

### State Funds to Pay Most of Bus Garage; Gilbert

By Jim Jones  
The Carlisle Mercury Staff  
CARLISLE — State funds will provide most of the financing needed for school construction projects in Nicholas County Superintendent Gilbert Gilbert said in a Monday morning interview.

Gilbert discussed the necessity of the bus garage and the partitioning of the elementary school.

The biggest misconception people have is that the board decides to build and that's not the case," the superintendent said.

Gilbert said the Kentucky Department of Education accreditation teams tell the

### SPORTS MSU closes at EKU

REICHMID — Underdog Ohio Valley Conference Champion Eastern Kentucky University presents the season ending challenge for Morehead State.

Eastern, 10-0 in playoff round in the NCAA I-AA playoffs, while Morehead, suffering through an injury riddled and illness filled season has a 4-4 mark.

Last season, the MSU-EKU clash was one of the most exciting OVC games of the season, with Eastern pulling out a 28-21 overtime win in MSU head coach Bill Holdridge's final game.

Cole Packer will lead his charges to Richmond Saturday looking for another standout Saturday from premier quarterback Chris Swartz.

Swartz, a Bath County standout, will finish a record setting career with the Saturday game, holding 14 touchdown passes and nine OVC marks. He also holds two NCAA Division I-AA

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school systems where they should spend their money and what they should spend it on. Gilbert, who has served on accreditation teams in the past, said the accreditation teams give priorities to the schools they visit.

"They're usually priority one, priority two, priority three and so on. This system put priority one A and B," Gilbert stated.

Gilbert noted he inherited the accreditation report. The last team to visit Nicholas County and file a report did so nearly five years ago.

"The number 1A priority was to partition the elementary school and add six new classrooms. You lose space in

the partitioning and you have six more rooms," Gilbert explained.

"The 1B priority was to build a three bay bus garage," Gilbert said.

Gilbert said he sought permission to start on the bus garage first because it was the smallest of the projects and needed to be done immediately to qualify for state funds.

Gilbert said it was necessary to sale bonds before December 31, 1990 in order to qualify for the School Facility Support Fund.

The School Facility Support Fund was established under the Education Reform Act. It's formula will pay Nicholas County \$60,000 a year until the debt is paid.

The school system, according to Gilbert, will pay \$30,000 a year to retire the bond issue on the bus garage. It pays the school system, Gilbert said, to go ahead and build the bus garage.

The best reason for building the bus garage is the safety of the children who ride the buses, Gilbert said.

"The most important duty is the safety of our school children," Gilbert stated, "we

can't educate children in an unsafe environment."

The bus garage will provide a method to better service buses.

"We can't lift the buses up with our present facility," Gilbert noted.

"If you can't lift the buses there is no way of servicing them like you should," he said.

A financial savings will be provided by the way the garage will handle fuel, the superintendent noted.

"The facility will have a 10,000 gallon gasoline storage tank and 10,000 gallon diesel fuel storage tank. We'll save thousands of dollars by being able to buy bulk fuel," Gilbert said.

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### SPORTS Letcher looks back at 90 season; Bluejackets playing well but he's not satisfied

By Tim Jones  
The Carlisle Mercury Staff  
CARLISLE — Nicholas County Coach Greg Letcher said his team played "good football" this past season in an interview Thursday afternoon.

Letcher felt his team did several good things this season and played exciting football. "No one associated with the program is satisfied, though," Letcher added.

"I hope we never get satisfied and keep getting better," Letcher said.

"We have to keep working for perfection," the coach noted.

Letcher said the team would miss their eight graduating seniors.

"We have to replace a guard, a center, a tackle, a wide receiver and an end. We also have to replace three or four on defense," Letcher noted.

The Nicholas County coach felt his seniors constantly improved, both this season and in their careers.

"From the first time they've played football they all improved a tremendous amount," Letcher said.

"I can't single anyone out anymore. Each one had a good year statistically and each one got stronger and faster," Letcher added.

The coach said the first game of the year was indicative of the type of season it would be for the Bluejackets.

"We made some critical mistakes in the first game and we would continue that throughout the course of the year," Letcher continued.

Letcher felt a turning point in the season came when the 2-1 Nicholas County team visited Harrodsburg on a stormy night early in September.

"Harrodsburg took a lot of confidence out of our team

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B Teams  
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8pm Bears vs. Celtics

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