

John Fitzwater Named Emberton Press Secretary

John W. Fitzwater, 31, will serve as Press Secretary to Tom Emberton, Nominee for Governor in the November General Election, it was announced today.

Fitzwater, a native of Louisville, is a past President of the Kentucky Jaycees and a former Director of Administration for the United States Jaycees.

In making the announcement Emberton said, "We are most pleased to have a man of John Fitzwater's experience and ability associated with the campaign. He has worked in various areas of Press and Public Relations and brings a strong professional background into the campaign," Emberton said.

"I am glad to be associated with Tom Emberton," Fitzwater said. "He offers the people of our state strong leadership and programs that will best serve all Kentuckians."

Named one of Kentucky's "Three Outstanding Young Men" in 1970, he served as Press Secretary for Bert T. Combs during the 1971 Primary Campaign, and is a former Vice-President of a Louisville Public Relations Firm.

In 1969, Fitzwater was selected to represent 14 of the Nation's Civic and Service Organizations on a three month assignment in Washington during the formation of a National Office of Voluntary Action. Later that year he was one of 22 National Civic Leaders invited to tour South Viet Nam under the sponsorship of Freedom's Foundation.

He was a Founding Member and First Vice-President of the Pul-

League Action

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2; Athletics won 5, lost 3; Clubs won 3, lost 4; Flyers won 3, lost 4; Dodgers won 4, lost 5; Red Legs won 3, lost 5.

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58.3% In Nicholas Co Are Home Owners

(Special to the Mercury)

NEW YORK, June 19. Compared with some sections of the country, home ownership in Nicholas County is at a high level.

According to the latest official figures, the proportion of local families that own the homes in which they live is relatively large.

The findings are based upon an analysis of reports released by the Department of Commerce, based upon data gathered during the recent Census of Housing.

It shows that no less than 58.3% of all dwelling units in Nicholas County are now owned by their occupants.

Most of the upward trend in home ownership took place in the eight years or so prior to 1968, when there was little unemployment, when incomes were moving higher and when the availability of mortgage money at favorable rates made it possible for many families to attain their goal—a home of their own.

The figures for the local area show a total of 2,400 year-round dwelling units, of which 1,399 are owner-occupied.

Nationally, the number of home owners rose 7.1 million in the 10 year period, going from 32.8 mil-

lion to 39.9 million, the Department of Commerce Reports.

However, because of the increase in population during those years, the percentage of families in the United States who were living in their own homes was only slightly higher in 1970 than it was in 1960.

Although there has been much trading up in recent years, with people selling their homes to buy bigger and better ones, there has also been much money spent on improving the older alterations, through extensions, and repairs.

During the past year alone, owners spent \$14.8 billion on such upkeep and improvement, the government's figures show.

Because of inflation and the decline in housing construction in recent years, home values have been zooming in most areas.

In Nicholas County, on the basis of the median prices asked for local homes, \$10,400, the total value of owner-occupied property came to approximately \$14,500,000 far above what it was in 1960, when the median value was only \$6,800.

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OBITUARIES

LOVELL SHAW
Lovell Shaw, 61, died at 11 a.m. Monday, July 5, 1971 at the Nicholas County Hospital after a two-day illness. He was a native of Nicholas County and a member of the Cassidy Creek United Methodist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Nancy Frederick Shaw; two daughters, Mrs. Willis m Letcher, Clarksville, Ind., and Mrs. Phil Willock, Nicholas County; one son, Charles Shaw, USAF Keesler Field Biloxi, Mississippi; four sisters,

Mrs. Chester Collins, Paris, Mrs. Agnes McBea and Mrs. Elbert Hart, both of Cynthiana, and Mrs. Laura Bell Maybrier, Cincinnati; one brother, Robert Shaw, Cynthiana; five grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Mothers' Shanty Chapel conducted by Rev. Gaylord Gilliland. Burial in Carlisle Cemetery. Pallbearers: Fred Hollar, James Gausco, Paul Smoot, Edgar Allen Darrell, Harold Letton, Iva Davis. Honorary pallbearers: Official Board of the Cassidy Creek United Methodist Church.

My Neighbors



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wire walking to putting on a beauty contest.

There will be buckets of bulbs for members, valuable door prizes and a free bicycle for some lucky boy and girl.

The business session will consist of the election of two directors, an audio-visual presentation of the year's activities by C. J. Ross, Manager, and other matters pertaining to the cooperative.

All members, their families and friends are invited to attend the meeting which will be held on the RECC grounds at Flemingsburg.

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