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## Ford, Smoot, Brady big winners in Tuesday's primary

Incumbent State Senator Ed Ford took the county's primary election for the 30th Senatorial District by more than 400 votes Tuesday over former State House Majority Leader John Swinford. Meanwhile, County Judge/Executive Reese Smoot and Property Valuation Administrator Rose Howard Brady scored surprisingly easy victories in their bids for reelection.

Judge Smoot out-paced his nearest competitor, J.W. Ecton, 1479-759 and controlled every voting precinct in the county except Barterville, where candidate James D. Gaunce picked up 70 votes to Smoot's 67. Rose Brady also rolled to an easy victory in what many considered a surprise decision. Brady controlled every single precinct in the county and received more than double the total votes for her nearest opponent, Lerry Trussell.

The race for Sheriff was as tight as was expected, with the results very close and mixed throughout the precincts. However, Charles Ring made a particularly strong showing in the Moorefield precinct, ralling down 283 votes and boosting himself and running mate Chuck Smith into the Sheriff's office by 137 votes more than incumbent Deputy Sheriff Ralph Brookshire.

The Jailer's race was also quite a nail biter, as incumbent Charles Lenz barely crept past former Jailer Lynn Bowles, 1286-1224. The tight contested race was split along well defined lines as Lenz took all the city precincts, and Bowles took all of the county precincts except East Union.

The race for Circuit Clerk also produced some results that will shake up the courthouse, as Sally S. Watkins soundly ousted the incumbent of 35 years, Beulah M. Hughes. Watkins collected 1502 votes to the 1101 collected by Hughes.

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## Two trackers capture state crowns as Nicholas places fourth in state



State Champion

David McGuffey takes off on the final leap of the Triple Jump in a performance that gave him a dramatic come-from-behind victory in the K.H.S.A.A. State Track Meet in Lexington Saturday. — Mercury photo.

Donald Markland and David McGuffey became state track and field champions Saturday and led the Nicholas County Boys Team to a fourth place finish in the Kentucky High School Athletic Association's State Track Meet at the U.K. track in Lexington.

"This is the greatest thing that's ever happened in my life," said an ebullient David McGuffey immediately after capturing the state championship in the Triple Jump. "I wanted this for a birthday present for my father," he beamed through an unpressured smile. "His birthday is tomorrow."

While Donald Markland controlled the 110 Meter High Hurdles from start to finish and was in the running all the way to the final wire in the 300 Meter Hurdles, McGuffey's victory was a come-from-behind, storybook finish.

McGuffey's winning jump came on the last attempt in the final flight as he trailed Victor Leavell of Todd Central and Craig Alton of Fort Knox. His best jump of the competition had been 42 feet 1 inch, but on his last try of the day, he soared into first place with a leap of 49-2 1/2.

"I said a long prayer," remarked McGuffey, recalling what went through his mind prior to that final jump. "I just asked the man upstairs to let me do it one more time."

When asked what he meant about "one more time," McGuffey explained that he almost didn't make it to the state finals, in fact, the standard NCHS athlete almost didn't make it to the sectionals. It took dramatic last jump finishes in both preliminary meets to give him a spot in the state competition.

"Coach Pumphrey and I had been talking about it all day. I knew I had it in me. I'd done it before," stated McGuffey. "And I thank the man upstairs for letting me do it again."

Donald Markland took the early lead in the 110 Meter High Hurdles and held on all the way down the stretch to earn a gold medal early in the morning with a winning time of 15.34 seconds.

### Pool opened

The swimming pool at Blue Licks State Park opened this week. Its hours will be 11:7 every day this summer.

### Motorcycle crash claims the life of a local man

A single vehicle motorcycle accident Saturday evening left one man dead and another injured. The accident occurred around 6 p.m. when a 1980 model 750 Kawasaki driven by William David Fryman, Route 1, Carlisle, went out of control while traveling west on Cassidy Creek Road.

Kentucky State Police Trooper John Hall reported that the motorcycle fell over and flipped, pinning Fryman underneath. Fryman was pronounced dead on arrival at the Nicholas County Hospital.

Also injured in the crash was Darrell C. Burke, Route 4, Carlisle, who owned the motorcycle, but who was a passenger at the time of the accident. As of Monday, Burke was reported to be in satisfactory condition at the Nicholas County Hospital recuperating from second and third degree burns.

## News briefly

### Church damaged in accident

The front of the Carlisle Wesleyan Church building on the corner of Main and Dorey in Carlisle was extensively damaged in a single car accident late last Thursday evening.

According to Carlisle Police Chief Allen Earlywine, an automobile driven by Darrell C. Burke, Route 4, Carlisle, struck a light pole, then skidded around and smashed into the front of the building.

The Nicholas County Fire Dept. placed fourth behind the teams Coach Ben Pumphrey named last week at those that would be the toughest. Trigg County took the team title, while Somerset and Fort Campbell placed second and third respectively. The Jackets finished in fourth, ahead of fifth place Harrodsburg.

Wilson said the fire broke out around 8:45 Saturday evening. In a trailer owned by Billy Robinson. There were no injuries attributed to the blaze.

### Minor two car accident reported

Deputy Sheriff Ralph Brookshire reported that a minor two vehicle accident occurred last Tuesday on Taylor Creek Road as a car driven by Charles Dunn, Route 1, Carlisle, slid

into a car driven by Betty Willoughby. MCKINGDON LANE Both vehicles received only slight damage and there were no injuries.

### Moo Moo contest time

With June just around the corner, it's once again time for the annual Moo Moo Contest in honor of Dairy Month. This year's contest is "Grandson of Moo Moo."

The first person to mail in the correct answer to the riddles will win \$25. Second place is worth \$10. All letters should be mailed to the County Agent's Office in the courthouse, and the earliest postmarked entry with the

correct answer will be declared the winner. The prizes will be awarded at Nicholas County Dairy meeting at the elementary school June 25.

The clues leading you to the "Grandson of Moo Moo" will appear inside the Mercury for four consecutive weeks, beginning this week with a double clue inside.

### ASCS office moving

The Nicholas County ASCS office will be moving to a new location at the Old Armory Building, 308 East Main Street, effective May 28. The building will also house the Soil Conservation Service presently located in the basement of the First Office Building. Farmers Home Administration representatives will be in the ASCS office on each

Monday from 8:11 a.m. to meet with applicants. The phone number for ASCS, SCS and FmHA will be 288-2254. Office hours will be as follows: ASCS, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; SCS, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday; and FmHA, 8 a.m.-12 a.m. Mondays. All offices closed on legal holidays.

## Blue Licks State Park in need of state funds for repairs

Blue Licks State Park is having trouble getting the necessary funds to repair a dangerously deteriorated porch on the park's gift shop.

The porch has been in a state of disrepair since last fall, according to shop manager Justina Dotson. And despite a project report from park Superintendent Gene Hughes requesting the money to correct the problem, the required funds have not been rendered by the state.

"It would have already been done," said Hughes last week. "I'd only had the money." Hughes explains that his budget has been cut to the bare essentials of keeping the park running. He has already lost seven employees this year, and says that he has absolutely no margin in his budget for the estimated \$1,000 it would take to repair the porch.

Hughes said he filed a project report requesting the repairs early in December, but no funds have come from the state. He said the last word he received came from Roy Headrower, Director of the Division of Maintenance or the State Department of Parks. In a conversation last week, Mr. Headrower told Mr. Hughes when questioned about the gift shop porch, "I'll check on it."

The report from Ms. Dotson isn't nearly as optimistic. She said that the last time state officials were down to look at the porch, they told her, "well, let's wait a while."

Ms. Dotson said that a major problem stems from the danger to the large number of children who visit the park as participants of class outings. She estimates that "roughly 1000" school children have visited the park since the second week in May.

"They like to play on the porch," she said, recounting the way they bounce up and down on the weak areas, and walk across the 2 x 4 board that spans the massive hole in the porch's surface.

While she tries to keep them away from the dangerous areas, she says that, "especially on rainy days," the task is impossible. "They can't stand out in the rain, and because the shop is so small, they can't all come in at once."

Hughes said that the project has been "cussed and discussed since Christmas," but he has no real idea as to when the situation will be corrected.

Hughes has also been having trouble navigating state channels about getting the swimming pool open at the park. He says that since the earthquake last summer, the pool has had several

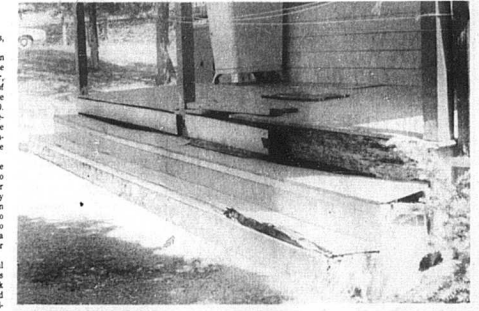
major problems (structural cracks, bad pumps and filtering, etc.).

The main problem once again lies in the lack of funds to correct the conditions. After working all winter, Hughes finally received the approval of a \$1,500 renovation project from the Department of Parks on March 10.

Under the new organizational framework of that department, all of the work was to be done by state employees other than those already at the park.

Hughes said that work began on the pool May 4. The state sent in two maintenance men who worked all over the eastern Kentucky area, and they worked on the pool for a while, then took a part from the pump or filter to Lexington, and would then have to drive off to another park in their area of responsibility (e.g., Carter Caves or Boonesboro).

After two weeks of this minimal progress, Hughes set his own workers to the task, and in less than one week got the pool ready for its scheduled opening Memorial Day weekend, though reimbursed by the state for the materials used in the repairs, but opening cost Blue Licks \$170 in labor costs from its budget for regular park labor.



The gift shop at Blue Licks State Park

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