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A LETTER TO ALL NICHOLAS COUNTIANS

To all citizens of Carlisle and Nicholas County:
The Carlisle Community Woman's Club is presenting its historical pageant-style show depicting noteworthy events during the 175 year life of Nicholas county in cooperation with the Bicentennial Celebration the last week of June.
Our committees are starting to work and we can do this job much better with your cooperation.
We need to know as soon as possible what clothes of previous years are available for our use. Nothing is too small an item to be considered—it takes the basic costumes but also the small accessories to make the outfit complete. I know that you would rather see "Aunt Sally's" dress on

Chamber elects new officers

The Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce elected new officers at its meeting Thursday, Jan. 31. They are Andy Duder, president; Carroll W. Wallace, vice-president; Harry Lawrence, secretary; and Ralph Shearer, treasurer.
New directors for 1974 are Harvey Wilson and Terry H. Dallas. Sugg, Continuing as directors are David Zachary, Dr. Andrew Hamon, Henry Peters, John Allison, Marion Sims and Morris Whitley.
Collection of membership dues for 1974 will be the directors first project.

Social Security representatives here Tuesday

Local Social Security representatives, Mrs. Betty Rudd and Ed Byrom, in cooperation with the Cooperative Extension Service of Nicholas county will conduct an educational program, Tuesday, Feb. 1, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Nicholas county courthouse, 1:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to inform the public of the new Supplementary Security Income program. Other new features of the Social Security law will also be discussed.
Attendees will learn the qualifications for the Supplementary Security Income provisions. Services in Nicholas county are eligible for these added funds but have not filed applications.
An opportunity will be given to ask questions about any phase of the Social Security Program.
This meeting is open to anyone regardless of color, creed or national origin.

CALF meet set for February 7

Attendance at the Community Meeting for Community Action held Friday was insufficient to elect a representative of the poor to sit on the CALF (Continuity Action League/Payette) Board of Directors or to prepare any significant agenda.
Eleven applicants for the Outreach Worker position at the Community Center were interviewed. Notification of hiring is expected soon.
Another Community Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 7, at 7 p.m. in the Court House to try again to elect a representative of the poor. Everyone is invited, and, hopefully, more interest will be shown in this very important program.
Several persons have already volunteered to run for election as representative of the poor. They are: Lucille Williams, who does volunteer work at the center and is presently on the LWAP Board of Directors, Chola Thompson, who lives in Spycamore Hill, Ruth Clay, who lives on Hickory Ridge Road, Adella McGowan, the wife of Rev. W.L. McGowan, and Jewell Hatfield, who is a Head Start Volunteer. Anyone else interested should contact the Community Center (289-7172) or Dr. James A. Noll (289-2699).

Girl Scouts hike Bicentennial hike

The Nicholas County Girl Scouts will sponsor an 11 mile nature hike during the Bicentennial Week, June 23-30. A merit badge will be awarded to those who complete the hike.
All persons are invited to participate.

Elementary PTA to meet Monday

The Nicholas County Elementary PTA will hold its February meeting Monday night, Feb. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the school.

Send or bring your family history to the Mercury Office as soon as possible

Homer Goins, head coach at Paris High School was guest speaker for the evening, and delivered an excellent speech on his plan for a successful team.



Receive awards

Wednesday night the Nicholas County football team held its annual Awards Banquet, which had been postponed in December due to snow. The banquet was held in the high school dining room. Awards were presented by Head Coach Paul Hampton. Pictured are Coach Hampton, Greg Reid, Best Offensive Player; Joe Wilson, Blue Jacket Trophy and Most Valuable Player; Roy Fryman, Most Improved and Best Defensive; Kenneth Smoot, 119% Award; and Homer Goins, Head Coach, Paris High School was the guest speaker.—Janie Duncan photo



Performance

The Stage Band of Nicholas County High School presented three musical arrangements at the Football Banquet held Wednesday night at the high school. This very accomplished group is under the direction of Charles Canapp. This picture does not include the entire band.—Janie Duncan photo

Football banquet held Wednesday

Wilson, Fryman receive four of the top Bluejacket awards

Joe Wilson and Roy Fryman, both seniors, received four of the top Bluejacket Football Awards Wednesday night at the re-scheduled annual Football Banquet held at Nicholas County High School. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wilson, was recipient of the Blue Jacket Trophy and Most Valuable Player trophy, gaining over 700 yards. Fryman, son of Roy Fryman, received Most Improved Player and Best Defensive Player trophies.
Other top awards went to seniors Greg Reid, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Reid, Best Offensive Player, and Kenneth Smoot, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Smoot Jr., 119% Award. Robbie Lyons is also a graduating senior.

Kenneth Smoot, on behalf of the graduating senior team members, presented engraved silver trays to M.H. Ruddell, Coaches Paul Hampton and Asbury McGuffey.
F.H.A. members were in charge of the meal.
Other team players, comprising the 1973 team, are: Damon Booth, Billy

Clark, Billy Darrell, Marshall Fryman, Steve Fryman, Ernie Jones, Greg Lecher, Robert Livingston, Harold Massey, Mark Mattox, Mike Mattox, Ricky Mattox, Danny Mattox, Mike Rawlings, J.B. Ritchie, Jeff Rose, Joe Ruddell, George Sexton, Cliff Stumate, Jimmy Smith, and Pat Taylor.

Kentucky Group \$100,000 giveaway in final week

One week remains in the Kentucky Group, \$100,000 Giveaway. The winners of the six Cadillac DeVilles and 17 Gray Torinos will be decided during the draw, Feb. 2, 1974, on Channel 37 WKYT-TV on Feb. 10, 1974.

Following are the fifth weeks finalists for one of the Cadillacs:

Jerry W. Cummins, Central Bank, Lexington; Mrs. John E. Roberts, First National, Georgetown; Polly Shearer, Peoples Commercial, Winchester; Leroy Barrett, First National, Nicholasville; Barry Satchwell, Bank of Danville; Martin Hovornals, Traders National, Mt. Sterling; Russell Clay Ware, Powell County Bank, Stanton;

Patty King, First National, Carlisle; June Oldson, National Bank, Paris; Geneva McHaine, Peoples Bank, Berea; Janet Johnson, Corbin Deposit, Corbin; Mrs. Maude Taylor, Bank of Williamsburg; George L. Kinnels, First Farmers, Owenton; Mrs. George R. Hall, Jr., Citizens National, Somerset; John R. Rice, First State, Manchester; John W. Henderson, Bank of Richmond; Mary McIntosh, Waco Depot, Waco.

Registration can still be made at any of the above banks, through Feb. 2, in excess of \$40,000.00, serves over 800,000 Central and Eastern Kentuckians with over 40 offices.

Certificate of Excellence awarded Carlisle Friday

A Certificate of Excellence was awarded Carlisle Friday during the All-Kentucky Cities awards program in Louisville.
Certificates of Excellence are presented to those cities which rated "excellent" in at least two categories entered in the competition. The Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce entry obtained excellences in Recreational and Cultural Programs and in Commercial Development.
Twenty-two Kentucky communities were recognized as All-Kentucky Cities by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce's annual Opportunity for Progress program.

Those cities recognized as All-Kentucky are the following: Ashland, Berea, Bowling Green, Carrington, Cave City, Central City, Corbin, Cumberland, Elizabethtown, Henderson, Hopkinsville, Madisonville, Middletown, Mt. Sterling, Owensboro, Paducah, Pikeville, Princeton, Providence, Somerset, and Winchester.
Berea, Mt. Sterling, Owensboro and Paducah were recognized with the additional honor of being entered in the Kentucky Chamber's Opportunity for Progress Hall of Fame. To qualify for the Hall of Fame, a community must win All-Kentucky honors three years in a five-year period. Only nine other communities have won this honor.

Crouch retires Dec. 31 after 21 years with PCA

Joe Crouch retired Dec. 31 after 21 years of service with Production Credit Association in Carlisle.
Joe was born in Bethel, Ky. in Feb. of 1914. He was educated in the Bethel school system and graduated in 1931 from Bethel High School. He is married to the former Minnie Bruce Sodegard. They have three children: Joe Winston, Johnny, and Jamie, their only daughter, who is a sophomore at Nicholas County High School.
Joe's first contact with the public began in April, 1939 when he worked in his own general store in Bethel. He also worked for the Farm Credit Administration in Cynthiana and later, Covington, in the early 40's. Joe then spent some time in the Army. He was stationed in the Hawaiian Islands during World War II.
He became a PCA fieldman for the

Nicholas County—Bath County area in Jan., 1963. Under his guidance this office grew from a volume of under \$100,000 to over \$1,000,000 in 1970. It was at this time the idea was conceived to open a full-time field office in Bath County at Owensville. Approximately \$200,000 in loans was moved from the Carlisle office to the Owensville office in May, 1971. Joe's duty in Owensville brings his volume to over \$2,000,000 where it stands today.
Joe has not only been a leader and go-getter in PCA, but is also active in civic affairs. He was a charter member in the development of Lake Carnico. He was a former president of the Rotary Club, and is at present a member of the Chamber of Commerce, American Legion, Masonic Lodge, and is president of the Men's Club of the Presbyterian Church in Carlisle.

First National Bank sponsors bus excursion

The First National Bank of Carlisle, Ky. is sponsoring for its customers an excursion to the National Farm Machinery Show at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville on Feb. 14.
Coffee and donuts will be served at

7:30 a.m. and the bus will leave the bank building at 8 a.m.
Those interested in going should call Earl McFarrington, agent for the First National Bank immediately. Only room for 45, so first come, first served basis. Stag only please.



Re-elected recently to second one-year term as state officers of the Kentucky 4-H Leaders Council were (left to right): Mrs. Leon Ballantyne, secretary; Mrs. Stella Wehlgren, President; and Garvey Coutsinger, Carlisle, vice president. Re-elected treasurer was Richard Crafton, Henderson, who was not present for the picture. The state Council, made up of two leaders from each of the 14 Extension areas in the state, helps guide and direct the Kentucky 4-H program and serves as an advisory group for the Extension staff at the University of Kentucky.