

# Opinion

## Up to Congress

The only thing wrong with U.S. Rep. Carl D. Perkins' plan to set up a synthetic fuel corporation is that it makes too much sense and will therefore have a hard road through the Congress. But this is one time that Rep. Perkins' fellow Congressmen should put aside special interests and vote for good sense.

The events of the past few weeks have shown all of us just how dependent we are on gasoline—and how dependent that gasoline is on foreign crude oil imports. America has become a nation of gasoline junkies and the OPEC nations have us hooked. The United States imports almost half of the oil it uses each day and as a result the balance of payments deficit, the difference between what we pay as a nation for foreign goods and what they, in return, pay to us for our products, rises each year and it is not in our favor.

Rep. Perkins says that the American people are ready to conserve and ready to take intelligent measures to achieve that conservation. The problem, he says, is leadership. We agree. One of our leaders has done anything more radical than advocate conservation and in explanation, that is, they did not do anything up until

last week, when the National Guard had to be activated in several states because of truckers' protests directly linked to ballooning price of fuel.

The United States must come to the realization that the fossil fuel system of transportation and energy we now have will always leave us dependent on some foreign oil. What we, as a nation, must do is reduce the amount so that we are not entirely dependent on overseas oil. Rep. Perkins' bill promises to do that and more, it promises to lead some direction to our haphazard approach to the energy problem.

Long gas lines and empty tanks are a direct result of interconnected policy decisions by the U.S. government and the multi-national oil companies. It was no surprise to read in Sunday's papers that U.S. production of gasoline fell off about the time the Iranians were deposing the Shah. That is typical of our approach to energy—so long as the pumps are open today, to hell with tomorrow. That tomorrow may already be here, and hell it will be if the OPEC nations ever decide to refuse to sell the U.S. any oil, despite the number of inflated dollars we promise to give for it. Something should have been done long ago, but now that there is a sensible approach to part of the problem it will be interesting to see how the Congress reacts.

## Down Memory Lane

### Nicholas host to Iowa 4-Hers; Sherwood retires after 37 years

Thursday, July 2, 1979  
Nicholas and Harrison Counties will be hosts to the 41 Iowa 4-Hers and their leaders July 1-7. They will arrive by chartered bus and will be guests in local homes.

Clay and Estill Hunt have purchased an appliance and television shop from Jerry Wilson on South Locust Street and have moved from the Patton building to the new location.

The following officers of the Carlele Rotary Club will be installed July 2: M. Custer Blair, president; Joe F. Conley, vice president; Arthur V. Allison, secretary; and Foster Pymura, treasurer. Two new directors are C.H. Ezzie and Joe Crouch.

Mollie Jean Piers of Myers has been named to the Dean's List of the College of Education, University of Kentucky for the second semester.

Jackie Shepherd is assisting Youth Fellowship Week which is being

held this week at M.M. in Millersburg. **BORN** — To Mr. and Mrs. Gary Street of Fayetteville, Ohio, a son, Keith O'Brien, June 20 — To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones, a son, Steve Lane, June 24 — To Mr. and Mrs. Earl Williams, a daughter, Maria Ann, June 26.

**MARRIED** — Miss Barbara Barton, to Donald Sheldis, June 28 in Louisville.

The following officers of a speaker team stood at the campaign rally in Shelbyville for Lieutenant Governor Ken Johnson.

**BORN** — To Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ganser, of the county, June 18, a daughter — To Mr. and Mrs. Otis Thomas Curtis of the county, June 21, a daughter — To Mr. and Mrs. James Rly Fryman of the county, June 23, a son.

**DIED** — Edward Inlow, 76, formerly of Nicholas County at his home in Paris, June 27, 1979 — Mrs. Mattie Bowen Crump, 88, Saturday — Mrs. Flossie F. Neat Mott, 84, Monday at her home on the Lower Jackson Road.

There are 2,187 children of school age in Nicholas County, the census reports. The average Joe would like to own a car, but he would like to pay off the mortgage on his home. But you would find many politicians organizing such a benefit for him.

The candidate knows the risk. He should shoulder the responsibility.

## Summer youth program employs 16 in Nicholas

A summer youth program funded by the Comprehensive Education and Training Act (CETA) is employing 16 Nicholas County youths this year.

Places of employment must be nonprofit or governmental in nature and students must meet certain qualifications to be eligible for participation.

The program will run for seven weeks and end July 27. Students and their employers are:

- Etzel Edwards, Charley Williams, Ricky Moore and Gary Williams, Nicholas County Board of Education;
- Gerald Bringer and Clifford Thompson, City of Carlisle; Barbara Dale, Edna Trussell and Charles Willoughby, Nicholas County Hospital; Bridgette Young and Trudy Parsons, Senior Citizens Center; Tim Flook, Community Center; Mary Etta Pergam, County Extension Office; Billy Hubbard, Sycamore Hill Housing Commission; Douglas Thayer, United States Post Office and David Rodgers, Carlisle Cemetery.

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When not-stick finish on your sauce pans is worn off spots and pans get harder to clean, a cleaning solution that works is 1 cup of water, 2 tablespoons of baking soda and 1/2 cup of liquid household bleach. Boil the solution in salad for 5-10 minutes. Then wash utensils, dry and wipe the inside with sponges to get back some moisture.

The child in 20 starts school with an eye defect. Sometimes the damage is permanent, so do not wait, have your child's eyes checked by the time they are three years old, or sooner if you suspect a problem.

David Mace, a well known authority in the field of Family Living has listed eight qualities he thinks are necessary for a successful marriage. They are:

1. The couple respect each other.
  2. They meet crisis successfully.
  3. They are loyal and faithful to each other.
  4. They reinforce and support each other.
  5. They are truthful and open with each other.
  6. They share the same basic values.
  7. They are mutually affectionate.
  8. They share the same goals.
- Review the list with your spouse and each of you put down three or four of these qualities which are present in your marriage. Write specific ways your spouse exhibits these qualities. (Example: "You show that you respect me by listening carefully to my opinion when we must make a decision"). Share these with each other.

income (wife's) is taxed at the same rate as the last dollar of the first husband's income. If the husband earns \$12,000 and the wife \$8,000 per year, her first dollar is taxed at the same rate as the last dollar he earned, not at the same rate as his first dollar. The family increases expenditures for services they usually perform such as housecleaning. The number of meals eaten away from home increases.

Having two pay checks can lead to unrealistic expectations about what money can buy. Purchasing on long term credit should be done cautiously. One might stop temporarily and installment payments are still due.

Families should exercise caution in spending beyond their means and their ability. The couple should establish financial goals on which both agree and set a realistic time table in achieving the goals. The couple should discuss how to handle in coming money. Should it be "his," "hers" or "ours."

1. Pool all the money into one account, and pay everything from a single account with special allowances for each spouse.

2. Let each control their own income with each making a contribution for household operation or with each being responsible for paying specific bills each month.

3. Designate who will pay the bills.

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### Ends Sat. Noon! 1979 Retail Inventory Clearance Sale

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No. 44 Small Washing Machine	1	289.00	200.00
Dishwasher Mo 3600	1	302.05	200.00
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Refrigerator Mo. FC 1600	2	515.00	490.00
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## Letters

To The Carlisle Mercury: I do not understand why the N.C.H.S. alumni attendance has dropped so dramatically in the last 10 years, 49 people attended this year. Bands and not all were graduates of our school.

If the situation does not improve we will be forced to discontinue the Alumni Banquet.

I can't believe that most of the graduates would want that to happen. The Carlisle Alumni no longer has a school but their attendance is 175 or more each year.

I know that N.C.H.S. can do as well or better, and with help and attendance we can do it.

As president of the association for the coming year I welcome any suggestions as to what can be done to increase attendance.

All efforts are being made to correct these difficulties someone may have encountered in the past.

Please do not hesitate to contact me and do remember to make your reservations for the Banquet next year.

This is our organization and if it is no longer alive to continue it will be no more.

To The Carlisle Mercury: Dairy Association has been a very busy and appreciative to all of you who did such a nice job with Milk Week and everything you have printed in your paper have never done such a nice job and to all of you we are most grateful.

We would like to do something for you. We want all of you to come to our supper and program. We would sure be happy to have you.

Thanks again we really did appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely, Mrs. Edgar Scott

## Mercury vapors



'Noah ain't down here no more'

The better half and I took the road last Tuesday and Wednesday arriving in Richmond, Va. about 12:30 p.m. Altogether some ten hours were spent driving, but on the way up over the mountain however one may wish to express it, we broke the trip with an overnight stop at Blacksburg.

Noted on the West Virginia Turnpike between Beckley and Princeton were several Wagoner & Miller trucks and crews. It's a small world after all.

From Princeton to Blacksburg, it was U.S. 460 which was really equal to I-64, though it may not have been quite as wide and the median may have been narrower. From Blacksburg it was I-81 and 164 across the mountain at Afong and on to Richmond. Total mileage 528 which included taking a wrong turn in Richmond. Something I later found out the natives do.

On the return Saturday, due mainly to the gasoline situation it was decided to drive straight through via I-64 and U.S. 60, some 474 miles. U.S. 60 in West Va., hadn't changed a bit, there wasn't as much of it as the last time but still too much counting all those double-back curves ascending and descending at Hawks Nest.

Back in Kentucky on I-64 about 15 miles from Morehead we ran into one of the hardest rain (17 minutes) we've ever driven through. A few drivers pulled to the side and if they couldn't see I guess that was better, but it seemed more sensible to continue at a snail's pace than to chance some jagger lapping us from the rear.

CB proved entertaining and was available if the need arose. Out of the ether came this plea, "Lord, you didn't hear 'Noah ain't down here no more to build no ark." One west-bourner calling an east-bound traveler asked where the rains began? The reply, "At the Licking River and you'd better hatten down the hatches!"

All in all it was a pleasant respite. We had no difficulty getting gasoline, we average 19.53 mpg, average price paid per gallon was 85c. Gasoline was cheaper in Virginia, that is, along the interstate. It was in short supply in the city of Richmond with many stations displaying out-of-gas signs or selling only during certain hours.

And to top it all off (and the tank) I left my rain coat and hat hanging in the hall closet at 6 Granite Avenue. Margaret, Kay's sister, allowed that when she returned home she would mail them to me. In the meantime I'll try to keep the hatches water tight.

—MV—

Overhead The Mercury's ace photographer getting the following: One Golden Ager to another at the Senior Citizens' Center during a concert by a string quartet from Lexington which featured classical (mostly) selections: "Well, if that's 'Amazing Grace' they sure have changed it around!"

—MV—

Tell tales win Irish trip A retired Pennsylvania minister (Alfred L. Cragger) and a Florida Outdoor Editor (Frank Meyer) won a boat load of Gladding outdoor products and a trip to Ireland.

Mr. Cragger won with an adventurous take about fishing in a dangerous creek where a barre! snake catches his line and nearly drowns his head in the Irishman's Kettle, but he escapes and vows to release all future catches in gratitude.

While trying to do a story on a unique Texas restaurant, Mr. Meyer hears the blow by blow report of the landing of a giant bass, using a crane, rope, truck and the strength of many, so the freezer will be full for the restaurant's famous fish. Back to the freezer. I note we even have a few fish tales in this week's issue of the Mercury.

## Agree or Not

Campaign debts carried over from the May primary bogged the mind.

Imagine two of the losers in the crowded Democratic gubernatorial primary owe more than a half million dollars, and at least one of the candidates in the lieutenant governor's race owes more than \$100,000.

Any grade school student proficient in arithmetic can figure out that the governor is going to make less than \$300,000 in his four-year term. Why the big spending?

I haven't figured up all of the deficits in the race, but if you include all of the legislators, the debt must be more than a million dollars.

John Young Brown Jr., the successful nominee for governor, has agreed to help his defeated opponents to raise funds to pay off these debts.

Harvey Sloane, who ran second on the Democratic ticket, loaned his campaign \$120,000 of his money and has signed notes for an additional \$200,000.

Terry McBrayer, the candidate supported by Gov. Julian Carroll, wound up third and owes \$200,000 plus \$50,000 of his own money he loaned his campaign.

George Atkins, who withdrew in favor of Brown, says he owes \$20,000 and is being sued for about \$40,000 more by an advertising firm that Atkins claimed he fired.

Neither Louie B. Nunn, the successful Republican nominee, nor Artie Ray White of Bowling Green showed any debt in their reports to the Registry of Elections and Finance. White put some of his own money in the campaign but he is trying to claim a deficit and ask people to contribute.

McBrayer is making a mass mailing to his friends and other Democrats asking for contributions and Brown has scheduled a \$50 per person

## Million dollar debts?

affair to help McBrayer and one for Sloane at \$100 per person.

As far as Brown is concerned, technically he isn't claiming a deficit, but he did lend a million of his own money to his campaign, and possibly more.

Brown said in his campaign that the governor's office is not for sale, but campaign literature indicates that the price is high if a candidate is to become successful.

Nunn and Brown have agreed tentatively to set a spending limit for campaigning in the November election. Nunn has suggested \$750,000 for the ticket and Brown has suggested a million to \$1.2 millions.

However, at the midsummer meeting of the Kentucky Press Association, the candidates agreed to let the press form a committee to come up with a figure.

Campaign deficits have become a way of political life since the early 1960's but whatever because of the idea of operating the campaigns on a budget, ended advertising debt?

The media, advertising agencies and even the telephone company have learned that checks and payments must be made when the service is ordered. The telephone company requires a stiff deposit, and the media ask in advance, with the order, for advertising.

Newspapers learned that campaign debts aren't worth the paper they are written on unless the campaign is over. Political headquarters vanish after the campaign, and there is no one left who is responsible. "Cash with copy" has long been the rule for newspapers.

The average voter must wonder why he should come up with a contribution to bail a political candidate out of debt. The candidate knows how much

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