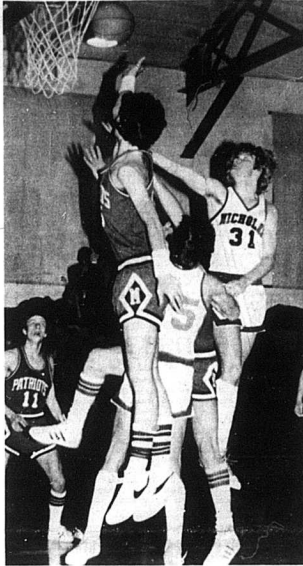


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Going up

Mike Hatton (31) and James Anderson are tangled in a blues as they compete for a rebound in last Friday's game against Richmond Model. The hard-fought contest was decided in the last minute as the visitors triumphed. — Photo by Jeff Kerr.

## Hunter re-elected board chairman

William R. Hunter was re-elected chairman of the Nicholas County Board of Education at the January meeting. Named as vice-chairman to preside in the event of Hunter's absence was Chester Mattox. The board also welcomed two new members at the meeting, Herbert Cecil Duncan and James D. Anderson were sworn in during the meeting.

Duncan was re-elected to his seat and

Anderson won his post in the November election. He replaces Ray Wagomer, who chose not to seek re-election. In other business the board accepted the resignation of Sally Jones as a teachers' aide and named Jeanette Guggitt to replace her and accepted the bids of Fred Jones for surplus buses in Nov. 3 and 12.

The next regular meeting of the board will be Feb. 3 at 7 p.m.

## Miss Edie

(Editor's note: Our life is often judged after we have gone by the effect it has had on those who remain. The following is a tribute to Miss Sterling Blake from a former music pupil. Mrs. Blake died Jan. 7 in Lexington. She taught music in Nicholas County for more than 40 years and was the organist at the First United Methodist Church of Carlisle.)

I am writing this because I feel our community has lost one of its finest members. "Miss Edie" (Mrs. Sterling Blake) passed on to her reward on January 7, 1979. Miss Edie taught music for over 40 years. I was privileged to have studied with her for eight of those years.

I would take my bike down to Mrs. Edie's one afternoon each week after school. I learned about the great composers, practiced the scales and enjoyed all it meant to be with her and in her home. As one neighbor told my mother, "I wish she and I musically inclined, it will do her good to be with Edie one hour a week." And so it was, and the wonderful example she provided will be remembered by those who knew and loved her.

She never seemed to lose patience. Even when a retarded neighbor entered the back door unannounced and appeared by the piano, she greeted him with a smile. He had been sent across the street to borrow a cup of flour.

On some rare occasions her husband, Mr. Stief, would arrive home before the lesson was over. With a ruckus in his eye and a slight smile the two of us would beg Miss Edie to play ragtime numbers from her quilled days. At these times she seemed to miraculously touch all the keys on the piano at once and sound like a player piano roll.

I can just imagine Miss Edie swaying through the Foxy, Gates to join all of those who have gone on before and sitting down to a grand piano to play "Rittem on the Keys." If anyone ever made it to paradise she is there.

Sincerely,  
Neil Wilson Poline

Adds \$4,441 to cost

## Safety signs omitted from hospital budget, magistrates are told

The Nicholas County Fiscal Court was told in the last regular meeting that safety signs for the new Nicholas County Hospital were not included in the budget and would have to be added at a cost of \$4,441.

The omission was the latest in a series of revelations of items needed at the new facility and not budgeted that began with the addition of a telephone system last fall and continued with the discovery that a little more than half the brick needed for the structure had been ordered by the contractor.

In other hospital-related business the court approved a bid from McDouan Services for carpeting in the amount of \$2,153.82. The court also approved a bid from Preiser Scientific Inc. for a water still for the new hospital in the amount of \$5,211.

The following bills for the hospital in the amount of \$97,794.51 were also ordered paid:

Matlett Electric Contractors, \$12,445; Harsco-Kirpatrick Construction Co., Inc., \$48,782.10; Brown Spinkler Corporation, \$3,707.87; Cox Mechan-

## Bandits rob Jerry's IGA

A daring daylight robbery netted two bandits an estimated \$469 from Jerry's IGA Saturday.

Taking advantage of the noon break for some store employees, two unidentified men entered the grocery about 1:45 p.m. Saturday and looted one of three cash registers located at the front of the store.

According to Carlisle police, here's how the robbery happened: About 1:45 p.m. two men walked into the grocery and past the cash registers in the front of the building.

Due to the noon break, only one register was in operation, the one nearest to the store's office on the immediate right as the building is entered.

While the cashier on duty waited on a customer at the one register in operation the two men approached the third of a row of three checkout lanes, leaned over, opened the register and looted the contents.

Both men then fled out the store and were last seen on foot heading east on Main Street.

Frank Hatfield of the Carlisle Police Dept. said the looting apparently happened so quickly neither the cashier nor

the customer were able to get a good look at the men for identification purposes.

The only thing they saw was the men's backs," Hatfield said.

The officer also discounted street rumors that the bandits had shoved a cashier aside and looted a register that was being manned.

"There was no force, no weapons of any kind," the officer said.

Store owner Jerry Rosser of Flemingburg, who also operates a grocery in that city, later estimated the amount of cash taken at \$469.

## Ashland promotes Nutini

Tom Nutini, Ashland, has been named director of corporate advertising for Ashland Oil Inc., according to S. B. Davis III, chief financial officer.

Nutini has joined the newly formed corporate financial communications group and is responsible for developing broader financial and advertising programs, while continuing to oversee the company's art programs. Nutini reports to William P. Hart, director of financial communications.

Nutini joined Ashland Oil in 1956 and has held several managerial positions in advertising. Prior to his recent promotion, he served as corporate advertising and promotion manager in the public affairs department.

He will continue to work at Ashland Oil's headquarters in Ashland.

Mr. Nutini is married to the former Barbara Fisher, daughter of Mrs. Warren Fisher Sr. of Ashland and the late Warren Fisher.

They are the parents of three children: Lisa Nutini, Lexington, graduate student at the University of Kentucky; Warren Nutini, Junior at U. K.; and Charles E. Nutini, Jr., Lexington, graduate student at the University of Kentucky.

## 'Don't take ours' agencies, utilities tell legislature

(Editor's note: The special session of the Kentucky General Assembly continues this week in Frankfort. Last week the legislature heard from several state officials and agencies on the effect of tax cuts and areas where spending could be reduced in the state budget for such cuts. The following is a wrap-up of last week's action edited from state news releases and also an account of Gov. Carroll's appearance before the legislature.)

### Schools: Funds won't cover costs

(Jan. 11, 1979) — State university officials told a legislative subcommittee Thursday that they would not advise cutting university budgets in order to provide tax relief.

The Higher Education Budget Review Subcommittee of the Appropriations and Revenue Committee was investigating the possibility of excess funds in the \$10 million allotment made to universities from the state's capital construction fund.

According to university officials, no new construction has been undertaken with the fund allotment. Instead, the money has been reserved for structural renovation at the universities in order to comply with federal regulations.

Three priorities for university renovation have been outlined. They include the elimination of barriers to handicapped persons, compliance with energy conservation measures, and adherence to federal and state building and fire codes.

All university officials agreed that the \$10 million allotted to them for such

renovation did not cover proposed costs.

### Finance: Cuts endanger projects

(Jan. 11, 1979) — State finance officials Thursday told the Kentucky Senate that surplus and contingency funds from the state's general and capital construction treasuries could not be used for tax relief without jeopardizing public services and projects.

Gordon Duke, director of the policy and management office of the state finance department, said \$23.5 million in excess revenue from the state's general fund was earmarked for "necessary governmental expenses," and that \$28.5 million in recurring revenue

from the capital construction fund already was committed to 25 projects.

Duke's testimony followed the conclusion of two days of hearings by the Senate on government revenues and economics which Lt. Gov. Tedina Stovall said could fund her \$73 million tax cut plan.

### Budget: More expenses seen

(Jan. 11, 1979) — The House Appropriations and Revenue Committee today agreed to ask Gov. Julian Carroll to speak to the committee tomorrow on proposed changes to the budget.

Rep. Buddy A. Dean (D-Bowling Green) made the motion to invite the governor. On questioning by other

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Empty House

The legislative chambers were empty Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. and Robert E. Lee's birthday but quickly filled again Thursday when the special session of the Kentucky General Assembly reconvened. The session, called by Lt. Gov. Tedina Stovall and presided by Gov. Julian Carroll, is focusing mainly on tax relief and the budget. — Photo by Jeff Kerr.

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