

That controversial pardon

All we hear is an "eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" — time will tell whether President Ford's pardon of Richard Nixon on Sunday, Sept. 8 was in the best interests of this great country.

Personally we think it scuttles that "equal justice for all," theory.

But again let us hope this country's people have more important matters to attend.

What is done is done! It offends the Democrats a great platform; something to keep the country's people divided into two or more camps, their minds off the high cost of existence, and that ever present scarcity of fuel. —W.R.F.

Nuclear risks 'insignificant'

In 1966, when there will be about 100 nuclear power plants operating in the United States, there is a chance that one of them will kill you. Don't plan to lose any sleep about it, however, since that chance is less than about one in 300 million. Although it is impossible to remove all risk from any nuclear endeavor, a newly released report by the Atomic Energy Commission demonstrates convincingly that the probability of harm to human life or health from nuclear power plants is extremely minimal. The possibility of a nuclear accident causing 1,000 or more deaths, for example, is about the same as that of a nuclear falling on an American city with the same consequences. These findings are from the report, "Reactor Safety Study," an effort involving 60 specialists and 300 man-years of work under the direction of Dr. Herman C. Hausman, an MIT professor of nuclear engineering. It is the most authoritative answer yet to date. Ralph Nader and other alarmists who claim the United States is in mortal danger from its nuclear power plants. "The fact is that nuclear accident probabilities are so low that they are insignificant compared to the overall risks due to other man-made and natural risks," says the study. "The safety design of reactors includes a series of barriers to prevent the overheating of fuel and to control potential radioactive releases from the fuel," the study explains. "It is significant that not once in some 300 reactor years of commercial operation of reactors of the type considered in the report has there ever been fuel melting." The report also debunks the notion of a plant exploding like a bomb, noting that "it is impossible for nuclear power plants to explode like a nuclear weapon" because the fuel used in such plants contains only a small fraction of the type of uranium used in weapons. Although the report does not rule out the possibility of sabotage at a nuclear plant, it at least allows us to feel a little better about the nuclear risk. With the U.S. facing a demand for more electricity that is expected to double every 10 years, the only logical conclusion from the study is that we must push ahead vigorously on developing our nuclear potential.



LETTERS from our readers

To the Carlisle Mercury: I am enclosing \$5.00 for \$6.00 for my renewal of The Carlisle Mercury. I enjoy the hometown news. Sincerely, Mrs. Milton Grifone 1175 Orange St., Marletta, Mich. 49001

To the Carlisle Mercury: I would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to you for your kindness in returning the questionnaire recently sent to you inquiring about your use of materials sent to you. It was our hope that if this material was not of value to you we would be able to dispose of it. We were greatly encouraged by the number of newspapers that were able to use the series of feature stories which were prepared on Region IV of H.E.W. Thank you for your response and thank you for the newspaper space which we will get a longer way toward informing the public about what we are and what we are doing. Other responses that they're not able to use the materials because they're too long, not of sufficient interest, etc. Thank you, also, for your candor and for your permitting us to concentrate our very limited manpower in other areas where we still ever need assistance from H.E.W. Please do not hesitate to call or write us. If you decide

Agree or Not

by S.C. Van Curen

FRANKFORT—The signing of the contract between the United Mine Workers of America and Eastern Coal Company for a new contract in the coal fields of Harlan county should serve as a lesson to all coal operators in Eastern Kentucky that they are next on the list. The signing came in Washington on the eve of negotiations with the Bituminous Coal Operators Association which represents all coal miners not under the U.M.W. Eastern signed after a 13-month strike at Brookside and then the strikers stopped workers at its Highpoint mine where the company has a contract with the Southern Labor Union. A fatal shooting incident, later removed from the mine, seemed to trigger the signing.

New UMW President Arnold Miller is leading first in negotiations for a new contract, but during the latter days of the Harlan dispute he repeatedly said the aim of the union is to organize all coal mines not under the U.M.W. banner. The union spent more than \$1 million dollars in organizing Harlan, side's approximately 150 workers. Married workers were paid \$100 per week by the UMW when they were on strike and single workers received \$80. Eastern Kentucky coal operators just how determined Miller is going to be in his organizing campaign. The district officers serve on the national board, under Lewis and today are the most of them, were under leadership and Lewis or Boye named the leaders. Miller is not content to wait until he reform presents and to gain benefits if workers when the organizing campaign starts. The big question in the minds of coal

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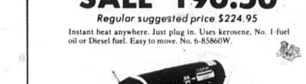
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Thursday, September 16, 1934 The last minute of the game brought the winning point to the Carlisle Musketeers. The Musketeers led victory over Park by a score of 29-23. Seventy-six pupils have shown interest in becoming a member of the first organized band in Nicholas County School.

The pipe which is to bring air water and permanent water supply is installed. On Sunday afternoon five sections of pipe remained to be installed. The pipe will run from River to Carlisle about seven and one-half miles and was finished about 30 days. At 3 p.m. today Carlisle will begin a three day celebration that the water line is finished. A free demonstration will be given by the fire department and Roger Womack will speak on the possibilities of growth of Carlisle.

MERCURY

by Warren R. Fisher

Conferring sound It's worth more to hear the new fire siren sound off at noon again than working day. The city and county will be glad to hear the siren sound off at noon. We were without one for several months.

Mrs. John Clinkbeard called Sunday to tell us that she had published in the Aug. 1 Mercury of the names of the members of the class was the Men's Sunday School class of U.M. Scandinavian Church, taught by U.M. Scandinavian Church.

Friday at the Carlisle Methodist

On Friday at the Carlisle Methodist church, Mrs. Nettie Edlin Robert, 84, on Wednesday afternoon—Rev. S.M. Robertson, 83, on Sunday, Sept. 8—Robert Smith Dulin on Sunday, 84—Mrs. Myrtle Fuller, 54, on Sunday—Mrs. Raynor Overly Lintcomb, 45, on Friday.

Thursday, September 13, 1934 John M. Wells and Henry Keller have leased the small room adjoining the German building on Maple Street and will open a lunch room.

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To live longer, slow down, move to country, update your outhouse

to country, update your outhouse. Frantically climate and disposition has changed to go with growing chin. In freezing weather, the beard shows down, but it's not hot and sticky and those things jump out like they've been fertilized.

Winklers, it has been said, proves the utility of moustache, gives any hope for a great outdoors and moved my outhouse to the great outdoors.

Back in 1896, there was one honest woman and she wrote a piece for our paper about her sex. This is the honest truth.

The average woman has been taught to look upon mankind as a sort of wild beast prowling around in darkness and daylight, seeking whom he may devour.

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