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FARMERS STOCKYARDS, INC.
FLEMINGSBURG, KY
FEBRUARY 25, 1987

HOGS-RECEIPTS 266
Packers 47.00
Heavies 46.00
Sows 33.50-44.00
Boars 37.00-42.00
Sheats 22.00-58.00
CATTLE-RECEIPTS 389
Steers 42.00-78.00
Heifers 39.00-68.00
Baby Beeves 45.00-78.00
Slaughter Cows 33.00-46.00
Slaughter Bulls 43.00-54.00
Cows By Head 240.00-710.00
Cow and Calf By Head 375.00-600.00
Stock Bulls 90.00-230.00
Stockers
CALVES-RECEIPTS 117
Top Veals 72.00-78.00
Medium 64.00-71.00
Baby 20.00-140.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS 772

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FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1987
FLEMINGSBURG, KY
FARMERS STOCKYARDS

(Compared to two weeks ago)
Slaughter cows $2.00-4.00 higher, Slaughter bulls $2.00-3.00 higher, feeder steers $2.00-3.00 higher, feeder heifers under 400 lbs. $1.00-3.00 higher, over 400 lbs. steady.

SLAUGHTER COWS: high Cutter and boning Utility 1-3 40.00-46.00, high dressing individual 49.00. Low and average Cutter 1-2 $34.00-40.00. Canner $28.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1,450-1,875 lbs. indicating 78-80 carcass boning percent $47.50-56.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large Frame No. 1 300-400 lbs. $73.25-85.50, 400-500 lbs. $72.50-80.00, 500-600 lbs. $69.75-71.85, 600-700 lbs. $66.50-68.00, 700-800 lbs. $66.50-68.00, 800-900 lbs. $61.75-66.00, includes package Limousine cross 831 lbs. $66.40. Medium Frame No. 3 400-640 lbs. $64.00-67.00, 640-895 lbs. $57.25-59.50. Large Frame No. 3, Holstein, 430-570 lbs. $55.75-56.00, 690-930 lbs. $57.00-57.40, includes 29 head 696 lbs. $57.40. Medium Frame No. 1 bull calves 305-500 lbs. $66.10-72.75, 500-730 lbs. $59.25-63.00, 700-841 lbs. $59.60-60.80. Medium Frame No. 2 300-500 lbs. $52.50-55.00, 500-700 lbs. $50.50-58.75.

FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1987
PARIS STOCKYARDS

HOGS: 643
(COMPARED TO LAST WEEK)
Barrows and Gilts $1.00 lower, slaughter sows $1.00 higher.

BARROWS AND GILTS:
U. S. 1-2 215-240 lbs. 45.25
2-3 200-270 lbs. 43.75
3-3 290-310 lbs. 43.00
3-4 290 lbs. 41.00

SLAUGHTER SOWS:
U. S. 1-3 300-495 lbs. 39.00-41.50

BOARS: 50-60 lbs. 44.00
600 lbs. 44.75

SLAUGHTER BOARS: Over 400 lbs. 39.80.

FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1987
PARIS STOCKYARDS

CATTLE AND CALVES RECEIPTS: 1,457. CATTLE WEIGHED AT TIME OF SALE. (COMPARED TO LAST WEEK) Slaughter cows 2.00-5.00 lower, slaughter bulls steady to 2.00 lower, slaughter calves and vealers not tested last week, feeder steers steady to 2.00 higher, feeder heifers fully steady to firm.

SLAUGHTER COWS: breaking Utility and Commercial 3-4 38.00-42.75, high Cutter and boning Utility 1-3 38.50-43.75, low and average Cutter 1-2 35.00-38.50, Canner 30.00-35.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1,315-1,895 lbs. indicating 78-80 carcass boning percent 50.00-54.75, yield grade 2 1,065-1,615 lbs. indicating 76-78 percent 46.00-50.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES AND VEALERS: Good and Choice 400-570 lb. calves 91.00-98.00, Choice 195-250 lb. vealers 74.00-79.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large Frame No. 1 225-250 lbs. 78.00-96.00, 300-400 lbs. 76.00-89.00, individual 340 lbs. 95.00, 400-500 lbs. 73.25-84.00, individual 485 lbs. 86.00, 500-600 lbs. 68.00-74.00, 600-700 lbs. 67.00-70.00, includes 32 head Limousine cross 624 lbs. 70.00, 700-800 lbs. 66.00-70.50, including package 714 lbs. 70.50, 800-905 lbs. 62.00-68.00, includes load 896 lbs. 67.00. Small Frame No. 1 300-400 lbs. 70.00-77.00, 400-500 lbs. 58.00-67.00, 600-745 lbs. 56.00-62.50, few Large Frame No. 2, Holstein, 500-700 lbs. 57.00-57.75.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large Frame No. 1 300-400 lbs. 65.00-71.00, 400-500 lbs. 63.00-72.50, 500-600 lbs. 62.00-65.90, 600-700 lbs. 62.00-66.00, includes package 652 lbs. 66.00. Small Frame No. 1 350-500 lbs. 58.00-62.50, 500-630 lbs. 52.00-60.50. Medium Frame No. 2 270-400 lbs. 61.00-66.50, 400-500 lbs. 57.00-64.00, 500-670 lbs. 54.00-61.50.

STOCK COWS AND CALVES: Medium and Large Frame No. 1 stock cows, mostly 3-8 year old, with 80-250 lb. calves at side 915.00-1,020.00 per pair, Medium Frame No. 2 pair, mostly 4-8 year old, 415.00-485.00 per pair.

STOCK COWS: Medium and Large Frame No. 1, mostly 3-6 year old, 475.00-510.00 per head. Medium Frame No. 2, mostly 4-6 year old, 345.00-375.00 per head.

STOCK BULLS: 539.00-960.00 per head.

BABY CALVES: 47.50-175.00 per head.

FEDERAL-STATE MARKET NEWS
MT. STERLING, KY
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1987
GATEWAY LIVESTOCK, MKT.

CATTLE: 550
CALVES: 28
TOTAL CATTLE FOR THE WEEK: 1,360. Cattle weighed at time of sale. (Compared to last week) Slaughter cows 1.00-2.00 lower, bulls steady to 1.00 lower, slaughter calves and vealers untested, feeders not fully tested a week ago.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking Utility and Commercial 3-4 39.00-45.50, High Cutter and Boning Utility 1-3 40.00-46.00, High Dressing 46.50-49.00, Canner and average Cutter 1-2 33.00-40.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2 1,105-1,845 lb. indicating 75-82 carcass boning percent 45.50-52.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium Frame No. 1 300-400 lb. 65.00-74.00, Small Package 398 lb. 80.75, 400-500 lb. 63.00-72.00, 500-600 lb. 60.00-70.00, 600-700 lb. 58.00-66.00, 700-800 lb. 57.00-63.00, Small Frame No. 1 250-400 lb. 60.00-67.50, 400-650 lb. 55.00-65.00, Medium Frame No. 2 300-500 lb. 57.00-63.00, 500-800 lb. 53.00-63.00, Large Frame No. 2 Holstein 500-800 lb. 54.00-61.00, 800-860 lb. 57.00-57.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium Frame No. 1 300-500 lb. 56.00-63.00, 500-700 lb. 55.00-61.00, 700-800 lb. 54.00-58.00, Small Frame No. 1 300-550 lb. 53.00-58.50. Medium Frame No. 2 300-500 lb. 50.00-56.00, 500-700 lb. 48.00-55.00.

Others 30.00-140.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS 2,172

In the sale of March 7, 1987, there will be a complete herd of 50 Simmental cows and heifers. Some have calves by side, rest are heavy springers. Papers will be furnished on most of the cows. Also five (5) Simmental bulls — papers will be furnished on two of them.

One Limousin bull coming 3 years old. Papers will be furnished.

Feeder Cattle Sale Wednesday, March 11, 1987, at 2 p.m. for all breeds.

For hauling arrangements, call 845-2421.

Prices are up

Prices received by Kentucky farmers at mid-February for livestock were up substantially from their January averages while grain prices showed a decline, according to the Kentucky Agricultural Statistics Service. Beef cattle, with a mid-February price of $52.40, increased $4.00 over the $48.40 January average and $6.70 above February 1986.

While both the steer and heifer and cow components showed increases, steers and heifers contributed most of the increase in the beef cattle price. Steers and heifers with a mid-February price of $61.80, were $5.10 above January and $8.50 above a year ago. Calves, with a mid-February price of $65.40 increased $4.40 since January and $6.60 from the February 1986 price. Hog prices, after declining for several months, were $1.30 higher than the January average of $46.80 with a mid-February price of $48.30.

Barrow and gilt prices were up $1.40 from January, while sows increased 40 cents.

The index was 1 point (0.8 percent) below a year ago. U. S. cattle and hog prices were higher, but prices for most other items in the Livestock and Product Index were below the previous month. Field crop prices generally declined from a month earlier. Compared to a year earlier, only oats, dry edible beans, and potato prices were higher.

219 Acre Nicholas County Farm. Dr. J.B. Shannon Estate
(Selling in 3 Tracts)

AUCTION

Saturday, March 7 (On Premises) 10:30 A.M.
Location: 2 miles S/E of Carlisle at Concord Crossroads

TRACT I: 113.1 Acres, 2015 Lbs. Tobacco
Improved with frame two-story six room dwelling with a very scenic view. Home is presently heated by woodburning stove. There is a combination feed and tobacco barn (formerly used as a dairy barn). There are 20-25 acres clover/fescue hay and 15 acres wooded area. In addition to the cistern at the dwelling, the farm is watered by three ponds and has over one mile of blacktop road frontage on upper and lower Concord Roads.

TRACT II: 45 Acres, 1022 Lbs. Tobacco
Improved with old log structure, has 1090 feet road frontage, has 10 acres clover/fescue hay sown in 1985, 15 acres of woods and watered by a pond and a branch.

TRACT III: 61 Acres, 1750 Lbs. Tobacco
This parcel has 40 acres in reed good fescue, 20 acres ash, walnut, locust and cedar. Water is provided by pond and a branch. There are 2200 feet blacktop road frontage.

Here is a serviceable cattle farm with lots of hay, good water supply and adequate tobacco quota (4857 lbs.) and only 2 miles from Carlisle.

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Dr. J. B. Shannon Estate

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Robert S. Lake-Auctioneer Associate

Thaddus Jolly (on ladder) and Arnold Payne are shown hanging Thaddus' helicopter made while studying wire sculpture in Nicolette Mallory's high school art class. The students in the class sculpted a variety of objects using the technique. — Bill Godwin Photo

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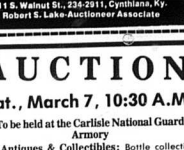

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Real Estate: Six room frame house with one bath on a good lot. Concrete block foundation, shingle and roll roofing, storm doors and windows, slate shingle siding, and an old shop building. Ideal as a home or investment property. For more information, contact the auctioneers.

Terms: 20% down day of sale. Balance due on or before March 23, 1987.
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Sat., March 7, 10:30 A.M.
To be held at the Carlisle National Guard Armory

Antiques & Collectibles: Bottle collection, crock, stone jars, stone jugs, rocker, oil lamps, rolling pins, wind-up record player, organ stool, floor radio, oak doors, iron boiler, old knives, old razors, old coins, horse collar, curtain stretcher, oak bed, wash stand, smoke stand, tables, chairs, cedar chest, iron items, ironstone, Occupied Japan, depression glass, picture frames, folding day bed, buggy robe, whatnot stand, wall book rack, sets of dishes, horse hames, RCA VICTROLA, VICTORIAN BRASS BED, walnut dropleaf dining table and more.

Appliances: Hotpoint 40" electric range, Hotpoint no-frost refrigerator, Tappan electric range, Ward heavy duty washer and dryer, 19,000 b.t.u. air conditioner, 5,000 b.t.u. air conditioner, fans, kerosene heaters, electric heater, electric eggs, electric broom and polisher, lamps, portable record players, gas fireplace logs, electric sewing machine, 8 track player with cabinet.

Furniture: Oak breakfast bar with 4 stools, vanity dresser, suitcases, book stand, hall tree, corner shelf, serving cart, stand table, metal cabinet, 6' tape rack, porch swing, chairs, fireplace sets, large movie screen, books, maple end tables, half bed, shutters, living room suit, baskets, blower for fireplaces, lawn furniture, shoe shine stand, (2) 9X12' wool rugs, bamboo blinds. Other items too numerous to mention.

Tools, 1981 Olds. chains, hand tools, (50) 7' iron posts, (3) chain saws, 20' extension ladder, hand saws, table vise, table grinder, 20" push mower, tarp, Gravely lawn tractor with bush hog mower. Also, 1981 Olds 88, 4 door, good tires and in A-1 condition. Golf cart, golf clubs.

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COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Local health care . . . . . having that personal touch

By Bonny Faut
Of The Mercury Staff

According to Rob Hester, administrator of Johnson-Mathers Health Care, Inc., Nicholas County's hospital and nursing home are providers of good, solid primary care — nothing more, nothing less.

"We don't pretend to compete with big hospitals," said Hester, "but we are much more than a first aid station."

Hester is proud of the facility which he has overseen since April 1979, when he became administrator.

He said although the operation is small, it is more than adequate for a small community, the staff providing the extra touch of personal care.

The new hospital was attached to the nursing home in June 1979, moving from its location on Moorefield Road. According to Hester, the old hospital was reaching a condition where it was better to build new than remodel the old.

Built in the mid 60s, Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home offers three levels of long-term care: skilled, intermediate, and personal or self-care. Licensed by the state, the nursing home provides care for patients who are considered to be in a long-term stable condition.

The structure is divided into three areas, based on the level of care provided. Skilled care can be described as total care for patients requiring IVs and catheters, etc. The section closest to the hospital has 17 beds designated for this extensive care.

The middle and largest section has 34 beds for intermediate care.

It is the only facility in the state which is licenced to accommodate what Hester calls "swing beds". A total of 12 beds in the skilled and intermediate sections can be used for either need, allowing the home to adjust to changing demands.

"The best people (staff) you can find in geriatric care are here," said Hester. "They are family to the patients. Most of them have been here a long time, too, which gives continuity of care to our patients — friends taking care of friends."

Hester noted two staff members have received 30-year service awards, with a third coming up soon.

Although over 150 are on a waiting list for last into the home, State law does not allow expansion past a 55 bed limit, since the majority are Medicare and Medicaid patients.

Residents and staff are especially proud of the chapel, built in an area which was once the central entrance.

"We solicited donations from churches all over the county to furnish it," Hester said.

Members of Nicholas County Ministerial Association provide church services on Sundays at 1 p.m., the ministers preaching on a rotating basis.

"Everyone has appreciated their (the minister's) participation in our Sunday services," said Hester.

Another area of pride for Hester is the superior rating conferred upon the facility. "I couldn't believe when we were last checked we were not cited for even one infraction," Hester boasted.

The hospital, with a capacity of 28 beds, had an average of 22 patients daily in 1986. While not a large facility, Hester said it can take care of 80-90 per cent of patients on the premises.

"There are always going to be cases which dictate more specialized care," said Hester, "and those people are transported (upon their doctor's reccommendation) to other hospitals."

Among those mentioned by Hester as special cases would be acute heart attack, trauma (i.e. head injury), high-risk obstetric and neo-natal patients.

"That's one area where our need for ambulance service is essential," said Hester, concerned about the possibility of Nicholas County being without the service.

"We recognize our limitations and know when a patient needs to be sent elsewhere. We know we don't have the equipment for high-risk, high-tech cases," said Hester.

In addition to basic care, the hospital offers other services which supplement health care for the public.

Patient education supplies information for people to learn more about areas of health which affect them. The diabetes support-group is an example. A film library is also available with video tapes on a variety of health-related topics.

Many services have been added in recent years like diagnostic ultrasound and mobile services which expand the hospital's capability without a cash outlay for expensive equipment.

The hospital has been approved to perform CAT-scans with a mobile unit which will be on the premises twice weekly, saving patients the time and money involved in going to another location to have the test done.

Another service Hester considers important is showing people (especially children) the hospital and introducing them to the staff before surgery.

"This helps eliminate much of the fear associated with a hospital stay," Hester said.

Classes in CPR are offered every spring.

"We want health care to mean this facility to the people of Nicholas County," said Hester.

The hospital has a strong auxiliary group, adding to the quality of hospital life by running the gift shop, holding dinners and bazaars, and soliciting donations. They also attend to daily needs of patients by helping with feeding and mending clothes for them.

Hester came to Nicholas County from Garrett County Memorial Hospital, where he was assistant administrator. He was not the first in his family to seek a profession in hospital administration.

"My uncle is a retired administrator and past president of the Kentucky Hospital Association. He was and is a big influence on me," explained Hester.

"You can't help but like this business even though, at times, it can drive you nuts."

Working on a master of business administration degree at Eastern Kentucky University, Hester is required to earn 50 hours of continuing education credit every two years.

Hester said he manages the hospital partly by walking around to see what is going on.

He said, "I can't do that part in my office; I'd be out of touch in no time if I tried to do it all behind my desk."

Acting as coordinator for staff activity, Hester works closely with the departments and medical staff. His tasks vary from dealing with Medicare to seeing how a new floor wax is working.

"Then there are times," he recalled, "when we (the staff) go where we're needed. During the ice storm (February 13), many employees were unable to get to work. That day, the purchasing staff worked in the laundry, my assistant, Doris Ecton, cleaned patients' rooms, and I worked on the cafeteria line.

"Some very special people work here. For instance, those in housekeeping actually take offense to an odor," Hester said. "It's this kind of personal service that allows us to give such good care."

Hester said no patient is "the gall bladder down the hall" and he intends to capitalize on that attitude.

He is pleased when patients feel comfortable enough to make suggestions.

"It makes for a more pleasant atmosphere around here."

One task most hospital administrators must face is making sure fees for services are collected. Hester is no exception.

Even though Nicholas County Hospital rates are in the bottom 10 percent of those for Kentucky hospitals, a high rate of indigent care is still present.

"It's extremely hard to keep a small facility going," said Hester.

"Our rates are very reasonable, but people don't seem to realize that by not paying, they are not helping extend the life of the facility. We need to be paid so we can be here five years from now."

Hester said, however, the hospital has never turned away any urgent situation.

A deep concern of Hester's is the scheduled discontinuance of ambulance service in Nicholas County.

Without adequate ambulance service, Hester worrys about a patient's condition upon arrival at the hospital.

"They're harder to stabilize when they have been transported privately by an unexperienced person," Hester said.

"Even after they are stabilized, they may need to be sent to another hospital."

Hester said neighboring counties would do what they could (should Nicholas County lose its ambulance service), but the distance could be a real problem.

It is unsure whether the hospital could be held liable if patients who need to be sent to another facility were held at Nicholas County Hospital because of a lack of ambulance service.

Hester questioned whether sending a patient by another method (i.e.

- private vehicle) would be any better, either for the patient or legally.

"What would have happened last year if kids had been in school when the tornado hit?" wondered Hester.

"I'm also concerned about car accident victims, the older person who slips on the ice, and someone who has a heart attack at home," he continued.

With the upcoming end of federal Revenue Sharing funds, Nicholas County Fiscal Court entered into a six-month service contract with Ronald McDonald, provider of the service.

That contract expires June 30, 1987.

"I hope the court can resolve the situation," said Hester. "I realize people don't want to be taxed, but with Revenue Sharing gone, we're going to have to bite the bullet.

"If people say they like living in a small town and want a quality way of life, they need to realize they have to pay for it. It simply costs more."

Hester compares the hospital and nursing home which he runs to a basketball player, who- in a good steady player, not in the headlines,

- but continually scores about 10 points per game.

"We're good at the fundamentals."

Nicholas County High School junior Cathy Gallagher is one of several girls enrolled in industrial arts classes at the school. She is shown working on a book shelf for her class project. — Bill Godwin Photo.

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G. C. says:
"So what if it's gone forever"

I believe Winston Churchill said, "A nation that forgets its past has no future."

Apathy in one's community is a serious situation which can only lead to a disastrous existence. Federal Revenue Sharing is a thing of the past. Of course they found enough money in Washington for all the "good old boys" to raise their salaries. The Nicholas County Ministerial Association has accepted the challenge to lead us out of this suffocating grip the government has on us and they are to be commended for this brave and thankless task of fund-raising to save our Senior Citizens program. Involvement, doing something about it, is now our responsibility to help ourselves save our Senior Citizens and our top-notch ambulance service.

I don't worry about the people that really cannot afford to give, because they will. It's the ones that can, that won't, that will make the difference between success or failure.

If you have been successful, and Nicholas County has been good to you, put something back into your community, and get involved helping other people while we still have a Nicholas County.

The Ministerial Association needs all of our support.

Thank you,

"Will it be gone forever?"

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