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New \$20,000 concrete span

Walnut St. bridge construction approved

There will be a new Walnut Street bridge with work to begin as soon as possible. This decision was reached by a unanimous vote of City Council members at a called meeting Monday night.

Carlton Lester made the motion to replace the steel-wooden bridge with a concrete bridge at a cost of \$20,000, and for the city to borrow the money as needed. City Clerk Mary Tapp informed members that only half of the money would have to be borrowed, since \$10,000 is available from Revenue Sharing funds.

The county has agreed to tear down and remove the present bridge for any construction material that is salvageable.

AFTER CONTACTING several concrete and steel product companies, City Superintendent Gary Vandenberg found two that would furnish the material and construct the bridge at affordable prices, the presented two cost figures — a 16' X 32' concrete bridge with 4' X 32' beams with guardrails from Universal Concrete of Northern Kentucky (\$20,300), and a 14' X 32' steel bridge with 34' beams, bar grating, and guardrails from Widex Materials of Lexington (\$18,333).

Council members felt that a concrete bridge would last longer and be sturdier.

The State Department of Highways will inspect the bridge upon completion. Vandenberg estimated that

installation could begin within the next two weeks.

COUNTY JUDGE/Executive Rose Smoot and Magistrates Orville Atkinson and Harold Mitchell were present at the meeting. The question on the minds of Council members, and verbalized by several, towards Judge Smoot and the magistrates was: "Will the county pay half the cost of the bridge?"

Two factors prompted the question: (1) The bridge serves more county than city residents; (2) the current ownership of the bridge, with the possibility that it would change.

Judge Smoot responded that if it were determined that the bridge is owned jointly, he would call a meeting

of Fiscal Court to discuss the matter. He further stated that the county didn't have the money to finance half the cost.

COUNCILMAN Barry Burton asked the Judge if the Court could use money from their Revenue Sharing Fund. He replied that just about all Revenue Sharing money had been spent or earmarked.

In closing he said, "I'm only one man on the Court. I can't come over here and tell you we'll pay half the cost of the bridge."

Widening the 18-foot bridge by four feet in front of Donald B. Holder's residence on Spring Street was also discussed. The estimated cost, \$11,000, if it is something the Council feels should be done in the near future.

Also Mayor Hughes stated that as soon as the Walnut Street bridge was completed, the next project has to be the replacement of the Dorseyville bridge which is fast approaching the same condition as the Walnut Street bridge. He said federal and state money would have to be applied for in order to make financing possible.

Concerned citizens Norman Willis, J. L. Lupton, Lowell Lyons and Steven H. Holder thanked the Council, at the close of the meeting, for taking action and making the reopening of the Walnut Street a reality.



At YMCA Youth Assembly

Nicholas County High School students will attend the state YMCA Youth Assembly in Lexington April 5-7. The Youth Assembly is a mock legislature designed to help the students better understand the legislative process. These students have written a bill which they

will introduce. From left to right: Matthew Guthrie, Suzanne Jones, Keith Lyons, Angela Buckner, Cliff Romsay and Alison Knopke. Absent when the picture was made was Gino Short.

Chap Ritchie road widening gets fiscal court approval

Nicholas County Fiscal Court has approved the widening of the Chap Ritchie dirt road, between Rose Hill and Bald Hill roads, at the request of affected property owners.

David Tipton presented a signed petition to the court at its March 21 meeting. The county would only be responsible for the road work, with fence replacement to be done by the landowners.

Tipton told the court that an easement could be obtained from all those involved.

Court then instructed County Attorney Jack Conley to check on the exact size (footage) of right-of-way needs in this widening situation. New county

bill made currently call for a 30-foot right-of-way.

IN OTHER ACTION, the court adopted an ordinance which prohibits people from encroaching within 300 feet of a polling place (precinct). The ordinance amends Ordinance 2 and is effective immediately.

— Gave County Judge/Executive Rose Smoot permission to purchase 12 "comfortable" chairs for the small courtroom and instructed him to check for the lowest and best price.

— Gave Kenneth Thornburg permission to purchase an 181 1/2 ambulance from the county for \$60.

— Authorized the following appropriation from the revenue sharing fund: \$200 to Nicholas County Association for Retarded Citizens for an adult training center which serves eight local residents; \$250 to the Nicholas County Library for new books; \$250 to the Community Action

Center to purchase garden seeds to provide food for the elderly and \$1,000 to the Senior Citizens Center.

AT THE MARCH 7 meeting fiscal court authorized the purchase of a 1973 black truck, compactor truck and 40 six-cubic-yard open box containers for \$27,000.

Two of the ball containers at each location will replace the old dumpsters which will be phased out in coming weeks.

The truck is equipped to unload the coefficients and compact the trash at each collection point, speeding up the present operation.

The move is expected to eliminate much of the unsightly debris and burning of trash in dumpsters since the new containers are said to be high for animal and human rummaging.

The next meeting of fiscal court is April 4 at 10 a.m.

The Nicholas County Health Fair will be held in the old Army building, Main Street, next Wednesday, April 4, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Bluegrass Health Fair officials have designated more than 20 official health fair sites during the week of March 30-April 5. Each will provide free health screenings, health education information and recreational necessary follow-up for anyone 18 years of age or older.

In addition, for a fee of \$4, a blood test will be taken that will calculate the levels of 25 components in the blood.

FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$4, a coronary profile will be drawn which will determine the person's risk level for developing coronary problems or suffering a heart attack. Persons taking this test must fast for 12 hours before the test for the results to be accurate.

Those on medication and planning to have blood drawn should take the medication that day with water. Diabetics on insulin should consult their physician.

For those who last orange juice will be available at the site.

Fair training Friday

Mary Catherine Knopke, R.N., will be training medical volunteers for the April 4 Bluegrass Health Fair this Friday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the Nicholas County Hospital cafeteria.

All volunteers for medical assignments are asked to be at the training session. Charting procedures will be taught, as will be the use of the training site.

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THIS REPRESENTS an extremely reasonable cost for a fairly complete blood profile," officials pointed out. "It is to be hoped that many will take advantage of this opportunity."

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County sending twelve to Special Olympics

Nicholas County will be represented by 12 students at the State Special Olympics to be held in June at the University of Kentucky.

The business community and concerned citizens are being asked to sponsor a student or contribute money to offset expenses incurred in sending these special athletes to the state meet.

At least one retail outlet, Carlisle HGA has placed containers in the store to collect contributions. For further information contact Mrs. Sandra Durham, Mrs. Marjorie Williams or Mrs. Lettie O'Bannon, or call Nicholas County Elementary School at 285-2284 or 2285.

Democrats to elect five delegates, vote presidential choice

Nicholas County will elect five delegates to the Congressional District Convention at the County Convention to be held here Saturday, March 21.

The local convention, which replaces the presidential primary, will begin at 2 p.m. in the Circuit courtroom.

Delegates elected here will represent Nicholas County at the April 14 80 Congressional District Convention in Frankfort, according to Joseph H. Conley, convention chairman.

THE KENTUCKY delegation to the Democratic National Convention July 16-19 in San Francisco will be selected at the District convention.

All registered Democrats as of Feb. 15 are eligible to vote. The Secretary of State was invited to participate.

A total of 36 pledged delegates and 11 pledged alternates will be elected from the seven Congressional dis-

tricts.

In the voting here Saturday, Nicholas countians will choose between Sen. Gary Hart, the Rev. Jesse Jackson and former vice-president Walter F. Mondale, the only three eligible candidates, as determined by the Kentucky Democratic party.

EACH CANDIDATE must reach a threshold of 10 percent of the participating Democrats to receive any delegates to the Congressional District Convention; if not, then those Democrats will be given the opportunity to realign into other groups.

All told, 61 delegates and 11 alternates will compose the Kentucky delegation at the national convention.

The state selection plan calls for an equal division between men and women delegates.

Finds balloon

Dorothy Smoot, 2 1/2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smoot, Carlisle Route 2, found this balloon in a tree last week which had been launched by a first grader of Falmouth, Ky. It was in connection with a Weekly Reader writing post contest according to an attached letter.



Rules of the game

Rob Lane, coach of the Nicholas County High School Scholastic Bowl team, discussed rules for a contest between Nicholas County and Bath County teams held in the high school library. The visitors defeated the local team in a hard-fought contest.

Volunteers needed to staff April 4 County Health Fair

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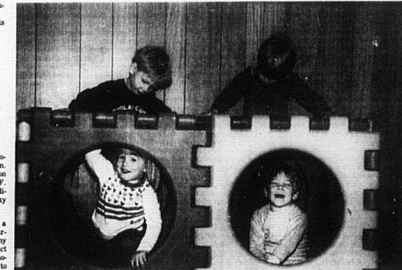
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Snop black capers

These children are enjoying the playground which is one of two pieces of indoor play equipment that the Carlisle Community Women's Club recently donated to the Child Development area of the Nicholas County Community Center. On top of blocks from left are Matt Stone and Jason Livingston. Peeping out are Nave Owens and Ben Cump. See story on page 6. —Mervey photo.