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Election: City, School Board

Six City Councilmen, the Mayor, and two school board members will be elected locally in the Nov. 8 election. The deadline for filing as candidates for these offices is Wednesday, Sept. 14.

According to Nicholas County Clerk Rose Scott Monday, no candidates have filed for any of these positions that far. School districts to be filled and the present incumbent are:

District 1—Ray Wagner Jr. This district is composed of all voters in Rafferty and Mayor's Office Precincts.

District 2—Herbert Cecil Duncan, appointed April, 1977, to fill the unexpired term of Ray Lavin.

"Educational District Number Three shall be composed of Morefield and that portion of Engine House described as follows: Beginning at M. and Mrs. Howard Hoversdale on north side of Ky. Highway 26, thence west to Scribner Road, thence north on the Scribner Road to the Myers Precinct boundary line including all voters on the east side of the Scribner Road; thence west along Scribner Road returning to intersection of Scribner Road and Ky. Highway 26 including all voters on the west side of Scribner Road; thence west on the north side of Ky. Highway 26 including all voters in Shepherd Hills, Baker's Addition, Liberty

Heights and Arnold Heights to intersection of Ky. Highway 26 and Ky. Highway 22 and Broadway; thence along Broadway to North Street; thence east on North Street to the intersection of Eastern Avenue including all voters on the south side of North Street thence with Eastern Avenue to Ky. Highway 26 and Main Street. All voters within the boundary of Main Street, Broadway, North Street and Eastern Avenue shall be included in Educational District Number Three and all persons on the east side of Eastern Avenue beginning with Green Grear and continuing south to Main Street shall be included in District No. Three.

Seats in Districts 1, 4, and 5 were filled in the 1974 election. School board members' terms are for four years. Terms in Districts 1, 4 and 5 will expire in 1980. The representatives in Districts 2 and 3, to be elected this year, will serve until the end of 1981. In other words, there will not be another school board election after this year until 1989 when board members will be elected in Districts 1, 4 and 5 again.

Voters in November will also be asked to decide if a Constitutional Convention should be called to rewrite our 1893 state constitution.

Fiscal Court sets several tax rates

The Nicholas County Fiscal Court, at its meeting on Aug. 18, set the tax levy for LAN Railroad and other public service companies in the county at 15.1c per \$100 of assessed value of property and Nicholas county bank shares at 15c per \$100. The library tax was set at 2.3c per \$100 and the fire protection tax at 3.3c per \$100.

Other motions voted on by the court include:

—Appointed Calvin Will and Sallie A. Cartwright to set zoning terms on the Nicholas County Recreation Park Board.

—Authorized the purchase of two bleachers, a ceiling for the field house, green sealer for the tennis courts and the purchase and installation of a 25 foot flagpole and flag for the Nicholas County Recreation Park as had been requested by Fred Hammonds, representing the park board. The money had already been appropriated in the Revenue Sharing Fund.

—Authorized Joe Smart, County Road Superintendent to have the grader at the quarry repaired.

—Refused to accept Mockingbird Lane as part of the Nicholas County road program for maintenance purposes.

—Added the following to the minutes of the Aug. 1 meeting: "The 4" gas line running from the Nicholas County School office building to Blue Grass Industries must apply for said hookup at the Carlisle City Office. If the gas is available the city will discuss the request with both Blue Grass Industries and the Nicholas County Fiscal Court before a final decision is made. Expense for the installation of the gas line are being paid for by the City of

Carlisle, Nicholas County and Blue Grass Industries, Inc.

School Board sets tax rate

By Fay Campbell

A special session of the Nicholas County Board of Education was called Aug. 25 for the purpose of setting the property tax rate for the Nicholas County Schools.

Present were Superintendent Donald G. Elder, William Hunter, William Dampier, Chester Mattox, Herbert Duncan, Ray Wagner, Billy Hopkins, attorney, and Mrs. Rose Brady, Property Education Administrator. The meeting opened at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Brady was recognized and invited to address the board. She requested the Board to lower their 3.8 rate stating that the total assessment was raised over \$4 million throughout the county since last year, which, based on last year's tax rate, would bring in \$3.00 more than last year.

Supt. Elder informed the board that the State had set the maximum tax rate at 7% with a minimum rate of 68.6c.

According to Supt. Elder, a rate lower than 68.6c would result in a loss to the local schools of approximately \$240,000.

Supt. Elder recommended that the Nicholas County School tax be set at 68.6 for the current school year.

Motion by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Duncan, to set the tax rate at 68.6 according to the Superintendent's recommendation. The motion passed with no opposition.

The adjournment motion was made and seconded by Mr. Dampier, and Mr. Wagner.

Trash grant approved

Nicholas County's application for a \$30,000 grant for solid waste collection equipment was approved by the Bluegrass Area Development District's Executive Committee at its meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 24 in Lexington.

Larry Trussell, Environment Health Technician 2, said that plans call for purchasing 25-30 dumpsters to be placed throughout the county. A collection truck would also be purchased. He said that of the 19 applications received by BICADD, the local one is ranked fifth.

The state formerly collected trash at various spots in the county. It has

discontinued this service to the county. The grant must now be approved by Kentucky Department for Local Government and the Kentucky Department of Finance and Administration. The grant would be funded from coal severance tax money.

Conrad resigns; no replacement yet

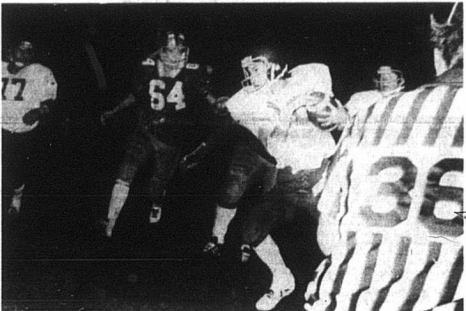
Monte Conrad, Nicholas County Extension Agent has resigned his position effective Wednesday, Aug. 21. He is enrolled at the University of Kentucky for the fall semester and plans later to study Veterinary Medicine at Auburn University in Alabama.

A replacement for Conrad's position has not yet been named.

Jacket offense smashes Madison Purples Friday



First TD



Carries the mail

by Kay Conley

The Nicholas County Bluejackets won their season opener 8-0 against the Richmond-Madison Purples, Friday night at Madison.

The Jacket offense proved to be more than the Purples could handle, with Nicholas County scoring in the first three quarters of the game. The first touchdown occurred at the beginning of the first quarter when Clifford Thompson ran the ball 23 yards. Tim Alexander's first of four extra point kicks was good. The quarter ended with the Bluejackets leading 7-0.

The Jackets next score came late in the second quarter with only 21 seconds remaining in the first half. The touchdown was set up, after Kevin Gilkison recovered a Madison fumble on the Purple 34 yard line. Randy Hunter plunged one yard to get the score. The half ended with Nicholas County leading 14 over Madison County 6.

A third touchdown for the Jackets came midway through the third quarter when Mike Berry picked up a Madison fumble and raced 23 yards for another score. The final touchdown of the game came also in the third quarter when Joe Ruddlell drew a completed 27 yard pass to Greg Wills, which left the score in favor of the Jackets, 24-0.

Clifford Thompson led both Nicholas County's offense and defense. Thompson carried the ball nine times for 98 yards. Allen Atkinson carried the ball 10 for 21, Randy Hunter carried the ball 7 for 21, Joe Ruddlell carried the ball 4 for 18, Greg Wills carried the ball 3 for 7, and Mike Berry carried the ball 2 for 2.

The Bluejacket defense leader was Thompson with nine tackles. Kevin Gilkison was not far behind with eight and two recovered fumbles. James Anderson, Roddy Ferrelough, Dewain Williams, and Jeff Mattox each had five.

Timmy Ockerman and Pat Letcher both intercepted passes.

"There was no stinging out," said Coach Ben Pumphrey after Friday night's game. "It was a team effort, although Clifford Thompson did an excellent job."

The Jackets will take on Bellevue here Friday night at 8 p.m.

School closed

Labor Day, Sept. 5, will be a holiday for all Nicholas County school children. School will reopen on Tuesday as usual.

VFW fish fry

The V.F.W. is having a fish fry on Saturday, Sept. 3 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Lake. All members are invited to attend.

Gas hike effective Sept. 1

The Carlisle City Council raised natural gas rates by 21c per unit when they met Monday, Aug. 29. Columbia Gas Company, supplier for the city, raised their rates, which caused the increase for local users.

The new rates which went into effect today (Thursday), Sept. 1, are as follows:

First 1000 cu. ft. and minimum bill from \$1.34 to \$1.45;
Next 1000 cu. ft. from \$1.11 to \$1.22;
Next 3000 cu. ft. from \$2.16 to \$2.27;
Next 10,000 cu. ft. from \$1.06 to \$1.27;
Over 15,000 cu. ft. from \$2.01 to \$2.22.

An ordinance annexing Henryville to the City of Carlisle was read by City Attorney Billy Hopkins. A motion was made by Bob Paul to adopt the ordinance as read. Seconded by Calvin Wills, with five voting for and Charles Fay not voting.

Council went into closed session to discuss a civil summons which has been served on the City of Carlisle and City of Merchants-Cross-Moss. The \$250,000 suit filed by Kurt Kelley charges assault and battery. Council voted to hire the law firm of Fox & Wood in Mayville to represent the City in the matter.

According to Department spokesmen, a longer repayment period is needed because of recent changes in the program which (1) increased the maximum loan amount for \$25,000 to \$60,000, (2) allows storage needs to be based on two years production rather than one, and (3) decreased farmers' required down payments from 30 percent to 15 percent of the cost of structures and equipment. The effect of these changes will be to substantially increase the size of the average loan.

By increasing the number of installment payments, each installment will be smaller, thus allowing farmers more flexibility and lessening the possibility of delinquent or defaulted loans, according to the department.

Proposes insurance rate reduction for OI

FRANKFORT—The head of the state Office of Crime Prevention has proposed insurance rate reductions for those individuals who participate in Operation Identification.

The program calls for a five per cent insurance reduction if an individual participates in Operation Identification by registering vehicles with the Institute KY and his or her social security number, and an additional five per cent reduction if the house passes a safety inspection. Lt. Norman Bryant said.

Bryant is a member of the Kentucky State Police, assigned to head the state Office of Crime Prevention.

Bryant said he proposed the program to state Insurance Commissioner Harold McCaffrey and received a favorable reaction. He said he understands the proposal will go before the Kentucky Insurance Regulatory Board Sept. 8.

Bryant said an insurance reduction was not unprecedented because fire insurance rates are set by risk.

USDA storage facility loans

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced it is changing the farm facility loan repayment period from the current five years up to a maximum of eight years. The Department feels that lengthening the repayment period and increasing the number of annual installments will help lessen the cash flow problems of farmers obtaining loans.



Brig. Gen. Wilbur R. Buntis Jr., a Carlisle native, has been selected for the Kentucky Army National Guard's top post, effective Oct. 1. Buntis, who has headed the Army Guard's senior command, the XIII Corps Artillery, since February 1974, will become Assistant Adjutant General for Army-Kentucky Adjutant General Richard L. Frymire announced the appointment following the retirement of Brig. Gen. William E. Hall. Buntis will retain his civilian job as Deputy Adjutant General and Executive Director of the Division of Disaster and Emergency Services, within the Department of Military Affairs.

Attends Eastern Seal banquet

Spec. 4 Bobby G. Smalley representative of Company D of the National Guard 201st Eng. Bn. at the annual Eastern Seal Banquet held at Camp Green Acres at McDowell last week. Carlisle and Cynthiae units comprise Company D.

The 201st Bn. led the others in total money collected for the Eastern Seal Drive.

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