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## Holmes Central administrator graduates from war college

**Press Release**

Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) G. Torrie Jackson, Jr. graduated from the United States Army War College, June 5, 2020. LTC Jackson is an administrator in the Holmes County Consolidated School District.

attend the Army War College as a resident student. ...Very few reservists are afforded the opportunity. It was a very challenging, yet enjoyable experience. In civilian education we say that people learn best with and through others. The past 10 months I spent at the Army War College truly validated

that. At this point I believe that my military and civilian (education and law enforcement) experiences have prepared me to handle anything that life sends my way!"

The United States Army War College (USAWC) is a U.S. Army educational (Continued on page 2.)



Pictured above (from left): Gen. Paul Nakasone, guest speaker, Commander of US-CYBERCOMMAND and Director of the National Security Agency Lieutenant Colonel G. Torrie Jackson, Jr., Major General John Kem, Commandant, United States Army War College. (Photo Submitted)

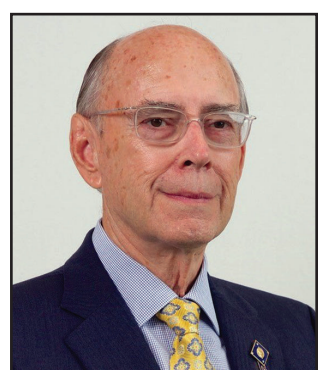
## Lexington Rotarian installed as 2020-21 district governor

**Press Release**

Long-time Lexington Rotary Club member Ed Thurmond was recently installed as the 2020-2021 Governor of Rotary District 6820 with administrative management and guidance responsibilities for 44 local clubs spanning 34 counties in Central Mississippi. Thurmond will lead the charge in helping clubs expand community service projects, grow membership, provide students with lead-

ership development opportunities and support Rotary International's global educational, peace and humanitarian efforts.

Born and raised in Lexington, Thurmond received an accounting degree from Mississippi State University and a juris doctorate from University of Mississippi School of Law. While at Mississippi State he served as president of his fraternity, a class officer, and a student body of-



**ED THURMOND**

ficer. In law school he was (Continued on page 5.)

## Tchula student named incoming P.E.A.R.L.S. president

**Press Release**

Je'Milya Janae Hudson is the third Ambassador Council President for the P.E.A.R.L.S. (Purity, Empathy, Awareness, Respect, Leadership, Scholarship) Mentoring for Girls, Inc. organization. She is a member of the Holmes County Chapter of P.E.A.R.L.S. where she has been a member for four years. She was also served as ambassador council vice president for the 2018-2019 P.E.A.R.L.S. year.



**JE'MILYA HUDSON**

tist Church in Tchula where she is in the youth choir and sometimes serves as mistress of ceremonies during service.

She is a sophomore at Hol-

mes County Central High School in Lexington where she holds a 4.0-grade point average. She is also a member of the National Beta Club, an organization that promotes the ideals of academic achievement, character, service and leadership. She also was named Miss English I during the 2019-2020 academic school year.

When asked what does this position mean to her, Hudson says, "It's an honor that I don't take lightly. My mentor, who is also the founder of P.E.A.R.L.S., always says that P.E.A.R.L.S. is creating, not only leaders in society but, powerful women. I would like to think that I am a part of the process. They're depending on me to represent them well and I don't plan on letting my sisters down."

Hudson says P.E.A.R.L.S. (Continued on page 7.)

## 90 years later, Prohibition officially ending in Mississippi

**Associated Press**

The state of Mississippi is officially ending Prohibition, almost 90 years after alcohol was legalized in the United States.

A new law allowing the possession of alcohol in every county in Mississippi was signed into law by Gov. Tate Reeves on Tuesday, June 30. It will go into effect on Jan. 1, 2021.

Under current law, Mississippi is still considered a completely "dry state." However, local governments can hold elections where residents can decide if they want to allow liquor in their county or city or not. Most have voted in favor of it; there are only 29 out of 82 counties in Mississippi that are still dry.

The new bill does not legalize the sale of alcohol in every county. Residents would have had to vote to allow that.

Mississippi has had a long, complex relationship with alcohol throughout its history. Although there have been many fervent attempts to regulate its consumption and sale by state government, it is also a prominent cultural symbol, featured in many works by Mississippi's famous writers and musicians.

William Faulkner, for example, is known for his love of whiskey and his distaste for Prohibition. A bootlegger was an important character in his novel, "Sanctuary." Many blues songs written in Mississippi have featured alcohol, including John Lee Hooker's version of "One Bourbon, One Scotch, One Beer" and "Sittin' here Drinkin'" by Muddy Waters.

Temperance efforts in Mississippi, mostly led by members of the Christian church, began in the early 1800s.

Prohibition Convention Committee member Bishop

C.B. Galloway referred to alcohol in 1878 in the Daily Clarion, now the Clarion-Ledger, as a "public and dreaded evil" that caused good men to commit sins and embarrass themselves.

In 1839, a law was passed that made it illegal to purchase less than a gallon of alcohol at once, which had a major impact on local taverns. Perpetrators were imprisoned from anywhere from one week to three months and had to pay a fine of between \$200 to \$500.

The public reaction to that new law was vehement. Lawmaker Henry Foote was burned in effigy in Jackson for his work on the legislation, according to "Prohibition in Mississippi," a book by Rev. Thomas Jefferson Bailey, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Mississippi in 1917. The law was repealed less than three

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