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Sarah and Charles Law outside Law's Garden Center.

## Laws laying it down Garden center closing after 40 years

After 40 years of operating Law's Blue Star Garden Center, Charles and Sarah Law are "laying down the shovel" and calling it quits. Anticipated closing date was to be June 1 but with the later-than-usual planting season, they decided to remain open for dispersal of remaining stocks until about the middle of the month, with a probable auction in the fall.

A landmark on Highway 48 between Carlisle and Millersburg, the nursery and garden center has furnished trees, shrubs and other plantings for homes, businesses and highways throughout Kentucky and many parts of the country. In fact, just recently a shipment was made to a New York firm.

While the first of the nursery stock was planted back in 1944, actual sales did not begin until five years later. "We started in an old hut," Law said, referring to the old canopy building in Headquarters which was moved to the Moore nursery site after the canopy was closed following World War II.

"THE PRESENT building was added on to 20 years ago as the Laws enlarged the operation to include a gift shop, garden supplies and accessories of all kinds.

It was about this same time that Blue Star Nursery trucks and workers could be seen landscaping interstate highways throughout the state. In all, Blue Star was awarded eight interstate beautification contracts in the late 1950s and early 1960s.

Landscaping design is his favorite aspect of the business, Law pointed out. And it came quite by accident.

"We stopped to eat one day in Falmouth. Someone saw our name on the truck outside and asked if we'd stop by their newly built house before leaving town. I agreed to come up with a landscaping plan, although I'd never done that sort of thing before," Law said, admitting he was scared at the time.

"I guess the neighbors liked what they saw, because before we left Falmouth we had landscaped 20 yards on the main street.

THE ORIGINAL nursery was a partnership arrangement between Law and then Nicholas County Agent William (Bill) Straw, who later sold

## Tobacco leasing deadline July 1

The deadline for leasing hazy tobacco is July 1, 1984. Both parties must have signed the lease agreement by the July 1 deadline, according to a release by the Nicholas County ASES office.

Farmers are reminded that all tobacco grown on a farm must be sold on the marketing card issued for that particular farm. "If you are growing someone else's quota on your farm, both parties need to sign by the ASES Office and sign a tobacco lease transferring the quota to the farm where the tobacco is grown," the report stated.

Farmers are also reminded that tobacco treated with fungicide, oxidin, DDT, TDE, after being transplanted will not be eligible for price support.

Buyer producers will be called upon to participate in the no net cost program by contributing nine cents per pound on all tobacco sold in 1984. Producers who elect not to contribute to the no net cost program will not be eligible for price support loans on their 1984 hazy tobacco crop. They also will be subject to a penalty equal to 75 percent of the 1983 average market price for hazy tobacco.

JULY 15 is the final date to report corn, soybeans and grain acreage acreage. The farm operator, farm owner, or authorized agent shall file an acreage report for each program crop. History credit will be received. "If you do not plant any of these crops but have a base you should file a zero report to protect your base," the ASES notes also.

Any crop for which a producer wants to establish a history base for Federal Crop Insurance may be reported.

Part of any program administered through ASES is the compliance phase of the program. Each year when farmers reports of acreage are taken, the ASES must make spot checks to determine if reports are accurate.

This is again true for 1984.

The ASES will be visiting several farms in the county within the next few months to check acreage reports for the feed grain and wheat programs and to check compliance with practice specifications under the conservation program.



Sousley monument unveiling

Mrs. Goldie Sousley Price, flanked on her right by Congressman Larry Hopkins and on her left by Congressman Carl D. Perkins, unveiled the monument dedicated to her son, Franklin Runyon Sousley, Sunday afternoon at Elizaville Cemetery. (See story on page 10.)

## News Briefs

### Fire committee names Mark Hughes as chief

Acting chief Mark Hughes has been named to succeed the late Woody Wilson as chief of the Nicholas County Fire Department.

Appointment of the veteran fireman by a three-man committee, was made Saturday at the firehouse.

Hughes reported that the department responded to a false alarm at the Nicholas County Hospital at 1 a.m. July 3. Pressure buildup in the sprinkler system apparently triggered the alarm.

A short order the death caused the May 31 fire which completely destroyed a 1971 Chevy truck owned by Pete Blanton on Crooked Creek Road.

Minor damage was reported when firemen were called to the Frank Buckler home of Mockingbird Lane, May 25, about 4:30 a.m.

An overheard skitter, which caught kitchen cabinets on fire, caused the blaze.

### Mercury editorial page rates best in its class

The Carlisle Mercury received a first place award for its editorial page at the annual summer meeting of the Kentucky Press Association last week in Clarksville, Indiana.

The Mercury's front page entry was accorded third place in the judging.

These were the only categories in which the paper's content by judges that the editorial page content was "very good or local appeal," with special reference to Here, Above, and Down Memory Lane columns.

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### Youth work interviews Friday

The Bluegrass Regional Private Industry and Development Council, in conjunction with the Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Department for Employment Services has announced plans for the 1984 Summer Youth Employment Program.

Eligibility is limited to persons 16 through 21 years of age meeting Department for Labor income guidelines.

Persons interested in applying can pick up applications now at their local Cabinet for Human Resources, DES office.

DES staff will interview applicants to determine eligibility in Nicholas County on Friday, June 8, from 9:30 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. at their office on Locust Street in Carlisle.

It is important that all applicants pick up and complete their applications prior to June 8.

## New dentist plans open house Monday

Phillip Jeffrey Crewe, DMD, will hold an open house here Monday, June 11, to introduce his new dental practice to the residents of Carlisle and Nicholas County.

Located at 249 East Main, former office of Powell Insurance, refreshments will be served between 2 and 6 p.m.

Crewe is a 1975 graduate of the University of Kentucky where he was a Phi Beta Kappa. He received his DMD from the University of Louisville in May of 1982.

Born in West Virginia, he moved to Lexington at the age of four. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. George F. Crewe of Lexington and graduated from Lafayette High School there in 1972.

Crewe will be assisted in his general practice by Carol Mitchell, formerly with Drs. Higgs and Sparks here.

Not married, Crewe plans to move to living quarters over his office next week. Hobbies include art and outdoor recreation such as canoeing and fishing.



PHILLIP J. CREWE, DMD

## Fiscal court acts on money matters

A routine hearing on County Road bid funding was held at a meeting of Fiscal Court Monday, May 21.

It was decided to include money to be received in the road and bridge budget for the maintenance and repair of roads, employee salaries and other related activities of the road department.

IN ACTION taken on the May 19 meeting, court approved a \$4,000 grant to the Nicholas County Soil Conservation District for fiscal year 1984-85.

## Local church celebrates Methodist bicentennial



The old-fashioned way  
The Phi and Bill Hillock families were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Darrell for a ride around the courthouse during the Methodist celebration Sunday afternoon.



Many hands make light work  
Women at the Methodist Church helped spread peace lilies on the courthouse lawn following Sunday's celebration of the 200th anniversary of the founding of the Methodist Church.