Opinion

Blood donors needed

On Monday, Oct. 16, the Nicholas County Ministerial Association will sponsor a mobile blood drawing at the Carlisle United Methodist Church between the hours of 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Much has been said in the last few months about the supply of blood to any given area. It seems that every month, a new appeal is issued because this supply is at a critical low. One would think that eventually, the donations would increase, thereby increasing the supply.

Unfortunately, this is not the case. Although response to local appeals has been good, the demand for blood grows greater every day. Too often, people do not think about donating blood until an accident or other catastrophe has struck in their lives. But before the blood that is needed during an emergency or regular surgery can be transfused, it must have gone through a rigid series of tests and typing to be sure that it is safe. This may take up to six hours before the operation. That means that the pint of blood to be transfused must have come from a willing donor prior to that time. It also means that the person who donated may never know the beneficiary of his gift.

Approximately 130 pints of blood are transfused daily throughout the 33 hospital system serviced by the Central Kentucky Blood Center. This means that approximately 300 people need to be screened each day to meet the average daily blood needs—for this does not include times when, because of disaster, the need is even greater. However, only about 100 to 150 people attempt to donate on any given day, therefore the gap must be filled by appeals for the basic needs of individual surgeries.

The need for blood is continuous and the only source of supply is from people —people willing to volunteer to donate on a regular basis. If every eligible person decided to give once a year or more, there would be no need for appeals.

If you are between the ages of 18 to 66, if you weigh over 110 pounds, if you have not had a history of hepatitis or other infectious disease, if you are not under prescribed medications—Nicholas countians we need you!

The Nicholas County Ministerial Association is working to find enough eligible donors in Nicholas county to meet our quota for the year of 340 pints. Please volunteer to donate on Monday, Oct. 10.

'4-H freedom to be'

During National 4-H Week Oct. 2-8, 4-H members will be exploring the theme, "Freedom to Be". Over the years, 4-H has helped millions of boys and girls grow into self-directed, productive and contributing members of society. It has done this through an informal, learn-by-doing approach to education, in which young people choose their own projects and set individual goals for achievement.

In Nicholas county there are 625 4-Hers between the ages of nine and 19 who belong to 12 organized clubs. These youth participate in 20 project or activity groups.

In celebration of 4-H week, local 4-Hers will hold a hayride Saturday starting at the courthouse and going to Blue Licks for a hog dog supper.

The strengths of 4-H come from several sources. The Cooperative Extension Service of the land-grant universities, state and local governments, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture provide substantial resources and versatility for the 4-H program. Private sector donors—businesses, foundations and individuals—contribute significant financial and technical assistance. And parents who are involved in 4-H help to reinforce their children's learning experiences in the program.

But the real key to the success of 4-H lies in the hundreds of thousands of volunteers, 137 of these in Nicholas county, who lead organized clubs and special interest groups or serve as advisors at the local level. It is estimated that for every hour spent on 4-H by a professional extension worker, a volunteer leader spends 10 hours. This amounts to about 20 eight-hour days each year.

Volunteer leaders provide healthy adult-youth relationships, teach skills, and give supervision and encouragement. Although the number of leaders has doubled in the past decade, even more will be needed if 4-H is to offer positive educational opportunities to increasing numbers of youth. We can't think of a better way to invest in America's third century than by volunteering time and talents to help prepare young people for the future.

Pesticide applicators deadline approaches

Anyone who uses pesticides designated for "restricted-use" has until Oct. 21 to become certified as required by federal law. This includes private applicators, such as farmers here in Nicholas county, and commercial applicators.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has not yet designated which pesticides will be classified for restricted use. However, they will be the products that require controls in addition to label instructions.

Training required for certification is being provided by the Cooperative Extension Service. Certification is handled by the Kentucky Department for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection in Frankfort.

Farmers and other private applicators should contact their county Extension office to arrange for training. This involves about a two-hour educational meeting conducted by the county Extension agent for agriculture. There is no charge for the training or for certification of private applicators, and they are not required to pass a written test.

Training for commercial applicators is available by contacting the Agricultural Science Center North, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky. 40506. Commercial applicators are required to pass a written test, show evidence that they are adequately insured and pay fees for certification and for each piece of equipment operated.

Kentucky currently leads the nation in this program, with over 74,000 private applicators and 11,000 commercial applicators already trained

Dampier on Cane Ridge Board; 50-year-old cigars found intact

Thursday, October 10, 1957

Custer Blair and Miss Jimmie Henry have purchased the insurance interests of Russ & Parker. The new firm will be located in the Deposit Bank Building, and known as Russ & Parker Insurance Agency.

Johnny's Beauty Shop has been purchased by Miss Faye Moreland. The name has been changed to Faye's Cut and Curl.

The Carlisle Musketeers edged by the M.M.I cadets Friday, Oct. 4 to extend their winning streak to four straight.

Elmer Dampier has been elected to represent the Carlisle Christian Church on the Cane Ridge Board of Trustees.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Emery Clark Jr. of Auburn, Ala., a son, Emery Clark III, Oct. 1.—To Mr. and Mrs. Bronson McCarty, a son, Bronson Jr., Sept. 30.

MARRIED—Miss Peggy Aline Pagan to A/3c Marion Ruddle Bedsig, Sept. 28 in Tuscon, Ariz.—Miss Nancye Ann Sexton, Carlisle, to Lee Franklin Russell, Moorefield, Oct. 3.—Miss Brenda Joyce Moss, Carlisle, to Odus B. Giles Jr., Cynthiana, Sept. 7 in Jeffersonville, Ind.

DIED—H.L. Bailey, 71, Saturday.—Chester Thompson, 68, Shelbyburg, Tuesday at his home.—Raymond C. Ham, 40, Thursday.—Mrs. Hazel Berry Bost, 70, at her home in Williamson, W. Va. Friday.—Mrs. Audrey Mable Frederick, 50, at her home in Headquarters. —Carey E. Ramey, 70, Berkeley, Calif., at his home Saturday.—Joseph Douglas Booth, 96, Paris, Monday in Lexington.

Thursday, October 14, 1937

While tearing down a portion of the old tavern across the road from Forest Retreat last week, D.F. Caswell found a number of cigars which had been placed behind the ceiling in one of the rooms. The cigars were perfectly preserved. The ceiling was put on with hand-cut nails and Mr. Caswell said the cigars had been in place for 50 years or more. Governor Metcalfe died of fevers in the same room where cigars were found during the Cholera epidemic of the 1840s.

Fisher Gaffin, who has been assisting in chemistry at New York University for the past two years, has accepted a position with the J.T. Baker Chemical Company of Phillisburg, N.Y. He will be located in their Chicago office, where he will do sales promotion work.

A general rain throughout the county Wednesday morning was welcomed by farmers as well as citizens of Carlisle. Stock water is extremely scarce and the lake is low.

Clyde Miller, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Miller of Barterville, is recovering from the bite of a black widow spider.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. John Conyers, a son, Oct. 8.—To Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barbee of near Locust Grove, a daughter, Oct. 7.

MARRIED—Miss Ada Ruth Reid and James Cassidy at Berea, Sunday.—Mrs. Fannie Fiora Frazier of Paris, and C.E. Smith, L&N operator, in Covington, Sept. 25.—Miss Gladys Gay Humphrey of Alexandria, Ohio, and Forest Dale Evans of Jamestown, Ohio, here Sunday.

DIED—Mrs. Lizzie Cora Edwards, 72, Oct. 4 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Oval Fuller in the Mt. Moriah section.

Legislative session opening Jan. 3, next to earliest date possible

By S. C. Van Curen

FRANKFORT—While only 13 bills have been approved for pre-filing by various interim committees, there will be more than 200 before the 1978 legislative session opens Jan. 3, next to the earliest date possible.

The biennial sessions open the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January.

The pre-legislative session opens Dec. 1, a Thursday, at Kentucky Dam Village. The first two days will be orientation for newly-elected legislators, and the remainder will begin the full conference that Saturday and stay in session until noon Monday, Dec. 5, in time to adjourn to make the opening basketball game at the University of Kentucky.

Legislators will be furnished a pre-legislative session of the Legislative Record at Kentucky Dam Village with all of the pre-filed bills listed.

In December 1975, there were 76 pre-filed bills in the Record.

When the session opened in January 1976, there were 249 pre-filed bills in the Legislative Record, while a total of 1246 were filed during the session. The cutoff date for filing bills last session was one week before the session closed. Presumably, it will be the same in the 1978 session since it takes a minimum of five days, with speed-up procedures, to process a bill through both houses.

Although 13 bills have been approved for pre-filing, the pre-filing date doesn't open until Nov. 15, Gary Luhr, Legislative Research Commission coordinator, said. Then, bills may be pre-filed up to opening day of the regular session.

Last session Senate committees pre-filed 35 bills, and 30 were filed by individuals before the session started. The House filed more, 141 by committees and 43 by individual House members.

Luhr said last week that the agenda for the pre-legislative conference has not been established, but one of the most important actions the legislators will take is the selection of leadership. While not formally approved at the pre-legislative conference, the selection always has been automatic the first week of the regular session. This is usually one of the first orders of business along with approval of joint resolutions setting up the pay schedule for legislators and adoption of rules by both branches for the regular session.

All leadership in both branches of the legislature will be returning this coming session, but they most win election. However, rarely does leadership change during a governor's term in office. But, there have been some rumblings, particularly in the Senate, that some of the leadership will be challenged. Senator John Berry, D.—New Castle, has told newsmen that he will seek a leadership role this coming session. There have been some others, but seasoned observers here seem to think the chances are slim there will be any changes.

Some of the topics likely to be discussed at the pre-legislative conference in December are reports from Gov. Carroll's Educational Task Force and the Municipal Statutes Revision Commission report.

Meanwhile, all departments and the governor's budget staff are busy preparing the budget he will present to the 1978 legislature. This isn't likely to be completed before middle or late December.

There may be some discussion on the budget at the conference in early December, but not too much in detail. State Rep. Joseph Clarke, D.—Danville, is chairman of the Appropriations and Revenue Committee, which is considered by many the most important committee of the legislature.

Clarke and his staff are constantly reviewing finances of state government, but the governor in most cases, is always able to get his budget through with minor changes.

Letters

Editor, The Carlisle Mercury:

By the time this tribute to the Rev. H. Dallas Sugg appears in The Carlisle Mercury, Dallas and Marvine will be busily unpacking in their new home, and we Nicholas countians will be beginning to try to fill the great void left when these two great people pulled up their roots in answer to do God's work in Columbia, Tenn.

Rev. Sugg was not only pastor to his Baptist flock, but rather, he was a warm, loving, concerned Christian who considered all of God's children his flock. Even more than that, Dallas was a true friend to all in need.

Cicero of ages ago wrote: "A true friend is one to whom you can speak as though you are speaking to yourself." Cicero must have been thinking of Dallas when he wrote that line.

Many things that Dallas did were listed in the Sept. 22 edition of this paper. These only reflect outwardly the mind and heart of the inward man. Dallas is a "man for all seasons!"

I have known and worked with Dallas for approximately nine and one-half years. In that length of time one gets to know the other person very well. If I had to sum up him and his ministry, I'd say, "Dallas, you were another Christ in our midst".

Just as the Apostles felt lost at first when Jesus ascended into heaven, so we too feel lost now. But like they, we'll try to follow in Christ's footsteps as you have taught and shown us and live up to the memory of one who loved and gave 10 years of his life for us.

Thank you Dallas for all you have done for us! We are all better off for having known you. But...we miss you!

Your friend,
Herman B. Kamlage
Pastor, Shrine of
Our Lady of
Guadalupe

Mercury Evapors

by Warren R. Fisher

Out-of-gas!

Headline in Tuesday morning's Herald: "Gas Filibuster Ends"; guess they, Senators Metzenbaum and Abourezk ran out of gas.

—MV—

Scarcity

A feature in The Ashland Independent Sunday about the scarcity of insulation, noted that only contractors were being supplied if and when area dealers had same.

Locally, Reid & Vice, Inc. is getting calls from persons in the Morehead area seeking insulation. I gather they are moving the stuff on a first come, first served basis, as long as it lasts.

Beginning next week the annual Warp's campaign gets underway, most generally when Warp's begins to advertise their plastic sheeting for covering windows and stopping drafts—cold weather is either here or just around the corner.

—MV—

Like sardines

Rob Lane and his journalism class from Nicholas County High School paid us a visit last Thursday. It's doubtful they got much out of their inspection—they tended to out-number themselves. Such a wave of humanity caused the old building to creak, making me apprehensive for both equipment and their welfare. As far as we know, all survived.

—MV—

Autumn Olives

Of which I started with some 25 switches in 1967 or '68 supplied by the Nicholas County Soil Conservation Service, namely Bill Threlkeld. Of the 25 about ten have reach maturity, 10 to 15 feet tall. Their berry-laden branches provide birds and other wildlife with attractive food during September and early October. Frankly they are not the type of berry that I like, but have an astringent taste, they may used for making jelly, but I don't think I care to deprive the birds. The plants are beginning to sprout all over the lot at Lake Carnico, as well as adjacent lots.

In 1969 I was complaining of their slow growth and received the following: 'May I suggest that you show this publication to your Autumn Olive "trees" and tell them that this is what good olive trees do. Maybe they will be motivated to really get productive. The booklet refers to fertilizing at time of setting out but not otherwise. However I expect some 10-10-10 will relieve their "tired blood" feeling'. Bill T.

I suppose I did show them the booklet, 'cause they've been growing well, and additionally they've gotten a handful of fertilizer whenever the mood strikes, usually in the spring, whether it is called for or not.

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Court system guide

Supreme Court Clerk Martha Layne Collins makes a point about a new court system study guide as she and Dr. James Graham, superintendent of public instruction, review the guide. The teacher's manual on the state's new court system is being made available to Kentucky schools through the Supreme Court Clerk's office and the state Department of Education.

Paris Lioness Club Antique Show Oct. 7-9

The Paris Lioness Club is sponsoring its second annual Antique Show Oct. 7 thru 9 at the American Legion Park, East Main Street, Paris.

The show will be from 4 to 10 p.m. on Friday; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

An estimated 20 dealers from Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky will operate in the event which is an authentic antique show, not a flea market. Some of the items the dealers will have for sale are Zanesville pottery, antique jewelry, old coins, Haviland and Nippon china, cut glass, pattern glass, cranberry glass, art glass, silver deposit glass, Tiffany-type stained glass lamps, furniture, silver and copper lustre.

All proceeds from the show will go toward the club's community works and charity.

For those attending the show, refreshments will be sold by the American Legion Auxiliary. Their main feature will be country ham sandwiches, home made pies, sandwiches and soft drinks.

Admission to the show is $1.50 per person and is good for all three days.

Mrs. Tony Johnson is chairman of the antique show, with co-chairmen being Mrs. Garnett Swindle, Mrs. Bob Smart and Mrs. Bruce Forsythe, assisted by the membership of the Paris Lioness Club.

All of the antiques at the event will be for sale by the dealers.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers says that about 50,000 dams restrain rivers in the United States, but only 58 percent of all sites with hydroelectric potential in the continental United States have been dammed.

Kentucky reflections

By George Street Boone

In these soft autumn days when the Governor's Task Force on Education moves toward reporting, legislative committees and subcommittees and governmental departments are addressing themselves to the problems of a state budget.

As are most governmental activities in Kentucky, whether road building, education or patronage, budget making is dominated by the governor's office and the executive department is receiving and examining requests for funding from all branches of government.

While revenue measures must originate in the state House of Representatives, in practice the House examines a budget prepared by the executive department. The depth and effectiveness of that examination depends in part upon the qualities of legislative leadership and in part upon what the legislators are permitted to do. If a legislative committee becomes well versed in the arcane budgetary procedures, it may find its staff depleted or its powers restricted.

Even if we recognize, as Oliver Wendall Holmes said, that taxes are what we pay for civilized society, there still remains a wide range of opinions as to what we should buy. There is also a wide range of opinion as to how the purchase price should be raised.

Innovative programs in tax fields in other states should interest Kentuckians. A major current political issue in California is property tax reductions for homeowners. As in Kentucky, local governments in California tend to rely upon property taxes, and soaring California home prices coupled with the rising costs of local government have shifted local tax burdens from businesses to homes. Governor Brown wants to use state sales taxes and income tax funds to finance rebates to homeowners, with the rebates tied to income levels so the poor would get back more proportionately than the rich. Conservative Republicans oppose changing tax collections. They oppose the Brown plan.

The concept of paying property tax rebates from the state treasury has been pushed by a federal advisory commission on intergovernmental relations and is modelled on a program used in Michigan. New Jersey has given tax rebates to homeowners from a state income tax.

At the expense of large residential consumers, Florida's Public Service Commission has voted 2 to 1 to continue a controversial utility rate structure that rewards homeowners who use small amounts of energy. Florida Power & Light, the state's largest electric company, had sought to abandon the plan, imposed on it in July as a condition for a $195 million rate rise authorized by the Commission. The Commission chairman, Paula Hawkins, describes the aim of the policy to encourage energy conservation and to provide a "lifeline" of minimum service to low income people, arguing that the utility companies should end the practice of giving discounts to heavy energy users. Florida Power & Light says excessive conservation could reduce its efficiency and criticizes the plan as a crude and costly way to help low income customers. It said, "The rate-making process should not be the place to cure social ills". Presumably, the company feels rate-fixing is the proper place to give advantage to the business community. Four other states, including Georgia, have some form of bargain rates for low-energy users.

With the escalating costs of building power plants and heavy cost of fuels, Kentucky might examine these programs to discourage demand.

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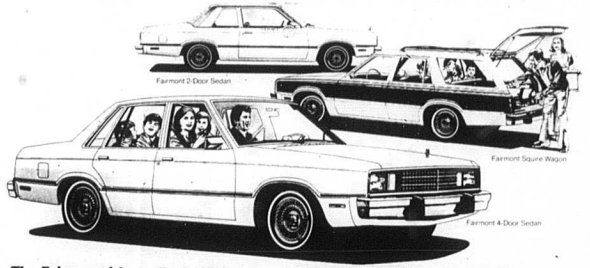

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