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City reconsiders; nixes earlier deal on ambulance phone

Since it's a woman's prerogative to change her mind, city council members felt they'd do the same thing: Reverse their earlier opinion allowing installation of a phone in the police station on which incoming ambulance service calls would be answered. This was the decision reached at the Dec. 11 meeting of council. Members had agreed at the Dec. 11 cabinet meeting, attended by Judge/Executive Reece Street and some of the magistrates to give \$5,000 to Fiscal Court to be used to help finance the ambulance service to be operated by Boyd/McKee.

This amount was \$100 shy of the original amount agreed to by the city and county. The \$100 was to compensate the city for the cost of installation of phone. The mayor and council members concluded that the police dispatchers added responsibility of answering ambulance calls when the responsibility for such calls should be that of McDonald's ambulance service. COUNCIL went into closed session for about 20 minutes to discuss a personnel matter.



Ready for Santa

Elcho Ivko, left, and Michael Hill, students in Mrs. Elaine Brooker's second grade class, have visions of Santa and gifts as they admire a Christmas tree in their room. School ends Friday for the holiday season.

Christmas in Carlisle

Drawing Saturday

The \$200 grand prize in the "Christmas in Carlisle" giveaway will be awarded in a drawing Saturday, December 22 at 11 noon on the courthouse steps. Registration for the prize ends Friday at 11 a.m. at participating stores, several of which are offering individual prizes. These drawings will be held prior to collection of registration tickets by members of the sponsoring Chamber of Commerce.

Candy for kids!

Santa Claus will visit Carlisle on Christmas Eve from 1-2 p.m. distributing candy and fruit from a truck to all children present around the courthouse square.

The Dec. 24 event is sponsored by the local American Legion and VFW posts. Following his appearance downtown, Santa will visit Mothers-Johnson Health Care, where he will have good wishes for hospital and nursing home patients.

Toys badly needed

The Lane Club drives toy trucks for needy children in failing on hard times. As of Monday, the drive was well short of its goal. The Mercury learned. Persons with new toys, or used toys in good condition, may deposit them at Garrison's Furniture or Woolly's Auto Repair not later than this Friday afternoon. Lane Club members will distribute toys to homes with underprivileged children Christmas Eve.

Political science expert Jasper Shannon is dead

Jasper Berry Shannon, a nationally known expert in political science, died Thursday, December 14, 1984 at Dartmouth General Hospital in Paris, Ky.

He was a Nicholas County native, received a bachelor's degree from Transylvania College and master's and doctoral degrees in political science from the University of Wisconsin. He also had studied at Harvard University and the University of Kentucky.

Shannon, of 25 Boston Avenue in Paris, taught political science at the University of Kentucky for more than 20 years and had served as acting chairman of the school's political science department. He first taught at UK for a couple of years in the late 1950s, then returned to the university in 1968. He left UK as a full professor in 1971 to take a position at the University of Nebraska.

He also taught history and political science at Transylvania College, where he held the Henry Clay Chair of History and Political Science, from 1939 to 1956 and taught at the University of Nebraska from 1967 to 1981, and for three of those years he was chairman of that school's political science department. In 1964 he was named a distinguished professor at Nebraska.

After leaving the University of Nebraska, he taught for about two years at Eastern Kentucky University as a visiting professor of government. Shannon was a Fulbright research scholar for the U.S. Educational Foundation in Oslo, Norway during the 1960-61 school year and later taught at Johns Hopkins University, the University of Wisconsin, University of Tennessee, University of Oregon.

Deima Livingood dead at age 28

Mrs. Deima Livingood, 28, died Tuesday morning, December 18, after a lengthy bout with cancer. She died on page 13.

Nutini's death saddens Ashland Oil colleagues

Tomlin "Toby" Nutini of Ashland, a long-time employee of Ashland Oil, Inc., died Friday, December 14, in a Lexington hospital after a brief illness. He was 61 years old.

Mr. Nutini was a man of special talents and abilities whose tireless efforts and dedication made a lasting difference at Ashland Oil, Inc. and Ashland Chemicals and Chief Executive Officer John R. Hall. Ashland Oil is saddened by his death. He was loved and respected by his colleagues, and he will be greatly missed.

A native of Florence, Italy, Nutini was an Ashland employee for nearly 30 years, having joined the company in February 1955 in marketing in Bluefield, W. Va. He transferred to the company's advertising department in 1957 and served in various advertising and public relations management positions for the remainder of his career.

He was named supervisor of creative services and production in 1980 and was promoted to consumer and trade advertising supervisor in 1982. He became advertising manager in 1983 and manager of the expanded advertising and creative services department in 1984, which included all of Ashland's advertising, stockholder communications, employee communications, and audiovisual production functions. He most recently served as director of special projects for Ashland Services Company, an Ashland subsidiary formed in 1983, and had primary responsibility for the design and production of Ashland's annual report and other stockholder communications for the past 25 years. Under his guidance, the company's 1978 and 1979 annual reports won first-place awards from Financial World magazine.

Nutini was educated and worked as a newspaper reporter in Florence prior to World War II and was later employed by the British Institute there. He served in the Italian army in 1943 and in 1944 joined the guerrilla movement against the Nazi occupation.

He met then the former Barbara Fisher of Carlisle and Lexington, after she was when she was an art student traveling in Europe. The couple were married and moved first to Bristol where Nutini was employed by the Companies franchise of Petrosin Club, Sears & Roebuck, and American Chalk Company.

In 1960, the couple came to the United States, where they lived briefly in Lexington before Nutini joined Ashland Oil. Nutini had a lifelong interest in art and served as curator for Ashland Oil's corporate art collection. He was a trustee of the Huntington Galleries, a member of the board of the Parliament

POSTAL RATE BOARD DUE FEBRUARY 17
The Post Office Department has approved a rate increase effective February 17.

All first class mail will cost 2 cents to mail, first class letter, up from the current 20 cent per stamp.

Higher rates face second class publications, such as The Mercury, which will pay an average of 14 1/2 percent more for mail delivery. Third class mail received a 12 percent boost.

Mercury holiday deadlines
News and advertising deadlines for the Christmas and New Year's issues of The Mercury are as follows:

For the issue of Dec. 27, deadline for all copy is at noon Friday, Dec. 21, with delivery on Monday, Dec. 24. The office will be closed Dec. 23 and 24.

For the issue of Jan. 3, deadline for all copy is noon Friday, Dec. 28, with delivery on Monday, Dec. 31.

All contributors are asked to submit items as far in advance of the deadlines as possible. The winning team in the championship round will be awarded \$200 to the runner-up will receive \$50 toward their school's library fund.

Five roads atop list to improve

Five Nicholas County roads are atop the priority list for intensive re-surfacing during fiscal 1985-86, if approved by the Department of Highways office in Flemingsburg.

Department representatives notified fiscal court on December 3 that the county will receive \$27,260 for improvements, of which \$18,500 is earmarked for maintenance of the 5.1 miles of rural secondary roads. The balance of \$8,760 would be available for other improvements during this period.

Judge/Executive Reece Street and magistrates Melvin Fryman, Elmer Myers, Paul Plank and Harold Mitchell and Cecil Akerman recommended the following resurfacing priorities:

Route No. CR 268, Hickory Ridge Road, beginning at County Road 2006 and ending at the Nicholas County Park and Game Club.

CR 211, Lower Shargburn Road, beginning at the junction of KY 37 and ending at the Bath County line.

CR 236, Concord-Taylor's Creek Road, beginning at junction of KY 13 and ending at junction of CR 230.

CR 200, Miserer Road, beginning at junction of KY 234 and extending one mile north.

CR 208 Locust Grove Road, beginning at south end of new bridge over Candy Creek and extending one mile southwest.

KAY MILLER of the Department of Corrections met with members of court Dec. 3, the way to Carlisle to inspect the old army building on East Main Street in a possible location for a 12-hour lockup for prisoners.

She is expected to submit a cost estimate of the renovation which would be necessary to meet state regulations concerning jails.

A resolution in appreciation of Ronald Bell's tenure as Nicholas County Disaster and Emergency Services coordinator was adopted. Bell has resigned after eight-and-a-half years service.

Doug Garrett has been named 2085 director, with Darryl McFarland, assistant director. Each will receive \$80 per month as the county's share of the salary. The amount being paid by the City of Carlisle.

\$100,000 CONTRACT for ambulance service was signed on Dec. 6 between the county and Ronald McDonald, the Nicholas County Ambulance Service.

It is to go into effect Jan. 1 at 11 a.m. for a period of one year. A \$4,000 payment is to be made at that time, with \$1,600 monthly payments thereafter.

Terms of the contract call for current rates to continue: \$60 for in-county runs and \$50 plus \$1.50 per loaded mile to other destinations; \$1.50 per mile one way if the patient is not returned and \$1.50 per mile both ways if the patient is returned.

The additional charges of any kind will be made except for \$15 per hour waiting charge after the first hour for return of patient.

BILL HILANDER asked the court to consider several old leasing registers at the Carlisle School building as payment for his county rock bill.

Hilander, who is demolishing the school, said the registers are the same as those in the courthouse. John Eckert, road supervisor, was asked to inspect the registers before any decision is made.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, court voted to increase its State Boiler policy insurance coverage from \$20,000 to \$200,000, with a premium of \$21 per year, up from \$18. The policy is carried with Hartford Steam Boiler, Charles M. Cox, agent.

A \$2,000 check from Revenue Sharing Fund was approved for the Nicholas County Senior Citizens as part of their budget appropriation for 1984-85.

Date of the January 1 meeting was changed to January 31 at 11 a.m. All county employees will receive a turkey as a Christmas bonus. (See Here Abouts, page 1.)

Christmas concert tonight at NCHS

The Nicholas County bands and the high school chorus will present their winter concert on Thursday, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. The concert is free and open to the public.



Academic team on KET
Members of the Nicholas County academic team which will compete on "KET Scholastic Challenge" program Sunday afternoon are, L-R, Matthew Guthrie, Mark Conley and Joe Johnson. Rob Lane is the faculty advisor and Julie Willis the alternate.

Academic team competes on KET Sunday afternoon

When "KET Scholastic Challenge" airs this Sunday, December 23, at 1 p.m., six Kentucky high schools, including Nicholas County, will compete for championship money in this academic quiz show which tests the proficiency of students in history, math, English and science.

NCHS will be competing against teams from Ft. Thomas High School, Lexington Tates Creek, Johnson Central, Jenkins and Lloyd Memorial, The Nicholas County team includes Mark Conley, son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Conley of Carlisle; Matthew Guthrie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Guthrie of Carlisle; and Joe Johnson,

son of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Johnson of Carlisle. Alternates are Julie Willis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.S. Willis of Carlisle; Nicholas County's faculty advisor is Rob Lane.

"KET Scholastic Challenge," now in its third season, was developed by KET. It has generated increased interest in education in Kentucky. Producer Sully Jackson, who has been with the program since its inception, says he is extremely gratified to see these bright, young Kentuckians who are looking the odds as far as Kentucky scholastic statistics are concerned. Trends are changing in education and KET is pleased to be a part of that.

Each two-hour-long program consists of two games, with three high school teams competing per game. There are 18 schools participating this year. Each game will have five rounds of questions. One round will be centered locally on Kentucky. Questions for "KET Scholastic Challenge" are supplied by Alternates Producer Sully Jackson, who has been with the program since its inception, at his Washington, D.C. area.

The winning team in the championship round will be awarded \$200 to the runner-up will receive \$50 toward their school's library fund.