

A Look Back

The Carlisle Mercury is glad to present the top 10 stories of 1995 and all the honorable mention stories, too. Beginning on front page, the stories and photos will continue on Page 3.

Back to school!

Nicholas County School buses were on the highways again Tuesday, Jan. 2. See photos of students glad to be back together after the holiday season on Page 10.

LADY JACKETS AT HOME

JOIN MERCURY SPORTSWRITER DAN BISHOP AT NICHOLAS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL 6 P.M. THURSDAY, JAN. 4 WHEN THE LADY JACKETS PLAY PARIS AT HOME. SEE NEXT WEEK'S MERC. FOR THE STORY.

Area Weather Forecast

Thursday - Partly cloudy. Low 12. High 21.
Friday - Partly cloudy. Low 9. High 20.
Saturday - Partly cloudy. Low 13. High 28.

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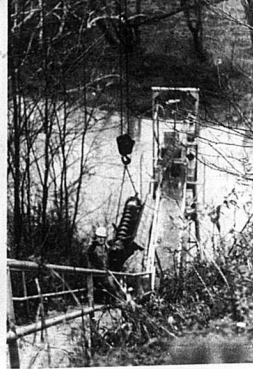
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**Water woes
City replaces damaged
Licking River pump**

By Leigh Stone
The Carlisle Mercury Staff
CARLISLE - The water emergency for the City of Carlisle that went into effect last Friday has been discontinued. A \$13,000 iron pump was replaced at the Licking River mid morning Tuesday.

Carlisle Mayor Ronnie Clark said at the scene, near Isham's Chapel Bridge, the pump stopped working last Tuesday.

City Superintendent Gayle Vanlandingham, also helping workers from Reynolds, Louisville, said, "It quit working. It

Clark said a possible cause of malfunction was because during the summer months the pump sucked in much sand and other debris from the river. No insurance or warranty was on the pump. The mayor said he wasn't sure if either were available. The only way to get the pump replaced without a charge would be if an "act of God" harmed the unit.

The mayor said he'd like to upgrade the city's water system, including cleaning the lake. "But that's take a tremendous amount of money. Everybody wants water but it has to be prepared. Without expansion, we won't be able to sell water to more customers. I want everybody to have water and I don't want them to do without it once they've got it."

The mayor said he declared the emergency to get repairs underway immediately. The estimated cost of repair was more than \$10,000 so council needed to approve the emergency. The mayor was able to contact four of his councilmen to get the emergency declared.

One of Nicholas County's largest employers, Jockey International, wasn't working last week when the pump malfunctioned. For that reason, further emergency measures didn't have to be taken, the mayor noted thankfully.

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Illness lessens in county schools

Nicholas County Schools were back in session on schedule with classes starting 8 a.m. usual Tuesday morning, Jan. 2.

Nicholas County Elementary School Principal Gerald Hammons said Tuesday at school let out that it had been a usual day, but illness was still causing a number of absences. School let out a day early for Christmas vacation, instead of Wednesday, Dec. 20, due to absences.

Nicholas County High School faced well considering the absences listed Dec. 19 - approximately 68 out of 400 students missed the Tuesday before school was out for the holidays, Tuesday, Jan. 2, the high school only had a dozen absentees.

At the elementary school, 55 absentees with 87 leaving school due to illness or for other reasons.

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What's your wish for 1996?

What's your wish for 1996? Tara George of The Carlisle Mercury staff asked area community members and business people. The following are their replies:

Pat Leitcher, Dendley's Auto Parts: "Keep my family safe."

Jim Calbraith, J & O Liquor: "To do well as business in '96."

Billy Clark, Clark's Funeral Home in Moorefield and Clark's Funeral Chapel in Carlisle: "Peace, good will and health to everyone."

John Clines, Napa Auto Parts: "Growth of Carlisle so all businesses may prosper."

Glenda Lemons, Deposit Bank: "Family health and togetherness."

Allen Berry, Berry's Service Station: "Happiness with his girlfriend and a full time job at Romeist."

Darlene Davis, Farm

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An employee of Reynolds, Louisville, left, operated the pulley which held the damaged water pump at the Licking River Tuesday morning. City Superintendent Gayle Vanlandingham, right, was at the site at Isham's Chapel to help.

Mercury welcomes new staff members Bishop and George

The Carlisle Mercury welcomes The Rev. Dan Bishop to its staff.

Dan will cover Nicholas County sports, both writing and photography and be involved in newspaper production each week.

Dan, 39, and his wife, Deborah Wiltoughy Bishop, are glad to reside in Carlisle. They had recently resided in Paris.

Dan is the pastor and administrator of Windy Hill Baptist Church, 1201 East Union Road, Route 1255, two miles from Carlisle. Service is 4 p.m. each Sunday.

Deborah is a nursing student at the University of Kentucky.

The Bishops are the parents of 18-year-old twins Adam, Amy February/Elizabeth, Elizabeth

Dan Bishop is the Mercury's new sports write and is also involved in advertising, composition. Bishop is also pastor at Windy Hill Baptist Church in Carlisle.

Top stories of 1995

The year 1995 had its ups and downs in Carlisle and Nicholas County. The following is a look back at the top 10 stories and several others worth noting.

Stanley Ross, 22, of North Middletown, was found guilty by a Nicholas County jury Wednesday, April 26 in the shooting death of Danny Glascock, 23, of Hillsboro. A prison sentence of 25 years was the jury's recommendation following approximately three hours of deliberation. The trial took two days.

Glascock received the fatal shotgun blast Dec. 21, 1994 in the parking lot of Lakeside Bar & Grill, U. S. 68 and Lake Carnico Drive, Carlisle.

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VFW Auxiliary buys mittens

The Lloyd George VFW Auxiliary 8656 Carlisle, KY gave powder and lotion to 55 patients at Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home on Dec. 21, 1995.

Leona Trussell and granddaughter, Charlette visited each one while giving them the gifts.

The VFW Auxiliary also gave mittens to 60 pupils at Nicholas County Head Start, and sponsored a needy family for Christmas. Melina Lyons who teaches at Head Start is also a member of the Auxiliary helped give out these gifts. Bertha Tucker is President of VFW Auxiliary.

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