

Micro-mini tractor pull big hit at fair

A "mini" event provided a mighty roar at the Kentucky State Fair in Louisville this year. And those responsible for raising the noise level at the fair are Hickman County 4-Hers.

Beef referendum regulations changed

Proposed amendments providing for confidentiality in voting and making the conduct of a beef referendum more efficient and less time-consuming were announced by Ray Fitzgerald, administrator, U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS).

Social Security: what does it pay?

Usually, the amount of your Social Security check is based on average earnings. Your earnings covered by Social Security are averaged out over a period of years. Your payment amount will be figured up to the time you retire, or become disabled, or at age 60. If you were disabled, if your wife is 60, too, then the check to both of you would be \$772.00 each month.

"Such sweet compulsion doth in music lie." Milton

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YOU HAVE TO HAVE PULL—All eyes are on Tracy Workman's tractor as it attempts a weight pull during a micro-mini tractor pull exhibition at the Kentucky State Fair. Workman and several other Hickman County 4-H members brought their new project to the fair for the first time, much to the delight of onlookers.

Hickman 4-Hers are the first in the state to be involved in such a project. The idea for the project came from the agents who said they saw the tractors at a farm machinery show in Louisville. She credits local John Deere dealer Dave Kimball with getting things started in Hickman County. At her urging, he was the first to purchase one of the tractors.

Now, adults as well as children pursue the hobby of mini tractor pulling. For the 4-H youth involved, the payoff is not only in the fun of competing, but also in the knowledge they gain from working with the tractors, tuning engines and maintaining the machinery.

Initially, Ms. Gray was concerned that the cost of the machines would scare people away from her idea. The cost of the tractors with engines mounted runs around \$80, and additional parts and modifications add more to the sum.

In hard times, rats have a solution: they eat one another. Only the strongest survive, becoming even more difficult to control.

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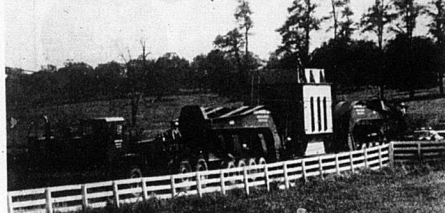
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Big Red Machine

Duncan Machinery Movers of Lexington had quite a job on their hands when they used their "Big Red Machine" to move an East Kentucky Power transformer in Fayette County. The truck, which is 149 feet long, 15 feet high, and took up two lanes of highway, weighed 383 tons when fully loaded. This is thought to be the heaviest load ever to travel on state roads. Sixty tires kept the massive weight distributed to prevent cracking of pavement during the job.

Kentucky artists' guild plans October fair

Since 1961 the non-profit Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen has worked toward creating a better way of life for Kentuckians in the arts. Garry Barker, Director of the Guild since 1971, credits the Guild's efforts as being instrumental in "creating an atmosphere in which the arts can thrive. Through exposure, educational programs, and promotion we've helped build markets for high quality work, and at the same time we've insisted on excellence from the artists and the public—the rest is up to the artist of the two elements."

OUTDOOR LORE

may be falling in with sheep killers, some of its neck bristles were clipped off with a pair of scissors and buried under the doorpost. With regard to chance, it was once widely believed that it was bad luck to catch a pig by the tail, to give chickens away, or to change a horse's name. Also, in regard to the horse, if he would lay down to swallow, as a workhorse often will when relieved of his harness, he turned over and back. He would be worth \$100.

To illustrate, it was once common when a farmer sold a pig to clip and bury the tail of the hair on the tip of her tail. This was so good luck would not leave the farm with the cow. This tip of her was also dragged through the teeth of combs to rid it of dirt. Another superstition having to do with bonnies was that baby boys born on New Year's Day could do a better job herding or otherwise tending cattle.

Here is a sampling of some other unusual beliefs: When a puppy was secured to meat up as a farm dog, it was always named after the first dog to raise up in the neighborhood. This was to assure the puppy growing up into a good and faithful animal. To keep the adult dog from chasing and dog

Can America find ease at a warm 78 degrees?

National Geographic News Service: What's comfort? Taking the national temperature, researchers have found that it's 72 degrees. Almost that was 99 percent of the people said when asked to measure comfort in degrees Fahrenheit. Naturally they grumbled when the president set the official office temperature at 73 degrees. In the summer and 60 degrees in winter. That is outside the designated "comfort zone" or "comfort

Kentucky lakes fishing report

Fishing pressure is light on Kentucky's largest lakes as anglers wait for cooler water temperatures to trigger some good fall fishing. The lake-by-lake rundown, as compiled by the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources: Kentucky Sauger fishing trolling deep runners and using minnows over submerged ridge tops; crappie fair, clear, stable at 10 feet of water; in tailwaters, catfish and sauger fair, clear, stable, 2 feet below pool and 78 degrees.

Barley: Crappie fair over channel drop offs, submersibles and 78 degrees; crappie fair, clear, stable at 10 feet below pool and 80 degrees.

Bluff: Crappie fair over submerged cover; bluggill slow; bluegill fair at 15 feet below pool and 78 degrees.

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SHORT ROWS
By Nevyle Shackelford

As a matter of fact, it was Old Piny provided the information as to how this beautiful flower got its name. As his account goes, it is the namesake of Pacon, prince of Anleptus, Greek god of medicine.

One day, as the legend goes, while out boating on the slopes of Mount Olympus, Pacon was struck by Zeus and goddess of fertility, who told him of a mysterious plant whose root was valuable in easing the pains of women in childbirth.

Once in possession of this knowledge, Pacon became a great success at a gynecological clinic. He learned that Asclepius became jealous and made Pacon flee to Italy to save Pacon's life. Leto appeared to Zeus who changed him into the plant we now know known as Peony.

During the Middle Ages, when many people believed the church as the "bleeding heart" and it was highly revered, it was highly recommended to carry a piece of root as a talisman to ward off witches and warlocks and to counteract the effects of the Evil Eye. It was also highly regarded as a healing agent and even today many of the Balkan countries long have recorded history. They were known to the Thengians as the Greek philosopher and naturalist. Alexander the Great, Doctor Piny, the Elder, and Doctor Alexander, who was a famous flower, the peony is indeed an enchanting herb.