MERCURY MEMORIES

Five Years Ago...

Thursday, Feb. 20, 1992

The Carlisle City Council tentetively assessed possible ways in which to raise garbage collection rates in the city in the development of a new collection ordinance.

Future plans for the construction of a new Nicholas County High School dimmed Tuesday morning when Nicholas County School Board members met with senator Ed Ford and representative Jim LeMaster in Frankfort.

Lady Jackets down top ranked Knott County Central 61-59.

Three students at Nicholas County High School will perform at the fifth annual Eastern Kentucky University honors band weekend Feb. 21-23. The students are Sandy Dampier, Flute; Chris Jones, trumpet; and Jonathan Carter, trumpet.

BIRTHS-Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jolly, a daughter, Rebecca Leinise, Jan. 27; Mr. and Mrs. Michael Joseph Conley of Lawrenceburg, a daughter, Kathryn Gibson Conley, Feb. 8.

DEATHS-Zane Keller Gray, 62, Tuesday, Feb. 11; Hattie Jolly, 83, Cynthiana, Tuesday, Feb. 11.

Ten Years Ago...

Thursday, Feb. 19, 1987

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has awarded a contract to post weight limit signs on various bridges in 40 Ky. counties, including Nicholas County. George B. Stone Co. of Sharpsburg receive a $60, 650 contract to post bridge weight limit signs on the extended weight coal haul road system.

Nicholas County Law Enforcement was without liability insurance Feb. 4-11, according to Nicholas County Fiscal Court, the problem was corrected. According to Conley the company wich provides liability coverage for the county gave him the impression it did not plan to renew the policy-for the law enforcement agencies, which expired Feb. 4.

DEATHS-Mrs. Florence Spivey Watson, Feb. 14; Henry Hord Crouch, Feb. 11; Harvey Allen Bailey, Feb. 12; John Thomas Moore, Feb. 13.

Twenty Years Ago...

Thursday, Feb. 24, 1977

Larry Trussell recently passed the State Proerty Valuation Administrator exam. At present, he is the only person in Nicholas County qualified to hold the local PVA office with the exception of PVA Bobby Anderson who has resigned.

At a special called meeting of the Nicholas County School Board last Thursday the board adopted a plan of extending the length of the school day by 32 minutes in order to make up the days missed during the recent inclement weather.

The eight grade cheerleaders at Nicholas County Elementary School received first place in performance competition conducted during the Kiwanis Invitational Basketball Tournament held Jan. 26 at Fleming County High School. Members were Ginnie Austin, Marsha Mattox, Jackie Estill, Carlotta Anderson, Ginger Sexton and Kim Earlywine. Mrs. Kathy Martin was the squads sponsor.

BIRTHS-Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bruce Otte, Millersburg, a son, John Tyler, FEb. 12.

MARRIED-Miss Laura Nell Humphrey and Patrick Carter Conley, Feb. 20.

DEATHS-Glenn Craig, 67; Owens Ockerman, SR., 81, Feb. 18; Maurice C. Westfall, 62, Lexington, Feb. 19.

Thirty Years Ago...

Thursday, Feb. 23, 1967

The week being "Industrial Appreciation Week", the Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce, takes this opportunity to point out another segment of this area's economy. From a humble beginning in 1950 this company has grown to be a leader among the tobacco seed companies of this state and the other seven-state areas which includes Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia and Missouri.

J. D. Blount, cashier, First National Bank, Carlisle, has been named Nicholas County Agricultural chairman of the Ky. Bankers Association by Pres. E. Paul Williams.

Jack Morrison was appointed acting Police Judge on Monday, Feb. 20 by James Williams. The appointment was made by Judge Williams due to health and inability to serve at this time. Mr. Morrison has been a resident of Carlisle since 1958 and has been active in Civic work.

BIRTHS-Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Carter, Cynthiana, a daughter, Feb. 14; Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Byrd, a son, Feb. 14; Mr. and Mrs. Frances Thompson, a daughter, Feb. 14; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Carter, a daughter, Feb. 20.

DEATHS-Mrs. Etta Dalzell Tune, 90, Millersburg, Oh, Feb. 14; Mrs. Opal Thornsburg, 46, Feb. 18; Miss Anna T. McMahon, 80, Feb. 18; Mrs. Lucy Parks Ratliff, Feb. 17.

Army Pfc. Jones returns from four month deployment

Army Pfc. Ronald C. Jones has returned from a four month deployment training exercise termed Intrinsic Action which took place at Camp Doha, Kuwait. The solider is part of the 1, 500 member Task Force 1-5 Black Knights from Fort Hood, Killeen, Texas.

The mission of Intrinsic Action was to demonstrate the U.S. commitment to the security and stability in Kuwait and the Persian Gulf region at the time when Saddam Hussein mobilized Iraqui troops along the Kuwaiti border.

The returning soldiers were awarded the Army Commendation Medal

Jones, a cannon fire direction specialist, is the son of Ronald D. and Nancy C. Jones of Rural Route 1, Sharpsburg.

He is a 1992 graduate of Nicholas County High School.

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Laura's Life

OPINION BY LAURA FRYMAN

Dollar millionaires aren't better than anyone else

A dollar millionaire, that's a phrase I use often. The phrase is meant for people that think they are better than others.

Well I am here to tell every body that it does not matter if you have a million dollars or just enough money to put food on the table there is no one better than anyone.

If you get up every morning and put your clothes on the same way as everybody else what makes you feel like you should think your e better than someone else.

So many times in school, I think that is why children don't want to go , because there is another child at school that their parent has brought up wrong and they try to make the other children feel not as good as he or she is.

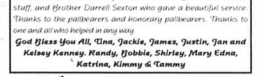
Well I am here to tell you that it is wrong to bring your children up as dollar millionaires. It is OK to bring your children up with high moral standings , but God does not judge you on your material things, so you better start thinking about the way you act now before it is too late.

It is a very bad society when your next door neighbor looks down his or her nose at you because you don't own as much as they do.

In my opinion I probably have as much as the next person does if you count how much they are in debt to drive these cars around that cost as much as houses do, or borrowing money for your children to drive better vehicles than the parent.

I don't think I am better than anyone and that is the way I am bringing my children up. Absolutely know one has the right to judge another person, and if you feel like you do have the right then you will be the one answering to God, when it is time to leave this world.

Treat everyone as equals no matter what their money status might be , because in God's eyes everyone is equal.



Before 1932, the Purple Heart was known as the Badge of Military Merit. The heart shaped badge, made of purple cloth, was first given to honor Revolutionary War soldiers.

Judge proclaims FFA Week

Nicholas County Judge Executive Chuck Smith, seated, signs a declaration proclaiming Feb. 17-21 at Future Farmers of America Week. FFA members at Nicholas County High School on hand for the signing, included from left, Robby Casteel, Secretary; Jennifer Linville, secretary; Shane Russell, reporter. Chapter president John Sparks, not pictured. Several activities are planned this week.

Unclaimed money belongs to local residents

Treasury Dept. wants to return your funds

FRANKFORT - Residents of Nicholas County have more than $7,649.47 of unclaimed funds awaiting owners according to an announcement made this week by State Treasurer John Kennedy Hamilton of the Kentucky Treasury Department.

More than $1,560,166.76 of unclaimed property was returned to the citizens of Kentucky during 1996 by the Kentucky Treasury Department.

Hamilton said the state never takes ownership of the property, nor is there a time limit on claiming the property from the state.

Unclaimed property includes bank accounts, insurance policies, stocks, bonds, dividends, payroll checks, gift certificates, utility deposits, credit balances, safe deposit boxes and other forms of property.

"The Treasury Department has intensified its effort to locate the rightful owners or their heirs of over $50 million the State is holding, and further, to ensure the holders of unclaimed property report promptly and properly once the dormancy period has expired."

The dormancy period is the amount of time tangible or intangible property is considered abandoned before a business, financial institution or government entity is required to turn it over to the state.

Every state in the nation has unclaimed property laws and the purpose of these laws is to provide consumer protection to its citizens from a business, financial institution, etc. from indefinitely holding tangible or intangible property, (excluding real estate) with whom they have lost contact. After the Kentucky, the holder is required to turn this property over to the state.

Treasurer Hamilton said his priorities are two-fold "First I have placed top priority on intensifying the effort to return over $50 million in unclaimed property to the rightful owners or their heirs, while trying to educate the citizens of Kentucky about the law." Secondly, he said, "I am placing special emphasis on educating the holders about the unclaimed property laws and collecting any abandoned property in their possession. These are not money that belong to the businesss but money owed to the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky and I want to return every dime to the true owners or heirs."

Treasurer Hamilton encouraged all Kentucky citizens to write or call the addresses below to see if the Treasury is holding unclaimed property for them.

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"The family of Wilma Tosier Adams would like to thank everyone for their love and thoughtfulness during her illness and passing. Thank you for the food, visits, flowers and cards. A special thanks to Debbie Edmond, Carol Galbraith and Shirley Adams who were constantly there when we needed them. Thanks to Wedco Home Health, Cynthiana Home Medical, Midwest Wound Care Management, Kay Gaunce, Brent Gaunce, Nicholas County Ambulance Service, Pruitt Funeral Home, Dr. Brenda Curtz and staff, and Brother Darrell Sexton who gave a beautiful service. Thanks to the pallbearers and honorary pallbearers. Thanks to one and all who helped in any way.

God Bless You All, Tina, Jackie, James, Justin, Jan and Kelsey Kenney, Randy, Bobbie, Shirley, Mary Edna, Katrina, Kimmy & Tammy

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Nicholas County Day is February 25

Dear Nicholas Countians

It's hard to believe but four years have quickly come and gone. It seems like only yesterday the 1993 Nicholas County Lady Jackets were bringing home State Championships.

So many of you watched me play during my four years at Nicholas County High School and many of you have followed me at Georgetown College.

I am personally writing to invite each of you to "Nicholas County Day" Feb. 25.

The Lady Tigers and I will be playing Campbellsville College. This will be my last home game at Georgetown.

Since Nicholas Countians are special, admission to the game will only be $1 for adults and students and children will be admitted free of charge.

The game will start at 7:30 p.m. I hope you can make it! If you want, you can wear blue for old time's sake!

Hope to see ya there,
Nikki Smoot
Carlisle, Ky.

School article includes some errors

To Whom It May Concern:

Most typically I am immune to the inane drivel that appears in the paper every time the Gates group decides to grace your pages with their "research" and "composition" but the article in the Feb. 13, 1997 edition about our school system was so fraught with errors that I feel compelled, as a member of the last graduating class of Carlisle High School, and as a longtime employee of the Nicholas County Schools, to reply.

I have no idea how Mr. Gates' research could reveal that the last class to graduate from Carlisle High School did so in 1964. The last class, the Class of 1963, held its Baccalaureate Service May 19, 1963, and its Commencement Program May 23, 1963. The decision had already been made to consolidate the city and county schools so we knew we would be the last class to graduate from the city system. This made enough of an impression on me that I am able to remember quite clearly the year in which it happened.

"I am surprised that both the Nicholas County School Records and the Nicholas County Circuit Court Records could contain such erroneous information."

An article in the May 21, 1963 issue of *The Musketeer Review*, the school's newspaper, notes that the Carlisle Board of Education, on May 3, 1963, voted to accept the offer of merger from the Nicholas County Board of Education with the following agreements:

(1) The fiscal affairs of the Carlisle Board of Education will be operated as a separate account until June 30, 1963.

(2) There shall be no changes in the operation of the present Carlisle School System during the remainder of the school year.

(3) That the seniors of the class of 1963 shall graduate from Carlisle High School.

I am surprised that both the Nicholas County School Records and the Nicholas County Circuit Court Records could contain such erroneous information. Perhaps Mr. Gates should have made a trip to the local library, a good place to do "research" where he could have found that the last class picture exhibited is the Class of 1963. Perhaps he could explain how he could do research using "Nicholas County School Records" without visiting the Board of Education Central Office - the only depository for school records of which I am aware.

The year that followed the merger, I worked at a local grocery store (often a center-for the exchange of ideas and philosophies) and was aware of the problems that were involved with the first year of the merged school system. I remember well that the "city" kids and "county" kids were at odds over a variety of issues and that there were instances of discord between the "city" and the "county" factions of the Board of Education. But to blame the problems that our school system faces today on the merger and to insist that every graduate of both schools harbors "a silent revenge" and a "hidden resentment" against every graduate of other school requires a bizarre leap of logic that could only be made by a member of the lunatic fringe I county many graduates of the Nicholas County Schools count my friends and have two sons who were graduated from the county system. I want to assure both my friends and my sons that I have been able to overcome "hidden" resentment and control my need for "silent revenge" so they no longer have to fear for their lives when in my presence.

If this all started when the schools merged in 1963 (or was it 1964? why has there been conflict between these two groups for 195 years? Could it be that something happened 195 years ago that caused this rift or were people back then just anticipating this merger? If the merger occurred in 1963 (or was it 1964?) and there has been "36 years since the merger," then this must either be the year 1999 or the year 2000. Call me confused but even the mathematics of this research seems from somewhere in left field.

Another little known "fact" left uncovered during the course of this very scholarly "research" is that the Carlisle School System was a part of the Nicholas County School System from its inception until 1934 when it became a separate system. I would very much like to see the records that revealed this obscure fact. I have labored under the apparently false impression that the city system graduated its first class in 1893 and its last class in 1963 and that it was, for this entire period, an independent school system operating under an autonomous Board of Education, and not affiliated with any other governing body.

The most troubling "fact" resulting from this research" is that the primary reason for merger was that the Carlisle School System had "failed to maintain its rating" (a more accurate term and one that would have surely surfaced during "research" *accreditation*). I understood that the heating system was in need of major repairs (the boiler burst during Christmas Vacation) and that due to the dwindling enrollment there simply was not enough money to make the necessary repairs and keep the school operating for another year. I talked with a colleague who was a faculty member at CHS until the merger and she also understood this to be the reason. During her last year at CHS, there was no mention of a loss of accreditation.

In closing, let me just say that I am proud to be a graduate of Carlisle High School. I am just as proud to be an employee of the Nicholas County Schools. Neither the memory of the city system nor the future of the county system is enhanced by articles such as this that have no other purpose than to rekindle the "us and them" attitude that existed then. They only serve to divide our efforts and dissipate our energies (and maybe to give the Gates group a vent for their creative juices).

I noted in your lead to this article that you intend to publish further ramblings. Let me just say that if you do, you have better be prepared to do without my weekly 50 cents. The prime directive of any good newspaper is to publish the truth. In this case, you failed miserably. Before you take another poorly written article from this bunch, I suggest you do what every good editor does and that is check out their sources. You are what you publish!

Sincerely,
Bill Guthrie
Past President
Carlisle High School
Alumni Association

Thanks for trying to help with problem

To the editor:

I want to thank you so very much for publishing my problems with the flooding water at our home. Even though we didn't have a great deal of luck, but of course, we already knew what the county would do. But at least I do have the satisfaction of making them give me an answer, instead of beating around the bush about it. I want everyone in Nicholas County to understand one thing - this problem was never to hurt anyone and it wasn't a personal vendetta against anyone. I just wanted an answer. And another thing I want all of the magistrates of Nicholas County to know - *The Carlisle Mercury* didn't make them look bad because everyone around here already knew that how they were and they made theirself look bad. And Mr. Billy Crawford had the first chance at this story, because not only did I write the first letter to him, I also called and talked to him on the phone. Our landlord can't fix the road and neither can I. We don't have the money and even if we did, we couldn't because if we did then someone would come around and raise property taxes on this farm. I know that the officials of this county think in their minds that they have "won" in this problem, but all they did was to show the rest of the county citizens that they don't care about helping anyone but theirself. This decision doesn't make me mad at anyone, but they won't be getting our votes on election day for anything. If you don't have the right name and money, then you can't get anything done. I have lived here all of my 43 years and I already knew this The only thing that upsets me is they have hurt my daughters. They don't even live in this county and now, maybe another county will realize they are alive and they need a chance to get an education from another school. I have to upset my youngest child, so she can have a chance of a great future. Nicholas County doesn't have anything to offer her, which she is a straight A student, so she needs a bigger challenge than this county can give her.

"This decision doesn't make me mad at/anyone, but they won't be getting our votes on election day for anything."

And if anyone has any comments about this don't bother to call Jim and Carolyn Snapp about this. They didn't have anything to do with this. This was my fight with the county, so call me. My number is in the book. Or arrange to talk to others out in the county about this road, who still says it was a county road. And yes, I knew Mr. Delaney had bought rock for this farm, but was to rock the road behind the house to the barn - not the entrance of the road, which years ago it connected Headquarters to Barterville.

"We are going to move out of the county, which has no heart..."

But not matter, things are over, but Nicholas County won't be getting any taxes from our family after this year. We are going to move out of the county, which has no heart, to help someone who has a problem. I just hope that others in this county get the help they deserve. I say a great job was done by *The Carlisle Mercury*. Thanks so much for listening and giving me the chance of voicing my opinion about the county and, the taxes they want to build a new school and remodel the old one. Why do they need any more taxes? At this rate they won't have any children for their school. So Nicholas County citizens, take a stand and voice your opinion. They can't do anything but say "no."

Thanks,
Cathy Calhoun
Headquarters Road
Carlisle, Ky.

KAITLYN MARIE WELLS

Kaitlyn Marie Wells celebrates 1st birthday

Kaitlyn Marie Wells turned 1yr. old on Feb. 16, 1997. She is the daughter of Vince and Kim Wells of Carlisle.

Paternal grandparents Fastor Tony and Dora Vance of Cynthiana and faternal grandparents Marjorie and the late Jack Wells, Sr. of Carlisle.

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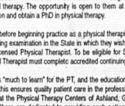

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