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THESE CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS were prisoners and served as mess mates at Camp Douglas during the War between the States. W. R. Peters and J. B. Peters belonged to Co. F, 9th Kentucky Regiment under Col. Breckinridge and Commanded by Gen. Morgan. These men were known as Morgan's men. The first soldier standing, from left, is J. B. Peters, great uncle, and the second man seated, from left, is W. B. Peters Sr., grandfather of Henry C. Peters, Carlisle. The other men were from various companies. Picture courtesy of Mr. Peters.

Noffsinger is new County Agent

Estil J. Noffsinger, 44, has been appointed County Agriculture Agent to replace William Straw, who resigned recently.

Mr. Noffsinger is a graduate of the College of Arriculture U. of K. in 1941. He served 2½-years in the Navy during World War II.

He has served as assistant County Agent of Bourbon County, six months, County Agent of Calloway County and 16-years as Gallatin County Agent.

Married to the former Rowena Underwood of Lexington, they have one son, a sophomore at Georgetown College. Mr. Noffsinger is a member of the Baptist church, church moderator and deacon, past president of Warsaw Lions Club, member of Board of Development Association and received the Distinguished Service Award from National County Agents Association in 1956.

Foster Pumphrey to teach in Pulaski County

Foster Pumphrey, Vo-ag teacher of Nicholas County high school has accepted a teaching position at Pulaski County high school.

Mr. Pumphrey's resignation submitted June 14, reads as follows:

Supt. Raymond J. Wesley and Nicholas County Board of Education, Carlisle, Kentucky.
Gentlemen:

Please accept my resignation as teacher of vocational agriculture as of July 31, 1962.

I wish to express my greatest appreciation to Mr. Wesley and the Board of Education for my employment for the past 10½ years.

I have enjoyed my work at Nicholas County and deeply appreciate the cooperation I have received from everyone.

My family and I will always have a warm spot in our hearts for Carlisle and Nicholas County.

It is hard to leave Nicholas County high and especially hard to leave some of the best boys in the state and one of the best young farmers' groups in the state.

Respectfully subetted this 14th day of June, 1962

Respectfully yours,
Foster Pumphrey

Mr. Pumphrey was released a month earlier than expected therefore he will start his work at Pulaski County high the first of July.

Mrs. Pumphrey and family will remain in Carlisle until Mr. Pumphrey has time to locate housing facilities.

MRS. WARREN FISHER chats with Lt. Gov. Wilson Wyatt about the proposed Lake Development in Nicholas County and the Annual Blackberry Festival, during a luncheon given by Lt. Gov. and Mrs. Wyatt, Friday, at the Old Governors' Mansion, Frankfort. Mr. Wyatt will be one of the guest speakers during the Festival.

Nicholas County Memories . . .

by Louis P. Scott

Since the 1962 version of the Nicholas County Blackberry Festival is now in full swing in and around the Court House Square, we are reminded of many other events which have occured in and near the Nicholas County Court House.

One event which was of great interest for many years was the Old Settlers' Day. The hairy old settlers, and we use the description with all respect, for in those days a beard or whiskers denoted maturity worthy of respect. It was the same with pipes, and even plug chewing tobacco. We will not suggest what they though of cigarettes which were a rarety in those days.

The old settlers congregated in and about the Court House where in the morning and in the afternoon those individuals who liked to recount their personal experiences as early settlers were afforded an opportunity to speak. It is possible that some not too old, but with political ambitions took occasion to promote their own position among their constituents. At any rate, a good time was had by all.

Political speeches in the Public Square were a regular thing in the old days. Sometimes in the Court Room, sometimes from the front steps of the Court House, and in extra warm campaigns, from specially built platforms draped with flags and bunting, and large enough to accomodate chairs for the faithful. One such platform was erected on the East side of the Court House, and from it the Hon. William Goebel, later Governor of Kentucky, made a stirring appeal for support. A feature of his appearance was the passing around of large celuloid campaign buttons upon which appeared the candidate's picture. How the kids enjoyed getting possession of these!

The Court House yard was frequently utilized for civic betterment and public safety. In it were two large fire cisters, one just East of the front steps on Main street, and another on the West side of the Court House. In the days when Carlisle's fire-fighting equipment consisted of only a hand-powered pump, a hose cart, and a set of fire buckets, an occasional practice run was held at the cistern in the Court House yard. With a dozen husky men manning the pump, six on each side, a one inch stream of water could be discharged from the hose all of twenty five feet high! Later, when a steam fire engine was contracted for, it's ability to throw two streams of water fifty to seventy five feet in the air was demonstrated on Main Street in front of the Court House.

Street "Fairs" were frequently held in and around the Court House yard, with tents and booths occupying most of the streets on the South and West of the square. However, the Merry-Go-Round was located in the vacant lot now occupied by the Masonic Temple. Since the mechanical piano on this outfit was heard it was never forgotten.

A most enjoyable use of the Court House Yard was in 1905 when Nicholas County participated in the Kentucky Statewide Homecoming. A barbecue and burgoo feast was prepared and served in the North and West sides of the court yard. The sandwiches and the pint tin cup of thick meaty burgoo prepared by the then famous Kentucky Burgoo King will ever be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to partake of this tasty food.

In later years tent shows, revivals, and summer chatauquas were held in the Court House yard, all of which added to the enjoyment of the citigens of Carlisle and Nicholas County.

It is a very satisfying thought that this public property has been and continues to be used for and enjoyed by the people of Nicholas County and their neighbors. The County Court is commended for approving legitimate use of the premises by the public, and the custodian of the grounds is to be congratulated on the neat appearance of the spacious Nicholas County Court House Yard.

PRESS-GOVERNMENT SEMINAR — Representatives of Kentucky newspapers and magazines attending the second annual Seminar at Frankfort Friday included (from left) Warren R. Fisher, Carlisle Mercury, and Russell L. Metz, Bath County News-Outlook, Owingsville. Gov. Bert Combs, who invited the newsmen to the seminar, said it "enabled us in State Government to benefit from your thinking on what is good for Kentucky." The Governor and his cabinet answered questions on State Government asked by the press representatives. Following the seminar, the newsmen were dinner guests at the Executive Residence.

Poppy day set

The Auxiliary of Lloyd George Post 8666 will hold their annual "Buddy Poppy" sale Saturday, July 7.

Wear a Poppy to show you remember.

Mrs. James Shrout urges all members to help with this important part of the auxiliary work. Sale starts at 1 p.m.

Festival schedule

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4th

10:00 p.m., Giant Display of Fireworks.
11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Round and Square Dance.

THURSDAY, JULY 5th

6:30 p.m., Recorded Music.
7:00 p.m., Music by Dixieland Band.
8:00 p.m., Float and Centenial Parade. (To leave from Nicholas County High)
8:30 p.m., Lt. Gov. Wilson Wyatt to speak.
9:00 p.m., Judge Floats and Awards for Best Costumes (Men and Women).
9:45 p.m., Dance for those in Centenial Costumes. Round and Square Dance to 1:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 6th.

10:00 a.m. to 12 noon Childrens Program.
1:00 p.m., Dog Show (For Kids).
1:30 p.m., Bicycle Parade, Prizes.
4:00 p.m., Queen Contest Closes.
6:30 p.m., Recorded Music.
7:30 p.m., Address Hon. A. B. Chandler.
8:00 p.m., Queen Parade.
8:30 p.m., Queen Coronation.
9:00 p.m., Drill by Frankfort Drum and Bugle Corp.
9:15 p.m., Round and Square Dance.
10:30 p.m., Fireworks.
10:50 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., Round Dance.

SATURDAY, JULY 7th

10:00 a.m., Childrens Program.
6:30 p.m., Music.
7:00 p.m., Ticket sales for Prize Money.
8:15 p.m., Address — Hon. Thruston B. Morton.
8:45 p.m., Round and Square Dance to 12:00.

Dentists open office here

Dr. Robert B. Sparks and Dr. Leon Riggs will open their dental offices Thursday in the Deposit Bank building, second floor, formerly occupied by Dr. S. H. Hutchings.

Their office hours will be from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday thru Saturday. Phone 373.

Dr. Sparks and Dr. Riggs are graduates of the Louisville Dental College and both are married.

Dr. Riggs has rented an apartment from Mrs. Thomas Grayson on Broadway, and Dr. Sparks is still looking for suitable living accomadations.

Police report two break-ins

The Dairy Queen Drive-In and Standard Oil service station in the western suburb of Carlisle were broken into after midnight Saturday. The breakins were discovered when opened for business Sunday. The back door of the Dairy Queen had been forced. The cash register, which had been left open contained no money. The stock was tossed around and damaged.

At the Standard Oil station, seven new tires were taken from a rack. The cash register was broken into and damaged. A door had been taken from a cigarette machine and an undetermined amount of cigarettes and candy taken.

Patrolman William Sealert said that the damage to the Dairy Queen was estimated at $500 and the loss at the service station at around $1,500.

Insko elected to poultry science association

W. M. Insko, Jr., professor and head of the Department of Poultry Science at the University of Kentucky, was one of five fellows elected by the Poultry Science Association at its annual meeting held last week at the University of Illinois.

Professor Insko was president of the association in 1949-50.

Under his leadership, poultry research and teaching at UK have grown from a section of the Animal Industry Depart

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City to buy up gas bonds

At the regular meeting for the month of July held at the city hall on Monday, July 2, the council and Mayor Power discussed the gas bond issue and concluded that the gas bonds would be paid off by September 1, 1962.

Budget Approved

Mayor Power went over the new budget with the council in the general business and it was approved. The budget will be effective as of the 1st of the month with these changes. The telephone bill to be increased to $23.00 per month for the fire phones, extra salaries $100.00 per month, street supplies to $400.00 per month, building supplies were reduced to $15.00 per month $6.000 was taken from water fund and placed in the general fund until the gas bond are paid off.

Mosquito Control

The spraying done last month was termed quite successful and the council agreed to spray again on Monday, July 16. The citizens are urged to keep up their fine cooperation again as last time in order to help wipe out the mosquito problem.

Police to Patrol

The council agreed in the general business to give the police

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THESE GENTLEMEN while away the time at McDonald's Grocery, several hours each day. They are Reynolds Allison, Floyd McDonald, James Towles and Russell Mattox. Should you need any one of these men this would be the most likely place to find them.