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Largest Crowd Ever Attends Combs-Carroll Fund Raising Dinner

The largest crowd ever to attend an event of any kind in Lexington's Phoenix Hotel gathered for a regional fund raising dinner for Bert Combs and Julian Carroll Feb. 10.

Speakers whooped their appreciation of remarks by both Combs and Carroll, and Joseph Leary, Frankfort attorney, State Campaign Chairman Robert Matthews, U.S. student leader Sheryl Snyder, of Owensboro; Foster Ockerman and Fayette County Judge Robert Stephens, all of whom appeared on the program.

The Louisville Times estimated the crowd at 5,000. Lexington Fire Department officials said it was the largest crowd ever at the Phoenix. Matthews said snow and weather conditions "undoubtedly kept many other people away."

Combs is in support of the Ford campaign slogan "Fighter for people", calling it the "funniest claim in the history of Kentucky politics". Combs added, "I'm like putting boxing trunks on Mickey Mouse and calling him Muhammad Ali."

Combs pointed out that "the fighter", as Lieutenant Combs, had been responsible for the defeat of bills in the 1970 legislature that Ford now supports in his platform.

Specifically Combs pointed to

defeat of election reform, an Environmental Control Commission and a bill that would have required disclosure of income by elected public officials.

Combs also noted that Ford has not met promise with performance in regard to strip mining control and noted that Ford has been unclear, and has changed his position several times on a severance tax.

The leading contender for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination termed J. B. Miller "the man from Mississippi", former Democratic state chairman, "the man who pulls my opponent's strings."

"I don't believe we ought to blame the 'fighter'", Combs said. "We ought to blame his manager."

Combs pledged his support of public and private grants in providing new facilities of sufficient size to accommodate the many loyal fans who cannot get tickets to basketball and football games of the University of Kentucky. "There is no reason that Kentuckians should not be able to see their University play ball if they want to," Combs said.

County Census Report

Nicholas County's official population in the 1970 census was 6,508, down 2.5 percent from the 1960 figure of 6,677, the Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce, reports.

The official population of the state was 3,219,311, up 6 percent from the 1960 population count, which was 3,038,156.

The 1970 census counted 6,326 white persons in Nicholas County, 97.4 percent of the total, 170 negroes, and 2 persons of other races. In 1960, 97.1 percent of the population was white.

The census showed 538 children under 5 years; 1,580 in ages 5 through 17; 3,510 people 18 through 64; and 860 who were 65 and older. The population 14 years and over included 3,224 married people, 470 who were widowed, 134 divorced, and 1,017 never married.

Nicholas County's 1970 population was classified as 100 percent rural.

There were 2,140 households with 6,462 persons, including 362 one-person households, in addition 46 persons were living in group quarters.

The 1970 census counted 2,422 housing units in Nicholas County, 1,399 of them occupied by owners, 741 occupied by tenants, and 282 vacant. These included vacant units for seasonal use. The proportion occupied by owners in 1970 was 57.8 percent, compared with 56.3 percent in 1960.

Among year-round dwelling

units there were 2,069 single family houses, 225 housing units in multi-unit buildings, and 106 mobile homes or trailers. The percentage of occupied units was more than one person per room was 8.8, compared with 9.5 in 1960. Of all the occupied housing units, 1,242 had piped water, toilet, and bath, while 898 lacked some or all plumbing.

The median value of owner-occupied houses in Nicholas County was \$10,400, compared with \$6,800 in 1960. The median rent paid by tenants in 1970 was \$41 per month, compared with \$37 in 1960. Half were over and half below the median figures.

These results are from two 1970 census advance reports for the State, PC(IV), General Population Characteristics, and HC(VI), general characteristics. The reports, which contain additional 1970 census data for the state and various areas within it, may be purchased at nominal prices from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, or from offices of the U.S. Department of Commerce in major cities.

Further reports giving more extensive statistics on the characteristics of the population and housing will be published in future months as the 1970 census reports are tabulated.

Blair Heart Fund Chairman

The further appointment of M.C. Blair, Carlisle, to serve as Nicholas County Heart Fund Chairman, in the 1971 Heart Fund Drive, now in progress, has been made by Kentucky campaign chairman, former Senator Thurston B. Morton.

Senator Morton pointed out that, through his association with Heart, he has come to know first-hand of the "almost miraculous progress" science has made in the fight against heart and blood vessel diseases, and of how the Kentucky Heart Association, by its effective use of Heart Fund dollars in the State's communities, hospitals and medical research laboratories has vitally forwarded this progress.

The campaign will continue through February and reach its high point on Heart Sunday, Feb. 21, when volunteers will visit their neighbors to distribute heart-bearing information and will receive Heart Fund contributions.

H. M. Mitchell Dies Suddenly

Harry M. Mitchell, Frankfort, manager of South Central Bell Telephone's Frankfort district, died at Dayton Beach, Fla. when he had gone to watch the auto race.

Mitchell, 60, was stricken Sunday Feb. 14, 1971 while exiting a graduate of Kentucky Military Institute, he had been with the military since 1931, holding various executive jobs in Harlan, Owensboro, Winchester, Richmond, and Paris.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Flora V. Mitchell; three sons, Joe M. Mitchell, Fort Mitchell, James, Washington, D.C. and William F. Mitchell, Birmingham, Ala.; five grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Walter B. Ade, Louisville.

Services were held Wednesday at the Rogers Funeral Home, Frankfort. Burial in the Frankfort Cemetery.



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Drug Questions Answered

Bill Gubrie, Drug Abuse chairman for the Carlisle Jaycees, announced this week the results of a poll taken among the students at Nicholas County High School concerning drug problems at the school.

The questions asked on the questionnaire were:

1. Do you believe that there is a drug problem in this county?
2. What percentage of the students in this high school do you think have experimented with drugs?
3. What percentage of the students in this high school do you think use drugs regularly?
4. What drug do you think is the most often used by students in this high school?
5. Do you think a reward of \$100 would be sufficient incentive to inform the authorities about illegal sale of drugs in this high school?

In answer to the first question concerning the existence of a drug problem in this county, 44.5% of those responding to the questions thought the problem existed while 55.5% felt there was no problem.

In reply to the second question, 87.9% of those answering yes to the first question said that 0-25% of the students at the high school had experimented with drugs. 8.1% felt that 25-50% had done so. Of the remainder of the students

voting yes, 3.2% felt that 50-75% had done so, 1.2% felt that 75-100% had done so, and 3.7% felt that heroin was the most common.

Concerning the reward of \$100 being offered by the Carlisle Jaycees for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone selling drugs in our county, 63.5% of the students polled felt that the reward was sufficient incentive while 36.5% felt that it was not.

The survey shows that even though the majority of the students feels there is no problem, a significant minority feels that a problem does exist. This finding is, no doubt, quite shocking to the people of our county and will, we hope, serve to bring about the realization among Nicholas Countians that a problem does conceivably exist in our county.

The Carlisle Jaycees would like to thank all the students who participated in the survey for their cooperation. Anyone having suggestions about programs to combat drug abuse may contact Bill Gubrie, local chairman, or any Carlisle Jaycee.

The group answering no to the first question answered the question concerning regular use in much the same manner with 98.7% replying that 0-25% use drugs regularly while only 1.4% thought that 75-100% of the students used drugs on a regular basis. There were no replies to the other two percentage areas.

86% of the students surveyed

4-H Awards Program

The Nicholas County 4-H Leader and Member Awards Program will be held at Blue Grass Industries on Monday, Feb. 22 at 7:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Combs Palmer, State Assistant Extension Director for 4-H.

"4-H Care About You" will be the theme of this year's program where 4-H members and leaders will be recognized for outstanding 1969-70 achievements. Prizes and awards will be given to County 4-H Project Champions, County Medal winners, Cate-Oll Award, Danforth and Award of Excellence winners. The top four AFPS Youth Scholars, County Talent Show, Rally Day and Style Revue winners will be recognized

and members will receive project completion certificates. Nicholas County 4-H Leaders will be presented certificates and leader pins designating years of service in the 4-H Club program. Outstanding 4-H Alumni will receive recognition and a special 4-H Council Award will be presented.

Serving as host for the program, Blue Grass Industries will provide refreshments.

Shumate Elected

Wayne Shumate, Carlisle, has been elected to membership in the American Angus Association at St. Joseph, Mo.



Study UK Pharmacy College needs—George Grider, Frankfort pharmacist, left, consults with the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy students on the needs for changes in the programs of the UK college. The recent consultative session featuring 17 Kentucky practicing pharmacists and students and faculty of the college was held on the Lexington campus, designed to "improve communication between the college and the profession it serves". The students are Richard Mamus, 1st; Semlow, Trail, Frankfort and Bob Falbert, Carlisle.

Development, Water Corporation Problems Are Discussed

A discussion of the problems besetting the Nicholas County Water District and the Nicholas County Development Corporation were discussed Monday evening at the Catholic parish house on East Main Street.

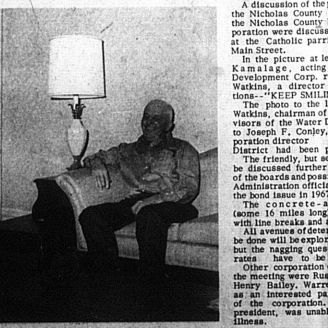
In the picture at left, Faber Herman Kamalige, acting president of the Development Corp. remarks to Dorsey Watkins, a director of both organizations—"KEEP SMILING!"

The photo to the left shows Charles Watkins, chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the Water District, explaining the boards and possibly Farmers Home Administration officials who underwrote the bond issue in 1967.

The friendly, but serious situation will be discussed further by a joint meeting of the boards and possibly Farmers Home Administration officials who underwrote the bond issue in 1967.

The concrete-slab-on-grade pipe line, (some 16 miles long) has been plagued with line breaks and a lack of customers. All avenues of determining what should be done will be explored it was explained, but the nagging question is, will water rates have to be adjusted upward?

Other corporation directors attending the meeting were Russell Alexander and Henry Bailey. Warren Fisher attended as an interested party and lot owner of the corporation. Charles M. Cox, president, was unable to attend due to illness.



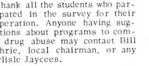
Henry Palmer Passes Feb. 12

Henry A. Palmer, 76, died at 9:40 a.m. Friday, Feb. 12, 1971 at the Nicholas County Hospital, after an illness of two weeks.

He was a Deacon in the Carlisle Christian Church for 51 years, chairman of the Board of the First National Bank and a member of Dougherty Lodge No. 65, F.&A.M. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ruth Campbell Palmer, one son, Robert Allen Palmer, Arnsdale, Colo., one half-sister, Mrs. Adrienne Wilson, Orlando, Fla., and two grandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday at the Mathers-Shearer Chapel by the Rev. Harold Rice, pastor in the Carlisle Community.

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