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**First since 1968**  
The Nicholas County Varsity cheerleaders are the first squad from Nicholas County to win a trophy in district, regional or state-at-large competition since 1968 when they first entered cheerleading competition. They received second place and received their trophy during the 37th District High School Basketball Tournament of Harrison County High School in Cynthiana Saturday night, March 7.

## Today America salutes agriculture

On Thursday, March 19, 1981 people all across the United States, will take time to recognize and salute the story of what agriculture means to America, according to J.R. Lanford, President of Eastern KY. Production Credit Association.

"It's all part of the nationwide 'Agriculture Day' observance which will unite volunteers in all parts of the country in a coordinated effort to communicate the message — 'Agriculture: It's Your Heartbeat, America!'"

— to top decision-makers, the news media and urban audiences nationwide," said Lanford.

Lanford explained that for the first time since its beginning in 1973,

— Nation's #1 exporter — \$40 billion in 1980

— We are proud to be associated with a strongly united effort that the tremendous success story that modern agriculture has to tell," continued Lanford.

"We firmly believe that by working together with its positive voice — we can build a better informed urban public."

Lanford noted that a wide range of creative materials emphasizing the "Heartbeat" message including posters, bumper stickers, fact cards, postcards, IQ quizzes and announcements for media are available from the Agriculture Day Foundation. Anyone interested in participating should write: Ag Day Foundation, P.O. Box 2361, Washington, D.C. 20004.

## Kentucky is chosen first state to conduct Diabetes Control Program

Nicholas Countians suffering from diabetes now have a chance to benefit from a local program designed to improve the quality of life available to diabetics.

The new program, a coordinated effort by public health, private medicine, the state's universities, and other local and state agencies was pulled together by the National Center for Disease Control in Atlanta and the Kentucky Department for Human Resources.

Kentucky was selected as the first of 26 states to conduct a Diabetes Control Program because of the intense social and economic costs the disease inflicts upon the state yearly. Margaret Cook, M.D., Nutritionist for the Wecho area program which includes Nicholas County, told The Mercury last week that Kentucky has the highest rate of diabetes of any state in the nation.

And the facts back up her statement. It is estimated that as many as 233,000 Kentuckians have some form of diabetes. Last year alone, there were 15,000 hospital discharges where diabetes was a diagnosis.

Florine Wilson, the Wecho R.N. on the project, said that the program would attempt to "unify and coordinate" community, regional and state organizations concerned with diabetes.

Anyone interested in further information about the program should contact the Nicholas County Health Department at 289-2188. The program is free to all who would like to participate.

## School board accepts resignations

The Nicholas County School Board met for a called meeting Monday night at 8 p.m.

They voted to accept the resignation of the following elementary school teachers, effective at the end of this school year: Miss Margaret Columbus, remandal reading; Mrs. Brenda Lawrence, special education, and Mrs. Lois Martin, seventh grade. Only Mrs. Lawrence's position will have to be replaced, as the school is two teachers over-staffed at present. Teachers will be shifted to fill the other two vacancies.

The Extension Office requested the use of the elementary school the night of June 25 for a June Dairy Night program, and that request was granted.

Superintendent Donald Elder read a letter from Civil Defense Director Russell Bell asking that the board give permission to use the elementary school gym as a field hospital as a stand-by facility in case of a tornado or other disaster. The board voted in favor of the request stipulating that the gym may be used only if school is not in session.

Permission was given for Rob Lane to use a school bus either the night of

## Property transfers reported

Lee and Edith Bents, tract of land on waters of Goose Creek in Nicholas County containing 50 acres, to Thomas A. Ockerman, \$27,000, Feb. 20, 1981.

The Far Co. Farm, Inc., Kentucky (a corporation), two tracts of land on waters of Wilmore's Run and Headquarters Turkey Road (Ky. Highway 25 and 36), to B.G. Hughes, Ruth H. Hughes, Bryon George, Sarah E. Hughes, David H. Hughes, Bryon George, George Hughes (custodian for Andrew W. Hughes), Emaly Clayre Griggs, Kathleen Mary Laura Griggs, Johnny Kirk Griggs II, Allen Neil Griggs, and Hill Properties, Inc., Feb. 25, 1981, dissolution of corporation.

Frank H. and Susie Lee Harney, tract of land on waters of Beaver Creek in

## So. Central Bell pays

county \$13,671.49

One of Nicholas County's largest taxpayers, South Central Bell Telephone Company, paid Nicholas County \$13,671.49 in taxes.

This amount represents 100 ad valorem tax payment and is part of the 21.2 million total tax bill South Central Bell will pay to municipalities, counties and to the state of Kentucky this year.

## KNOW THE RULES Tornado warning...!

Workers should move quickly to the section of the plant offering the greatest protection in accordance with advance plans. Procedure is similar to that in schools.

— In homes, the basement usually offers the greatest safety. Seek shelter under a sturdy workbench or heavy table, if possible. In a house with no basement, take cover under heavy furniture in the center part of the house. Stay away from windows.

— House trailers are particularly vulnerable to overturning during strong winds. Trailer parks should have a community shelter. Appoint a community leader responsible for constant radio monitoring during threatening weather or during watch periods.

— In schools

— Whenever possible, go to an interior hallway on the lowest floor. Avoid auditoriums and gymnasiums or other structures with free span roofs, especially those which are not steel and concrete reinforced structures. Students should assume crouched positions on the floor along the wall with hands covering head.

— In open country

— If a building is not of reinforced construction, go quickly to a nearby reinforced building, or to a ravine or open ditch and lie flat. Move away from the tornado's path at right angles. If there is no time to escape, lie flat in the nearest depression, such as a ditch or ravine.

— Key listening to the radio or television for the latest advisory information. Call the nearest law enforcement office to report a tornado.

— Remember, tornado watch means tornadoes are expected to develop. Tornado warning means a tornado has actually been sighted.

## Nicholas County's population is up 10%; City is up 11.3%

The final count on Kentucky's population was released last week by the U.S. Census Bureau. The figures showed that Nicholas County increased its population by 10 percent while the City of Carlisle grew 11.3 percent and the rest of the Commonwealth by 11.7 percent.

The final figures list the population of Nicholas at 7,197 — up from 6,508 in 1970. The City of Carlisle was listed as having a population of 1,757, as compared with a 1970 population of 1,579.

Of the total county population, nearly 80 percent are White, with less than 20 percent being Black and a minute fraction of Indian, Asian, Pacific Islander, Spanish and other.

In a comparison with surrounding counties, Nicholas showed the largest increase of all neighboring counties. Bourbon County's population increased by only 9 percent, Bath County's 8.4 percent, Harrison County's by 7.1 percent, and Fleming County's by 4.4 percent.

The City of Carlisle also fared well in a comparison of neighboring municipalities. Cynthiana actually declined in population by 7.5 percent, as did Mt. Olive by 7.7 percent. Paris increased by only 1.4 percent, Owensville by 2.8 percent, as contrasted to Flemingsburg's 14.1 percent gain.

According to the Kentucky State Data Center, operated by the Urban Studies Center of the University of Louisville, the release of these final counts is extremely important to Kentucky — particularly to public agency officials and planners — because more detailed population characteristics will not be available until late summer when the Census Bureau releases its first Summary Tape File.

## Donor Club members are recognized

The Bloodmobile drive was held Monday night at the Carlisle Methodist Church. Unit of 124 volunteer donors, 111 pints of blood were netted. It was this of these were new donors.

Gallon Donor Awards were presented by Mr. Carolyn Felish, OHSU representative. A gallon donor is a person who has given eight pints or more since Nicholas County has been credited with its donations.

Those persons and number of pints are:

19 pints  
Howard Allison Jr., Lee G. Bentz, Edward T. Booth, Harold W. Capps, James W. Coy, Sallie A. Curtinger, J.W. Eaton, Wilmer J. Halkom, Billy R. Hunter, Michael L. Mann, Marshall H. Ruckel, Connie S. Sarr, Joyce Wallace.

9 pints  
Lucy F. Allison, Helen G. Barton, Tommie L. Bowles, James C. Galbraith, Jerry E. Hughes, Edwin E. Sanders, Vicki L. Snapp, John W. Soper, Allen B. Whaley.

13 pints  
Charles F. Camp, Billy D. Guthrie, Allen J. Hannon, George C. Myers, Charles L. Rose, Donald L. Smith, John P. Smith, Lester A. Snapp, Bacon T. Sorrell Jr., Louis B. Thompson, David A. Zachary.

11 pints  
Jens T. Bach, Emerson D. Baker, Taylor T. Mathers, Gerald Watkins.

10 pints  
Joseph H. Conkey, Reynolds B. Dotson, Charles T. Metcalfe, James R. Soper.



**Service rewarded**  
Father Herman Kamloge is pictured receiving a modified service award from Mrs. Carolyn Felish, Central Kentucky Blood Center Donor Service representative. The framed certificate was presented Monday night at the Carlisle United Methodist Church. Father Kamloge has worked for three years with the local drive and during that time Nicholas County has met or exceeded the donor goal. — Mercury photo.