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Saturday wreck injures four

APRIL 6 — Four people received multiple injuries in a two vehicle accident, Saturday night on KY 36. Above is the 1989 Buick driven by Frazier Bean. Below is a 1970 Chevrolet operated by Frank Fryman. See related story at right.

**Four hurt Saturday
in two vehicle wreck**

By Hank Bond
of the *Carlisle Mercury*

CARLISLE — Four people were injured in a two car accident at 8 p.m., Saturday night, on KY 36 two miles west of Carlisle.

According to a Kentucky State Police report by Trooper Tim Layne a 1970 Chevrolet truck operated by Frank Fryman, 51, Carlisle was attempting to pass a 1989 Buick driven by Frazier H. Bean, 65, also of Carlisle.

As the Fryman vehicle was passing he apparently pulled back into the lane of traffic too soon, according to the report, striking the Bean vehicle.

The car went out of control, dropping off the right shoulder of the road, rambled up on the road and overturned. The vehicle landed in the upright position.

After striking the Bean vehicle, the truck Fryman was driving out to the left and went out of control, the police report said. The truck overturned and slid down the highway on its top, coming to rest in the ditch line on the left side of the road.

The passenger in the Bean vehicle was Nora Bean, 47, Carlisle. The passenger in the Fryman vehicle was Henry Conley, 49, of Millersburg.

The Nicholas County Fire Department used the jaws-of-life to free victims from both vehicles. The Nicholas County Ambulance Service transported the injured to Nicholas County Hospital for emergency treatment. The Bourbon County Ambulance Service was also called for back-up assistance, but did not have to transport any of the injured.

Both Frazier Bean and Nora Bean were transferred to University of Kentucky Hospital by Nicholas County Ambulance following treatment at Nicholas County Hospital.

Fryman and Conley were both admitted to Nicholas County Hospital.

Assisting Layne were the Carlisle Police and the Nicholas County Sheriff.

According to Layne no citations have been issued, however the accident remains under investigation.



**Annexation
City Council considers
request from citizens**

By William Milson
of the *Carlisle Mercury*

CARLISLE — Carlisle City Council will seek annexation to solve the sewer problems of several Nicholas County residents.

Frank Hillander presented the council with a list of names that support the annexation so they would have city sewer services available.

Hillander had addressed the council in its last meeting. The State Division of Water and the Health Department have sent Hillander, and several other councilmen, a letter saying their septic systems were not acceptable.

The city may annex the land unless a petition is given to Mayor Frankie Hughes in 60 days demanding that the decision be put to a vote in the November General Election.

If no petition is presented, the council may annex the land in 60 days.

The matter was handed over to the city attorney for the wording of the ordinance. Harold Bussell also sought a solution to his sewage problems on his property located at Arnold Heights. The city will look into possible solutions, one of which is annexation according to the council.

Bussell's property is not adjacent to the city limits, and approval by adjoining property owners must agree with any solution.

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Cattle numbers up in U.S.

By William Milson
of the *Carlisle Mercury*

Editor's note: The following is the final of three articles about the changing tobacco industry.

CARLISLE — With tobacco selling for over \$1.75 a pound last season, and the 1991 to-hacco quota increase in Kentucky going into effect, Nicholas County farmers are finding themselves short of housing and curing space.

As a matter of fact, up to 54 percent of Kentucky's tobacco farmers may find themselves short of room this fall, according to figures provided by the University of Kentucky.

Tobacco farmers have several alternatives to building costly new barns to house their herds. The alternatives are important considering the minimal costs involved and the uncertainty of the tobacco market.

The first practice is one that many Kentucky farmers already use.

Many farmers raise two to-hacco crops, an early and late crop. By housing the first crop early and getting it stripped by September, the barn will be available for the late crop.

This adjustment, called "double harvesting," has its liabilities.

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Farmers find shortages

By William Milson
of the *Carlisle Mercury*

CARLISLE — After a seven year decline, the number of cattle has rebounded across the nation.

As a matter of fact, Kentucky enjoyed the largest increase in the nation, and now leads all states in the Southeast in beef production, according to the University of Kentucky.

Kentucky now ranks eleventh in the U.S. in the number of all cattle, and ninth in beef production.

The U.K. College of Agriculture predicts this trend will likely continue because of the rising market prices and a higher beef demand.

Nicholas County ranks 41st in the state with 21,500 head of cows and calves, according to a January inventory.

Most of those are beef cattle. There are only 12 dairies in the county, and about 30 beef operations, according to the Nicholas County extension office.

Nicholas County is also the home of Eaglestone Farm, the largest pasture raised steer producer in the state.

Farm manager Garry Rector was recently honored by the Kentucky Beef Cattle Association as the top beef producer in the state.

According to Nicholas County Extension Agent Mike Phillips, beef production is the second largest business in the county, ranking only behind burley production.

Nicholas County has over 75,000 acres of permanent pasture. Because of the rising land prices in Nicholas County, much of the land is unavailable for raising tobacco.

Phillips says the amount of pasture and a good supply of water makes Nicholas County an ideal spot for a beef herd.

Kentucky enjoyed a six percent increase in its beef cow inventory, compared to a one percent increase nationwide.

Nicholas County's increase in number is roughly three percent.

Kentucky also enjoyed the highest increase in the nation in replacement heifers, 16 percent.

The increases in stock are expected to bring about a drastic decrease in price at the stockyards, because of demand.

The prices will also be stabilized by the fact that many of the replacement heifers in Kentucky will replace older cattle in the herd.

The number of beef is reduced when the heifers are held back to replace the older cows. The cow herd in Kentucky is old, and a large number of heifers are needed to replace the cows sent to slaughter, says Lee Meyer, Nicholas County Extension specialist in office.

However, slaughter inventory continues to drop, down 18 percent at the end of 1990.

Even though the market may be enjoying good prices now, Meyer warns that the beef market may be over run when all the heifers are placed in the herd.

Producers should be wary when expanding their herds, and be prepared for lower prices in the future.

"Producers must know their own production costs, and be prepared for lower prices. Farmers should be able to cash flow their beef herd with calf prices as much as 20 percent lower than today's prices," Meyer said.

However, prices are expected to continue their rise past 1992, while the heifers are prepared for breeding.

For more information, contact Mike Phillips at the slaughter, says Lee Meyer, Nicholas County Extension specialist in office.