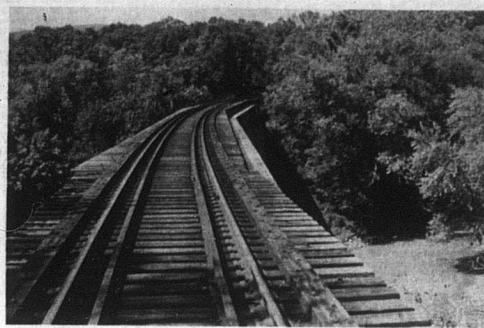


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The train trestle near Camp Black Hawk is fondly remembered by Nicholas County Boy Scouts of all ages. More than one generation of Scouts has experienced the thrill of crossing the trestle on hands and knees high above the river. — Smith photo

High adventure

From snipe hunting to swimming Camp Black Hawk was THE place

By Jim Smith
"Well, it's just as simple as hell son. The first night that you went camping at Black Hawk you went snipe hunting." That was the way Charles Cox responded when asked about his memories of the once popular Boy Scout Camp in Nicholas County.



This drawing of Camp Black Hawk was done from memory by Dr. Frank Mathias and is reprinted with permission from "The History of Nicholas County".

Mr. Cox explained exactly what "snipe hunting" was. It seems that a group of older, more experienced campers would take a tenderfoot out into the brush and tell him that they were going to hunt for "Snipes". They would give the tenderfoot a sack and tell him that they were going around to scare the "Snipes" out of the bushes and that when they did he would have to run to quickly catch them in the sack.

"Be ready," they would warn, "they're quick little buggers." After positioning the tenderfoot in an uncomfortable spot as they could find the rest of the boys would take off to "scare up Snipes". In actuality, they would head straight back to camp and spend hours laughing at the dumb kid who was standing out in the dark bushes, all alone, holding a sack. But Camp Black Hawk was more than just the hunting ground for imaginary "Snipes". It was a playground. It was a hideout. It was a returning hole. Former Scoutmaster David Worth Sapp is almost singlehandedly responsible for the construction of Camp Black Hawk. While Rev. E. B. Bourland is credited with starting the first scout troop in the county in 1916, it was Sapp who came on the scene in 1922 and really started things moving.

Armed with Army surplus equipment, Sapp began taking his scouts out for overnight camping excursions to Blue Licks and Salt Peter Cave. In that same year, Sapp obtained official affiliation with the Boy Scouts of America and set out to look for a permanent campsite.

He found "the perfect place" in a cove about a quarter of a mile up the railroad tracks from Salt Peter Cave, just off Route 32 near Myers Station. The land belonged to Billy Buchanan and when he heard of Sapp's plans, he willingly deeded nearly ten acres, including Salt Peter Cave, to the American Legion Post in Carlisle. The deed contained a reversionary clause stating that if the land ever ceased to be used by the scouts it would revert to the grantor.

For the next few years, the scouts went camping there with the cove in its natural state. The cove was given the name Black Hawk after the legendary Indian fighter, Black Hawk Myers, whose name was also borrowed by nearby Myers Station.

It is during those years, that Ford Crouch remembers the first time his son Harold, (who is now with Atlantic Coast Railroads in Florence, S. C.), went camping at Black Hawk. "We thought we'd packed enough food for a month, but it wasn't till a few days later that Harold called and said, 'Daddy, you better send me some more food.' So I packed up some things and took

Caswell filed complaint

Jury acquits Fryman on road work charge

In the first jury trial in the newly structured District Court, Magistrate Melvin Fryman, of Route 3, was found not guilty of violating KRS 41.210 which states that "no justice of the peace, while he is a member of the fiscal court shall directly or indirectly: (a) become interested in or receive benefits or emoluments from any contract let by the fiscal court of his county with relation to the building of roads or any internal improvements; (b) Work or supervise work for, on any public road, bridge, culvert, fill quarry, pit or any other road work or internal improvement under any contract made with the fiscal court."

The trial resulted from charges brought by Hinton Caswell, also of Route 3, that Mr. Fryman supervised repair work on a County bulldozer and

also operated a County road grader in clearing county roads last winter and received financial compensation for his work.

Mr. Caswell reportedly filed the charges after noticing a newspaper article containing an advisory opinion by Assistant Attorney General, Charles W. Runyan. The opinion stated that a member of the Fiscal Court is prohibited "from becoming interested directly or indirectly, in any contract work to be done or materials furnished for the county."

The prosecution of the case was turned over to Henry Grady IV, of Versailles, after Nicholas County Attorney, Joseph H. Cotney, disqualifies himself on the grounds that his "close association and relationship with the defendant as a member of the Nicholas

County Fiscal Court" would create a conflict of interests or the appearance thereof in the case.

According to sources, the general feeling of the jury was that Mr. Fryman could not be found guilty because since the entire Fiscal Court, Judge/Executive, and County Attorney were present at the meeting when he was authorized to do the work, "the whole court should be on trial."

Had Mr. Fryman been found guilty by the jury, he would have been forced to pay a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$200 or imprisonment in the County jail for not less than 10 days or more than 60 days. He would have also been forced to forfeit his office as magistrate.



Mrs. Jane Whitley and fellow workers at the Department for Human Resources were more than tickled to receive this new computer being used and with

Computer watches

good reason. The computer practically eliminates any unnecessary paper work and allows accounts processed as microfilm to be found with the flip of a

finger. The new system is also the result of the government's desire to crackdown on welfare fraud. — Kay photo

DHR receives computer to store claims data

As a means of cutting down on a tremendous amount of paper work and delay, the Department of Human Resources has installed a new computer system which eliminates unnecessary forms, allows for quick corrections and generally speeds up the welfare process. This new system has been implemented in the Carlisle branch of the Department of Human Resources.

use this new method of recording and interpreting information and it is the direct result of Gov. Julian Carroll's efforts to do away with red tape and crack down on fraudulent claims which can now be found out more quickly.



DR. RALPH E. WESLEY

Sunday crash fatal to one

An Indiana man en route to Carlisle to visit his foster mother was killed just before dawn Sunday when his car hit a tree off the Jackatown Road near Paris. Danny A. Smiley, 37, Indianapolis, was on his way to visit Mrs. Minnie Smiley of the Lower Jackatown Road when the accident occurred. According to Bourbon County Coroner Bruce Forsythe, Smiley died of multiple injuries about 5:30 a.m. Sunday. A passenger in the Smiley car, Patricia Marshall, 25, Indianapolis, was also injured in the wreck. Miss Marshall was taken to Bourbon County Hospital for observation but her injuries did not appear to be serious, according to

Dr. Ralph E. Wesley, formerly of Carlisle, has completed a three year Residency in eye surgery at the University of Kentucky Medical Center Department of Ophthalmology this week. He has been named to a fellowship in ophthalmic and reconstructive surgery at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga.

Resources meeting scheduled tonight

Plans are underway for a series of county-wide meetings to be held throughout Kentucky to obtain public assessment on the future of the Commonwealth's soil, water, and other related natural resources. The Nicholas County Conservation District Supervisors and the Soil Conservation Service will hold a planning meeting Wednesday night, July 5, to get ready for the county-wide meeting.

Service will jointly sponsor a public meeting during July 1978. These meetings are in response to the new Soil and Water Resources Conservation Act signed into law last November. The Resources Conservation Act calls for an appraisal of existing resources and program development; using public participation to determine the future of conservation.

Ministerial Association to sponsor blood donations at Methodist Church

The Nicholas County Ministerial Association will again sponsor the Blood Donor Program for Nicholas County residents Monday, July 10, at the Carlisle United Methodist Church from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the afternoon and from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the evening. Presently all Nicholas County residents are entitled to free blood if needed because our county met its required quota of blood donations last year. We can be very proud of ourselves because we are one of the few counties served by the Central Kentucky Blood Center that has been meeting its quota.

But we cannot rest on our laurels. We have not yet met our quota for this year. (The year runs from September to September.) July 10 is the last chance for us to meet this year's quota. If we do not meet our quota then only those people who have donated and their spouses, children not of legal age, parents and in-laws will be eligible to receive free blood. Therefore, if you and your family wish to be covered under the Nicholas County Blood Donor Program you must give blood July 10. Regular donors and people currently

on the Blood-Donor Program list will be called to set up an appointment to donate. If you have never given, please contact one of the following ministers for an appointment: Rev. Herman R. Kammage, Chairman, 289-6267; Rev. H. Eugene White, 289-6266 or 289-6269; or Rev. Mark Prevost, 289-7260. Please note: Blood donations will be taken on a reservation basis only. Because of the serious nature of transfusing blood certain restrictions must be followed. These are:

1. Age: You must be between 18 and not yet 60. Please note: 17 year olds may give provided they have written parental consent. Also persons 60 and older may give if written permission from a doctor is presented.
2. Weight: You must weigh at least 110 pounds.
3. Temperature: Your normal range must be between 97.6 degrees and 99.6 degrees F.
4. Blood Pressure: Your blood pressure must be normal. Persons taking medication to regulate blood pressure are not eligible to donate.
5. Medications: Vitamins, hormones, birth control pills and weight reduction pills are acceptable. ALL OTHER MEDICATION IS UNACCEPTABLE.
6. Temporary deferrals: Cold, flu, infections, allergies, birth or pregnancy, major surgery, ear or pierced, skin infections, blood transfusions and any infectious diseases. If you have or have had any of the above recently you probably will not be allowed to give blood. If you have any questions as to whether or not you can donate or to any of the above restrictions call the Central Kentucky Blood Center toll free at 1-800-423-6628.
7. Permanent restrictions: Anyone who has had the following diseases cannot give blood and must get a substitute donor to be a part of the Blood Donor Program: hepatitis (yellow jaundice), blood diseases, diabetes, heart disease, cancer and epilepsy.
8. If you have any questions other than dealing with the above restrictions or do not know how to receive credit to receive free blood, please call one of the above mentioned ministers.
9. Cooperation in making this blood driving a success will be greatly appreciated. The lives you save may be on our own.

Wesley completes surgery residency

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Veterans' rep here July 11

Howard R. Osborn, a veterans counselor of the Department for Human Resources, will be at the courthouse Tuesday, July 11 to assist veterans and dependents with claims for benefits due them as a result of their military service. Osborn will be in Carlisle from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m.

Further details will be announced later.