

# Caution should be used in decorating for Christmas

By this time I thought you'd knock each other out



Aromatic fire trees, gaily decorated packages and twinkling electrical displays have long heralded the approaching Christmas season. Unfortunately, this traditional time of peace and goodwill is too often marred by needless injuries and even death.

State Fire Marshal Warren Southworth explained that the cause for Christmas decorations, compounded with a greater use of fuel for cold weather, makes fire especially likely during December. "People should be using a few simple safety precautions in their eagerness to celebrate Christmas. Those who do could make the local news," he commented.

## Liberalizing drug laws would be big mistake

The drug culture, largely confined to dark alleyways of inner cities and so many young men, is all around you today. Profound concern is a newly released federal report says. It states that more than half of Americans between the ages of 18 and 24 are heavy smokers, one-fourth of those citizens use it habitually.

## 20 and 40 years ago

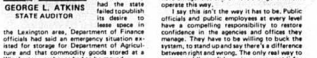
Thursday, December 20, 1958  
Southern Bell announced today that construction has started on a new telephone route to serve the farm families who live in the Moorefield Road area.

# In the Public Trust

By George Atkins, State Auditor of Public Accounts

What's a warehouse worth if it has no title? In a recent article in this column, we discussed the importance of title insurance in the purchase of real estate.

It is a well known fact that the title to real estate is a matter of public record. The public records are maintained by the county clerk's office.



George Atkins, State Auditor of Public Accounts, has written this column to inform the public of the importance of title insurance.

## Letters from our readers

To the Carleisle Mercury:  
I want to express my gratitude to you for the article in your issue of December 13, 1978, regarding the Carleisle Mercury's financial situation.

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Joe Ruddle puts in his 29 points during the first round of the Dering Invitational Tournament. The Blue jackets lost the trophy opener to Augusta, 75-72—Smith photo

## Jackets capture win at Mt. Olivet

After a heart-breaking loss to Augusta during the first round of the Dering Invitational Tournament, Friday night, the Nicholas County Bluejackets came roaring back to capture their first win of the season with an 82-27 over MMTI.



Senior forward, Steve Curtsinger, drives in for a lay-up in the early going of Friday's game with Augusta—Smith photo

## Jackets drop squeaker to Augusta Friday, 75-72

After a first round loss to Augusta during the game as compared with only 13 points for the Jackets, was an outcome to Joe Ruddle's victory.

**Have You Made Your Christmas List?**

Just take a look at what the Sugar Plum Tree has to offer when you do your Christmas shopping. We have something for all the women and maybe even some of the men on your list...

- Jewelry
- Jeans
- Scarfs
- Robes
- Eveningwear
- Hats
- Gowns
- Blouses
- Belts
- Skirts
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**Russ Metz!**

May this house be safe from Keenan Wynne and woodpeckers

The "first larv doesn't have a cure," was the main theme about the presidential candidates debate.

Keenan Wynne came on television to bring us the sad state of the union and present a maximum program. His wife doesn't particularly like either candidate. She thinks both are to the detriment of the Hum.

It is actually the missing of a Keenan Wynne movie that gets to her. She can't all that crazy about Keenan Wynne. It is supposed to look like me and she reveals in reply, "See, he doesn't really look like you. Guess I was of somebody's a subtle threat towards the day when she can win against me."

"Maybe you and Keenan do look alike."

"You ain't too crazy about woodpeckers, either."

"You've got to get that UHF antenna fixed," she informed me, "and stop shooting at woodpeckers." We are one-serial family because of a stupid woodpecker and my great respect for the law.

This screwy bird kept chipping up near wood-shingle roof. When it went on the antenna to study where to dig again, I had a gun barrel on him. Woodpecker was protected. I'd heard somewhere, and I didn't especially want to be faced with scoping a bullet bird meat out of my gutters. So I took careful aim on his left middle toe nail. Reverse reception was never good on that aerial after this.

"What this country need, if they have to be presidential debates in the name of the Calvin Coolidges," monna said. "They could put the whole debate on the television breaks." That's one of the nice things about being married to an older woman; she can remember all those old days.

"Tell me what you remember about Sil, Cal," I begged.

Once a lady of a dinner table said to Cal, "You are so silent. I made a bet today that I could get more than two words out of you."

"You lose," replied Coolidge.

Calvin, the Silent's closed-lip policy he began. Some claimed he could remain silent in five different languages. It was claimed he was Washington native, planning to get Cal to talk. One passionate plating to get Cal to talk. One passionate plating to get Cal to talk. One passionate plating to get Cal to talk.

Keenan Wynne began chattering away without getting a response when she finally said, "You go to so many dinners, they must love you."

"Well, a man has to eat somewhere," Coolidge replied.

"He would have driven today's television and great reporters up the wall." At one of his rare press conferences, reporters bombarded him with questions and he gave his answers.

With a heart full of thanks, Mrs. Raymond R. Curry

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"Have you anything to say about the farm situation?"  
"No."  
"What about problems?"  
"No."  
"About the forthcoming senatorial race?"  
"About the World Court?"  
"No."  
"Then, as the meeting broke up, the Silent cut them off. "And don't quote me."  
As tight with the back as the lip, Silent Cal was approached by a worker who had contributed much service to his election campaign. The man, a banker, sought no special favors, but did suggest it could be a big feather in the man's cap if Cal would become a depositor in his bank.

The Nicholas County High School varsity cheerleaders was second place during the Mt. Olivet Tournament Friday and Saturday. Augusta cheerleaders were judged first.

quater. But the real story of the game was not the comeback by the Jackets, but rather their inability to generate any type of offense or defense early in the half game.

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rummaged in the closet and came up with a handful of red bulbs from the Christmas tree.

There then is this Chicago psychology professor, who has made a study of eyeballs and is willing to pass on his observations. He claims that if you stare at your best girl for longer than 10 minutes, you are getting through to her.

He doesn't say how you are supposed to do this if you are courting her in a rumpale seat on a dark night. Yet, there is a way. But you watch your own eyes making out of her. You know, you are doesn't turn black.

In the Garden of Eden sat Adam. Looking into the eyes of his madman, she was filled with elation. For in all creation there was only one man-and she had'n.

## Willoughby named 'Athlete of Week'

Mark Willoughby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Willoughby of Louisville, and grandson of Mrs. Sarah Fryman of Carleisle, was recently honored as "Athlete of the Week" in a Louisville paper.

Willoughby, formerly of Carleisle, won the honor during the Thanksgiving weekend 4A Jefferson County Region playoff between Paindale and Fern Creek. Willoughby played fullback for the Paindale football team which finished on the second team.

In the game, the husky 6 foot 2, 210-pound fullback was all over the field during the first quarter, scoring two touchdowns from one end and ten yards out.

"I thought it was a fair performance," said the modest 16-year-old junior who has scored a total of 32 points this season, including a two-point conversion. "I twisted my ankle in the first half but it didn't bother me. It was the rest of the night I probably could have got more yardage."

Willoughby's initial touchdown tally came early in the game's second quarter on an end sweep which covered ten yards. His score had sliced Fern Creek's lead to 4-0. "That was nobody around," remarks Willoughby. "The line did a tremendous job clearing the way for me, and I just swept left and went in for the score."

Willoughby struck again after Paindale had recovered a Fern Creek fumble on the second half kickoff. With the ball resting on the 25, he took 10 yards before Willoughby plunged into the end zone to send his club out in front for good at 20-0. "I knew I was in," he said. "I took the handoff, spilled around and just fell into the end zone. It's funny, the play before that we ran the same thing, but I wasn't I was in, but they wouldn't give it to me. Anyway, I did it the next time around." The Willoughby line at 210 Sam Drive, Louisville.

Deryl Stacy of Rosee is pictured with Wood 16 point lead in finishing county records. A total of 1,000 deer were taken Dec. 4 and 5, the first two days of the season.

Opens evenings until 9 p.m. this Christmas