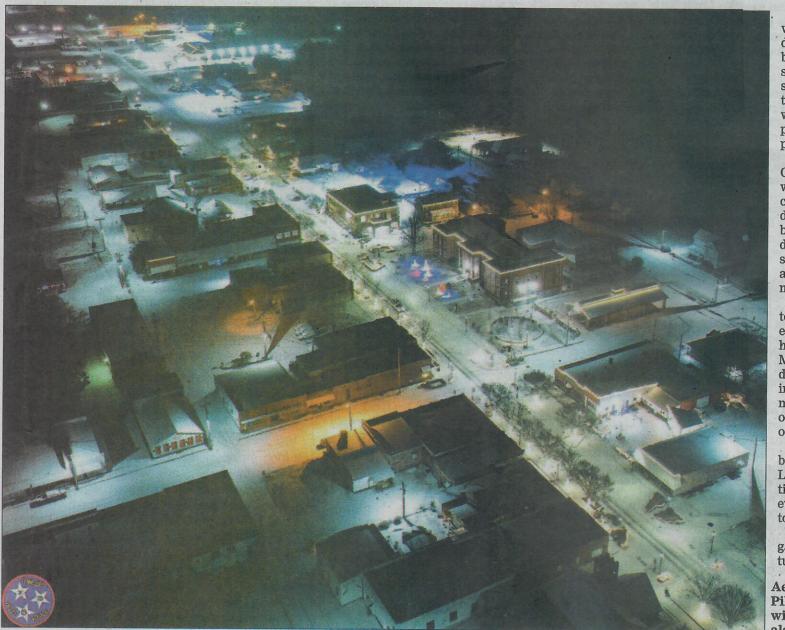
## Dreaming of a white Christmas? Granted



Those who wished for a white Christmas got their dream fulfilled December 25. A blanket of snow fell in Bledsoe County but with it came several days of single digit temperatures, frozen pipes, and windchill below zero. Extra precautions had to be taken to protect outdoor animals.

Sequachee Valley Electric Cooperative (SVEC) linemen were out restoring power to customers. Over the frigid days, intermittent planned blackouts were held, as ordered by TVA, electrical power supplier. The blackouts lasted about 15 minutes when implemented.

Several people who decided to get on the frozen, snow-covered roadways found out just how slick the blacktop was. Many found themselves in a ditchline. Wrecker services and individuals with proper equipment helped pull vehicles out of ditchlines, getting them back on the road.

The snow added to the beauty of downtown Pikeville's Light Up Christmas decorations, making downtown look even more like the holiday towns in Hallmark movies.

The snow and frigid temps gave way to higher temperatures a few days later.

Aerial view of downtown Pikeville by Isiah Knowles with Tennessee Valley Aerials.