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It's sad

Here lies the remains of the old church building at Concord, Nicholas county, following a storm Sunday. This building was erected in 1859 near the site of "old Concord," the first church in Nicholas county which was built in 1792. Rev. Harton W. Stone was the first minister.

—Mercury photo

without success this past spring and summer to interest church groups or anyone in the preservation of the shrine. Several years ago when the First Christian Church was seeking a place of worship, services were held at Concord from May, 1968 until December, 1968.

City hires Bell engineering firm to prepare 'clean water' plans

Mayor Bill Power announced Tuesday that the city has hired Howard K. Bell to prepare initial plans to comply with changes in federal clean water regulations. These plans must be submitted by Mar. 31, 1974.

Under the federal Water Pollution Control Act, any water entering a stream must be pure. The backwash from the filters at the Water Plant are deposited into Brushy Fork, and therefore, any mud or other waste which pollutes must

be eliminated under the federal regulations. Construction at the Water Plant would probably include a 150 gallon tank and a process similar to that presently at the Sewer Plant, according to Mayor Power. Cost could go as high as \$100,000 or better, he estimated.

It is hoped that the federal government will pay 75% of the cost of the improvements. Some 41 Kentucky

communities may be reimbursed approximately \$20 million for waste water treatment facilities constructed since 1964 as a result of the federal clean water regulations. The reimbursement money, if made available to the applicants, will certainly aid the recipients in financing the improvements necessary to meet these requirements.

44 candidates for All-Ky. City honors

Dan Stewart, Chairman of the All-Kentucky City Project Committee of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, announced today that 44 Kentucky cities will be judged by an out-of-state judging panel Dec. 4, 5 and 6.

The out-of-state panel is comprised of George Delo, Community Development Director for the Commonwealth of Virginia, William Nash, P.I. Wayne, Ind., Executive Director of the Southeastern Community Development Association; and G.H. Stewart, Community Development Specialist for the Carolina Power and Light Company, Florence, S.C.

To reach the final judging, a community must have scored excellent in at least four of eleven categories. The categories are: Natural Resources, Industrial Development, Community Development, Comprehensive Planning, Residential Development, Local Government, Recreational and Cultural Programs, Public Health and Welfare, Education, Utilities and Services, and Ecological Improvement Programs.

The cities reaching the final judging level are as follows: Mt. Sterling, Berea, Central City, Ashland, Middleboro, Paintsville, Owensboro, Elizabethtown, Somerset, Henderson, P. o. v. i. d. e. n. c. e., Lexington, Madisonville, Prestonsburg, Nicholasville, Winchester, Gretnahurst, Marion, Pikeville, Edinville, Hazard.

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Kentucky Utilities asks for electric rate increase

Calling its present rates inadequate to "continue providing reliable service to customers," Kentucky Utilities Company has asked the Public Service Commission for a 13 1/2 per cent increase in electric rates. The company serves about 278,500 customers in 78 Kentucky counties.

Under the proposed rate schedule the average urban residential customer will receive an increase of less than 4% cents a day.

"During this period of restrictions and shortages of many forms of energy, it is more important than ever to the customers that the company has adequate rates to be able to pay expenses and raise the money for building the power plants and other facilities needed to provide dependable electric service in sufficient quantity to meet rising demands," W.A. Duncan, KU president, said.

KU stated that the proposed rates would produce annual additional revenue of \$13.4 million with two-thirds of it required to permit the company to realize the return which the PSC last year said KU was entitled to earn. The remainder of the increase is essential if KU is to pay operating and fixed costs, attract capital, provide a reasonable return to its investors and continue to provide reliable service to its customers.

Mr. Duncan also said that since the 1971 test year (used in the last rate case) KU has experienced significant in-

crease in wages, other operating expenses and fixed charges.

According to the statement, since the 1971 test year, KU has issued over \$100 million in securities to finance construction costs of \$140 million.

For the three years, 1971 through 1976, KU must spend an estimated \$300 million on construction including \$41 million for environmental protection equipment, and anticipates issuing additional permanent securities of \$172 million, including \$40 million of common (stock) equity.

The KU filing sets out proposed new rates for residential, commercial and industrial services.

Comparison of typical electric bills for present and proposed (urban) residential rates set forth in an Exhibit in KU's application showed:

Minimum \$11.33; 500 kilowatt hours: \$8 vs. \$8.83; 200 kw-hr: \$10.46 vs. \$11.83; 750 kw-hr: \$16.58 vs. \$18.25; 1,000 kw-hr: \$19.15 vs. \$21.12.

KU's filing proposes to put the new rates in effect Dec. 15. The company asked the commission to permit the new rates to become effective on that date, but also asked that if the PSC felt it necessary to suspend the rates until an emergency rate relief until the commission decides on the original requested \$13.4 million rate increase.

Dr. Redding Rotary speaker



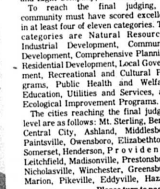
Dr. George W. Redding will speak tonight (Thursday) at the Carlisle Rotary Club. He is a native of Kentucky, has spent all of his life here, except for two years in West Virginia and one in Nigeria. He was educated in the public schools of Owensboro, Georgetown College (A.B.) and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Th.M., Ph.D.).

His early ministry was in parishes in Frankfort, Prestonsburg and LaGrange. While at Prestonsburg he married Miss Carolyn Rogers of Frankfort in 1937. Since 1962 he has been head of the Department of Bible and Philosophy at Georgetown College. He retired from this position in August, 1972.

In 1950 he made a tour of Europe and the Bible lands. The school year 1967-68 was spent in sub-Saharan Africa teaching in the Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary, in Ogbomoso. He did other missionary work there with Mrs. Redding and their son David. On their return trip to America, they took an extensive tour through Egypt, Cyprus, Israel, and Europe. Since then Dr. and Mrs. Redding have made two other trips to Europe and the Near East.

They have two other children, who are married. Lucy Pat is the wife of W.A. Curt, assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church, Orlando, Fla. Rogers Walker, having received his doctorate in

Time for those Santa letters



It is time to write your letter to Santa Claus. The Carlisle Mercury will publish all letters.

Either mail or bring your letter to the Mercury office. Letters must be in the office by Dec. 18.

McCarty represents local cooperative

Roger McCarty of Carlisle represented Southern States Cooperative's members in the Carlisle area at the association's 50th annual stockholders meeting held in Richmond, Va., Nov. 15-16.

Also attending was Franklin Bell Vaughan Jr., manager of S.S. Carlisle Cooperative.

They heard General Manager John J. Feland, report to the 1000 delegates, guests and employees who attended the session that net purchases by patrons exceeded \$180,000,000, an 18% gain over 1971-72, and net savings totalled \$5,992,000 after taxes. Both were new high marks, Feland told the 1000

members, employees and special guests at the session. He reported increases in volume of all commodities handled by the cooperative, as well as an increase for Southern States Grain Marketing Cooperative.

Feland, making his first report as general manager since assuming that position July 1, as successor to W.T. Steele Jr., also reported an excellent year of operations for the cooperative's local retail cooperatives, service branches and private service agencies.

He shared the reporting at Tuesday's business session with Controller F.M. Ambrecht, Wholesale Services Director J.H. Bushholz, and Community Services Director Paul E. Mullins. In his presentation, Feland also thanked Steele, who had directed co-op operations during the anniversary year and became management counsel on July 1, for assistance and sound counseling in the intervening months. Steele retired from cooperative service Dec. 1.

From the cooperative's savings (after provision for income tax), the Board of Directors has allocated sums to pay regular dividends on the cooperative's stock, a 2% refund on patrons purchasing, and to add to local organizations reserves. Boards of local cooperatives allocate their new savings, if there are any.

Looking to the future, Feland saw many problems for agriculture and for the cooperative—the energy crisis, critical shortages of many supplies such as fertilizer, seed and petroleum products, increased governmental regulatory programs and others. Yet in spite of these, he said, "Southern States anticipates another good year. Net farm income is expected to be high and the government has called for all-out production supplies and services ahead of another strong year."

He urged farmers "to plan ahead for their needs as never before. It seems desirable," he said, "that forward purchasing be done on fertilizer, seed, and other items that will be in short supply." And he added, "time spent on planning for supply as well as capital needs may well be the most productive time you will ever spend."

The management report cited details of the cooperative's volume growth, pointing out that while some of the gain came from increased farmer use of the cooperative.

Mixed feed tonnage was up 20,000 tons while shipment of grain goods and ingredients was down 17,000 tons, resulting in an overall increase in tonnage of less than 1%, he reported. Feed dollar volume was \$50,000,000, up \$2,200,000 over 1971-72.

Fertilizer dollar volume reached \$23,100,000, up \$1,800,000 or 8.5% increase in tons moved. Seed volume of \$12,600,000 was up \$3,000,000 or 21% over the previous year. Miscellaneous farm supply volume hit \$42,000,000 an increase of about 17%. Petroleum dollar volume reached \$22,700,000, up 17% over the previous year. Egg Marketing volume of \$4,000,000 was about 10% ahead of last year.

NOTICE

Effective Jan. 1, 1974, subscription rates in the county and state will be \$1.74 plus 24 cents Kentucky sales tax making a total of \$5.04 for a yearly subscription. Out-of-state rates remain \$6.00 per year.

This undated rate increase is caused by many factors. Newspaper rates are soaring due to the shortage, production costs are increasing daily and another postal rate increase in both first and second classes of mail is set for Jan. 1.

We hope our subscribers will understand, but we are just as any other business in the country, we can absorb only so much before it becomes necessary to pass an increase along.



Gift selections

Mrs. Andrew Hanson, left, and Mrs. James D. Anderson, co-chairmen of the Carlisle Junior Woman's Club Bazaar are pictured in front of the Sewing

Basin window which holds a display of some of the items to be sold Dec. 1 in the Abraham building—Mercury photo

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