ALMANAC

"The penny is well spent that gets the pound."

DECEMBER

17—First successful biplane flight made by Wright Bros., 1903.

18—Woodrow Wilson sent his peace note to Europe, 1916.

19—South Carolina legislature protested against the tariff, 1828.

20—The city of Washington, D. C., was founded, 1792.

21—Benjamin Franklin reached Paris as envoy to France, 1776.

22—An Embargo Act was passed prohibiting foreign commerce, 1807.

23—U. S. Marines landed in Nicaragua, 1926.

Classified

Notice—All local classified advertising 5 cents per line; minimum charge 25 cents; foreign classified 10 cents per line; minimum charge 30 cents; all classified advertising must be paid in advance; positively no charge accounts made of classified. Public sale advertisements,40 cents per inch per insertion.

WANTED

WANTED—To buy 12 or 15 head of 2-year-old ewes. Ray Stump, R-4, Carlisle, Ky. 1t*

WANTED—Reliable person to operate cream buying station. Write Box 709, Lexington, Ky. 1t*

WANTED—A used ladies' bicycle. Must be in good condition. See our new and used furniture. Square Deal Grocery, Upstairs Department. 1t*

MEN WANTED—For Rawleigh Routes of 800 families. Reliable hustler should make good earnings at start and increase rapidly. Write today. Rawleigh's, Dept. KYL-40-AS, Freeport, Ill., or see Henry C. Galbraith, Carlisle, Ky., R. 2. 11-30-4t*

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Two cows and calves. Allie Clinkenbeard.

FOR SALE—Good grade of kindling for sale reasonably. See Austin Curtis at M. H. Ruddell's. 1t

The Ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold their annual cake sale at Neal's Grocery on Saturday, December 23. 12-14-2t

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WATCHES WATCHES in ladies' and gents' both in new and second hand, guaranteed, at a bargain price. See us before you buy. J. A. Power, East Main St. 12-14-2t

Don't forget, we can save you money on many nice things for Christmas. Come and see us for bargains. We are also closing out part of our stock at cost. Hurry! We need the cash. J. A. Power, East Main St. 12-14-2t

HARNESS

I have the most complete line of hand and factory made I have ever had and defy competition taking the quality of leather I handle in consideration. I carried over quite a lot of harness from last year that will go at 1938 prices. First come, first served. Toys Rubber tire wagons $2.50. W. H. Marshall, West Main. 1t*

No Hunting

POSTED

Our lands are posted against hunting and trespassing with guns or dogs. All trespassers will be prosecuted.

William Lovell Hollar, Admr. •
Mrs. A. J. Barr •
Henry Bros. •
Mary B. Wiggins Bailey •
Mrs. Mollie Buntin and Daughter •
G. W. Waugh & Sons •
A. L. Ritchie •
S. T. and Alice Barlow •

Additional names will be added to this list and carried during the hunting season for 50 cents, cash in advance.

C. R. KING

RELIGIOUS

EAST UNION CHURCH

Bible school next Sunday at 10 o'clock. A big attendance desired. Come and get ready for Christmas program and treat. Help make Sunday a big day.

The Christian Endeavor Society meets at 5:30. Christmas grab-bag party. Also program. Come. Big attendance at last meeting.

Preaching next Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 6 p. m. by the minister, Dr. G. H. Fern. This is the last preaching day in the year. Every one urged to come and make it a big day. Come and get ready for the new year. Help complete the best year in many years for the church.

All visitors and friends from adjoining communities are invited and welcome.

KENTUCKY FARM NEWS

With a large number of materials for making clothing on the market this year, members of homemakers' clubs in Madison county are interested in "buy wisely" information. Many women attended lectures on buying piece goods.

Banks Hudson, Mercer county farmer, reports seeding 21 acres of bluegrass and red clover, 38 acres of bluegrass and lespedeza, 49 acres of alfalfa, 56 acres of bluegrass alone, 101 acres of bluegrass, red clover and lespedeza, and 20 acres of lespedeza on old bluegrass pastures.

Use of green manure crops, with liberal amount of 20 per cent superphosphate broadcast, and a small amount of complete fertilizer in the row, produced the best quality tobacco in Fleming county, according to County Agent Orem LeMaster.

H. G. Wagers, Estill county, was on the hunter and not on the groceryman and that grocerymen could buy from the hunter who warden.

Mr. Herdman reiterated a former opinion of the attorney general's office to the effect that the limit bought 10 ewes and a purebred ram two years ago, paying $7.50 wool paid the cost of the block and this year he cleared $107.30.

McCracken county farmers are interested in the use of a cultipacker seeder. This machine is made by adding a grass seed attachment of a wheat drill to a conventional cultipacker, making it possible to do seeding and rolling in one operation.

ram. The first year, lambs and each for the ewes and $30 for the

Rabbit Limit Does Not Affect Dealers

The provision of the law that not more than 16 rabbits shall be in a person's possession at any one time applies to hunters only and not to dealers, Assistant Attorney General Guy H. Herdman advised Robert Mutters of Morehead, state game has the number within the limit, and they could do this from as many hunters as they want to buy from. There is no limit, he added, to the groceryman's supply of buying and selling.

Governor Urges Safety Precautions

In a proclamation issued Friday Gov. Keen Johnson called upon every citizen to do his part in the National Safety Council drive to cut down the huge December traffic toll which last year exceeded all months with a cost of 3,450 lives.

"This slaughter on our streets and highways is due," the governor said, "to bad weather conditions and the rush and geniality of the Christmas holiday season.

"This state is willing and eager to enlist in the fight to save human lives. I call upon every citizen to do his part in this drive to stop the Christmas carnage by exercising unusual care during this extra hazardous month, so that Christmas joy shall reign untouched by sorrow."

Longer Days.

Days will soon be getting longer, and it will be a good thing. Of course, in actuality all days are the same length, but some have less sunshine than others. But if it were not for the fact that the process of nature which makes the nights daily longer goes into reverse on the first day of winter, well, there soon wouldn't be any daylight.

In fact, up North where the Eskimo live and Santa Claus gets his reindeer, there is no daylight at this time of year and not much for the natives to do but hibernate. There the passing of the shortest day really is an event, because it means that before long there will be daylight again, starting at first with just a little and ending up next summer with twenty-four hours of it a day.

Which just goes to show that man either has too much or not enough of practically everything.

B. P. Vaughn, of the Maysville road is confined to his room with an infected leg.

NOTICES

CARD OF THANKS—We take this method of thanking each and every one who rendered aid and expressions of sympathy during the illness and upon the occasion of the death of my beloved sister, Mrs. Charlie Kerns. I want to thank Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Kirkland and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Mathers and also Bro. Sweazy and Bro. Taylor for their consoling words and the singers for their beautiful songs. By a sister, Mrs. James McGinley. 1t*

Young Girls Waging Health Comeback at Sanatorium

Three young patients recovering from tuberculosis receiving their afternoon refreshment. Complete rest in a sanatorium is the Number One requirement in curing from this disease. Christmas Seals are enabling tuberculosis associations to assist in finding people ill with this disease and in starting them on the road back to health.

2,128 Kentuckians To Get First Pension Payments Soon

A total of 2,128 men and women in Kentucky will be notified shortly before Christmas that they are eligible to receive monthly old-age insurance checks for the remainder of their lives, Marshall E. Vaughn, manager of the Lexington field office of the Social Security Board, announced last week.

Approximately 250 of these persons live in Fayette and the other 19 counties included in the Lexington district of the federal agency's organization.

Recipients of the notices will be persons to whom lump sum benefits have been paid since the federal old-age insurance system was established January 1, 1937, Mr. Vaughn explained.

The amended Social Security act, Mr. Vaughn declared, moves up the date for monthly benefits two years to 1940 and makes it possible for a wage earner to qualify after he is 65 years old, even if he has already received a single cash settlement. Under the original law, a qualified worker could obtain only a lump-sum payment equal to 3 1-2 per cent of his total wages.

"This means," said Mr. Vaughn, "that the age barrier to federal retirement insurance has been torn down. Even the man who already was 65 when the old-age insurance system was set up and who, therefore, has never been under the federal program, may now qualify for monthly benefits. To qualify for retirement insurance in 1940 it will be necessary for him to show that he has worked in six calendar quarters, has received in each at least $50 in wages, and has retired."

Mr. Vaughn explained that if a man already has received a lump-sum it will be deducted from the monthly payments which he will receive after January 1.

Lieut. Col. John A. Polin Appointed Adjutant General

Governor Keen Johnson announced late last Wednesday afternoon the appointment of Lieut. Col. John A. Polin, of Springfield, as Adjutant General, succeeding G. Lee McClain. The Governor said General McClain, whose home is in Bardstown, offered his resignation to return to private business.

Colonel Polin was sworn in and assumed the duties of his office Thursday. Colonel Polin, commanding officer of the 123rd Cavalry and an attorney, served as a Lieutenant in the World War, serving 21 months overseas. He has been a National Guard officer for 18 years. He is 50 years old and a bachelor.

General McClain served as Adjutant General for four years under Governor Chandler.

THE FARM AND HOME

In visiting farms where some of the first lespedeza was sowed in York county, County Agent H. S. [illegible] saw one farm where the stand was good after nine years. The seed used on this field in 1930 cost 50 cents a pound.

A warm moist mash fed about noon tends to encourage egg production. About three pounds of moistened mash is sufficient for 100 hens. This is not a substitute for dry mash. Liberal feeding of grain keeps the pullets in good condition.

In selecting a beef cattle sire, keep in mind a blocky, compact body, broad well-sprung ribs and deep chest. The loin should be broad, with good width throughout the length of the body, with a straight top and bottom line, and short straight legs.

If ice-cream mix is made 3 to 24 hours before freezing and kept cold during this period, the ice cream may be smoother and the yield greater than if the mix is frozen immediately. Sherbets in which fresh-fruit juice is used should not be allowed to stand before freezing because flavor and vitamin C are lost.

It is inadvisable to can meat in jars that have held such commercial products as salad dressing, peanut butter or pickles, since they usually are not adapted for tight sealing, and sometimes are not strong enough to withstand proper pressure.

Tests indicate that light-weight electric irons of 1000-watt rating are more convenient, easier to use and give as good results as heavier irons. Good pressing results from heat, moisture and back-and forth movement, as well as from weight.

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IN THE HEADLINES

Average American smoked 1,255 cigarettes in 1938.

There are now over 2,000,000 on WPA rolls in U. S.

Great Britain is reported to have a year's food supply stored.

There are 31,000,000 automobiles registered in the United States.

Mrs. Emily Bates, 40, was sen-
Allentown, Pa., couple went to first movie on 61th wedding anniversary.
tenced to life imprisonment by a jury in the Harlan circuit court Tuesday for the slaying of Mrs. Victoria Gross at Harlan last August.

Hiram Whaley, 60, of Lexington, foreman for the State Highway Department, was killed Tuesday when he was struck by an automobile driven by John Guy, 50, negro, at Lexington.

Col. E. R. Bradley observed his 80th birthday on his Idle Hour Farm near Lexington Tuesday.

Charles R. Walgreen, 66, founder of the drug store chain which bears his name, died in Chicago Tuesday.

Dr. Lewis Cass Robinson, 44, associate professor of geology at the University of Kentucky, died of heart attack at his home in Lexington Tuesday.

Assistant Attorney General John M. Campbell, of Leitchfield, died late Tuesday of a heart attack.

George Coldiron, 35, of near Crab Orchard, was lodged in jail at Stanford Tuesday, charged with the axe slaying of Charles Brown, 65.

Mrs. Pearl Cole was criminally attacked by a masked youth in the basement of her home in Irvine Tuesday.

Germany's $20,000,000 liner, the Bremen arrived safely in a German port Tuesday.

Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., 55, leading screen actor of a decade ago, died in Hollywood Tuesday.

The U. S. Army now has 205,000 enlisted men, the largest number since 1921.

King George of England will celebrate his 44th birthday today.

The Fisk Rubber Co. and U. S. Rubber Co. will be merged.

K. E. A. Backs Plan For $15 Per Year Per Capita

T. V. Fortenberry, Dixon, Webster county school superintendent, was elected president of the Kentucky Education Association's Department of Superintendence at Frankfort Friday.

The department, presided over by Theodore A. Stanford, Carrollton, also voted indorsement of the K. E. A.'s legislative program which includes a suggestion that Kentucky provide at least $15 per capita for the education of a single pupil. It now pays $12.19.

It heard W. P. King, Louisville, executive secretary of the K. E. A., declare that Kentucky "by her niggardly provisions for education is putting a blot upon the fair escutcheon of a Commonwealth whose history and tradition deserve better treatment."

King, finding fault with the state for its "failure" to "live up to the mandate from its people" to maintain an efficient school system, said a minimum education program cannot be obtained in schools operating only seven months a year with only the "barest minimum of equipment." He also complained that many schools with short terms are compelled to employ teachers with limited training and experience, and that teachers, of whom a college training is required, "are compelled to work for the equivalent of a weekly wage of $12."

TARR STATION

(Mrs. Mike Heflin, Cor.)

Elmer Snapp and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Marion Snapp at Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmore Lair spent a week recently with Mrs. Lair's relatives in Tennessee.

Martin Heflin and family spent Sunday with Mike Heflin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. K. Smith were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Snapp Sunday night.

Herman and Julian Highlander, Lloyd Snapp, Misses Ravenna Highlander and Ethel Snapp were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Heflin one night last week.

Mrs. Sarah Hall spent Monday with Mrs. Naomi Snapp.

Farmers are almost through stripping tobacco and some have delivered their crops.

Reliefers Getting Jobs Not Barred From W. P. A.

Persons who quit W.P.A. rolls to obtain private employment are not barred from reapplying for work relief, a statement from the office of State W.P.A. Director George Goodman said Saturday. A worker who quit before last August 1 and found his private job was only temporary is considered to have broken the eighteen-month period allowed before his forced layoff, and he is entitled to apply again for a full employment period, the statement explained.

State Expenses Top Income First 5 Months

Report by Frank D. Peterson, state director of accounts and control, showed Saturday that expenditures from the state's general fund during the first five months of the fiscal year exceeded receipts by $10,247.27.

The actual expenditures from the fund for the period July 1-November 30 were $10,868,632, and receipts were $10,858,384.73. Total charges against the fund, which include actual expenditures and unpaid encumbrances, were $12,221,606.09.

Kentucky Farm Income 9 Million In October

Of a total national farm income of $894,000,000 in October, Kentucky farmers received $9,312,000, the Agriculture Department reported Friday.

National farm income, which includes government benefit payments, was $6,355,000,000 for the first ten months of the year and Kentucky's share during that period was $106,868,000. In 1938 national farm income for October was $836,000,000 and for the ten months $6,193,000,000.

Donaldson To Succeed Humphreys January 1

Highway Commissioner Robert Humphreys of Mayfield will be chief clerk of the 1940 Senate, it was announced at Frankfort last week, and it was generally conceded that J. Lyter Donaldson, of Carrollton, would become Highway Commissioner January 1. Donaldson served as state campaign chairman for Governor Johnson in both the primary and general election. It is expected that he will be the chief dispenser of patronage in the administration.

TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Dr. J. B. Shannon, associate professor of political science at the University of Kentucky, will attend a meeting of the American Political Science Association at Washington, D. C., Dec. 28. He will appear in a round-table discussion on "The Political Philosophy of the New Deal" with A. A. Berle, assistant secretary of state, Norman Thomas, leading American Socialist, and Max Lerner, editor of the Nation.

PLEASANT VALLEY

(Alice Campbell, Correspondent.)

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Alexander and two children, of Ismael, spent Sunday with Mrs. Addie Hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Campbell of Licking.

Mrs. Lizzie Curtis, of Lexington, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Curtis.

Oscar Curtis, of Cincinnati, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tolliver here.

Marvin McCarty spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Letcher.

Miss Hazel Campbell, of Carlisle spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Letcher.

Tobacco Acreage Quotas Promised Early Next Year

Burley tobacco growers may expect their 1940 acreage quotas soon after the first of the year, it is announced from the State office of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. Preliminary work toward establishing individual farm allotments is now under way and it is said that all quotas will be out in January.

For burley growers, diversion payments next year will be 1 cent a pound; for dark tobacco growers, 1.2 cents.

Allotments for commercial wheat growers for next year have been increased, but for commercial corn growers there is a decrease of about 12 per cent.

Next year's farm program puts added emphasis on conservation. In Kentucky, O. M. Farrington, state director, says particular stress is to be made in obtaining a sound balance between the spreading of limestone, the use of superphosphate and the seeding of grasses and legumes.

A feature of the program next year entitles a farmer to earn $30 beyond the regular soil-building allowance, by setting forest trees. Black locust and other trees grow rapidly into fenceposts and other useful materials in this state. Seedlings may be had at low cost from the Division of Forestry at Frankfort.

Many furniture and floor polishes contain highly inflammable ingredients, therefore they should be applied in well-aired rooms. Cloths containing them should be destroyed or stored in metal-covered boxes. Never store such polishes or cloths near a fire. Above all, never work with such polishes near lighted fires.

BAREFOOT

Mr. Henry Livengood and family, of near Jackstown, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Hollar and daughter, Carol, were Sunday guests of Willie Coy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Earlywine and son were Sunday guests of Shell Morris and family.

Maudie and Janie Bell Wagoner were week end guests of Mavice and Dorotha Platt.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie P. Wagoner and son were Saturday afternoon guests of Floyd Platt and family.

Miss Mary Bell Morris were the guests of Mrs. Willie Coy one morning last week.

Glad to know that Mr. Joseph Sidles is doing fine after the operation at Lexington Saturday. Hope he will soon be able to come home.

BARTERVILLE SCHOOL NEWS

"The Happy Workers" 4-H Club of Barterville had their regular monthly meeting Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

A paper on beekeeping was read by Herschel Taylor and Hilda Snapp.

Mr. M. P. Nichols gave an interesting discussion of common insects.

Plans for a January party were made.

The next meeting will be held January 12. The public is invited.

Our Christmas program will be held Thursday afternoon, Dec. 21 at 1 o'clock. We are presenting a short operetta, "Heigh Ho! It's Christmas" a play, "A Christmas Carol," and a Christmas pageant. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The Future Farmers Organization of the Carlisle high school will present a radio program from Station WLAP, Lexington, on Friday, December 15, from 4 to 4:15 p. m., when four members will discuss the "Lord's Acre" project which the boys have carried on in connection with their work for the past three years. The boys who will take part in the program are Smith Gaunce, Harold Rogers, Paul Donovan and Frank Wilson. Rev. C. A. Sweazy, of Carlisle, will also be on the program.

MONEY TALKS

Money Talks—

Moderately higher retail prices for many commodities now seem certain.

Prices of many important raw materials have gone up from five per cent to eighty per cent this year which means manufacturers are paying higher prices for materials which go into finished goods. Labor costs have also increased. All this is reflected first in higher wholesale prices and eventually in higher retail prices. It is foolish to believe that manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers will absorb increased costs. A goodly percentage of this increase, as always, will be passed on to the consumer.

Great Britain and France have opened buying offices in New York City, and they are already asking our manufacturers for bids on shoes, clothing, and certain foodstuffs as well as war materials. Our own government is increasing the purchase of goods for our army and navy. Such new demand is bound to be reflected in higher prices for some commodities.

Several weeks ago I said I did not look for any violent rise in prices, as occurred in the last year. This still holds true. Factors which should prevent violent price advances are large surpluses of raw materials stored in this country, increased productivity of factories and farms, the desire of business men to keep prices at their present level and the watchful eye of the government. The most powerful weapon against unwarranted price advances is the consumer himself, who ceases to buy when he thinks prices are too high.

Legitimate price advances of as much as five per cent to fifteen per cent in many lines are bound to come, and careful buying now should save you some money. Advantage should be taken of any price concessions retailers are now making for food, and clothing, and such goods. A five per cent to ten per cent saving is not to be taken lightly; it will help the budget later on.

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Burley Average $16.47 In First Week Of Sales

Average $2.59 Less Than Last Year's Average In Heavy Sales Last Week

FOURTH OF CROP SOLD

Nearly one-fourth of the estimated 1939 burley tobacco crop was sold over the auction floors of warehouses in five states, the bulk of it in Kentucky, during the first sales days of the season last week.

Figures compiled by the Courier-Journal show that Kentucky tobacco growers sold 66,422,231 pounds of tobacco for $10,939,514.86, an average of $16.47. The average was $2.59 less than last year's season average of $19.06.

According to the Associated Press, the four states, Tennessee, Virginia, North Carolina and Indiana, last week sold 15,182,906 pounds of burley at an average of $15.55.

Sales in the five states were 81,505,137 pounds of the estimated 1939 production of 350,669,000 pounds.

The 1939 sales season opened at Lexington last Monday when 3,058,236 pounds sold for $536,718.31, an average of $17.55.

The following day sales opened in other burley belt markets and Kentucky growers sold 11,550,571 pounds for $1,951,205.80, an average of $16.89, a decline of $4.76 from last week's opening-day average.

Wednesday the average was $16.57, a drop of 32 cents from opening day. Thursday it crept up 4 cents to $16.61, but on Friday the state-wide average dropped 35 cents to $16.26 a hundred pounds. Saturday the average regained 4 cents of the loss, climbing to $16.30.

Market reports indicate sales will continue heavy the remaining days until sales close for the Christmas holidays at the end of auctions Friday afternoon.

If sales continue near the pace of last week, practically the entire burley crop will have been sold before February 1.

Loans May Be Made On Tobacco Unsold

Hutson And Growers Confer On Plan At Lexington Monday. Decision In Week

Steps to withhold from market the grades of tobacco which have been affected most by the currently prevalent low prices will be taken unless distinct improvement in prices is noted within the next few days, it was decided Monday afternoon at a meeting of representative Central Kentucky growers with J. B. Hutson of Washington, assistant AAA administrator at Lexington.

A plan introduced at the session to offer government loans on grades of the leaf withdrawn by farmers from warehouse floors because of unsatisfactory selling offers will be taken under consideration by AAA officials in Washington, it was announced. Action on the suggestion was expected within a week, and at the end of that time it was expected that the amount of the loans the federal agency would approve for the various grades would be made known to farmers.

It was pointed out in a prepared statement authorized by the group and issued by John W. Jones, Bourbon county leaf producer, who presided, that if arrangements could be made for redrying and storing a portion of the grades involved in the lower-price class, little difficulty should be experienced in marketing the tobacco profitably next season. An anticipated 20 per cent reduction in the 1940 crop was cited as the basis for the prediction that leaf withheld from the market could be sold later at satisfactory prices.

Second Brother Dies Of Wounds Suffered In Fight

Lonnie Briscoe, 23, died Tuesday at the Mary Chiles hospital in Mt. Sterling from bullet wounds suffered in a gun battle about midnight Saturday night. His brother, Lester Briscoe, was killed during the fight.

Sheriff Allen D. Prewitt said Anderson Willoughby, 37, a farmer, admitted the shooting and said he fired in self-defense after the brothers had started a fight.

Weatherime

Legion to give Christmas treat
Two report thefts of meat
Brothers slain in Montgomery fight
Christmas here will not be "white"
Awards made to football team
Plummer is held in high esteem
Loans possible on leaf unsold
Weather today: Fair and cold.

Local Distribution Of Food Is Halted

Federal Agency Suspends Distribution Until State Or County Pays Distribution Cost

Local distribution of federal surplus commodities ended here Friday until further notice, according to Orville Feeback, commodities distribution clerk, acting upon orders of A. H. Bornwasser, state director of the distribution. Mr. Bornwasser ordered distribution of commodities suspended except in cases where cities or counties arranged to pay distribution costs.

No provision has been made here for the payment of distribution costs, Judge D. M. Curry said Saturday.

Mr. Feeback said 177 families in Nicholas county are receiving surplus commodities which are distributed on the first and third Mondays in each month. Although the food is distributed only two days in each month, a clerk is retained on duty at all times to receive the commodities and take care of it.

Governor Keen Johnson said Friday he had requested the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation to continue paying for distribution of the foodstuffs until the 1940 General Assembly could provide funds for that purpose and repay the corporation for what it had spent since December 15. He asked for a grace period until February 1.

The Governor said that for the past 18 months the government had been distributing surplus commodities to the needy and that "Monday a week ago they told me unless I started laying $10,000 a month on the line they were going to stop it." He said he offered the use of highway trucks and personnel in distribution, but the offer was refused.

Awards Made To Team At Football Banquet

Charles Caudill Elected Captain Of Next Year's Musketeers And Voted Most Valuable Player

Approximately one hundred members of the Carlisle high school football team, the Pep Club and friends attended the banquet given by the Carlisle Business Men's Club last Thursday night in honor of the Musketeers. The banquet was one of the most successful of the nature ever held here.

M. C. Shearer presided as master of ceremonies at the banquet. The principal address was delivered by J. R. Bacon, head coach at Union College. Short talks were also made by Junior Buntin and Pat Conley, co-captains of this year's Musketeer squad, Donald Fair, assistant coach, and Mrs. Joe Ed Johnson, sponsor of the Pep Club, which furnished the awards made to the members of the squad.

Coach Joe Ed Johnson presented the awards to the members of the team. Mr. Johnson expressed his appreciation to the citizens of Carlisle for the fine spirit shown during the season.

Mr. Johnson announced the result of the election held by members of the team Thursday morning for the election of a captain and alternate captain of next year's team. Charlie Caudill was elected captain and Richard Long was elected alternate captain.

Charlie Caudill was presented a pair of shoes given by Lerman Bros. for the most valuable player on the team this year. The most valuable player was chosen by vote of the members of the team. Ralph Shearer was presented with a gold football for making the most blocks beyond the line of scrimmage during the season. A football was awarded to Caudill for making the most tackles in the backfield. The ball used in the Maysville game was awarded to Billy Crouch, who was acting captain in the game.

Letters were awarded the following members of the team: Jack Hamm, O. T. Caswell, Jimmie Goins, Ralph Shearer, Kenneth Snapp, Paul Stone, Berry Woodall, Charles Caudill and Stanley Crawford. Gold footballs were awarded to the five Seniors on the team, as follows: Pat Conley, Junior Buntin, Junior Maxey, Billy Crouch and G. T. Cowan.

Footballs were awarded to eleven members of the team who did not miss a practice session during the season. They were O. T. Caswell, Van Crabb, Pat Conley, Jack Hamm, Junior Maxey, James Henry Smoot, G. T. Cowan, Ben Pumphrey, Charles Sexton, Kenneth Snapp, Stanley Crawford.

Rain Fails To Halt Crowd At Weekly Pay Day Here

In spite of a heavy downpour of rain, a large crowd attended the weekly "pay day" of Carlisle merchants here Tuesday afternoon. Awards of ten dollars in cash were made to the following: Frances Holland, Ivan Kendall, Miss Lucy Letton, H. D. Judge and Mrs. Lizzie Wilson.

The fourth of the ten pay days will be held next Tuesday afternoon when $50 in cash will be awarded at 2:30 o'clock.

Woman Badly Injured When Struck By Car

Mrs. J. E. Weathers Struck As She Was Crossing In Front Of Store Near Town

Mrs. J. Ed Weathers suffered a fracture of the left arm, cuts and bruises about the head and skull fracture Friday afternoon when she was struck by an automobile as she crossed the road in front of the store of her husband on the concrete road just outside the city limits.

The automobile which struck Mrs. Weathers was driven by C. B. Lovell, Jr., of Lexington, salesman for a Lexington machinery concern. Mr. Lovell was enroute to Flemingsburg.

Mrs. Weathers was going across the road to the mailbox in front of the store and apparently did not see the approaching car, which was said to have been traveling at a rapid rate of speed. Mr. Lovell made an effort to stop the car and swerved to avoid striking her, but the right fender of the car knocked Mrs. Weathers to the road.

Mr. Lovell stopped after the accident and reported the affair to local authorities.

Mrs. Weathers was brought to the Johnson Memorial hospital. Although her injuries are serious, it is believed she will recover.

Municipal League Group Holds District Meet Here

A number of city officials from neighboring towns attended the district Municipal League meeting held at the city hall in Carlisle last Wednesday afternoon. Mayor W. C. Talbert presided at the meeting.

The meeting was the tenth of a series of twelve meetings held throughout the state to discuss proposed legislation beneficial to municipalities.

Carl B. Wachs, secretary-treasurer of the organization, introduced a program of sixteen bills to be presented to the legislature. Mr. Wachs, with the assistance of Charles B. Stewart, field consultant of the league, discussed separately each of the proposed bills. Mr. Wachs said the basis of the program is to increase revenue for local governments.

County Committee Setting Up Allotment On Tobacco

The Nicholas County Agricultural Conservation Committee is holding meetings to fix quotas of Nicholas county farmers for their 1940 tobacco crop. Community committees meet first and set the allotments for the farmers in their communities and these allotments are submitted to the county committee for approval. After the allotments for all farmers in the county have been set up the report is sent to the state office.

Later farmers will be notified of their allotments and will be given an opportunity to be heard before the board.

Nineteen Million To Be Spent On Roads

Program For Expenditures Beginning April 1 Outlined At Meeting Of Commissioners

A program calling for approximately $19,000,000 to be spent by the State Highway Department during the fiscal year beginning next April 1 was outlined by Thomas H. Cutler, department engineer Tuesday.

Cutler told Highway Commissioner Robert Humphreys and the nine advisory district commissioners at a meeting that new construction during that period would amount to approximately $7,500,000 for main roads and $2,000,000 for rural roads. He said the complete plan, construction and maintenance, called for $16,000,000 from the state road fund to be supplemented by $3,500,000 federal aid.

The highway engineer made no attempt to go into details at the meeting, simply giving an outline of what his plans called for.

It was probably the last meeting with the advisory commissioners for Commissioner Humphreys who is expected to resign this week and be succeeded by J. Lyter Donaldson of Carrollton, Gov. Keen Johnson's campaign manager and former member of the highway commission. Humphreys has generally been expected to be named chief clerk of the Senate for the 1940 General Assembly. The advisory commissioners' terms expire next July 1.

$50 Reward Offered For Meat Thieves

Large Quantity Of Meat Stolen At Homes Of Robert Alexander And Frank Mann

Thieves raided two meat houses at farm homes on the Maysville and Lexington road Saturday night and carried away a large quantity of meat. Sheriff L. B. Barton and Deputy Sheriff Floyd Clark, who investigated the thefts, reported that no clues were left by the thieves. The officers believe that the same persons committed both thefts.

At the home of Robert Alexander about four miles from Carlisle, ten hams and seven shoulders were taken from the meat house. The bacon and other products of the five hogs killed by Mr. Alexander were not taken. Mr. Alexander has offered a reward of $50 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the thief or thieves.

At the home of Frank Mann on the Nicholas-Fleming line on the Maysville and Lexington road, about twelve miles from the Alexander home, two hams, four shoulders, four bacons and sausage was taken.

To Start Benefits For Jobless On Jan. 1

Partial unemployment insurance payments are to be made on and after January 1, Vego E. Barnes, director of the State Unemployment Compensation Commission said Saturday.

Payments will be made to those who, although not totally unemployed, are earning less from their regular employment than they would receive in unemployment insurance if totally unemployed, he said.

Barnes recently predicted it would be possible to grant more aid than has been given. Since January 1 of this year, payments have been made to totally unemployed workers who were eligible.

Under the plan, benefits to partially jobless workers will be the difference between the amount they would receive if totally unemployed and 80 per cent of their wages.

Memorials Dedicated At Christian Church

Impressive Ceremony Held Sunday Afternoon In Memory Of Rev. Cunningham And Oscar Ham

Before an audience which filled every available seat in the building, the two memorials recently completed at the Carlisle Christian church were formally dedicated Sunday afternoon in an impressive ceremony. A large number of former members of the church and friends from other places were present at the dedication.

The memorial baptistry was dedicated to the momery of Rev. S. H. Cunningham, former pastor of the church, whose tragic death occurred in an automobile accident in July, 1933. The removal of the organ and installation of the choir loft was dedicated as a memorial to the late Oscar Ham, who left a bequest to the church. Money for the memorial to Rev. Cunningham was contributed by friends.

The two memorials are the most attractive improvements ever made in the church. The church and choir loft have been removed to the rear of the church and the baptistry placed on the side.

The program given Sunday afternoon was brief. Rev. Estal Taylor, pastor of the church, who conceived the plan for the memorial, delivered a brief address. Rev. E. B. Bourland of Flemingsburg, former pastor of the church, offered prayer and Rev. R. R. Couey, pastor of the Baptist church read an appropriate Scripture text. Miss Mildred Murray delighted the audience with a solo and the choir rendered two special numbers.

The most impressive feature of the program was the baptismal of Doris Jean Cunningham, the little daughter of Rev. Cunningham and Mrs. Cunningham, who was the first of nine children to be baptized in the baptistry.

Cast bronze tablets will be placed on the memorials. The inscription on the tablets will read as follows:

"Chancel and choir loft bequeathed by Oscar Hamm and dedicated to his memory 12-17-39."

"This Baptistry in memory of Rev. S. H. Cunningham, beloved minister, 1930-1933. Dedicated 12-17-39."

Johnson "Checking Up" At Houses Of Reform

"I just wanted to check up and find out what was going on over there," was Gov. Keen Johnson's only comment when it became known he had started an investigation of the Kentucky Houses of Reform at Greendale.

Johnson pointed out that a few months ago S. K. Holland was let out as superintendent and Norman Braden, Assistant State Welfare Commissioner, was put in charge temporarily.

Beatings of inmates which were followed by court convictions of employes at the school, and several escapes were followed last spring by the change in management. Investigators of the Osborne Association, named after the former Sing Sing warden, then made a report early this year to Gov. A. B. Chandler which he described as "pretty hot." It never was made public. Chandler, however, said many "improvements" had been made.

CCC Basketeers To Meet Maysville Team

A big red circle is drawn around December 20, 1939, on all the calendars in the local CCC Camp, because that is the day on which the CCC team meets the Maysville Independents, made up of former high school players who were the runners-up in the state basketball tournament in 1937. The game will be played in the Carlisle high school gymnasium, starting time, 8 p. m. The CCC Basketeers may be identified on the floor by their new white and scarlet uniforms. The trunks are white, with scarlet spikes, the shirts scarlet, with white numerals. The public is invited to attend, admission free. We are sure you will not be disappointed if you come expecting action.

Millersburg Man Seriously Wounded In Fight Sunday

Kash Yazell, 32, of Millersburg, is in a serious condition at the hospital at Paris suffering from injuries alleged to have been inflicted by Clarence Crump, 48, at the former's home at Millersburg Sunday night. Crump is in jail at Paris on a charge of cutting with intent to kill.

Crump, it is alleged, went to Yazell's home in Millersburg and the two men engaged in a fight in front of the residence over Yazell's taking Crump's daughters for a ride during the day. During the fight Yazell struck Crump twice with a rock and Crump slashed Yazell on the shoulder and under the arm with a knife. More than forty stitches were taken to close Yazell's wounds.

League of Nations Council expelled Russia.

Christmas Tree At Armory For Tots Saturday

Annual Treat For Underprivileged To Be Given By Legion And Boy Scouts

600 SACKS PROVIDED

At the Armory Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock sacks filled with candy, fruits and nuts will be given out to underprivileged children of Nicholas county under 12 years old at the annual Christmas tree given by Nicholas Post No. 17, American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary.

Sacks will be prepared for approximately six hundred children and the Legion is making an effort to reach every child in the county who would otherwise be forgotten on Christmas morning.

In addition to the sacks, hundreds of toys gathered by the Boy Scouts and repaired by the woodworking class at the local CCC Camp, will be given out to the children. It is hoped that enough toys will be available to give one to every child present.

The doors of the Armory will open promptly at 2 o'clock and will remain open until all of the sacks have been given out.

For many years the underprivileged children of the county have been given this annual treat. The local American Legion post has given the treat for almost ten years.

Local churches and other organizations have also made provision to assist the aged and needy of the community. Baskets of food will be distributed by the various churches during Christmas week to the needy members of their congregations. The local Future Farmers chapter will also distribute baskets of food to a number of indigent families in the community.

Baptists To Worship In Auditorium Sunday

Beautiful New Remodeled Building, To Be Used For Service. Seats To Arrive This Week

Unless something unforseen happens the congregation of the Baptist church will have their regular morning and evening worship services in the auditorium Sunday. A very pleasing effect has been obtained in the remodeling and rebuilding of the entire interior of the church.

Walking in one gets the impression of a new building. The pastor will preach at both the morning and evening services. It is hoped that there will be a record attendance for Sunday school and Baptist Training Union as well as for the worship services. The rug has been laid. A beautiful painting of a scene on the Jordan river has been placed on the back wall of the baptistry.

The painters will finish this week and the seats are due to arrive in time to be installed for the Sunday service.

Tobacco Crop Is Predicted As Largest In U. S. History

The largest tobacco crop ever produced in the United States was predicted Tuesday for 1939.

The Agriculture Department's crop-reporting board estimated 1939 production at 1,769,639,000 pounds for all types, an increase of 1121,000,000 pounds over the previous record crop of 1930 and about 29 per cent larger than 1938 production of 1,376,471,000 pounds.

All classes of tobacco showed increases in production over 1938 yield.

Burley production, estimated at 361,434,000 pounds, is the third largest crop of record, being 7 per cent above 1938 yield and nearly 14 per cent above the ten-year (1928-37) average. This season's yield of 868 pounds an acre was exceeded only by the record yields of 1923 and 1937.

The Agriculture Department also estimated the 1939 corn production in Kentucky was 70,400,000 bushels. The state also produced 151,000 bushels of soybeans. A decrease in the sweet potato crop was noted.

3 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

County Agent Makes Report Of Activities For Year

County Agent M. P. Nichols has completed a report of the year's activities of the County Agent's office. Mr. Nichols became County Agent on August 1, succeeding R. J. Matson, and the report covers both the work of Mr. Nichols and Mr. Matson.

Excerpts from the report will be carried in The Mercury from time to time. Following is the list of major accomplishments during the year, as given in the report:

Tabulating a statistical extension report and writing a narrative is often laborious under favorable circumstances. But with a change of agents past the middle of the extension year, it is natural that there is a greater chance of errors appearing and less opportunity for a very complete and coherent story of the year's work. Throughout this report it should be remembered that the County Agent making it was on the job only the last five months of the extension year, while the outgoing agent worked the first seven. Therefore, it will be understood that the new agent strove to merely carry out the program as laid out by the former agent, and it is probable that a large number of demonstrations that may have gotten under way were not called to the attention of the new agent and so could not possibly be checked upon. This and similar situations in shifting agents would tend to cause the report to be smaller than it should be, for the work actually accomplished within the county.

It must be clearly understood that this report is of the work of both agents covering the entire extension year of 1939. For some time the A. C. program in Nicholas county has been receiving the major portion of attention and time of the county agent as a project. For 1939 five commodity projects were planned. They were tobacco, beef calf, sheep and poultry and engineering, beside the 4-H work which is not usually considered a commodity program. No community programs of work were built.

The county agents spent a total of 123 days in the office and 164 days in the field. In carrying out the work, the Farm Bureau should be recognized as the main organization other that that of the A. C. P. which fostered extension work and cooperated with the agents. Out of its membership came many of the 169 voluntary local men and women leaders assisting with the adult work. In carrying out the program in extension work the county agents made 563 farm visits, the office received some 8,253 calls in person and 1,318 by phone. The agents prepared 169 news articles and wrote over 3,000 individual letters. Seventy-three circular letters were issued. Twenty-five adult training meetings were held and four junior club training meetings for leaders. Seventeen method demonstrations were held with 253 in attendance. Two result demonstration meetings were held, three tours were conducted, four achievement day programs for 4-H members, one encampment and one hundred-twenty-nine other meetings at which the county agents attended. In doing this work the county agents averaged driving about 1,000 miles a month.

The A. C. program is so closely aligned with the soil conservation work that in this statement of major accomplishments they shall be reported together. Records in the statistical report would indicate a total of 813 farms signed up under the program, with 713 really cooperating. Relative to this program the county office received 6,075 calls, 44 different leaders served 468 days for which they were paid, besides some 15 other local voluntary leaders serving 54 days without pay. The agricultural agents spent 131 days on this government program and specialists 10 days besides the large number of days of technical supervision that was received from the State A. C. P. office. The major accomplishments that may be cited in this work are an estimated earning of $32,000 soil building payments and $29,288.88 tobacco payments. Probably much more important will be the indirect effect of 130 men applying some 4,500 tons of lime, 750 men applying some 445 tons of recommended fertilizer, 450 men plowing under some 1500 acres of green manure and 800 men using over 4,000 acres of cover crops. Besides this, it might be mentioned that by the efforts of the Soil Conservation Service the past year in Nicholas county on 22 farms, 570 acres have been protected by strip cropping while the same service on 15 farms covering 2,270 acres, ran some 1,108 soil tests.

In the 4-H work 175 boys and girls cooperated for the 1939 year while 136 actually completed, carrying 207 projects, in clothing, garden, tobacco, beef calf, sheep and poultry which were valued at a total of $6,060. In the year 1939 there were actually 5 organized clubs with another project group. Already for 1940 there are 9 well organized clubs with over 260 members on the roll indicating an increase of one-half over the 1939 enrollment.

In tobacco the most outstanding accomplishments were the holding of six method demonstrations on properly grading tobacco at which 127 attended. Mr. Matson had done considerable work in the early part of the year on blue mold, and again the seed crop of R. L. Norton was certified. The prime work with sheep was the assistance in securing new registered breding stock and giving 3 method demonstrations on drenching which were attended by 34. Beef cattle men received several mimeographed circular letters carrying timely information, several attended the county tour in the adjoining county and plans were laid for a beef cattle tour in Nicholas county for next year. Several baby beef shows were conducted by the local stock yards, the final one being judged by Mr. Rhoads from the University of Kentucky. It is recognized that Nicholas county is third in the state both in total volume in turkey production and also in number of farms in the county which produces turkeys. Through the cooperation of the poultry department of the State College, O. C. Rankin certified 373 bronze turkeys and Mrs. M. A. Gaunce 25 narragansetts.