

Opinion

Federal intervention

At least seven national studies have been made of our welfare program during the past 15 years since the late President John F. Kennedy provided the impetus for large-scale federal intervention into the welfare system. Both presidential candidates this past fall committed themselves to the goal of federal solutions to the welfare problem.

Yet for all this examination, the welfare system remains degrading and stigmatizing to the recipient, and inequitable and embarrassing to the taxpayer.

As stated in a comprehensive article by Douglas Hallett in the Jan. 8 issue of "Human Events," the following measures should be enacted into law:

- The gross income eligibility standard for the AFDC program should be limited to 100 per cent of the need standard. Although "modified flat-rates" systems such as those installed in California have controlled the phenomenon somewhat, federal expansion from welfare recipients' declared income still allow welfare for salaries as high as \$13,000 a year to continue to exist. In fact, often it is impossible for people to get off welfare once they get there.

One welfare mother earning \$400 qualified for a grant of \$229 after she had just paid another \$200 for her child, earned \$1,109 a month and still received an \$80 grant plus food stamps and medical benefits. Neither co-workers who had qualified for welfare if she had applied for AFDC benefits after, and not before, she took her job.

The federal government should accelerate efforts to remove from the rolls improper beneficiaries. Comprehensive cross-checking with tax records should be required. The Bates should be forced to impose criminal penalties for the misuse of welfare grants. Strikers should not receive AFDC benefits. The term "child"

should be explicitly defined as one below the age of 18. Federal matching funds should be provided for local law enforcement. The federal government should be authorized to investigate and prosecute the misuse of welfare funds. The existing family-support program should be reauthorized with requirements. The definition of "continued absence" from the home should be restricted to divorce, legal separation, institutionalization, and incarceration. All in excess of 30 days. Military personnel should be required to forward allotments of their pay for the support of their families. A non-needy person living with a welfare family should be required to provide support in the amount it would cost to support himself.

Work-requirement rules should be mandatory, and they should include public-service jobs at no additional pay, or other employment is not available. Sanctions should be imposed on able-bodied recipients who voluntarily refuse to be referred to look for or accept employment.

Welfare rules which hinder effective administration should be eliminated. Hearing and appeals processes should be simplified. Future grants should be awarded in a more timely, not one-overpayments. The squandering of lump-sum benefits from other sources should be prohibited. The federal government should be authorized to sue welfare recipients and can sue to help them find jobs. The use of welfare to provide them with sincere compassion.

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There is no one better qualified to administer the welfare system than those local persons who can provide the personal input necessary to see that the system works as it is intended—for the benefit of only those who need it.

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day in Bourbon County—Mrs. Beattie Hollar, 77, Carlisle, Wednesday, at a nursing home in Carlisle.

Thursday, January 26, 1977

Carlisle mobilizes to receive and care for 100 flood refugees; 38 members of Howlitz Company are quarantined at Maysville, receiving services in the Carlisle from Capt. Grimes Caywood, who is stationed with the men; Robert Henry and 12 men are stationed at Brooksville; after a week in which the maddy water from the Ohio has crept steadily to some heights, thousands have been driven from their homes; Licking River reached a flood stage Sunday night, higher than has been recorded for more than 100 years.

The office "devil" says: The Mercury's new editor is patrolling the water front in Mason county this week, admirably he called it a day, our weekly profile rural correspondence was divided in a more timely, not one-overpayments. The squandering of lump-sum benefits from other sources should be prohibited. The federal government should be authorized to sue welfare recipients and can sue to help them find jobs. The use of welfare to provide them with sincere compassion.

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FRANKFORT—The Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General's office had a busy year in 1976 with the handling of 2,600 complaints, Asst. Atty. Gen. Mark Stamm, who handles the consumer protection division, said.

A large majority of the complaints came about because the customer or the businessman just does not understand some agreements that are reached between them, Stamm said.

The areas in business that generate the most complaints to Stamm are:

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NATIONAL JAYCEE WEEK
Jan. 16-22

Mercury Soapers
A winter on your fingertips
As someone remarked the other day,

OFF THE WALL

THE WEATHER BUREAU IS A NON-PROPHET ORGANIZATION

will be one winter we'll not soon forget.

Carlisle like many other towns dependent primarily on natural gas for heating, has been notified that were over our allocation by Columbia Gas Company, and if we don't cut back and conserve, all of us, the city will be penalized. And any one should know without much thought upon when the penalty will fall—the customer.

—M.V.

Cold hands and fingers
My ability to type, has never been anything but a matter of course with cold hands and fingers, even thoughts are hard by one.

—M.V.

Chess
It is a funny thing, but while in Florida we found a source for Lindertraxer soft ripened cheese. It is made in Columbus, Ohio by Bordell and seemingly doesn't enjoy much sale in this area or maybe it is always sold out by the time I get there. One thing for certain, it doesn't stay good very long, and probably explains why it isn't on local grocery shelves.

—M.V.

Christmas card use
Key, who hasn't been getting out this winter very much, found a new use for old Christmas cards, prior to Christmas. They make wonderful tags to identify packages.

—M.V.

Mixed usage theme
Off the wall, a McNaught Syndicate chuckle, had to say lay month: "enjoy yourself! next month you'll be sentenced to die."

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Consumer Protection laws
The Consumer Protection laws were passed in 1972, and the division failed at the beginning of July of that year. "We must have had better legal people obligated to pay their just dues."

—M.V.

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January 23
7:00 p.m.

20 and 40 years ago
Thursday, January 24, 1937
Sixty-five people attended the meeting held Jan. 16, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and the Dairy Committee. Approximately 50 farmers interested in dairy production were present.

Several months ago Rev. J.J. Whitehouse announced to the official board of the Carlisle Christian Church his intention of retiring Jan. 1, 1937. He closed 45 years of ministering. Thirteen of those years were spent in Carlisle serving two different churches.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Carroll View, a daughter, Jan. 21—To Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thomas Jones, a daughter, Jan. 21—To Mr. and Mrs. John J. Hopkins, a son, John James Jr., Jan. 19—To Mr. and Mrs. Foster Watkins, Myers, a son, Billy Gene, Jan. 19.

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SALTWELL
Mrs. Roy Stapp returned home Saturday after several days treatment at Nicholas County Hospital. She is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Smith and Mrs. Isham Smith visited Mrs. Thomas Gooch and J.W. Gooch on Saturday. Our community extends sympathy to the family of Shelli Morris who passed away at Nicholas County Hospital on Friday. Funeral was conducted at Mothers-Savers Chapel on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Martha Kennedy and Dale Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Blakey and daughters were Wednesday guests of Mrs. and Mrs. Raymond Kennedy of Lexington, children of the 10th Military of Post Hikaneman, Carlisle, Ky. Mrs. Mabel Smith spent Friday night with Steve Lovell in Carlisle.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Knight, Mrs. Mary Kelly and children spent a couple days the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stone and Denise Doyle and family.

Chris Hollar spent Sunday night and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollar. Mrs. and Mrs. Donald Doyle and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Brody were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lee Peaback of Mt. Washington, near Louisville. Mr. Peaback is a teacher at Bullitt Central School there.

Headquarters group meets
Eight members of the Headquarters (Ho) Bakers met Jan. 4 at the Nicholas County Library. Mrs. Margie Wilson, Home Extension, attended.

Mrs. Reynolds Allison, president, presided over the regular business meeting. She gave the devotional and read the Ten Commandments of Human Relations.

The roll call was answered by "Our most memorable Christmas." A sack lunch was served at noon.

The February meeting will be at the library. There will be a Valentine exchange of gifts.

Mrs. Allison gave an interesting lesson on "Managing Your Feelings." Anyone, regardless of race or creed, who would like to join the club is asked to contact the president or come to the February meeting.

The meeting was adjourned after a recreation period.

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Inauguration day
Today, Jimmy Carter will be inaugurated President of the United States of America.

Inauguration day is always a time of rising expectations, increased hope for the future, and a setting for displaying national pride.

Our thoughts turn back to that first inauguration on April 30, 1789 when George Washington started the line of the American president.

At 12:30 the national capital was on Wall Street in New York City, and the inauguration was held out-of-doors and did not have the pomp and pageantry associated with it that it does today.

Washington, who was land poor, had to borrow the money with which to attend his inauguration.

His attire consisted of a white, rowed the large which took Washington from Elizabeth, N.J. to New York. Dressed in plain brown cloth, Washington took the oath of office, delivered a short speech, and launched America into the family of nations.

Thomas Jefferson was the first president inaugurated in the present Capitol of Washington, D.C. He walked to the ceremonies from Mrs. Corard's boarding house about a block away.

The Capitol was not finished at the time, and the inauguration was also halted by the refusal of outgoing President John Adams to have anything to do with it.

When Andrew Jackson was inaugurated, a mob of 20,000 people jammed the White House and rained ruins, furniture and glassware.

It was such a disastrous reception because Jackson was "a man of the people" and the first president not descended from an old and aristocratic family.

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Non-injury accident reported
A non-injury accident on Saturday afternoon around 4 p.m. has been reported by Nicholas County Sheriff Ralph Smeed.

Ralph Eugene Platt, Westland, Mich. driving a 1973 Charger attempted to make a 180° U-turn while on U.S. 48 about three miles north of Carlisle when the accident occurred.

Both cars were traveling west on U.S. 48 about three miles north of Carlisle when the accident occurred.

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