



Holding up the wall?

Saltwell Methodist Women meet Sept. 8

The Saltwell United Methodist Women met Monday evening, Sept. 8 at the Saltwell Methodist Church for their regular monthly session.

In lieu of the regular program format, a book study of the "Prophets—Decisions of Destiny" was presented by Mrs. Virginia Fryman. The business session was held by Dorothy Jones, president, during which the nominating committee made recommendations for the upcoming election of officers. Mrs. Sue Rale served refreshments after the meeting. The next meeting of the Saltwell United Methodist Women will be held Oct. 6. All persons are welcome to attend.

SALTWELL

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Doyle had as visitors on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Andy Fryman of Odenville, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Doyle, Miss Ralphy Fryman spent the weekend. Rev. Howard Livingsood and Cindy were also visitors on Sunday. Mrs. John Withers and son Mark of Cleveland, Ohio spent the weekend with the Doyles. Phyllis McDonald and the funeral of Mrs. Bill McDonald on Saturday. Mrs. Billy Knipperberger entertained with a Stanley party at her home on Wednesday. There were 19 women present. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Gausman of Lexington were Saturday supper guests of Mrs. Woodrow Gausman and David.

Fire at Morehead

MOREHEAD—An early morning fire damaged Morehead State University's Johnson Camden Library Tuesday, Sept. 16, but no one was injured. Energy has filed a plan with the state Public Service Commission which will provide essential gas needs for industry this winter. An industrial pooling arrangement similar to that of last winter is a part of this plan.

Gov. Carroll added that he applauds the efforts of the Central Kentucky Energy Committee in pushing hard for conservation in this area. "Every step possible will be taken by the state government to meet essential people needs and to keep the economy operating at a high level," Gov. Carroll concluded.

DON'T FORGET Bicentennial meeting Tuesday

Conferees Three Priority End-use Plan.

BY Mrs. Fred Hollar

Mr. and Mrs. Gladys Kenney and Myrris Hollar visited Mrs. Ida Martin and family of Paris on Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Gausman, Versailles and Mrs. Don Berry and son of Hodgenville were Saturday supper guests of Mrs. Thomas Gausman. Harvey Gausman and James Gausman also were visitors during the week. Darrin Knipperberger spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mitchell and son of Case Run Road. Miss Leah Doyle, Pointersider, and Miss Leah Doyle spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Brady. There were around 70 in attendance at the Headquarters Sunday School picnic on Sunday at the Harrison RDCC grounds.

The Headquarters Methodist Men and United Methodist Women will meet this Thursday night at 7:30 with supper served as usual. Rev. Charles Tanner is conducting a revival this week at the Rose Hill Methodist Church. Everyone is invited. MSU President Adron Duran said the blaze was confined to a ground floor workroom and lobby. However, other sections of the building sustained smoke, heat and water damage. Dr. Doran said the loss, which has not been estimated, is covered by insurance and that the library is expected to remain open.



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County judges from 43 coal producing counties receive strip mining fees

By S.C. Van Curen County judges from 43 coal producing counties gathered in Frankfort last week to receive checks from the government as their share of the permit and acreage fees for strip mining.

The counties receive \$80 per acre for strip mining fees, and a share of the permit fee for each mining acre. The judges will receive approximately \$1,191,800 as their share of the fees.

The judges met at a luncheon at 2749 Cowles Country Club that is sponsored by the Coal County Coalition.

There's an interesting story behind the way the coal producing counties got to share in these fees. Now, don't confuse this with the severance tax, for they are two entirely different revenue sharing methods passed by the General Assembly.

The administration of Gov. Wendell Ford decided during the 1972 session to increase strip mining fees to help finance the department of Natural Resources that has supervision of strip mining.

Rural development credit at new high

WASHINGTON—Nearly \$5 billion more was available for development of rural areas in fiscal year (FY) 1975 through the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), the Department of Agriculture said recently.

In his most extensive program ever provided to strengthen the economic base and improve the amenities of rural areas, \$5,285 billion represents over 250,000 loans that will be repaid, and \$15 billion was disbursed through 1,138 grants in four different programs. The supervised financing program of the FmHA, a major credit agency of the Department, comprises four major areas, all of which were increased levels in FY 1975. Farmer programs \$2 billion, Housing, \$2.5 billion, Community Facilities, \$490 million, and Business and Industry, \$563 million.

Among major farmer programs, emergency credit for farm operations hurt by natural disaster and for livestockmen in the economic squeeze exceeded \$1 billion, involving almost 46,700 loans. There were over 49,000 loans for \$60.8 million to finance farm operations and more than 10,500 for \$15.5 million to buy farm land. Some \$9.6 million was borrowed by Indian tribes to buy land within their reservation.

In the housing program over 105,000 loans for \$1.5 billion bought, built or improved individual homes, 1,132 loans for \$292.4 million were made to provide rental apartments, and 161 loans of six grants aggregating \$13 million will provide housing for farm laborers. For water and waste disposal systems there were 1,451 loans for \$49.9 million and 866 grants for \$16.8 million. \$20 million was involved in 569 loans for community facilities such as fire stations, clinics, hospitals, community centers and similar projects that individual communities deemed necessary.

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and wanted the counties to share in the fees and he was successful in getting Ford to agree to this with a further increase in fees.

This was happening in the last days of the session, and Patton was busy. He asked Joe Clarke of Danville to draft the amendment to the bill that would give the counties a share of the permit fee as well as half of the acreage fee of \$100 per acre. The amendment was drafted and passed the last night, or more to the last night of the session.

The only thing is that the amendment didn't mention the acreage fee. In this form, it meant very little to the counties. It meant to Patton and pointed out to him the law in the amendment, but it was too late then to get it changed.

Meanwhile, the governor had a bill in the session to establish the Environmental Division, and he wanted Senator Tom Harris, D-Carrollton, to be commissioner of Environmental Protection. Harris could head that division since Natural Resources had long been a part of state government.

The hitch here was comical, but tragic. The bill passed both branches but got lost in the House clerk's office and never was enacted. Enrollment in the final step that makes it become

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Jim Rensselaer, a reporter for the Louisville Times, in doing a legislative roundup story the next day, discovered the bill hadn't been enrolled, according to the Legislative Record. He checked in the governor's office for the bill, where it would be for the governor's signature. No bill. The search began and the overnight was discovered. The bill was under some papers in a drawer in the House Clerk's office. He frantically began law establishing Natural Resources and Environmental Protection.

This was an important part of the governor's reorganization plan. A few days later the governor called a special session of the general assembly, not for this bill, but for reapportionment of House and Senate. The regular session had failed to agree on this question. But he also added the Equal Rights Amendment question, the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, and the bill Patton had pushed to share all strip mine fees with the counties where the mines are located. Thus, the starting point didn't have to wait for the 1974 regular session. That's the way it happened.

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