

FOCUS
MERCURY MEMORIES

5 Years Ago

Thursday, February 21, 1985
The world seemed to stand still Tuesday afternoon and night for 36 Blue Grass Industries employees who were en route home, and for two men and a boy, who found themselves stranded in their cars and trucks on KY 26 at the Bath County line as the relentless wind caused mounds of snow to choke their path, making the road completely impassable and visibility near zero. It was not long before some feared their cars would be completely covered up as the drifts began to build around them.

Munday's predicted snow did not materialize until Tuesday morning, and by noon there were several inches on the ground with the wind velocity at 10 to 25 miles per hour. That was just the beginning of what proved to be the worst snow storm to hit Nicholas County for many years.

The combined efforts of city, county and state road departments and the local National Guard unit, local governmental officials and numerous individuals have seen Nicholas County through one of the worst snow storms to hit Kentucky in recent years.

Five Nicholas County residents were among those receiving degrees recently from Morehead State University's winter commencement.

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20 Years Ago

Thursday, February 16, 1970
Nicholas County, without the services of sophomore forward Rex Boyd, won two of three games last week to up their record to 12 wins against 6 losses.

Thursday, February 12, 1970 p.m. The Carlisle Jr. Woman's Club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Charles Metzler, with Mrs. Willard Gray and Mrs. Ralph Taylor as co-hostesses.

Phyllis Atkinson, Elizabeth Axaur, William Lee Harroy, and Jenny Hunt will participate in the 1970 Northeast Band Clinic on the AHSU campus Friday, Saturday and Sunday (Feb. 10, 20).

BORN - Jennifer Kurt Breukner, January 27, 1970, MARRIED - Susan Colson Talbort and Patrick George Meier, February 7, 1970.

DIED - Ida Smith, Tuesday, February 12, 1970; Van L. Day Sr., 84, Thursday, February 12, 1970; Herman F. Clark, 75, Thursday, February 12, 1970; Clarence Bunton, 90, Sunday, February 15, 1970; John H. Brunker, 85, Thursday, February 15, 1970; Jo Ann Matthews, 58, Thursday, February 15, 1970; Terri Rene Dunlap, 9, Monday, February 16, 1970.

40 Years Ago

Thursday, February 25, 1950
Public Buildings from the entire state will convene for the Second Annual Kentucky Public Health Association Meetings to be held on March 2-10 in Louisville, at the Warren Memorial Freylerstein Church. The welcoming address will be given by Dr. Bruce Underwood, State Health Commissioner, followed by a response by Dr. R. P. Reynolds, Nicholas County Director of Health.

Jimmy Carter, CIS supporter won the \$20 U. S. Savings bond in the tobacco contest sponsored by Harper's Garage. Bobby Gene Price won the corn dividend sponsored by the 1st National Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morris and their three-year-old son, David, will be leaving soon for mission work in India. Mrs. Morris was formerly Ruth Rice of Carlisle.

Don A. Jones, W. L. Markwell and Herbert Anderson, who recently purchased the store of R. T. Kirkland, are promoting a genetic change of ownership sale which starts today, February 23. Earl Marshall will continue as manager. Mrs. Clara Boutain and Mrs. Herb Couch will remain with the new firm as clerks.

The seven-room residence of Arthur Agar, located on Sycamore Street, was sold at auction Saturday morning to Mrs. James C. Sausville of Headquarters, at \$7,500.

Assistant superintendent of Fayette County Schools, M. E. Noraworthy, will be guest speaker for laymen's day at the Methodist Church, Mr. Noraworthy was formerly a member of the Carlisle City School.

Corp. Walter Bretz, located in the Pacific area, is expected to arrive in a few days to be with his mother, Mrs. Arthur Bretz, who is very ill at her home on E. Chestnut.

The 18-acre farm of Billy Frey and A. R. Fisher was sold February 15 to Russell and Malcolm Wills for \$54,225 an acre. The farm is known as the late Peter Bonta place.

BORN - To Mr. and Mrs. M. E. James of Ways, Ga., a daughter, February 5, Continued on Page 3



I didn't search for it, trouble just found me

From Left Field By Josh Shepherd



Before I begin, let me preface by saying I never actively sought out trouble. Trouble just had a way of finding me.

I'll admit, I did not seek out elderly people to help across streets, though the one time I tried almost led to a rear end collision between a New and a Camaro. But the little things I did, gained me a reputation of at least having a good heart.

I brought stalks of wild wheat and grain from a nearby field to my neighbor's a boy taken, a gesture she appreciated. Though she apologized during and black-eyed sassus next time. I ever tried, with little success, to learn the figure eight knot for fishing hooks my father taught me repeatedly with varying degrees of patience and understanding.

But as I said, I did not look for trouble. Trouble just seemed to blind side me with the same zeal as the Chicago Bears' "Friday" looking for running backs.

However, though I was caught at nearly everything else I did, only once was I ever caught doing—down ditching.

For parents concerned that the explanation of DDD was improperly informing children, rest assured the act is harmless, but parents may exercise their option to remove their child and hide it in a safe place where young impressionable minds can stay reasonably innocent.

DDD, as Antony, Jeff and I so cleverly referred to it, was a simple act. All that was required was a good pair of sneakers, a doorbell, and residents sitting far enough away from the door to allow for a hasty escape.

All we were really looking for was an adult with tender emotions to look for us.

But in my defense, I never anticipated these late-night mid-summer attacks on a hungry, peckish and quiet. It sometimes took a full minute of coaxing to get me to go along and even then, I never rang one doorbell. That was my primary stipulation.

I also had to have a head start because everything but snails could run faster. And because I was somewhat large, boulders, hedgehogs and large shrews were the only things big enough to hide me.

The arrangement worked well. Aside from a few close scrapes, all our evening escapades came off smoothly. We evaded capture.

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"Chicken! Chicken! I'll show you chicken, boy! Let me at them doors. I'll DDD'em until they come to hunt us down!"

I hoped about like a bower working out, striking at the air and sinking from side to side. I was ready for my dial number of DDD ever.

It was a conflict in my own expectations of being good and being a cool dude. When it came to my peers, "Admiration" was far more important.

The problem was the chair stood less than two feet from the door—not the ideal situation.

But I had something to prove, so I boldly stepped to the front porch and proceeded to lecture, confident and collected, and met the officer face-to-face as he opened the door the moment I was preparing to ring the bell.

I stood with my mouth open, no excess to speak of, and quite plainly caught in the act.

"Excuse me, I have a call," he said, pushed me aside, jumped in his car and sped off with lights flashing.

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GENERAL NEWS

High school

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life-transmitted course.

Nicholas County students enrolled in the course are Becky Dale, Jackson Farah, Nathan Hunt, Mike Johnson, Carl Nichols, Teresa Oakley, David Silbert, Nina Villorri and Todd Wilson. Their on-site classroom facilitator is Kay Earlywine.

"School of the Day" was implemented so that students in the distance learning classrooms across the country can meet their peers and share the school spirit," said satellite classrooms teacher Tom



The Carline Mercury staff members of the Nicholas County Star Academic Team (left) athletes who received academic awards in 1989, are (from left) Pat Phillips, Heather Hall, Deanna Fryman, Andrea Hall and Shaal Tades



A meeting was held at the restored Carlisle Depot Feb. 26 to discuss developing a tourism trade facility. Pictured from left: Glyndis Shroy, Julie Metzger and Mary Louise Duke

Gravis. "It's a fun way for the students to get to know each other better."

Featured schools send in photos of the members of the class and the classroom facilitator, and if they choose, a T-shirt, sweatshirt, or other school-spirited apparel carrying their school name or mascot.

All students receive a geography lesson as well as a map pinpointing the featured school's location in the country.

On the day a school is featured, Gravis brings the class by talking on air with the students at that school.

Tourism

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area, development district which will be offered.

"Establish a non-profit organization that can receive gifts and other funding."

The tourism group, which is still informal, plans to

meet again in April in hopes of forming a committee to begin planning.

Though the hope of developing a tourism trade is just that at this point, organizers of the effort are optimistic that the effort will pay off.

"What we are doing is holding a forum. Our purpose is to get this launched," Metzger said.

"We have to begin someplace. This is something we have to be patient with," Shroy said.

Merchandise valued at \$60 was taken Monday night by thieves who broke into the Maple Inn on Maple Street. Entrance to the restaurant was gained by tearing off a window in the kitchen at the rear of the building.

More than 60 persons perished as a result of a howling northeaster that left a wide section of the country snow-bound.

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DIED - Elizabeth Caswell, Saturday; Mattie Cassen Shrout, 76, February 15; Eliza Branch Ryan, 87, Tuesday; Andrew Berkeley Thomas, 74, Wednesday.

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