

Down Memory Lane

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Opinion

Be Alert!

It is that time of year again when all sounds of children playing and teenagers arguing converge to the school house. This in mind drivers will have to be cautious driving to and from work. All it takes is a little extra time. Sure you may have to drink that cup of coffee faster, even get an earlier start, but the time and effort may prevent a disaster.

The morning hours are the most dangerous time to drive particularly because of fog. So please be careful. Don't make a costly mistake that could haunt you for the rest of your life!

Guest editorial

21% get food stamps

(The Bath County News- Outlook)
Dr. W. Grady Stumbo, secretary of the Kentucky Department of Human Resources told Gateway Area Development District officials Thursday that 21 percent of the state's population is getting food stamps.

Remember your child or your neighbor's children and use precautionary measures, but most important be ALERT!!!

He also remarked that if his department was wiped out, probably half of the businesses in this area would go bankrupt. And he said that many of the state's businesses have grown dependent on the welfare money being spent with them that it would leave our economy in shambles should this money suddenly cease to be spent.

Welfare - or more politely put, human resources - is big business in Kentucky. Dr. Stumbo's department budget this year is \$2.6 billion, about a third of the total state budget and easily the largest single department expenditure in Kentucky.

There is no question that welfare is an integrated part of the American way of life. We are a humane nation that believes in helping those who cannot help themselves. Unfortunately, too many people, who can help themselves have found welfare a way of life suited to their wants. They have found they can be supported without having to worry about supporting themselves.

In many cases we can see right here in our own county, a social program is enacted and then those hired to administer it must go out and recruit people to receive their benefits, many of whom do not particularly need or want them.

The trouble with our welfare system is that it is self-perpetuating. It not only makes it easy for people to get monthly checks, it creates more and more bureaucrats, whose own livelihood depends on increasing the number of welfare recipients, not helping them become self-supporting and independent.

It is a bubble that some day is going to burst. And the result will be utter chaos. Wouldn't it make more sense and be possible to start now, before it is too late, to bring our social programs down to a more reasonable plane? Is there something wrong with requiring people to work for their money?

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Agree or Not

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This necessitates establishing a compensating tax rate. The rate last year was between 26 and 27 cents and Alpha has estimated it to be between 21 and 22 cents this year. While the law requires assessments of land value on all real property, the Revenue Department has established a policy of accepting what it considers at least 95 percent of fair cash value.

Inflation in the past few years has been a nightmare for the state and for the PVAs. Assessments or values on real property in most areas are increased every year, or have for the past 20 years. Assessments are based on property sales in the neighborhoods of nearby towns.

Before the landmark court decision in 1965 requiring fair cash value assessments, the assessments across Kentucky ranged from 14 cents in Monroe County to near 80 percent in Anchorage and northern Kentucky. Gov. Edward T. Breathitt called a special session of the legislature and passed a bill setting a compensating tax rate of 11.50 per \$100 allowed for local school districts.

It was during Gov. Julian Carroll's administration that power equalization tax law was passed in which the state took over the first 30 cents of the local school districts' taxing ability and the state redistributes the money to the counties in addition to state funds from the Minimum Foundation program.

Many taxpayers will welcome the news they will get to pay their state tax bills this year because it is deductible from the federal income tax.

Not all debt collectors are subject to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act. It does not apply to banks or businesses which collect their own accounts. However, the act does protect consumers from possible abuse from collection agencies.

If you have completed a questionnaire concerning debt collection practices, write the Office of the Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division, Frankfort, Ky. 40601 or call the toll-free consumer hotline at 1-800-372-2666.

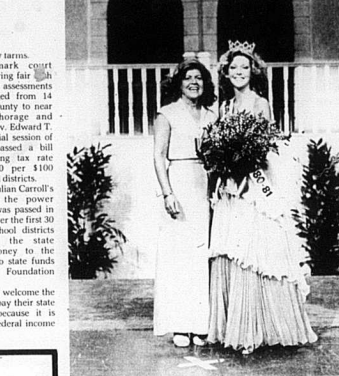
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These measures are designed to prevent collection agencies from attempting to "harass" someone into paying a debt. The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act also prohibits abusive practices, such as: Using threatening or obscene language. Repeatedly using the telephone to annoy someone advertising a debt.

Also, a debt collector may not say you will be arrested or imprisoned if you do not pay your debts. He cannot give false information concerning your credit status. If a debt collector should call you collect, you do not have to accept the

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Judges contest
Betty Blake, president of Cincinnati's Betty Blake and Co., was a judge in the recent Mississippi Miss Hospitality contest held in Biloxi, Miss. Blake, also a former president of the Delta Queen Steamboat Company, is the daughter of Senator and Mrs. H. Stanley Blake of Carlisle. She is shown here with the new Miss Hospitality, Tena Rayburn. - Photo submitted.

Collection agencies can't harass you
The purpose of collection agencies is to actively pursue the collection of private debts. However, some collection agencies have gone overboard in trying to collect personal, family or household debts. In response to abusive practices in the debt collection industry, Congress enacted the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in 1978. This act protects consumers from being harassed or abused by debt collection agencies.

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Baseball players are well paid now, but not always. Just ask Bob Uecker, third-string catcher turned TV personality. Bob was scouted by the Milwaukee Braves in the early 1960s. So what happened, Bob? "Well, the bonus money mentioned was \$1000. And that really created a problem for my father." How come? "He didn't have that kind of money."

"Fools and wise men are equally harmless. It is the half-foot and the half-arse that are dangerous." Goethe

Saving gas by trading at home leaves more cash in your pocket

And when we trade with our neighbors in business they can help more with our area tax load, hire us or trade more with us, and help to keep values up on our property while filling our needs when emergencies confront us.

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Table with 4 columns: GRAND PRIZE (\$1000), TWO 2ND PRIZES (\$500), FIFTY 3RD PRIZES (\$100), ONE THOUSAND 4TH PRIZES (\$25). Each prize includes details on how to win and what to do.

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