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Cruse may be new Lee coach

By Josh Shepherd

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Former Nicholas County head basketball coach Lee Cruse has tentatively accepted a position as head coach for the Lee County varsity basketball team.

The decision, pending final approval from the Lee County Board of Education, came last Wednesday, two days after an interview with the Lee County superintendent.

Cruse will fill the position left open by the resignation of the previous head coach.

Cruse said he will be entering a basketball program with somewhat of an established tradition in the latter part of the 1980s. In both 1988 and 1989 Lee County was narrowly edged in the finals of the regional tournament championship game by Hickhorn and Hazard.

But Lee County has made it to the state tournament in years past as well as sending Larry Stamper to play for the University of Kentucky Wildcats.

Last season saw Lee County lose more than it won, but Cruse said the program has good potential to rebuild with a strong base of young athletes.

"The main thing I like about working in Beattyville is, like Nicholas County, they are more concerned with their academic than athletic situation," Cruse said.

The school system, which has combined the middle and high school in one building provides a good atmosphere from which to work, Cruse said.

"I want to get moved and started as soon as I hear if I'm approved. But I will miss the great people here in Nicholas. I have never treated my position at Nicholas as simply a stepping stone to further my career. I was willing to have settled and raised my family here until my retirement. I will miss working here very much," Cruse said.

Dispute resolved over road's name

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CARLISLE — A dispute over the name of a county road was tentatively resolved by the Nicholas County Fiscal Court, Tuesday, with plans to widen one of the curves on that road.

Dispute over the name of Berry Road, a small county road on the outskirts of Moorefield, began with a petition. Residents presented a signed petition to County Judge Executive Bessie Siment months earlier to change the road name from Berry to Jacka Road.

However, Margaret Wilson, whose family name has labelled the road as far back as records have been taken, protested the petition and acquired the services of attorney Betty Davenport to help with the matter.

In all preceding records, Davenport said, all legal references have specified the road name being Berry after the Nicholas County family that owned the majority of land on its boundary. Later, through the marriage of a Berry daughter to a Cox, the road was popularly referred to as the Berry-Cox Road, Davenport said, but all U.S. mailings have been addressed to the Berry name.

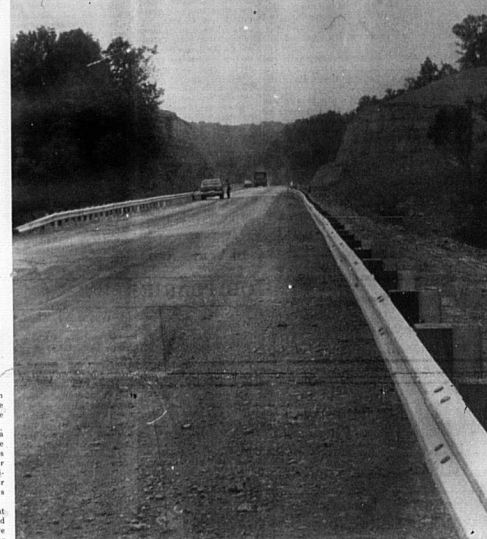
Although the petition can alter the name of the road, an acceptable compromise of the people was presented for the court to consider.

A curve approximately a mile and a half from the main Sharpsburg road has presented a danger for drivers of the road and residents have agreed to null their petition if the curve is widened.

Court members convened at the curve site and discussed the situation agreeing to have an engineer draw up plans for widening the curve. Magistrate Earl Lee Plank said he would see if state help in construction would be available.

The court stipulated the res-

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Open for business . . .

After more than a year, the new Licking River Bridge on Kentucky 32 is serving traffic from Carlisle to Flemingsburg.

Two positions open in election

CARLISLE — District two and three positions on the Nicholas County School Board are open for election in November.

The deadline for candidates to register is August 7.

The 1990 Session of the Senate Assembly enacted Senate Bill 47 which legislation becomes effective July 13, 1990.

Senate Bill 47 makes several changes in existing election law, the most immediate of which is a change to

make filing dates for all offices uniform.

The net effect of this legislation is to move all filing dates to 110 days prior to the primary or general election.

This makes the last date for candidates to file petitions always fall on a Tuesday, not later than 4 p.m.

Since the legislation becomes effective July 13, 1990, this will involve a change in the filing date for the regular November election, moving same from August 29 to

August 7, 1990.

The only offices effected by this change will be those for school board and vacancies in office which occurred after January 29, 1990, and for which there will be an election to fill an unexpired term.

There are other changes made by Senate Bill 47 which will effect the regular election calendar.

Information can be received from the Nicholas County Clerk's office, Rose Scott Clerk.

Former Nicholas Circuit Clerk Beulah Hughes dies at age 71

Beulah Mae Hughes, 71, a Nicholas County Circuit Clerk for 36 years, (1915-1986) passed away at Johnson—Mathers Nursing Home, Tuesday, June 19, 1990.

She was a resident of 101 Chestnut Street in Carlisle and sister of Hylon Roberts of Carlisle. She was a lifetime member of the Carlisle United Methodist Church.

Born in Nicholas County, she was the daughter of the late Jess and Bertha Lecher Hughes. She was a Kentucky Colonel and a graduate of Fagarty Business College in Lexington.

Other survivors are a niece, Leanne Galford and great niece Anne Galford both of Worthington, Ohio. Several cousins. Services will be 2 p.m., Thursday, June 21 at Mathers-Glenn Funeral Home by Rev. Graham Abbott, pastor in Carlisle Cemetery. Visitation after 4 p.m., Wednesday. Donations are requested to a favorite charity.

Casketbearers: Bonnie Lecher, Stanley Alexander, Charles Crawford, Judge Bevers, Jack Carley and Eugene Lecher. In memory of Miss Hughes the Nicholas Circuit Clerk's office will be closed from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Chamber race set for July 4

The Carlisle—Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce will host the annual 5000-walk/run, July 4 on the streets of Carlisle as part of the Blackberry Festival.

Race directors Debbie France and Brenda Bector have announced pre-registration fee is \$6.00 with registration the day of the race set at \$7.00. Team entries are welcome to the event, with the cost per team to participants: \$20.00. The Kids' Run will begin at 7:45 a.m. and involve one lap around the Nicholas County Courthouse.

The 5000 will get underway at 8 a.m., with the start and finish in front of the Nicholas County Courthouse. The 2.1 mile course is listed as flat and level. There are several age groups for both male and female and all pre-registered participants will receive a shirt. Other participants will receive shirts on an available basis. Race forms are available from Pie-Pac, Jewelry Patch or Farm Credit, and in The Mercury. For information call, 618-2686, 289-2228, 289-5765 or 289-7460.



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