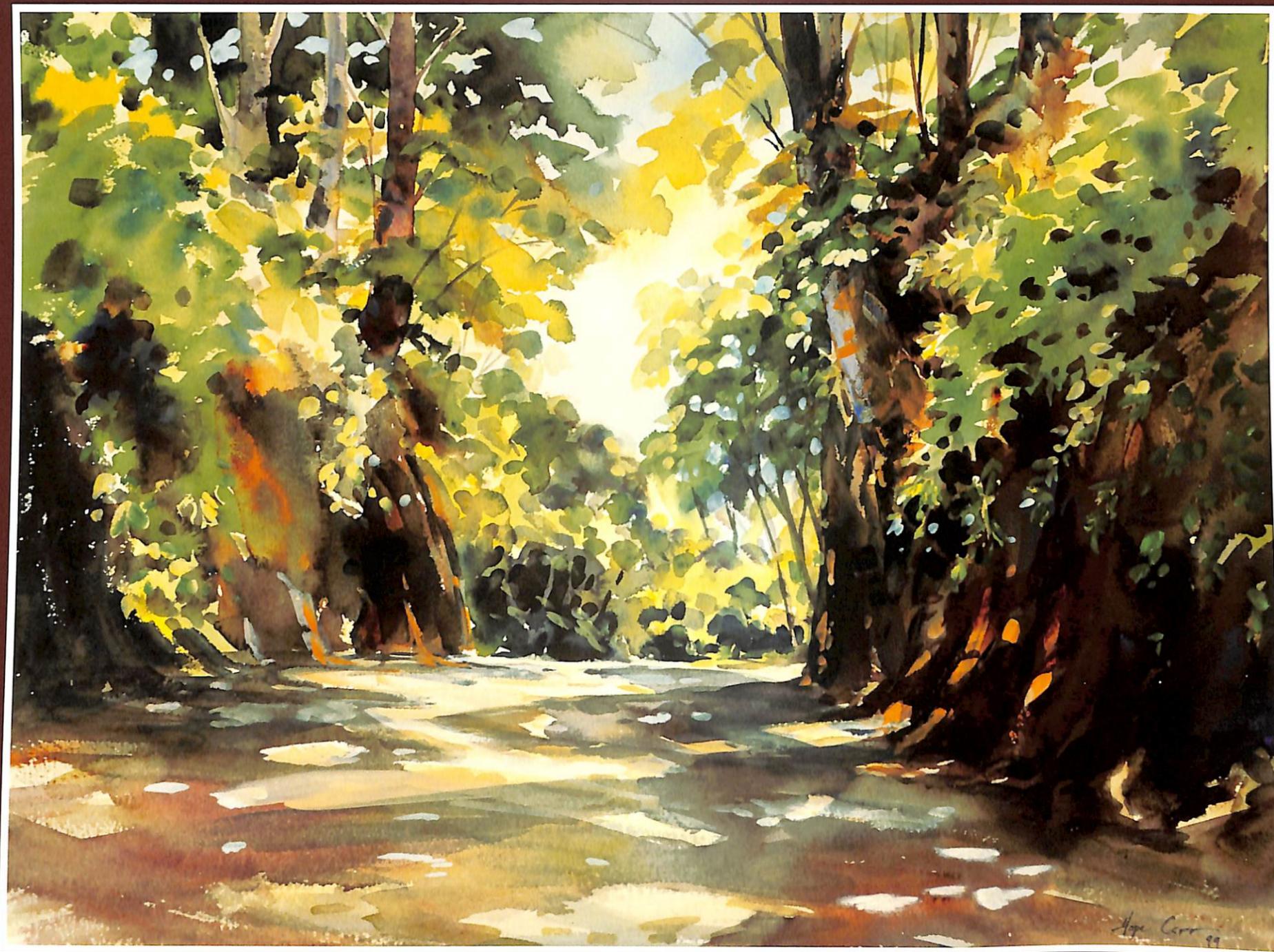


"Discover Yazoo"

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I was struck by the friendliness of the people, that strangers smiled and waved when I walked down the street.

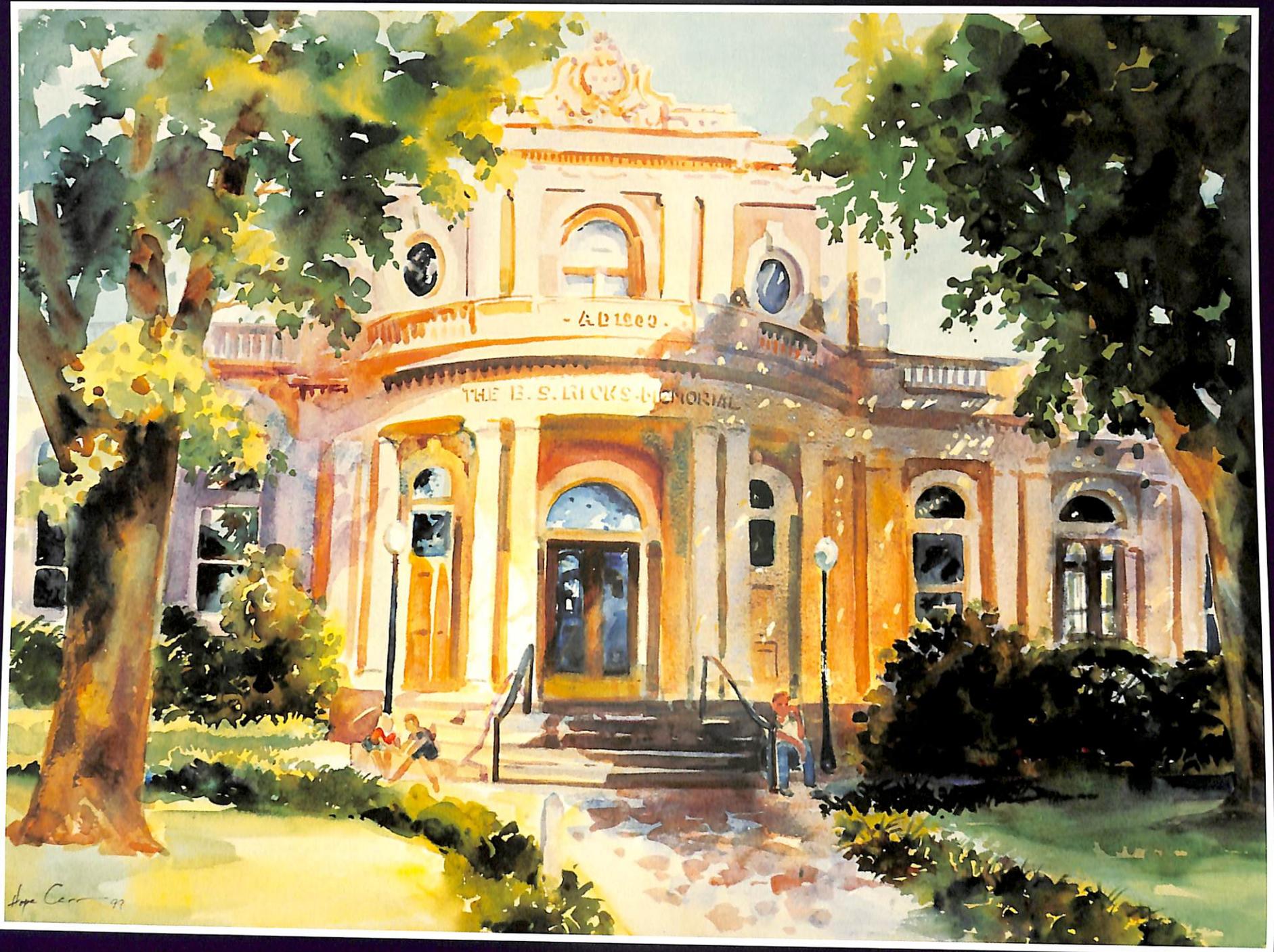
—Jim Ewing



"Bell Road"

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| 9 | 10 | 11 Independence Day | July | | 14 | 15 |
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Bell Road, part of Old Ridge Road, wound from Yazoo City to Vicksburg as early as the 1820's... Back when oxen were used, there was a bell at the bottom of the hill and one over the top of the hill. When traveling by wagon, the driver would ring the bell. If anyone was coming, he would wait until the wagon passed.



"Ricks Memorial Library"

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| August | | | | | | |

When I wasn't going to school, riding horse-back, or falling off a bicycle, I was reading. I read a book a day in summer vacation time, sometimes two...

—Henry Herschel Brickell



"Cotton Picking"

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| September | | | | | | |

Yazoo, half flat open Delta, the tender womb of crops between the spraddle-legged rivers, half undulating hills, a nursery for timber and the stern, small farmers who cling to them...

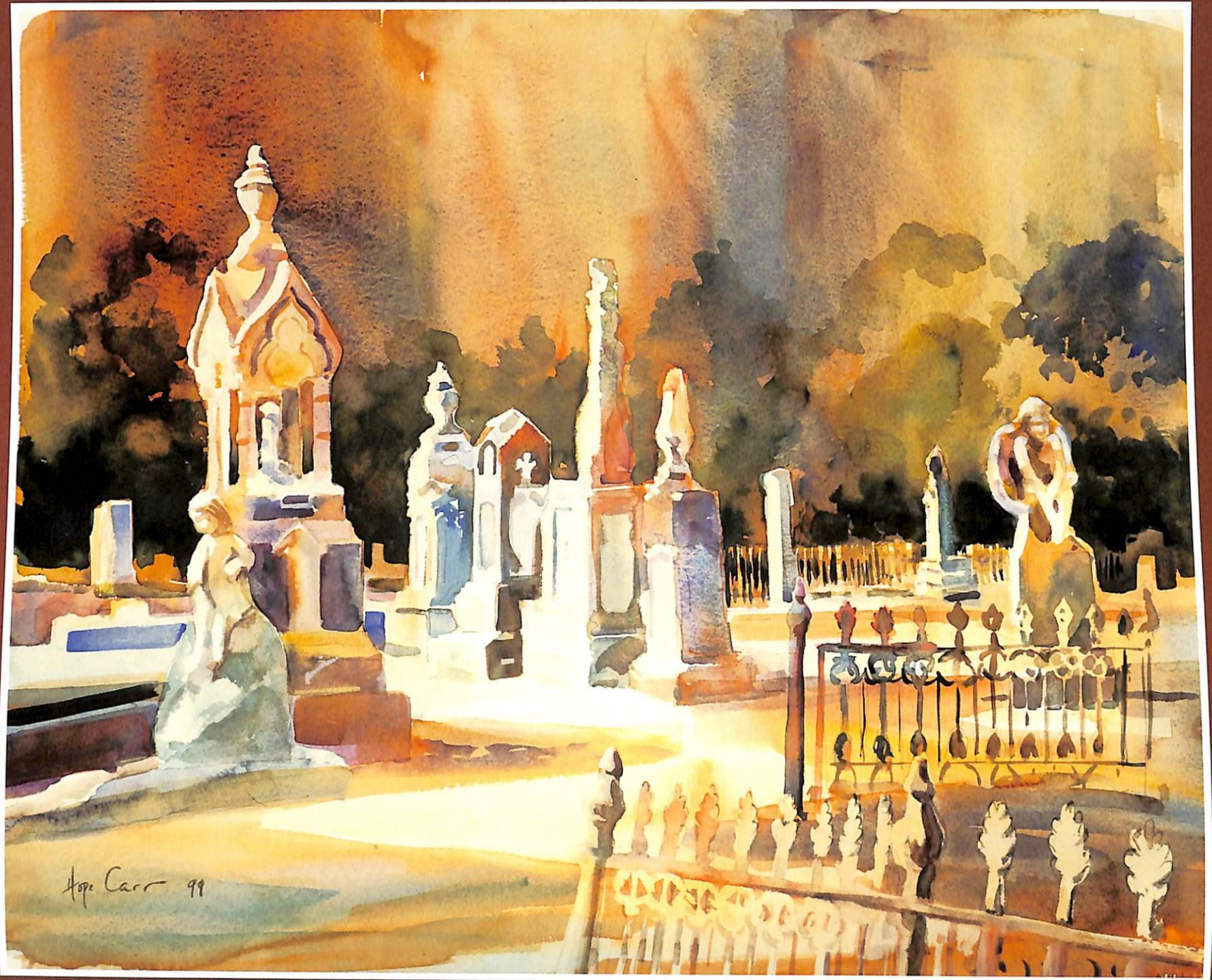
—Jimmy Martin



"Yazoo County Fair"

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
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| 15 | 16 | 17 | October | | | 20 | 21 |
| | | | 18 | 19 | | | |

The county fair was on, and for the entire week we taken in the 4-H exhibits--the vegetables and the bot preserves of all shades in the rainbow--and the pickins and the gre slabs of meat. The air was filled with band music from football game at Number Two and the carnival tents the fair.

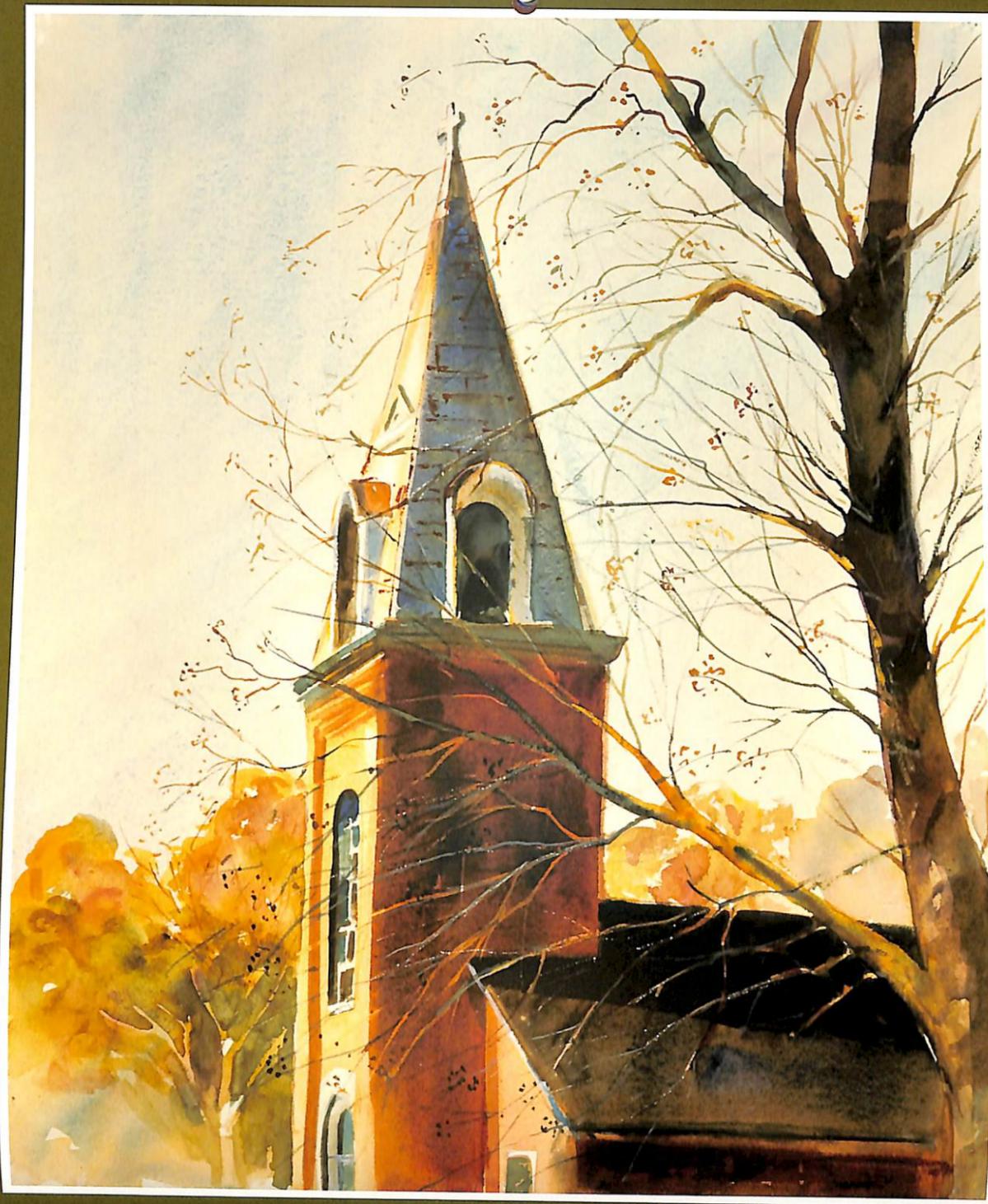


"Glenwood Monuments"

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November

When we moved to Yazoo, I was delighted to discover that we had our own personal witch... townspeople, fascinated by the legend of the old woman who carried out her threat to burn the town on May 25, 1904, liked to point out her grave in Glenwood Cemetery. We think of it as a fun tale--a different bit of folklore--something uniquely ours.



"Bethel AME Church"

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December

What I liked most of all was Yazoo at Christmas, in the clear, cool air. We would go Christmas caroling... and watch the path of the star, it must have been THE star as it moved across the heavens from around Belzoni out in the delta, up over Brickyard Hill...

—Willie Morris

1900s...

When the fire began to get out of control, my mother took me up to Main Street...I very well remember a piano which was burning in the middle of Main Street and a man playing "There Will Be A Hot Time In The Old Town Tonight."

— Nelson Gary

1910s...

E. T. Jordan, Sr., who came to this area as a young boy with his father and worked as railroad agent at the Carter depot from 1910 until around 1918...said a black family by the name of Carter owned most of the land around this town and donated the right-of-way for the railroad to be built. This town was therefore named for him.

— Robert Bowman

1920s...

I suppose the most memorable event of all the twenties in the old (Main Street) school was the Flood of 1927. Even Miss Annie (Ellis) couldn't make the unruly waters obey... We had to watch helplessly as the compress levee broke and as the muddy overflow from the river covered our playground, filled our basements and rose to the library porch. Not until the high water had receded, the playground had thoroughly dried out, and tons of mud were removed from the basement could we go back... We returned with joy.

— Sam Olden

1930s...

A destructive tornado struck Yazoo City causing millions of dollars of damage to property...striking on a Saturday night, May 1.

— Mary Brister Downey

People went crazy...there was a shout, a rumble, and a clank, a sound like spewing soft drink...people were running around, holding their hands up to the falling oil like it was rain in a seven year drought...

— Mrs. Emma Boles

1940s...

The town where old Skip and I grew up together was an unhurried and isolated place then. About ten thousand people lived there, of all races and origins, and it sat there crazily, half on steep hills and half on flat Delta. Some of the streets were not paved...but down along the quiet, shady streets, with their magnolia and pecan and elm and locust trees, were the stately old houses that had been built long before the Civil War, slightly dark and decaying until the descendants became prosperous enough to have them "restored," which usually meant one coat of white enamel.

— Willie Morris

(Mississippi Chemical Corporation)... this is the greatest undertaking by a group of American farmers.

— Owen Cooper

1950s...

"Henry," Shim said, "how come you always say cotton is a child of the sun? All crops need sun."

"Not like cotton do," Henry said. "First off, the cotton seed busts through the ground and comes up just when the sun rises, and later on when the blooms come, they opens, too, when the sun rises. Look yonder how them leaves keeps their flat sides facing the sun. They follows it all day that-a-way. Ain't no other crop as big a fool about the sun as cotton is."

— Reuben Davis, Shim

1960s...

I like to see mamas and daddies and boys and girls come together and laugh together...for forty-five minutes or an hour they can forget the interest rates, and they can forget about the car payment. The audience can giggle and grin and laugh with old Jerry.

— Jerry Clower

1970s...

Lord...Why is it so hard to take a stand...on anything? We are plagued by the misery of trying to please everybody when we know it is impossible... We are surrounded by problems that cry out for a solution. Problems of sickness, poverty, race, loneliness... Give us the vision to see these problems through your eyes. Grant us the courage to stand up and be counted regardless of the cost...before it is too late.

— Reverend James F. Yates

1980s...

It happened as we gathered for the community Thanksgiving service...for that hour, we were not black people and white people. We were not protestants and Catholics...For that hour, the barriers which have become commonplace in our lives came down... We became God's people--the Church as the Church ought to be...an we concentrated on those things we have in common--things like redemption and forgiveness and God's love and grace.

— Reverend Joe Robinson

1990s...

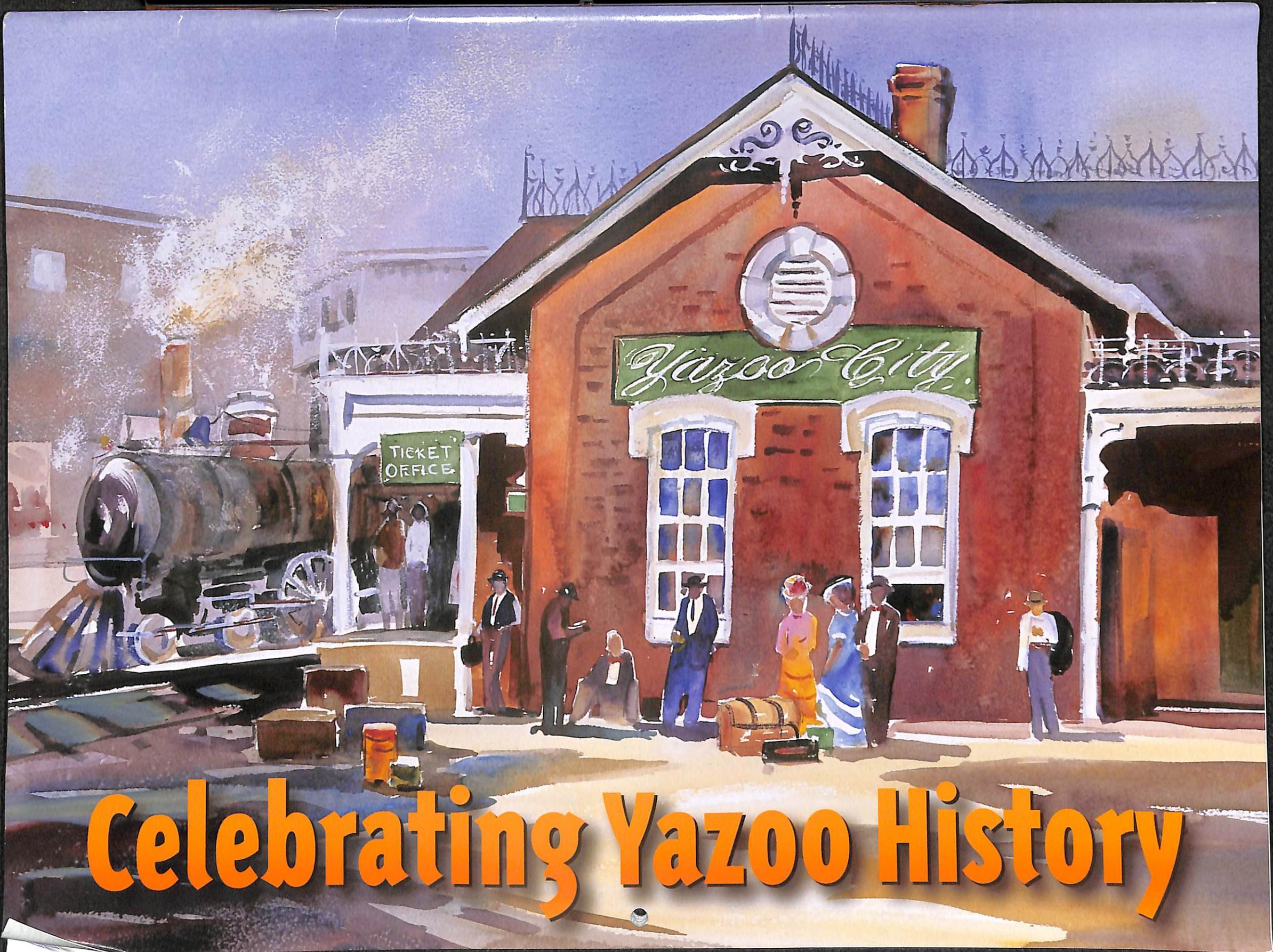
I'm very, very thankful that I've been able to observe Yazoo City then and Yazoo City now...there are some who say, "Forget the past," but in my opinion, the more one reflects on the past, the better one can appreciate the present and dream of the future.

— Herbert A. Scott

Yazooans have it all! Half hills, half Delta, urban and country living with the advantage of a nearby metropolis. A small friendly community with a "just right" mix of cooperative people--progressive yet conservative. All looking to prosper together in the 21st Century.

— Norman Mott





Celebrating Yazoo History



Union Baptist

"If the person wishes to prosper in this world and be happy in the next, who took without leave, a bucket from the Methodist Church, it will be put back in the exact place from which it was taken."

J. A. Stevenson, editor
Whig, September 15, 1843
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"Union Baptist Church, Holly Bluff"
Susan Woodard

2004

January

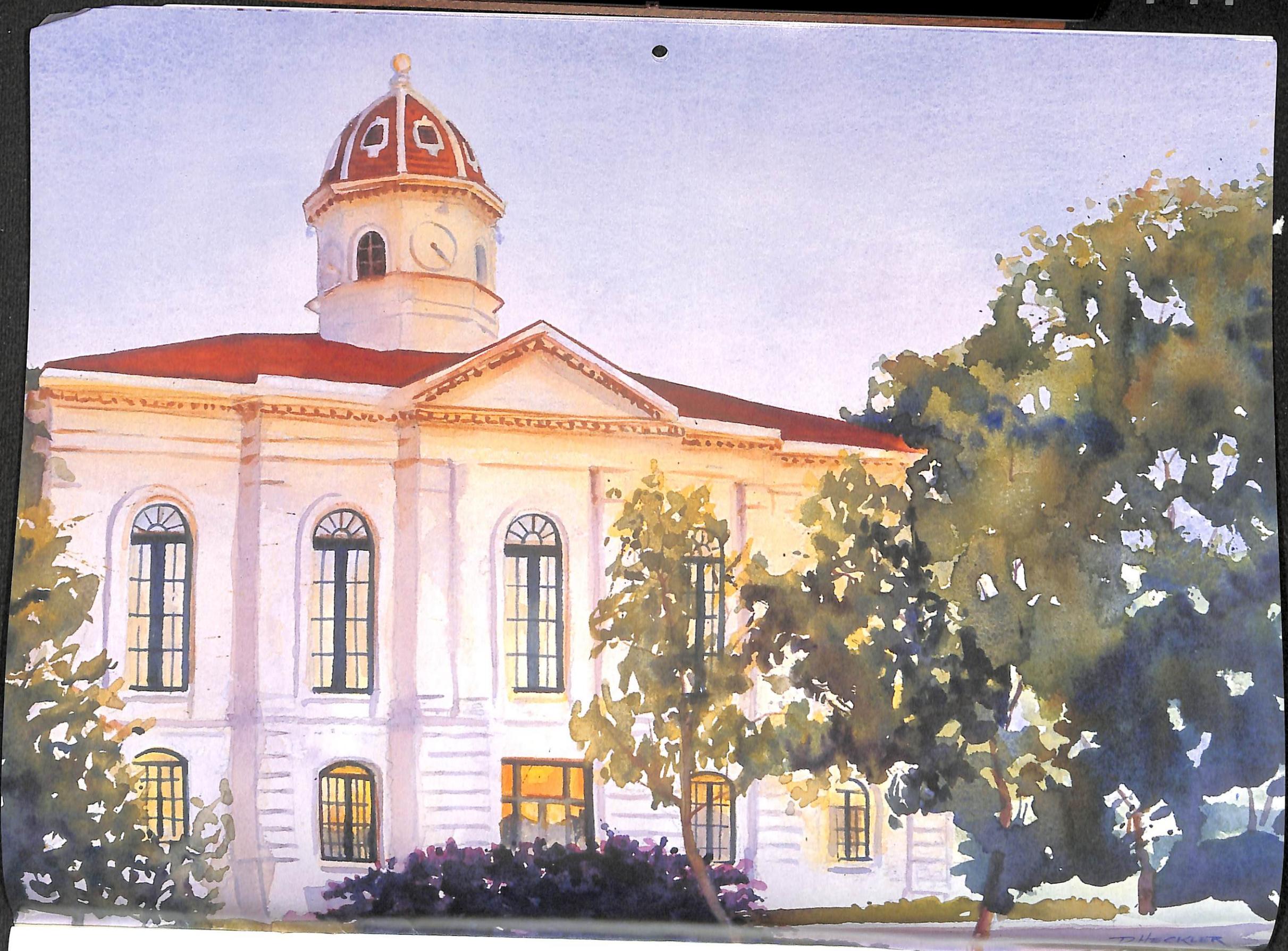


"The old Tcheva Creek bridge stands silently and still, spanning the singing waters that hold memories of by-gone years."

Rea Thomas Waters

"Tcheva"
Rea Thomas Waters

2004
February



"My father, Wyche Stubblefield, was the sheriff at the time. He went down to the jail and told the prisoners they thought the fire was going to get the jail. He said he was going to let them out of jail but they would have to come back that afternoon. He put most of them on top of the courthouse and gathered up a lot of garden hose from people and connected them best they could. The prisoners saved the courthouse. The jail didn't burn and every one of them returned to the jail."

Emma Lee Stubblefield
The Yazoo Daily Herald October 31, 1970, A-8

"Yazoo County Courthouse"
Dennis J. Heckler

2004
March

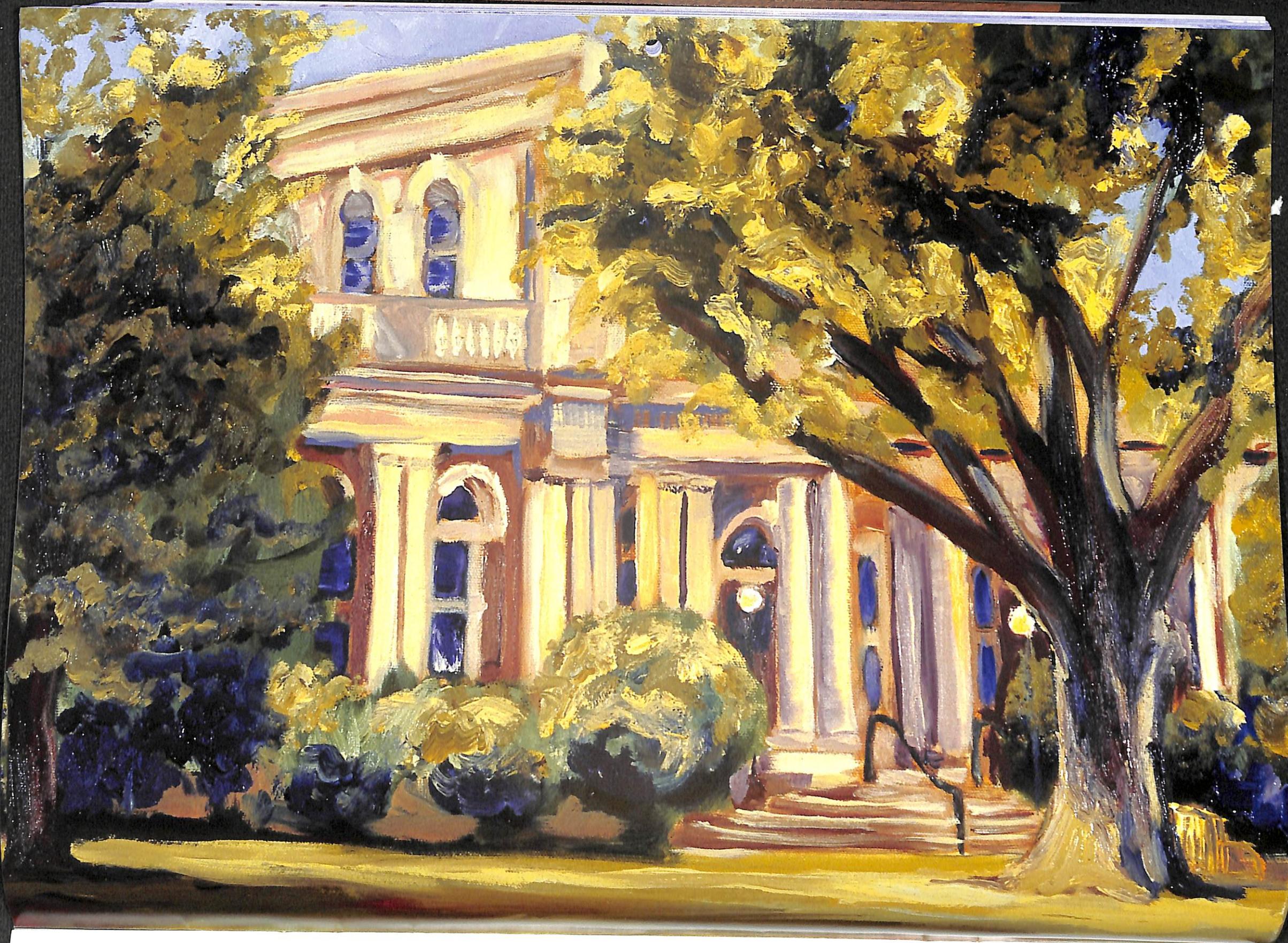


"... a steamboat must be so built that when the river is low and the sandbars come out for air, the first mate can tap a keg of beer and run the boat four miles on the suds."

George Fitch
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"Steamboat Landing"
Hope Carr

2004
April



"Classic in design, chaste in ornamentation, graceful in outline, simple in adaptation to a most useful and abiding purpose, our beautiful new library building is only a natural outgrowth of the thought and feeling of a pure, true, Southern woman."

Speech of Honorable John Sharp Williams at the dedication
of B.S. Ricks Memorial Library January 1, 1902

"The Library"
Carol Peaster

2004
May



"You might find yourself [in] a kind of magical part of town on Saturday night with a constant throbbing stream of people - living for only this moment and the next."

Jimmy Martin
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"Mrs. Harris' Hot Tamale Stand"
Imogene Erickson

2004
June



"The storefront is crowded with empty people. Fashions drape over stiff limbs, figures on display. People stroll by, looking, looking. Grimy children press runny noses against the panes. Impatient moms tug them away. Little hands leave greasy smears on the window. A wistful gleam lights young girls' eyes; They notice the finery and stop, and stare, and sigh."

Sherry Lucas

"Bookends," *The Yazoo Herald* Fall, 1978 page 2

"Hegman Toy Store On Main Street"
Cathy Hegman

2004
July

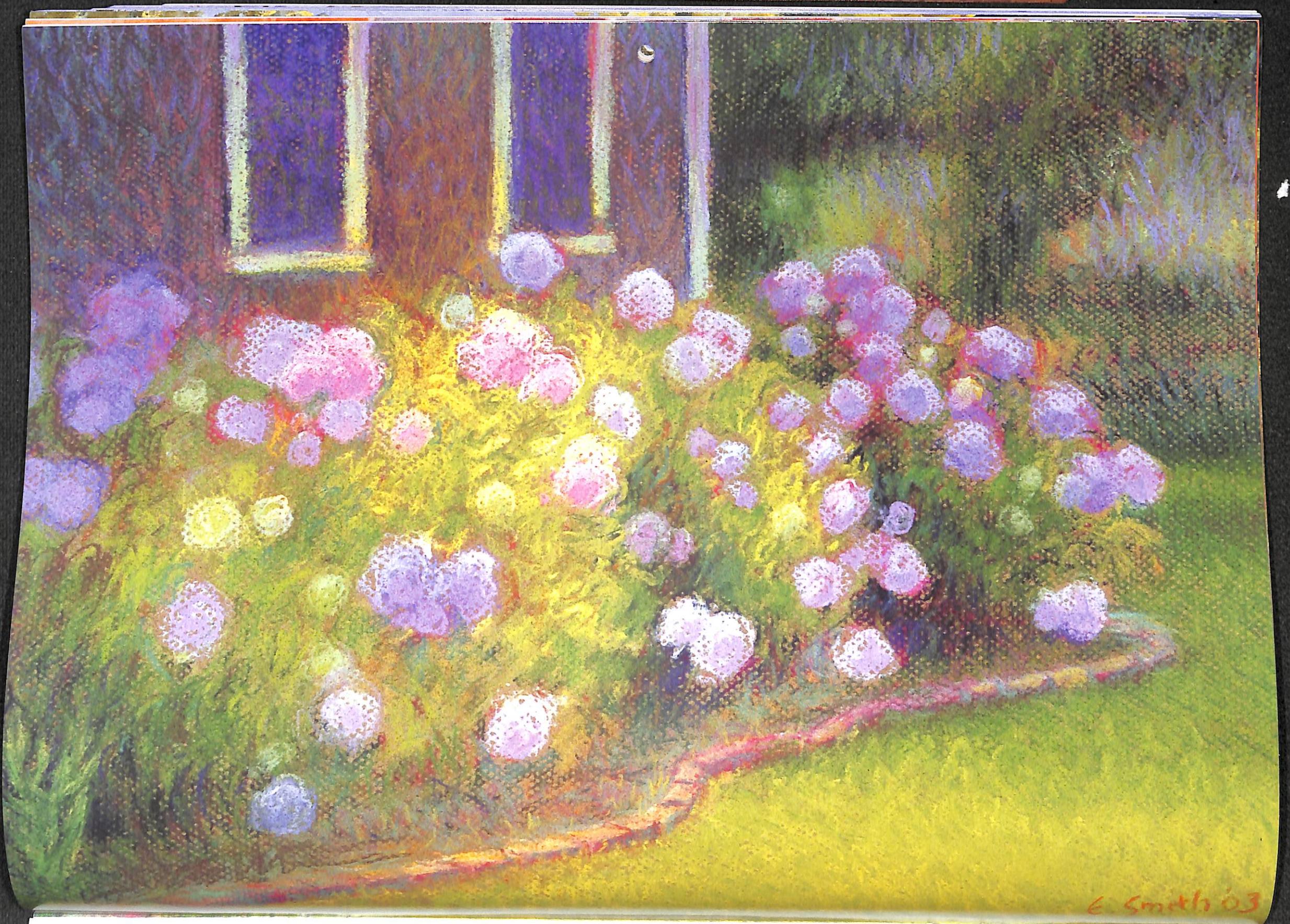


"It is devoutly hoped that this building will stay built."

Rev. Albert Martin at the completion of the fourth edifice in 1904
A Brief Historical Sketch of Trinity Parish 1906

"Trinity Episcopal Church"
Will Erickson

2004
August



"Miss Cora," born September 17, 1897, recently celebrated her 106th birthday. (Cora) Gary still lives alone and, until just recently, she continued to do a great deal of work in her yard."

The Yazoo Herald September 24, 2003

"Miss Cora's Hydrangeas"
Edd Smith

2004
September



"One of my earliest memories is the hypnotic dance of the long legs of plowed fields that raced beside our speeding car, legs that jumped ditches and houses, magically keeping pace no matter how fast or slow we went."

Jimmy Martin
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"Fall Harvest in Yazoo"
Virginia Dixon

2004
October

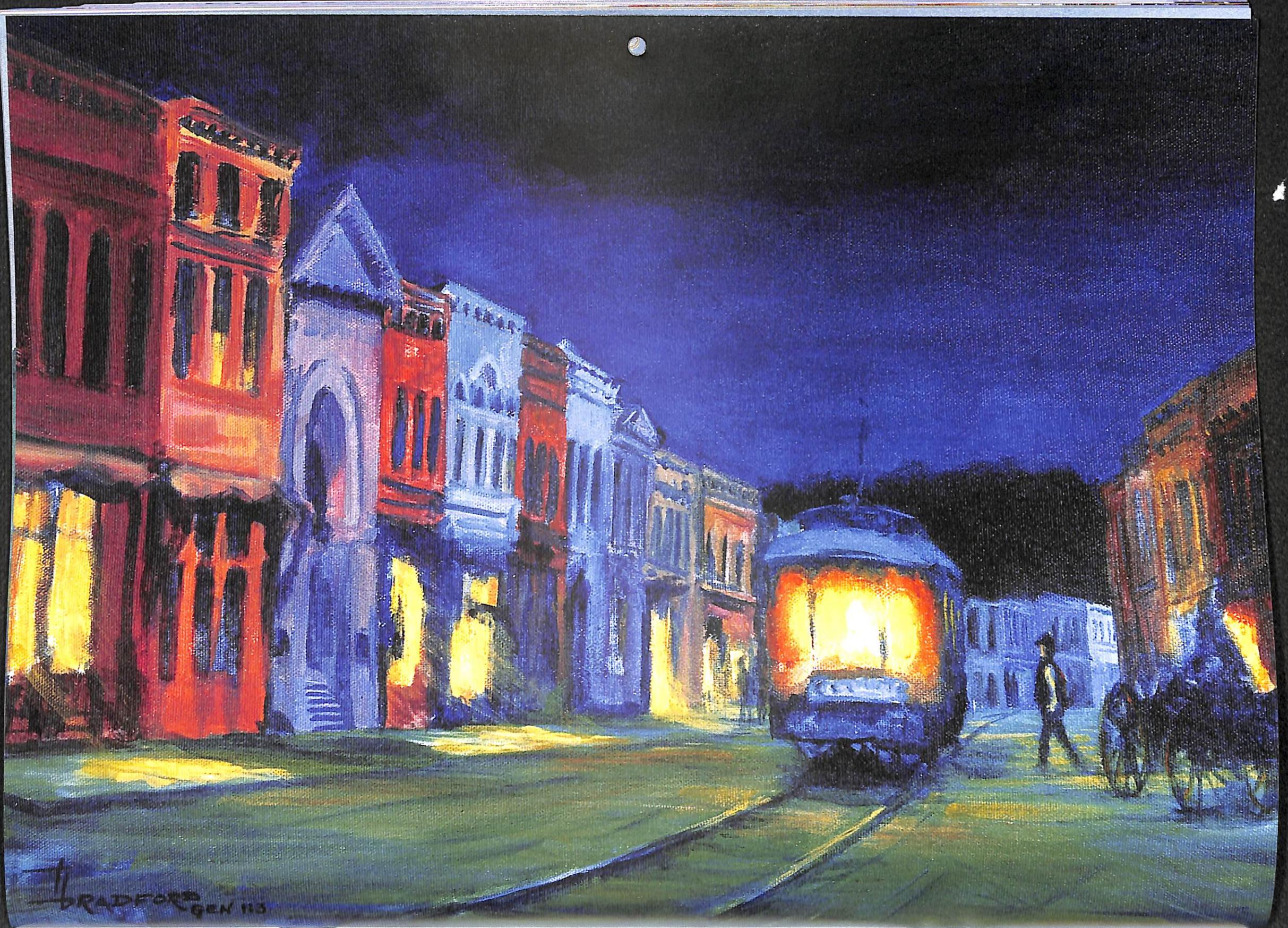


*"Like all other towns when a railroad comes up,
they grow up a while and they grow down again."*

F. W. Sharbrough, Sr.
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"Bridge Street Overpass"
George R. Dixon

2004
November



"The street car went out Main Street, on out Canal and on out Grand Avenue, then turned around in the circle. Of course, you transferred whichever way you wanted."

Emma Lee Stubblefield

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"Yazoo By Night - 1908"
Tina Pepper Bradford

2004
December



"Henry Stuckey of Satartia was one the of black bluesmen who was playing a distinctive kind of music that paved the way for a school known today as 'Bentonia Blues'."

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"Blacks Blues Singer"
Arthur Green

2005
January



"When I was a child, my great aunt's Victorian house on Jackson Avenue still had the faded wallpaper of my mother's childhood, and of her aunt's and uncles' before her, and the marks of their grimy tiny hands."

Ruth Williams
An excerpt from *Younger Than That Now*

"A Subtle Home"
Dennis J. Heckler

2005
February



"Papa let us go to school when we could, but we used to go just about a month. Then he come and took us out, let Mama and the older children go to the field and we stayed at the house and worked. Didn't get no schooling. None of the children didn't get no schooling to amount to nothing. Oh, Lord I wish I'd got to go to school."

Mary Tuck

"Gray Things Seen Gold On A Fine Morning"
Tina Pepper Bradford

2005
March



"Porches - large or small - and usually running the full length of the house front comprise a major design element of most early houses."

"The Cadenhead House"
Danny Brunt

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2005
April



"We played a heap on the grounds, too. Everybody had a top to spin with a string... And we played a lot of mumbledypeg and marbles and jacks. Even boys played jacks then. And leap-frog!"

Andrew Clark
Main Street Memories page 12

"School Days"
Cathy Steinriede

2005
May



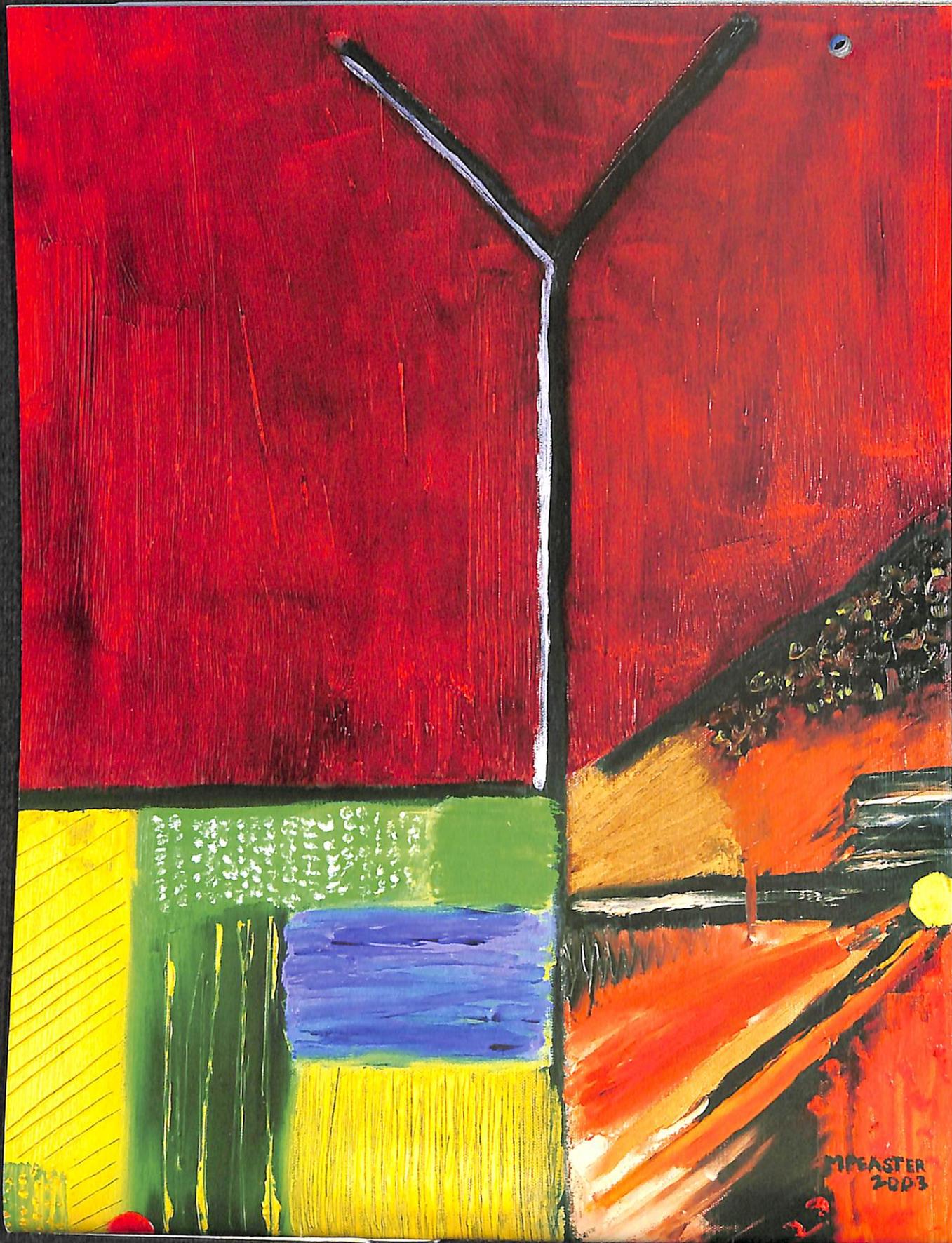
Bob Coleman

"... students of nature who may chance to go down the river... I would earnestly urge to visit its interior, as it abounds in rare and interesting productions:... many of which, I am persuaded, have never been described."

John James Audubon, remarks on the Yazoo Swamp
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"The Else's Pond"
Bob Coleman

2005
June



"... on the edge of the delta, straddling that memorable divide where the hills end and the flat land begins."

Willie Morris
North Toward Home

"Memorable Divide"
M. Peaster