

Kentucky Reflections

Edman
by George Street Boone

Piet Hints observed that sometimes he believes that life is too locked-box, each containing the other's key. Kentucky is currently struggling with the problem of crime and punishment. Although state funds have been provided to construct new facilities to house persons convicted of crimes, the state announces no construction plans but proposes to place convicted persons in several jails across the state. The proposal follows the devastating series of articles by John Filatreau describing the conditions within our penal system, articles which have been followed by a massive shakeup in our Department of Correction.

Long term incarceration in penal institutions is, surprisingly, an American idea. It is attributed to William Penn and its purpose was to reform rather than punish the offender.

The limits on state power over the individual have yet to be charted in the field of criminal sentencing. The state for any purpose and with any degree of severity. The Supreme Court has just reaffirmed that its constitution, in forbidding cruel and unusual punishment, does not forbid the death penalty.

Attitudes about criminal sentencing change and, until recently, the idea of rehabilitation had many thoughtful and careful observers have concluded that

rehabilitative efforts so far have had no appreciable impact on recidivism.

No one appears to have a satisfactory answer to either the causes or the control of criminal behavior—perhaps they are in the locked boxes we may some day be able to open. Meanwhile, what should determine the sentencing pattern? Should it be the offender's need for treatment? The seriousness of his offense? His dangerousness? The deterrence of others?

One who identifies a person who is a chronic child molester, or one who continually steals or burglarizes, he should be removed from society. He or she might be sequestered in institutions which have no aim other than confinement.

Imprisonment also might properly be required for crimes which cause or risk previous harm such as assault, armed robbery, and rape; but less severe penalties might be appropriate for less serious crimes. These penalties might include warnings, limited deprivations of leisure time and perhaps high fines in lieu of imprisonment.

To the extent that punishments are too severe, society and individuals are cast in antagonistic roles and this is an improper relationship.

Too many citizens think there is a necessary antagonism between society and the individual. It is this because in large measure the legislative activities of our society are singled out and we tend to identify the restrictions which affect us instead of identifying the

larger framework of the culture in which we live? Few people complain about driving on the right, while many fret the 55 MPH speed limit.

The increasing complexity of our culture and the proliferation of regulations tend to obscure the fact that we directly or through our representatives impose these restrictions upon ourselves. Sometimes the mindlessness of government frightens us and it is here, where we meet the enemy, that we should realize he is US.

Shepherd receives promotion in Texas

Roger Shepherd has been promoted to senior associate engineer.

Formerly an associate engineer, Roger joined IBM in 1973 at Lexington as an assembly trainee, transferring to Boulder, Colo. in 1974 as a junior engineer. He holds a B.S. degree in electrical engineering from the University of Kentucky. He has had three articles published in the IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin.

He is a graduate of Bourbon County High School and is married to the former Kay Earlywine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Earlywine.



Once upon a time . . . Mrs. Richard Chambers reads to Nicholas county children during Story Hour at the Nicholas County Library. Story Hour is sponsored by the Carlisle Photo

Hospital notes

July 2 to July 10, 1976. Visiting hours are 2 to 4 and 7 to 8:30 p.m. No one under 12 years of age permitted to visit.

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Saltwell

by Mrs. Fred Holler

Miss Martha and Daley Kennedy spent the past Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Blakeman and daughters of Lexington and attended the Bi-centennial parade in Lexington. Miss Penni Blakeman of the Brown Troop 301 in the parade.

Mr. and Mrs. Jane Jackson of the town of Sunday spent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Gaunce.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan Mattox spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holler.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Snapp spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Goodman, Paula and Angie of Lexington.

Tracy Holler spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stone and Denise in Carlisle.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley W. Caswell of Carlisle and Mr. and Mrs. Kenney Gaunce spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Gaunce and Norma.

The United Christian Men of the county will have their annual picnic at the City Lake on Friday, July 16 at 6 o'clock. Potluck supper will be served and Rev. Lonnie Mattiny, pastor of Shawnee Baptist Church, Louisville, is the speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie W. Cook, Carlisle, and Miss Suzanne Kenney of Springfield, visited Mr. and Mrs. Chester Mattox and family on Sunday night.

Miss Suzanne Kenney was Monday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holler. She also spent Monday night with Ruzena Mattox.

Mrs. Hicol Holler spent one day the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Snapp.

Miss Martha and Daley Kennedy were Monday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Blakeman and family in Lexington and enjoyed the fireworks at the football field.

Mrs. James Gaunce who has been a patient at St. Joseph Hospital the past few weeks was home Saturday and Sunday but returned on Sunday afternoon for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Henry spent several days vacationing in one of the southern states the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Snapp and Eddie of Cincinnati spent several days recently visiting their son James in Austin, Texas. They also spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Snapp.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Holler, Mr. and Mrs. Layne Holler, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Holler, Chris and Tracey were Tuesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerney, Jason and Greg, of Covington, spent Saturday with Mrs. Gladys Kenney.

J.W. Gaunce is not so well at his home here.

Mrs. Hicol Holler and Mrs. Rudy Holler visited Mrs. Fernie Alexander at a nursing home on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bule visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Snapp on Sunday night.

Diane Knippenberg returned home Friday from a week at the 4-H Camp, Lake Carmichael.

Mrs. Arnold Mattox and Mrs. Brenda Hupp returned home the past Thursday after a couple days visit with relatives in Breathitt county. They also spent several days visiting friends in North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee.

J.K. Maffett underwent surgery at Central Baptist Hospital this week and remains a patient there. Mrs. Maffett is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Buster

Laughlin and Mr. Laughlin of Lexington during the illness of Mr. Maffett.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Holler, Tracey and Chris, Mrs. Lena Ham, Mrs. Willie Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Galbraith and Andrea were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stone and Denise, honoring the birthday of Denise.

Garret Gaunce of Paris spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Gaunce. They dined at Mayville and visited Mr. and Mrs. Nick Martinaris and sons, also of Mayville in the afternoon.

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Seconds of inattention at poolside can be fatal

Seconds of inattention at the side of a swimming pool can be fatal for a young child, Robert Phillips, Safety Program Director for the Kentucky Division of American Red Cross, cautioned recently.

Lack of adequate adult supervision and of fences and locked gates at pools with either no fence, access through a space in the fence or under it, of unlinked gate. Careful adult supervision could have forestalled many if not most of these deaths.

"The great increase in numbers of backyard pools nationwide and here in Kentucky is simple reason to make us aware of the hazards," Phillips said. He recommended that pool owners take a water safety course offered by their local chapter of the Red Cross as a means of becoming more knowledgeable about safety precautions to be utilized in and around the pool.

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