

AGRI-NEWS

ASCS office welcomes two employees

By Julie Pfeiffer
of the Carlisle Mercury Staff
The Soil Conservation Office on Moorefield Road is host to two new faces in Carlisle.

Jim Furnish, originally from Lynchburg, Va., has been holding the post of County Executive Director for three months, while Steve Ewalt, District Conservationist, has joined the Nicholas County Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service Office within the last three weeks.

Ewalt is also from Cynthia, remarking that he and

Furnish work together when Ewalt was finishing up school at UK and worked part time for the ASCS in Harrison County.

Furnish, an Eastern Kentucky University graduate, was formerly a dairy farmer in Harrison County before joining the ASCS, where he mainly concentrates various federal programs, he said.

At the moment there are two important programs he is working on, he said. A disaster program to help with

the implementation of the Food Security Act of 1985. In a nutshell, if a farmer has been receiving USDA benefits for raising commodities on their land, the farmer must have soil conservation plan.

According to literature about the Act, "The U.S. Congress felt that soil conservation efforts should target land with the greatest erosion problems, particularly highly erodible land in row crops. They also felt that farmers who participate in federal price and income support programs should be required to practice some minimal level of soil conservation."

The program was created, Ewalt said, because tillage is being lost, and the government is not going to pay people to lose soil.

There is a lot of paperwork and the plan may change the way a farmer has been doing business, Ewalt said. Crop rotation, no tillage and the like may be required to keep



Eugene Letcher, James Neal Wood, Bobby Gayle Brady and Jim Furnish make up the Nicholas County ASCS Committee. Also shown are Donna Glabrueth, Sharon Bromagen and Elizabeth Hughes who work in the ASCS office on Moorefield Road. - Julie Pfeiffer photo

MARKET REPORTS

FARMERS STOCKYARDS
Flemingburg, Ky.
Monday, November 7, 1988
Feeder calf sale receipts: 774 (compared to last week) Slaughter cows steady to 1.0 higher, slaughter bulls poorly tested, feeder steers and heifers under 500 lbs. steady to 6.00 higher, over 500 lbs. steady to 2.00 higher.

Slaughter cows: boning Utility 1.3 42.00-45.00, Catter 1.2 37.00-42.00, Canner 34.00-37.00.

Slaughter Bulls: couple Yield grade 1.2 1050-1400 lbs. indicating 76.78 carcass boning percent 50.50-54.00.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large Frame No. 1 240-300 lbs. 95.00-100.00, 300-400 lbs. 88.25-95.75, 400-500 lbs. 84.00-91.00, 500-600 lbs. 78.25-85.19, 600-700 lbs. 76.00-77.25, 700-800 lbs. 74.50-76.75, 840-1095 lbs. 64.00-68.00, Medium and Small Frame No. 1 2 315-350 lbs. 70.00-75.00, 600-8555 lbs. 60.00-64.50, Large Frame No. 1 2 315-350 lbs. 70.00-75.00, 600-8555 lbs. 63.00-65.75, includes part load 877 lbs. 63.00, package 1000 lbs. 54.25, Medium and Large Frame No. 1 bull calves 300-500 lbs. 73.75-92.00, package 400-500 lbs. 61.40-69.10

Feeder Heifers: Medium and large Frame no. 1 300-400 lbs. 75.95-84.00, 400-500 lbs. 74.10-81.50, 500-600 lbs. 70.50, 76.00, 600-750 lbs. 63.50-72.25, Medium and Small Frame No. 1 2 300-500 lbs. 62.50-69.00, 500-675 lbs. 55.00-62.00.

GATWAY LIVESTOCK MARKET
Mt. Sterling Ky.
Wednesday, November 9, 1988
Cattle Receipts: 898. Total Receipts for the week: 1388. Cattle Weighted at time of sale (compared to last week) Slaughter cows steady to 1.50 higher, slaughter bulls steady, slaughter calves and vealers not tested last week, feeder steers and heifers steady to weak, buyers very selective on kind and quality.

Slaughter Cows: boning Utility 1.3 43.50-47.50, high dressing and haircuts 43.50, Canner 34.50-39.50.

Slaughter Bulls: yield grade 1.2 1200-1915 lbs. indicating 76.79 carcass boning percent 53.25-57.00.

Slaughter Calves: Few Good lbs. and Choice 491-515 lbs. 60.00-65.00.

Feeder Steers: Medium and Large Frame No. 1 300-400 lbs. 90.00-100.00, 400-500 lbs. 85.00-94.00, 500-600 lbs. 78.00-79.20.

and large Frame no. 1 300-400 lbs. 75.95-84.00, 400-500 lbs. 74.10-81.50, 500-600 lbs. 70.50, 76.00, 600-750 lbs. 63.50-72.25, Medium and Small Frame No. 1 2 300-500 lbs. 62.50-69.00, 500-675 lbs. 55.00-62.00.

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PARIS STOCKYARDS
Paris, Ky.
Wednesday, November 9, 1988
Hogs: 435 (compared to last week) Barrows and Gilts 1.00 lower, slaughter sows 1.00 lower.

Barrows and Gilts: U.S. 1-3 220-240 lbs. 36.40, 2-240 lbs. 35.05, 3-4 255-270 lbs. 35.05-35.25, 2-212 lbs. 34.00.

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REMEMBERING AMERICA'S FINEST

Hamm says he was lucky being drafted in WWII

by Heather Mathes
of the Carlisle Mercury Staff
Last week America commemorated the passing of Veteran's Day.

Many remembered Hitler's reign of terror over most of Western Europe, while one Nicholas County native reflected on his own experiences during World War II on the other side of the world from Germany's Reichstag.



These young men took part in the Veteran's Day observance at MMI, last Friday. - Carol Bond Photo

Shelham Hamm was drafted into the Army in 1943 and left with two combat engineer assignments to travel to the South Pacific.

"I went in at New Hebrides to build the Canal, from there to Bougainville, then to LangGangGua." He added, "I think I got a good assignment even though I was very lucky being a combat engineer."

As a combat engineer, Hamm built roads and pontoon bridges for heavy equipment to cross.

While performing these duties as engineer, Hamm witnessed his most memorable sight of the war.

"The Japanese had these suicide planes," he imparted. "They were called Kamikazi or suicide planes because they would dive right into the big grey ships, taking out whole

pieces of these pieces, killing a lot of American men."

Hamm also met many interesting people, with the added plus of seeing men from home.

"I met many great people, had a wonderful commanding officer, and I still keep in touch with quite a few of the men I met."

"I also saw or knew of some guys from home over there at the same time like Sammy Curtis, Eddie Sheout, and Marion Sims, Sr."

"I made you feel a little homesick for a minute or so to see them like that but it was like having a piece of home right there with you and it was reassuring also," said Hamm.

The South Pacific was a sight to a boy from rural Kentucky, as the men described.

"The South Pacific must have been really beautiful before we got there, but most of the islands were pretty torn up from bombs. Still, it was a pretty sight."

"I have not been back since, but I would sure like to go there, just to see it all once again," said Hamm.

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