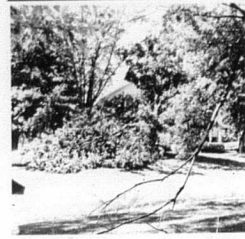


GENERAL NEWS



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POLICE LOG

Nicholas County Transportation Officer Trooper Kenneth Jones investigated a single vehicle injury accident, which occurred at 9:49 p.m. May 29. The accident occurred 10.8 miles north of Carlisle on Route 11, leg injuries.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your Thursday May 31 issue of The Mercury had an item on page two I just could not let go. This starts with Tourism Facts Given. Seems that George Wilkinson has the Facts.

20 Years Ago

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High water washes county

As all available members of the departments gathered at the corner of East Union and East Main Street in Carlisle, creek water had breached the seven foot bank alongside East End Park and began to gradually surround Frank's Grocery, Hughes reported. Meanwhile, he said, standing water forced firemen and rescue personnel to close off roadways through Doreysville and East Union Road. Water continued to rise quickly threatening to begin spilling into Main Street, Hughes said, and several businesses reported inside floors covered in deep standing water.

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MERCURY MEMORIES

5 Years Ago Thursday, June 6, 1985 Jailer-Alert George Baker out-poled four other candidates to win the office by a wide margin in the May primary. Garrett and his brother Dick, who will serve as deputy jailer, outdistanced Lynn Bowles, the lone incumbent unseated in the election.

40 Years Ago

A crowd of approximately 2,500 persons saw stable stars of Dealey and Biederman, North Middletown. They saw walk off with the first monies in both the three and five gaiter rings here Tuesday night in the opening of Central Kentucky Amateur Horse Show.

10 Years Ago

Thursday, June 5, 1980 Nicholas County Property Valuation Administrator Ross Brady said this week that the Kentucky POA Association is planning a suit against the Department of Revenue on the question of this year's property assessment.

50 Years Ago

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DEID: Laura Bell Hamilton, 76, at home; James P. Rogers, 60, Tuesday.

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As far as the weather service is concerned, damage was caused by a straight line wind," Sperry said. "There was this big flash of lightning and all the touch lamps suddenly went on and my wife said she heard this big gust like a bottle rocket going off. When we looked outside the damage was already done," he said.

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