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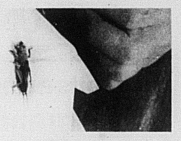
Women's softball winners

Pictured is the 1983 season Carlisle Women's Softball League winning team sponsored by Blue Grass Knitting. There are four teams in the league. Front row, from left, Joyce Booth, Shelly Vice, Ginger Waggoner, Jana Ritchie, Shirley Trussell. Middle row, Helen Warner, Susan Livingood, Dennis McDonald, Coach, holding the trophy, Ginnie Asbury. Top row, Al Warner, assistant coach, Sandy Warner, Anne Asbury and Jo Ann Dale. Absent from picture are Anna Mattox, Elfie McCarty, Justine Ritchie, Tracey Fite and Brenda McDonald.—Mercury photo.



Another view of the salmon, which wouldn't stay still for its picture, because we're suppose to release them.—Mercury photo. See page 11.

Horse show

to feature 15 classes
Lions clubbers declare

Mark Hughes, president of the Lions Club, told the Mercury that the Lions first annual horse show will have 15 classes with prize money and ribbons in all classes. The Lions Horse Show will be held Saturday night, Sept. 10, at the Recreational Park on the East Union Road beginning at 6 p.m. Admission price will be $1.00 with children under 12 free.

The main feature event will be a $500 walking horse stake.

There are classes in this show for all ages: showing, activity and timing events. "We have tried to keep the admission price down so the whole family can come and enjoy our show, as I am sure there are many young people around here that have never seen a horse show," Hughes stated. "If you have not attended a horse show in some time, then you're in for a surprise. With all the activity and timing events, fun has been added to the horse shows of today," Hughes said.

Hughes apologized to Mercury readers for the delay in releasing show class information, as "we have visited other shows, making every effort to put together a good show for our community."

Classes are: Lead Line, Western Pleasure Open, Pleasure Pony or Horse 13 and Under, Pleasure Class, Catalog Race, Nicholas County Pleasure, Walking Horse, Hunt Seat Equitation, 4-H Open Pleasure, Barrel Race, Plantation Pleasure, Trail Class (Nicholas County Trail Riders only), Flat Barrel Race, Backing Class and Walking Horse Stake.

For additional information call Mark Hughes, president; G.C. Myers, secretary, or any member of the Lions Club.

Rep. Hopkins here today

U.S. Rep. Larry J. Hopkins, R-Ky., will hold several "Open Door" community meetings throughout the congressional district work period. During these "Open Doors," anyone may take the opportunity to visit with the congressman, either to simply stop by and say "hello" or to express a viewpoint or explain a problem with any federal agency. "Everyone is welcomed," Hopkins said. "I look forward to meeting new friends and seeing my old ones, and at the same time getting some business done."

Rep. Hopkins will be in Carlisle Thursday, Sept. 1, 9-10 a.m., in the Fiscal Room on the first floor of the Courthouse, and in Cynthiana, 11-noon, at the Harrison County Courthouse, second floor courtroom.

KU electrical demand sets all-time record

As temperatures stayed near 100 degrees, customer demand for electricity reached an all-time high of 2,209,000 kilowatts (kw) on the Kentucky Utilities Company system at 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22. The previous all-time peak was 2,330,000 kw which was set on Jan. 11, 1982. Preliminary load figures show that the new record was nearly 12 percent greater than the company's summer load forecast of 2,150,000 kw.

"Our customers set a new summer record on July 21, but with schools reopening and considering the long period of abnormal heat it is not surprising that both records were broken," said W.B. Bechanan, president of KU.

He said that KU has been able to carry the load without any major problems other than damage from summer electrical storms and high winds. However, Bechanan suggested that customers should continue using energy wisely because of the effect that increased usage has on their electric bills.

"Extended periods of hot, humid weather make air conditioners work overtime," he said. "This heavy use will cause customers' electric bills to be higher this summer. And it demonstrates once again that all of us need to use electricity effectively by making our homes and air conditioning equipment more energy efficient."

Bechanan reminded customers that KU has a residential energy audit program which shows ways to help make customers' homes more efficient and gives them a greater awareness of the things they can do to conserve. KU also continues to promote high efficiency air conditioning which helps keep customers' operating costs as low as possible and reduce the demand on the KU system.

Nicholas County blood donors are named

Ralph McGlothlin, Eugene Kelley, Louis Sauls, Margaret Duncan, Joel Judd, Harold Capps, Billy Minton, Timothy Sanders, Allen Sparks, Michael Mann, Connie Sams, Helen Barton, Paul Tubbs, Jackie Howard, Joseph Saulins, Judy Hastings, Jennifer Talbee, Bernice Whirles, Harold Letton, Charles Canupp.

Lucy Allison, Fred Whaley, David Stancil, Lum Mussell, James Galbraith Jr., Gary Stone, Barbara Edwards, Ethyl Edwards, Debbie Bowles, Jean Booth, Betty Tabor, Norma Jean Whaley, Edward Booth, Leatha King, Bill Guthrie, Martha Mitchell, Kavonna Fite, L.W. Gum, Michael Berry, Jannett Caswell.

Kathy Bowles, Nevada McGlothin, Brenda Blake, Tracy Tolliver, James Carter, Charles Smith, Dennis McDonald, James Pergram, Angela Garrett, Mary Tapp, Philip Hastings, Donald Smith, James Lane, Beverly Howard, Lydia Burke, Kenneth Ishmael, Tom Ockerman, Willmer Halcomb, Roy Gaunce Jr.

Shirley Wilson, Kenneth Earlywine, Douglas Garrett, William Towles, Kenneth Baker, Leslie White, Joseph Conley, James Biddle, Barbara Biddle, Edwin Sanders, Fred Burnaw, Jeff Jefferson, Martha Sibert, Hilda Curtis, Ricky Herrington, William Tedder, Howard Allison Jr., William Clark Jr., Allen Campbell, David Tubbs, Myron Williams.

Melvin Mattox, Donald Watkins, Mildred Jolly, Joredda Garrett, Mary Platt, Cathy Hord, Joe Jennings, Allen Whaley, Oliver Capps, Sandra Cull, Bobby Barnett, Bick Grant, Ira Conyers, Thrashley Markland, Anna Cobb, Enoch Doyle, David Zachary, Henry Caswell, William Wilson.

Mary Terrell, Vannedra Dodge, Delvon Jones, James Coy, Donna Feeback, David Smith, Michael Taylor, Sharlee Gipson, Eugene Snapp, Wanda Sibert, Charles Ramsey, Jack Randolph, Deborah Ecton, Cindy Herrington, Raymond Roser, Arthur Buzzard, Mike Kenney, Larry Minton, Harvey Wilson, George Myers, Charles Pope Jr., William Willis, Robby Hester.

Food prices stabilize at lowest point in months

August, a month of extremes in weather, showed its moderate side at the food counter, where prices stabilized at their lowest level since January, according to Kentucky Farm Bureau's marketbasket food price survey.

A selected group of 40 food items cost grocery shoppers an average of $58.40 this month, down slightly from last month's $58.51, and more than three percent below the August 1982 price of $60.41.

Beef prices paced the decline in August price levels, including ground beef which cost an average $1.25 per pound, the lowest price that item has shown in the 30 months that Farm Bureau has conducted the marketbasket survey. The five beef cuts surveyed averaged 2.3 percent lower than July.

Poultry prices moved up by 6.1 percent, offsetting the savings at the beef counter, while pork prices were

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Special Council meeting sets city property tax rate

The City Council passed an ordinance Friday night, Aug. 26, at a called meeting, which sets the property ad valorem tax for the city of Carlisle at 22.8 cents per $100 valuation. The ordinance was passed on the second reading; and after a public hearing on the proposed tax rate which was held at 7 p.m. prior to the called meeting. No city residents appeared at this meeting.

The revenue from the tax money will be used for city operating purposes.

In other business, it was announced that the local laundromat would open all day on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays only.

Also, there was a discussion on the possibility of moving the City Police Department to the old jail building at the corner of Main and Elm Streets. This would be a possibility if the building owned by the county is used for a 13-hour hold-over for prisoners prior to being transferred to Maysville. The situation will be discussed with the Fiscal Court.

APPLICATION NECESSITIES FOR SOCIAL SECURITY

If you plan to retire at age 62, age 65 or any time in between, it is important to apply for monthly benefits no later than the last day of the month you want benefits to begin. Generally, benefits payable for months before age 65 can begin no earlier than the month you apply.

Generally, benefits can be paid only

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School committee has meeting

The Nicholas County School Community Relations Committee met at Nicholas County High School at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Aug. 29. Those in attendance were committee members Anna Goldy, Beverly Irvin, Lottie O'Bannon, Carol Sparks and Danny Tackitt. Local school administrative/supervisory personnel in attendance were Donald G. Elder, Betty Conrad, Jane Becker, Bill Guthrie, David McMillen and Gerald Hammons.

After a tour of the high school which included a review of the extensive maintenance work completed this summer, Principal David McMillen discussed the "Standards for Accrediting Secondary Schools" which is the basis for the comprehensive accreditation study to be carried out by a team from the State Department of Education during the 1985-86 school year. Mr. McMillen emphasized the Program of Studies which sets forth the requirements for each school curricula.

The next meeting of the committee will be in late September. The topic will be "Standards for Accrediting Elementary and Middle Schools."

Labor Day closings

The following offices will be closed Monday, Sept. 5, for the Labor Day holiday: The Deposit Bank, The First National Bank, City Office, Courthouse offices, and the post office.

Some merchants, however, will be open for business as usual. The Mercury office will be open until 12 noon.

There will be no school Monday.

PETIT JURORS MAY PICK UP CHECKS

Sally S. Watkins, Circuit Clerk, has announced that petit jurors serving from April to August 1983 may pick up their checks for jury duty.

NEWS LETTER

"As you are aware there is a shortage of water all over the Commonwealth of Kentucky. This has been caused by not having enough rainfall since July 4, 1983, which was the last heavy rainfall we have had in this area. This has caused a demand for bulk water to be sold. We are averaging 108,000 gallons per day of bulk water sold in the month of August; over 65,000 gallons per day sold from January 1983 through June 1983;

"We've had several leaks on Nicholas County Water District line which have been corrected and Bluegrass has been operating at a 24 hour day with no restrictions. This has taken a tremendous toll on our water level. In the meantime Blue Grass has cut their water usage considerably;

"The plant can only pump 540 GPM through filters with 400 GPM more or less coming from the Licking River;

"The City has an obligation to the citizens to keep a level of 20 feet to 30 feet in tanks for fire protection. To provide this coverage of water we had to stop water hauling, close car washes, limit the laundry mat to certain days, ask Blue Grass and the Board of Education to conserve, and also asked the citizens to conserve by not watering yards, gardens, shrubs, flowers, and no car washing. With the plant being manned 24 hours a day and filters being washed every 24 hours, the City has kept water level 35 feet to 45 feet per day;

"The water levels in the tanks are being kept to requirements but we still have a problem if we do not start having some rainfall. The pump at the river cannot take care of all our needs so we are pumping out of the lower lake which is causing us to lose an average 1½ inches a day;

"We have ordered a new pump to be installed which will pump 600 GPM from the river. If everything goes accordingly, we hope to install this on Labor Day weekend. When this is operating it should be equal to what we can pump at the Water Plant;

"Our plant manager found two leaks on the eight inch river line Aug. 25 and they have been fixed by City Maintenance;

"We know that this has caused some inconveniences but the city feels if we can conserve now, maybe later on we will not run into any major problems if we do not get the rainfall that we need;

"If anyone should have any questions, please feel free to call or drop by City Hall. Our phone number is 606-289-5300."

Mayor and City Council of City of Carlisle