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Sewing project

Several members of the annual knitting class held by the Extension service show the variety of articles made. They are Mrs. Charles Wilson, Mrs. Michael

Quinn, Miss Lavina McFarland, Mrs. Roland Boyd, Mrs. Keith Bell and Mrs. Burel Workman—Mercury photo.

Extension service projects completed

The annual knitting class, sponsored by the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, has ended. 29 of the 28 individuals enrolled attended regularly. The class participants knitted 17 pair television slippers, 19 sweaters, four afghans, two ponchos, one scarf, two pair mittens, one child's jumper and one skirt. The estimated value of the items knitted was \$232. The value of the fellowship, the friendships formed and the skill developed is unmeasurable.

Those attending were: Miss Lavina McFarland, Mrs. Margie H. Wilson, Mrs. Michael Quinn, Mrs.

W.J. Clark, Mrs. Sue Bell, Mrs. John Krause, Mrs. Kenneth Stephenson, Mrs. Hanson Ellington.

Mrs. Paul Vinson, Mrs. Burel Workman, Mrs. Roland Boyd, Mrs. Mattie K. Guthrie, Mrs. Jewell Berry, Mrs. Babbie Shopp.

Mrs. Allie Clinkenbeard, Miss Becky Bustin, Shirley Mitchell, Mrs. Janette Goodell, Mrs. Pansy S. Hughes, Mrs. J.W. Crump, and Mrs. Francis Watson. Mrs. Allie Clinkenbeard taught those present how to do the broomstick lace. As a result, 10 items valued at \$10 each were completed during the knitting workshop.

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alghan. This project proceeded faster than the knitting and the ladies who participated received a lot of satisfaction in making the vests.

Seven of the women enrolled in knitting attended the bead making lesson last spring. These women have created 54 strands of beads valued at \$270.

Harpin lace has been a project for some homemakers this fall. Three afghans and three shawls have been completed by Lavina McFarland, Mrs. Robbin Day, Mrs. Harvey Wilson, Mrs. Raymond Fryman, Mrs. J.R. Hamilton and Mrs. John Clinkenbeard.

Bath crushes Jackets

by Pat Conley

Joy Boyd and his Bath County Wildcats, ranked as high as 15th in the state by some polls, led Bill Anderson and his Bluejackets shaking their heads after last Friday night's massacre, and perhaps wondering why the number two or one spot has eluded the Cats. Bath County whipped the Jackets unmercifully 98-35.

Boyd and company whipped the Jackets decisively in every phase of the game. Nicholas led at the outset of the contest 10, as Gerald Hutton popped in a ten-footer on the run. Bath answered with four straight field goals and it became obvious that Bath would never trail again. With 1:47 left in the quarter the Cats were up 24 and had made it look easy getting there.

With Gary Boyd sparking the Cats offensively and defensively with Larry Butcher intimidating underneath and with all-star Joy Boyd looking super-impressively awesome all over the court, Bath had little trouble in racing to a 34-13 first half advantage. Offensively the Jackets coughed up three field goals and 11 turnovers in the first half.

The second half brought more of the

same. Bath's front line of Joy Boyd, Jim Swartz, and Larry Butcher, which averages 77, absolutely could not be stopped. If their shots didn't fall, Bath relied on incredible quickness and/or sheer muscle until the ball dropped through.

The rout became more and more staggering with each passing minute of playing time and Wildcat Coach Julian Cunningham said the Jackets were margining to 50, 72-22, to end the third quarter.

Cunningham used a pressing defense all the way into the final quarter and used his best men to employ it. Butcher was the last starter to leave the game, exiting with only two minutes left, after playing the whole contest without a rest. Joy Boyd sat out a grand total of five minutes.

With substitutes seeing limited action in the very late going, Bath held on to romp, 98-35.

Because Nicholas County was so

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Jaycees serve community

The Jaycees is a young man's organization for men from 18 through 35 who strive to be of service to their community and the nation as a whole. Many humanitarian projects are carried on each year by the Jaycees here in the United States and some 65 countries overseas.

The local chapter has participated in many worthwhile projects in the last year. Such things as Honey Sunday, which was designed to raise money for mentally retarded children, Operation Eyesight, designed to make good use of old glasses, the Inch News Show, used to raise money for the local recreation park, and many other projects.

During Jaycee week, the Carlisle Jaycees will be having a membership drive to try to bring more young men into the realm of community service. If you are a young man between the ages of 18 and 35 and are interested in joining the Jaycees, call Bill Donovan at 289-2251 or contact any Jaycee.



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Local Conservation District adopts long range program

The Nicholas County Conservation District adopts revised plan.

The revised Long Range Plan states "The Nicholas County Soil Conservation District was organized on April 10, 1963. Minor changes through the early years, as well as a need for long range objectives, brought about the need for the District's first Long Range Program. In recent years District responsibilities and opportunities have increased. New programs and new technology now offer greater possibilities for an expanded and more effective program for the conservation and wise use of our natural resources."

"Recently this concept that Districts had responsibility for all natural resources caused the name to be changed from Soil and Water Conservation District to Conservation District. The name conservation supposedly encompasses all of our natural resources."

Furthermore, this Revised Long Range Program is updated to include conservation and development of the total natural resources of Nicholas County. This will serve as a guide to the Board of Supervisors in carrying out their responsibilities."

The purpose of this Revised Long Range Program is stated thusly: "The purpose of the Nicholas County Conservation District is to provide for the best use of all its natural resources, to control and prevent soil erosion, flood damage and sedimentation, to improve our environment and maintain ecological balance. It is to conserve the wildlife and forests, protect the tax base and protect and promote the health and general welfare of the people of the District. It is administered by a board of seven supervisors elected by the landowners of the District, and it is a subdivision of state government authorized by law to develop and carry out a program of total natural resource conservation and development."

"This Revised Long Range Program describes the resources of the District, states the District's major objectives and outlines procedures for their accomplishment. It will serve as a basis for the development of annual work plans for the District. It provides for the best use of the services available through private and public agencies and groups, as well as the talents of individuals, in attaining our conservation objectives."

Lodge to meet Friday night

The regular monthly meeting of Douglough Lodge No. 85, F.&M. will be held Friday night, Jan. 12, at the lodge hall on Locust Street. The District Minor changes through the early years, as well as a need for long range objectives, brought about the need for the District's first Long Range Program. In recent years District responsibilities and opportunities have increased. New programs and new technology now offer greater possibilities for an expanded and more effective program for the conservation and wise use of our natural resources."

Name omitted

Tommy Ockerman's name was inadvertently omitted from the list of newly elected officers of Douglough Lodge No. 85, F.&M. in last week's Mercury. He holds the office of Junior Deacon.

Sen. Cook concerned with President's termination of REAP and WBP programs

Senator Marlow Cook expressed his deep concern Jan. 5 in Bowling Green regarding the administrative decision by the U.S. Department of Agriculture on Dec. 26, 1972, to terminate both the Rural Environmental Assistance Program and the Water Bank Program.

Senator Cook stated: "I am distressed that the executive branch of government via the Department of Agriculture, has taken upon itself, without even cursory consultation with the legislative branch of government, the job of terminating programs which were duly created by Congress.

"In the press release issued by the Department of Agriculture announcing the termination of these programs, the Department said: 'These two programs are among those selected after a review of federal programs to identify those of low priority that can be reduced or eliminated without serious economic consequences.'"

"This pronouncement is a direct contradiction of the will of Congress as

expressed in the Agricultural Act of 1970, which was approved by both houses of Congress and signed by the President into law," Cook declared.

"Section 901 (a) of the Act states: 'The Congress hereby is directed to sound balance between rural and urban areas.'"

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"Therefore, I want to take this opportunity to serve notice to those in the executive branch of government who so openly and blatantly attempt to circumvent the will of Congress that I intend to do every thing within my power to restore these two worthwhile programs. These unwise and unwarranted decisions by the Department of Agriculture have made it brutally obvious that the time has arrived for Congress to halt the rapid abdication of its powers and responsibilities to the

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KFBF executive committee calls for reinstatement of REAP

The executive committee of the Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation has called for reinstatement of the recently terminated Rural Environmental Assistance Program (REAP).

Under the REAP program, annual payments have been offered to land owners covering part of the cost of installing approved conservation and pollution control practices.

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In a letter to the Kentucky congressional delegation, the three top officers of Kentucky's largest farm organization urged that "the administration, the Congress and the Department of Agriculture take whatever steps are appropriate to see that this vital program

retains its important status."

Noting that the REAP program has constituted a major sharing instead of a farmer's income supplement, the statement said such investments by the federal government "are not solely for the benefit of land owners."

"We believe that this program of cost sharing should be reinstated for those enduring conservation practices which contribute to pollution prevention and environmental and conservation enhancement."

In the event this program is not

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Receive honors

All Tournament Team—Doug Fryman, left, and Gerald Hutton, right, Nicholas County basketball stars, pictured with

Coach Billy Kerne Anderson, were chosen Dec. 20 in Augusta to be on the Augusta Invitational Tournament Team.

Nicholas native elected Shrine Potentate

Robert Houston "Bob" Barnett was elected the 67th Potentate of Okeola Temple, advanced from Chief Rabbah, at the annual meeting on Jan. 4 at the Mosque on Southland Drive, Lexington.

He had served on the Divan for the past four years and succeeds Howard Hill Palmer, now Junior Past Potentate.

He is a member of Lexington Lodge No. 1, F.&M., Lexington Chapter No. 1, F.&M., Washington Council No. 1, F.S.M., Webb Commandery No. 1, R.T., Lexington Chapter, Scottish Rite 20° C. C. H. Okeola Temple, the Legion of Honor, and the Royal Order of Jesters, and has been active in all orders. He serves as Prelate for the Lexington Consistory.

A native of Nicholas County, he was educated in the Nicholas County public schools, a graduate of Carlisle High School, and attended the Kentucky Business College two years majoring in Business Administration. A veteran of



Bob Barnett

World War II, he served in the Fourth Infantry Division, European Theatre, receiving three battle stars and the Belgian Army Fourragere. He is an active member of the National Shoe Trainers and for the past ten years has been a Sales Representative for Vicer Bros. Shoe Co. with home offices in Bangor, Maine, also a member of United Commercial Travelers, and the Two-Four Associates Trade Organizations.

A member of the Lafayette Christian Church, he is presently serving as a Deacon and is Past Chairman of the Board. With his wife Helen (Reisner), he lives at 1709 Blue Licks Road, Lexington, and they have three charming daughters, Rosemary (Mrs. John B. Tutti), Bobbie Sue and Julia Ann.

Serving his Temple, Bob acted as assistant recorder for several years and was the hard-working chairman for the successful 1972 Okeola Shrine Circus. Okeola will glow and prosper in 1973 under his leadership.