Nursing Home News

By Virginia Smith Donovan

God grant me Serenity to accept the things I cannot change. Courage to change the things I can, and Wisdom to know the difference.

Mary Bell Shrodt and Annette Burnaw were around one day scattering a bit of sunshine and flowers along the way.

Bobbie Gaines, the nice nurse's assistant, said that Thursday would be her last day to work. She is going to the sunny South for a few days, and then back to Berea to finish her nurse's training.

These happy birds seem to be popular around the home. Gertie Bromagen enjoys the one her daughter, Virgie Smoot brought her when she and Nancy Shaw went to the Smoky Mountains. He drinks all the time. There's one in Turner Donahue's room too. Clara must have slipped it in his window.

I've heard of big fish stories but this is a "big watermelon story". Arkansas is Mertie Jones' native state. She has just come from there. She said Hope is the capitol of Arkansas' watermelons. She saw one on display there which weighed 204 pounds. It was sent to the Whitehouse. The average size is 75 to 100 pounds.

Frank Taylor of Simi, Calif., and Kenneth Ritchie of Cincinnati, Ohio, visited Turner Donahue and George Donahue and Tony Dotson on Thursday. Mr. Taylor's mother, Mrs. Ella Snapp is in the Fryman Nursing Home.

Virgie brought a watermelon back from Tennessee for her mother, and was patiently feeding it to her.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ritchie (Nadine) and daughter got their campers ready and took off to Bowling Green and King's Island.

Elmer Frederick, who just celebrated his 92nd birthday was taken to a Lexington hospital recently.

Sorency Porter (96) said he had had a wonderful life; was married to a wonderful woman for 57 years. They have one son, He and Mr. Porter have since lived together. Now the son is "keeping batch" in their old Fleming county homeplace.

Mertie Jones made a trip to Berea on Thursday. She really goes places and does things.

Mrs. Ethel McCarty's Bath county daughter and boys were taking her for a ride in the wheel chair Sunday. I met them in the hall. Mrs. McCarty told me to get out of the way, for she drove a "wild horse"!

Mrs. Victoria Helphenstine said her son had gotten back from Marion, Ind., and had been to see her. Said his wife's people lived there.

Mrs. Effie Ritchie is an interesting person. She has a Methodist hymnal which was printed in 1892. Has the words, but not music to 929 hymns. It belonged to her youngest brother, Horace Taylor. His name is printed on the front of the book.

Grace Ledford attended the Southern States picnic Saturday night.

Roy Snapp still enjoys his candy.

George Donahue seemed to be in good spirits, Tuesday, and was more talkative. Said his daughter, Mrs. Bow, had just been there.

Mrs. Minnie Mitchell said she just couldn't see to read much anymore, but always thought you could learn so much by reading.

Esther Swartz said she had just received a letter from David who is now in Bliss, Texas.

Miss Nannabet Griffith is a new resident.

Mrs. Effie Ritchie said she had just finished reading Psalms, and had read almost all of the new Testment since she had been living at the home.

Mrs. Vada Phelphy's daughter and son of Portsmouth recently made her a visit.

Barbara Hopkins had some interesting pictures which she had taken of the residents. These were on the bulletin board.

It was nice of the children and teachers of Head Start to visit the nursing home and perform for them. Guess you saw the pictures in The Mercury which Barbara Hopkins took.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snapp came from Paris to visit Mrs. Elizabeth Bell and Joe's father, Roy Snapp.

Billie Weathers really was busy entertaining. J.R. Campbell, her brother, came from Lexington. Said he would soon make his departure for Europe, where he will stay a month. Her brother, Bruce and wife came from Falmouth.

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Her sister, Goldie Brewster, came from Columbia, S.C, and brought lots of fruit.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bell said she made the trip to Lexington to see her eye specialist. Cleary Fightmaster took her and her good neighbor, Leona Bell.

Herman Conyers said the dog feed wasn't coming in too fast.

Pansy Ritchie said she had been off 11 days, and worked all the time.

I hope I have this right, Mrs. Tincy Frederick said Della Clark, her oldest granddaughter, visited her and Mrs. Bennie Ann Duncan came from Texas. I believe she is some kind of a "shirt tail relation"!

Hurachell Dampier was sporting a pretty shirt and pants. Said his sister, Loraine Hall gave them to him.

Herman Conyers had another birthday Saturday. Said his granddaughter, Mrs. Bill Mathes, brought him the pretty shirt. Said his age would be 49 from now on!

Goldie Kidwell of Richmond visited her mother, Mrs. Pearl Craig, Thursday.

Mrs. Flossie Barnett said her niece, Mrs. Otis Ritchie from Mayesville came recently.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bell's relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carter and son and daughter, Bruce and Carol came to see her before they went back to their home in Virginia.

Mrs. Luther Hollar and Frances Broderick came with Wesley Taylor of Dayton, Ohio, to see Mrs. Effie Ritchie. Mrs. Hollar brought pretty scented tube roses.

Mrs. Ethel McCarty's Indiana daughter came to see her and brought her a beautiful little rocking chair planter.

Mrs. Guy Craig came to see Mrs. Pearl Craig recently. Her Sunday School teacher, sister and one or two more came and brought communion to "Miss" Pearl.

Clara Ruth Craig's husband, Vernon, is at the local hospital after surgery.

The love of learning is the key to knowledge. Come to see the old folks. They would just love to have you!

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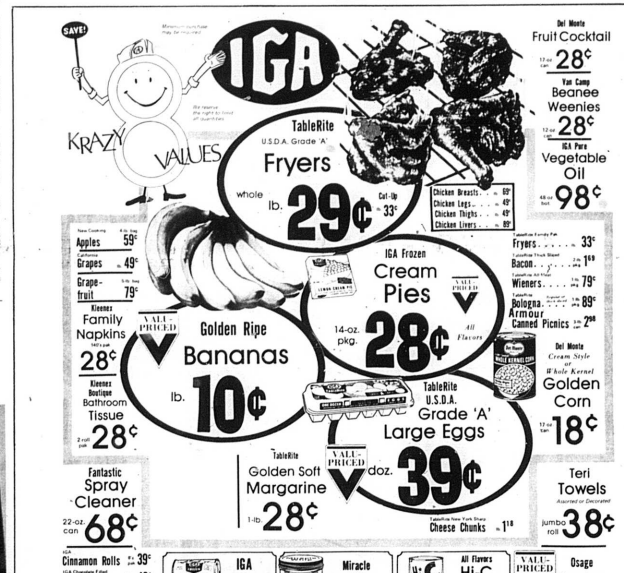

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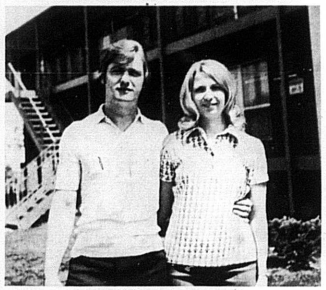

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I Say What I Think

by S. C. VanCuron

FRANKFORT--Enrollment in the state-supported colleges and universities is expected to increase slightly this fall despite the legislative forced cutback of out-of-state enrollment.

This projection comes from a study released recently by the Council on Public Higher Education.

The percentage of undergraduate out-of-state students enrolled in the eight senior colleges and universities and community college system declined to 12.9 per cent in the 1971-72 academic year. This compares with 23 per cent in 1967-68 and with 20 per cent in 1969-70. These latter percentages do not include the University of Kentucky Community College System. Without these, the enrollment was 16 per cent last year in the senior college system.

The cost of higher education has risen so rapidly in the last decade that the public pressed for cutting down out-of-state enrollment and the legislature, under pressure, demanded that it be done.

Consequently the Council on Public Higher Education and the presidents of the institutions adopted a policy of reduction. This caused some dormitory rooms to become vacant on some campuses, particularly Murray, last year. Murray this year, to cope with this problem, is offering some dormitory scholarships to deserving Kentucky students.

One problem that is going to face the new members appointed to the Council on Public Higher Education that met Wednesday two weeks ago, is to set guidelines to establish out-of-state student status.

The recent congressional action qualifying 18-year-olds to vote and the recent federal court ruling that 30-day residency is sufficient to register and vote in a presidential election may complicate matters for the colleges.

Under this situation students entering colleges in Kentucky this fall may register and vote in the college town in the presidential election.

Does this establish residency for all other purposes, such as fees at the college or university? There may be a fine line of distinction here, the attorney general's office admits, but it is likely to cause the colleges some problems.

Murray and Kentucky State were the two with highest out-of-state enrollment in 1967-68 with 32.7 and 32.6 per cent respectively. Eastern has 18.5, Morehead 29.6, and the University of Kentucky 23.8.

But last year they dropped to these figures--Eastern 16.2; Kentucky State 21.5; Morehead 22.8, Murray 20.7, and the University 21.9.

The goal had been to get them down to 20 per cent for last year.

Two that have been added to the state system are Northern Kentucky College and the University of Louisville.

Total enrollment of all accredited Kentucky colleges and universities increased 93.3 per cent. The difference was much greater for graduate students, 15 per cent as opposed to 10.8 per cent from 1967 to 1971.

Total enrollment in the state system has increased approximately 45 per cent since 1967, and this is what brought the pressure to decrease the percentage of out-of-state students.

One of the contributing factors in the large enrollment increase

EARLY EYE EXAMINATIONS

Colonel Harland Sanders, State Sight Saving Chairman of the Kentucky Society for the Prevention of Blindness, discusses children's eye problems and the importance of early eye examinations with his young friends. On the left is Leslie and on the right is Holly, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John Mortemer of Anchorage, Ky. In front is Tony Petrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. O.P. Petrey, also of Anchorage.

Care contributions needed

In the wake of the recent flood in Manila and 14 provinces of Luzon Island which authorities have called the worst natural disaster in Philippine history, CARE is rushing emergency aid to the victims, which include 1.2 million refugees.

Executive director, Frank L. Goffio, announced at CARE headquarters in New York City that CARE is "now distributing 2,250,000 pounds of flour and 324,000 pounds of non-fat dry milk to 250,000 school children in Philippine flood affected areas. By Aug. 9 2,400,000 pounds of flour was distributed".

With 356 lives lost and some 6,000,000 persons affected by the flood, CARE is setting up a special "Philippine Flood Disaster Fund" to help defray costs of the emergency aid. Approximately $100,000 is urgently needed to cover transportation, distribution and supervision of the crisis feeding program.

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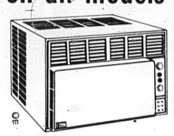

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