



Going down

This photo shows Main Street at 11 a.m. Thursday as the flood waters from Brushy Fork were receding. Thirty minutes prior to this time the street was impassable and waters had entered Hut's Ashland and the post office basement.—Mercury photo.

Foreign leaf hurting

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one day it will likely happen in England and China, the last big prospects to change over.

"Everywhere on this trip countries are rapidly changing to the blend, but we are not gaining. We are losing."

"Other than quality the only reason we are doing as well as we are is that we are the only supplier of burley in large quantities, with an orderly, dependable market."

Travis termed "disturbing" the current move to expand the experiment of packaging burley in bales, instead of the conventional hand-tied bundles. He said the movement would "certainly" downgrade U.S. burley abroad. He cited reports that on the 1978 crop sales, no purchases of baled tobacco were made for export customers.

Egypt, which gets U.S. loan program tobacco is increasing its leaf imports 10 percent annually, Travis noted, but American burley is only 5 percent of the import total. The other burley comes

from Italy and Greece.

In Taiwan, Travis had an opportunity to practice cigarette blending by invitation of the director general of that country's tobacco monopoly. The Taiwan government is expected shortly to require listing tar and nicotine contents on the package. The U.S. burley envoy was able to fill the assignment, using the desired amount of American burley.

Taiwan grows no burley, but recently bought 300 tons of choice grade U.S. burley. The country produces only flue-cured, for export to Japan and Europe.

At Hong Kong where the refugee problem is great, Travis was informed that prospects of American tobacco exports to China are not as bright as

they appeared some months ago. The only market now for U.S. leaf in China is the tourist trade, and the country is drawing back from that earlier plans for enlarged commerce, due to shortage of money.

A surprise met Travis in Thailand, where 7 million pounds of burley off the Ky.—Tenn. markets went last year. The leading blended cigarette is named "Falling Rain," a menthol blend with 38 percent burley, mostly from America. Two years ago the factory in Bangkok was running three shifts, but now sales have dropped almost to the vanishing point. The reason? A rumor got around that menthol would make a smoker impotent.

Benefits don't depend on age

Regardless of your age, you can get Social Security payments when your husband becomes disabled or retires if you are caring for a child under 18 or a disabled child who is entitled to benefits.

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If you get wife's benefits before 65, the payment amount is reduced. If you wait until age 65 to retire, you get the

full wife's benefit, which is 50 percent of the amount your husband is entitled to at 65.

Both you and your husband will have Medicare hospital insurance at 65 if he is entitled to monthly benefits. You can enroll for medical insurance. You will have Medicare at 65 even if your husband is younger than you and still working, provided he is at least 62 and files an application to establish that he will be entitled to benefits when he retires.

Obituaries

MRS. ROGER CROUCH
Mrs. Mary Mabel Wells Crouch, 74, widow of Roger Crouch, resident of Bethel, died Monday at the Nicholas County Hospital, after a short illness. She was a member of the Bethel Christian Church.

Survived by three daughters, Bertie French Crouch, Lexington; Mary

Grace Swartz, Bethel; Jane Bailey, Louisville; ten grandchildren; seven-teen great grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Ima Harney, Lexington; Mrs. Clara Richards, Owingsville. Funeral services, 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Bethel Christian Church by the Rev. Randy Martin with burial in Longview Cemetery, Bethel.

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FORREST B. MORRIS
Forrest Brooks Morris, 86, 402 N. College St., Harrodsburg, died Sunday July 29, 1979 at the Haggin Memorial Hospital.

He was a native of Nicholas County, a retired farmer and member of the Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church. Survived by two sons, Samuel W. Morris, Harrodsburg; Hudson C. Morris, Paris; two daughters, Mrs. Harold Fowler and Mrs. Calvin Wiley, both of Harrodsburg; six grandchildren; five great grandchildren; a brother, Frank K. Morris, Harrodsburg; sister, Mrs. Oren Spencer, Ohio. Funeral services were held Tuesday at the McClellan Funeral Home, Harrodsburg, conducted by the Rev. Jim Kuffner. Interment Springhill Cemetery. Pallbearers: Len Burns, Forrest Cannon, Lee Wiley, Sam, Charles and William Morris.

Man drowns in Carnico

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According to an eyewitness, Lisa White, Route One, Sharpsburg, Neal was about 4 feet from shore when he went under. Miss White attempted to rescue him with a rubber raft but could not do so.

The Nicholas County Fire and Rescue Squad began shortly after noon.

The accident reportedly occurred about 11:45 a.m.

No further details were available at press time but it was believed that divers from Lexington would be called if dragging operations were unsuccessful.

The "drowning" occurred in about 10 feet of water.

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