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Tax rate for facility is 25¢

Hospital income lags behind expenses

The 1978 county tax rate was set at 14.8 cents and the first hospital tax was set at 25 cents per \$100 assessed valuation by the Nicholas County Fiscal Court at its regular meeting Sept. 6. The new county tax rate was decreased .3 cents from last year's rate of 15.1 cents because property assessments have been increased since last year. This rate is expected to bring in \$118,000.

The hospital tax was set at 10¢ as it could be set in order to raise the needed money due on the bond issue next year — \$11.26. The Court could have levied as much as 25 cents (but no more than

35 cents) for the new hospital if that much revenue had been needed. Other taxes levied unanimously by the Court are 2.7 cents health department; 2.3 cents library; and 3.2 cents fire department. These rates are the same as last year.

In addition to these county tax rates, the Nicholas County School Board set its rate Saturday night at 35 cents — bringing the total school tax to \$1.3.

In summary, the total 1978 tax bill for county residents will be \$11.64. City residents will pay city taxes in addition to these county taxes minus the 3.2

cents county fire tax.

New hospital budget light
Reno Runck, hospital architect, explained that, at the present time, the new Nicholas County Hospital income budget is about \$400,000 under the budgeted expenses.

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The \$2,319,115.73, which includes the over \$106,000 estimated interest, is less than the \$2,323,078.39 budgeted expenses (see Construction

Project Budget Summary).

He stated \$63,000 interest paid in June of this year will be returned to the Construction Fund whenever 1978 taxes are collected. This amount is not included in the above figures. Also, another example of unforeseen additional expenses, because of changes in the x-ray area, a \$1,375 additional cost was approved for Melfett Electric. This amount is included in the new budget attached, as is the over \$2,800 additional architectural fee for designing the changes.

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in the meeting that installation of telephones, for example, had not been included in the budget. A representative of South Central Bell stated that, at

a minimum, this installation will cost \$77,888 initially, plus an additional \$450 monthly service charge. It will cost considerably more if paid in installments rather than in a lump sum. Also, another example of unforeseen additional expenses, because of changes in the x-ray area, a \$1,375 additional cost was approved for Melfett Electric. This amount is included in the new budget attached, as is the over \$2,800 additional architectural fee for designing the changes.

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month on hospital construction, and only \$107,000 certificate of deposit will mature, the court decided unanimously to cash the \$100,000 certificate due to mature April 1, 1979. This is the last one to mature. Runck, in recommending this as a possible solution, stated that an \$8,000 loss of income might be sustained by the county in penalties and loss of interest.

The consensus of the opinion of the Magistrate seemed to be that hopefully this money can be re-earned by reinvesting certificate monies in savings accounts during November and

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'Pilot project'

Elm Street Bridge project is okayed

J. M. Crawford, Owner and overseer of the J. M. Crawford Co. an engineering firm in Lexington and his associate, Jerry Hinkle, were present at the regular meeting of the Carlisle City Council Monday, Sept. 11. The firm presented the blueprint plans of the new bridge that will replace the one on Elm Street.

The \$194,000 projected project is the first of its kind in the state to be funded under the state emergency-bridge allotments. Plans for the new bridge are scheduled to be completed in October and will include drains and blacktop resurfacing over a slab and concrete bridge. The relocation of gas lines are also included in the plan.

The city will be taking bids for the 'pilot project' later this fall and construction is expected to begin April 1, 1979.

Several Carlisle citizens were also present at the council meeting Monday to discuss water drainage problems. Mrs. Earl Fitch and Katherine Barlow came representing the Assembly of

God Church on Mulberry Street where excessive water from rains had washed out the shoulder of the road by the church making parking impossible.

Web Buntin also had a similar problem. Gayle Vanlandingham of the Planning and Zoning Commission suggested a valley be made by the washed out shoulder by the church that would turn the water back toward the drain and that a curb or grill and sewer would eliminate Mr. Buntin's problem. A

committee of the council planned to investigate the matter and plan solutions. The council heard a report from council member Carol Sparks, who is on the recreation board, of the upcoming events and projects planned by new recreation director Nancy Pyles. Among the scheduled events are an open house, which will give the public a chance to meet Miss Pyles, planned for Sept. 23 at the Armory. Refreshments will be served and possibly youngsters will be able to roller skate for a few hours in the afternoon. The open house

will be 10-12 a.m. Also coming up will be a "trinitastic" program for interested persons. Miss Pyles is now director of the Armory, said Mrs. Sparks, and those who need to reach her for planning events may find her at the Armory.

In other activity the Council:

- agreed to let the Winchester Cable TV Co. use the water tower for a grounding base. The company will construct a small shed close by the tower and will pay \$100 rent per month to the city.

- planned to meet with the Fiscal Court Tuesday, Sept. 19, to discuss the cemetery maintenance merger.

- agreed to construct some type of guard rail around the water plant for safety purposes.

- suggested informing the Nicholas County Band and other interested person of Morehead University's request that local persons participate in Morehead's Harvest Festival.



That time again

Cutting time has begun in Nicholas County as shown here on the farm of Leonard Sosby. Pictured above from Phillips Photo

Bluejackets top Fairview to claim district opener

by Kay Conley
The Nicholas County Bluejackets started off district play with a bang last Friday night, defeating the Fairview Eagles 21-0, at Fairview.

The victory was the first of three district games the Jackets must win. The other two are Maysville and Raceland. Nicholas County scored late in the first quarter after forcing Fairview to give up the ball on their fourth down. After gradually moving the ball, Handy Hunter plowed through the Eagle defense for a one yard touchdown. Tim Moreland's attempt to run the ball in for a two-point conversion, after a bad snap, failed. The quarter ended with

Nicholas leading 6-0. With the second quarter came a close call for the Bluejackets. With 42 seconds left before halftime, Moreland attempted to punt on the Jacket's fourth down. Again a bad snap took place allowing Fairview to block the punt attempt. The ball was downed on the Nicholas County 10-yard line. Because of a determined, tough Jacket defense Fairview gained only one yard on the first down and three on the second. On the third down, they attempted to go to the air with a pass that was intercepted by Timmy Ockerman of Nicholas County. The Bluejackets then took control of the ball as the clock ran out with the score still 6-0.

In the middle of the third quarter Hunter again plunged a yard for another Jacket score. The touchdown followed a sustained drive of 48 yards. A pass from Pat Letcher to Gary Williams proved good to complete a successful two-point conversion. With only minutes remaining in the quarter the Jackets scored their final touchdown. Kevin Gilkison picked up an Eagle fumble to change possession of the ball from Fairview to Nicholas Co. The first down gave the Jackets a loss of two yards. David McCafferty carried the ball, on the following down, for a gain of 54 yards. On the proceeding plays Hunter picked up five yards and Mike Berry carried for 17. Fairview then was penalized half the distance to the goal. Mike Sewell broke through the Eagle defense to place six more points on the board. Moreland's kick was good ending the quarter with Nicholas leading Fairview 21-0.

As the game came to a close, the Jackets held the Eagles scoreless, as the final score remained 21-0 with Nicholas County victorious over the Fairview Eagles.

The Nicholas County Bluejackets led Fairview, in first down, having 17 while the Eagles had only five, three on penalties. The Jackets had 338 yards rushing to the Eagles 99. Fairview had 14 yards passing while Nicholas had 13. The Jackets had 135 yards in penalties while Fairview had only 89. Nicholas County punted three times for 79 yards

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News briefly

Demo delegates chosen

Besse Smoot, Mrs. Flet Allison and Mike Sosby have been chosen to represent the local Democratic party at the National Democratic Conference to be held in Memphis, Tenn. in December.

The delegates were chosen by an

electoral group of local Democrats who attended the district meeting in Jackson, Sept. 9. They included party chairman Avery Mitchell, Joe F. Conley and Mrs. Flet Allison. Others were named delegates but were unable to attend the district meeting.

Local merchants to meet

The local merchants will meet on Thursday, Sept. 21, at the First National Bank from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to inform retailers of several recently enacted or anticipated changes in laws and regulations both at the state and national level. Subjects to be discussed will include new minimum wage rates, bad checks, credit card discount rates, layaways, a new shopping law, small

claims court and related laws. Anti-shopping signs will be available without charge. The meeting is free and open to all retail merchants. The discussion will be led by a staff member of the Kentucky Retail Federation. Additional information will be obtained from Carroll Wallace of the Carlisle 5 & 10 Store who serves as the local chairman of the meeting.

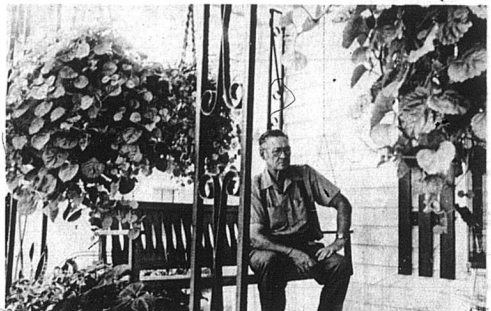
Grand opening scheduled

Paul Stone, owner of Glenn's Stores and Appliances on South Locust Street, announced Monday that his store would have a grand opening and open house beginning Wednesday, Sept. 20, and continuing through Saturday, Sept. 23.

Additionally Mr. Stone said an electric dryer and garbage disposal are being offered as free prizes to be given away Sept. 23. There are no purchase requirements and you do not have to be present to win.

Loose-leaf burley tobacco program

A meeting concerning the Loose Leaf Tobacco Program will be conducted by the Nicholas County Extension and AS23 persons on Tuesday, Sept. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at the Courthouse. Persons desiring to sign-up for the program may do so at this meeting. Additionally plans for bale boxes will be available. All persons interested in the loose leaf program are urged to attend the meeting.



Summer shade

Mr. and Mrs. John Tapp's front porch on East Main Street, Carlisle has turned into a delightful hanging garden thanks to this summer's rich growing

season. Mr. Tapp is pictured here taking advantage of the shade the large Swedish ivy plants provide. — Photo by Jean Ann Kerr

School board approves tax rate for local effort

In regular session Sept. 9 the Nicholas County Board of Education fixed the 1978 tax rate at 48 cents per \$100 valuation of assessed property.

The rate is broken down like this: the general fund rate will receive 18 cents per \$100 and the special voted building fund will receive 19 cents per \$100. (See report of last week's fiscal court meeting for further tax information.)

In other business the board requested the Kentucky Department of Education in Frankfort to allow retention of all of the capital outlay allotment in the general fund.

A work contract was approved by the board for Cavanna Fight, Miss Fight will be released from school four afternoons per week to allow her to attend her job at the Nicholas County Hospital.

(Supt. Don Elder told the Mercury work contracts are given only after several criteria are met. First, the student must have free time that will not interfere with their studies. This usually happens when a student needs fewer credits to graduate than class periods in a day. Second, all contracts must be submitted to the board for its

approval and third, no student will be given a contract unless the boards corrects the situation warrants it.)

Non-resident contracts for Harrison, Bath and Bourbon counties were also approved at last week's meeting. Bids for property insurance were announced and will be opened at the Oct. 7 meeting.

The board also voted to continue the speech therapy program at the elementary school and to enter into a contract with Comprehensive Care for that purpose.

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