

COUNTY AGENT GIVES EXAMPLE OF SOIL PLAN

Park Tells How New Soil Building Program Would Work On Mercer Farm.

PAYMENTS THAT MAY BE CLAIMED UNDER PROGRAM

Example Of Benefits To Be Derived By If He Adheres Strictly To Conservation.

How the new soil conservation program might be applied to a 100-acre Mercer county farm is explained by C. F. Park, County Agent. He divided the farm as follows:

Soil-depleting acres in tobacco base—10 acres.
Soil-depleting acres in other crops base, such as corn, wheat, potatoes, etc.—20 acres.
Soil-building crops on crop land, such as alfalfa, red clover, etc.—30 acres.

Soil-conserving crops on crop land, such as pasture, hays, etc.—30 acres.
Neutral acreage, woodland, idle land, pasture not on crop land, lanes, etc.—10 acres.

If this farmer elects to comply so as to receive the maximum allowance for which he may be paid, he will divert 30 percent of his 10-acre tobacco base, or 3 acres; also 15 percent of the base of his other soil-depleting crops, or 3 acres.

If his tobacco is burley and the yield is 700 pounds to the acre, he would claim 5 cents a pound for 2,100 pounds, or \$105. Of his other soil-depleting base, he diverts 3 acres of corn or other depleting crops. If his ratio of productivity is established at \$8.50 per acre for his farm, compared to \$10 for the United States, he would claim \$8.50 an acre for the 3 acres, or \$25.50.

For planting soil-building crops or applying soil-building practices according to certain restrictions, he may claim payment at the rate established upon the recommendation of the state committee approved by the Secretary of Agriculture; but the total for this payment cannot exceed \$1 times the total acres of soil-building acres on crop land plus the soil-conserving acres on crop land, including the acres diverted to these crops, as follows:

Thirty acres of soil-building crops plus 30 acres of soil-conserving crops plus 3 acres of diverted tobacco base plus 3 acres of other crops diverted, or a total of 36 acres; therefore, 36 times \$1 or \$36, the maximum possible payment for soil-building practices.

His total maximum payments on his farm would be:

Tobacco base acres diverted.....	\$105
Other crop base acres diverted.....	25.50
Soil-building crops and practices.....	36
Total	\$166.50

4,548 FARM LOANS WERE MADE DURING MARCH

Making crop and livestock production loans to farmers at the rate of over \$76,000 each business day, the 44 production credit associations of Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana and Tennessee in March rolled up a record of 4,548 loans closed for \$1,977,000, exceeding by nearly three-quarters of a million dollars the largest loan volume of any previous month in their history. Walter F. Gahn, president of the Production Credit Corporation of Louisville, announced the figures this week.

MR. GRANT VIVION PLANS TO RETIRE FROM BUSINESS

Mr. Grant Vivion, veteran of business men in Harrodsburg, is planning to sell his business and retire from active duties. His advertisement appears in this issue of the paper. Mr. Vivion has probably enjoyed the longest consecutive business career of any man in Harrodsburg at the present time. There will be many friends to miss his popular presence in the activities of Main street, when he retires.

OLD POWDER HORN WAS MADE IN 1763

A powder horn claimed to be 173 years old is in the possession of "Uncle" John Bolling, aged resident of the Flat Gap section, located a few miles from Jenkins, Ky.

The horn is said to have been made from a gourd grown in South Carolina in 1763.

REPRESENT SALVISA CHURCH AT PRESBYTERY

Rev. W. A. Stevenson, pastor, and H. T. Lyen will represent the Presbyterian church at Salvisa at the meeting of Presbytery, U. S., which will convene at Richmond Monday.

ROTARY SPEAKER

Judge Charles A. Hardin was the speaker at the luncheon of the Harrodsburg Rotary Club Wednesday at Hotel Harrod. President Oran Staggs presided.

Many Farmers Attend Soil Program Meets

County Agent C. F. Park has been holding meetings throughout the county during the week, explaining the Soil Conservation Program as it applies to Mercer county farms. There has been a large attendance and much interest shown at these meetings.

Work sheets for establishing bases on each farm in the county have arrived in the County Agent's office and preparation of same can now be made when the farmers call at the office.

The new program, it is pointed out, calls for no contract and the farmers filling out the work sheets are placed under no obligations for compliance. County Agent Park states that he hopes every farmer will make out a work sheet on the farm under his control in 1936, as without a work sheet no payments or grants can be made.

CLEAN-UP WEEK BEGINS MONDAY

City Trucks Will Make No Repeat Trips; Property Owners Must Have Trash Out On Their Ward Dates.

Mayor H. T. Adams has designated the week beginning April 20 as Annual Clean-Up Week for the city of Harrodsburg.

Property owners and tenants are requested by the city officials to clean up their premises and to place trash and rubbish in places which will be convenient for the trucks to approach so that the time may be utilized efficiently.

City Manager, William Gregory, Jr., announces that the schedule which the city selected to operate the trucks to take up the trash, will be strictly adhered to. No repeat trips will be made. He urges all to be prompt in getting the refuse out, and the city trucks will gladly haul it away free of cost on the dates designated. If too late for the trucks to pick up, the trash must be moved at the owner's expense.

Committees from the Civic-Garden Department of the Woman's Club, of which Miss Fannie Chelf is chairman, will co-operate with the city officials in the annual clean-up. The dates set by the city and the Civic-Garden committees acting in each ward are:

First Ward, Tuesday, April 21. Mrs. Lee Smock, chairman, Mrs. J. B. Roberts, Mrs. B. G. Anderson.
Second Ward, Wednesday, April 22. Mrs. O. H. DeBau, chairman, Mrs. B. T. Hume, Mrs. T. Waller Latta.
Third Ward, Thursday, April 23. Mrs. D. M. Hutton, chairman, Mrs. C. E. Rankin, Mrs. E. Buford Vansdale.

Fourth Ward, Friday, April 24. Mrs. H. A. C. Wood, chairman, Mrs. L. M. VanArsdale, Mrs. J. C. Royalty.

THIRD OF STATE'S QUOTA OF TREES IS PLANTED

More than a third of the 8,500,000 trees to be planted by the Soil Conservation Service in Kentucky this year already have been set out, according to a report from the College of Agriculture, University of Kentucky.

A. Brands, in charge of the forestry work at Madisonville, reported that 2,265,000 trees have been set out in his area. Forester R. M. Davis reported 1,036,978 set in the Paducah district. Paul Martin, in charge of the work at Falmouth, reported the setting of 94,120 trees.

Planting trees is one of the major features of the erosion-control work of the Soil Conservation Service. Trees are set six to eight feet apart, except on gully banks, where they are often placed as close as three feet. Planting crews set from 200 to 700 trees a man a day. Both Civilian Conservation Corps and relief labor are used.

U. S. Egg Consumption

But Good American Hen Meets All Demands For Easter Gorge.

America's annual Easter gorge of eggs was a record one, trade authorities agreed, but the American hen met all demands.

"The floods of water are not the only spring floods this year," commented Paul Mandeville, vice president of the Institute of American Poultry Industries today. "Floods of eggs are coming too and the people are evidently hungry for them, for they have already established the largest consumption demand on record."

He cited figures from the four major markets—New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Boston—which disclosed that 334,000,000 eggs have been sold in the past four weeks, a gain of 56 per cent over the same period a year ago.

WOMAN BURIED WITH BIBLE, CHILDHOOD DOLL

When Mary Wyatt, the oldest woman in Tredegar valley, Wales, was buried in her hundredth year, an old wax doll (given to her in her childhood) and her family Bible were laid in the grave beside her.

CHURCH WOMEN IN RICHMOND TO ATTEND MEETING

Harrodsburg, Providence And Salvisa Churches Send Delegations To Presbyterial U. S.

MRS. A. HIEATT, DANVILLE, IS RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT

Reports Made On Program By Several Presbyterial Committee Members From Here.

Church women from this community who attended the meeting in Richmond Wednesday of the U. S. Presbyterial were: Mrs. Alfred Curry, Mrs. T. W. Latta, Mrs. James Isham, Mrs. C. E. Rankin, Mrs. John Adams, Mrs. W. W. Wilham, Mrs. Roy Bonita, Mrs. Charles Bohon, Mrs. Millie Harbison, Miss Tavenor Adams from the Harrodsburg church; Mrs. Hugh Ketrone, Mrs. Wallace Knox; Mrs. W. E. Allen, Miss Jennie Sharp, Miss Mary Lapsley, Mrs. Joe McCoun, Mrs. G. B. Thompson, Mrs. Andrew Keenon, from Providence church; Mrs. W. N. Lyen, Mrs. Will Terhune, Mrs. Roy Coke, Mrs. Wyatt Cunningham from the Presbyterian church at Salvisa.

Mrs. Allen Hiatt, of Danville, was re-elected president; Mrs. J. A. Arbuckle, Richmond, vice president; Mrs. W. K. Harmon, Perryville, secretary; Mrs. T. J. Settle, Springfield, treasurer; Miss Florence Edmonds, Lebanon, historian. The officers were sworn in by Mrs. H. P. Cooper, of Lebanon, formerly of Harrodsburg.

Approximately 125 women were present. Those from the local church making reports were Mrs. W. N. Lyen, retiring vice president; Mrs. Jas. Isham, historian; Mrs. John Adams, secretary of foreign missions; Miss Mary Lapsley, McAfee.

Dr. Warren Hall, of Lexington, made an address on "Our Bible," and Rev. H. M. Washburn, Berea, on "Missions of Our Church." Several women made talks on various phases of the Presbyterial work. The next meeting will be at Somerset.

PATTERSON GIVES FINES, JAIL TERMS

Two Youths Given 30 And 60 Day Terms; Drunks Are Also Sentenced.

Two youths were given sentences totaling 90 days in jail on charges of stealing and two others were fined a total of \$20 and costs and 10 days in jail on drunkenness charges Tuesday night by Judge Alpha Patterson in a special session of police court.

Earl Gibson, 20 years-old, was sentenced to spend 30 days in jail when found guilty of stealing approximately \$575 worth of hardware items from the Bohon factory here Tuesday afternoon. The merchandise was recovered by the arresting officer, Patrolman E. L. Lester.

Walter Merriman, Jr., 20, was given 60 days in jail when found guilty of stealing the license plates from the car of Fred Jackson, Mercer county, and using them on his own car. Merriman told the court that he bought the plates from an unknown Negro.

Merriman had been under a suspended sentence on a federal charge of bootlegging. Judge Patterson said, but his suspension, granted on condition of good behavior, had expired March 22, the jurist explained.

Albert "Cutie" Devine was fined \$10 and costs and given 10 days in jail on a charge of being drunk in a public place. Leslie Sims was fined \$10 and costs on a similar charge.

PRISONERS ARE FREED AS JAIL IS UNSANITARY

Prisoners in the Paducah City Jail, eleven in all, received a "break" Wednesday. The Health Department advised police authorities conditions in the jail were unsanitary because the sewer is clogged by backwater from the flooded Ohio River. Police Judge Rex P. Cornell ordered release of all prisoners as a precaution against disease outbreak.

"We sure thank you, Judge," the nine men and two women prisoners chorused as they filed out of the court's chamber Wednesday afternoon.

U. S. BOARD APPROVES INDIANA PENSION PLAN

The Social Security board in Washington Wednesday approved Indiana's pension plan for dependent children, the blind and the needy aged.

The board, which will match federal funds dollar for dollar with money spent by the state, estimated that more than 43,000 Indians would receive aid, including 34,000 aged, 940 blind and 7,800 children.

Total expenses were expected to run \$553,300 a month.

TOBACCO TAX IS DEFEATED IN THE HOUSE BY 61-23

Estimated 7,000 Growers And Tobacco Workers Parade Frankfort And Storm Assembly.

NUMBER FROM MERCER COUNTY IN THE THROG

Measure Can Be Taken Up Again If Sponsors Secure Required Constitutional 51 Votes.

Efforts of 3,000 tobacco growers and 4,000 union tobacco workers who converged on Frankfort Wednesday from all parts of Kentucky to protest against the proposed state levy on tobacco in the form of a cigarette tax—were well on the way to success when the House of Representatives defeated the tobacco tax bill by the vote of 61 to 23. This bill, one of Governor A. B. Chandler's tax measures, was estimated to bring \$1,500,000 to the state if the levy carried.

The vote was taken after the house had adopted a minority report from the committee on revenue and taxation; however, under a ruling by the speaker, John Kirtley, the tobacco tax measure can be brought out again at any time the sponsors can get the required constitutional 51 votes.

A mighty host of tobacco farmers, workers, and Farm Bureau representatives—7,000 strong—among them many from Mercer county, paraded through Frankfort Wednesday morning behind a blaring band playing "Hail, Hail the Gang's All Here," and "My Old Kentucky Home." The crowd carried a number of banners protesting the proposed tax.

The packing crowds and marching farmers recalled to mind the stirring days of the sales tax fight from 1932 to 1934 when protesting delegations were in Frankfort almost continually.

Governor Chandler, who has been hurrying back from Missouri where he addressed a state convention of young Democrats, was expected to have reached Frankfort in time for the hearing and to make a personal plea to legislators that the tobacco tax be passed, but did not arrive in time.

O.E.S. HONORS ITS GRAND OFFICIALS

Guests At Banquet At Beaumont Inn, Later Conduct Initiatory Degrees At Lodge Hall.

Several state officials from Louisville were honor guests last night at a banquet given by the Harrodsburg Order of the Eastern Star, at Beaumont Inn, and they afterward conducted initiatory degree work at the lodge hall. They were Mrs. Anne Pemberton, Worthy Grand Matron; Mrs. Sara H. Terry, Grand Secretary, and Mrs. Mary Deicks, Grand Treasurer. Mrs. Fay Davenport, Worthy Matron if the Harrodsburg O. E. S., presided at the banquet at which about 50 were present. Spring garden flowers were used profusely in the banquet decorations, and the lodge hall was decorated to resemble a spring garden.

Mrs. Davenport and W. B. Morris, Worthy Patron of the local chapter, presided at the impressive degree work. Splendid talks were made by the state officials on the significance of the degrees and the aims of the Eastern Star organization. The attendance was excellent.

HAIL NEW PRESS LAWS

Kentucky joined the ranks of other progressive states when the Legislature passed two bills in March that had been sponsored by the KPA. The first, a bill to protect press freedoms, was modeled after the New Jersey law, and we will not see such disgraceful episodes as the Armentrout and Danville jailings happen again. The second, extends privilege publication to include the contents of all preliminary papers filed with a judicial officer. The Press will publish these new laws in the next issue so that our editors may become familiar with their contents. This was a signal victory for the Fourth Estate in Kentucky and places it on a higher plane.—The Kentucky Press.

Mrs. Roy VanArsdall and daughter and Miss Frances Sherrow, of Louisville, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Sherrow.

Miss Dorothy Hanna has returned from a visit with her twin sister, Miss Doris Hanna, a student at Transylvania College, Lexington.

Mr. Harry Lafon, of Harriman, Tenn., will arrive today to be with his mother, Mrs. John Lafon, who is ill, and his sister, Miss Mary Lafon.

Mercer Due \$225,000 In Soil Saving Plan

County Agent C. F. Park has received the work sheets for farmers of Mercer county to fill out to comply with the 1936 Soil Conservation program and asks this paper to announce that all farmers who intend to comply with the 1936 program come in to his office to fill out the sheets.

It is necessary that each farmer bring a list of his 1935 acreage of cultivated crops and grassland so that the sheets may be filled out promptly.

Mr. Park pointed out that estimates based on Mercer county reveal that if the farmers cooperate fully with the program Mercer county may receive as much as \$225,000 benefits. This is the top figure based on the condition that 100% cooperation is given by the farmers.

LAKE GETS NEW SUPPLY OF BASS

Thousands Of Fingerlings Being Transferred From Rearing Ponds Into Herrington Waters.

Herrington Lake is receiving a new supply of thousands of fingerling bass, which are being placed in the water this week by the State Game and Fish Commission, in conjunction with the Boyle county Game and Fish Protective Association. The work is designed to keep up the supply of fish in the lake and continue it as one of Kentucky's chief sport centers.

Between 3,000 and 4,000 fingerlings have already been transferred from rearing ponds to the lake, and the work is continuing until all the rearing ponds on the list to be seined are emptied of their supply. The seining crew is in charge of R. J. H. Spurr, of the State Game and Fish Commission, and the work will continue for several days longer. The average length of the transfer fish is four inches.

Brood bass will be taken to the two floating fish hatcheries for the spring spawning. These hatcheries, designed by Curtis Allin, Harrodsburg, in conjunction with Max Lattimer, Danville, are located at Gwinn Island and Kennedy's Bridge. All the fish used to replenish Herrington lake are taken from ponds and rearing places in this region and are not brought in from other places.

It is estimated that 35,000 were transferred to the lake last October and September.

MATTER OF CIVIC PRIDE TO AID HOME BEAUTY

(Memphis Commercial-Appeal)

An interesting plan to foster home gardening and home improvement has been announced by the city of Dallas.

All residents are encouraged to raise flowers this summer and keep the lawns in good shape. Of course, frequent use of water is necessary. The city proposes to divide the extra expense with the residents. For instance, an average will be struck of the water consumption for the year, and during the summer months the citizens will be charged only half the cost of the water above the average that is used.

Of all governments set up by the people, city governments have greater opportunities than any other to promote the general welfare. No other government stands in such intimate relations with the citizenry. When a city devotes its public operations to promoting those interests it is serving to the fullest the high purposes for which it is created.

16-Millions Tax On Pratt Estate

Brother Of George duPont Pratt, The Pioneer Park Patron, Leaves Vast Properties.

Tax experts have figured that almost \$16,000,000 in Federal and States taxes is payable on the \$26,990,987 estate left by the late Charles Millard Pratt, of Brooklyn and Glen Cove, N. Y., who died this month. Mr. Pratt was a brother of the late Geo. duPont Pratt, a valued patron of the Museum at the Pioneer Memorial State Park in Harrodsburg. Mr. Pratt, until his death about two years ago, was a frequent visitor in this city, and gave to the Museum among other things, life size portraits of Abraham Lincoln, Jefferson Davis and Gen. Robert E. Lee, painted by the noted Cartotti, of New York and Italy.

Mrs. R. A. Tate, Louisville, has notified Judge Chas. T. Corn that she will be in Harrodsburg Sunday afternoon to inspect the space at the court house which county officials tendered her to have an exhibit of the Kentucky Club Woman magazine during the meeting of the State Federation of Women's Clubs in Harrodsburg the middle of May. Mrs. Tate is the advertising manager. She desires to inspect the space so that she can plan the display.

FAKE AUTO TAGS, MAKER ARE TAKEN IN BY THE POLICE

Three Arrests Made During Weekend; Negro Youth Held To Grand Jury For Counterfeiting.

LAST YEAR'S TAGS WERE CHANGED BY PAINTING

Ben Dean And Lee Taylor, Latter Negro, Turn State's Evidence, Get Light Fines.

Police Saturday night struck a blow at a new illegal enterprise here, that of counterfeiting automobile license tags, when they arrested Robert Young, 21-year-old Negro, charging him with altering and selling the plates.

Ben Dean, Harrodsburg, was arrested late Saturday afternoon when it was learned that the tags on his car were counterfeit. Dean told the arresting officers, Chief S. K. Daugherty and Patrolman E. L. Lester, that he bought the plates from Young for \$1. Lee Taylor, Negro, was arrested Sunday for having illegal plates on his car. He said that Young gave them to him without mentioning the price. A third set of plates was turned over to city police Monday morning by Dean who told officers that Young had left the plates at his house for Bud Humphrey but that Humphrey had not called for them.

At Young's examining trial Monday morning County Judge Charles T. Corn held him to the grand jury on \$1,000 bond after Young had pleaded guilty to "part of it," the act of changing part of the plates to make them look legal. Young recently was released from jail at Richmond, Ky., where he had served six months on a bootlegging charge filed by federal officers. Since that time, he told Judge Corn, he has been working at odd jobs in and near Harrodsburg. Young, who is also known as Butley Moore—the surname being that of his stepfather—was unable to make bond and was remanded to jail to await the May session of the Mercer grand jury.

Both Dean and his wife testified at the trial that Young had said that he would kill any person who "turned him up." Young denied having sold the plates and charged that Mrs. Dean told him how to change them to make them look legal.

Dean and Taylor were fined \$10 and costs each on charges of having illegal license plates on their cars. Judge Corn said that he was lenient with them because they had turned state's evidence and so gave them a minimum fine.

The three sets of counterfeit license plates were brought into court where they were examined closely. The plates were formerly 1935 tags but the 35 had been changed to 36 by punching with some blunt instrument, and the plate surfaces had been painted black with silver numerals similar to the 1936 Kentucky tags.

The counterfeit plates bore the following numbers: Mercer, 624-570; Mercer, 623-887, and Anderson, 9-854. County Attorney I. C. James pointed out the seriousness of the charge, stating that if a car bearing counterfeit plates was in a wreck, some innocent person who had the same numbers on legal plates might be charged with the accident. The Mercer plates which were counterfeited bear the same numbers as two sets of legal plates issued by the county clerk to C. Z. Yankey, of Stewart, No. 623-887, and Mason Collier, No. 624-570, records in the court house show.

Judge Corn said that the offense of counterfeiting automobile license plates carries a sentence of from two to ten years imprisonment.

MR. J. FRANK ADAMS LEAVES HARRODSBURG

Mr. J. Frank Adams leaves Saturday after nearly a year's editorship of the Harrodsburg Democrat and association with the Herald-Democrat office. During his stay in this city he has made a number of friends who greatly regret to see him go. Mr. Adams will be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Adams, Hustonville, for the present.

MISS ALEXANDER 'GROOM' IN COLLEGE WEDDING

Miss Peggy Alexander, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Alexander, Danville road, was selected to act as the "groom," in a recent wedding at Georgetown College, which was staged on a program directed by the gymnasium instructor. Miss Perry Christman was the "bride," and there were flower girls and several attendants.

CLARA KINGSBURY SOCIETY MEETS

The Clara Kingsbury Missionary Society met in the Christian church chapel Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Leona Sims as leader. Mrs. James Purvis conducted the devotion. Mrs. Mary Givens gave an article on the consequences of war. Miss Cora Bohon read the minutes of the previous meeting.