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Gilbert accepts Nicholas post

Powell Co. assistant chosen from field of six to replace Donald Elder, term begins July 1

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CARLISLE — Ceibert Gilbert has accepted the position as Nicholas County Superintendent of Schools, effective July 1. Nicholas County Board of Education, Friday, officially concluded its search for a new school superintendent, from a field of six finalists, as board chairman James D. Anderson signed a four year contract with the Powell County Assistant Superintendent, with unanimous approval of the Nicholas Board.

Gilbert, a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University with an advanced degree in education and educational administration, said he is pleased to have the opportunity to head the school and has a standing open door policy to anyone in the school who needs to speak with him.

Gilbert brings four years of experience teaching and 11 years as an assistant superintendent to Nicholas County in a career that spans 20 years.

In 1970 Gilbert accepted his first teaching position at Pikeville High School. From 1970-74 Gilbert introduced the first Industrial Arts program at Pikeville High School and worked with a pilot project of career education in Kentucky. He also coached baseball at Pikeville High School for two years.

In 1974, Gilbert resigned his teaching post accepting an administrative post in Powell County.

From 1974-76 he was principal of Rodney T. Clark Middle School and was promoted to principal of Powell County High School in 1976. Serving three years at the high school, Gilbert organized and opened the new high school and vocational school and initiated the first Powell County curriculum guide.

Since 1979, Gilbert has served as Powell County's assistant superintendent, handling all school affairs in the absence of the superintendent, supervisor of building and grounds, director of purchasing, and coordinator of the special education and gifted education programs.

As signing of the contract was completed Gilbert complimented the board for taking the time to go through a detailed selection process.

Choosing a superintendent is by far the biggest and most difficult decision a school board must make, Gilbert said. "By taking the time to thoroughly review all candidates, we both the board and Gilbert have an understanding of the actual working relationship."

A reception for Gilbert will be held immediately after school on Wednesday, May 9, for teachers and officials to meet the new superintendent.

Morehead graduation May 12

MOREHEAD — Morehead State University will hold its 1990 Spring Commencement at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12, in the MSU Academic Athletic Center.

Approximately 550 undergraduate and graduate students are candidates for degrees.

MSU will award an honorary Doctor of Science degree upon Dr. Louise Gilman Hutchins of Berea, a pioneer in the field of rural medicine. Graduate candidate Brenda Forell of Louisville will be student speaker.

Farmers asked to report

CARLISLE — The wheat producers of Nicholas County are requested to come by the ASCS Office to report what acreage for 1990.

Those that have a wheat base, but no wheat need to make an acreage report in order to protect the wheat base.

This report must be completed before May 15, 1990. Acreage for spring crops such as corn, soybeans, and tobacco, also need to be reported to the ASCS office. To establish a corn base for a farm the acreage grown needs to be reported.

The deadline for these reports is July 1, 1990. The ASCS County Committee asks each producer to report crop acreage.

NCHS on In The Know

LEXINGTON — Nicholas County High School meets Lexington Tates Creek in a semi-final round match of televised high school academic competition Saturday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m., on WLEX-TV's In The Know.

In The Know is in its ninth year of high school academic competition.

The 1989-90 school year's high school competition began with 32 schools represented. Nicholas County is one of the final four teams in competition for the championship.

The winner of the Nicholas County — Tates Creek match will meet either George Rogers Clark of Clark County or Laurel County in the championship on May 26 at 7 a.m.

In The Know has been sponsored since its inception by Ashland Oil — "Teachers Change Lives."



Powell County native and PCSB graduate Ceibert Gilbert '41 will be the new Nicholas Super.



Former University of Kentucky Basketball Coach Joe B. Hall (left) and Jim Brown, president of Deposit Bank of Carlisle visit last Sunday during the Open House of Deposit Bank's new facility on W. Main Street in Carlisle.

Senator, former governor, Wendell Ford to keynote 1990 graduation ceremonies

CARLISLE — Wendell H. Ford, Kentucky's senior United States Senator, will speak at graduation ceremonies for Nicholas County High School, May 20.

Ford has served in the Senate since December 28, 1974.

Now in his third term, he was reelected by overwhelming margins in 1980 and in 1986, when he made political history by carrying all 120 Kentucky counties with 74 percent of the statewide vote.

Ford's career spans nearly a quarter of a century in elective office. He began as a Kentucky state senator in 1965 and was elected lieutenant governor in 1967. Four years later he became Kentucky's 49th Governor.

After 11 years in the Senate, Ford has risen to 23rd out of 100 members in overall seniority and 13th among Democrats at the beginning of the 101st Congress.

Over the years, Ford has become known as a staunch supporter of the economic interests of Kentucky and as a national leader in energy, aviation, federal election reform and other issues. He has shaped such legislation as the Airport and Airways Capacity Expansion Act of 1987, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act Amendments of 1986, the Tobacco Reform Act of 1985, the Federal Trade Commission Improvement Act of 1978, the Energy Security Act of 1977 and the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of the same year.

He has taken the lead in many other legislative initiatives, including a long and persistent drive to adopt a two-year budget as a tool to improve the federal government's troubled budget making process.

Ford is chairman of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, where he has pressed for campaign finance reform, improved voter registration procedures and other measures to increase voter participation in federal elections. He also has worked for a number of procedural changes to make the Senate a more effective body.

His Rules Committee post has led Ford to two other important assignments. He served as chairman of the bipartisan Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies, which planned the nation's bicentennial presidential inauguration held January 20, 1989.

He also has become chairman of the Joint Committee on Printing for the 101st Congress and has embarked on a drive to cut millions of dollars from the cost of government printing operations overseen by that committee.

As a senior member of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, Ford chairs its Aviation Subcommittee and serves on subcommittees dealing with consumer, communications and ocean-policy issues.

He has been instrumental in expanding airport improvement programs and has taken a leading role addressing airport security, aging aircraft, pilot education and other critical aviation issues.

In addition, he has continued to press for an independent Federal Aviation Administration to deal with a number of aviation safety problems.

Ford also serves on the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and chairs its Subcommittee on Energy Research and Development, dealing with a complexity of issues touching on all aspects of energy policy.

He is a member of subcommittees on Water and Power and on Mineral Resources Development and Production.

He has worked successfully to increase federal support of clean coal technologies to strengthen the coal industry, lessen the nation's dangerous dependence on foreign oil and protect the environment.

He also is in the forefront of efforts to save a federal uranium-enrichment enterprise with important economic and national security implications for Kentucky and the nation.

Ford's recent accomplishments on behalf of Kentucky include federal support of an Advanced Science and Technology Commercialization Center at the University of Kentucky, authorization for Kentucky communities to band together to float \$270 million in community improvement bond issues and a law requiring that base-load power a leading role in improving the transportation infrastructure and opening new export markets for Kentucky products.

Long active in Democratic politics, Ford served as chairman of the National Democratic Caucus in 1972-74 and chaired the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee from 1976 to 1982.

Ford is a believer in community service and was named one of the three Outstanding Young Men in Kentucky in 1955.

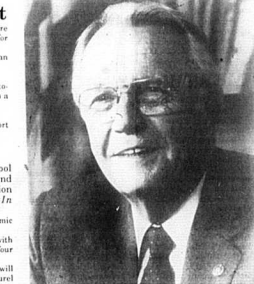
He served as state president of Kentucky Jaycees and later as national Jaycees president and international vice president.

He has received the highest service awards from both the March of Dimes and the Boy Scouts, recognition for his continuing support of Kentucky Educational Television, a leadership award from the National Association of Regional Councils for his work on behalf of area economic development groups and numbers other awards.

Ford was born September 8, 1924, in Thranton, Kentucky. He graduated from Daviess County High School in Owensboro and later attended the University of Kentucky.

He served in the U.S. Army in 1945-46 and in the Kentucky Army National Guard for 13 years.

He is married to the former Jean Neel Owensboro, and they have two children and five grandchildren.



U.S. Senator and Former Ky. Governor Wendell H. Ford