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BGI Purchases Cynthia Property For Expansion

On November 14, Blue Grass Industries, a Kentucky corporation, purchased the former Cynthia Mill property for expansion purposes. This as Blue Grass Industries of Cynthia and it will begin operation shortly after the first of the year. It will manufacture several well-known name brands of men's undergarments which are distributed throughout the United States as well as in 28 foreign countries.

The wage scale at Blue Grass Industries is above average for the apparel industry and for the most part is on a piece rate basis. All piece rates have been carefully and fairly set by the industrial engineering staff. Both the facilities and equipment are the best to be found in the apparel manufacturing industry. President of Blue Grass Industries, Inc. is Wayne Shumate who was Kentucky's first member of the internationally affiliated Young President's Organization. Executive Vice-President is Cliff St. Shumate, Carrie Shumate is Secretary and Robert St. Shumate is Treasurer. The new plant is located in Carlisle, Paris, and Mt. Sterling. Blue Grass Industries is a privately owned company. It is the most important product in the state. It is a public-line during its celebration of the past four years. Following a change in organizational set up in 1964, the company's total personnel has jumped from 364 to better than 1800.

Williams Accorded Bronze Star In Vietnam Action



On April 17, 1968, the company began operations in Carlisle in a remodeled garage with 12 employees. In 1969 a modern 80,000 sq. ft. plant was built and a little over 700 people are now employed in this location. In 1955 a small manufacturing unit was begun in Mt. Sterling, now 52,000 sq. ft. facility was built in 1966 and it became the first electric industry in Kentucky. Its personnel numbers more than 500. Blue Grass Knitting was incorporated in 1965 and a 72,000 sq. ft. plant was built adjacent to the Carlisle operation which manufactures fabric. It furnishes fabric for all products and it now employs approximately 90 people.

BGK Expansion To Cost City \$1,250,000; 'Letter Of Intent' Given Corp.

City Council passed a motion by Dan Rich to give Blue Grass Knitting a "letter of intent" to sell in the additional water needed for its new expansion facility at the \$1,250,000 cost of applying it can be financed. Most of the cost meeting Tuesday night was spent reviewing a report by Bill Moore, engineer for Howard K. Beil, Consulting Engineers, Inc. of Lexington. The report was concerned with the 500,000 gallons a day of water that Blue Grass Knitting's expansion would require by 1970. Additional gas will be needed also. Moore stated that applying of \$50,000 to replace 2 inch line with 4 inch pipe would be the requirement as soon as possible.

Community Thanksgiving Plans

The Community Thanksgiving Service sponsored by the Nicholas County Jaycee Little League

Baker Named Bank Agricultural Chairman

Kentucky banks were providing farmers with a variety of services at the beginning of this year. According to Emerson Baker, Cashier, First National Bank who represents the Kentucky Bankers Association in Nicholas County, the banks maintained their leadership in agricultural credit services. Baker is chairman of the Agricultural Credit Committee of the state.

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Rabbit, Quail Season Open In State Today

The major phase of Kentucky's hunting season—that for rabbit and quail—will open today (Thursday) morning, November 21. It will continue uninterrupted through January 31 with provisions for quail and for rabbit from Sept. 1 to Oct. 31.

New Plastic Burley Tobacco Cards Mailed

The new Burley tobacco marketing cards have just been mailed to producers, according to Harvey Wagner, Chairman of the Nicholas County ASC Committee.

The new plastic card—resembling a commercial credit card—is being used for the first time this year. It's part of a change-over to an automated system for recording sales under USDA's marketing quota and price support program. The new card replaces the marketing card used in the past.



Bluejackets of the Nicholas County Jaycee Little League. From left to right: Coach, Jim Smith; Coach, Wallace Lewis; Coach, Robert Harper III; Coach, Gregory Letcher; Coach, Mark Hughes; Coach, Jim Hunt; Coach, Smith; Coach, Billy Durrell; Coach, Ronald Johnson; Coach, Robert J. Carter.

Extension Service Consumers Information Week

The University of Kentucky through the Cooperative Extension Service is sponsoring a Consumers Information Week, Nov. 22-28.

Jaycee Turkey Party

The Carlisle Jaycee's annual Turkey Party will be held at the Carlisle High School gymnasium on Friday, Nov. 22, 5:00-8:00 p.m.



Wrestling team of the Nicholas County High School. From left to right: Coach, James O. Sherratt; Coach, David L. Hays; Coach, James O. Sherratt; Coach, David L. Hays; Coach, James O. Sherratt; Coach, David L. Hays.

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