

# Nicholas County History under way

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The residents of Nicholas county have just closed out a week of ceremonies in honor of their 175th anniversary as a Kentucky county.

Anniversary and bicentennial celebrations are taking place in many parts of Kentucky, but Nicholas county's celebrations last week were special.

All proceeds from the activities will go to support the writing of the "History of Nicholas County."

This, reportedly, will be the first historical account ever written about the county. Nicholas residents deserve credit for wanting to record their county's history.

The book which is expected to be completed by the historical committee, is being coordinated by the county's new Historical Society.

The society and the general editor of the book, Joanne Kline, have already received considerable support through volunteer help and donations.

Ms. Conley says that more residents are interested in this than in any other community project ever begun in Nicholas county.

But there is need for more help from people who have some knowledge of the county's history and from those willing to make donations.

Persons can write the Historical Society, Box 222, Carlele, Ky. 40311 if they wish to support the county in its endeavor.

(Editor's note: "The History of Nicholas County" will be the first book solely developed by Nicholas county. There are, however, accounts and sketches of the county in other histories like Collin's and Perrin's, the latter being published in 1822. We certainly appreciated these kind words of encouragement from the Lexington Leader.)

# ABC's of avoiding falls 20 & 40 years ago

The three annual National Farm Safety Week, sponsored by the National Safety Council and the United States Department of Agriculture, will be observed July 25-31, 1974. The theme is "Alertness, Balance Care—ABC's of Avoiding Falls."

Farm Safety Week, first started in 1946, calls attention to common safety problems which steal away valued human and economic resources in our agricultural communities and it provides a means to specially emphasize things which will help to reduce those losses.

Last year's Farm Safety Week focused falls in the home and homeplace. However, because of the seriousness of the accident problem resulting from falls and because it is felt that falls can be prevented by practical measures, the 1974 Farm Safety Week will again emphasize falls specifically those connected with farm work activities.

Falls rank second to motor vehicles as a cause of accidental death. Though more fatal falls happen to home than at work, most often to older persons out of

the work force. Work falls have long been widely acknowledged problems of industries. And agriculture is no exception.

Falls were responsible for nearly 42 percent of the injuries reported in recent state farm accident surveys—and about half of these falls were work related.

To get a better look at things which result in falls during farm work activities, William D. Bradford, NIOSH agricultural safety engineer, analyzed 150 work fall cases chosen at random from state farm accident surveys. Fall causes about one in four farm work accidents and cost at least \$400.00 and is supposed to kill moths, flies, mosquitoes, ants, spiders, roaches, ticks, beetles, bed bugs, lice and other insects that can be a menace to the townspeople.

The car found in a rock quarry on the Crab Grass Road, Friday night has been identified as a stolen car. The 1923 Buick sedan belonged to Robert C. Stone of Dayton, Ohio.

BORN—A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Willy Wayne McKinley, Mr. McKinley is stationed at Memphis, Tenn. with the U.S. Army.

MARRIED—Miss Gracie Kelly to Elsie A. Austin by John J. Miss Joyce Ann Cooper to John William Myer on Saturday afternoon—Miss Emma Frances Hamilton to Eric E. Sloan on Saturday night in Lexington—Miss Bettie Marshall to Earl Wade on Saturday afternoon—Miss Shirley Shaw to Charles West on Saturday night in Lexington.

**MERCURY**  
By Warren R. Fisher

**Let dat bag, let dat bag!**  
Caddy the "tee" who takes dat bag to clubs for a friend. Also refer to work clothes.

Not finding the difference in Webster that I was seeking—cause maybe it just hasn't been crossed, I may come to with my own.

"Golf—club down to play a game with sticks or clubs. A game which consists in striking a small resilient ball (golf ball) with clubs (golf clubs) having heads (wooden or metal) into a series of holes (usually nine or 18) situated at varying distances on a course with natural or artificial obstacles or hazards irregularly interspersed. The object is to put the ball into each hole in as few strokes as possible." Well, so much for that definition.

Now those eleven clubs. Wooden: 1) Driver; 2) Mashie; 3) Spoon. Metal clubs: 1) Driving Iron; 2) Mid Iron; 3) Mid Mashie; 4) Brassie Iron; 5) Mashie; 6) Mashie Niblick; 7) Pitcher; 8) Pitching Niblick; 9) Niblick; and 10) Putter.

Then there's the bag to hold this assortment, 12 of which were usually in the bag that I was using, plus a handful of small white resilient balls. I wouldn't go so far as to proclaim myself a 160-pound weakling, but what those Nicholas County hills and that slippery Nicholas county didn't do to me, the weight of those 16 clubs did.

The course (golf course) I thought could be easily tackled in a couple of hours or less turned into a huffing and puffing three. And I quit before the week 20 years ago.

Neither can I say that I tossed the clubs on all nine holes, but by agreement (mine) I carried up on half and longtime friend Ed Easterly of Frankfort, shouldered the load on most down grades.

His opponent in the game was Curt Wideman who hails from St. Louis via a stint in South Arabia. Curt lost little time in driving the ball and taking that bag, but Curt was in my brother-in-law's brother-in-law.

Now John Taylor, Richmond, Va.,

# LETTERS

from our readers

**Editor, The Carlele Mercury:**  
My cousin, Russ Kennedy Lambert, sent me a copy of the 1974 Celebration number, and I do congratulate you and the editors. It is just as fine as some special editions of The Courier, which I consider one of the finest papers in the country.

You see I grew up with your father and Elizabeth and the Veschi. Your father carried a distinct count of mine, as I did the count of the very interesting Mr. roots and in Kentucky.

I think I have a special edition of The Sentinel and I can find it. Will and you and you see what I mean. Please excuse writing. I am 80 and am not so well as I used to be.

Good luck to you and The Mercury.

Yours sincerely,  
Marguerite Norton,  
500 Hilltop Dr.,  
Frankfort, Ky. 40601

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Thank you for an enjoyable evening, one of the best I have had.

Sue Irwin Patton,  
West Union, Ohio

**Editor, The Carlele Mercury:**  
The Nicholas County Board of Education elected William Haggard the principal of the High School. A Nicholas county resident is on the board, Dr. Charles E. Haggard, Jr. of Madison. A Nicholas county resident is on the board, Dr. Charles E. Haggard, Jr. of Madison. A Nicholas county resident is on the board, Dr. Charles E. Haggard, Jr. of Madison.

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## Fleming County Bicentennial Celebration, July 10-14

Fleming county's five-day celebration of Kentucky's Bicentennial began Wednesday, July 10 and thousands of persons are expected to participate in the many events and visit the four covered bridges located in the county.

The festivities began with a fan fair from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Tom Hanes was held at 8:30 p.m. at Colonial Village Shopping Center, and the crowning of the Fleming County Bicentennial Queen climaxed the evening's events.

Events scheduled for Thursday, July 11 are Arts and Crafts Exhibit, Walking Tours of Flemingsburg, and the Fleming County Bicentennial Flower Show. A square dance is scheduled for Thursday evening at 8:30 a.m. at the shopping center. There is no admission charge for any of the events.

The Arts and Crafts Exhibit will be viewed by the public at the Fleming County Library from 12 to 4 p.m. An interesting collection of quilts, woodcrafts and many other native crafts will be on display.

Kentucky's Bicentennial Flower Show, sponsored by the Fleming County Garden Club, will be at the Fleming-Mason H.E.C.C. auditorium and is open to the public from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. The theme of the show is "Reminiscing 'Our Heritage with Flowers."

Also on Thursday afternoon, guided walking tours will originate at the historic Flemingsburg Presbyterian Church at 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. Several places of historical interest in a two block area will be visited. Among them are the old Mason and Mrs. Robert Skeley. At the Fleming County Courthouse, visitors will have an opportunity to view an exhibit of old photographs and documents. Many other interesting structures, including well preserved slave quarters will be seen.

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Mrs. Max was a State Social Worker there for 15 years, but had to take a disability retirement in 1966. She has had two of her hip braces, otherwise is in reasonably good health.

I will always appreciate the opportunity you and the officials there gave me to start a new life after 4 1/2 years of some very difficult times to Carlisle next week, the first time we've been back. So what is to be for the 175-Bicentennial.

Now wouldn't it be something to see an writing to the James W. Hammonnd other than the Warren Hammonnd who you took part in. They were very fine.

With best wishes,  
H.C. Mac-McCannan

## Agree or Not

by S.C. Van Curun

**FRANKFORT**—Persons receiving federal payments for the aged, blind and disabled suddenly find their payments stopped because of the guidelines of the Social Security Administration, Mrs. Gail Huicker, commissioner of the Bureau of Social Resources said.

Mrs. Huicker's director, the old Department of Economic Security that state government was re-organized, has been extremely busy since January of this year when the new Department of Economic Security (DES) program was instituted.

The old state program was incorporated in the new federal program. Mrs. Huicker says that it is not possible since the beginning a determination of the eligibility of former recipients of aid and the old state program. Recipients were automatically accepted at the beginning.

The Bureau of Social Insurance has been busy learning the new guidelines and regulations under the federal system and as one employee said, "it's almost to drive us crazy."

In addition to these payments of the new federal DES program makes monthly payments to adult mentally retarded, up to as much as \$16 a month, "residues of family income," but persons seeking this aid are mentally retarded and must apply at the nearest Social Security office and not through the state organization. However, there are people who may be disabled, but are not listed as such in a private school and his relatives are now paying for his keep in institutions, but the government regulations define this support as income, but it is not.

This is a case where the law clearly provides for the payment to the adult mentally retarded, but the government turns around and takes it away under the beginning.

There has been some who don't have any income of this kind. What

## MSU Library to serve Nicholas

Morehead State University has been selected as one of six providers for the Kentucky Cooperative Resource Information Project (KCRIP). The project is designed to provide library loan services for all public libraries in Kentucky. It will make materials available to all citizens of the state who would otherwise be unable to obtain them.

MSU's Johnson-Camden Library is being used as the major resource center for libraries in Eastern Nicholas county and will assist in obtaining materials from other parts of the state.

Counties to be served by MSU are Bath, Breathitt, Bourbon, Boyd, Carter, Clark, Elliott, Estill, Magoffin, Floyd, Greenup, Harlan, Johnson, Lawrence, Lewis, Macon, Martin, Mason, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Nicholas, Owsley, Pike, Powell, Rowan and Wolfe.

KCRIP is an extension of a program of the National Endowment for the Humanities which MSU and other state universities have shared in financing. The program has provided over \$1 million for the past three years.

The project is funded by the Kentucky Department of Library and Archives.

MSU is receiving a grant of \$10,000 for its participation.

## Parks Homemakers meet

The Parks Homemakers met for a picnic lunch at the home of Mrs. Warner Long on Thursday evening, July 11.

After lunch a business meeting was conducted by Mrs. Francis Watson, president. Seven members answered roll call. Final plans were made for the picnic at the home of Mrs. Warner Long on Thursday evening, July 11.

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