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Santa ditched his sleigh and reindeer for a ride on a firetruck as he showered Nicholas County youth with candy from the North Pole.

Local schools closed for rest of year

Carlisle Mercury Staff Report
A Dec. 13 snow storm caused slippery road conditions and has forced school closings for the rest of 1989 in Nicholas County.

It was announced Dec. 18 that Nicholas County schools would be closed the remainder of the year, bringing the total number of school days missed this year to five.

"It would have been impossible to hold school Tuesday because of the snow already on the roads and the little bit we got Tuesday morning," Nicholas County School Supt. Donald Elder said Dec. 18.

"Five administrators sat down and decided since we had already missed two days of final exams, the cold weather and snow, it would just be best to go ahead and call off school until after New Year's," Elder said.

"Even if the buses had been able to get in on Wednesday, and had about 85 percent attendance, we felt it would be best from an academic standpoint to go ahead and call school off."

Elder said safe transportation is the first concern. "Once we are able to get back to school, we will have a couple of days of review and be able to get back into the regular routine," he said.

Elder said the current school calendar has five days that could be used to make up missed days, including three in-service days and two holidays.

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County rock OK for use in concrete

By Jack Shepherd
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Speculation on the quality of limestone in the Nicholas County quarry has been added by Kentucky Geology Association representative Garland Dever.

Dever said limestone from the Nicholas County Quarry is part of the Lexington limestone deposits, which extend from near High Bridge, Ky., to near the eastern edge of Fleming County.

The deposits along the Lexington Limestone deposits do not constitute the richest, most chemically pure limestone in the state, according to Dever.

However, Dever said the limestone is good for three uses: as fill material to prevent erosion along riverbanks and dam sites; for agricultural lime; and for the manufacture of concrete.

Very little, if any, other, is known to exist in the Lexington Limestone deposit. But Dever said, there are patches of a "cherty" type of limestone intermingled with good lime throughout the deposit.

"The limestone I've seen removed from the Nicholas

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We wish you Christmas magic and joy

St. Luke - Chapter 2

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

12 And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17 And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18 And all they that heard it wondered at those things which they were told them by the shepherds.

19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

21 And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

22 And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord.

23 (As it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord.)

24 And to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtle doves, or two young pigeons.

25 And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; and he had lived with an honest heart years from her virginity.

26 And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

27 And he came by the Spirit into the temple; and when his parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,

28 Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said,

29 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word.

30 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people:

32 A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

33 And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him.

34 And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against.

35 (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also; that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.)

36 And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phineas of the tribe of Aser; she was of a great age, and had lived with an honest heart seven years from her virginity.

37 And she was a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day.

38 And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem.

39 And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.

40 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him.

41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.

42 And when he was twelve