

Mrs. Kimberling retires from bank position

Mrs. Glenn (Dorothy) Kimberling, who is retiring from the First National Bank of Carlisle, was honored at the bank's annual Christmas dinner last week at Carvers Country Club.

Mrs. Kimberling retired as head bookkeeper at the bank in 1977. She began her career at the bank in 1964 and in 1965 was named acting bookkeeper.

Shortly after she was named assistant cashier and held that position until she was named head bookkeeper.

A seven-year member of the National Association of Bank Women, Mrs. Kimberling has been an active member of the bank's auxiliary and a member of the Carle Insurance agent Glenn Kimberling, she has two children, Steve Kimberling of Lexington and Linda Toddler of Carlisle, and five grandchildren.

A native of Nicholas County she is a member of the Carlisle Baptist Church.

Upon her retirement Mrs. Kimberling was presented with a starting check for \$10,000 and a 15-year tray from the bank as well as a diamond pin.

Retires

First National Bank president Andy Dudley presents Mrs. Glenn (Dorothy) Kimberling with a silver tray in honor of her 15 years of service to the bank. Mrs. Kimberling recently retired from the bank, where she has been head bookkeeper since 1972. — Mercury photo.

Homemakers news

Headquarters
The Headquarters Homemakers met Dec. 14 at 10:30 with Mrs. Lester Snapp. Fourteen members and two guests, Mrs. Eugene Neal and Mrs. Pearl Miller, answered the roll with "what I'm doing this season entitled 'I'm a Friend'."

We were asked to have our stamps for the International Christmas program. The "Did You Know That" session is both interesting and helpful.

After the planned lunch, Mrs. Russell Alexander and Mrs. Arminia Clinken were given the program, "A Christmas Sampler." Those on the program were:

Mrs. Gudegill, Mrs. James Snapp, Mrs. George Dale. The group sang Christmas carols.

Mrs. Dale had the recreation. The meeting adjourned until Jan. 8 instead of Jan. 1.

Miranda
The Miranda Homemakers Club met at the home of Rachel Maston on Dec. 12. 26 members answered roll call by telling what they were doing to prepare for Christmas.

Edith Kendall led the program, assisted by Ann Kendall, Thelma Crowe, Marie Lewis, Beulah Cannon and Belle Watkins, with the singing of Christmas carols and exchange of gifts. Refreshments were served by the hostess. Meeting adjourned until Jan. 9, when members will meet at the library at 2 p.m.



Christian Church offers sign language classes

Hearing Institute of Christian Education. Miss Cornell states that it is in the nature of communication that can be beneficial to persons of all ages and fields of endeavor. "With positive emphasis placed on living the handicapped, one never knows when it will be necessary to communicate with a non-hearing employee, client or customer."

Friends and family of non-hearing persons are especially encouraged to participate in the course. For additional information, please call 382-2626.

Births

RATLIFF
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ratliff, Carlisle, announce the birth of a daughter born Dec. 28, 1979 at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. She weighed seven pounds and has been named Joelle King.

The maternal grandparents are Mrs. Mallinda Alexander, Carlisle, and the late Roy King. The paternal grandparents are Mrs. Joe Ratliff, Carlisle and Harold Ratliff, Mayville. Maternal grandparents are Mrs. A. B. and Mrs. Kash Ratliff, Carlisle.

WALKER
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen D. Walker announce the birth of their first child, a son, born Nov. 29, 1979 at Kings Daughters Hospital in Frankfort. He weighed six pounds, 14 1/2 ounces, and has been named Michael Travis.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Davis, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George L. Walker, all of Georgetown. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Davis, Carlisle.

TRUSSELL
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Trussell announce the birth of a daughter, born Dec. 13, 1979 at the Harrison Memorial Hospital, Cynthiana. She weighed eight pounds, four ounces and has been named Kimberly Denise.

Maternal grandparents are Mrs. Helen Fryman and Dennis McDonald, both of Route 2. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Trussell of 309 Second Street.

Auxiliary has pot-luck

The Ladies Auxiliary of Lloyd George Post #6660 held its regular meeting Dec. 10 with a potluck supper and exchange of Christmas gifts.

They discussed taking gifts to the nursing home for the patients and putting fire hazard stickers in the homes of disabled people.

The next meeting will be Jan. 14 with the 19th district president, Nell Snapp, visiting. A potluck supper will be served.

On Jan. 20 the 19th district meeting will be held at Lloyd George #6660, with a potluck dinner.

All members are urged to attend both meetings.



The Jaeger is an expert at catching fresh-water turtles.

Kay's Kitchen

—By Kay Fisher—

Should have known when I mentioned that last week the requests would be for low calorie recipes. Well, just what happens I have several right ready to give you. You'll have been thinking of tips for helping cut the calories or cholesterol. Since hamburgers are easy and delicious I'll start there.

First choose a piece of meat, beef would be best. Check, have it trimmed of fat, then ground. For best results, use when fresh.

Handle the ground meat as little as possible. Cut a one-pound block of meat into fourths, then gently mold into shape. Never press or squeeze with your hands.

You can increase the juiciness of fresh or defrosted hamburger by mixing one cup of crushed ice per pound. Mix lightly with a fork, don't knead.

All hamburger should be quickly sealed and served raw for juiciest results. If you like the meat cooked more, turn heat lower and cook slowly after searing. Turn only once and don't press the juice out.

If you want to get ground beef in larger quantities and freeze, try this: Lightly add one cup crushed ice to each pound of beef. Gently shape into patties of desired size. Freeze on cookie sheet, then transfer to freezer bags. Then they may be used as many as needed. Cook them while still frozen so you won't lose any of the moisture. Allow for more cooking time. Never freeze ground meat in solid blocks that need defrosting before shaping into hamburgers. You lose moisture while baking them.

Here is a vegetable dish to serve with your hamburger.

VEGETABLE CURRY
1 tablespoon salad oil
2 cups cauliflower florets
1 cup thinly sliced carrots
1 cup frozen peas
1 small clove garlic, minced
1 1/2 teaspoons curry powder
1 chicken bouillon cube dissolved in 1/4 cup boiling water
2 tablespoons cornstarch dissolved in 1 tablespoon water
1 cup diced tomato
2 tablespoons snipped parsley
1 tablespoon ketchup
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/2 teaspoon onion salt
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Sarah Kington named to Stephens honor society

Sarah Allen Kington, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hanson Judge of O.M. Kington Jr. of Madisonville, Ky., was named to the Stephens Honor Society.

Group visits nursing home

Members of Lloyd George #6660 Ladies Auxiliary, Mrs. Mayne Price, Ruby King, and Joyce Lyons, visited Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home on Christmas day with gifts for each patient. They also had as little helpers, Shelly and Becky Price.

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Construction fared well

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Compared to the housing field, heavy construction has fared quite well in 1979, and we expect this relative strength to repeat in 1980. Of help to this sector will be government efforts to bolster a troubled economy and provide employment opportunities for idled workers.

Corporate Profits — Dividends
Corporate profits will dip approximately 10 percent below 1979 levels. The slow tempo of business will deter price markups large enough to offset cost increases. The profits pinch will ease in the second half of 1980. And with the less favorable profit picture, we do not expect a wave of dividend increases like that in 1979. However, widespread reductions in disbursements are not in the cards.



A brand NEW YEAR about to be born. **HAPPY 1980**

Reese Smoot, Nicholas County Judge/Executive

As indicated earlier, we believe the business decline will have a tempering effect upon the aggressiveness of labor in 1980, and yet bargaining for new labor pacts will produce many wage hikes approximating the Administration's non-inflationary guideline. This is unavoidable, in view of the drastic shrinkage of consumers' buying power during the life of the labor contract above noted.

The early-year softness in business will tend to inhibit the immediate flow-through of new wage increments in their entirety. Indeed, we would be surprised to see occasional and spotty price down-slidings. But fuel and energy costs are still heading

higher, with an inevitable impact on transportation and distribution costs, and on operating costs in general. Therefore, there will be price rises at the wholesale and retail levels, though not of the magnitude or pervasiveness of recent years.

Employment and Joblessness
Because the recession we now foresee should not run dangerously deep, 1980 should not experience massive layoffs and retrainings. We are confident that employment can hover in a peak range, constituting a very important source of support for consumer confidence.

Recession troubles will undoubtedly bring pressure for tax cut legislation. Chances are favorable for tax relief, but that probably will not take effect until 1981. Enactment of a value-added tax is not likely for 1980, and attempts to pass Social Security taxes are not likely to bear fruit before mid-year.

Foreign Affairs
From time to time, business and investment sentiment will be shaken by unrest abroad. The recent appalling anti-American sentiment in many parts of the Moslem world may give other nations cause to doubt U.S. assistance capabilities. Overall this scenario, and priorities related to new year's election, do not promise well.

Personal Income — Consumer Spending
A generally stable employment picture, wage increases in many industries, and interest and dividend incomes will all figure as favorable factors producing higher gross personal income in 1980. While the rate will not match the rate of increase established in 1979, our estimate is a jump of around 7 percent. However, take-home pay (disposable personal income) will manage only to edge forward.

The sustained peak level of personal income we anticipate will translate into better-maintained consumer spending than seems possible at this time. Though much of the year will be flat, retail trade should end 1980 on a strong note.

Agricultural Prospects
1979 has been a good year for most farmers. Prices for farm products have been strong enough to improve financial positions, and this has been another fine crop year. The high level of farm exports should be expanded further in 1980. Shortages in Russia and certain Eastern European countries, plus lagging Canadian output, are favorable to domestic farm exports, with consequent benefits to the U.S. farmer.

Domestic Political Scene
The campaign for the Presidency will command a good deal of attention in 1980, but it should not materially alter the course of business. The primaries and the election may be bruising, and events such as this nation has had to endure recently could have an effect on the final outcome of the polls. Charges, counter-charges, and campaign

opportunities for idled workers.

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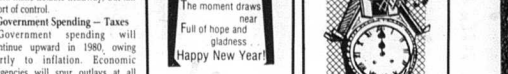
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Reese Smoot, Nicholas County Judge/Executive

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