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Police Log

Kentucky State Police Kentucky State Police, Carlisle, Ky. Trooper Stephen Aunty investigated a non-injury accident which occurred at 5:20 p.m. November 18, 1992 on KY 32. Drivers involved were Rick D. Br...

NCES Site

Council moved on to a discussion of installing a pay phone in the elementary school. Hammons expressed concern over the use of the office hours by the students during after school hours.

MERCURY MEMORIES

5 Years Ago

Thursday, November 20, 1987 Doctor Wendell King, 1718 N. 1st Street, attended the 39th Annual Scientific Assembly of the Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians held at the Park Vista Hotel, Gallatinburg, Tennessee, November 3-6, 1987.

10 Years Ago

Thursday, November 25, 1982 Seven balloon tickets were returned to the Nicholas County High School by Marc and Wendell Trant of Route 3, Morehead, was judged to be the person who found a NCHS balloon the farthest distance from Carlisle, contest org...

20 Years Ago

Thursday, November 23, 1972 Robert Boothe, part owner of Home Hardware since February 11, 1950, announced Monday that he had sold his interest to Robert Paul, who will take over December 1. James, Jimmy Williams, Japan; Noel Williams, Hawaii; Taylor T. Mathers, San Diego, California; Billy Hardin, Scott Field, Illinois.

40 Years Ago

Thursday, November 27, 1952 Listed on the varsity roster of the Morehead State College Eagles' basketball team for 1952-53 is Bonnie Gessner, former outstanding agent at Nicholas County High School.

50 Years Ago

Thursday, November 26, 1942 A total of 150 hunting licenses had been sold Tuesday at noon in the office of John Sugg, Nicholas County Clerk, and there were many more standing in line awaiting the issuance of their permits.

Born

Tracy Lynn Ann Farrow and Charles Ray Parvis. MARRIED: Miss Elizabeth Snapp Coatsy, November 14, Estil L. Glass, November 18; Foster Herrington, Jr., November 19; Mrs. Janis Lawrence, November 19.

Died

Glenn Graves, November 13. KENNETH SNAPP, November 16; Ricky C. Herndon, November 16; Nora Kash Hamilton, November 20.

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Hopkins retires from KU after 34 years

By Josh Shephard

CARLISLE — Helen Hopkins didn't retire after 34 years with Kentucky Utilities. She prefers to say she left the job for something else. After dedicating herself to KU for that long, what's the point of quibbling over words. Therefore, the celebration in Hopkins' honor at the Carlisle Post Monday afternoon was a wish of good luck to new endeavor, new adventures — not retirement.

In the 67 years that the KU office has been open on Main Street, there have been three office clerks to work there. Hopkins, obviously, is the third. And to those of us too young to remember the long years of service Hopkins' predecessors, Lilly Martin and Ann Harper, gave in the KU office, the company and its clerk have been synonymous with each other.

But then Hopkins wasn't born. That was how it worked then. Pregnant women couldn't hold a job. We've come a long way from that nowadays. Hopkins said.

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Hopkins started her career with KU on May 16, 1958 when long-time office manager, Mr. Willy, hired her to replace Ann Harper who had to leave the job after becoming pregnant. "That was how it worked then. Pregnant women couldn't hold a job. We've come a long way from that nowadays," Hopkins said. "I don't feel as if that much time has passed. It's not like I've been here forever. Now Ms. Martin, she is in this same office for almost as long as I have," Hopkins said.

MARRIED: Miss Margaret Smith and Frank R. Smith, both of Lexington, Wednesday, in Lexington, KY. DIED: James Wallace Campbell, 75, Wednesday at home on Main Street, James Lawrence, Monday at home on Pleasant Springs Road.

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Helen Hopkins received several special awards in commemoration of 34 years of service as Carlisle office clerk at Kentucky Utilities. The office, which started in the year of Hopkins' birth, has had only three clerks. Hopkins served the longest in the position.

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