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As agents for Lee Ledford, we are authorized by signed contract to sell his 108-acre farm and personal property, located on State Highway No. 111, about halfway between Bethel and Sherburne, on

Saturday, December 11—10 a. m.

This farm lays level to rolling and is practically all in grass. This is all strong limestone land and on Bethel Ridge, which is supposed to be one of the best sections in Bath County. There will be approximately 4 to 5 acres tobacco base on this farm.

IMPROVEMENTS are all new buildings, consisting of 1 new 6-room house with 4 rooms down stairs and 2 upstairs, has full size basement with electricity, front and side covered porches; 1 6-bent tobacco and stock barn combined, 40x72, with 24 ft. stripping room attached to side built out of concrete blocks. This barn has concrete foundation around entire barn with large concrete trough built inside, has water in barn, has feed room, harness and grainery combined, has electric; 1 good chicken and brooder house combined and other necessary outbuildings.

These buildings are all practically new, having been built only about 3 years. There is 1 3-room tenant house in fair condition.

Free *Cash Prizes Will Be Given All During Sale* **Free**

PERSONAL PROPERTY consists of 1 International Corn Binder; 1 Gas Cooking Stove for bottle or natural gas; 1 assortment of new Dishes and many other items not mentioned.

Be sure and look this farm over as it will be sold on easy terms.

For other information see the owner, or Arthur Maze, Owingsville.

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For Sale

FOR SALE—Stock barn, 40x30 feet. Priced to sell. Ben Alexander, Telephone 3471. 11-25-4t-chg

FOR SALE—China closet, buffet, breakfast set and six dining room chairs. Mrs. Thomas Gaunce, Telephone 2802. 12-2-1t*

FOR SALE—English make bicycle, man size. In good condition used less than 2 years. Taylor T. Mathers. 12-2-2t*

FOR SALE—Young Hereford bull. Ready for service. Out of registered parents. Anyone interested see W. W. O'Neal, Barterville Road. 12-2-2t*

FOR SALE—Majestic Range and Charter Oak heating stove. Both good as new. Ray Stump, 148 12th Street, Lexington or Telephone Millersburg 4641. 12-9-3t*

FOR SALE—Tractor-drawn manure spreader; Farmall Cub, new, with plow and cultivator; Hammer mill. We are receiving more farm equipment each week. Cole Hardware Co., Telephone 101. 12-9-3t-chg

FOR SALE
1942 Plymouth 4-door Sedan, new tires
1941 Chevrolet 4-door Sedan
1942 Chevrolet Pickup Truck
1942 Ford 1½ Ton Truck
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Telephone 318 R
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12-2-4t*

FOR SALE—Two 1946 Jeeps, priced to sell; 1 1948 Jeep with hydraulic lift, 2,000 miles. Dampier's Garage. Telephone 66. 12-9-1t-chg

FOR SALE—Christmas Trees. Priced from 75c to $1.50. Four sizes offered. Call 5411 or see Albert Booth. 12-9-1t*

FOR SALE—50 Locust posts. George L. Gaunce, Carlisle Route 3. 12-9-2t*

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!—Here they are in the Sale of goods that was sadly not sold last Christmas. Would make nice Christmas presents. Also some small household goods. See them on display at J. A. Power, 350 Locust Street. 12-9-2t-chg

NOTICE

NOTICE—If you want well dressed hogs visit Bean Bros. slaughter pen, Henryville, Carlisle, Ky. 12-2-2t*

AUTOMOBILE HEATERS FOR SALE—Several used Automobile heaters, hot water and gasoline. Highest prices for junk batteries, radiators and old automobiles. Wasson's Service Station. Telephone 318 R., Carlisle, Ky. 12-2-4t*

MALE HELP WANTED—Reliable man with car wanted to call on farmers in Nicholas County. Wonderful opportunity. $15 to $20 in a day. No experience or capital required. Permanent. Write today. McNESS COMPANY, Dept. A Freeport, Ill. 12-2-2t*

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CAPABLE MAN to call on over route of Watkins customers in Nicholas County. Full time proposition with unlimited opportunity. Well established Watkins. Earning $50 weekly or more. No money needed. Age, essential traits men between 25 and 55 years considered. Write A. Lewis, Dept. 1-R Watkins Company, Memphis, Tenn. 11-25-3t-chg

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Why market your beef cattle cheap? Wilson Hollow Tobacco Press? When tobacco is pressed it looks 15 longer, handles better, holds moisture, sells for more, breaks less and sells higher. Gateway Tobacco Press sold at Flemingsburg Junction, Telephone 157Ex. Also for sale in Flemingsburg, Ky., 127 West Water Street next door to the American Legion. Home: Mrs. George W. Hurst, Telephone 148, Flemingsburg 12-2-4t*

CARD OF THANKS
We want to take this method of thanking each and every one who was so nice to us during the illness and death of our Father, John Henderson. Especially do we thank the nurses at the local hospital and Dr. T. P. Scott for their untiring efforts. Also the Neighbors, Friends, Flower donors, undertakers, the singers and Brother Gaunce and Brother Haley for conducting the funeral. Mr. and Mrs. William Henderson. 12-9-1t*

"THE TRAIL DUSTERS" will be presented at the Myers School Friday night, December 10, at 7:30 p. m. Admission 20c and 40c. 12-9-1t*

NOTICE
SERVICE FEE for my registered, spotted Poland China boar is $2 cash at gate. L. L. George, Local Hayes Farm, Carlisle, Ky. Telephone 3302. 12-9-1t-chg

IT ISN'T NECESSARY . . . to let Santa Claus carry Christmas piggy bank to have a good wardrobe. Let us dry clean and care for your clothes—put life and sparkle into them for the gala holidays and after, too. Floro Cleaners, Telephone 370, Carlisle, Ky. 12-9-4t-chg

STRAYED—From my farm on the Maysville road, December 1, Black brown and white female beagle hound. Reward for return. Franklin Caswell, Telephone 5124. 12-9-1t-chg

CALL FOR BIDS
The Nicholas County Board of Education will receive bids for a heating system for the Ellisville school according to plans and specifications on file in the office of the Nicholas County Board of Education. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids which must be filed not later than December 17, 1948. (signed) Raymond J. Wesley, Secretary. 12-9-2t-chg

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks to our friends and neighbors for their deeds of kindness after the death of our father, William Preston Stone. We extend our thanks also to the pallbearers, singers and flower donors. The Family. 12-9-1t*

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank my friends and neighbors for helping to save my home threatened by fire Tuesday night. Mrs. Otie Scott. 12-9-1t-chg

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE
AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. REQUIRING LICENSES ON COIN OPERATED MACHINES WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CARLISLE, KENTUCKY.

WHEREAS the State of Kentucky has at its 1948 Session of the Legislature adopted laws providing for the licensing of coin operated machines not otherwise taxed and has established the amount of license fee that can be required by cities of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, therefore,

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARLISLE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS.

That ordinance 5D be, and the same is hereby amended to read that license fee for all coin operated machines, not otherwise illegal, shall be $10.00 per year for each machine.

That all other provisions and conditions of Ordinance 5D be and the same are hereby continued in force and effect as if written in length in words and figures herein.

Adopted December 6, 1948
Approved W. C. Talbert, Mayor
Attested Arthur Mullikin, City Clerk.
12-9-1t-chg

On corn demonstration plots run by Dick Hiestand of Taylor county, the use of 2, 4-D increased corn yields by 16 bushels per acre.

Santa Claus Letters

Carlisle, Kentucky
December 5, 1948

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl about three years old and I have been a good little girl. I would like for you to bring me a Magic skin doll, tricycle and doll buggy. Please bring my little sister a doll, blocks and lots of candy and fruit. We will be good little girls and will be waiting for you.

Love,
Wanda Lee Hamm

P. S. Please bring my Aunt Alma a Betsy-Wetsy Doll.

Barterville, Ky.
December 6, 1948

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy three years old and I have been a good little boy. Please bring me some candy and fruit and a toy gun. Thank you for my station wagon and football.

Your little boy,
Lonnie Gene Wagoner

Ewing, Kentucky
December 6, 1948

Dear Santa,

I would like to see you and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a guitar, a pair of house slippers and a blouse. I also want some candy, nuts and fruits and things, and whatever else you have for me. I want you to remember my little playmates and Dad and Mom, and Grandpa and Grandmas.

Your old pal,
Betty Lee Morris

William Crafton, Hopkins county 4-Her, sold over $1,300 worth of strawberries from one acre, with a profit of more than $900.

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Public Auction

117 ACRES - 117 ACRES

Saturday, December 11

at 10 A. M. On Farm

As agents for Willard Varner we are authorized to sell at public auction his farm consisting of 117 acres of good farm land 3 miles East of Cynthiana and 9-miles West of Carlisle on the Bobtown Pike near Morning Glory.

Improvements consist of good 7-room house, electricity, well at door, good cistern, and all other buildings in good shape. Has a 32x60 combination tobacco and stock barn, 32x48 tobacco barn all in first class condition and under good roofing. The combination barn has electricity in it. This farm is all in grass except six acres under cultivation and that is in small grain. Well watered by veins, ponds and Beaver creek. This farm is located on 2 milk routes, school and mail route.

The tobacco base is 3.4 acres with 7 or 8 acres bottom land. This is known as the old Peterson Farm and is one of the best hill farms that we know of anywhere. All under good fencing.

After selling the farm we will sell the following:

Jersey cow 7 years old, calf in December.
2 Jersey cows 3 year sold, calf in early spring.
Vulcan hillside plow A-1 condition.
2 James Way electric 500 egg incubators good condition.

Other things too numerous to mention.
TERMS: made known day of sale

To Inspect Farm Contact

RENAKER and MAFFETT, Agents
Cynthiana, Ky. Pike St. Phone 196
or
Willard Varner, on farm
W. F. Renaker, Auctioneer

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We have plenty of Candies, Nuts, Fruits, etc.
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NOTICE TO SCHOOL TEACHERS
We Make Special Prices For Quantity Lots

Perfection Flour	25$	$1.65	Domino Sugar	5$	.47
Colonial Flour	25$	$1.79	Coffee Shop Coffee	3$	$1.15
Domo Sugar	10$	.93	Fresh Ground	1$	.40
CIGARETTES carton		$1.65	Smoking Tobacco ctn.		$1.00

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Nicholas 4-H Club Members Average $45.21 At 12th Annual Tobacco Sale

Twenty Nicholas county 4-H club members sold a total of 20,648 pounds of burley tobacco for a $45.21 hundredweight average at the 12th annual 4-H Tobacco Show and Sale sponsored by the Farmers Tobacco Warehouse company, Paris, Saturday.

The averages compiled by County Agent W. T. Straw ranged from $55.67 to $23.51 a hundredweight.

Billy Shrout of Moorefield, placed first with an average of $55.67. Second prize was won by Billy Allen Bowles of Parks with an average of $54.94. Third was Stanley Rose of Myers and his crop averaged $53.43. Jimmie Carter, Myers, with an average of $52.89 placed fourth.

The best ten record books were placed in the following order: Jimmie Carter, Bobby Shrout, Billy Shrout, Theda Bailey, Ronnie Letcher, Faye Letcher, Bruce Ring, Charles Rose, Patsy Crawford and Stanley Rose. The best four crops were awarded cash prizes of $25, $20, $15 and $10 respectively.

The remainder of the crops were given $4 each.

Record book premiums were awarded as follows: $10, 8, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 1, and 1.

A summary of crop averages follows:

Billy Shrout, 1158 pounds, $55.67 average; Bobby Allen Bowles, 742, $54.94; Stanley Rose, 1103, $53.43; Jimmie Carter, 1224, $52.89; Bobby Shrout, 1440, $52.78; Theda Bailey, 1436, $51.75; Homer Clavell, 950, $51.49; Charles Rose, 1296, $50.87; Charles Ring, 1074, $50.10; Ronnie Letcher, 1634, $48.09; Faye Letcher, 1634, $48.09; Leslie Bailey, 612, $44.67; Garner Ritchie, 1010, $42.44; Patsy Crawford, 2040, $41.67; Bruce Hurst, 1336, $42.09; Franklin Clay, 914, $39.37; Jackie Fitcher, 1224, $39.08; Bruce Ring, 1138, $38.91; Franklin Caswell, 2016, $27.31; Billie Fitcher, 632, $23.51.

OWINGSVILLE EDITOR DIES

Haden Jouett Lacy, 56, owner and editor of the Bath County News-Outlook for the past 23 years, died December 8 at his home in Owingsville following a long illness.

A native of Owingsville, he was a son of the late John Jouett and Rosie Hubert Lacy, a pioneer Bath county family. He was formerly associated with Lacy, Coons and Compton in the dry goods business. He was a graduate of Centre College

ESTILL KERNS PLANS SPECIAL ACCOUNTING

Stanley W. Kerns Sr., former president of Estill, for 25 years connected with the Kentucky Utilities company, is now engaged in the business of special accounting, auditing and income tax work and will do business in Lexington, Mt. Sterling and Carlisle.

COUNTY SCHOOL HOLIDAY WILL BEGIN DECEMBER 22

Students of the Nicholas County schools will be dismissed for the Christmas holiday season December 22 and remain on vacation until January 3, Raymond J. Wesley, Nicholas county school superintendent, today announced.

Family Looks Ahead To Electric Service

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Brewer of the Kerce community in Menifee county won't have to hang the milk in the well to keep it cool, nor will they have to chop wood for the cook stove when the REA gets the electric line to their farm home. They already have made plans for the new electric refrigerator and range they expect to buy. To further add to their conveniences, they obtained plans from County Agent Wallace Coffey on installing a water system in their kitchen.

TIME TO TUNE-IN

The Carlisle Mercury program may be heard over the Radio station WLEX, Lexington, at 9:15 a. m. each Tuesday and Thursday. WLEX is 1340 on any radio dial.

8 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT
BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

Local Students Are On Committee Of 240

The University of Kentucky's Committee of 240, a service organization composed of students, sponsored throughout the state, has been organized for 1948-49 by the Department of Public Relations.

Purpose of the organization is to acquaint Kentuckians, particularly high school seniors with the University. Members of the Committee of 240 will contact all state high schools during vacation time and supply interested persons with information about U.K.

This year's committee includes Louise Southard, daughter of Mrs. Mary C. Swinford of Carlisle, and John Atkinson Jr., son of Mr. Atkinson of Carlisle. Both are graduates of Carlisle High school.

Nicholas High Crops Are Averaging $57.36

A total of 21,460 pounds of Nicholas county tobacco averaging $57.36 was included among the high crops reported during the week.

The averages ranged from $63.a $63.6 pounds for 1,260 pounds of dredgeweight on the high Nicholas county crops.

The high crops sold by Nicholas county together with the number of pounds and average per hundredweight follows:

J. W. Domington and Son, 2,976, $63.6; G. C. and R. C. Everett, 1,222, $58.61; J. W. Parker and B. A. Conway, 1,260, $57.95; Mrs. Margaret Day and Orel Day, 2,326, $57.41; Howard Sadie and Wright, 1,654, $57.14; Nelson Frymann, 1,662, $55.56; Carl and Fred Gallup, 1,268, $54.87; Sam Smith and Millard Snapp, 1,260, $54.25 (cross sales for all Bowley tobacco marketed during the second week of auctions amounted to 94,342,470 pounds for an average of $47.99 per hundred.

The Federal State Market News Service reports the volume around 41 million pounds below that of opening week and the general average 5¢ lies.

A reduction in selling time from 5 to 3 hours was responsible for the decreased poundage, while an increase in the number of offerings was attributed to the smaller weekly average. Seven sales were brought to 231,165,366 pounds at $43.31 per hundred.

Comparative average prices for the majority of grades were steady to slightly higher than the average opening week. The changes, however, were mostly $1 per hundred. A few averages showed declines, but these grades were offered in a comparatively small number. Fine fat and fat and good half leg average leveled off at the advance begun last week. Other good and medium grades of this group were $1 to $2 above the opening week, as was also the case for fine and choice fat calves. Low to good offerings and thin nondescript appeared to be in the most consistent demand.

Increased proportions of low quality grades were responsible for the decline in the general average. There were less fair to choice qualities marketed. Although some markets reported the percentage of baskets in unsale order as showing a decrease toward the end of the week, the overall picture showed baskets in this condition still running around five per cent. Sales consisted principally of fair to good leaf and flyings, low and fair lugs and fair tips.

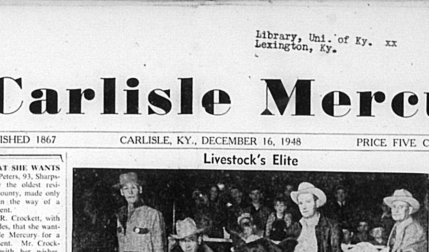
Relative to the Associations were estimated at 10 to 12 per cent of the baskets offered. This estimate is slightly below that of last week. Rejections for resale were observed on numerous occasions this week. These were mostly in form farmers offering baskets in small order. There is no loan value for tobacco in this condition so that cannot be considered in the pool.

The closing date for the holiday period has been set up from December 22 to 21. In making the change it was decided to hold four and one-half hour sales on December 20 and 21 instead of the three hours now observed. The markets will close on December 21 and resume operations on January 10 on a 3 hour sales day per set of buyers schedule.

CHRISTMAS PLAY TODAY

The First and Second grades of the Carlisle City school will present a Christmas play entitled "Santa's Mother Goose Helpers" in at 1:30 p. m. today in the school auditorium.

Livestock's Elite



The elite of livestock aristocracy pose for an official picture after being named grand champions of their species at the opening of the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago. At left is the world champion barrow, who doesn't seem much interested in his title or this picture. With Wilson Brown, of Ames, Iowa, other champions are three testers are from the left, the prize wether lamb, a Hampshire, with L. Fulbright of the University of Wyoming, grand champion steer, an Angus with Cleo Yoest, of Muscatine, Iowa, and the reserve grand champion steer, a Hereford, with Guy Barton, of Van Horn, Texas

No 'Blanket Raises' On Tax Assessments Promised By Reeves

"In keeping with a policy of home rule, the Kentucky Tax Commission will not initiate blanket raises on 1948 assessments," H. Clyde Reeves, Chairman, Kentucky Tax Commission, announced in a speech before a state meeting of County Judges in Louisville.

Notice of this decision was mailed to local county officials by Reeves office on December 10.

"Since becoming Commissioner of Revenue, Reeves has maintained that blanket raises were "stop gap" measures which did not solve the local assessment problem but aggravated assessment inequality and increased the property tax burden.

In his talk before the County Judges Reeves said, "Bad assessments are the worst kind of government. Because some taxpayers pay less than their share, local government and schools need outside help and they have to go to Frankfort or Washington for financial aid."

Reeves said, "No program for improving property assessments could be successful unless the approach and the plan meet with the substantial approval of the taxpayers of the county or city in which the property is located. To secure such approval the taxpayer must be assured that it by equalization total assessments are increased tax rates will be comparatively lowered."

Counties where assessment ratios do not qualify them for state educational equalization funds may receive a three-year period if they wish."

The 1948 legislature increased the gasoline tax from five to seven cents and specified that two-sevenths of the tax must be spent on rural roads.

Commissioner Withers told the group that the new income would be distributed as nearly as possible on the basis now used for the distribution of the annual $5,000,000 rural highway legislative appropriation.

After many conferences and a great deal of work, some 12 different methods of arriving at a fair distribution of the new gasoline tax income were developed. Every county has a right to a fair proportion of this new money. Every section of every county must have proportionate consideration. It is equally true that the overall welfare of the state must be protected in order that the best economic results may be obtained.

"In developing a rural road program the basic fundamentals to be considered included (a) important connecting links in existing roads; (b) school bus routes; (c) rural mail routes; (d) our own traffic counts and the possible increase in traffic after the projected road is developed; (e) population to be served and (f) importance of the road in the state picture.

"The new legislation directed the department to work out this program. It is felt that the Kentucky General Assembly wished an equitable distribution based upon the factors which we have considered. As a consequence of this, and in view of the legislative approval of the existing formula on the present $5,000,000 rural appropriation, we tentatively have adopted the old formula for the new income.

"This arrangement divides one third of the possible income equally among all counties, one third in accord with rural population and one third based upon area. Due to the possible variation in the income as provided in the law we are not suitable to do more than approximate the amount available for each county.

"A fact which should be remembered, and which will directly affect the results obtained is the difference in the dollar value. A road today costs almost twice as much as it did in 1940."

Beauchamp assured the judges, "The road to be built first will be the road that is needed most. The new rural road program requires a basic plan. There are many miles of rural roads urgently needed. Many of these miles serve few communities and will develop more travel after improvement.

"Present high road building prices will make necessary careful study of the program to insure the greatest benefit. We will make minor changes in alignment, eliminate curves, excessive grades, correct drainage. This means fewer rights-of-way to purchase, less location and engineering costs, and the advantage of using the old road base.

"As in the past, we will consult frequently with the county officials and interested road users."

Fellowship Formed By Methodist Men

A fellowship group, the purpose of which is to establish a man's organization within the Carlisle Methodist church, was founded Monday night at a dinner meeting of the church attended by approximately 35 men of the community.

Judge Walter Shepherd, local fellowship leader, presided at the meeting. The following officers were elected by the group:

Judge Shepherd, chairman; Frank Hardesty, vice chairman; Earl Marshall, secretary; R. O. Shroat, treasurer.

Carl Haggard, lay leader of the Kentucky Methodist Conference, was the main speaker at the organization meeting. Mr. Haggard, who was introduced to his audience by Mr. Hardesty, outlined some of the responsibilities the Methodist men must take to make their church a strong link in the chain that Democracy is forging against Communism.

The dinner was served by the Women's Society of Christian Service.

Basketball Bulletin

Results Wednesday
Berry 36, NCHS 30
Game Thursday
MMI at NCHS
Games Friday
NCHS at Lexington Latin
Carlisle at Flemingsburg
Game Saturday
NCHS vs North Middletown at Paris
Game Tuesday
NCHS at Athens

REPRESENTATIVE CANCELS CALL HERE NEXT THURSDAY

Morgan G. Steele, itinerant contact representative of the Veterans Administration, who schedules office hours every Thursday from 8:30 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. in the county court room of the courthouse, has cancelled his call here for December 23 due to business in the Maysville VA office. He will return to Carlisle on December 30 to resume his schedule.

ROTARIANS WILL PETE CHRISTMAS WITH PARTY

Twenty-three boys and girls from the Carlisle City schools will be guests at dinner at the Rotary Club's annual Christmas Party beginning at 12:05 p. m. today at the Masonic hall.

A treat is in store for the youngsters beginning with a turkey dinner after which old Santa Claus will distribute presents among the group. Each of the youngsters will receive a basket of fruit.

A movie will climax the program which is being prepared under the direction of Tommy Johnson.

PARKING METER CHARGE DEFERRED 'TIL DEC. 27

Operation of the recently installed parking meters will be deferred until after the Christmas shopping season has been completed, members of the Carlisle city council today announced.

The parking meters will not be put into operation until Monday, December 27.

INCOME TAX MAN COMING

Collector of Internal Revenue, S. R. Glenn, announces that a deputy from his office will visit Carlisle, January 10 and 11, 1949, for the purpose of assisting farmers in preparing their January 15 declaration or final income tax returns, also taxpayers who would be required to file amended declaration returns or would be privileged to file final returns by January 15.

The Service is free. Collector Glenn urges the taxpayers of this county to use the deputy and let him help them with their income tax problems as there has been several changes in the new Revenue Act.

DIVIDEND DECLARED

Shareholders in the Nicholas County Building and Savings Association will receive a three percent dividend, amounting to approximately $6,000, Saturday, H. K. Veach, secretary of the association, today announced. The dividend was declared Friday, December 10.

KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS

Mrs. C. W. Peters, 93, Sharpsburg, probably the oldest resident of Bath county, made only one request in the way of a Christmas present.

She told J. R. Crockett, with whom she resides, that she wanted The Carlisle Mercury for a Christmas present. Mr. Crockett complied with her wishes, coming in Monday to get the paper signed up for her home.

Mrs. Peters will receive a Christmas Greeting card announcing The Mercury as a gift.

Mrs. Peters, an invalid for 16 years, has been confined to her bed for the past six years.

(Editor's Note: We wish you the Happiest of Christmases, Mrs. Peters).

State Officials Outline Tentative Plan For Distributing Rural Highway Funds

Kentucky county judges meeting in Lounsville last weekend heard state officials discuss a tentative program for distribution of the new rural road revenue accruing from the seven-cents state gasoline tax.

Among those attending the discussion were Nicholas County Judge Walter Shepherd.

Governor Earle C. Clements, Highway Commissioner Garrett B. Withers and Rural Highway Commissioner Emerson Beauchamp met with the judges at the opening session of the annual meeting of the Kentucky County Judges Association. They urged the association to select from its own membership a committee to counsel with the department on expenditure of the new money.

"Kentucky's economic future depends upon a wise and equitable distribution of this new fund," Governor Clements told the judges. "This is not a magisterial district matter and must not be considered except on a one-road-at-a-time basis. The money will be expended only on roads that can truly be called farm-to-market service roads. Counties may suggest a program covering a three-year period if they wish."

The new program provides for a basic plan. There are many miles of rural roads urgently needed. Many of these miles serve few communities and will develop more travel after improvement.

"On all other roads, careful consideration will be given to the present location. We will make minor changes in alignment, eliminate curves, excessive grades, correct drainage. This means fewer rights-of-way to purchase, less location and engineering costs, and the advantage of using the old road base.

"As in the past, we will consult frequently with the county officials and interested road users."

Local Resident's Son Stationed In Tokyo

Recently arriving in Japan to serve with the United States Army in the occupation, Private Chester A. Bretz, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bretz, 320 Chestnut street, has been assigned to "E" Troop, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, U. S. Army.

Pvt. Bretz's new duties will consist of advanced military training, security guard, patrolling and general occupational duties, in the densely populated Tokyo area.

Enlisting for military service in July 1948, Pvt. Bretz received his basic training at Fort Knox.

Pvt. Bretz will be eligible to undergo training in the many varied fields offered by the army by attending the courses of instruction offered under the Army Education Program. He will also be able to pursue his hobbies, specific sport interest or learn new ones.

The 1st Cavalry Division has occupied the Tokyo-Yokohama area of Japan since September 1945 and is commanded by General William C. Chase of Providence, Rhode Island.

Kentucky Will Bar Sale Of Cottontails

Sale of rabbits will be illegal January 1. The price of statewide fishing license also doubles then.

State Game and Fish Director Earl Wallace pointed out today the 1948 General Assembly made these changes, effective at the start of 1949.

The ban on selling rabbits, either at wholesale or retail, he assigned, Wallace explained, to stop commercial hunting and give the cottontail population a chance to increase.

A statewide fishing license will cost $2 a year. Those good only for the county in which the purchaser resides may be bought for $1, the present price charged Kentucklans for licenses good in all counties.

Wallace said the additional income from the increased license fees will be used to improve fishing in the state's streams.

Former Residents Injured In Accident

A 23-year-old colored woman was killed and two other colored persons, both former residents of Nicholas county, were injured early Sunday when their automobile left the road, spun around and overturned against a fence on the Paris road about five miles from Lexington.

The dead woman was identified as Dorothy Stigall, 23, of Stanford. Fayette county officers said she was dead when they arrived at the accident scene.

Oliver Boyd, 35, son of Henry Boyd, Henryville, identified as driver of the car, suffered a back injury. He was admitted to St. Joseph's hospital where his condition is reported as fair.

Courtney Thompson, 44, former resident of the Moorefield section, was released from the hospital after treatment for head cuts and a laceration of the left ear. George Amos, 44, a former resident of the county, and Jennie Robinson, Lexington, the other occupants of the car escaped injury.

A 4-H club member, Ranny Stith, is the Breckinridge county corn derby winner, with a yield of 144 bushels per acre.

Commissioner's First Recapitulation Shows $338,664 Assessment Gain

Total valuation placed on all property, both real and personal, in Nicholas county for tax purposes during the 1948 fiscal year has risen to $10,485,542, the first recapitulation recently completed by Tax Commissioner Walter Hayes Ielrigg shows.

The new recapitulation shows a gain of $338,664 over the final assessed valuation of property in this county for the 1947 fiscal year which was $10,111,681.

The assessment by the tax commissioner shows gains on all items listed with the exception of intangibles and annuities.

Real estate and personal property outside the City of Carlisle which is subject to the levy has been assessed at $7,799,027. The total value of all real estate and personal property in Carlisle is placed at $2,858,493.

Tax Commissioner Hazelrigg announces that his office will be open from January 15 through February 1 for public inspection of the tax books. The assessments will be equalized by the Nicholas County Board of Tax Supervisors beginning with its meetings on the first Monday in February.

The recapitulation has been sent to Frankfort by the tax commissioner to the State Tax Commission for inspection and approval.

The following is the 1948 assessment on all property for county purposes which began with the fiscal year on July 1:

Town lots, $1,022,410; farm land, $6,458,325; household goods, $62,250; autos and trucks, $360,245; other personalty, $327,460; intangibles, $20,397; bank shares, $280,953; manufacturing and farm machinery, $219,415; livestock, $1,093,550; intangibles, $605,340. Grand total $10,450,345.

CITY SCHOOLS TO CLOSE FRIDAY DECEMBER 17

The student body of Carlisle High School will observe Christmas this year in the traditional manner on Friday.

The student Council under the direction of R. L. Davis, superintendent, will provide a Christmas tree and decorate it for the occasion. The choir will present a program of Christmas Carols after which the presents, previously arranged for by the respective classes, will be distributed by members of the Student Council.

The conclusion of the program and festivities will mark the beginning of the holiday which will last until January 3.

CITY, COUNTY COMPLETE CAMPAIGN AGAINST RATS

The Carlisle and Nicholas county rat campaign was completed Saturday. On farms, 35 individuals placed orders for rat bait.

Four hundred pounds of rat bait, containing red squill which is fatal to rodents, was placed throughout the city limits of Carlisle by the Boy Scouts, under the supervision of Boyd Hamilton, scout master.

The following Scouts helped distribute rat bait: Bobby Smith, Jimmie Hamilton, Billy Gilley, Billy Buntin, Charles Harper, Jackie Shepherd, John Allison, Paul Pryor, Billy Jo Hamilton, Billy Smith, Kimball Booth, Frank Cavanaugh, Ronnie King and Eugene Kelly.

LIVESTOCK RECEIPTS

A total of 90 head of livestock were sold Tuesday at the Farmers Stockyards. Receipts and quotations follow:

Hogs—Receipts, 47; Packers, $20.80; mediums, 18.50 to 20; shoats, 23 to 26.50.

Cattle—Receipts, 15; Steers, $18 to 22; heifers, 15 to 20; cows 10 to 16.30; cows and calves, 140 to 187; stock cattle, 60 to 80; bulls, 18 to 21.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 3; ewes 3 and wethers, $24.60.

Calves—Receipts, 25; Top veals, $33.55; medium, 30; heavy top, $30.50.

FRACTURES HIP IN FALL

George C. Rafferty, farmer of the Ellisville community is a patient at St. Joseph hospital, Lexington, where he submitted to surgery Friday night for a hip fracture resulting from a fall at his home.

Postmaster General Urges Early Mailing Of Christmas Gifts

With the normal mail volume at an all-time high, Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson today warned Christmas mailers that unless they mail their Christmas parcels at once and their Christmas cards well in advance of Christmas Day that they face thelikelihood of not having them delivered until after Christmas.

Directing the attention of Christmas mailers to the fact that normal mail volume in the last several months has daily reached the proportions of the peak of the Christmas period a year ago, the Postmaster General said that this year's Christmas mail, added to the present everyday volume, has created the most acute mail congestion and transportation problem in the history of the Postal Service.

Only by the immediate mailing of Christmas parcels, Donaldson said, can the senders be assured that their gifts will arrive prior to Christmas and they will be keeping with the spirit of the holiday season.

The Post Office Department Donaldson pointed out, has been *making preparations for this year's anticipated record Christmas mailings since early last Spring.* He added, however, that only by the wholehearted cooperation of the employing public with this urgent mail early plea of the Postal Service will it be possible to handle this year's unprecedented holiday mailings on time.

While every available means of transportation and extra facilities have been pressed into service, together with the employment of approximately 300,000 temporary employes during the holiday period, Mr. Donaldson emphasized that much of this advance preparation will have been in vain if the mailing public fails to place their Christmas parcels in the mails at once.

Donaldson said that the Post Office Department is relying on the mailing public to do its full part in cooperating in this year's holiday mail problem, the greatest ever to confront the Postal Service.

Conservation Work Must Be Completed With End Of ACP Year

With the end of the 1948 Agricultural Conservation Program just two weeks away (December 31), there is little time left to complete conservation practices under the program for this year, John G. Allison, chairman of the Nicholas County ACP committee, reports.

Allison urges farmers who have not finished their 1948 practices to use the remaining time to complete their conservation jobs. Every bit of conservation work that can be completed will mean that much more soil saved.

Farmers who have completed conservation work are urged to report their projects to the county ACP office. Sales slips, seed tags and other required evidence should be presented.

"This kind of cooperation on the part of farmers will help speed up the work of the county office and insure earlier payment to farmers of the government's share of the cost of approved conservation practices," Allison said.

REALTY TRANSFERS

Millard Dryden and wife to Walter and Lillie Mae Ruark 9 acres on Sibley creek. Stamps $2.20.

HAS 116-YEAR-OLD-PENNY

Spencer Taylor has a collection of copper pennies the oldest of which, slightly larger than a quarter, is 116 years old. The dates on the pennies are: 1832, 1838, 1845 and