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MAKING IT TOUGH GETTING THEM TOGETHER

Twenty and Sixty-three Years Ago

Thursday, April 8, 1943

Stanley Galbraith, Manager of the Kroger store here for the past year, left last week for Cynthiana to take charge of another Kroger grocery. Mr. Galbraith's family will remain in Carlisle until the first of May.

Capt. Womack heads local War Bond drive. The banks will sponsor the campaign.

Mr. J. M. Pitman, who has conducted a jewelry business in the McIntire building on Main street here in Carlisle for a considerable number of years, will move into the room recently vacated by The Youthful Modes Shop, on West Main street in the First National Bank building, in the near future.

The annual rural Spelling Bee was held Saturday afternoon in the city school chapel and was won by Wanda Vice, 13, seventh grade student of the Moorefield school, when she correctly spelled the word "constant." She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Banks Vice.

Married-Miss Margaret Elizabeth Randle of Kings Mountain, N. C. and Lieut. Glenn W. Clay of Myers.

Died-E. K. Rainor, 74, of the Morning Glory neighborhood, last Tuesday afternoon. -Mrs. Laura M. Green, 92, Tuesday, at her home in Barterville. -Samuel Buel Kenton, 80, Wednesday, at the Old Masons Home in Shelbyville.

63 Years Ago
Thursday, April 5, 1900

New clothing and furnishings store of C. C. Cole & Company, opens for business.

City council approves plan of P. P. O'Neill, of Lexington, for sewage system in Carlisle.

Six business houses destroyed at Sharpsburg by fire Monday morning, causing $20,000 damage.

Dr. Charles F. Norton formerly of this county appointed quarantine officer of the state of Texas.

Colonel Boone in Carlisle this week securing options for the right-of-way for the Black Diamond Railroad.

Born-To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kennedy, of Carlisle, on the 2nd, a son. To Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Blount, of near Moorefield, on the first, twins, boy and girl.

Married-Miss Nannie Evans and Mr. H. F. Purcell, both of the county, on the third.-Miss Ola Vice and Mr. Robert Bogus, both of Montgomery, at the Kimbrough House on the fourth.

Died-Mrs. Charles Kerns, at her home in the county on the 1st-Infant of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Marshall at Barterville on the 1st.-Eight months old child of William Galliher near Carlisle on the 3rd.

'A Little Yappin'

By Nellie Crump

Home from Hospital.

Mrs. William Tryman (Celia) who has been ill in the hospital has returned to her home on High street.

Miss Clarabelle Sapp has returned to her home on McCracken street after surgery at the University hospital and is making out on 300 daily calories.

—Yap—

Little Boy Passes Away.

Sincere sympathy is extended by everyone to the Watkins family in the loss of their little son, Kash, who passed away at the Nicholas County hospital. He was the little boy who suffered several months with leukemia.

—Yap—

Signs of Spring.

No telling what the weather will be between now and the time The Mercury is printed, but as of right now it seems that Spring has arrived. At least there are some signs to that effect—One little barefoot child with toes as red as a beet called on me this windy March Friday—Mrs. Esther Boggus is about through housecleaning and Mrs. Oma Wagoner near Blue Licks enjoyed a dinner of wild "greens", March 26. These are the signs!

—Yap—

As Time Moves On.

At the corner of East Main and Eastern Avenue stands one of the largest and most beautiful homes in Carlisle. It is owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Layson (Christine Clark) who purchased it about sixteen years ago. They have not been able to learn much history of the eleven-room brick edifice, altho many of the older citizens of Carlisle know it was there long before 1900 and was built by the father of the late Harry Kennedy (grandfather of Mrs. O. H. Lambert of Chestnut street).

In the entrance hall is an art glass window, jeweled and leaded in the design of a violin in emerald green, ruby red and shades of royal purple to pale pink.

Early in this century fire damaged a portion of the house when the F. B. Henry family lived there. In 1906 it was remodeled by J. H. Templeman who built the present retaining wall the entire length of the lawn on the Moorefield road. Life-size iron deer and lions guarded the main entrance to the house. These were demolished and given to the scrap drive in World War II. Numerous trees that once added charm and beauty to the spacious lawn were examined by forestry experts who expressed belief that they were more than 150 years old then. Many of the trees are now gone. An extra large white dogwood still stands.

Several years ago, a crop of tobacco was grown on the front lawn. That is only history now that the Laysons have made the entire scene a thing of rare beauty.

In Nicholas county many years ago there was a brick kiln at Muncerville on the East Union road. It was owned and operated by the George family and it is reasonably supposed that the bricks in the lovely Layson home were made right here less than a mile from town.

Had you any idea such an interesting home as this is in Carlisle? Sincerest thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Layson who so graciously gave permission for this article to appear in this column.

Yaps—All . . .

LETTERS TO EDITOR MUST BE SIGNED

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Names of writers will be withheld from publication, if specific request is made that this be done.

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FARM & HOME

Here are some pointers on fertilizing alfalfa fields: Most alfalfa fields in Nicholas county need an annual application of phosphate and potash. This fertilizer application can be made almost any time during the year.

If an alfalfa field did NOT get any fertilizer last fall or winter, a good time to do it is after FIRST spring harvest. George Corder, U. K. Extension Service soils specialist, says that most alfalfa crops now have quite a bit of growth and fertilization may not be best.

If phosphate and potash are needed, an application of 60 pounds of phosphate and 120 pounds of potash are recommended. No nitrogen should be put on. Six hundred pounds an acre of an 0-1-20 fertilizer (o equivalent) will do the job. Corder also recommends applying 15 to 20 pounds of borax an acre annually to alfalfa fields; this borax can be put on separately or in borated fertilizer.

Soil tests will decide the nutrient and limestone needs. Soil tests are urged because some fields will need phosphate only, others potash only, some both phosphorus and potash, while a few fields will NOT need either one.

Early April is also the time to seed new alfalfa. Be sure the required amounts of lime, phosphate and potash are added to meet the crop needs. If any of these are short, the alfalfa will soon die out.

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Mrs. Edgar Scott, chairman of the talent program, announces the winners:

The East Union Homemakers Talent Program with their skit "Honest Beulah". The Ellisville Homemakers placed second with their skit "The Weather Report" and the Carlisle West Club placed third with the "Widder Bud". The Miranda Club received the prize for selling the most tickets. Mrs. Bobby Webb, Mrs. Carl Wills and Mrs. James Brady won the door prizes of homemade candy.

District Meeting

Spring District Meeting Time is here for Homemakers Club members throughout Kentucky. Nicholas County Homemakers are preparing for the Central Bluegrass District Federation Meeting, to be held April 10 at John L. Hill Chapel, Georgetown College starting at 10 a.m.

Theme of the day's program will be "Our Role in World Citizenship," according to Mrs. Hanson Ellington, president of the Nicholas County homemakers organization.

Mrs. Carl Evans, Ballard County, immediate past president of the Kentucky Federation of Homemakers, will be the featured speaker. In keeping with the program theme, her topic will be "World Citizenship in Action". She will report on the highlights of the Associated Country Women of the World Meeting in Australia, at which she represented the Kentucky Homemakers group last fall. Mrs. Evans' talk is scheduled on the afternoon program.

Other speakers will include Dr. Viola K. Hansen, Chairman of Home Economics Extension Programs at the University of Kentucky; and Mrs. Harry J. Braun, Campbell county, president of the Kentucky Federation of Homemakers; Mrs. Dan Schweickart; Bracken county, vice president of the Kentucky Federation of Homemakers; Mrs. Robert Wood, Fayette county, secretary of the Kentucky Federation of Homemakers; Mrs. Burl St. Clair, Grayson county, treasurer of the Kentucky Federation of Homemakers. Dr. Hansen's talk, "Open the Door", will concern the importance of continued education for women and of the encouragement of young people to stay in school. Mrs. Braun, Mrs. Schweickart, Mrs. Woods, Mrs. St. Clair will discuss "Your Federation" stressing the importance of good organization, well-trained leaders, and contact with new audiences in county programs.

District director, Mrs. Phillip Harrison, Harrison county, will preside at the meeting. Reports on federation activities of homemakers clubs in the district will be given by district membership, reading, citizenship, publicity, and music chairmen.

LETTER TO EDITOR

March 25, 1963
Carlisle, Ky.

The Carlisle Mercury
Carlisle, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Editor:

The Nicholas County Heart Fund Committee wishes to express our appreciation for the fine coverage given by The Mercury in our recent drive.

Also we wish to thank the Junior Woman's Club, Community Chairmen, solicitors on each individual road and anyone who contributed or aided the drive in any way.

Proceeds from the 1963 Heart Fund Drive amount to $835.71.

Sincerely,
Nicholas County
Heart Fund 1963
Charles K. Watkins
Chairman

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BUFFALO TRACINGS

Delayed

Taking the finish off a piece of furniture isn't the most fun in the world, but books at the Nicholas County Memorial Library have helpful suggestions which will make your job a lot easier.

The dozen or more manuals on furniture repairing and refinishing at the library are continually in demand, with interest especially heavy during the house-cleaning months. Many of the books have step by step illustrations which show you how to save time, eliminate extra work, and do a first class job.

A recent manual on furniture finishing or refinishing is "How to finish or Refinish Your Furniture". It gives easy-to-follow directions for removing old finish from furniture, dealing with dents, replacing a piece of veneer, and receipes for making your own finishing coat.

Antique furniture repairs, and refinishing is covered in Moreton Marsh's "Easy Expert in Collecting and Restoring American Antiques". Mechanix Illustrated's "How to Refinish Furniture", gives a graphic description of finishing new furniture, remodeling old furniture, applying unusual finishes, and many other tips on furniture restoration.

Other helpful titles are "Upholstery in the Home", a book about creating, repairing, and remodeling upholstered furnishings, and "How to Upholster Furniture". Still another is "The Complete Book of Wood Finishing".

After refinishing old pieces, go to the Library For "American Folk Art", by Ellen Sabine, a book which shows how you can decorate trays, canisters, chairs, boxes, coffee pots, chests and other ordinary household articles with old decorative patterns by American craftsmen. This book of American decorative painting will be a source of inspiration and delight not only to homeowners, but to decorators artists and craftsmen and everyone interested in our American cultural heritage.

Plan In Advance For Home Garden

LEXINGTON, KY.—Good "arm chair gardening"—making a good garden plan before the gardening season actually begins—can assure you of a successful home vegetable garden this year, according to Hubert W. Davis, UK Extension vegetable specialist. A well-planned garden will provide a steady and balanced supply of vegetables throughout the growing season as well as enough vegetables for freezing, canning, and storing.

Make a detailed plan—on paper—and then follow it when gardening season begins, Davis recommends.

Plan your garden to supply vegetables to meet your family's nutritional needs. Helpful information on yearly vegetable needs can be found in the "Canning, Freezing, and Storage Budget and Record Card" available at your county Extension office.

Plan for at least 15 different kinds of vegetables in your garden, he suggests. The basic vegetables for a home garden usually are beans, beets, cabbage, carrots, sweet corn, kale lettuce, mustard, onions, peas, peppers, potatoes, radishes, tomatoes, and turnips.

Of course, you'll want to consider family preferences.

Draw a scale map of the garden. If space is available, allow 1/20 acre (2,000 square feet) per person in the family for the garden. Locate the rows; figure out row spacings and length. Include kinds and varieties of vegetables and when to plant each. Plan for a continuous harvest throughout the growing season.

If possible, group together tall-growing crops, short-season crops, and crops of the same vegetable families for easier cultivation, insect and disease control. Be sure to rotate vegetable families to different areas of the garden each year.

Make a list of the seeds and transplants needed and order early while high-quality seeds are available. Locally-grown transplants are better than shipped plants, Davis concludes.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Note: Questions for this column should be directed to: "Questions" Social Security Administration District Office, 950 Winchester Road, Lexington, Kentucky.

Question: Several of my friends have had difficulty proving their age when they applied for Social Security. What should I do in this regard before I reach retirement age?

Answer: Obtaining an old, reliable record of your age ahead of time will often speed up the arrival of your first check by several weeks.

Question: I have operated a business for several years and will be 65 in March. When can I file and what evidence do I need when I file a claim for Social Security?

Answer: You can file your claim as early as January if you prefer. Usually you will need only a copy of your Federal income tax return for the previous year, along with some document showing your age.

Question: I will be 65 next year, and my company will be retiring me. What should I do in advance of filing for my benefits?

Answer: If you have not done so, we advise you to call at our office to check your earnings record. If there are any errors, they can be corrected before you retire.

Q—Does the VA handle state veteran bonus payments?

A—Bonus payments by states are purely matters concerning the state issuing the bonus. The VA is completely outside this activity.

For additional information contact the Veterans Administration regional office, 1405 West Broadway, Louisville 1, Ky.

Q—Can a veteran buy a home in a foreign country with a GI loan guaranteed by the VA?

A—The VA has no GI loan program in any foreign country.

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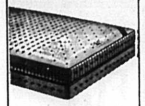

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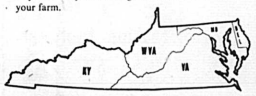

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I'll also write your newspaper editor or serve on the school board in your place.

In fact, I'll do anything you're too tired, too preoccupied, or too afraid to do. With me around you can be as lazy and as self-satisfied as you like.

Or you can just have fun and let the future be hanged. The more the merrier, I always say.

My services are available to you for all the tedious, time-consuming things which you'd rather duck doing.

You haven't time to vote, so let George do it. And certainly you don't want to bother with all those messy precinct meetings that pick people and get out the vote. George will be glad to take over for you.

There is certainly no need for you to concern yourself with attending union meetings or helping shape policy. Or business meetings. You don't want to bother with all those committee assignments and extra responsibilities. You let old George tend to them.

And you certainly don't want to take a stand on anything controversial. It might slow down your social climbing or lose you a five-cent sale. Let George do those things.

Now, you ask, why should you leave important jobs to somebody you've never met?

Well, that's a reasonable question, so let me put your mind at ease. I'm no beginner. Maybe I'm not as famous as Khrushchev, but if it hadn't been for me you'd never have heard of him.

And that goes for Mussolini and Stalin and Hitler, too. I made those guys. While the others were saying it couldn't happen, I was busy making it happen.

And the big time racketeers in the United States ... and those that pull the strings behind the scenes to make things work the way they want them to work. You name 'em. Without me those guys would be nothin'.

Why do I want to run errands for you when I'm the guy who is really behind all these big wheels? Don't you see, I just get a kick out of picking presidents, school boards, running unions, and establishments, and countries.

All these things you used to do before you took up chasing dollars, and total security, and golf balls, and things.

Don't feel like you're imposing. I'm glad to be of service. In helping you, I'm really helping myself, you see.

How do you think I was able to take over and run the third of the world already? Because nobody else wanted to bother. Oh, a few did, of course, but it was easy to name-call 'em back into oblivion and get the "leaders" to listen to me instead. After all, who picked the leaders? Since you didn't want to bother and said, "Let George do it," ... I did.

Now I'm taking over in a lot more cities and counties in the United States, and I figure it's just a matter of time until I'll have the whole country in my pocket.

I want to thank you for making this possible. Remember now, if there is ever any way in which I can be of help, I'm at your service. You just have fun and don't worry about a thing ... for I'll even do your worrying, too.

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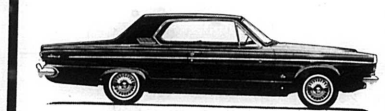

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