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Shepherding Mathers Fund a labor of love

Retiring secretary praises foresight of founder who has helped educate thousands of needy



MRS. RUTH HOLLAR

When Mrs. Ruth Hollar agreed to become secretary of the Mathers Educational Fund, it wasn't for the money. A monthly paycheck of \$13.00 didn't do very far, even in 1961. It was "just something to do for a short time," she remembers thinking at the time.

"That 'short time' became a career spanning 22 years of administering to the needs of several thousand Nicholas County students who received financial assistance provided by the fund. Ruth, who tendered her resignation at the July 11 Fiscal Court meeting, estimated 74,000 young people have been the beneficiaries of the fund's generosity since its inception in 1961.

"Each year that I have worked with the fund I marvel at the fact that Dr. Mathers had the foresight to establish this fund following his death in 1937, but when education was not as much of a necessity as it is today," she told the court.

"I WISH that everyone in Nicholas County could realize how fortunate we are to have a fund this size at the disposal of the Court and its committee to administer to those with dire

needs to further their education." Ruth Hollar was Ruth Clark when she became only the second secretary the fund has had. She hadn't even met her husband, Lovell Hollar, and only about 25 students sought aid in the early years. (Hull succeeded Mrs. Adrienne Wilson who handled the job until 1963.)

The past year between 300-500 local students received assistance in purchasing school books and clothing. Under the terms of the fund, those eligible for aid must be between six and 18 years of age, a resident of Nicholas County for one year and in dire need of assistance. Amount available for distribution is based on the interest the \$100,000 earns. The principal is never touched so that Dr. Mathers' will always be available for indigent students.

BACK THROUGH the years, students requesting aid were often taken to the now defunct Hazel Green Academy, Olive Hill Methodist School or Kentucky-Panhandle Orphan School, now Midway College. One young man attended "boys' town," entered the service and is presently an assistant administrator in a Kansas City hos-

pital.

Others Ruth remembers have gone from indigency to successful membership of their community throughout the country, one even as far away as California. One became a college recruiter after receiving her degree at Eastern Kentucky University. Others have successful careers in the nursing field as secretaries, teachers, servicemen, businessmen and bankers.

"Without this fund I know these boys and girls would not be where they are today," Ruth feels.

"ONE OF the great pleasures that I receive in working with the fund is when these people come back to Carlisle and Nicholas County to visit their families and never fail to come by and see me."

She notes this same gratification received over the years will be as much pleasure to her successor, Mrs. Inezanne Green.

It can be said Ruth Hollar's devotion to duty was definitely more for love than money.

"Many jobs that I could have had would have certainly paid more, but, no job could have been as gratifying."

Youth Fair Aug. 1-4

The annual Nicholas County Youth Fair will be held August 1-4 at the new National Guard Armory. Brochure listing classes and events are now available and may be picked up at the local Extension Office.

In conjunction with the fair, a "quarters track meet" for youngsters 12 and under will be held Aug. 2, 4:30 p.m. at the high school athletic field. Top finishers in each event are paid silver quarters, donated by the fair board.

New rabies symptoms found here

Pet, animal owners alerted to changes; guidelines told

An entirely different type of rabies symptoms surrounding the death of a dog in the East Union community has prompted a doctor of animal diseases in Frankfort to issue the following updated guidelines to Nicholas County.

If a pet or farm animal appears to stagger, is partially paralyzed, cannot bark (if a dog), or has slackness of the jaw area, Dr. John Shultz, head of

Epidemiology for the State of Kentucky, advised that owners to notify Larry Trussell at the local health department at once.

Ferrets are asked to leave the animal's body intact so that the whole carcass can be taken to the animal diagnostic lab in Lexington for a complete autopsy.

THE NEW rabies symptoms were discovered when a dog owned by East

Union Road resident, Jimmy Mitchell, died July 19. Mitchell is the local dog warden.

Trussell, assistant with the Nicholas County Health Department said these new symptoms were the first he has seen in the nine years he has been with the department.

"Usually," Trussell pointed out, "pets begin frothing at the mouth, due to throat constriction." Frothing was

not noted in the death of Mitchell's dog.

"Michael said he noticed that his pet came to the house 'stumbling' like a skunk" sometime before he died. Skunks are said to be among the worst carriers of rabies, and should be avoided by humans who often try to make pets of them.

THREE OTHER dogs from the East Union community were tested for rabies last week. All results were negative, Trussell said.

Persons with a rabies case to report should contact the health department immediately at 285-2188 or 285-7000, during regular business hours Monday through Friday.

Dr. Michael Trussell may not be reached at home by calling 285-2187.

A rabies clinic for the vaccination of pets will be held at the health department here on Aug. 11 from 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Dr. Michael Conroy, a Lexington veterinarian, will administer the shots.

Accident victim not wearing seat belt

The life of a Louisville woman, killed here Sunday might have been saved had she been wearing a seat belt. State Trooper Howard Sparks, who investigated the two-car accident, noted that Mrs. Margaret Caebehl, 47, had failed to buckle her seat belt and was thrown from the automobile in which she was a passenger.

Her husband Fon and son Kent, 22,

driver of the car, were treated for minor injuries at Bourbon General Hospital and released.

Trooper Sparks reported the accident occurred at 4:56 p.m. near the Holley Station home on U.S. 68, between Carpenter Road and the eastern limits of Millersburg.

Young Caebehl reportedly driving in a long line of slow moving vehi-

cles pulled into the passing lane and struck a car driven by James Evans, 18, of Lexington who was also trying to pass the slower traffic. The impact apparently caused Caebehl to lose control of his vehicle which spun off the roadway and overturned.

Evans was not hurt and no charges were filed.

Little Leaguers hosting Invitational

East End Playground is getting a workout here this week as local all star teams head the Nicholas County Little League Invitational Tournament.

The 9-10 year olds, fresh from winning the championship of the Paris

Invitational over the weekend, drew a bye in the opening round Monday, and will play the winner of the Bath-Bracken game Saturday at 1:30 p.m. A win will send them to the championship round Sunday at 5 p.m.

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Champions of Paris Invitational

The Little League 9-10 year old All Stars have completed a 5-1 mark in tournament play including the championship of the Paris Invitational this past weekend. Front row, left to right: Jarrod Willis, Mike Cain, David Brown, Brad Blevins, Steve Dyer, Brock Row-

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SATURDAY'S ACTION gets underway at 11 a.m. with Bracken County meeting the winner of the Montgomery-Bath game. Other quarter finals are scheduled at 4 and 7:45 p.m. with Lex. Garden Springs seeing action for the first time in the late game.

Semi-finals are at 1 and 3 p.m. Sunday, with the championship slated for 7 p.m.



In the swim of things

Debbie Dooley models Spendo's Rising Star swimsuit to be worn in 1984 Olympic competition. Worne Shumate, right, partner and chief executive officer of Kentucky Textiles and Spendo Holdings Ltd. chairman Bill MacFie pose with the attractive model at the Paris #1 plant, official swimsuit supplier. —Photo submitted.

Coming Olympics have local touch

Carlisle and Paris have no representatives in 1984 Olympic competition but residents of both cities will have every reason to be proud of the appearance American swimmers and divers. Their Speedo swimsuits were manufactured at Kentucky Textile plant in Paris, of which Carlisle's Wayne Shumate is partner and chief operating officer.

This year's version, predominantly deep blue with slashing of red and white stripes topped by three stars, is called the Rising Star. It was recently unveiled to the public in Paris by Shumate and Bill MacFie, chairman of Spendo Holdings Ltd., Lexington, Kentucky.

While competitive swimmers will wear a hat or beret over chloving, Spendo is the official Olympic swimsuit in diving, water polo and synchronized swimming events.

Spendo was also the official swimsuit supplier for the 1972 Munich Olympics and four years later in Montreal. Shumate noted that the 1972 suits were by far the biggest seller. July goes on the correct model, he was asked.

"We won't know until after they hit the water. We can't announce a price prior to their appearance in the Olympics."

He did note that the rising star fabric has become thinner and thinner to meet the demands of competitive swimming.

"Things have changed since the 1972 Speedos were made. Back then no ladies were allowed to compete without a modesty panel on the suit. Now they (the suits) are lighter and thinner than ever."

And no more modesty panels, it might be added.

Farm Bureau fish fry, annual meeting tonight

The annual meeting and fish fry for members of the Nicholas County Farm Bureau and their families will be held Thursday, July 26 at Nicholas County High School.

Serving starts at 6:30 p.m. followed by a business meeting at 8 p.m. Admission to the fish fry is free, but refreshments admitted free.

An outstanding Farm Bureau youth contest and a variety talent contest are scheduled following the meeting. Call Debbie France, 285-2176 to enter.

"We strongly encourage our youth and young adults to participate for a more interesting annual meeting and to represent our county in district competition," said Matthew Kennedy, president of the local Farm Bureau.

Elections to determine fate of two proposals

Residents of Mountgarden Lane and Orville Street have met to discuss BARTERVILLE precinct voters will be called Thursday, Tuesday to determine if alcoholic beverages will be sold there in the future.

The issue will be on the ballot in the November 6 General Election.

Just over 22 acres are involved in the areas in question, 12.25 acres in and around Orville and 9.29 surround-

Friends 'pull in' \$954

A garden tractor pull last week to good undernet recent brain surgery, benefit the Debra Langford Fund. The fund was started by friends to offset medical expenses.