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'70 Feed Grain Program Listed

Producers in Nicholas County will receive notice of their feed grain base in January, according to Harvey Waggoner, Chairman of the Nicholas County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee.

Sign-up period for the voluntary farm program—including wheat and cotton programs—will be from Feb. 2 through Mar. 20.

The 1970 feed grain program will be much like the 1969 program, the ASC committee chairman said. Provisions of the 1970 wheat and cotton programs were announced earlier. Mr. Waggoner gave the following details on the feed grain program:

1. Acreage diversion and diversion payments. Acreage diversion at 20 percent of minimum diversion base acreage will be required for program participation. Payment will be made for each first 20 percent diversion, except for small farms.

Payments will be made for additional diversion of corn, grain sorghum, and barley. Maximum acreage that can be diverted for payment will be the larger base or 25 acres less the qualifying 20 percent diversion. Payment will be based on 40 percent of the total county rate on support (does plus support) payment the times a farm's projected yield of crops involved, but advance diversion payments will be made.

Upper limits will be established on the per bushel rate which will be paid for the additional voluntary diversion of feed grain acre. The maximum payments will be for corn, 60 cents per bushel; for grain sorghum, 50 cents per bushel; for barley, 45 cents per bushel.

2. Price support loans and payments. National average price support base rates on all feed grains will be the same as in 1969, however, corn loan rates, while unchanged, will be at \$1.02 per bushel, "no. 2" basis, which is equal to the 1969 level of \$1.05 for average quality.

The National average loan levels of the other feed grains will be: grain sorghum, \$1.01 per hundredweight; barley, 83 cents per hundred weight; oats, 53 cents per bushel; rye, \$1.02 per bushel. Price support is required by law for oats and rye, but there are no provisions for acreage limitations.

Price support payment rates will be: corn, 30 cents per bushel; grain sorghum, 33 cents per hundred weight; barley, 20 cents per bushel. Price support payment for a farm is arrived at by multiplying the per bushel price support payment times the farm's projected yield times the smaller of the planned acreage or 50 percent of the farm's feed grain base.

3. Small farm provisions. A farm with a feed grain base of 25 acres or less will file to qualify for payment on the first 20 percent of its diverted acreage, with the payment rate based on 20 percent of the total county support rate times projected yield. For the remaining diverted acreage on small farms the diversion payment will be based on the 40 percent payment rate, subject to the maximum limitation.

Producers with feed grain acre up to 125 acres will have the option of temporarily reducing their base to 25 acres to become eligible for the small farm provisions. In order to qualify, grain sorghum, or barley is to be planted on the farm and the acreage on temporary 25 acre feed grain base must be in compliance with the program provisions.

4. Other program provisions. Sorghum loans will not be extended. Barley will not earn price support payments. Making barley will not extend from diversion requirements in 1970 to meet needs. Provisions relating to wheat and feed grain acreage will continue as in previous years. Announcement will be made prior to sign-up time on production of wheat and crop of diverted acre.

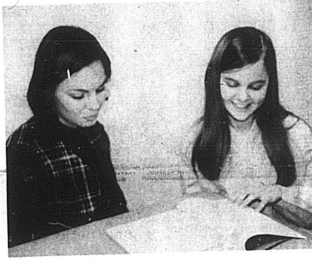
City Clerk-Treasurer Chanslor Has Government Background

John Robert Chanslor, Carlisle's newly appointed City Clerk-Treasurer, is a member of the Methodist Church. He is also a veteran of World War II and a member of the American Legion.

After being honorable discharge from the service, Chanslor was District Supervisor and Chief Manager with the U.S. Department of Agriculture for 18 1/2 years. Previous to that service, he spent two and one-half years with the American Tobacco Co.



4-H RECORD TRAINING SCHOOL, reviewing their 4-H project records. Mary Cochran, (2nd row) leader Patsy Webb, Gary Gray, Jackie Alexander and leader Mrs. J. W. Herzin are pictured. Beverly Herzin and Karen Watkins.



SCIENCE PROJECT CHAMPIONS MARATHA COCHRAN AND RAGINA MATTOX discuss 4-H project record change for age judging during the 4-H record training period. Senior champions not in attendance are Eddie Ellington, Cheryl Herzin, Mary Platt, and Ricky Gates.

\$113,000 RISE In Local Pension Checks

What will the new social security legislation, liberalizing pension rates, do for residents of Nicholas County? How much will they be receiving from Washington per year? What will the average payment be, compared with what it was last year?

It is estimated that the change in retirement benefits, approved last month by Congress, will add approximately \$113,000 a year to the amount that local residents have been collecting from the Social Security Administration.

The estimate is based upon data statistics for the county, released by the Social Security Administration. They show the number of retired and disabled workers, as well as dependent relatives, on the pension rolls, and the amounts paid them.

All of them will be aided by the legislation. Those who have been getting no more than \$604 a year, the minimum, now get \$750. The ones who were receiving \$1,320 a year will go to \$1,518. Those who have been at the \$2,100 level will now collect \$2,415.

What is the most that is paid? Under the new schedule, a worker who has just retired at age 65 and has had maximum taxable earnings will now receive \$2,778 a year if single and married and one.

Band Boosters To Meet Monday

The Nicholas County Band Boosters will hold their regular meeting Monday, Feb. 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the band room.

Named To Press Executive Board

Warren R. Fisher, publisher of the Carlisle Mercury, was named "at large" to the Executive Board of the Kentucky Press Association at its annual Mid-Winter meeting held Jan. 22 thru 24 at the Phoenix Hotel, Lexington.

Mr. Fisher serves as president of Kentucky Press Association and served on the Executive Board for eight years representing the 7th District.

1970 ACP Program Begins Feb. 2

Now is the time for Nicholas County farmers to make requests for cost-sharing in carrying out needed conservation practices on their farms in 1970.

Approval of the 1970 County Agricultural Conservation Program has been received in the ASCS Office and the County Committee, who administers the program urges all farmers to file their requests before work is begun.

As in the past the program includes establishment of permanent vegetative seeding, controlling ponds, diversion ditches, underground drainage systems; controlling competitive shrubs and spraying limonene on pasture land and/or hay fields.

Emphasis is placed on new personnel and the office personnel will be kept to explain the program and how it can help the farmer.

Stop at your local ASCS Office now during initial sign-up period Feb. 2 through Feb. 27. Requests must be made before practices are started.

Sen. Palmer's Bill Would Prohibit Misuse Of DDT

Frankfort.—Sen. Wilson D. Palmer, D-Cynthiana, introduced a bill in the Senate that would prohibit the indiscriminate use of DDT.

Senator Palmer would prohibit the use of DDT and its compounds except for the control of household pests under an amendment to KRS 217.540.

The bill would permit the director of the Agriculture Experiment Station to authorize the use of DDT for other purposes if there is no safe substitute.

He cited numerous examples of destruction of fish and wildlife as a result of the misuse of DDT as reason for the bill. Sen. Palmer said the public should be fully aware of the hazards of DDT.

4 H TV Science Series

What causes thunder? How does a sundial work? Do animals have hollow bones? How do you make a fire extinguisher?

Boys and girls, you can learn the answers to these and many other questions by joining the 4-H Science Clubs. You can have fun with your friends while you are finding out many facts about science, says Sara Swargo, County Extension Agent.

The 4-H TV Science Club centers are around a program that is being shown on Lexington, W.K.L.E. Channel 46. In the series, 4-H members, along with club leader Jim Culver, study 10 different areas of science and do experiments connected with each area.

The first program in the series was scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 13, at 6:00 and the other programs will be shown on the series following Tuesdays. Although the series is planned especially for 4th, 5th and 6th graders, any young person age 9 to 19 may join.

As a member of the 4-H TV Science Club, you'll receive a book telling you how to do the experiments and to make some of the equipment. This book also suggests some other projects that you receive a 4-H membership card.

Two schools in Nicholas County are taking part in the 4-H TV Science program. They are Moore Elementary School and Carlisle Elementary School. 4th graders in these schools will receive the program and try the experiments and projects as part of their science studies.

Boys and girls who are not in these classes can join the club by contacting the Nicholas County Extension Office. There is no membership fee.



PLENTY OF WATER IS SHOOTING ACROSS THIS BLAZE.—That is thought to have resulted from a defective line in the front part of the building. An alarm turned in at approximately 2 p.m. Tuesday was answered by both City and County fire units, the City truck going to the McCarty home where a fire was being fought. A house to the right of the fire in the left part of the picture got under control from the McCarty home. Fire Chief Woodrow Wilson stated he answered his fire phone but was unable to sound an alarm due to a malfunction of the strage system. He added he called the Police station in an attempt to have them report the fire, but no one was there. Finally the alarm blaze was fed by oil from a 150 gallon tank, the edge of which had blown above the County unit returned to the scene to assist a fire reported as a City fire drill.—Mercury photo

Interest Is Shown By Farmers In Cucumber Crop For County

Much interest in cucumber production was shown by Nicholas County Farmers at a meeting in the courthouse last Thursday night. Jack Davis, Hamilton, specialist from the University of Kentucky, discussed the program and pointed out the kind of land required, labor needed and expected returns. William Hurt, from the Hirsch Bros. Co. of Louisville, said his company would set up a receiving station in the county providing approximately 40 acres of cucumbers were grown.

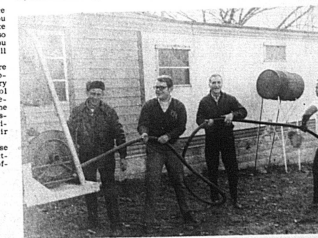
Those farmers and their wives present at the meeting indicated their interest and wanted to set up another meeting to learn more about the project. A part of material is available at the Extension Office. More growers will be needed in order to establish a receiving station. Any interested persons should contact the Extension Office at once. The next meeting has been set for Thursday night, Feb. 19, at the courthouse.

Station Named District Manager For Census

Appointment of John Staton of Lexington, as District Manager of the 1970 Census of Population and Housing in this area was announced today by District Director Robert A. Terkey of the Census Bureau's Regional Office in Detroit.

From the District Office located at 190 North Upper St. in Lexington, Mr. Staton will supervise all phases of the census in the following counties: Boone, Boyle, Bracken, Carroll, Clark, Grant, Harrison, Henry, Jessamine, Madison, Marion, Mercer, Montgomery, Nicholas, Oldham, Owen, Pendleton, Powell, Robertson, Scott, Shelby, Trimble, and Woodford.

On Jan. 28, following several days of intensive training in the Regional Office, Mr. Staton will be in the Regional Office.



"THE WORST PART OF THE JOB"—At least that's the exclamation by Frankie Hughes, third from left, as the others pitch in to help cool down the County fire truck, following its use at the McCarty fire in Henryville Tuesday afternoon.—Mercury photo