

# Collins, Arnold choice of Nicholas County voters

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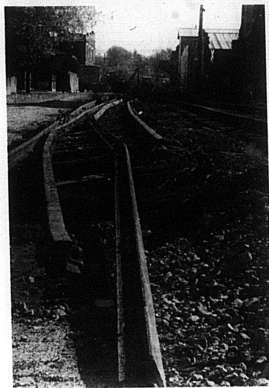
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Abandoned rails for new

TTI Railroad is tearing out the railroad track on Market Street from Locust to Broadway. It is the track that runs beside the Historical Society Building. The twisted rail pictured above is part of the old track with the new track seen to the right. TTI is moving and putting in new ties and rails beside the old track. It is estimated that 105 pounds of rail will be used. The new track will join in the line behind Southern States from which TTI has purchased property. When the renovation work is complete, the City will backstop Market Street.—Mercury photo.

### Burley profit margin slim



School focus

Beginning this week, the Mercury will focus attention on various aspects of the Nicholas County school system. Here, Kevin Wells, a student in Production Agriculture, practices his welding techniques. (See page 8 for other vocational educational programs being highlighted.)

### Tobacco hotline opens Nov. 16

Beginning Nov. 16, tobacco market news will be at the fingertips of farmers across the state. That's when the Kentucky Department of Agriculture and the Federal Tobacco Market News Service begin offering information about the state's tobacco markets on a tobacco toll-free hotline, said state Agriculture Commissioner Allen W. Barkley II.

The toll-free phone number is 1-800-423-2828.

Each day, callers will hear recorded messages concerning the average price farmers are receiving for their

costs per pound to production costs, resulting an additional \$118 for an acre of burley yielding 2,700 pounds. The expense that increased since last year is the no net cost fee, the reserve fund and a fee to pay for any losses incurred by the burley tobacco price support system. The fee will cost five cents per pound this year, up four cents from last year's fee of one cent per pound.

In general, costs vary depending on a producer's investment in machinery and buildings, and the producer's proximity to larger cities.

"Tobacco farmers with fewer tractors and barns have lower overhead costs and therefore lower production costs," said Shufflett. "And farmers near larger cities have to compete with the higher wages paid to labor, which adds to the cost of producing tobacco."

Despite the short yields this year, Shufflett does not expect the price paid for burley tobacco to be any higher than last year.

"There is just too much tobacco in the pool of burley set aside from the past few years' shortage to have any effect on the price," he said.

### Bloodmobile here Nov. 14

The Central Kentucky Blood Center will have a blood drive on Monday, Nov. 14, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Carisle Methodist Church.

Philip Hastings, chairman of the Nicholas County's academic team detained from last July, Julie Wells, Keith Lyons and Steve Anderson, Standing, Rob Lane, team coach, and Susanne Jones, alternate. Others helping in practice and research behind the scenes included Joe Johnson, Mark Conley, Carl Isham, Marty Settlers and Mark Sampson.—Photo submitted.

### Ham supper

The annual American Legion ham supper will be Friday, Nov. 11, 6:30 p.m., at the Legion Hall. All members and their families are welcome.

## Hopkins sets rushing mark Jackets battle Beechwood in playoff action Friday

by Emily A. Wolf

Can the Bluejackets stop the state's first leading scorer? That's the last facing Nicholas County opponents as the Jackets visit Hill Beechwood Friday night in the opening round of Class A district playoff action. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. in the northern Kentucky city.

Ten seasons with 22 touchdowns and 100 points during the regular season, Hill Beechwood teammate is a 262 whitewash of the Bluejackets here Sept. 26.

And while the odds are against the Jackets advancing to meet the winner of the Parke-Carroll County game, don't count them out.

Nicholas County's all-time leading scorer, Robert Hopkins, recorded his least productive night of the season in the earlier encounter with Beechwood, logging only 39 yards on 13 carries. In 11 games, Hopkins averaged 29.3 yards per carry.

Overall, the 5-4, 200-pound senior tailback gained 1,213 yards in 246 rushes and 104 points, surpassing David McGuffey's single season mark.

according to Coach Ben Humphrey. Hopkins amassed 1,428 total yards in his junior and senior years for a 3.2 yard per carry workload.

Second leading scorer among Jacket backs was Steve Anderson, who logged 54.4 yards on 14 carries and made five receptions good for 88 more yards. His highest night came against Hackett when he gained 103 yards in 13 tries.

Quarterback Steve Anderson, who enjoys picking off opposing quarterbacks, picked about an average of one per game, ended the season in the team's leading all-purpose yard producer with 1,271, not counting interception last yardage. The 6-2, 200-pound Anderson gained 75 yards on 113 carries, while completing 43 of 107 passes for 614 yards and seven touchdowns. His 36 points played him in for 10.4 yards per carry.

Anderson's favorite target was Hill Beechwood tight end Rocky Young, the 190-pound tight end, who also saw limited duty as Anderson's backup, caught 23 passes for 409 yards, averaging 17.8 yards per

reception. Young scored 34 points during the regular season.

Overall, the 8-2 Jackets recorded 272 points in 11 games, a 27.1 mean. Senior tackle Greg Robinson posted the ball 23 times for 666 yards and a 29.1 per yard average.

Leading tackler was Young, with 101, one more than his junior classmate Thayne Robinson. Senior Terry Ledford disposed 98 runners, soph Scott Ramsey 73, junior Tom Cudde 67, Anderson 50, junior Kevin Wells 45, McGuffey 24, junior Steve Kirby 23, freshman Steve Ledford 24, junior Deweyne Baker 21, soph Pat Pope and Hopkins 19 each, Greg Robinson 14, junior David Allison 11, senior Geoff Hightmounds and junior Brian Watkins 10 each, soph Jody Duncan two and freshman Greg Alexander one.

Coach Humphrey was also quick to praise his underclassmen who saw little on-field action but who contributed in practice and from the sidelines. Many who performed on the junior high 11 are expected to play key roles in 1984, Humphrey feels.



ROBERT HOPKINS  
1,213 yards in two years

## Road clearing priorities set

The next roads to be cleared are the mainroads of KY 22 and KY 145 from Carisle to U.S. 68.

Other state-maintained roads will follow.

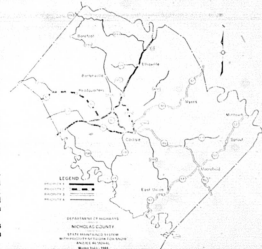
The roads are cleared as soon as precipitation becomes significant. The crews set out with salt or plow to clear the priority roads first. The priority system is based on the traffic carried by the road.

Top priority roads include interstate, parkways, urban expressways and other state roads with exceptional large volumes of traffic.

Second priority roads are state primary roads, bypasses and roads with slightly less traffic.

State secondary roads, rural secondary roads and other roads with equal traffic fall into the third category. Remaining state roads are cleared after these categories have been treated.

The Pennsylvania district office is responsible for clearing the roads in Nicholas County.



Nicholas students 'In The Know' on TV

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