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ADMISSIONS: Mary Sharp, Rescue... DISCHARGES: Neil Snow, Nannie...
Shane, Marshall Hill, Brookville...
Lansville, Virginia Pullen, Carol Pettit...
Charles Davis, Carl Johnson, Carlisle...
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Austin City Limits returns to KET

In one of the most novel pairings in contemporary country music, Roy Clark and Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown jump and give through a lively performance when "Austin City Limits" returns to KET Thursday, Feb. 14 at 8 p.m.

As it has in the past, "Austin City Limits" continues to explore new turf in the rich field of country music — its roots, off-beat and new directions. The season's premiere offers a pair of country, jazz and blues as Roy Clark, the well-known banjo player, fiddler, comedian and television personality is joined by New Orleans' "Gatemouth" Brown, who pioneered the use of the electric guitar as a jazz and blues instrument in the late '40s. Gale's blunt, metal-to-wood blues sound blends with Roy's full, ringing ones like gumbo and cornbread. Gatemouth's raspy, soulful vocals recall his roots in the rockin' "Calcutta" and the country/blues ballad, "The Drifter." Roy is featured vocally on "Born To Lose" and "Polecat Prison."

Future editions of "Austin City Limits" feature such well-known musicians as Ray Charles, Willie Nelson, Don Williams, Marty Robbins and Jeff Walker and Johnny Paycheck. "Austin City Limits" is a production of the Southwest Texas Public Broadcasting Council, San Antonio/Austin.

"At 20 years of age, the roost roars at 30 the wit, at 40 the judgment."
— Benjamin Franklin

FOR VALENTINE'S DAY

Candy may melt in her mouth, But if you give her a sterling silver pendant, She'll melt in your arms.
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Tough turkey

Trail Hand, who will appear at the Longhorn Championship Rodeo at Rupp Arena this weekend, is a tough customer indeed. A crossbred Brahma bull Trail Hand has been successfully ridden an average of only twice a year over the past five years. — Photo submitted.

Rodeo has champs

This year's Longhorn World Championship Rodeo in the Hippo Arena Feb. 8 and 9 will open with a special salute to the company's world champion bucking animals. Each year a world champion title is given to only three bucking animals in professional rodeo. Titles are awarded in bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding and bull riding. Two years ago, for the first time in the history of rodeo, one company owned all three animals. Laughens was the company and this year all three champs will be highlighted at the opening of each rodeo performance. First to be introduced will be Show Best, a horse that was bucking off all customers at a Nashville riding academy. After just two years of professional bucking in Longhorn rodeos, he was named the world champion bareback bronc.

Second under the spotlights will be Gold Flated, a horse that was bought by a rodeo company from a Nebraska dog-fight where he was recorded for plant. He broke the tie, second two years ago when he was named the world champion saddle bronc for the fourth year in a row. Completing the trio of champion animals is a 1,500 pound crossbred Brahma bull named Trail Hand. Originally purchased in South Texas, Trail Hand is a powerhouse when it comes to bucking off champion and challenger alike. He has only been successfully ridden an average of twice a year for the past five years. The rodeo will include all six world championship contests: a b a r e b a c k bronc riding, steer wrestling, saddle bronc riding, cowgirls barrel racing, calf roping and bull riding. The three-performance rodeo begins with a Bargain Night at 8 p.m. on Friday with all seats \$5. Saturday at 2 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. tickets are \$7.50, \$6.50 and \$5.50 with kids 12 years and under half price on Sunday. Tickets can be purchased at the main box office and all market outlets.

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Down Memory Lane

Seventh grade visits Frankfort; bacon is quarter a pound

Thursday, February 11, 1960
The seventh grade at Parks School and Mrs. James Simons were guests of Senator H. Stanley Bluke and Tip Brooks Hinkle at Frankfort on Tuesday.

Mrs. Lovell Hollar and Mrs. Clara Seatonman have been appointed co-chairmen of the Red Cross Drive which will be held during March.

Current Affairs Test held at Nicholas County High School and sponsored by the Carlisle Rotary Club. Joe Jennings son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jennings of Headquarters, plans second.

Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Sloan have returned from an all-expense paid weekend in Nashville, Tenn., won by Mrs. Sloan on the "Tips for Tip Show" in Winchester.

BORN — To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Terrell, son, Feb. 7. To Mr. and Mrs. Jean Sparks, a daughter, Feb. 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Waggoner, a daughter, Charlotte, Ky., Feb. 9.

DIED — Mrs. Sallie M. Dahrell, 63, an ex-Resident on Hickory Ridge Pike last Wednesday. — Everett J. Peters, of the area when the fell on the ice-covered street on last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. John M. Hamilton, of the Pleasant Spring Road, fell Saturday afternoon and broke her right wrist.

The prices at the grocery store are as follows: a 50-pound can of lard for \$3.45; picnic hams, 14 1/2 cents per pound; bacon, 1/4-pound cello package, sliced, only 12 1/2 cents; chuck roast, choice, 18 1/2 cents a pound.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1940
Six more weeks of winter weather are in store for us, if the groundhog theory is to be believed.

FRANK E. BURGESS receives degree of Master of Arts in Education at the mid-year graduation exercises at the University of Kentucky on Monday.

Members of the Nicholas County Fish and Game Club, cooperating with the Kentucky Game and Fish Commission, saved the club of hundreds of quail in this county during the cold weather by scattering feed for the birds.

DEED — Virgil Lee Bromberg, 28, Nicholas native, at his home in Robertson County Wednesday. — Miss Mary D. Boggs, 19, at her home in Doreville on Thursday.

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Opinion

What's in it?

Like any other newspaper in America, the Mercury gets complaints. One we hear most often is "There isn't anything in the paper!" Of course, this remark always seems to come from someone who is standing and waiting for the paper when it is distributed to newstands on Wednesday afternoon. But we thought it would be interesting to take a look at this week's Mercury and see just what's in it.

We notice an article from the FMIH about loans to farmers for producing gasohol on their farms for their own energy needs.

Then there's an article on the burley tobacco crop. How it sold this past season, how much the county fell short of meeting its quota and what changes can be expected in the program.

There's the NCHS Honor Roll, another Honor Roll from Mayville Community College and an account of two new businesses in Carlisle.

On page one we find an article about a crackdown on Carlisle parking meter.

violators along with a detailed explanation of how much the county owes and what this means to individual taxpayers.

On the society page there is news of births, marriages, personal notes and recipes. Later on in the paper there's the classified page, which contains bargains for readers.

Below this editorial you'll find an article about some bills before the Kentucky General Assembly that could affect your right to know. And over on the other side of the page there's "Down Memory Lane" our weekly foray into history using Mercury files.

And scattered throughout the paper are ads from Carlisle merchants featuring their wares and special buys, as well as grocery ads that can save a smart shopper money.

Each week your Mercury is filled with articles the staff hopes will be informative and entertaining to its readers. We'd like to think that statement should be true — isn't everything in the Mercury this week — but there is a lot!

Agree or Not

Bills affect notices

BY S. C. VAN CROUSE
As every legislative session, there is a number of proposed bills that affect the public's right to know, specifically legal publications to notify the citizenry of governmental actions or proposed actions.

There are 17 so far in this session that deal with governmental bodies giving public notice to taxpayers. Some of them are good, but some are bad.

Many bills are introduced as the best of some constituent, organization or group. Some of these have an as to a group, and some are motivated by the misguided notion that they are performing a public service or saving the taxpayer's money.

In most cases, the individual legislator who introduces the bill has good intention and frequently doesn't have time to study the more than 1,200 bills that are introduced every session.

A very important bill in all cities this session is granting home rule to all cities, the same law that now prevails for Lexington and Louisville.

Generally speaking, home rule will permit cities of all classes to exercise all powers not in conflict with the constitution or statutes. This bill would repeal a list of statutes that set out specific limitations and duties for cities from the second through sixth class.

From what I can find out from the legislators, this bill has a very good chance of passing and most cities want it to pass. Frankly, it is long overdue in Kentucky. Cities have been asking for a long time to be able to do as they see fit.

However, this is the bill that probably sparked the introduction of Senate Bills 23 and 24. The cities fear that if the bill is passed, the legislature will be able to change the course of the government is taking. In the future this simple little bill would deny taxpayers the right to be notified about tax increases, expenditure of taxpayers' money for

any and all purposes, etc. In essence, the taxpayer would be left in the dark about what his city, the cities are doing. However, I don't believe this is the intent of the legislators. They are looking at the one-time possible cost in the transition. Hopefully, I also believe that no newspaper in the state of Kentucky would report to its city in a financial bid in such a situation. After all, the newspaper is a business citizen interested in economy just as everyone else is. In such an instance, I believe the publishers would be willing to negotiate or help any city through such a crisis.

The notification of the public in all the future is what newspapers are interested in maintaining.

Senate Bill 23 would permit a very brief summary of ordinances and do many other things in city organization. This was the original bill. However, there are some amendments that make it acceptable to the public concerning their right to be informed.

Senate Bill 23, in its original form, would permit notification by mail or circular instead of newspaper publication. To inform the public generally by first class mail would be a prohibitive expense.

A special hand delivered circular to all the citizens also would be prohibitive in cost in most instances.

Some persons have the mistaken idea that newspapers are selfishly interested only in the revenue legal advertising products. That just isn't true. Some newspapers actually lose money on legal notices. A study shows that legal advertising in newspapers provides only one to one and a half percent of the newspaper's total gross revenue.

The study also shows that the average cost per notice in a community is only 25 cents per year for in the legal notices provided for him.

The legislators and the newspapers should be able to arrive at a sensible method to retain the public's right to know and at a reasonable cost as mentioned above.

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Mercury vapors

by Warren R. Fisher

Later than you think... The Cooperative Extension Service states that lawn-care time is closer than we think. They're right on the mark. As of now, you can't get a lawn care product until after the first of March.

Win Danwell, horticulturist with the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, says mid-February to late March is time for renovating lawns — start late and weeds compete with grass.

For those who don't want to do it by the fire and dream of cutting grass Sunday will suggest:

- 1. Take a soil sample and have it analyzed to determine proper fertilizers and amounts to apply to the lawn.
- 2. Rake the lawn and get out dead material using either a dethatcher or an iron rake.
- 3. Seed with bluegrass or fescue, using quality seed.

One herbicide, Turfscan, can be used at the time of seeding for pre-emergent control of weeds, but it must be applied before the first week of April in the western part of the state and a little later for the eastern portion.

Danwell notes that grass should be mowed as soon as necessary, at a height of about three inches for bluegrass or fescue. Grass should be cut to a height of two to two and one-half inches. "You never want to cut off more than one-third of the leaf area at any one time," he cautions.

For more information on lawn renovation, contact Mike Phillips, county agricultural extension agent.

How many more... Don't blame Carlisle police if you find your car adorned with a parking ticket because you failed to feed the meter.

For a long time now the meters have been like the little man on the stair who wasn't there and directs from the council kept the police from patrolling the meters and writing tickets.

Lately the council decided, and rightly, that it was foolish to have the meters and not there. Henceforth they will be read with more regularity and offenders will be cited.

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An insurance salesman was standing in front of his house looking at his shiny new car when his neighbor stopped by. "Business must be good," the neighbor said. "I see you've got a new car."

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Editor's notes

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