CLASSIFIED
For Sale

FOR SALE—Girls bicycle 28 in. size in good condition. Priced to sell. See Betty Selby or call 209. 1tdh

FOR SALE—Toy Tractors, Plows, Harrows, Wagons and Manure Spreaders. Stanley Galbraith & Son. 12-41-1tchg.

FOR SALE—Two extra good Jersey cows, 4 and 7 years old. Contact Ora Hughes at Standard Service Station, phone 70. 12-142t*

FOR SALE—Hoover Cleaner with all accessories; perfect condition. Phone 271-W. Mrs. B. C. Clark. 12-14-1tchg

FOR SALE—Hand-crochet work of all kinds. See at Waggoner Upholstery & Shoe Shop, 108 Broadway. Mrs. B. C. Waggoner. 12-14-1tchg.

FOR SALE—1939 Ford Truck 1½-Ton. Guaranteed to be perfect. Commercial license. Priced right. 1936 Ford Coupe A-1 condition. Bill Power. tfn.dh

FOR SALE—1 12x15 All Wool Rug — Alexander Smith. Almost new. See Bill Power

APPLES — Remember Bald Hill apples are top quality, and prices remain at the same low level. We expect to have plenty for everybody. Come the Pleasant Valley route through Flemingsburg. Razor Orchards, Flemingsburg, Ky. 12-14-3t*

NOTICE

LOST—Single truck chain Saturday night between Stone's Service Station and Oakland Mills. Call J. C. Smoot, phone 5104. 12-14-1t*

LOST—Green Dinette Chair in Nicholas County. Reward. Write H. H. Leet Furniture Co., 415 West Main, Lexington. 1tchg.

WANTED—You to visit me in my new location. Have purchased one-half interest in Mr. Linthecom's Barber Shop under C. C. Cole Building. Will be locaated there beginning Monday, Dec. 18. Your Business will be appreciated. 12-14-1t* R. J. Hunt

WANTED—Man to work in dairy and drive dairy truck. $100 per month, house, garden and milk furnished. Contact Ewing C. Hayes Route 2, Cynthiana or phone 4712 or 984W3, Cynthiana. 11-23-tfn

NOTICE—To my candy customers, due to recent illness I will not be able to make Christmas Candy. Mrs. Nora Thompson. 12-7-2tc

NOTICE — Let the LOCKER—Cure your bacon, cure your hams, grind sausage, render your lard. Phone 55. 12-14-1tchg.

For Christmas
Let Me Wire Your
Antique Lamps
Expert Work—Reasonable Prices
James T. Clay, phone 354
12-14-1t*

Send The Mercury for Christmas

Christmas Shop in Carlisle

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to take this means to thank each and every one for the beautiful flowers, cards, candy and other acts of kindness shown me during my recent illness. They were all deeply appreciated.

Ruby Wells
12-14-1t*

CARD OF THANKS

Thanks everyone for the many acts of kindness shown me and my family during my recent illness. May God Bless you all. Mrs. Maurice King. 12-14-1tchg

CARD OF THANKS

Thanks to everyone who sent me cards, toys, puzzles, and books while I was in the Hospital. Aunt Ruth for staying with me while Daddy could not get there for the snow. Love to all.

Little Ruth Ann Hollar
12-14-1t*

POSTED

Our farms are posted against hunters with dogs and guns, trappers or trespassers. All violators will be prosecuted.

Mrs. Sallie P. Ross*
O. L. Hollar*
Mrs. Roy Cox, Route 2 *

Additional names will be added and carried during the hunting season for 50 cents **cash in advance.**

MYERS 4-H

The Myers 4-H had its second meeting, Monday December 11 in the seventh and eighth grade room. Due to bad weather most of our members were absent. Patsy Tedder and Thelma Flora acted as president and secretary and treasurer as the regular officers were absent. Miss Crump was present for the meeting.

—Ronnie Letcher, reporter.

Don't let the first cold snap catch you with an empty fuel-tank. Avoid the last-minute rush by letting us fill your tank now with clean-burning, heat-packed

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NOTICE

CITY TAXES

The City Tax Books are now open for the payment of City Taxes.

A discount of Two Per Cent will be allowed on these taxes, if paid before December 1, 1950. Recently enacted tax legislation designates December 31, 1950 as final due date on all taxes.

It's Made its Way
By the Way it's Made

Carlisle Mill & Supply Company

Franchise For Sale

Pursant to the order of the Nicholas County Fiscal Court, I will offer for sale at the Court House Door on the 23rd day of December, 1950, at 1:00 P. M. o'clock the following franchise.

(signed) Spencer Taylor
(Title) Judge

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COUNTY FRANCHISE

It is resolved and ordered by the Fiscal Court of this County, as follows:

SECTION 1. That a franchise is hereby defined and created and the purchaser thereof, or its legal representatives, successors and assigns, be and is, subject to the conditions, obligations, covenants and arrangements hereinafter contained, hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, purchase, construct, lease, maintain and operate in, along, upon, under and across the county highways, streams, bridges and public places, a system or works for the generation, distribution and transmission of electrical energy from points either within or without the limits of said county to the county and to persons, corporations and municipalities located therein, and from or through said county to persons, corporations, municipalities or counties beyond the limits of this County, and for the sale and distribution of said electrical energy for light, heat, power and other purposes; and to erect and maintain towers, poles, wires, lines, conduits and all other apparatus necessary or convenient for the operation of said system or works in, upon, across, along and under each and all county highways, streams, and public places in said County, and to acquire and hold, as by law authorized, any and all real estate, easements, water and other rights, and to take water from the streams of said County as may be necessary or convenient for the operation of said system or works; to use within the present and any future limits of said county any and all county highways, streams, bridges and public places as they are now or may hereafter be laid out, while constructing or operating said system or works, and to place the towers, poles, wires, lines, conduits, apparatus and other structures, in, along, under and across any and all bridges and streams to which this County can grant the authority, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, operating, or extending said system or works as may be necessary or convenient for the proper manufacture or distribution of electrical energy in, into or through said County; also to make such contracts for the use of electrical energy on such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the owner of this franchise and the party desiring to purchase the electrical energy.

SECTION 2. All towers, poles, wires, conduits and other structures errected under this grant shall be erected so as not to interfere unecessarily with the travel on such highways, streams, bridges and other public places, and shall be erected under the supervision of the Fiscal Court or such other authority as the Fiscal Court may designate, with full authority in the purchase of this franchise to trim and remove any trees which may extend over the highways in order to prevent any such trees from interfering with towers, poles, wires and other structures erected under this grant. All poles erected under this grant shall not be less than twenty-five feet in height and shall be so located as not to injure unnecessarily any drains, sewers, catch basins, water pipes or other public improvements, but should any paying, drain, sewer, catch basin, water pipe or other public improvement be injured by such location, the purchaser of this franchise shall forthwith repair the damage to the satisfaction of the Fiscal Court or County Engineer, and in default thereof, the Fiscal Court shall repair such damage and charge the cost thereof to and collect the same from the purchaser of this franchise.

If at any time after the granting of this franchise the Fiscal Court of this County shall widen or change the course of any of the highways on which the poles and lines of the purchaser shall have been constructed, said purchaser shall relocate said poles and lines to conform to the new width or new course of such highways, if such relocation shall be necessary to prevent interference with travel on the highways as thus changed or widened.

SECTION 3. Said purchaser shall indemnify and forever save harmless the County or Fiscal Court from any and all damages, judgments, decrees, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, which said County or Fiscal Court may legally suffer or incur, for or by reason of the use and occupation of any highway, stream, bridge or other public place in said County by said purchaser, pursuant to the terms of this franchise, or legally resulting from the exercise by said purchaser of any of the privilages herein granted. Upon suit being brought against said County or Fiscal Court growing out of the use and occupation by the purchaser of any highways, stream, bridge or other public place in the County, the County Judge shall forthwith notify said purchaser in writing of such suit in order that he may take such steps as he or it may deem necessary or proper to defend the case, if it so desires, and the right is hereby given to said purchaser to defend any suit that may be brought against said County or Fiscal Court.

SECTION 4. All rights and privileges granted by this franchise are granted for the term of twenty (20) years from and after the purchase of the same as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 5. All provisions of this franchise which are obligatory upon or which inure to the benefit of said purchaser shall also be obligatory upon and shall inure to the benefit of all successors and assigns of said purchaser, and the word "Purchaser" whenever used in to this franchise shall include and be taken to mean not only said purchaser, but also all successors and assigns of said purchaser.

SECTION 6. This franchise shall be in force and effect from and after the time the same shall be granted to the purchaser thereof.

SECTION 7. It shall be the duty of the County Judge of this County, as soon as practicable after the adoption of this resolution and order, to sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder the above franchise at the CourtHouse, in the County Seat of this County, on some day to be fixed by him, after advertising same by publication once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in this County, and published in this County, and in making said sale, he shall receive no bid for less amount than the cost of making this order and all cost, attending said sale, and he shall report his action hereunder at a meeting of the Fiscal Court of this County subsequent to said sale, and the Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Spencer Taylor
County Judge
John F. Sugg
County Clerk

12-14-2t chg.

USE MERCURY CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING—IT PAYS

Rupture Shield Expert

E. J. MEINHARDI, widely known Rupture (Hernia) Shield Technician will be at the Lafayette Hotel, Lexington, Sunday and Monday, Dec. 17th and 18th. Office Hours 11 A. M. to 5 P. M. only. Postively no evening office hours. (25 years successful record—thousands recommend him.)

Scientific research is constantly providing new relief for many afflictions. The Meinhardi Laboratory has now produced the improved Meinhardi Rupture Shield. It stops the Rupture or Hernia from protruding in 10 days on the average case, regardless of the size or location of the Rupture or Hernia and no matter how hard you work or strain. It is also used for many Ruptures which have repeatedly returned after surgical operations or injection treatments.

Caution: If neglected, Rupture may cause weakness, nervousness, constipation, headache, dizziness, pain in back or stomach and dangerous strangulation.

Every man in this vicinity having a Rupture is invited to see this Shield during the above stated office hours. There is also no charge for private consulation. If desired, orders may be placed for immediate or future delivery. This demonstration is for men only.

ATTENTION: Veterans

1951 American Legion Membership Cards are now available

It is YOUR Legion Vets and you owe it to Your Country and to Your Self to Belong

See Frank J. Reed at County Clerks Office to pay your dues

Warning . . .
Nicholas County Taxpayers

1950 taxes are due and payable on or before January 1, 1951. Of the 2,168 tax bills of the State and County around 850 have been paid, leaving 1,318 bills unpaid, with only 15 days to pay before they become delinquent. 2% will be added on January 1, 1951.

John L. Clinkenbeard
Sheriff of Nicholas County

Dog Owners

Get your 1951 dog tags now on sale at the Sheriff's Office

John L. Clinkenbeard
Sheriff of Nicholas County

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Public Auction
217 Acre Nicholas Co. Farm

To be Sold in Two Tracts
125 Acre Tract 92 Acre Tract

Saturday, Dec. 16

at 9:30 a. m. on Premises

Located about 8 miles from Carlisle, Ky. on Parks Ferry and Blue Licks Turnpike Road.

217 ACRE FARM AND FARM TOOLS—TO SETTLE ESTATE OF LATE W. L. (WATT) HUNTER

On above date and time we will sell this farm of 217 acres of land, divided into two tracts and then offered as a whole.

TRACT 1—Contains a 125 acres of land. Improvements consist of a good six room house, a large stock and feed barn, five bin tobacco barn, corn crib, tool house and a good cellar at back door. Never failing water at house. Four good ponds of water on this tract. About ten acres of good timber ready to cut. The majority of this farm was mowed over this year. This is a very productive farm, and the tobacco has plenty of weight and color. Farm is located on a good county road with school bus and milk truck passing farm every day. About 4 acre tobacco base with this tract.

TRACT 2—Contains 92 acres of land. Improvements consist of a four room house and all necessary outbuildings. A good four bin tobacco barn. About 2.4 acres tobacco base. Two good ponds and a well at house on this tract. Plenty of grass and some hay. The size farm that will suit lots of people. This tract is just across road from tract No. 1. Tobacco base on 217 acres is 6.4 acres. If farm sells in separate tracts the AAA will divide base. After farm is offered in tracts it will then be offered as a whole. The best bid being considered. Tobacco sticks go with farm.

Farm Tools

Mr. Hunter had a lot of good tools—just to mention a few: One lot of small tools, two wagons, sled, hay rake, mowing machine, dump cart, pony cart, 1936 International pickup truck, barn jacks, all kinds of plows, pond scrapper, log chains, drill press, anvil, pitch forks, bench vise, some lumber, good Warm Morning heater and other things to numerous to mention.

Antique Furniture and Dishes

TERMS—Personal property cash — Real Estate — 10% day of sale — balance with deed and possession March 1, 1951.

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Here Abouts - - -
--- with Emily Asbury

I got lost in the Christmas rush, but, have room enough to wish each and everyone of you a very special Merry Christmas from all of us.

—HA—
Some Joke

Winter officially began today. This past out-burst from the skies has been late fall stuff!

—HA—
SS Attendance

Rose Hill 55
Cassidy 40
Ishmael 15
That's all—

Carlisle, Ky.
Elm Street, Dec. 19, 1950

Dear Santa Claus:

This is my first Christmas in Kentucky although it is my state. My mother has been sick and had to stay where she could go to a special kind of doctor.

I am only five years and five months old, so I'm having some one write this for me.

My first Christmas was spent in Ohio. Of course I can't remember that.

My mother told me many times of it, because it is the only one we have ever spent together.

Now that I am with my mother this year, please don't bother too much about me. Please instead be especially good to all little boys and girls everywhere who are not with their mother and father.

I thank you so much for all the nice things you have brought me at other Christmas's. I just wanted you to know it is the most wonderful present I could wish to be with my mother.

Best Wishes To You,
John Stephens Presnick
(Campbell).

Dear Santa:

I am writing again this year. I hope I am not to late for I want you get this please.

Bring me a big doll, a large set of dishes also a house. I will not ask for much I would like for you to visit the sick children also the ones that won't get much for it will make them happy. It will also make me happy to know that you go to see them. I have been very good. I go to school. I get a good report card. Don't forget my two little nieces and nephew. Bring them something nice.

Well Santa I know you are busy and don't have much time so I will say so long till next time. Merry Xmas your little girl

Norma Joyce Buckler,
Route No. 3, Paris, Ky.

Carlisle, Ky.
Dec. 18, 1950

Dear Santa,

After I saw you yesterday I changed my mind about the doll. I saw another one I want so very much. If you will only bring it to me, I don't want any thing else. Please Santa don't forget to stop at Rollman's and pick it up. My mother told them to give it to you. If you will you just bring the other one I said I wanted to my little sister, Joy. She told you she wanted a doll, so it will be alright.

Don't forget dear Santa, and I will try to be a very good girl. Don't forget all the little children and my little cousins, Karen and Kay Lircke is writing to you also.

With all my love,
Sharon Clay.

MASTER'S DEGREE WORK AT MASONIC LODGE

Gayle Kendall will take his Master's Degree Saturday, December 23, at 7 p. m. at a called meeting of Dougherty Lodge No. 65, F. & A. M. to be held at the Masonic Hall.

Valuable Gifts To Be Awarded Sat. At Community Tree Celebration

Two o'clock Saturday afternoon in the courthouse yard in Carlisle is the time and place to be if you're a Nicholas countian.

At that time, Santa Claus will be here in person to pass out goodies to all girls and boys who come to see him. He will come at the request of the local VFW's community service department, who contacted the bewhiskered old fellow in his headquarters at the North Pole.

Said Santa: "I understand the men of the VFW are planning a big celebration for the folks of Nicholas county, Saturday afternoon. Bill Power tells me that the merchants also are trying to add a merry note by giving away gifts from their stores right after I unload my candy and fruit for the kids."

The occasion is the renewal of the Community Christmas Tree, which replaces the annual county-by-car disbursal service staged by the VFW post.

Merchant's Prizes

About 3:30 p. m. local merchants will present gifts to the winning names drawn in each of the stores donating. A public address system will air these announcements. All merchandise will be given in the courthouse yard, and not in the stores. However, in order to be eligible to receive any of the merchant's prizes, person must register at each of the following stores for each prize:

Williams' Restaurant, a free lunch and two pints of ice cream; Abraham's, pair of nylon hose; Holbrook's, child's gift; Duncan's, tree lights; New Kirkland's, man's nylon shirt; Alexander's Grocery, 24-pound sack of White Rose flour; Western Auto Store, baseball glove; Carlisle Drug, photograph album; Neal's Grocery, basket of Stayman-Winesap apples; Cole Hardware, GE electric clock; Sexton's Cash Grocery, basket of groceries; Coatney Brothers, jumbo basket of fruit; Mercury $5 certificate redemable at any grocery; VFW, basket of fruit; Hopkins, box of Blossum Time soap.

Persons must be present in Carlisle to win these gifts.

Other Donors

The Business Girls Circle of the Presbyterian church, the VFW Auxiliary and others, have made a cash donation to help Lloyd George post take care of eveyone on hand for basket and clothing donations. Power, chairman of the community service said today that about 100 cards had been mailed to families in the county asking that they bring their children to Community Tree event Saturday. Those who cannot get to Carlisle Saturday should notify Power and they will be taken care of Sunday.

Persons knowing of needy families and those with clothing or other articles for donation should contact Power by noon Friday. Some VFW official will come to your home for the bundle.

It is thought by Commander W. R. Buntin Jr., that this Community Christmas Tree celebration will reach more families and it is hoped that everyone will enjoy a merrier, merry Christmas.

Deaths

Mrs. Stella House Mingee

Mrs. Stella House Mingee, 71, widow of Leander Mingee, died at 6 a. m. Saturday at her home in Paris, after an illness of 11 years.

She was a member of the Paris Christian church.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. M. L. Woods, Paris; a sister, Mrs. Inez Burns, Paris; two brothers, John House, Carlisle, and Newt House, Moorefield, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at the Hinton-Turner funeral home conducted by the Rev. F. M. Tinder. Burial was in the Carlisle cemetery.

Bearers were Clay Scott, Raymond House, Clifton House, Rees Downing, Wesley Humphries and Wilson Stephenson.

Mrs. Eugene Roberts

Mrs. Edna Roberts, 37, wife of Eugene Roberts, Fairborn, Ohio, died last Thursday at Dayton, Ohio. A former resident of Bourbon county, she was a daughter of Mrs. Stella Blythe Frakes of Paris and the late L. C. Frakes.

Surviving in addition to her husband and mother are one daughter, Elsie Roberts, Fairborn; one son, Wayne Roberts, Fairborn; two sisters, Miss Drusie Frakes, Paris, and Mrs. William Hudnall, Carlisle, and one brother, Elgin Frakes, Paris.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 p. m. Sunday at the Davis funeral home Paris by the Rev. E. T. Curry. Burial was in the Paris cemetery. Pallbearers were Roger Frakes, Virgil Hudnall, Milton Morrison, Gus Palas, Lloyd Hudnall and Paul Clayton.

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TOURNEY WINNERS

A ping pong tournament among members of the Nicholas Youth Center has been underway for the past two weeks. Three championship games were played Friday night and the following champions recognized:

Girls singles, Kay Flora; boys singles, Henry Peters, Jr.; mixed doubles, Kay Fisher and M. H. Ruddell.

Flora defeated Emily VanBever in the finals, 21-11, Peters defeated Gary Flora, 21-10 and Fisher and Ruddell nosed out Billy Blake and Emily VanBever, 21-19. Boys and girls doubles have not been completed.

NCHS DISMISSES TODAY

The Nicholas County schools will close for the Christmas holidays on Thursday, Dec. 21, and will reconvene on Monday, Jan. 1.

WINS DOLL!

Mary E. Crosthwaite, nine years old, who lives on the East Union road, will receive Caswell Furniture store's award of a beautiful doll for her extra special Letter To Santa.

Mary asked for a doll and a book about Jesus.

She will receive her doll Saturday afternoon at Caswell's store. Her story book of Jesus may be picked up at the Mercury office.

Special mention by the judges was given to letters sent in by Sallie Ann Fisher, John Presnick and Gloria Ann Haley.

Alexanders Top 4-H Tob. Sales

Thirty-one 4-H club members from Nicholas county, the largest number ever to participate in the show, sold their tobacco in the 15th annual 4-H Club Tobacco Show and Sale held at Paris on Saturday, December 16.

Tobacco was sold at the Paris Tobacco Warehouse for an overall average of $55.54.

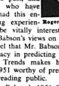
The crops of Lillie Belle and Frances Alexander sold for $64.85. They won the first and second crop prices respectively, with a 268 pound crop. Billy Shrout placed third with a 1,208 pound crop which averaged $64.83. Jimmy Bannister placed fourth with a 170 pound crop which averaged $63.41.

The tabulations on record book prizes have not been completed and will be announced later. The records of the remaining club members participating in the sale are as follows:

Bruce Ring, 2,164, $61.68; Mac Shrout, 1,052, $61.26; Delbert Bailey, 878, $61.01; Ray Anderson, 522, $60.84; Jerry McKenzie, 686, $60.50; Allen Bowles, 1,088, $60.45; Cecil Shrout, 704, $59.33; James Logan, 442, $58.44; Kenneth Booth, 354, $57.62; Patsy Crawford, 268, $59.99; Ronnie Letcher, 924, $56.92; Jackie Tincher, 1,470, $56.47; Bobby Bowles, 612, $55.78; Stanley Rose, 1,076, $55.01; Ray Bromagen, 552, $53.76; William Earl Hubbard, 474, $53.25; Donnie Lynam, 436, $52.72; Franklin Crawford, 182, $52.46; Donald Bowles, 1,220, $51.79; Dudley Burke, 1,658, $50.98; James Stone, 424, $50.77; Tommy Livingood, 1,070, $50.47; Tommy Capps, 884, $50.34; Billy Bowen, 790, $50.30; Charles Rose, 1,576, $50.24; Garner Ritchie, 890, $48.24; Nell Gay Bowles, 1,382, $47.54.

Babson Forecast To Be Published

The Mercury will publish the **Babson Business and Financial Outlook for 1951** on Thursday, December 28. You will find it on page one.



Roger W. Babson

We bring this article to your attention because we konw that our readers who have followed these Outlooks in the past, and those who have not had this enriching experience will be vitally interested in Mr. Mr. Babson's views on 1951. Also, we feel that Mr. Babson's uncanny accuracy in predicting future Business Trends makes his Outlook for 1951 worthy of presentation to our reading public.

Mr. Babson's 1951 Outlook will contain 50 Forecasts covering such important topics as:

General Business, Commodity Prices, Taxes, Retail and Foreign Trade, Labor, Deficit Financing, Farm Outlook, Stock Market, Real Estate and Politics.

11 Men Called

Pre-induction notices have been mailed to 11 Nicholas county men to report to Lexington December 27 for physical examinations.

This call for men includes all 1-A men down to those born in 1929. The January call will begin with single, non-veterans who were born in 1929, according to Miss Hallye Griffin.

They include: Everett Duke Smoot, Earl Clay Stanfield, Robert E. Carson, Marion Parker Rose, William Carlton Campbell, Ellis Lee Flora, Reese Clay Smoot, Robert Chester McFarland, Jesse James Barnett, Chester Holmes Bussell, Gayle Wendell Bow.

YULE PROGRAM TODAY

The voices of approximately 40 choir members, led by Mrs. J. M. Pitman will fill the air this morning in the auditorium of the Carlisle city school at the annual Christmas program scheduled to get under way about 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Cleary Fightmaster will accompany the group at the piano.

Highlight of the final chapel program before school is dismissed for the holidays until January 2, will be the exchange of Christmas gifts by members of the student body. An especially lighted tree will decorate the stage.

H. S. Vice Elected PMA Chairman

Production and Marketing Administration officers to serve for the coming year in Nicholas county's four PMA community districts were selected Tuesday at the courthouse, H. S. Vice, chairman of the committee has announced.

The following county committee and delegates were named from farmers elected at recent community polls to help administer the PMA farm program in 1951.

Chairman—H. S. Vice; vice chairman—John G. Allison; regular member—H. L. Herndon; first alternate—Harvey Wagoner; second alternate—J. A. Standiford. Community officers include—

Community No. 1 Headquarters and Barterville

Chairman—Raymond Coy; vice chairman—Woodrow Gaunce; regular member—Howard Allison Jr.; first alternate—Bruce Gaunce; second alternate—Arnold Harris; delegate—W. S. Gaunce; alternate—Howard Allison Jr.

Community No. 2 Ellisville and Myers

Chairman—W. H. Hammonds; vice chairman—Joe Holland; regular member—Sherman Crump; first alternate—Ray Flora; second alternate—Eddie Roy Price; delegate—Herbert McClanhan; alternate—Noble Gillispie.

Community No. 3 Moorefield and East Union

Chairman—Glenn Hardin; vice chairman—Charles L. Irvin; regular member—C. R. Smith; first alternate—Albert Henry; second alternate—Graves Stephenson; delegate—W. E. Judge; alternate—Charles L. Irvin.

Community No. 4 Carlisle and Parks

Chairman—Ray Snapp; vice chairman—Walter Hedden; regular member—Harvey Wagoner; first alternate—Raymond Hall; second alternate—James Simons; delegate—W. E. Piper; alternate—J. W. Miller.

Both community and county committeemen will take office immediately.

GIFFIN CHRISTMAS PARTY

The employees of the Giffin Manufacturing Company will enjoy a Christmas party at the Carlisle Armory this morning at 10 a. m. A large tree will decorate the building, under which there will be presents for exchange among the personnel.

The company will close for a five-day vacation beginning today. Work will be resumed Tuesday, December 26.

BROOKS PITMAN—Has been named Student of the Month at Carlisle High school. Brooks, a junior is an honor student, a member of the varsity football and basketball teams. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pitman of Sycamore street.

3rd Week Burley Sales Remain Up

Average prices by grades for Burley tobacco the third week of sales were firm to slightly higher in most instances reports the Federal-State Market News Service. Volume of offerings continued heavy although below last week because of the reduction in selling time. Quality of the tobacco was not as good.

For the second week grade averages showed improvement reflecting a slightly stronger demand by dealers and manufacturers. The increases were mostly $1.00 and $2.00 per hundred as compared with last week. Gains were generally for medium and low qualities as tops held unchanged. The practical top price on most markets remained at $69.00, with an occasional basket bringing as much as $67.00. A few grades of red and dark reds and nondescript were slightly lower.

Nicholas Burley Sales

High crops of Nicholas tobacco farmers called to this paper's attention include:

Teddy Poe and C. A. Price, 160, $57.37; Lloyd Evans, 1,284, $57.32; H. E. Peck and G. L. Bussell, 2,180, $63.64; Bettie Bussell, 2,660, $53.56; Nina Shrout, adm., and Paul Ellington, 1,988, $52.16; Jess Fritz, 296, $53.70; C. E. Fryman, 1,354, $58.88; Clyde Allison, Jr., 2,046, $56.24; Clarence Earlywine, 2,348, $56.85; H. A. and Woodrow Gaunce, 2,510, $62.01; J. H. Collier and Melvin Fight, 2,762, $61.52; Walter Gaunce and Everett Harney, 2,028, $56.54; Fred Whaley and D. L. Baker, 3,154, $57.41; Nelson Fryman, 3,586, $55.56; G. H. Ritchie and son, 5,026, $57.22; Robert Wilson, 1,428, $56.61; A. K. Hostetler, 3,742, $53.77; Claude C. Curtis, 2,792, $53.16.

Sam E. Smith and John Hilander, 1,684, $57.26; Edgar Huffstetter and Allen Bromagen, 2,864, $56.31; Everett E. Smith and Warren Smith, 3,043, $52.68; J. C. Earlywine and son, 938, $52.60; Charles T. Whaley and son, 5,798, $58.22; D. L. Baker, 2,570, $54.67; Lovell Hollar and James H. Gray, 3,648, $53.28; Letcher Hollar, 1,166, $57.43; Ernie Earlywine and Opal Gaunce, 576, $57.04; Elgin Clark and Arthur Sears, 3,476, $50.12; C. and B. Hamilton, 1,478, $53.26; Roy E. Snapp, 1,930, $58.11; H. D. and M. D. Judge, 2,382, $58.98; H. D. Judge and Van Thornburg, 5,562, $55.46; Billy Norton, 2,562, $59.71; Charles Durin and Joe Smart, 2,106, $56.98; Cecil and E. Robinson, 6,040, $56.57; Allie Cannon, 584, $55.46; T. E. and Junis Jackson, 1,239, $61.88; Stanley Kerns and William Toy, 1,266, $58.72; Effie Clinkenbeard and Marybelle Shrout and James Lowe, 3,960, $57.99.

George House, 4,562, $55.32; F. C. Powell and Clyde Snapp, 1,842, $54.22; M. D. and J. C. Judy and J. W. McGolthin, 3,148, $51.38; Paul House, 7,100, $56.11. James Honaker and J. T. Hamilton, 5,600, $57.00.

George F. Insko, formerly of Carlisle, has been elected chairman of the Fayette PMA committee.

Insko served as vice-chairman of the old committee.

Blue Jackets Lead All The Way To Defeat Carlisle 40-35 Tuesday

The law of averages and a mighty aggressive Nicholas County High basketball team won a long-awaited victory Tuesday night as they outplayed the Musketeers from Carlisle 40-35 on the winner's floor.

The annual grudge battle, the cleanest ever played between the two rival schools, was won in the first and fourth quarters when the ball-hawking county five poured the points through the hoops while holding the city school at bay.

In the opening period, the baskets of Ward Shannon, Tommy Grimes and Donnie Gaunce sent the home team soaring to a margin they never relinquished, leading 15-7 after the first eight minutes had elasped. In the last period, after the Musketeers had closed the gap to within two points 31-29, at the end of the third quarter, the accuracy of Gaunce and Johnny Fryman pushed NCHS out of danger. These boys combined forces to score seven of nine markers registered in the last period. Shannon contributed the other two.

The Musketeers might blame its loss on inability to hit foul shots. **Out of 26 chances at the free throw line, Carlisle muffed 17 while cashing only eight.**

Each team lost a starting player via the personal foul route. Hargis Fryman, who played an outstanding defensive game, left in the third period. Frank Cavanaugh was banished early in the final frame

High point man for the victorious Blue Jackets, ably schooled by Leo Wild, was "Deadeye" Donnie Gaunce who vanned the county attack with 17 big points. Shannon was next in line with 10.

Billy Tolliver and Kimball Booth were outstanding for the Musketeers. Tolliver, who's floor game was praiseworthy tabbed 13, while Booth, defensive denion, looped in eight.

The NCHS "B" five, led by Wilson and Baker, defeated Carlisle 45-18.

Other Games

Last week Nicholas County lost to First Creek of Blue Diamond 42-39, Thursday night. On the following night they regained their sights to score a 54-50 win over Williamstown.

The Musketeers, led by lanky Frank Cavanaugh, sneaked past Deming of Mt. Olivet 44-40 in a home tussle Friday night. The count was knotted 34-34 midway of the third quarter, but Cavanaugh found the range to give the Green and White enough margin for victory.

Quarter scores with NCHS on top, 15-7, 24-14, and 31-29.

NCHS		CHS
Shannon (10)	F	(8) Booth
H. Fryman (1)	F	(7) Shepherd
Grimes (5)	C	(3) Cavanaugh
Gaunce (17)	G	(2) Hardin
J. Fryman (7)	G	(13) Tolliver

Subs—Carlisle: Pitman 2, Flora, Ruddell, Hughes, Clark. NCHS: Boyd, Hillock.

Local Churches Announce Yuletide Services; Rotary Fetes Children

In the intended spirit of the Christmas season, churches of Nicholas county have planned special Yuletide services, many of which are scheduled beginning tonight. Clubs and other civic organizations have also events in connection with the approaching holiday season.

Ministers of the various churches invite the public to attend these services.

Rotary Fetes Kids

Wednesday at noon, the Carlisle Rotary entertained children of the county schools with a dinner at the Masonic Hall. Santa Claus was on hand to pass out gifts to the guests.

Baptist Play Tonight

"A Little Child Shall Lead Them", a Christmas play in five scenes, will be presented tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the Baptist church.

Music is under the direction of Mrs. leary Fightmaster.

The story revolves around a young girl who receives an invitation to spend the Christmas holidays away from home. However, her church needs her help in presenting a Christmas program. The need of a little English orphan helps her decide where her duty and real happiness lie.

Included in the 17-member cast are: Mrs. Dan Rich, Rose Ballard, Carol Shrout, Janette Hughes, Willa B. Vice, Annette Hughes, Frank Cavanaugh, Danny Gayle Booth, Mrs. Edith Saunders, (Mary) Billy Blake, (Joseph) Betty Lou Vice, Wayne Gaunce, Bobby Hughes, W. R. Crawford, Henry Peters, R. S. Cavanaugh, and Ernest Sosby.

Presbyterian Program

At the evening Vespers beginning at five o'clock Sunday afternoon, Rev. Robert Raborn has announced that a special musical program is on the holiday calendar at the Presbyterian church.

Included are solos by Charles Shrout, Jr., who will sing "Ave Maria", and "There Were Shepherds", by Mrs. Robert Pitman. Misses Nell Wilson and Pat Allison will team to render a duet, "The Christmas Song".

A male quartet composed of Billy Blake, Brooks Pitman, Jimmy Shepherd and Frank Cavanaugh will air the always beautiful "Silent Night". Misses Pat Allison and Nell Wilson and Messrs. Custer Blair and Jimmy Shepherd will conclude with "There's A Song In The Air".

A highligt of the program will be the relating of the Christmas story by Rev. Raborn.

White Gifts Offered

The annual donation of white gifts will feature services at the Carlisle Methodist church and the Moorefield Methodist church.

Tommorow at 7 p. m. white gifts will be offered at the Moorefield church in a community program that includes carol singing, Rev. Ben Hobgood said last week.

The local Methodist congregation will also assemble Friday night to donate white gifts to be distributed. "Christmas, In Story and Song" will be given by the minister, Rev. J. G. Carr at the regular Sunday evening service.

Ladies of the church will fill [illegible] on Saturday morning.

Last evening, members enjoyed an annual oyster soup supper.

Carlisle Christian

The Carlisle Christian church enjoyed a potluck supper, served by the Western Division of the Women's council, Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. Gifts were exchanged and a Christmas program under the direction of Mrs. Eda Taylor, Mrs. Robert Feebeck and Miss Ina Botts, [illegible]

Sunday afternoon a group from the church will make its annual call upon shut-ins. Baskets of supplies to the needy will be distributed.

A program of Christmas music by Mrs. Francis Buntin and Misses Ann Galbraith and Jane Anderson and stories by Mrs. Edwina Johnson and Mrs. B. F. Reynolds will be given at the regular evening worship hour Sunday, according to Rev. J. J. Whitehouse.

Previously Held

Some communities have already observed the annual Christmas programs including the Ishmael Chapel Methodist church, Rev. Marshall Crouch, pastor, who conducted services last Sunday.

Rev. G. W. Haley of the Saltwell Methodist charge invites everyone to the "watch" party at the church New Year's Eve.

Midnight Mass

Rev. Father Raymond Miller of the St. John's Parish announces plans for Midnight Mass services, an annual event at the Catholic church on East Main, Christmas Eve. The mass will be sung by the minister, and the choir, under the direction of Miss Evalynn Ross, will raise their voices in chorus.

YULE DECORATIONS TO BE JUDGED SUNDAY

Sunday night, after church services, judges, who's names have not been disclosed, will make a tour of Carlisle, at which time they will select the most attractive business house window decoration, the best resident interior and the best resident exterior, Christmas decoration displays. Names of the winners will appear in next week's Mercury.

First and second prizes of $3 and $2 will be awarded in each of the three classifications.

Persons living just outside of Carlisle, who wish to enter into the annual decoration contest, sponsored by the Carlisle Woman's club and the local Rotary club, may do so by contacting Mrs. Geneva Allison or any member of either organization.

Edwin Dean Saunders Hangs Self Tuesday

Edwin Dean Saunders, 60, of [illegible] was found hanged by a rope tied to a rafter in his barn near his home Tuesday morning.

His body was found by Ed Prather who went to the barn to start a fire in the stripping room. Coroner Ralph E. Shearer pronounced a verdict of suicide and said no reason for the action was learned. No inquest will be held. Time of death was estimated at 4 a. m.

Mr. Saunder was a member of the Cross Roads Methodist church and was the son of the late Frank and Mary Hanner Saunders of Clark county. He is survived by his wife Mrs. Pevie Kenney Saunders; four sons, Blanton Saunders, Ft. Knox; Hanson, Seth and James Saunders, Harrison county; five daughters, Mrs. Ray Mitchell, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Mrs. Maud Green and Mrs. Cecil Saunders, Bourbon county; Mrs. Beal Ritchie and Mrs. Earl Spiegal Jr., Harrison county; two brothers, George Saunders, Fleming county, and William Saunders of Missouri; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Ritchie, Nicholas county, and Mrs. James Dalzell, Cynthiana, and 21 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a. m. today at the Headquarters Methodist church with the Rev. G. W. Haley officiating. Burial will be in Battle Grove cemetery at Cynthiana. Pallbearers will be Ray Mitchell, Claud Green, Earl Spiegal Jr., Beal Ritchie, Cecil Saunders and Raymond Sanders.

REPORTS SALE

The Dayton and Shrout Realty Company report the sale of a house and six lots in Liberty Heights, property of George Gay and wife, to Eugene Gaunce and wife of Bourbon county at a private price.

HUNTER FARM SOLD

The Fightmaster Realty reports the sale of the 217 acre Hunter farm near Blue Licks to R. M. and Everett M. Smith for $69 per acre.

SELLS FARM

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Scott have sold their farm of 90 acres, located on the Cane Run pike to Mr. and Mrs. Marion C. Scott at a private price.

WILL GO TO NEW JERSEY

Allen V. Hopkins, with the Pontiac Motor Corporation, Cincinnati, has been promoted to district manager of the firm and transfered to New Jersey, effective the first of the year.