Opinion

Miscellaneous

Three-lane highway?

One of our readers has suggested three-laning Ky. 32 from the traffic islands on U.S. 68 into Carlisle.

The reasoning is sound: there has been a lot of development in that area since the present road was built in 1932 and with the opening of the new hospital soon traffic will increase.

Another part of his reasoning was also sound: if everyone involved began working today it would be about 10 years before such a road is realized.

What would be the advantages? For one thing, at peak hours, there is a traffic backup on the road. Another lane would ease some of the problem.

Safety is also a factor. The road at present is narrow with a shoulder drop-off in places. Some reconstruction work would hopefully ease these situations.

Flemingsburg is one town that has three-laned an entrance road. In their case the RECC grounds, the District Highway Office and the new high school were all in the same area. Their three-laning allows each facility to be entered and left with less difficulty and danger than a two-lane road would have afforded.

Hen-stringing?

A resolution reproduced elsewhere in the Mercury deals with a decision by the now-defunct Public Service Commission that will force utility companies to disregard advertising when figuring costs of operation for rate purposes.

Most utilities do advertise, or did, because they felt it was a way to get their message across in the most effective manner.

The PSC decision will put the people in the dark, so to speak, and not from a power failure. The utility companies have already cut their advertising back to the minimum, which was the legal advertising they had to do when asking for rate increases. Not exactly the most effective method, but the decision will make other types of advertising a luxury the companies say they cannot afford.

The Kentucky Press Association, representing 175 Kentucky journals, has protested the ruling. Their reasons are in the resolution. The Public Service Commission is now the Energy Regulatory Commission but the ruling will still take effect. Bureaucrats have always been good at dissolving one bureau and creating another, identical agency with the same powers and same area of concern. Whatever the name, the agency's ruling will leave Kentuckians in the dark long before the lights go out.

Agree or Not

Grand jury delay harmful

By S. C. Van Curon

FRANKFORT—The delay in calling a special federal grand jury to hear results of a 10-month F.B.I. investigation of state government has become embroiled in the Democratic primary.

Asst. U.S. Atty. Gen. Pat Molloy in Lexington asked for the special grand jury back in January but no federal source will discuss any action or lack of action taken on the request.

Kentucky voters are entitled to an explanation and the curtain should be lifted from the candidates. George Atkins and Carroll Hubbard have both charged that Gov. Julian Carroll has used his influence in Washington to delay the grand jury probe until after the May 29 primary. Carroll is supporting Terry McBrayer, former Commerce commissioner and former aide to the governor.

Forty or more FBI agents have been reported as looking into state contracts, leases, property purchases, truck tax exemptions, strip mine permits, and vehicle transfers.

Last week an FBI agent interviewed James Vernon, a Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor after he made a statement that an informed source told him the grand jury was being delayed for political reasons.

It wouldn't seem possible that a grand jury called now could end its investigation before the May primary, but if something isn't done it will drag into the November general election.

This cloud hangs heavy over the present administration and has the possibility of tarnishing anyone the administration supports for elective office.

The two Republican candidates for governor, former Gov. Louie B. Nunn and former State Senator Ray White of Bowling Green, aren't mentioning this in their primary battle. But the winner is certain to use it against the Democrat nominee this fall if the investigation isn't terminated.

The other major Democratic candidates for governor are Lt. Gov. Thelma Stovall, John Y. Brown Jr., and Harvey Sloane, former Louisville mayor.

It got tangled in the race for lieutenant governor last week on a television news show when Vernon accused Bill Cox of being involved in the investigation. The records of Ligon Trucking Company, a firm for which Cox formerly worked, have been subpoenaed by the FBI.

Vernon asked Cox to withdraw from the race for the good of the party. Cox denied he is involved and threatened to sue Vernon for the libel.

It's all a sorry mess that should not be involved in a race for such a responsible office, but the present administration made the record that is being investigated. Also involved is a contract with a consulting firm in Nashville that had a contract with the Department of Human Resources.

This presents a murky picture in what is undoubtedly the most expensive Democratic primary in Kentucky history.

McBrayer had received and spent about 900,000 dollars according to his report to the Election Commission on Finance. Brown is nearing a half million and others are above $300,000.

It is true Carroll spent more than $900,000 in his primary race four years ago against slight opposition, but there are six in this race with sizeable campaign chests.

Meanwhile, the Republicans are smiling on the side while watching the Democrats fight one another, feeding the Republicans ammunition to be used in the fall.

It would be unfortunate if the delay in the investigation should smear a candidate, and then the investigation turn up no indictments.

A physician once discovered a way of pinning down an ailment called iridiagnosis. He swore he could tell the affliction by the appearance of the iris of the patient's eyes.

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Down Memory Lane

Mrs. Adron Doran to speak; 5,000 acres leased for oil

Thursday, May 14, 1959

Mrs. Adron Doran, wife of the president of Morehead College, will be guest speaker at the spring luncheon of the Younger Women's Club, May 18 at the home of Mrs. Theodore Butler in Paris.

Rex Smoot, Nicholas County chairman for Combs-Wyatt announced this week that Bert Combs will be in Carlisle May 19.

Ralph Bowen has been elected to membership in the American Angus Association at St. Joseph, Mo.

Mrs. Robert Feeback and daughter, Miss Martha Sue Feeback will receive college degrees the last of May. Mrs. Feeback will receive an A.B. Degree from Georgetown College, and Martha Sue, a B.S. Degree in Home Economics from Morehead State College.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie G. Fryman, a daughter, Amy Gaylene, May 9.—To Mr. and Mrs. Delano Smoot, a daughter, Tina Lorraine, April 29.—To Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Marshall, Cincinnati, twins, a boy and girl, May 9.—To Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Blake, Moses Lake, Wash., a son, George Martin, May 6.

MARRIED—Mrs. Carrie M. Walker and Albert Hamilton, May 7 at the Christian Church parsonage.

DIED—Charles B. Morford, 92, retired attorney, at his home in Ewing Friday. —Billy Joe Morrison, son of Mrs. Eugene Feeback, Carlisle, and the late Thomas M. Morrison of Glasgow, Tuesday, in Charleston, W.Va.— Mrs. Ocella Dodson, 53, last Friday in Evansville, Ind. —James W. Woodall Sr., 69 of Paris, Monday. —Charles A. Buckler, 43, Sadieville, Scott County, at his residence Tuesday.

Thursday, May 11, 1939

Approximately 5,000 acres of land in Nicholas County, between Abner's Mill and Pleasant Valley on both sides of Licking River, have been leased to an oil drilling company, according to E. R. Sampson, well-known farmer of the Blue Licks section.

Glenn Clay of Nicholas County is the new president of the University of Kentucky 4-H Club, an organization composed of about 560 university students who are former members of 4-H clubs.

The Nicholas County Board of Education elects all teachers for county schools.

Local coal dealers report a shortage of coal with very little in any of the yards.

W.T. Parker formally announces this week as candidate for the Democratic nomination for Circuit Court Clerk.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hunter of the Upper Jackstown Road, a son.

DIED—Mrs. Eliza Jane Payne, last Thursday at her home on the Myers Road.—W.F. Martin, 76, in Lexington Saturday.—Abraham Jones, 79, last Wednesday afternoon at his home near Morning Glory in this county.

Mercury vapors

by Warren R. Fisher

Is it a typo or maybe the writer couldn't spell?

A news release from the American Cancer Society says in an upper corner: DO NOT USE IN PRESENT FORM. REWRITE. They left off, correct the SPELLING.

They needn't worry, we are not going to down tobacco which is the subject they've chosen, but are lifting a part of a sentence: "The Society has always taken a leadership role in [*indentifying*] cancer-causing substances in the environment and informing the public." The word in brackets — I suppose they are gonna put a crease or dent into the substance.

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Another item out-of-context

"Downtown planners say the public apparently wants more parking spaces closer to where they shop and work and they want them at low cost or free."

You can bet they do. Once they've shopped the malls, why fight the downtown hassle?

—MV—

I liked this! That's what was said

A clipping from a Virginia newspaper might have been more seasonable before the Derby than after, but here goes:

VIVIAN FARRINGTON, daughter of the pastor of the Church of Christ in West Mansfield, Ohio, was reared being taught to tithe.

In 1973 her husband bought her a half interest in Rambling Willie, a facehorse that had won no races. She said she would tithe its earnings to the church.

The horse, which is now 8 years old, began to win and so far has won more than $1 million. Mrs. Farrington's tithes on last year's winnings alone exceeded $50,000.

As a result of Rambling Willie's winnings, the white frame church now has a new foundation, roof, baptistry, kitchen, carpet, sidewalk, bulletin board, church bus and a new assistant pastor.

—MV—

Pop Rocks fact sheet

Had this to say about the newest candy concoction from General Foods Corporation, "an unique confection in the form of colorful crystals of hard candy that melt on the tongue and release small bubbles of carbonation."

Additionally it comes in cherry, grape and orange flavors which the (free publicity seeking department) was thoughtful enough to include.

At 20 cents a package, mom won't have much change left after Junior tastes the *"Rocks"* at the grocery store.

—MV—

An example of keeping it in focus

The focus at the business end of the old rifle is good.

Just whose name we're to keep out of the court news remains a mystery. In the immediate background is the outline of a mop or hair, an eye and the right arm of the person holding the gun.

Letters

To The Carlisle Mercury:

As I drove up into the cemetery this week, the peace and serenity I always feel when I enter there was completely shattered as I faced the hideous sign "advertising" monuments for sale. I and others I have spoken to about this feel very badly about having this sign in such a prominent place, or why it has to be located anywhere among the resting place of our loved ones.

Is commercialism taking over our world to such an extent that not even our last resting place can be kept sacred? I as others in our community are deeply concerned about the future of our cemetery and are doing in our small way all we can to help. May I add that the cemetery is looking well cared for and I feel it is going to continue to be well cared for. Please don't spoil its beauty by using it for anything that will mar its beauty or desecrate its original purpose.

Sincerely,
Edith L. Bryant

[Editor's note: A letter was received this week from Rep. Pete Worthington, chairman of the Blue Licks Study Commission, concerning the commission's activities and taking exception to an editorial printed in last week's MERCURY. "Because of space and deadline limitations the letter will be printed in next week's MERCURY."]

Can you keep my name out of the court mess?

Be a miracle worker.

Miracles don't just happen. Your gift to Easter Seals will help.

Awareness Week

National Handicapped Awareness Week is May 13-19; a time set aside to gain new awareness into the problems that face the 35 million Americans who are disabled in one way or another. The poster, from a photo by Reid Miles, is distributed by the Kentucky Society Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Tom Wallace awards nominations due

The 1979 Tom Wallace Farm Forestry Awards competition, sponsored by **The Courier-Journal** and **The Louisville Times**, is now underway throughout Kentucky and 31 Southern Indiana counties.

Kentucky and Southern Indiana farmers and woodlands owners nominated by their district or service foresters are eligible to compete for the $1,000 in cash prizes that will be awarded for outstanding management of woodlands.

Three top winners will be named in the competition and awarded cash prizes of $500, $350 and $150. The winners, their families and foresters will each receive an all-expense-paid trip to Louisville for the annual Awards Luncheon in March, 1980 where the prizes will be awarded.

In addition to the top three prizes, special recognition will be accorded each nominee, and forestry district winners will each receive a personalized plaque.

Woodland owners in all Kentucky counties are eligible for nomination by Kentucky Division of Forestry district foresters.

Woodland owners who wish to have themselves considered for nomination for the awards should contact their district or service forester, county agricultural or forestry extension agent, or district soil and water conservationist.

The deadline for nominations in the 1979 Tom Wallace Farm Forestry Awards competition is August 15, 1979.

Further information concerning the contest may be obtained by writing to the Public Affairs Department, **The Courier-Journal** and **The Louisville Times**, Louisville, Kentucky 40202.

May busy at Morehead

Spring commencement, the Ohio Valley Conference baseball tournament and special conferences highlight the month of May at Morehead State University.

Orin E. Atkins, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ashland Oil, Inc., will deliver the commencement address at spring ceremonies May 11. The 2 p.m. program at Wetherby Gym will feature more than 1,000 degree candidates and special award presentations.

After a slow start in non-conference play, the MSU Eagles compiled a 14-4 OVC baseball mark and clinched the host berth for the OVC Tournament beginning May 3.

Thirteen retiring faculty and staff members will be recognized at the May 2 Retirement Dinner. The event is open to the public and begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Adron Doran University Center.

Exhibits planned for May include: Rebecca Dodson, mixed media, Third Floor, Johnson Camden Library, through May 11; Wally Leonard, Rocky Zornes, mixed media, Claypool-Young Art Gallery, through May 11; Kentucky Artists, paintings, Claypool-Young Art Gallery, May 29-Aug. 3.

Musical events include, MSU Symphony Orchestra, May 1; Jazz Vocal Ensemble, May 3, in the Duncan Recital Hall and 8:15 p.m.

The spring semester will end May 12 with registration for intersession beginning at 8 a.m. on May 14. Intersession ends May 25. Summer I registration is scheduled May 29 with classes beginning May 30.

MSU will host the Governor's Conference on Aging May 23-25 and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education in Kentucky conference May 28 and 29.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Cheese consumption is at an all time high.

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Solid waste meet hosted by BGADD

A public meeting concerning the management of solid waste will be held Thursday, May 10, in the Bluegrass Area Development District Board Room on Reynolds Road in Lexington. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

The state Department for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection is co-sponsoring the meeting with the Bluegrass ADD.

The meeting, last in a statewide series of nine, is designed to inform the public about what is now being done with solid waste and what might have to be done with it in the future. Landfills, recycling and financing are just a few of the subjects that will be discussed.

The meetings are part of the development of a statewide solid waste management plan that will affect all Kentucky communities and counties.

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