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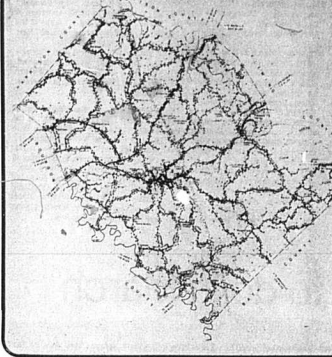
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
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Everything you wanted to know about Nicholas County— but didn't know who to ask

Are there more men than women in Nicholas County?

What is the average weekly wage in Nicholas County?

How many cars are there in Nicholas County? Trucks?

There are almost 500 government employees in Nicholas County. Is their per capita income more or less than the average?

A report just published by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce answers all the above questions with the latest statistics available for each of Kentucky's 120 counties in each of 17 different categories from as many sources. And the information contained in the report can prove to be surprising at times.

For example, Nicholas County has an average per capita income of \$4,229 (1976 figure). Yet the per capita income of the 499 government employees in the county is less than the average, about \$4,100.

According to population and motor license figures, there is almost one car for every resident of the county. Licenses sold in 1977 totaled 5,571 while the population estimate for 1976 was 7,000. Of course the license figures also reflect trucks, trailers, motorcycles and boats so they can be a little misleading in this comparison.

In answer to another question at the beginning of the article, the average weekly wage in Nicholas County for 1977 was \$159.81. Other statistics include:

Birth-death rate — There were 103 births in 1976 and 78 deaths.

Census — The 1970 population was 6,508 of which 3,283 were female and 3,225 were male. The 1980 census projection for Nicholas County predicts that the county's population will register a slight growth over 1970 with an estimated 6,921 residents.

Voters — There are 3,604 registered voters in the county as of May, 1978. Of this number, 93 per cent or 3,356 were Democrats, 6.3 per cent or 228 were Republican and 20 voters were listed under "other."

School enrollment — Enrollment figures for the 1976-77 school year totaled 1,445.

Total retail sales and bank deposits — Total retail sales for 1977 were \$4,456,000. Bank deposits as of June 1977 were \$24,812,000.

Social Security payments — There were 1,230 recipients of Old Age and Survivors' Health Insurance in 1976. Disability payments for 1976 totaled \$176,492.

Motor vehicle licenses — There were 3,312 cars licensed, 1,965 trucks, 763 trailers and 121 others for a total of 5,511 in 1977.

County valuation — The total valuation of the county in 1976 was \$54,416,000.

Blood program in jeopardy if 254 pints aren't donated

by Rev. Herman Kamlage

Nicholas County residents must donate 254 pints of blood if the county is to be eligible for free blood next year. The quota was not met the last two years giving Nicholas County the distinction few counties served by the Central Kentucky Blood Center have. But this honor may not prevail next year.

Of the 407 members of the Blood Donor Program only 251 members gave blood in the last two years. This means that some members give two and three times a year to meet the county quota and to assure themselves and their families of free blood as needed.

If the county does not meet the quota of 254 pints of blood only those persons and their families who donated blood this year will be eligible for free blood next year.

The ministers working with us on the program, the Rev. Mark Prevo and the Rev. H. Eugene White, are very concerned that the quota will not be met this year. To date only 69 pints of blood have been received. One hundred and eighty-five pints must still be drawn.

To help meet the quota a countywide telephone canvass will be made to recruit new blood donor members. County residents who meet the following health qualifications are urged to join and donate:

Persons eligible to give blood must be between the ages of 18 through 65 years. With written parental consent, 17-year-olds may give blood. Donors must weigh 110 pounds and have a normal

temperature and blood pressure. Persons taking vitamins, hormones, birth control and/or diet pills are eligible.

The only persons who are permanently unable to donate are those who have or have had hepatitis, blood diseases, diabetes (if on medication), heart disease, epilepsy and certain forms of cancer.

Persons having colds, flu, sinus infection, allergies, skin infections and other minor ailments are asked to join the Blood Donor Program even though they are temporarily unable to give. Persons having questions regarding

their eligibility to donate blood are asked to call the Central Kentucky Blood Center toll free: 1-800-432-9028.

The Bloodmobile will be in Carlisle Monday, March 12, at the Carlisle United Methodist Church Annex from 1 p.m. through supper until 8:30 p.m. Blood will be drawn by appointment.

However, persons not having appointments will be taken if possible. We urge all Nicholas Countians to join the Blood Donor Program. Residents who have no phones or who have unlisted numbers are asked to contact me (289-5062) for an appointment.



Vicki Lynn Bussell winner of DAR citizenship award

Vicki Lynn Bussell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley K. Bussell of Route One, Moorefield, has been named the 1979 DAR Good Citizenship Award winner at Nicholas County High School.

Miss Bussell is a senior at NCHS and is active in school functions, including the FHA, where she has received both Junior and Chapter degrees. She has also held several offices in school clubs including vice-president of the Ecology Club, historian of the NCHS FHA chapter and National Honor Society treasurer the past two years. Her club membership includes the French Club, the Library Club, and the National Honor Society.

The Good Citizenship Award is presented yearly by the Jermina Johnson Chapter of the DAR and involves students from Paris, Bourbon and Nicholas County High Schools. The award is presented to a member of the senior class, regardless of race, creed or color. The winner of the regional award will compete in the Kentucky DAR Good Citizenship contest.

Miss Bussell will be attending a tea at the Duncan Tavern in Paris in the near future honoring the winners.



Vicki Lynn Bussell

Straight shooters

Steve Anderson, right, won first place recently in the Kentucky-West Virginia Tri-Star Basketball Contest sponsored by the Optimist Clubs of America and held at Western Kentucky University at Bowling Green. Steve won local and regional contests on his way to the state crown. He is the 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy K. Anderson. Machelle Rawlings, left, also won local and regional contests in the girls' division and competed in the state meet at Bowling Green. She is the 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Rawlings. The competition included demonstration of passing, shooting and dribbling skills. — Mercury photo.

Car decal deadline today

With the March 1 deadline now here, all Kentucky automobile license plate decals are due to be renewed, except for out-of-state transfers and new car decals.

About 1,000 Nicholas County decals remained uncollected as of Tuesday morning of this week, two days before today's deadline, according to County Clerk Rose Scott. So far, about 1,350 decals have been sold.

Gov. Julian Carroll announced Tuesday he would not extend the deadline for renewals. The governor made the decision after he received a letter from the County Clerks Association recommending the deadline not be extended.

Under a new, staggered renewal schedule owners of new cars and out-of-state transfers have different months in which to get their decals, rather than the old general deadline of March 1.

With the implementation of that staggered system it was felt that an extension would be discriminatory. It was also noted that some Kentuckians whose decals expired in December and January under the staggered system did not renew their decals in time.

Truck tags will remain due on April 1, such as National Guard tags, have already expired.

Rose Scott said, and some special tags, such as National Guard tags, have already expired.

Scott said one common misconception under the new law is that anyone who bought a car this past year will receive a staggered renewal date. That applies to new cars only, she said. Some buyers of used cars were under the impression their renewal decal dates would be staggered.

News briefly

ASC county meet today

A community meeting will be held today, March 1, in the ASCS Office at 1 p.m. All farmers are invited to attend this meeting to find out the details of the

1979 Feed Grain Program and other programs administered through the ASCS Office.

Nicholas County Library announces 'free week' for books



Got any overdue library books? Better check those closets and shelves because the week of March 5-10 has been designated as a free week in which all overdue books from the Nicholas County Library may be returned without fines.

The library has announced that legal action may be taken against those people who refuse to return overdue books when contacted.

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