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Nicholas unemployment at 9.4 percent

Final figures for Nicholas County unemployment have been issued by the Department for Human Resources and show our unemployment rate at 9.4 percent. Highest unemployment in the Bluegrass area was Estill County with a rate of 14.1 percent and the lowest was Jessamine County with 5.7 percent. Three hundred seventeen persons were said to have been unemployed in Nicholas County during August.

Letters to Editor policy

We wish to remind our readers that our editorial pages (normally pages 1 and 2) are made up on Friday of the preceding week.

If you have letters to the editor that you wish us to consider for the following week, you must deliver them or mail them to arrive before noon on Friday of the week before issue.

We will not accept signed letters and all letters must be signed and be an original.

Wins television set



NCHS Junior Nancey Jones was the lucky winner of the GE television set in the March of Dimes balloon contest held recently. Her balloon was discovered by a Mercedes man, Wendell Trent, 29 miles from Carlisle. Mr. Trent won \$25 in cash for picking up the balloon. Some Nicholas County residents found balloons from Oklahoma last week (see story). Shown with Miss Jones are NCHS teachers Martha Taylor (right) and Bonnie Metcalfe. — Mercury photo.

First Thanksgiving Really thanked the helpful Indians

To the Plymouth settlers, the first Thanksgiving was a time to be thankful for Indian aid. And well it should have been, according to Dr. John Kiefer, Morehead State University professor of history. He teaches MCHS' "The American Indian" history course. The first white settlers in New England and Virginia were aided by the Indians, Dr. Kiefer notes. "If it had not been for the Indians, it would have been much more difficult for the settlers. Possibly, they would have failed to gain a foothold where and when they did."

Others who returned balloons were Vern Galloway of Foster, Ky., whose balloon was purchased by Nina Villaber; Rick Dreyer of Foster, Ky., whose balloon was purchased by Erin Kuyler; Betty Truesdell of Mayville, whose balloon was purchased by Erin Weaver; Mrs. Lane Steele of Carlisle, who found her balloon in front of the golf course, purchased by Greta Snapp; Steve Cobb of Aberdeen, Ohio, whose balloon was bought by Earl Casper; Robert Meyer of Mayville, whose balloon was bought by Lisa Jones. **Oklahoma balloons** Lasting television stations reported that several balloons from Oklahoma had been found in eastern Kentucky, and at least two of those were found in Nicholas County. Mrs. Mabel Steele was on her way to work at Crockett's Footwear when she saw a balloon hanging from a fence near the farm of the Bill Myers residence on the Harrell-Larkin farm along Pleasant Springs Road Wednesday morning on her way to work. The balloon had a tag attached with the name Sherie Parker, Morehead High School, P.O. Box 1, Morris, Okla. 74440 on it.

Governor and Phyllis Invite you to Frankfort Monday

The 1982 holiday season will get an excitement filled send-off Nov. 29 with a big all-Kentucky gala celebration in Frankfort. Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. and First Lady Phyllis George Brown have invited all the citizens of the Commonwealth to participate in the 1982 celebration—a round of pre-holiday events, including the traditional tree-lighting ceremonies at the Capitol, that will culminate with the colorful Christmas parade and the arrival of Santa. A special feature of this year's celebration will be a display of the state's historic Christmas trees in the reception room on the second floor of the Capitol. The room will be set up to depict the manger scene with Joseph and Mary, the baby Jesus, and the shepherds who come bearing gifts for the new Savior. "There will be plenty to do from 5 p.m. on," said Lynda Jalbert, special projects director in the Department of the Arts, which is helping coordinate the event. The early evening event will include several area choirs and guests representing traditional Christmas music, tree-lighting ceremonies, followed by a public reception in the Capitol. Refreshments are planned, and many of Kentucky's craftspersons will have booths set up in various areas of the Capitol where visitors can meet the artisans, view their fine handmade work, and purchase crafts.

The official tree-lighting ceremonies will begin at 5 p.m. in front of the Capitol, with the reception set from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. inside. The Frankfort Jaycees' Christmas Parade, which will form back at the Capitol Annex and proceed down Capitol Avenue, is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. and will feature Santa as the grand finale. "Mrs. Brown plans to bring Santa to the Capitol building," said Jalbert. "Mrs. Brown plans to bring Santa to the Capitol building," said Jalbert. "Mrs. Brown plans to bring Santa to the Capitol building," said Jalbert. "Mrs. Brown plans to bring Santa to the Capitol building," said Jalbert.

Reynolds arrested in Ohio

Kentucky State Police Post 4 has announced the arrest of Allen D. Reynolds, 26, of Route 2, Carlisle. Reynolds is charged with two counts of theft by unlawful taking. He has been accused of stealing a vehicle which belonged to David Smith of Winchester. The vehicle was being repaired at the Charles Wright Garage in Headquarters, where Reynolds had been employed. The auto also was charged with the theft of \$21 from the garage. According to Detective Jeff Jett of the Kentucky State Police, Reynolds was arrested on U.S. 59 near Aberdeen.

Guests and participants in the holiday kick-off should plan to park in the Capitol Annex parking garage, and use the east entrance to the Capitol. Lawrenceburg Road to avoid parade traffic. **Circuit Clerk open Friday** Circuit Clerk Dale Wallace has announced that his office will be closed Thanksgiving Day, but will be open on Friday as usual. His office will also be open on Saturday from 9 until noon.

Loan gets 20% As burley opens weak

Demand for Burley tobacco did not appear quite as strong as for past years during the first few days of the 1982-83 auction season. The Federal-State Market News Service reports some grade averages dropped below the level set the first week last year. Quality of the heavy volume was a little lower this year. The percentage of sales placed under loan increased substantially. Gross sales the first two days this season totaled 78,175,000 pounds and averaged \$11.31 per hundred. This average represents an increase of \$1.54 over the first two days last year when \$9.77 million pounds returned \$11.07.

Buyers totaled 1,683,218 pounds this week. Average recorded gain of maturity is \$7 per hundred for a majority of grades. However, those increases only reflect the rise in the support level in most cases. Loans of generally \$1 to \$2 were noted for all maturities and non-support. Top average recorded was \$10 per hundred for grade B2P which is \$1 over the support price. Lower quality was a result of a larger percentage of tobacco being loaned. As duty (NOO) than last year. Also, less third and fourth quality appeared for sale. By group, leaf accounted for about 48 percent of volume, mixed 25,

cutters 18, Frying 4, Tips 1, non-support 2 and various B-grade around 9 percent. The Burley Cooperatives received more tobacco the first two days this year than for the last three years combined. A total of 13,024,000 pounds (93.2 percent of sales) were placed under loan. Burley sales at Cynthiana Thursday, Nov. 18, were 56,286 pounds and for total value of \$1,117,200 and an average of \$19.83 per hundred. At Mayville Thursday 1,643,332 pounds sold for \$1,803,432 and an average of \$10.96. At First Thursday 620,375 pounds sold for a total of \$1,140,218 and an average of \$18.74.

Balloon frenzy grips Carlisle Jailers suit is dismissed

Seven balloon tickets were returned to the Nicholas County High School by March of Dimes balloon finders and Wendell Trent of Route 2, Mercedes, was judged to be the person who found a MCHS balloon the farthest distance from Carlisle, contest organizers have announced. Four hundred balloons filled with gas were turned loose here on Wednesday, Oct. 29, with a prize of \$25 offered whoever returned the attached balloon. That was judged to be Mr. Trent. Also winning a TV set was the person who had bought the balloon, by making a contribution to the March of Dimes. That was Miss Nancey Jones (see picture).

On the reverse side of the tag was the following message: "The Oklahoma Health Oklahomans are celebrating our Diamond Jubilee—75th anniversary of statehood. This balloon was one of thousands released by students on Nov. 14 at 10:20 a.m. in commemoration of Statehood Day. When you find this card, please return it with your name, address and information about where the balloon was found. Thanking you in advance." Another such Oklahoma balloon was reported found by Richard Hayslip at Abner Mill on the Fleming County line at the edge of Pleasant Valley the next day.

The suit filed against 18 counties and their county treasurers by the jailers in those counties, including Nicholas County, was dismissed in Franklin Circuit Court Friday, according to County Attorney "Jack" Conley. In the suit, the jailers, including Nicholas-Jailer Lynn Bowles, said they wanted clarification of the new jailers law as it pertains to jailer operation, including salaries and employees. The judge gave the plaintiff's counsel 10 days in which to consider amending his complaint. Reasons for the dismissal, said the judge, was "failure to state a cause of action."

Gasoline is plentiful

Moderate traveling Kentucky's major highways and interstates during the Thanksgiving holiday should have no major problems finding gasoline, AAA says. According to the Blue Grass Automobile Club's November Fuel Gauge Report, 63 percent of the stations surveyed will be open Thanksgiving Day. In addition, 48 percent will be open Sunday; 49 percent will be open past 6 p.m. Saturday; and 58 percent will be open past 8 p.m. on weekdays. AAA also reports that the average price per gallon for gasoline in Kentucky has increased one cent at full-service stations in the last month and gas dropped one cent at self-service pumps.

Mr. Paul Vivan Bishop, the new newspaper article Mrs. Bishop is referring to is one in the Portsmouth Leader-Star which cites a local Norfolk area man as finding a balloon from Pleasant Springs Road Wednesday morning on his way to work. The balloon had a tag attached with the name Sherie Parker, Morehead High School, P.O. Box 1, Morris, Okla. 74440 on it.

Self-service averages range from seven to 12 cents lower and are 11 to 12 regular, 11 to 12 for no-load and 11 to 12 for premium no-load.

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Happy Thanksgiving 1982



A geometric study from the bottom, looking up, under the water lower near Lake Carlisle. — Mercury photo.

There's enough angles here to drive even a good geometry student to despair. This was shot

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