American Bike Month

For the seventeenth consecutive year May, 1973, is being designated American Bike Month, calling attention to the growth of bicycling in America and to the continuing need for bicycle safety education, along with more safe, pleasant places to ride. We're told that Americans bought 13.7 million bicycles in 1972 . . . an all-time record, and that bikes outsold automobiles for the first time since World War I.

The bike industry, through its trade association, the Bicycle Institute of America, is calling for a two-pronged safety effort: education of the cyclist on his and her responsibility to drive his or her bike safely and in accordance with local traffic rules, and the construction of more bike paths, trails, lanes and bikeways. We concur with both programs.

The industry is to be congratulated for its concern about the safe use of its product. American bike makers have taken the lead in product safety with the introduction a year or so ago of their voluntary safety standards, BMA/S, which provides rigid procedures, strength and durability testing and independent certification by an outside laboratory.

To make sure that bikes are in good operating order many bike retailers are offering free mechanical inspection during May as an American Bike Month bonus.

It seems to us that a safe bike, driven safely, provides a marvelous opportunity to peddle off a few pounds, see a little bit of the world around us and, on that non-polluting bike, make a personal contribution to a cleaner environment.

MERCURY VAPOURS

by Warren R. Fisher

THE THOUGHT

I'm not really up on grafting and budding, 'course that takes someone like Bill Straw for that part of the operation, but getting back to the thought, if I could cross a certain bush that springs anew each spring with the asparagus plant, then fellows I'd have asparagus by the bushel.

For every inch of rainfall this bush seemingly grows an inch or maybe a foot, I've never known its real name, but we call it a bamboo bush because the stalks resemble bamboo. And if it keeps on raining I'll venture to guess the full grown plant will pass 15 feet by mid-summer.

I remember well one year when I thought I'd dig the blame thing up, but all I managed to do was make it spread. I hacked away at it for more than two hours and finally laid a large rock over part of the root that refused to come out of the ground. Would the bush take the hint, nope, it just grew around the rock and came up in two or three more places.

Of course it does make a nice screen and in the fall the gals can carry the stuff (that is the flowering part) into the house for their winter arrangements. But after the first frost the best thing to do is cut the stalks down, but never fear, it will arise anew next spring.

—MV—

NO GREEN THUMB

Out of our ten by 40 foot garden, if one dare call it that, I have a small section, say ten by 12. So far I've grown some of the largest leaves known on the rhubarb plant, I suppose I chose the wrong fertilizer to go with the Nicholas County clay. But of the two that were planted last spring this one remains. Did I hear someone ask what else was planted last year?

Well as strange as it may seem—there was horseradish, maybe five or six plants. All guaranteed to make usable roots the very first year. So far only one has dared to show itself.

Then there was **Asparagus.** Delicious, tender, one of the finest strains of America's most popular, etc. ect.—It will come up year after year with more tender tips each spring. Well, out of 12 plants last year I've tasted one shoot not much bigger around then the lead in an ordinary pencil. I suppose the plants just rotted in the ground, what with all this moisture we've been having.

Then there was this friend that had been trying to cut down this weed she thought. ONLY NOW she knows different, it was asparagus!

And if you've purchased any recently in the market place, you'd feel like crying too, because all those tender tips will never make it creamed on toast or stewed the way you like it.

And thus far this year, Jack Frost has knocked out two lodis, one Duchess pear and for all I know maybe the wild plum crop. With luck, sans beetles, perhaps the grapes will pull through. Last year I had plenty of green pears, but the squirrels kept picking them green, not a single one made it to maturity.

I kept noticing that the pears were disappearing daily and I really couldn't figure it out until one evening when I was grilling steaks, I happened to reach up into the crotch of a small hickory, and what was there? Yep, you guessed it, a big green pear!

Twenty and forty years ago

Thursday, May 7, 1953

The Nicholas County High School Junior class will present their class play, "Meet My Wives," May 8. Cast includes: William Hubbard, Charles Rose, Marvin Fryman, Kenneth Baker, Drusie Hudnall, Shirley Jennings, Maxine Brady, Sue Mitchell, Della Green and Lenore Ritchie.

Ten persons escaped serious injury in a three-car collision on U.S. 68 near Bastatown house Tuesday night. The drivers, Billy Keen Anderson, William Sexton and Dr. B. F. Reynolds.

Mrs. Faye Wesley, wife of County School Superintendent Raymond J. Wesley, is critically ill with pneumonia at Nicholas County Hospital. A Lexington physician was here Tuesday to see Mrs. Wesley.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Rice Hillock celebrated their golden wedding anniversary May 3 at their home on the Headquarters Road.

MARRIED—Miss Ann Baldwin Asbury, to Gerald Sousley Griffith of Flemingsburg, Friday at the College of the Bible, Lexington.

DIED—Arthur Craycraft, 69, Paris, Tuesday.—Henry P. Harris, 72, Thursdayat has home in Winchster.—Jesse McVey, 65, April 29, in Detroit, Mich.

Thursday, May 3, 1933

Joe Atkinson of Carlisle who has been a salesman for the National Biscuit Company for several years, has purchased an interest in the Carlisle Bakery from William Clary.

Mrs. Ida Smith qualified in county court Friday as administratrix of the estate of her late husband, Roy H. Smith.

The fire department was called to the residence of Charles Linville on East Main Street Thursday night to extinguish a small fire on the roof.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Razor have leased the Roberts residence on Main Street and will move from Lexington.

The contractors have completed laying of all the rock on the Carlisle and Flemingsburg Road. Asphalt is now being applied to the road at the rate of two carloads a day, and with fair weather prevailing, the work is expected to be completed in about 10 days.

MARRIED—Joe Martin and Miss Shirley Bruck of Hamilton, Ohio, in Lexington, April 27.

DIED—Henry Gray, 70, Tuesday at his home on Cassidy Creek.—Miss Sallie Lawson of the Stoney Creek section, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lexington, Thursday.—Miss Janella Clancy, at the

FARM & HOME

County extension agents
L. J. Noftsinger
Sara Swango
Mrs. Margie Wilson

4-H'ERS CREATE OWN SPACE IN HOME ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

What's in a name? Plenty, think leaders working with 4-H members in the area of home furnishings, equipment and housing.

The 4-H home improvement program has been renamed 4-H home environment in 1972. Sponsored by The S&H Foundation, Inc., more dimensions and activities have been added through the efforts of personnel of the Cooperative Extension Service and National 4-H Service Committee.

The contemporary 4-H home environment program provides numerous opportunities for creative expression. 4-H'ers in the program are encouraged to plan their home surroundings much as they would the total environment—for beauty, comfort, health, safety and adequate space. Using the principles of basic design—form, scale, patterns and texture, color and light—the 178,000 young people in the 4-H home environment program create living spaces that are functional, comfortable and aesthetically pleasing.

BOYS CAN TAKE PART, TOO

The revised program is also designed to get boys interested and involved in improving their homes. 4-H'ers from low income, minority and migrant families are also encouraged to participate and help create pleasing home environments.

Besides the satisfaction of helping to make one's home a more enjoyable and pleasing place to live, 4-H'ers in the home environment program can gain recognition in other ways.

The S&H Foundation, Inc. provides incentive and other recognition awards for county, state and national winners in the program.

Medals of honor are awarded county winners, while one winner in each state receives an expense-paid trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, Nov. 26-30. At the 4-H event, six national winners received $700 scholarships provided by The S&H Foundation, Inc.

For more information about the 4-H home environment program, contact the County Extension Office.

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—Job opportunities after graduation across the nation and around the globe.

—A broad education in liberal arts and science subjects such as English, history, chemistry, and biology.

—A background and opportunity to do graduate study.

GRASSROOTS OPINION

OXFORD, NEBR., STANDARD: "The reason they say the income tax is the fairest tax of all is that it gives every individual an even chance at poverty."

CLAREMONT, MINN., NEWS: "With the dozens of politicians wooing voters this year with rosy promises of benefits you'll reap if he is elected — just remember a politician can't give you anything unless he first takes away from someone else. Any political promise has as much substance as a wisp of smoke."

CHEROKEE, OKLA., REPUBLICAN: "Every hometown is 'Our Town' . . .good or bad. . .clean or stinking. . .growing or going to pot. . . because we're a part of it and responsible for its success or failure. . .It is high time that we drop the 'Why don't they?' do something' and substitute 'Why don't "WE" do. . .' for our town. . .state. . .and nation."

A WORM THAT'S PREPARED . . . GETS THE BIRD EVERY TIME AND THERE'S A NEW INDUSTRIAL SITE BROCHURE

ALAMOS, TEXAS, NEWS: "Need something to give you a good laugh? Here it is, a definition from a dictionary: 'Politics—The science and art of government.' "

GLASGOW, MO., MISSOURIAN: "Come home — all is forgiven' may have been all right for the prodigal son, but — grant amnesty (Webster says it means full pardon) to those who escaped military service by taking up residence in another country? No way! . . how must the boys feel who harkened to the call of duty and went to serve their country in a way in which no one actually believed, when those who escaped via the over-the-border route are welcomed home with open arms? It may seem a little uncharitable, but we simply cannot see amnesty for draft dodgers. If they chose to abandon the United States, let 'em stay where they went."

Julius Marks Sanitorium near Lexington, Saturday.—Miss Sudie Rafferty Kenton, 57, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lexington, Sunday morning.

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NEXT WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

By Clay R. Pollan

Note planetary ruler of your birth symbol

FOR WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, MAY 14, 1973

♈ Aries | Mar. 21 - Apr. 19 | Pluto ♇

If your birthday occurs this week . . .

. . .you are demonstrative, affectionate as well as passionate. You love physical contact with your loved one. You believe in love and know the ecstacy and despair of love. You are prone to be excitable and over-loyal to your associates. Take everything, see what your faults are and try to amend them.

♉ Taurus | Apr. 20 - May 20 | Venus ♀

Your spirit is enterprising and you'll seek to improve your finances. Things won't be all they seem to be. Avoid scheming persons. Plan to improve the atmosphere of your home or office. Outsiders may try to force themselves upon you. Young people give you fresh new ideas. Cultivate them.

♊ Gemini | May 21 - June 20 | Mercury ☿

Don't let imagination get the best of you. Trying to fulfill a dream just won't work, because you're prone to be impractical now. A favorite companion changes his/her mind. Don't let it worry you. The tempo changes. Expect variety, perhaps sudden meetings. Check reports and messages.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22 | Moon ☾

Be happy, congenial and cooperative. Compliment associates for work well done and lighten the day for all. Worthwhile business deal may be offered and you may accomplish financial gains. Some encounters may lead to arguments. Don't hold back your feelings. Express them. You get to the bottom of a mystery.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22 | Sun ☉

A good friend will do the favor you ask, so do not hesitate to request it. You may be unrealistic about money and could be caught short by circumstances. Get to know the newcomers in your locale. Delightful gift or love token likely. Opposite sex is responsive to proposals. Patience helps.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22 | Mercury ☿

If you're insistent with any associate, you can be very disappointed. It's best to let others go their own way. Patience and a sense of humor help. Pay more attention to your personal affairs. Consider yourself number one in any transaction. A Sagittarian figures prominently in your affairs this week.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22 | Venus ♀

Money can be the subject of most importance to you this week. Circumstances impose restrictions and you should be conservative in your decisions and actions. Over-aggressive action could cause difficulties. Don't fuss and fume if things go wrong. You'll have a few more hurdles to jump. You'll win in long run.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21 | Mars ♂

You may spend a lot on personal things you don't need. If you follow this inclination, don't look back and be sorry later. High-minded objectives have approval. Grasp an opportunity that's in your line. Artistic interests are encouraged and get spirited backing. You're going in the right direction.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21 | Jupiter ♃

There can be fireworks on your career scene. Someone may deliberately try to block you. Question of financial settlement is paramount. Participate in some daring adventure. Explore the unknown. Travel if you can. Study travel folders and heed the call of distant places. You're going to be happier.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 19 | Saturn ♄

Your financial world is improving. Extra money may come in that'll bolster your savings account. If on a job you may be promoted. Stick to your high standard of ethics. Grudges are not worthwhile. Forget grievances. Rays of happiness are beaming toward you. Vary your dinner routine. Invite friends.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 20 - Feb. 18 | Uranus ♅

Your career goes pleasingly. Someone new on the scene encourages and helps you. A lucky break comes regarding your personal life. Be optimistic and go ahead with flying colors. Don't boast of assets you don't possess. Important message from a loved one may come. You gain by giving.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - Mar. 20 | Neptune ♆

There could be a health cause behind the depression you feel. Get your mind off yourself. Try to be around cheerful people. A romantic period. You may be highly attracted to someone emotionally. On better acquaintance, you may find little in common. Guard your valuables. Theft possible. Check locks, keys.

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Graduating varsity players recognized

Junior High basketball banquet held Thursday

The annual Nicholas County Junior High basketball banquet was held Thursday, April 26. Members of both the 7th and 8th grade teams as well as their parents were present.

The guest speaker was Robert Flynn of Lexington. Flynn was captain of the University of Dayton basketball team that reached the finals of the National Invitational Tournament in New York City. He is presently serving as supervisor of basketball officials in the Central Kentucky area.

Both teams were congratulated by Coach David McMillan for having attained winning records over the past season. Members of the 8th grade team include: Tony Ritchie, Steve Curtsinger, Steve Day, Greg Letcher, Ricky Hughes, Mike Anderson, Damon Booth, Jerry Snapp, Jackie Glass, Jimmy Smith and Jimmy Caswell. The 8th graders were each presented a silver basketball and chain.

Graduating

Graduating varsity players recognized at the Junior High Basketball Banquet Thursday are l to r: Jimmy Smith, Jerry Snapp, Damon Booth, Mike Anderson, Greg Letcher, Steve Day, Steve Curtsinger and Tony Ritchie.

Cheerleaders

Junior High cheerleaders recognized at the banquet last Thursday are l to r: Judy Doyle, Ginger Myers, Sheila Jones, Cindy McDonald, Patty Fryman, Kim Smoot and Charlotte Fryman. Miss Brigette DeVries is sponsor.

AGREE or NOT

I Say What I Think

by S. C. VanCuron

FRANKFORT—There may be some confusion about re-registration to qualify to vote in the November election because registration for new voters closes May 1 and will not be open again until five days after the May primary, Secretary of State Thelma Stovall explained.

A person who already is registered may re-register any day, even election day, up to midnight Sept. 24 when all registrations close, Mrs. Stovall said.

A person who is registering for the first time, or has moved from a different county, must wait until after the May primary if he hasn't registered before May 1.

Mrs. Stovall is very concerned about the slowness in the re-registrations flowing into her office here. She said last week she had not received any re-registration forms from 50 counties in the state and emphasized the point that she fears a log jam at the Sept. 24 deadline unless county court clerks across the state speed up the process of re-registration.

Computer cards must be punched for every voter to store in the computers in her office here. She said 140,000 names of voters are already in the computer and she has a staff working full time now storing this information. After May 1 she is going to put out a special effort.

"I don't want to have a lot of people hired and nothing for them to do," she said. Her office has been calling county court clerks who have not sent in any forms. She said some of them had told her they have some re-registrations, but they haven't sent them to her office. She is making a special appeal for clerks to send the re-registration forms to her office.

Mrs. Stovall says the present information she has on re-registrations in the state is there are 1,488,000 registered voters. However, she says the U.S. Census Bureau reports there are two million persons eligible to register, counting the 18-year-olds. A young person may register if his 18th birthday falls before the November election. This will qualify some whose birthday falls between the Sept. 24 deadline and the November voting.

"We're going to have some problems the first year," Mrs. Stovall said, "but after that clerks will have more information readily available to them."

County purgation boards will not do any purging until 1976 under the new law that requires every voter in Kentucky to re-register this year. County boards will purge every four years while purgation will be almost continuous by the computer here after the first four years of operation. Under the old law, a person was supposed to be purged if he missed voting for two successive years.

Under the new law, names will be purged if a person fails to vote in any four year period. This will be done automatically by the computer. But cards will be mailed out to purged voters.

Instead of signing the precinct book as voters have in the past, the voter will sign a computer form that will be sent to Mrs. Stovall's office after the election. This information will be put into the computer to keep track of those who voted.

County court clerks will get an alphabetical activity report (print out) from the computer once each month after re-registration is completed this year. This will cover new registrations, purge those who died, etc. if the information is made available here.

One week before the November election or sooner, each clerk will get an alphabetical printout of every voter registered in his county. Not later than five days before every election the clerks will receive an alphabetical print out, precinct by precinct, for his county. This will be used in each precinct just like the registration book is now used for eligible voters.

Mrs. Stovall warned voters of one strict rule. Voters must go to the polls in the precinct where they live, under the new law. His name will be there and he can't vote any place else. Heretofore, persons have moved from a precinct in a county, but have gone back to their old precinct to vote every year. This can't be done this November.

Cooperative, was elected general manager of the cooperative by the organization's Board of Directors meeting in regular quarterly session held in Richmond last week.

Feland will assume his new post July 1, succeeding William T. Steele Jr. who has served as general manager since 1961. Steele will remain as management counsel until his retirement next Nov. 30.

Feland, 49, will be the fifth general manager in the 50-year history of the five-state cooperative (it serves farmer-members in Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and Kentucky) which was organized in Richmond in 1923. A native of Danville, Ky., he joined Southern States in 1945, serving as manager of local cooperatives in Kentucky and as manager of several area warehouse operations before coming to Richmond in 1960 as supervising manager of all warehouse operations of the cooperative.

In addition to his duties here, Feland serves on the boards of directors of Texas City Refining, Inc., of Texas City, Texas, of which Southern States is a partner, and of the Virginia Petroleum Industries. He is also president of Farmers Forage Research of Lafayette, Ind., a seed research organization owned partly by Southern States.

Southern States general manager elected

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The Pied Typer

By Russell Metty

I remember him as the last of the great saucermen

One of my favorite people in this zany business of smearing ink on paper was a Kentucky newspaperman, who died sometime ago. Although he was a skilled writer and an astute craftsman in his profession, he was better known for his individualistic approach to life.

Take the day he was invited to be in a wedding party and to everyone's amazement showed up. During the ceremony, he remembered he had not eaten all day and was very hungry. He also remembered he just happened to have a hamburger in his pocket. While everyone else was eating wedding cake after the ceremony, he was seen eating a cold hamburger.

On a farm he owned, he kept mules. Said trading mules kept him sharp on his other business deals. It must have worked because he acquired a stack of stocks and bonds. One day he was counting his bank stock and came to the conclusion that he had controlling interest in his local money house. So he marched right down and announced the place had a new president. That taken care of, he ran into a slight problem. They wouldn't give him a key to the front door. The next time he came in he was wearing a Homburg hat and a white shirt and a sheriff. He got a key.

He had other little characteristic traits, such as keeping his walking wealth tightly tucked away in an old-fashioned, long snapper-top purse. With it, he could outfumble anyone for the check if he didn't happen to like your conversation at lunch. Away from home, he would stash the snapper in his pillow upon retiring, which automatically made anyone sleeping in the same room suspect.

But for all his other little idiosyncrasies, I remember him most as the last of the great saucermen.

At a breakfast in a classy restaurant one morning, my wife almost choked on her bacon when my old buddy poured his coffee into the saucer, carefully rained it up to his face and then blew on it a couple of blasts before loudly slurping it up. I thought it was the grandest display of tablemanship since grandpap bit his finger trying to eat pie

while holding it in his hand.

This is a skill lost to modern Americans, delicately balancing a saucerful of hot coffee or tea while blowing across it to cool it enough so it doesn't scorch your gullet. It is now a social crime, yet a little over a century ago it was standard practice.

Between 1825 and 1850, American glass factories kept busy turning out fancy little 3-inch "cup plates" on which the drinker placed his cup while he used his saucer as the drinking vessel.

Like other good old-fashioned customs, saucering was logical at the time. Still is, for that matter, but it does unnerve women folks today trying to move up the social ladder.

Saucering came about for good reason. The first cups had no handles. They were enlarged Chinese dishes of tea that grew too hot for the fingers to hold. Later when a small ring, or handle, was attached to the side everything changed. The women got snooty about it and took away the glass cup plate and the saucer assumed its present practically useless status.

On a cold morning, saucering is still the quickest way to get a hot cup of coffee inside yourself and the art survives unabashed back in the mountains where folks don't let social grace stand in the way of their drinking.

My wife is very considerate of my saucering. She says I can do it anytime — anytime after I become president of the bank.

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Don't worry about your kids watching the commercials on the children's television shows. They don't believe them.

That piece of information comes straight from the hoss' mouth. And the hoss is Dean Burch, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission.

According to one quite reliable academic study, the broadcast commercials are producing a new generation of cynics. That's good. Now we old cynics can rest easy.

It's not so much that 8, 10, or 12-year-olds either like or dislike commercials. They simply don't believe them.

"I can tell you candidly," said Burch addressing the Phoenix Advertising Club, "if I were an advertiser, or if I ran an agency, that single indication would stroke terror in my very bones."

Serves them right for trying to snow our smart kids with that kind of drivel. It seems they just don't write good ad copy like they used to when you could pick up a newspaper and read something like:

A pant hunter pantless
Goes panting for pants
And pants for the best pants
That the pant market grants.

He panteth unpanted
Until he implants
Himself in a pair of
Plymouth Rock pants.

I think soon after that Plymouth Rock pants laid an egg.

Up, up and away.