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Murrell receives scholarship

Delmus Murrell of Nicholas County was among several awarded \$100 scholarships during the last session of the Kentucky Industrial Education Association Conference (KIEA) held recently in Louisville.

Mr. Murrell is an industrial education instructor at Central Kentucky Vocational-Technical School and a student at Eastern Kentucky University. He is also owner of the Try-It-On Jeans store here in Carlisle.

During the conference, Jack Hatfield, executive director of the State Advisory Council for Vocational Education, reviewed a survey conducted by the council on ways to improve vocational education programs. The survey indicated:

"Vocational education graduates lack skills in communications, such as reading and writing.

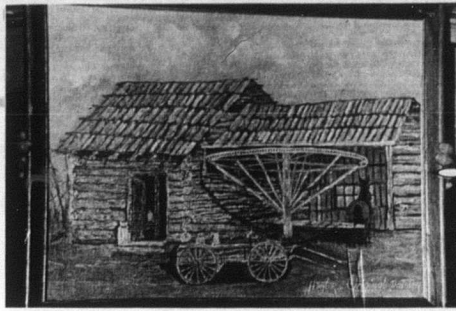
"Vocational education graduates lack skill in job interviewing and completing application forms.

"Students need improvement in work habits and attitudes.

"Better guidance services are needed in placing students in vocational programs.

"There is a lack of programs for students in vocational education.

Mr. Hatfield said the survey will be reviewed by the council which will make recommendations on how to improve vocational education programs to the Board of Occupational Education.



Painted from memory

Hollis G. Taylor, Franklin, Ohio, a Nicholas County native, painted this picture of "The Old Mill" at Hartsville from a picture of the Mill printed in THE MERCURY recently and from his personal memory of the Mill. He gave the painting to Mrs. G. C. Myers (holding it) and Mr. Myers of Carlisle.

The large sweep or cog's wheel was pulled by a horse round and round, grinding the corn. Wilkes Snapp made the cog's wheel entirely by hand around 180 years ago. It was hewed from white oak timbers, according to Mr. Taylor. —Mercury photo.



Appointed to committee

Mrs. John Seper, Renda A. Carlisle, has been appointed to the Congressional District Steering Committee for the Governor's Pro-White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services. Barbara M. Williams, State

Librarian presented a certificate to Mrs. Seper at a luncheon in Morehead. The purpose of the conference is to determine how library and information services can better serve the needs of the citizens of Kentucky.

Main Street loitering causes ordinance draft

Mayor Bill Power and City Council directed City Attorney Billy Hopkins to draft an ordinance against loitering and disturbing the peace on Main Street. Mayor Power said at regular Council meeting Monday night that many business men and customers are complaining that persons are blocking the entrance to their stores, using foul language and creating a disturbance.

Until the ordinance is drafted, Mr. Hopkins advised that anyone can be cited for disorderly conduct. The police have been so advised. It was stated. Motions passed included:

"To advertise for two-year trash pick-up bids in December to be accepted by new Council in January.

"To take over maintenance and cost of four lights already installed in Henryville.

"To place a new vapor light on School Avenue.

"To contact auditors so that city books can be audited at first of year for 1978 and 1977.

"To reimburse Policeman Sam Finch for mileage 14 cents per mile while he attended a five-day school at Eastern Kentucky University.

Fireman Bob Berry recommended that a National Fire Code be adopted for the city, and that the Fire Chief inspect businesses for fire hazards. He

also strongly recommended that smoke detectors be installed in all homes. The city, upon the request of Les Cooney, will check the feasibility of amending Mr. Cooney's property on Highway 36.

The new gas line to the factory and nursing home area should be completed in another month or so, City Gas Superintendent Gayle Vendingham said. The new line will be operable in two to three weeks, but abandonment of the old line will take longer. The County has paid \$10,000 for the cost of the line. Blue Grass Industries has agreed to pay this amount also, but has not done so to date.

A called Council meeting will be held Nov. 28.

The October Police Report is as follows: number of arrests — 26; police court fines — \$47.50; parking meter collections — 22.80; total — \$94.30.

Planning group to meet Nov. 30

The November meeting of Carlisle Independent Planning Commission will be held on Nov. 30 at 7:30 p.m. instead of the Nov. 22 meeting will be held in Carlisle City Hall Building. The meeting will be to discuss any business to come before it.

Community Thanksgiving Service is set for Nov. 23

The annual Community Thanksgiving Service, sponsored by the Nicholas County Ministerial Association, will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 23, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

Rev. Mark Trevo, Rev. Herman B. Kamlage, and Rev. Bert Eyster have planned the program which will begin

at 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Albert Allen, minister of the Carlisle United Methodist Church will be the speaker. "What Jesus Says to Us," is his topic. All members of the Ministerial Association will take part in the program.

An offering will be taken.

Optimists to meet

An organization meeting for the newly formed Carlisle Optimist Club will be held at the Eisenhardy Library on Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 7 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

Weatherization group meets

The Nicholas County Project Advisory Committee met at the Community Center Monday Nov. 14, to discuss and vote on the applications taken for weatherization. The meeting was called to order by Freda R. Voss, weatherization aide.

Those present were: Jeff Tyler, weatherization foreman; Paul Brooks, weatherization laborer; Nicholas County Judge Mildred Clark, representing Nicholas County; Alex Crawford, representing Carlisle; Paul Stone, representing Kentucky Utilities; Delight Ashbury, Catherine Barlow, Ola Coopers, and Billy Trussell representing the low-income families.

Jeff Tyler discussed the condition of the homes and the cost of the work needed on each home. After discussion, five new applications were approved and two old applications approved for insulation. The Weatherization Aide is taking applications for the weatherizing of homes in Nicholas County.



First kill

Tommy Hamm of Cynthiana, proudly displays a seven point deer he killed Nov. 11 while hunting in Harrison County. Mr. Hamm, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Earl Hamm, stated that he had been hunting deer for several weeks, and this is his first time for killing a deer.—Duncan photo

Engineer's idea may cut cost for solar energy

A University of Kentucky engineer has come up with an idea that may cut the cost of manufacturing solar energy collectors in half.

Dr. Blaine Parker, U.K. professor of agricultural engineering, has designed a solar panel whose value-added, accordion-like surface absorbs almost 100 percent of the sun's radiation.

The University of Kentucky has applied for a patent on the invention.

The solar plates in Parker's invention are made of steel or aluminum painted a glossy black and mounted on an insulating board. Solar radiation is trapped. Please turn to page 12



The climax of a year's work, and an exciting annual event for burley growers and their families is the auctioning

of their season's crop. This year's sales season opens Monday.

Raggle-taggle autumn a prelude to Thanksgiving

Almost like sudden nightfall in the mountains when sun drops behind a rugged crest is the way coin-gold autumn starts rustling away. One day it's denim blue skies and the next it is wet as the front of Grandma's apron on wash day. Late autumn in the Bluegrass State is not without its beauty.

Oh, here and there a field is like a person with uncombed hair, fence rows ragged and turn and frost-weeds tangling across a path. But even so, a bit of blue ethereity and a dandelion, bright as brass, shine through the thickets and when even the palest sun strikes a city flowered of coppery mumus, the plants take on a glow much like a well-used copper kettle.

The area of Indian Old Fields, southeast of Winchester on Ky. 15, is beautiful in the change of seasons. It holds still to a mystic aura from Indian days and slower hunters, creating a feeling of honey warmth. It is not difficult to imagine how it was when Edokipatiki was an important link on the Warrior's Path. Tepees and huts would have small flags of smoke curling skyward as families gathered against the chill, and outside fires would be warming hunters and traders as they conducted business in the last of Kentucky's Indian towns.

Henry Fields in Central Kentucky once supplied material for rope, twine, cotton bags and gunny sacks. According to historical markers, in 1869, ten Bluegrass counties produced more than

90 percent of the entire U. S. yield. Some of these fields now are gentle slopes, and remain a green oasis most of the year. Above the fields are touches of autumn. Graded trees continue to hold drooping, curled cones of brown, begeterize in their holes and spots but uncommonly lovely in grace of limb and twig.

Nine miles south of Manchester in Clay County, a marker points out an old threshing rock used by settlers as early as 1800 and earlier by Indians. In autumn's harvesting, consider the sight of farmers helping one another by falling grain on the large rock. The countryside might be browsing, grass drooping to tangle underfoot, but the calls of farmer to neighbor would be joyous as they gressed their harvest,

talked over health and politics and tried to keep birds and animals from their bounty.

At the old Saline Trace on the Ohio River in Christian County, autumn at one time brought detrital rains that burned wagon roads into miry masses and made the highway treacherous from crossing the river on Flynn's Ferry.

There was relief for those from inland who soaked up this who autumn trees edging the great river and enjoying the activity of river trade. Soldiers' leaves might swirl around paddling boats, but slow rains of autumn made the river pelagic and touched with its colored leaf-beauty. Autumn on the river is to be remembered for the river is like a homesickness, and farmers too long with fields and crops

were called to the muddy shores to revel in the sights and sounds before winter closed in.

Late autumn in Kentucky can be scenery and maddly like the old Buffalo Road in Owenboro after the herds had passed, but today it is Frederica Street reflecting Thanksgiving decor from store windows.

Perenniums cling to Eastern Kentucky breeds in dark, verticillid, wistery globe, but the fruit is sweeter than ever and perfect for a Thanksgiving pudding.

Leaves fall to earth in every part of the Commonwealth, but in so doing they reveal scenic beauty behind them and above all, enjoy this season Kentucky's raggle-taggle gypsy days of autumn.

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