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Pipe from here to...
...the river—remember this view from the top of
the Conway Hill on Ky. 22. At right, then Mayor
William Prewer sights down the hill. See other
pages in this issue.—Mercury photo.

Falmouth Dam resurrected

TAX HEARING on City rate Friday, Aug. 26

Carlisle City Council Monday night set the tax rate at 2.8 cents per hundred dollars assessment. Rates of the previous two years had been at 2.4. The new rate is (6.1) seven-tenths lower than last year, but 8 cent higher depending on the base.

A public hearing on the new rate is set for Friday, Aug. 26, at 7 p.m., after which Council will conduct a special call meeting to adopt the rate.

John Barker, KI manager, presented a sewer street lighting plan for Carlisle. After meeting with the Street Lighting Committee, Bobby Barnett and Tommy Vaughn, the additional poles were added to the original plan at a cost of \$20.75 per month or \$30 more per year. Council approved the addition. Barker reported that the lights would be ordered and should be delivered sometime in September. Within two weeks from delivery he stated the total city-wide replacement should be complete.

A delinquent two-month water and gas bill amounting to over \$700 was discussed. Services will be discontinued if the bill is not paid by cash, money order or certified check this week.

Mayor Hughes, the office personnel and members of the police department will take over cleaning the City Office and other rooms, which will save the city \$60 per month.

An occupational tax (not a payroll tax) for transit businesses which come to Carlisle wishing to set up for a short while, was discussed. The mayor is to

contact Bluegrass A&D about any plan they have. Also the plan and amount of money charged will be looked into in surrounding towns.

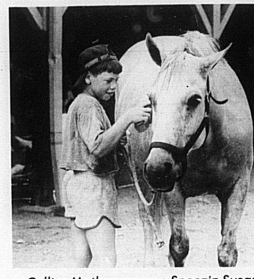
A tentative date has been set for a city employee pay raise on Aug. 27 at 1 p.m. at the City Lake. Employees and their families will be invited.

Margaret Hunter, Rural Programs Coordinator for Nicholas County, was present to request the balance of the \$2,500 for use in operating the Community Center fund which is being granted.

Carlisle leader reported that the money from the sewer plant which had been effective to residents of Sevier's Transfer Court has greatly improved. He gave credit to Gene Kelley and Gayle Vandeandham.

Members of Kentucky Rivers Coalition Friday expressed shock and outrage at a move by the House Public Works Committee to resurrect the defunct Falmouth Dam project. This response came to an effort by Fourth District Rep. Gene Snyder to authorize \$180 million in full federal funding for the construction of the dam after it had been placed on the inactive list in 1981.

Bill Hattie, president of the Lake Valley Protective Association and a KRC board member, was outraged that Congress would consider authorizing this project. "By his proposed funding of the Falmouth Dam, Congressman Snyder betrays his image of a fiscal conservative," Hattie said. "At a time when the budget faces a \$200 million deficit, it is the height of fiscal irresponsibility for a member of Congress to consider spending this kind of money for a project that has been rejected to come and time again as unjustifiable and economically unwise."



Collier Mathes grooms Snoozin Susan
Nicholas County 4-Her Collier Mathes brushes his horse, Snoozin Susan, in preparation for the state 4-H horse show. The nine-year old competed in the Western Division of the show held at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mathes, Carlisle.—Photo submitted.

Short, late crop seen for burley

With sweeping changes already made and more to come, the farmers' tobacco program apparently has been saved from extinction. But burley growers may find their joyriding cut short by immediate worries over this year's crop prospects.

Adverse weather conditions have brought serious damage all over burley territory. This threatens further reduced financial returns from an already reduced crop. Also, the opening of the flour-corn market down south has been anything but encouraging.

As a fairly reliable barometer of burley prices to come, the flour-corn market are of special concern to this year's burley growers, in view of the recent cost program.

First of the various regional flour-corn markets as the selling season moves northward, the Georgia-Florida auctions reported a \$11 per 100 down from last year, in the first week of 1983 sales. The price average was \$18.56 compared to \$19.93 last year.

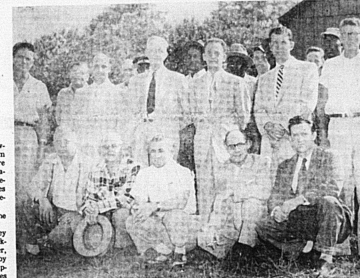
The Stationation Corporation took 21 percent the first week last year. Burley harvest time this year has brought widespread reports of low-maturing, short-leaved tobacco from many areas of the five-state belt where the Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association operates the price-support program. Some estimates place the Kentucky crop from one-fourth to one-third short.

A late crop is certainly all over the belt.

At the July meeting of the Burley Association directors, Alvin R. Beckey, executive secretary-manager, said selling prices recommended by the sales committee have been approved by the USDA. Several inquiries have been received on 1981 and 1982 crop.

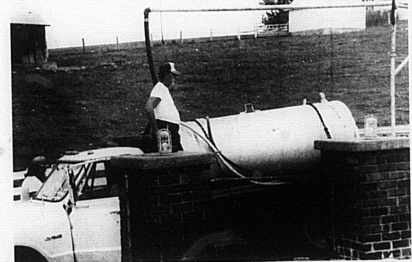
The Association has 256,800 pounds of 1981 lean stocks and 189,000 pounds of 1982 crop.

The Burley Association board voted to recommend a seven-cent a pound contribution by growers for 1983 to the support fund. The USDA had cited a need for an increase over last year's one cent per pound taken. Flour-corn growers are paying seven cents this year toward the fund.



HERE THEY ARE, the ones that brought it about and made a crowd, gathered at the dam site. From left to right: William Prewer, Eugene Neal, Charles Shover, one of the dam's original promoters; Bill Hattie, president of the Lake Valley Protective Association; Alvin Beckey, executive secretary-manager of the Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association; Henry Shover, one of the dam's original promoters; and Bill Hattie, president of the Lake Valley Protective Association.

This picture was clipped from our file book issue of Sept. 16, 1954 because we couldn't find a photograph it has some distortion, but should reproduce good enough to remind others of the foresight of that particular council.



Water by the truck load
During the period July 20 to Aug. 9, according to Oliver Vico of the Carlisle Water Works department, 297,000 gallons of water was sold grossing \$2,980.00. An estimated 80 truck loads a day can fill up due to the foresight of the 1954 council. Water sells for \$4 per thousand gallons.—Mercury photo.

\$500 offered in test 'Battle of Bands'

Five hundred dollars will be offered to the top three bands in the "Fairgrounds Battle of the Bands" Saturday night, Aug. 27 at 8:00 p.m. at the Edwin Fleming County Fairgrounds.

The Battle of the Bands is open to all types of music and to all age groups. The winning band will receive \$500; \$150 to second place; and \$100 to the third place band. There will be a \$25 entry fee per band.

Judging will be in the area of overall group musical ability (60%); individual musical ability (20%); showmanship (15%); and costumes (5%). The time limit of no more than 15 judging minutes per band will be observed by the judges.

County, bluegrass, rock and gospel bands are encouraged to enter the battle for the \$500 in prize money. The public is invited to attend and root for their favorite band.

For more information and an application form, phone 287-2171, 804-6671, or 87-2821.

The Edwin Fleming County Fairgrounds is located on State Route 186, between Dwing and Fairview and one mile off U.S. 60 at Fairview.

Commodities Friday, Aug. 12

The Nicholas County Community Center, in cooperation with the Cabinet for Human Resources, will be distributing USDA commodities Friday afternoon, Aug. 12, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Persons that have made application for a commodity card will receive their card at this time and only those who card will receive commodities.

Those persons wishing to apply for cards may fill out applications, but will not be eligible to receive commodities until the next distribution.

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