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Citizens committee seeks new doctor or doctors

A citizen's committee has been formed to recruit a new doctor or doctors to serve Carle and its medical population of 10,000 persons. The pressing need for more family physicians for this community was brought to the attention of the hospital board some months ago by Dr. Wendell Kingsolver, chief of the medical staff of the hospital. Dr. Kingsolver was asked by the board to form a physicians recruitment committee and begin operations to seek more medical help for

this community. The committee has been formed, has met, and letters of recruitment have been written as well as several contacts with family practice residents have been made. Members of the committee are Ralph Shaver, Dr. Wendell Kingsolver, Ken Urlage, Tom Metcalf, Mrs. Harold Letton, Mrs. Joe Smart, Andy Dudley, Nate Young, Wayne Shinnick and Mrs. Wendell Kingsolver. Mr. Shaver was elected chairman of this committee when it met Sept. 7. Dr.

Kingsolver has agreed to act as vice-chairman and medical consultant for the committee. Representing the whole medical staff, Dr. Kingsolver asked that the entire community become involved in recruiting one or more well-qualified family practitioners to practice in Carle. If anyone has, through personal or family contacts, any knowledge of a potential qualified physician for the community, please inform a member of the committee.

Filing deadline sees eight persons after six Council seats

Eight persons filed for the six City Council seats; four filed for the mayoral post; one filed for Constable in District 1; and one filed to fill the unexpired School Board term in District 3 as the filing deadline arrived last Wednesday for the Nov. 8 Election. Candidates for City Council are: Julian Green, Robert A. Paul, Clarence A. Cord, Charles Fay, Alex Crawford,

all incumbents, and Carol Sparks, Bobby Lewis Barnett, and Franklin M. Hughes. The four men who have filed for the office of the Mayor of Carle are Lee Bentz, Clinton Weng, Oliver Veach Berry, and incumbent, William Power. Herbert Cecil Duncan will run unopposed to fill the unexpired one year, School Board term in District 3. Mr. Duncan was appointed to this position in April after Roy Lantville resigned. James W. Coy will run unopposed for Constable in Magisterial District 1. Democrats who will run unopposed, after wins in the May 24 Primary, are Reese Smoot, County Judge/Executive; Rose Scott, County Clerk; J.W. Eason, Jr., Sheriff; Lynn Bowles, Jailor; Rose Howard Brady, Property Valuation Administrator; Ralph E. Shaefer, Coroner; and Lovell "Bob" Livingston, Jack W. Randolph, Orville "Bud" Atkinson, Magistrate.

Democratic candidate Melvin Fryman will face Republican Jimmy Wells for Magistrate in District 1; and Democrat Paul Tischer will face Republican Herbert L. McClanahan in District 2. Mr. Tischer was the only incumbent Magisterial candidate to win in the Primary. State Representative Adrian Arnold, County Attorney Joseph H. Conley, District 18 Judges Wayne Fitzgerald and G. A. Fumaloro were automatically elected as they were all unopposed in the Democratic Primary in May. The question of whether to call a convention for the purpose of revising or amending the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky will be decided by the voters on Nov. 8.

Rev. Sugg resigns pastorate

Rev. H. Dallas Sugg has announced his resignation from the First Baptist Church to become effective Oct. 2. The announcement was made in the congregation on Wednesday evening, Sept. 14. He has been pastor of the church since Dec. 1, 1967. On Dec. 4, 1976, Rev. Sugg became the pastor to serve the longest term of service in the 154 year history of the church. He also has the distinction of now being the pastor who has served one church the longest in Bracken County. He has been pastor of the following churches: the longest in Bracken County comprises seven counties. Rev. Sugg has served two terms as the representative from this association to the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Executive Board. He also has served for several years as the pastor for the Kentucky Baptist Pastor's Conference. He has held various offices in both the association and the Kentucky Baptist Convention Executive Board.

An active Rotarian, in 1973 he was presented with Rotary's Service Above Self Award. He also received from the Carle Jaycees in 1977 the Distinguished Service Award. He is a member of the Doughty Lodge No. 85. On Dec. 4, 1976, Rev. Sugg became the pastor to serve the longest term of service in the 154 year history of the church. He also has the distinction of now being the pastor who has served one church the longest in Bracken County. He has been pastor of the following churches: the longest in Bracken County comprises seven counties. Rev. Sugg has served two terms as the representative from this association to the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Executive Board. He also has served for several years as the pastor for the Kentucky Baptist Pastor's Conference. He has held various offices in both the association and the Kentucky Baptist Convention Executive Board.

Mrs. Sugg has been a member of the Carle Community Woman's Club having served as its president for two years. She also has served in other related offices of the club. Her activities in the church have been varied and many. She has served for the almost 10-year period as church secretary. Presently she is employed as Computer Writer operator at the Carle Mercery. Their older daughter, Melicent, was active in the local church and school programs before her marriage to Harry Lynn Clinkenbeard. She and her husband now reside in Columbus, Ind. Mrs. Sugg is a member of the East Columbus Christian Church. She has taken a leave absence from her position with the Republic newspaper to devote her full time to being the mother of Christy Lee, the Suggs' grand-daughter. Alicia, their younger daughter, is also active in the local church and community activities. She has served as Little League cheerleader for both basketball and football. She was a member of the Nicholas County Elementary High School drill team. The Suggs will be moving to Columbia, Tenn. on Oct. 4 where he will assume his duties as pastor of the Highland Park Baptist Church.

Bentz seeking office of Mayor

Lee Bentz has filed as a candidate for the office of Mayor of the City of Carle in the November election. A native of Reading, Penn., he moved to Carle in May of 1971 where he accepted a position as agent for an insurance company. Prior to that, Mr. Bentz said, he was self-employed in Buford, S.C. for 23 years where he operated a military clothing store and a cleaning and laundry business. He is a member of the Carle First Baptist Church, VFW, American Legion (in Buford) and a past member of the Buford Jaycees. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and retired from the Marine Corp Reserve in October, 1976 with the rank of 1st Sergeant. Mr. Bentz resides on Broadway with his wife, the former Edith Lyman, daughter of Monroe Joseph Lyman of Carle and the late Holman Lyman.



Two persons appointed delegates to Governor's Conference on Education

Nicholas County Superintendent of Schools Don Elder and Mrs. Joseph H. Conley have been appointed as delegates to the Governor's Conference on Education to be held in Louisville Oct. 4-7.

The conference is being called to review the reports and recommendations of the subcommittees of the Governor's Task Force on Education under the directorship of Don Stephens. The 46-member Task Force, appointed early this year, was followed in April with the appointment of approximately 600 additional interested citizens who served on 25 subcommittees chaired by members of the Steering Committee. Their reports will be reviewed by the newly appointed 420 delegates to the Conference in October.

Cancer Society to elect officers

The Nicholas County Chapter of the American Cancer Society will elect officers for the coming year when they meet on Tuesday, Oct. 4 at the First National Bank at 7 p.m. All present directors, officers and any persons interested in participating in the cancer society are asked to attend.

Rotary Club fish fry is Sept. 30

The Carle Rotary Club is sponsoring a fish fry on Friday, Sept. 30 in the yard of the Nicholas County Courthouse. Charles Cox is chairman of the event, which will be from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Dinners will be \$1.00 per plate and a carry out service will be offered. All funds raised in the event will be used to finance the club's community projects.

American Legion Post scholarship

American Legion Post 17 of Nicholas county announces that there will be a \$500 scholarship given to a graduate of Nicholas County High School at the end of 1977-78 school year. This scholarship will be based on scholastic ability and need of the student. "The post decided this would be one way of helping the youth of our country. We hope this can be an annual scholarship," Commander Cartmel Lester said.

Local merchants to meet today

The local merchants will meet on Thursday, Sept. 22, at the First National Bank from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m.

The purpose of the meeting will be to inform retailers of several recently enacted or anticipated changes in laws and regulations both at the state and national level. Subjects to be discussed will include minimum wage, bid checks, layaways, OSHA, workmen's compensation, small claims courts and related laws. The meeting is free and open to all retail merchants. The discussion will be led by a staff member of the Kentucky Retail Federation. Additional information may be obtained from Scott Martin, manager of the Southern States Dept., who serves as the local chairman of the meeting.

Legislature holds key

Broad taxation power is plum if proposal by MSRC should pass

City officials in Kentucky would be given broad, sweeping powers of taxation and for use of tax monies in a proposal making its way toward the legislature.

That same proposal, however, would make it more difficult for the taxpayer to find out what the city officials are doing with his money.

The proposal has been drafted by the Municipal Statutes Revision Commission, made up largely of city officials from across the state, established by a bill approved by the General Assembly in 1976.

Legislation called for the group to review statutes pertaining to city government and, hopefully, come up with a uniform code of statutes that would apply to all cities.

Although the proposal drafted by the commission recently doesn't meet the goal of providing completely uniform statutes for all classes of cities, it does go a long way toward eliminating the hodgepodge of laws which have been written and added to the law books in a piecemeal fashion over the years.

While giving some uniformity to laws that apply to the six classes of cities, the commission has gone much farther—too far, some say—in giving local officials control over city government than does any current statutes.

One Frankfort attorney who has been close to the commission since it was formed back in August, 1976, says he believes the commission's attempt to give local authorities such broad powers could create problems in trying to sell the proposal to the General Assembly and, ultimately, to the public.

"Coming on the heels of the Judicial Article, which brought about changes in our court system that the public neither understands nor wants, I think the

commission is going to have a difficult time selling the public on a proposal giving city officials authority to do many things that they can't do now without approval of the legislature."

"It's a matter of fact," he continued, "I'm not sure that even the legislators are ready to give up their say about what cities can do in their own areas."

He cites as an example one section of the commission's draft which would permit city officials to exercise the same power beyond boundaries that they exercise in the city, except for taxation and penal regulation.

This section specifically gives cities the right to eminent domain outside, as well as inside, the city limits.

Another section would give cities the same immunity as the state against suits for injury or damages, including suits for such actions as excessive force by police officers. All claims against cities would be vested in the state board of claims, as are claims against the state.

Cities could "Maximize" tax revenues, according to the commission, by taking advantage of a section of the proposed legislation that permits municipalities to impose and administer any law authorized by the Kentucky constitution unless such law is prohibited by statute.

And, while cities would be required to have public funds audited each year, the commission would no longer have these audit reports sent to the state Auditor of the Public Accounts. Instead, copies of the audit reports would go to the Department of Local Government, which has no mechanism for doing anything with the reports other than to file them away.

If city taxpayers wanted to take a close look at the city's finances to see just how their money was being spent, the new proposed legislation would require them to visit city hall.

The commission recommends that cities no longer be required to publish financial statements showing who gets their money and how much. Neither would cities be required to publish a summary of new ordinances adopted by city legislative bodies, and then only after the ordinance had been adopted.

And city officials could spend up to \$500 without having to advertise for bids. That's double the amount the legislature decided last year was a reasonable limit on non-solicited contracts.

In the area of conflict of interest, the commission says it sees nothing wrong with conflicts so long as other city officials know about them.

"This section... does not prohibit conflicts," it merely requires that conflicts be disclosed," says the commentary of the commission following one section of the drafted legislation.

The commission is expected to meet late this month or early next month to get the finishing touches on their proposal, then send the recommendations to the General Assembly for consideration when that body meets in January.

Not a hand!

Mr. Potato Head? For some of you parents whose children have this toy, you may see a resemblance. At least that's what it looks like to me. Actually it is a cluster of potatoes which have grown together in a very unusual shape on the farm of Thurmond Snapp and his sister, Mrs. Pearl Miller of Barterville. Mrs. Miller brought it to the elementary school Monday, where she is employed, to show fellow employees, and Chester Bretz thought it unusual enough to bring it to the Mercury office.—Duncan photo

Reminder!

David Zachary, treasurer of the Fair Tax Committee asked Tuesday that voters submit their donations to him this week as the attorney's fee for our court system has been set by the court. Open Tuesday morning.