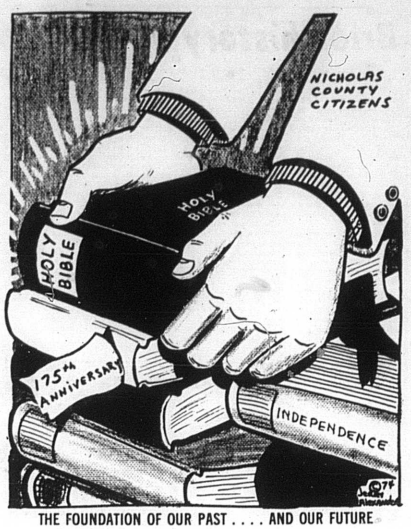
Anniversary-Bicentennial issue stresses history

This special 175th Anniversary-Bicentennial issue which comprises the bulk of this week's Mercury is the result of a lot of hard work and effort.

Most of the money for producing the paper came from advertisers. The advertising in this edition w s especially planned to reflect the advertiser's business and the anniversary theme. We think you will enjoy reading every word of the ads as well as the historical articles. Many of the ads include the history of the business.

An enormous amount of history has been included throughout this issue. If you can't read it all at once, keep the issue handy for reading at a later date.

We have enjoyed writing, composing and reading this special issue. We, the Carlisle Mercury staff, hope you will enjoy reading it too!



THE FOUNDATION OF OUR PAST . . . . AND OUR FUTURE

Bicentennial monies to be used to publish 'History of Nicholas County'

All monies earned from Nicholas County's 175th Anniversary-Bicentennial celebration to be held next week will be used to publish the much needed History of Nicholas County.

The many Nicholas countians who have worked so hard to make this celebration a success should be very proud of their accomplishments. Each job, regardless of how big or how small, has combined with other big and small jobs to make this celebration the largest and best ever to be held in Nicholas county.

People throughout the county have volunteered their services and have shown tremendous interest in the entire celebration. The spirit of unity as a community is high.

It is hoped that as much interest and work can be generated throughout the county to help research and write our History. You have shown that you are interested in our history. Be sure to volunteer your time so that this History can become a reality.

No few people can do the job. In order to publish an authentic, excellent **History of Nicholas County,** many persons must help. It has been estimated that a history of the caliber that we desire would take one person about 15 years to research and write.

Let's show how proud we really are of Nicholas county by working as much as possible on this very worthwhile project. Donations can be made to the newly founded Nicholas County Historical Society, Inc. Organizations which have not done so as yet, can assume responsibility for a section of the History as their big project of the year. Individuals can volunteer to donate a few hours a week or a month to gather information. Some may wish to volunteer to write after the information is gathered. Typing, microfilm reading, etc., etc. will be needed. A lot of the preliminary work can be done this summer by students out of school.

Joanie Conley is general editor of the History. Won't you contact her and say you'll do your part?

MERCURY WATCHERS

by Warren R. Fisher

Properly finished

A fellow publisher recently asked me, "Have you read 'The Kentucky Frontiersman'?"

My answer was no, as I had been otherwise occupied with this Bicentennial edition of The Carlisle Mercury.

His retort: "If you'll get a copy and start to read it, you won't put it down until you've finished, (the book)!"

Had I taken time out to read any book, I probably would have been properly finished.

—MV—

Surprises

One of my nicest Father's Day surprises was an **apple-transparent pie**—a palate pleaser, as only Mrs. Donald Story can bake.

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Another, two pictures of my grandson, which I promptly gave to Kay for safe keeping. Also plans for an electronic clock, and if I am any judge of schematics, I'm sunk, but as they say, "If there's a will, there is a way", hopefully.

—MV—

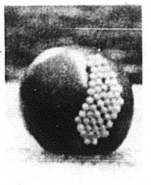
HEADLINE

"Presbyterians Get Together For First Time In 50 Years"—that's funny; the Carlisle Presbyterians have been together a lot longer than a measly 50 years.

—MV—

OFFSHOOTS

Jerry Alexander, Seneca, S.C., cartoonist, (no kin so far as we know) to John Alexander of the Sunday Lexington Herald-Leader staff, whose recent article on religious influence was well put. But the point we think he missed was that most all other denominations in this section of the United States are offshoots of the Pennsylvania Presbyterians.



It isn't a ball, it is not floating, and the design is not of Locust eggs. County Agent Estil Noffsinger explained the Locust eggs are buried in the bark of the tree. It is a cherry with eggs of some kind, placed on a plastic top, resting on the top of a desk.—Mercury photo

Agree or Not

by S.C. Van Curon

FRANKFORT—Governor Wendell H. Ford's candidacy for U.S. Senator has some people wondering what happens in the line of succession here if he beats Republican Marlow Cook in November.

First, if he wins the election he will not relinquish the governor's office until he is sworn in as Senator in January. Second, Lieutenant Governor Julian Carroll will become governor in action when Ford leaves, but the legal language is that Carroll will "assume the governorship."

The next question is who becomes lieutenant governor when Carroll assumes the governorship? The answer is nobody. Carroll is also the lieutenant governor. When he is out of the state in an event such as this, the president pro-tem (William Sullivan) of the Senate becomes acting governor.

In a situation where the governor is elected to the U.S. Senate before his term ends, then the lieutenant governor takes his place, so to speak, but what would happen then if calamity struck and something happened to Carroll? Sullivan would then take over. But, what if something also happened to Sullivan before the term ends.

Then, it would be up to the Secretary of the State to convene the Senate and elect a president of the Senate who would then assume the governorship and serve the remainder of the term.

Some discussion has been raised about the line of succession here, and some people honestly don't know. So, I thought it might be wise to clarify the matter for the readers of this column.

If Ford wins, then Carroll will have about a full year in the governor's office to run for a full term, and this will give him a great opportunity to prove himself and perfect his organization for his campaign.

The term does not run out until about the middle of December in 1975.

Lawrence W. Wetherby, 1951-55, is the last lieutenant governor to fill an unexpired term and then be elected to a full term as governor. He took the office when former Governor—U.S. Senator Earle C. Clements was appointed U.S. Senator to fill the unexpired term of Virgil Chapman who was killed in an automobile accident in Washington, D.C. Clements resigned as governor and Wetherby took over and then named Clements to the Senate seat.

Governor Ford has one big advantage in his campaign against Cook for the U.S. Senate. The Democrat Party is not split, but the few who are opposed to him will vote for him to promote him out of the state and let Carroll take over. I hear quite a bit of this talk from persons who are not exactly enamored with the Ford administration.

However, Ford and Carroll apparently have reached an amicable agreement that Carroll will carry out Ford's program for the rest of the Ford term and retain most of Ford's key appointments, but not all of them. Carroll's people are in solid support of Ford in the Senate race for they can see that it would be advantageous to them. They have the potential of having five years in power.

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Ford's touted reorganization of state government isn't working as smoothly as the administration would like it, but this is to be expected in such a gigantic move that was completed this year. Most of the seven new Secretaries, composing the cabinet, and encompassing all state government, are working smoothly with little pain in the reorganization.

However, the gigantic Human Resources division, the largest in state government, has problems, and many complaints are heard here.

20 & 40 years ago

Thursday, June 24, 1954

A total of $1,208.50 towards the purchase of new aluminum awnings for Nicholas County Hospital, has been raised. Part of the money came from the benefit chicken dinner held at Forest Retreat Farm Friday night.

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Kathleen McKee, Junior, was recently elected president of Nicholas County chapter of Future Homemakers of America. Other officers elected are Bonnie Bradley, vice president; Anna Lee Hollar, secretary; Lillian Riggs, treasurer; Lena Spencer, Mary Alice Myers, Betty Lynn Jacobs, Anita Ring, Betty Feeback, Wilma Watkins and Imogene Stivers.

Miss Nealya Burgess, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.T. Burgess, sailed June 5 for a three months tour of Europe.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Garlon Smith, Maysville, a daughter, Joyce Ann, June 14.—To Mr. and Mrs. James Cannon, a daughter, Kathy Lois, June 12 in Mt. Sterling.

DIED—Silas Frank Burgess, 81 Thursday.—Minor David Judge, 80, Moorefield, Sunday.—Howard Thomas Curtis, 48, Wednesday.—Mrs. Carrie Griffin McCowan, 82, Saturday in Lexington.—Dr. Simeon Francis Hamilton.

Thursday, June 21, 1934

Ten Christian churches in Nicholas county will launch a **countywide** evangelistic campaign on July 1. Evangelist for the 13-week campaign will be Rev. J.J. Whitehouse.

The pupils of Miss Ida Howard will give their annual piano recital in the Methodist Church next Tuesday evening, June 26.

An unoccupied house in Liberty Heights belonging to Thomas D. Maybrier was completely destroyed by fire early Tuesday night.

The origin of the fire is unknown.

R.L. Curtis of the Curtis Hotel, suffered painful bruises Saturday morning when he fell down a flight of 12 steps on the back porch of the hotel. No bones were broken.

Dogs raided the flock of sheep of Mrs. Zelia South on the Maysville and Lexington Road near Carlisle one night this past week, killing and crippling 21 head.

Mrs. W.I. Dorsey suffered painful injuries in a fall at her home Tuesday afternoon.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Simonton of Madisonville, Ohio, a son on June 7.

MARRIED—A license was issued to William Burgess of Bourbon county and Miss Almeda Shields of near Carlisle.

DIED—Mrs. Mary Sanders, 80, last Thursday at her home in the Licking section of Nicholas county.—Charles C. McChord at his home in Danville Saturday morning.—Zach W. Lee, 75, retired farmer at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Ammerman in Harrison county Saturday.

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One-flushers at home could handle those four-flushers in Washington

Ask any countyard philosopher and he will tell you the trouble with our representatives in congress is they have lost the pulse of the American people.

After the glad-handing and back-slapping is over, the politico moves into the Washington swirl and soon concludes the transition has bleached him with instant smarts. He may even think he is worth the 42 thou taxpayers lay on him each year.

On his desk in the senate or house, he has only to press a button to register his aye or nay on any vote that comes up. Too bad voters don't have a way to instantly relay their stand on important issues to Washington. But, then there is a way. It is called the Bathroom Ballot.

In the early 1950's when television was new and advertisers were flocking to this exciting, new media to peddle their wares, it became pretty evident that unless some way was found to check the tube a lot of metropolitan newspapers were going to be hurting for certain.

Particularly concerned was the American Newspaper Publishers Association, which saw the handwriting in the ledger after a mess of the big national accounts switched over to teevee.

At that time, my buddy, Bill Smith, was heading up ANPA's Bureau of Advertising and really racking his brain for a way to fight this mass exodus to the competition. Then something clocked in his mind and he had an answer.

Bill recalled an official in the Toledo water works had told him that at certain periods of the day, there would be sudden surges of water usage and they couldn't figure out why this was happening. Upon delving into the mystery, he found these sudden drops of water pressure took place at the quarter-hour evenings, and particularly Sunday nights.

After documenting the water pressure charges, Bill and his staff took their findings directly to those advertisers, who had been lured into buying these hours on the boob tube.

The most popular show was the Jack Benny Show and, at that time, breaks for commercials were at 15-minute intervals. There was no denying genial Jack packed in an audience of millions while he was on the air. But the instant he faded off the screen and a commercial came on, the water pressure in Toledo went crazy because of a sudden heavy demand.

By timing this change to Benny's show, it was obvious that everybody in Toledo was going to the toilet or getting a drink during the commercials. And, unless they had their television sets in their johnnies, all these people were not watching the commercials and the advertisers were not getting their maximum dollars worth.

It was a good selling point and the advertisers listened. At least a part of the advertising was reinstated in newspapers as a result of this revelation.

All of which boils down to what I think would be a great way to conduct prov polls on elections or any major issue, so Washington can get an instant reading on the pulse of America.

So it will cost money so bureaucrats will understand it, a portion of revenue sharing money is designated to be used by all the water systems of the country to buy special recorders. These are installed in each water works and sealed like ballot boxes and guarded by the most-trusted political hacks.

These days, it appears to be a foregone conclusion as many voters vote against someone or something as they do for. The prov poll is based on the American tradition of dissent. And the good fortune of having more flushable toilets than any other country in the world.

The way it works is, take Richard Nixon. Do the people want him to stay on the job or resign. The toilet test tells the tale. On a given night, Walter Cronkcase, Harry Reasoner and the boys can gather around the table and interpret the situation like they always do. There at the moment of truth, Walter will say:

"Those who favor Mr. Nixon stepping down, please cast your bread upon the waters."

There is a moment of silence to allow voters at home to rush into their toilets and Walt shouts the signal, "Now — everybody, together — flush!" And down goes old Tricky Dick right down the drain in one grand final swoop.

The recorders are bundled up and hustled off to Washington, where computers calculate the total water flow against the number of flush toilets in America and come up with the magic answer. Of course, some allowance would have to be made for toilets in normal use during that crucial voting period, and for young girls who lock themselves in to primp up and never come out.

This is based on the Roman concept of jurisprudence, or, who says you shouldn't kick a man when he's down? It was practiced at the Colosseum, where petty politicians were allowed to settle their quarrels with long butcher knives. When one of them fell, the other would put his foot on the poor bugger's face and look to the emperor's box for his next move.

The emperor, serving as emcee for the proceedings, would ask for a vote from the people. Most often it was thumbs down because most Romans in those days had their fingers on other people's pockets. On seeing all those thumbs pointed down, the standing gladiator would remove his foot from his opponent's throat and replace it with his big pig-sticker. They lost a lot of prettiest workers that way, but city hall had the ballot boxes stuffed by experts so it didn't need common garden variety voters anyway.

Before rural voters become flushed with disappointment at not being able to get in on my prov plebiscite, let me remind you that you have already been ruched out of your influence by a very democratic theory called one man, one vote.

There is hope, however, that someone in the future all rural areas will have water and sewage systems following the concept of REA and rural telephone systems. Until then, your only recourse is to vote by banging your thundermug against the outhouse door loud enough for Washington to hear it. Or you might throw them up in the air and hope Distant Early Warning radar picks them up.

The reason half the registered voters in this country do not go to the polls and vote is because they don't like being alienated by ward healers giving them that if-you-don't-vote-right, that-lazy-brother-in-law-is-out-of-a-job look as they reach for the lever. Give them a familiar handle at home to turn down and you will see the true election process in its purest form.

In the interest of water conservation, my flush-out-the-rascals scheme ought not be misused and a lot of this precious commodity wasted. In elections, the candidates' pictures should be printed on toilet paper. That way, this propaganda could become useful material and you could do what you've always wanted to do to some politicians.

This is what I call a voting system of the first water.

Onward, downward.

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- Huge vegetable bin
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- Three cabinet shelves
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- Normal cycle with extra wash selection
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