

Opinion

Smiling comes hard

If farmers aren't smiling these days, consider these discouraging facts on our state's principal cash crop:

The 1984 base quota for turkey tobacco is 562 million pounds, 16 percent below last year. Marketings from the 1983 crop and 1982 carryover totaled about 524 million pounds, about 13 percent below 1982. Allowing for over- and underquota marketings of last season and underquota marketings of 1983, we can estimate that the 1984 quota will likely result in a price support level which remains at \$1.75 per pound, two cents below the 1983 average market price.

Around February 1, farmers said they intended to sell about 18 percent more acreage than last year. Marketings were inceptible at the survey date and the 1984 quota was announced during the survey period, so the growers marketed 82 percent of the effective quota. With normal yields, marketings in 1984 could turn out to be about 600 million pounds, up 33 percent from 1983's marketings, and providing a seven percent larger supply than in the current marketing year.

The 1983-84 turkey supply dropped to 1.84 billion pounds, three percent below a year earlier. However, the supply is about 1.2 times the estimated disappearance, well above the normal ratio of 2.6 years' use. By last October, the total carryover held by manufacturers,

dealers and loan cooperatives was 18 percent above the previous year. Manufacturer and dealer stocks, however, declined and loan stocks rose sharply. Takings of the 1983 crop by the grower loan associations reached 259 million pounds, more than half of 1983 crop producer marketings, and a record large proportion of the crop.

Reduced cigarette consumption in 1983-84 will mean that domestic turkey use will probably decline from last year's 444 million pounds. U.S. turkey exports in 1983-84 may decline from the 135 million pounds of a year earlier. Italy, Japan and Germany remain the three leading destinations. World turkey production declined 17 percent in 1983 because of the big decline in the United States. Outside the United States, production rose a little.

Increased world turkey production in 1983 and 1982 brought use and supplies of turkey down very closely in line. This, together with the poor quality of the 1983 crop, may lower 1983-84 exports.

Recently proposed bans on smoking in public places and on airlines don't improve the financial outlook for local farmers.

It would appear that instead of the head-banging of minds geared to protecting the financial between pro- and anti-smoking forces, a riveting of minds geared to protecting the turkey economy will do us the air we breathe would be far the better course.

Ode to 'C. Hustle'

Pete Ross compiled an awesome stat

to be bugging four thousand hits in total. And when he's finished that splendid job he took out after Tyrus Cobb (with memoires of Willie Hernandez).

Having achieved nearly everything else in baseball, Pete Ross might as well take on No. 1. Ty Cobb set so many records during his 24 seasons in major league baseball that no mortal could hope to top them all, at one of the most impressive — because it keeps such a demanding durability — is that of a .431 career base hits.

Pete Ross came within 101 of that on April 13 in Montreal, his record baseball home, when he got one, doubling to right field in the midst



Agree or not Swallowing the patronage pill

By G. C. Van Curen

FRANKFURT — The real test now comes for Gov. Martin Luther Withers and his administration. How effectively can they operate government as a bare bones budget?

As last year's budget definition given by the legislature indicates the legislature has released to vote an additional \$33 million in taxes the governor had requested in her budget message.

It isn't necessary to replace office furniture every four years. Two out of the present machines out and buy two new ones, recasting office and remodel them.

LIKE THE recent family, this administration must learn that it can't have everything just as it wants it, and make changes to the way of doing it when necessary. The budget pill the governor is asked to swallow is to resign the things he had so confidently promised.

CHARLIE Hustle's last year's budget message that the administration will do more than compensated for the loss of revenue. And the Hustle administration can be made with the natural growth. Because of that, and winning is unparaphrased.

Before her, Gov. John Young Brown, Jr., cut about \$300 million off what he would do. And unless this eternal youth is broken, we probably will.

Op-Ed page We of broad beam...

...can feel when we are being discriminated against

Every time I get on an airplane, I marvel at the number of times the crew uses a five dollar piece on larger than a five dollar note.

When I take my seat, I again marvel at the stupidity of the doggerel for not knowing the many of us of simple appearance are sitting just as you are.

Once crummed into my seat, I begin to feel it warm in my pocket, when the pilot says, "Please leave your seat, what's wrong?"

I'm not going anywhere. I would like to read on my flight. I'm not going to get out of my seat. I'm not going to get out of my seat. I'm not going to get out of my seat.

Seems to me instead of making and non-making sections on airplane, they should have special sections for the sick and the old. We'd have some extra no smoking signs and some extra no alcohol signs. I'd like to see you sit next to me. I'd like to see you sit next to me. I'd like to see you sit next to me.

Russ Metz

He had been a well known guest of the 500 Million Club in the past. It was a real honor to have him. He was a real honor to have him. He was a real honor to have him.

New bill eases credit to farmers

The Emergency Agricultural Credit Act of 1984, passed by Congress and signed into law by President Reagan, makes major and immediate changes in the U.S. Department of Agriculture farm loan programs administered by the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA).

The new law extends benefits to financially stressed farmers who were unable to qualify for their under previous law.

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MIDLEVEL HORSE SHOW MAY 10 The North Middletown Charity Horse Show will be held on Saturday, May 12, at 4 p.m. at the park overlooking the river on the north shore of North Middletown. The show will feature 25 classes, including those for saddlehorses, working horses and pleasure horses and ponies. John L. Rainey is show chairman.

Nicholas County needs Adrian Arnold in Frankfort

His experience and knowledge of the needs of the people of this county make it important that he stay in the Kentucky legislature. You can't beat his record for serving the best interests of Nicholas County.

In the 1984 Legislature, I sponsored the following bills enacted into law:

- Agriculture District Act to preserve remaining farmlands from takeover due to Annexation.
- Establishment of Intergovernmental Farmland Advisory Committee to review proposals of state takeover of farmland.
- HB 311, a law that prohibits local governments from passing gun control ordinances.

Other legislation that I sponsored which was enacted into law:

- To remove the sales tax from farm machinery parts.
- HB 44, to limit property taxes.
- Legislation to help small businesses.
- Legislation to improve education.
- Legislation to improve the care and to prohibit the abuse of our Senior Citizens.
- Legislation to establish a child sexual abuse and exploitation prevention board and program.

I worked hard to get the new railroad crossing built at the hospital in Nicholas County. It is now completed.

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Down Memory Lane NCHS band rated superior; Church bells to herald invasion

Thursday, April 26, 1984

A meeting of the Blue Bird League was held Tuesday night with the following officers being elected: James Gill, president; Roy Florence, vice-president; Charles Wilson, secretary; Mrs. Malcolm White, treasurer.

Thursday, May 4, 1984

A committee composed of Mrs. A.V. Allan, chairman; Mrs. Frank Herd, vice; Mrs. Everett Smith and Mrs. John Lee, met this week to discuss ways and means of organizing a Girl Scout troop in Carlisle and Nicholas Counties.

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Excellent community support

To the Carlisle Mercury: Individually thank all of the volunteers who gave their time and effort to support the health fair. We're looking forward to another successful health fair in 1985!