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Find a balloon and win \$25

The Future Homemakers of America from Nicholas County High School searched nearly 600 gas filled balloons from the high school grounds Wednesday, Oct. 27, to benefit the March of Dimes, Booneville, FFA, sponsor.

Students from the grade school and the high school numbering about 1300 watched as the high school FFAers let the balloons go.

The balloons were purchased by students and the public for \$1 each, and the name of the purchaser was attached to each balloon.

After the prize money and balloon expenses are deducted, the balance of the money will go to the March of Dimes.

Anyone finding one of the balloons with a card attached showing a name and address, should return the card mail to the Nicholas County High School, along with the name of the person who finds the balloon. After the Nov. 19 mail is received, the balloon from the farthest away will be declared the winner.

Last year's Carlisle balloon lift off was declared the highest per capita fund raising effort in a three-state region by the March of Dimes.

In last week's Mercury we inadvertently misquoting the Clerk's statements under the educational campaign for the Nov. 2 election. We regret the error, as the information was given us correctly by County Clerk, How Booth.

Correction

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Mills, O'Hara win here

1364 persons vote in Nicholas

Democratic challenger for Sixth District Congressman Don Mills carried all Nicholas County voting precincts except City Building in Thursday's election, defeating the incumbent in the county by a total vote of 794 to 564.

In the only other contested race on the ballot, John J. "Jay" O'Hara took Nicholas County over his challenger Donald C. Winterbottom by a vote of 226 to 243.

Total votes cast in Nicholas County

There were 1364, a stable increase over the number of persons who voted in the primary last spring of 296. Total registered voters last spring were 4214. The only other names appearing on the ballot were those of school board candidates James Anderson and Herbert C. Dawson, both of whom ran unopposed. Anderson received 38 votes in the Balluff precinct, 79 at the Mayers Office and six absentee ballots for a total of 123.

Donnell got 77 votes in Moorefield, 41 at Engine House and no absentee for a total of 118. The other two candidates on the ballot for congress, Ken Ashby and Don Pratt received 28 and 4 votes respectively.

The precinct run-down for Hopkins and Mills, with Hopkins vote total first and Mills second: Headquarters, 40 and 49; Barterville, 31 and 49; Halfway, 24 and 36; Myers, 22 and 36; Moorefield, 59 and 77; East Union, 15 and 40; Mayers Office, 110 and 140; Engine House, 119 and 146; Mathias, 44 and 87; City Building, 47 and 52; Absentees, 4 and 7.

Total votes for congress, Hopkins, 543; Mills, 794; Ashby, 28 and Pratt, 4. The total General Election results graph will be published in next week's Mercury.

In the further program, the interest rates for farm operating loans will go from the present 12.5 percent down to 11.5 percent. Interest rates for limited resource farms operating loans will be lowered from 13.25 percent to 8 percent and limited resource farm operating loans drop from 4.5 percent to 3.75 percent.

Some loans to help farmers recover from natural disasters will have a lower interest rate. The rates for production loans to farmers who need financing above the actual loan but who cannot get credit elsewhere will be lowered from 13.5 percent to 14 percent. For those who can get credit elsewhere the rate will be lowered from 14.25 percent. The rate for actual loans remains unchanged at 8 percent. The rates for economic emergency loans will also be reduced. Economic emergency production loan rates will be reduced from 13.25 percent to 11.5 percent and economic emergency real estate loans go from 13 percent down to 11.5 percent.

Interest rates for single family housing loans will drop from 13.25 to 11.5 percent except for those who can afford the rate charged by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The HUD rates will drop a full point from 13.4 to 12.4. Loans for multi-family housing will be reduced from 13.25 to 11.5 percent.



Jockey signing ceremony

Shown signing papers authorizing Jockey International to borrow \$4 million by selling Industrial Revenue Bonds is Mayor Franklin Hughes. He is flanked by Councilmen Carmel Lester and Tommy Vaughn. Standing from left are Tom Hollowell, an investment banker from North Carolina, City's Legal Counsel Shockton Wood, RICHARD J. Jas Sabben, Fred Holmes-VI

At Carlisle plants Jockey embarks on \$4 million renovation

Jockey International has announced a \$4 million renovation program for its Carlisle plants, to be financed by Industrial Revenue Bonds secured for Jockey by the City of Carlisle, it was announced here last week.

Neither the city nor its officials assume any liability for the bonds, which will be sold by the investment brokerage firm of Bowles, Hollowell, Cover and Co., of Charlotte, N.C. It was announced.

The arrangement will allow Jockey to get the funds at a favorable interest rate of eight or nine percent, compared to the current 13 or 14 percent rate on the market.

Industrial Revenue Bonds, by virtue of U.S. income tax laws, do not have their interest income taxed by the government. Tom Hollowell explained. "These financial entities are willing to charge a much lower interest rate, because they don't have to declare that interest income when it is for an industrial purpose."

In a special called meeting held at the Carver County Club by invitation of RICHARD J. Jas Sabben, Oct. 27, City Council endorsed the idea by roll call vote and Mayor Franklin Hughes signed an agreement whereby Jockey can qualify for \$4 million in I.R.B. bonds.

No job lost "We want to emphasize that installing this new equipment over the next couple of years will not cost any jobs," Fred Holmes, Vice President-Manufacturing for Jockey International of Kenosha, Wisconsin, said. "In fact, we don't even think any employee will lose hours either, while the installation is going on."

"What we must do is stay competitive in the marketplace and that is why we are doing this renovation," President Don Haney of Carlisle, said. "We are doing this well with our sales in a tight economy right now, and we want to continue to be competitive in the marketplace. To do that we have to get rid of some of our equipment that is already 10 years old and replace it with more modern equipment."

"We think it's significant that we're spending this money in Carlisle and not in some other plant," Jockey's Fred Holmes told City Council before their vote. "That is a mark of confidence in the community and in the Carlisle labor force."

Jockey spokesmen said they expected to start ordering some new equipment right away with installation scheduled for early 1983. City not obligated Both the investment broker Tom Hollowell and RICHARD J. Jas Sabben went to great lengths to explain that Industrial Revenue Bonds do not obligate the city or its

temporarily also. "Vandalism! That saved us having to re-ignite the lights in Carlisle because we were able to keep enough gas in the lines to keep the pilots lit."

The small line was repaired by about 6 p.m. Vandalism! The vandals complained the hack operator in spite of the accident, saying "he's really good at his work and things like this just happen sometimes."

Two small water lines have also been accidentally cut during the construction operation. The hack operator is an employee of the Dallas Van construction firm of Harrodsburg who has the contract to replace all the leaking gas lines in Carlisle. Work is expected to progress along Highway 36 and then up Eastern Avenue, with more work downtown scheduled to be done this fall, if the weather cooperates.

The firm has also replaced old gas lines in several other cities. "In spite of this accident, I really have to compliment this company on their work. They're a lot better at getting along with and more careful than most construction firms," Vandalism! said.

Mr. Thompson is survived by his wife Leona and four children, Mathers said. Thompson had been gathering wood with members of his family on a steep slope at the Cecil Mitchell farm, about five miles out Ky. 22 towards Myers Station, news sources told the Mercury. The tractor overturned, pinning him beneath it and causing him to suffer massive internal injuries.

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Don Haney
Blue Grass Industries President
Don Haney addressed members of City Council at a special called meeting last week. The council gave permission for Blue Grass to sell \$4 million in Industrial Revenue Bonds for plant renovation. — Mercury photo.

Carlisle man dies in tractor accident
Louis B. Thompson, 39, 1309 School Avenue, Carlisle, was pronounced dead following a tractor accident on Ky. 22 Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 26, Nicholas County Coroner Taylor T. Mathers said.

The body was removed to the Mt. Profit Funeral Home of Harrodsburg, where services were held. (See story p. 7.)

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