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Homecoming Queen

The 1982-83 NCHS Homecoming Queen is Penny Baker (center). From left to last year's queen, Peggy Stewart, her escort Keith Lyons, Miss Baker and her escort, Tim Hall. Ceremonies took place just before the football game with Paris Friday. —Photo submitted

Overflow crowd jams courtroom for truancy case

Crowd estimates vary, but most observers put the district court audience in Carlisle Monday night at more than 100 persons.

They came in school buses, cars and vans.

Cleanup effort at City Park

The Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a cleanup effort at the city park Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 2 and 3.

Anyone who wishes to help clean up and repair items at the park should show up at the park site at 9 a.m. on Saturday and/or Sunday.

Equipment and supplies will be furnished and a lunch and beverage will be furnished also.

If you wish more information, get in touch with Doug Garrett at Garrett Furniture in Carlisle.



The winner!

Roscoe Rule of Route 2, Carlisle was the winner of the drawing for the remaining rails in the school board tobacco barn Friday. Roscoe, who is 78, said he's been working in tobacco all his life and has never seen a bigger crop. —Mercury photo.

Clarence Baugus narrowly escapes drowning

"I was face down in the muck on the bottom of the creek, trying to breathe," Clarence Baugus recalled. "Every time I got out a mouthful of muck, I had another mouthful."

Baugus was describing his narrow escape with death on Monday, Sept. 28, at Carlisle-Sewer Plant, where he is the Superintendent.

Baugus was atop a heavy riding lawnmower, which also had a 50-pound concrete block on it for weight, and was moving along the backside of the plant next to Bradley Park Creek.

"One of the wheels on the mower caught on the edge of the bank and started to slide and I threw me into the creek," Mr. Baugus said. The Mercury. The bank is about 15 feet and

nearly straight down to the creek, which has about one foot of water in it, and is full of mud and muck.

"I'm not sure yet exactly how it happened, but I ended up face down in the creek and that heavy mower was on top of me," Mr. Baugus said.

Sewer plant helper Gene Kelly was moving with a push mower about 100 feet away.

"I saw a flash of something out of the corner of my eye," Kelly said, "and I looked over there and didn't see anything."

"When I got there, at first all I saw was the mower in the creek, and I couldn't figure out where Clarence was. Then I saw his legs sticking out from under the mower."

"When you're excited I guess you do things you couldn't do otherwise," Clarence Baugus said. "I pulled that mower off the top of Mr. Baugus, including the concrete block, which must have weighed around 200-300 pounds."

Mr. Baugus was transported to Nicholas County Hospital where he was kept overnight for observation.

"I've got a sore back where the mower landed," he said. "It's a whole lot easier to be alive... why, I would have drowned in that muck."

Local option vote set for city, Dec. 4

Judge-Executive Reese Smoot has set a local option election in the City of Carlisle for Saturday, Dec. 4, after more than the required number of signatures on a petition were filed with the County Clerk Rose Scott.

The question upon which voters will be asked to vote is, "Are you in favor of the sale of alcoholic beverages in Carlisle, Kentucky?"

The petition that was circulated during recent weeks in Carlisle contained more than 200 names. County Clerk Rose Scott said, "but several of those were invalid. This left 222 names of legal registered voters, which is 14 more than the number required."

The number of voters required for a valid local option petition is 20 percent of those voting in the last general election. In this case, it was 20 percent of those who voted in the mayor's race of last November, Rose Scott said.

By law, the local option election cannot be held less than 30 days after a regular election.

The election will be held in the four city precincts of 11 Mayor's Office, 11 Engine House, 11 Mail Office, and 11 City Building. Only those voters registered in the city will be eligible to vote, Clerk Scott said.

There are also reports of a petition being circulated in the Myers Station area, but they had not been confirmed at press time.

Lions Club holds charter night banquet

The newly organized Nicholas County Lions Club held their charter night banquet Tuesday night, Sept. 14, at the Nicholas County Elementary School.

The sponsoring club was the Mayville Lions Club.

Around 70 new community for many years, the Nicholas County Lions Club is the first new club this year in the state to join the 211 existing clubs.

Attending the candlelight ceremony were club members from Mayville, Mt. Olivet, Lexington, Paris, Brooksville, Cynthiana, Frankfort, Georgetown, Taylors Mill, Washington, Versailles, Independence and Sargeville, Ky.

Twenty-eight men received their charter certificates and now join force with the 800 Lions of Kentucky and the world's largest community service organization.

Lions Club officers are: Virgil C. Ritchie Sr., president; George R. Garrett, first vice president; Mark E. Hughes, second vice president; Ernest B. Sooby, third vice president; George C. Myers, secretary treasurer; James W. Coy, last tamer; G.B. Furbush, hall tender; Phillip D. McKee, William E. Murrell, V. Clay Ritchie Jr. and William M. Sooby, directors.

Charter members are Alvin T. Banta, Edward M. Carter, James W. Coy, Lloyd A. Duncan, James A. Earls, W. C. Furbush, Earl C. Finch Jr., Harry D. Garbraith, Dick T. Garrett, George R. Garrett, Franklin M. Hughes, Mark E. Hughes, Cardinal Leuter, Kenneth Lyons, Phillip G. McKee, George Mitchell, William E. Murrell, George C. Myers, Charles A. Rugg, Eugene Rugg, V. Clay Ritchie Jr., Virgil C. Ritchie Sr., Lloyd A. Duncan, James A. Earls, Ernest B. Sooby, William M. Sooby, E. Wayne Tapp and Thomas H. Vace.

East Union Road to be resurfaced

The state Transportation Cabinet has awarded a contract to resurface 3.5 miles of KY 130, East Union Road in Nicholas County.

Heale Contracting Corp. of Paris received a \$66,862 contract to resurface the road from 1.2 miles northwest of KY 27 extending northwestly 3.5 miles.

"We have spent \$172,242 in 1982 putting new blacktop on 8.3 miles of Nicholas County roads," said Transportation Secretary Frank Metts. "By resurfacing the roads now, we are providing better maintenance while reducing the need for more costly repairs in the future."

In the past two years the state's paving cycle has been reduced from an average of once every 25 years to once every 10 years.

Funding for the resurfacing program has been increased by Metts to \$60 million, enabling the state to resurface one mile in 10 or 20 miles of state maintained roads.

"Every taxpayer wants and deserves the best results from their tax money," Metts added.

Greyhounds spoil Jackets homecoming 44-13

In the third quarter, Greyhound Steve Shafford intercepted a pass and ran to the Nicholas County 43 yard line. From here, Maggard completed a 43 yard pass to Ayres for a touchdown.

The extra point kick was good. With two minutes left in the quarter, Robert Hopkins recovered a Paris fumble and rushed 12 yards for the first Jacket touchdown of the game. The extra point kick by Eric McGuffey was successful.

Paris recovered the kickoff on their own 48 yard line, and on the next play Clark rushed the 34 yards for another Paris score. The attempt for the extra point was no good. The score at the end of the third quarter was 34-7.

Greyhound Tony Steen started the fourth quarter with a pass interception on the Nicholas County 20 yard line. From here Greyhound Whitney scored a field goal. Two incomplete passes and a penalty against Nicholas gave the Greyhounds possession of the football. Bo Henry scored on a seven yard run and the extra point kick was good. The last touchdown of the game was scored by junior Jacket tailback Robert Hickson, who ran 45 yards for the score. McGuffey's extra point kick failed. The game ended with the score 44-13.

Coach Humphrey said of Friday night's game, "Our boys played awfully well. The difference in the halftime was that Paris has a great team and we are just learning to play. But our kids are maturing and I think we've got a good future."

Steve Anderson carried the ball seven times for 27 yards. He had two pass receptions for 49 yards and four

KU files 12.5% rate increase

Kentucky Utilities Company last week filed with the Kentucky Public Service Commission proposed new electric rates which would result in a 12.5 percent increase, or \$4.2 million, in revenue over a 12-month period. The proposed increase in application to KY's 340,000 retail customers in 10 7/8 county service areas which include Nicholas County. The commission is expected to suspend the filing for hearings, and new rates are not likely to become effective before March 1983.

The increase would amount to \$1.44 monthly for a typical residential customer without electric heating, who uses 62 kilowatt hours a week per month. For an electric heating customer using 1,300 kWh per month, the increase would be \$9.81 per month. KU's rates will be below the national average, and even with the requested rate increase, its rates will continue to compare favorably with other utilities, according to W. Bechman, company president.

Bechman said the increase is necessary because of continuing increases in operating expenses and the cost of capital funds. "By the time the increase goes into effect, a year and a half will have elapsed from the time of our last increase. The proposed increase on an annual basis amounts to an increase of about 8.3 percent per year." Bechman said. "This compares very favorably with increases being requested by other utilities."

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	NC	Paris
Yards rushing	8	5
Yards passing	107	254
Passing	79	71
Plays	113	124
4th & D	212	248
Penalties	41	30

The Nicholas County Bluejackets will take on Bath County at Bath County, on Friday, Oct. 1, at 8 p.m.



'A whole lot lucky to be alive'

Gene Kelley points to the spot where Clarence Sewer Plant Superintendent Clarence Baugus, while on a riding lawn mower, fell into the creek face down, with the mower on top of him. Mr. Kelley, who is a helper at the plant, pulled the 300-pound mower off Mr. Baugus, freed him and called the ambulance. Mr. Baugus escaped with cuts, bruises and a sore leg. —Mercury photo.