

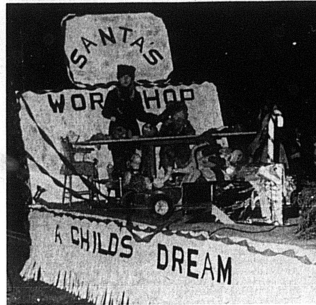
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"Santa's Workshop" won first place Thursday night. The float was entered during the Christmas Parade by the Nicholas County FFA-FHA.

—Smith photo

## MMI representatives meet with County School board

Representatives from MMI met with the Nicholas County Board of Education Saturday night to discuss a proposal where Nicholas County students could participate in a Junior ROTC program through the Millersburg school.

A list of safety equipment needed by the vocational agriculture department at the high school. The list was mainly eye protective devices and marking paint for safety purposes. The board agreed to purchase \$28.20 worth of equipment.

The resignation of Clarine Lynam was accepted as lunchroom cook and Waveline Cartwright was employed in that position. The board also voted to keep Mrs. Elizabeth Braday as lunchroom manager and commended her for her performance.

## Ratliff Bros. sold

Ratliff Bros., the oldest retail business in Nicholas county, has been purchased by Jewel K. Vice and Gilbert Reid, owners of Reid & Vice Builders Supply, Inc.

W.B. Ratliff and C.C. Ratliff, brothers, established Ratliff Bros. in 1884. Ratliff Bros. Co. was incorporated Jan. 2, 1915 with W.B. Ratliff, C.C. Ratliff, E.J. Beers, S.C. Vaughn, Frank J. Mathias and Harry T. Burgess as directors.

In 1940, the brothers owned three business houses. Their grocery and hardware store was in Main Street. A meat market was at the rear of the building. The lumber yard, coal office and grain station were situated on Broadway (Maple) and along the side of the LAN—where Reid & Vice is located now.



A.V. "Doc" Allison, one of the last owners of Ratliff Bros., stands in front of the present Ratliff Bros. location on Market Street. Ratliff has been bought by Reid & Vice Builders Supply, Inc. and will soon move to their location on South Broadway. This present Ratliff building will be used by Reid & Vice for storage.—Duncan photo

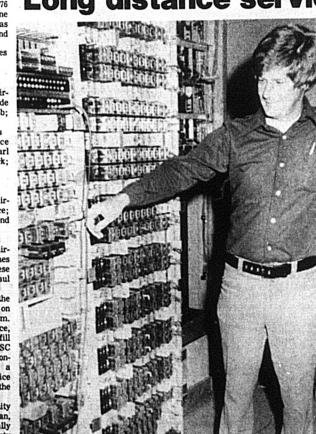


Miss Stacy Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herzee Marshall, was crowned Snow Queen Thursday night during the annual Christmas Parade. Jaycee Billy Clark is pictured with her. Six Nicholas County students vied for the honor.—Smith photo

## Seek to add five beds

Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home has applied to the Department for Human Resources to add five beds and to convert existing beds so that the jurisdiction of Section 112 of the Social Security Act. This segment of the law applies to capital expenditures by health care facilities which, if not justified by increased services or efficiency, could result in unreasonable costs to patients.

## Long distance service updated



Jerry Jones, equipment installer for Western Electric, displays the automatic number identification (ANI) computer which has been installed locally by South Central Bell as a cost of

## Officially named

Mrs. Warren Fisher, Mayor Bill Power, Judge Floyd Clark, and County Attorney Joseph H. Conley display the American Revolution Bicentennial flag presented to Carlisle and Nicholas county Thursday night—officially naming the city and county national Bicentennial communities. Representative Adrian Arnold (behind the Jaycees banner) made the presentation for the ARBC.—Smith photo

## Bicentennial focal point

Blue Lick Battlefield State Park will be the focal point of the State Bicentennial celebration next year because it is the site of the last battle of the Revolution. The Kentucky Events Celebration Commission Executive Director, Mr. Louis Matson, said last week that Blue Licks will be in 1976 what Harrodsburg was in 1774, and Boonesboro in 1975. County Attorney Joseph H. Conley and Property Valuation Administrator Bobby Anderson represented Nicholas county at a planning meeting on Dec. 2 at the park. The next planning session will be held at 4 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 15.

## Number recorder

The equipment will make long distance dialing ever easier and faster than before," Harris said. "If a caller reaches a waiting number, all he has to do is call the operator and he or she will see that the customer is not billed for the call."

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