

Opinion

Vandals active

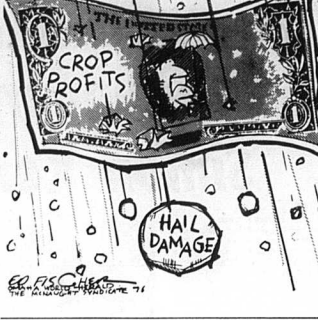
Vandals have been at work overtime here in Carlisle lately.

The Aristocrat pear trees donated to the Recreation Park by former resident Bill Straw were destroyed by persons unknown. A shelter house at the park has been written on with paint.

During the local 21 day flag salute to our Country's Bicentennial several incidents of vandalism concerning the flags occurred. Several flag poles were stolen and the flag itself was stolen from Father Herman Kamlage's house on July 4th, of all days.

There are others! However, we'd like to ask what is happening to our moral fiber when such "disrespectful" deeds occur so frequently? Can nothing be done to protect decent people from such acts?

We urge any citizen who knows anything about these terrible deeds and others to come forth with the information. It is the duty of us all to help protect the rights of others, and in so doing to help protect our own rights as well!



20 and 40 years ago

Thursday, July 19, 1856

John P. Mayer was hired June 26 as Assistant and vocal director, and Miss Alana Dean Hubbard hired as the Home Economics teacher of Carlisle High School. Miss Hubbard is a native of Nicholas county.

The following young people from Carlisle received diplomas from Pagan's Business School in Lexington last week: Misses Sylvia Joy Owens, Chapucha (Pat) May and Marshall Huddell Jr.

Miss Loretta Farris, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Farris, left Tuesday for San Antonio, Texas where she will take up her duties in the ground women's Air Force basic training.

MARRIED—Miss Elizabeth Mendenhall to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Christian Camp in Fayette county; Martha M. Anderson, Linda Jean Power, Marjorie D. Wilson, Phyllis Ann Curtis, Elgin Ray Blake and Linda Clay.

Miss Nancy Talbert and Mrs. Bess Bromagen left Sunday afternoon for Lexington for three weeks special training at the University of Kentucky.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoyd of Sharpburg, a daughter, Myshell, July 13.—To Mr. and Mrs. Richard McCarty of Moorefield, a daughter, Marilyn Ann, July 10.—To Mr. and Mrs. James A. Flora, a son, Jeffrey Lane, July 12.

DIED—Carlos Watkins, 46, last Wednesday afternoon.

Letters from our readers

Thursday, July 16, 1936

One of the most severe hail storms in years passed through the Miranda Moorefield, Buzzard Roost, Locust Grove and Cassidy Creek sections of the county Saturday afternoon practically destroying tobacco, corn, and other crops and causing heavy damage to gardens, trees and other vegetation. Mrs. Henry Campbell, 78, fell to her death from a 90 foot railroad cut between Pleasant Valley and Cowan, just over the Nicholas county line in

(This columnist is bearish on vacations, so he is reporting this one written several years ago. It reappears by popular request of his Aunt Mabel, Bert-A-Bear, Inc. and the writer, who takes on a grizzly nature when the subject comes up.

"If he is so wild, what's he doing with a bandaid on his ear?" our son wanted to know.

"It's not a band-aid, but probably a metal tag to show he's had a rabies shot," his mother said.

"Or a Made-In-Japan label," I said.

"We were looking at a many little metal animals paid a bear in the park along a road in the Great Smokies last week. When he could dodge the army of tourists trying to take his picture, he'd rear up to a wild roar for a handout. He didn't look too wild to me, either, and I'm a wild bear hunter from away back.

"This is a genuine wild bear, son," I told him, "even if he's got spangles on his face."

"I'd just blown two weeks of vacation hunting wild bear and I want about to let this one go unappropriately named and duly recorded. It's the bear's nature of our family.

"When I was a little kid, my dad took me on a train ride to visit relatives. Soon after boarding, I got the usual childish urge from eating watermelon and dad pointed toward the back of the coach where there was a little room

Agree or Not

by S.C. Van Curen

FRANKFORT—The people of Kentucky may have just a round this week in the continuing effort to assert their right to know what and how their government is doing.

On the surface, at least, it appears to be an issue of little significance.

The executive director of the Kentucky Heritage Commission received an opinion from the Attorney General's Office that records relating to the commission's survey of historic sites and listings on the National Register of Historic Places can be closed to public inspection.

While an opinion of the Attorney General has no legal standing, Assistant Attorney General Carl Miller agreed with Heritage Commission Executive Director Eldred Melton that the agency's records could be a "shocking list" for vandals and thieves. Closing the records to public inspection, Miller said in his opinion, would be a reasonable protection against invasion of privacy under the state's open records statute.

In recent years, the Heritage Commission has performed an admirable and needed job of seeking out and attempting to protect historic buildings and sites across the Commonwealth.

The majority of buildings on the state survey and on the National Register are privately owned residences, and the Attorney General's opinion would seem to be appropriate protection of the privacy of citizens and property owners.

However, there are two very important reasons why Heritage Commission records, like the state majority of other government records, must be available for citizen inspection.

The single most important reason is that privately-owned buildings on the National Register of Historic Places are eligible for grants from the federal funds for renovation and restoration.

The contractors who complete the grade and drain on the Lower Jackson road today.

The residential lot of Sam Allison at Myers Station was completely destroyed by fire with practically all of its contents, Tuesday morning about 8 o'clock.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ziegler of Park Hills, a daughter on the 14th.

MARRIED—Miss Elsie Dampier and Robert Anderson at Flemingburg, Sunday.

DIED—William Dabell, about 70, Saturday at the county infirmary.

William Douglas Swapp, 80, a native of Nicholas county, Saturday his home in Paris—Connett Lee Buchanan, 50, on Saturday, July 11 at a hospital in Spokane, Wash.

public because of a possible invasion of property owners' privacy.

Historic buildings and homes often contain valuable furnishings and fixtures, and Mrs. Melton has a valid concern that vandals could conceivably use her agency's records as a "shocking list." By that same argument, however, city and county property tax assessments should be closed to public inspection on the possibility thieves could go to the lists, copy down the addresses of homes valued over \$75,000 and proceed on a similar kind of shopping spree.

The right of the people of Kentucky to know their tax money is being spent, to learn how their tax-supported governmental agencies are being operated, outweighs Mrs. Melton's fears. The Heritage Commission has a responsibility to all Kentuckians, not merely the owners of historic property, and its records must be open to reasonable inspection by the public and press.

If not, then some taxpayer should challenge both the action and the Attorney General's opinion in the courts. However minor it may seem, any failure to protect the right to know is a major loss of freedom.

OFF THE WALL

YOU CAN'T FOOL ALL THE PEOPLE ALL THE TIME... BUT AIRLINE SCHEDULES COME CLOSE

SAFETY SALES IN THE MERCURY

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Carlsle and Nicholas County

Blackberry Festival



The Nicholas County High School day. The majorettes are Vickie Wilson, majorettes are leading the way for the Ginger Myers and April Howard. High school bands in the Blackberry Festival parade in Carlisle last Thursday.



These three pioneers are marching through downtown Carlisle in last Thursday's Blackberry Festival parade. They are, left to right, Matthew Guthrie, Lynn Reynolds, and Joshua Guthrie—Smith photo.

Safeguarding your CB unit against theft

It's a simple matter for a thief to spot a Citizen's Band radio antenna and remove the CB unit from the car in moments, using a bolt cutter and screw driver. In one California city alone, some 300 CB units were reported stolen in a single month.

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The Louisville Automobile Club, an American Automobile Association affiliate, offers this advice:

—purchase CB units only from a reputable dealer. If a stolen unit is purchased, police can confiscate it and—if they can prove the buyer knew it was stolen—the purchaser becomes an accessory to the crime. If the seller refuses to give a receipt for the unit, don't buy it.

—after purchasing a CB, record the brand name, serial number, date and place of purchase. Store the information in a safe place at home.

—open the back of the unit and inscribe your driver's license number, social security number or some other identifying information on the metal of the unit with an electric engraving tool or sharp object. Also inscribe your initials in some obscure place, jettison

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Mercury vapors

by Warren R. Fisher

Turned off

Anonymous letters sort of turn us off. Why the individuals that write think we are ashamed to sign disapproves us... MV.

At a loss sometimes

The other evening while attending a meeting of the Blue Licks Commemorative Commission at Blue Licks Battlefield State Park, Mrs. Gene Hugdon was kind enough to tell us she enjoyed this column. Sometimes as we told her we're at a loss for something to write about that we think would be of general interest, but not so this week.

A nonsense poem

There was a woman named Mateus Who acted like a goose She sent out the wrong invitation To sparkle's biggest celebration...

In spite of what you may have heard or might hear, the Battle of Blue Licks celebration will be held Aug. 19 through 22, at Blue Licks Battlefield State Park.

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- 1-1—Signal Weak
- 1-2—Signal Good
- 1-3—Stop transmitting
- 1-4—Affirmative (OK)
- 1-5—Relay (Ho)
- 1-6—Busy
- 1-7—Out of Service
- 1-8—in Service
- 1-9—Say Again
- 1-10—Negative
- 1-11—On Duty
- 1-12—Stand By (Stop)
- 1-13—Existing Conditions
- 1-14—Message/Information
- 1-15—Message Delivered
- 1-16—Reply to Message
- 1-17—Enroute
- 1-18—Urgent
- 1-19—in Contact
- 1-20—Location
- 1-21—(Call) by Phone
- 1-22—Disregard
- 1-23—Arrived at Scene
- 1-24—Assignment Completed
- 1-25—Reply to (Meet)
- 1-26—Estimated Arrival Time
- 1-27—License/Permit Information
- 1-28—Ownership Information
- 1-29—Records Check
- 1-30—Donger/Condition
- 1-31—Pick Up
- 1-32—Units Needed
- 1-33—Specify Number/Type
- 1-34—Time

Russ Metz

Vacations from now on are going to be unbearable

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