

Opinion

Guest editorial

America's energy

By Anthony Harrison
With Saudi Arabia and three other oil producing nations having announced a 33 percent price increase for their crude oil, it is imperative that the United States strive mightily to increase its domestic energy production in the 1980s.

Unfortunately, the Carter administration is more determined to extract new taxes from oil companies than it is to give incentives for stepped-up oil production. Its synthetic fuels program seems designed to produce more money for favored government bureaucracies.

Sen. Max Baucus (D-Mont.) has warned that "creating an independent and relatively unaccountable federal corporation for the sole purpose of promoting synfuels could actually hinder the development of synthetic fuels." He charged that "The Synthetic Fuels Corporation would create a federal bureaucracy to do a job that would be done better by the private sector."

If the oil industry is allowed to do its job unhindered, the United States ought to be in good shape. Robert Beigrave, policy adviser to British Petroleum Corp., recently pointed out that America is "the largest potential source of new energy supplies outside the Soviet Union."

Unfortunately, the Carter administration doesn't see the opportunities. It throws up barriers to all-out development of U.S. energy resources.

The continuing problem is one of access to oil-rich areas of the United States. The Oil &

Gas Journal recently addressed this problem, saying, "Where is the prospective federal government in such highly promising areas as the Overthrust Belt of the Rockies, the Alaskan North Slope, and the offshore frontiers—especially those off Alaska."

To date, the federal government has been more concerned about preserving vast regions in a wilderness state than in opening these areas to meet the energy needs of the American people.

Oil & Gas Journal cites a prime example: "The Beaufort Sea north of Alaska is perhaps the country's brightest hope for very large reserves of oil and gas reserves. Yet the Interior Department is only now beginning to take the first tentative steps toward leasing in the open sea."

At the same time, the Carter administration wages a political war against the oil companies. Obviously, the oil companies can't search for oil offshore in the Arctic, for example, without making enormous investments. The funds for the drilling have to come from retained profits.

The issue of energy development is among the most pressing this country has ever faced. To hold oil production at current levels until 1990, the industry will have to locate and develop reserves at least equal to current proved reserves. Yet the United States must do even more if it is to maintain a high level of industrial activity and a high standard of living.

Agree or Not

All about lobbyists

By S. C. Van Curen
FRANKFORT — Kentuckians will be reading several stories within the next few weeks about lobbyists at the 1980 session of the General Assembly that opened January 8.

Contrary to the misguided image members of the public have about them and their activities, lobbyists are not furtive characters who lurk in dark doorways or corners to subvert legislative actions for the public good or to further private and special interests to the detriment of society as a whole.

Kentucky Revised Statutes define a lobbyist as any person employed as legislative agent or legislative counsel to promote, oppose or act with reference to any legislation which affects or may affect private pecuniary interests as distinct from those of the whole people.

Statutes also require that all lobbyists must register with the Attorney General. It also specifies that each lobbyist must file with the Attorney General within 30 days after the close of the session a statement of expenses incurred in promoting or opposing legislation.

The Constitution of the United States says that any person may appear before the lawmakers to ask for a redress of wrong, which means that any private citizen

may try to persuade legislators to see his point of view on any legislation and to do him or her wrong that proposed legislation may do to him or citizens in a like situation.

Sixty-one lobbyists, some of them representing more than one organization or business were registered before the legislature opened its first session.

Lobbyists have 10 days to register after they appear here to lobby.

One who comes in the middle of the session to work for or against provisions of a single bill offered that late or later in the session.

Lobbyists are already registered here who represent such diverse interests as the National Association of Retired Persons, Kentucky Harness Race Association, Kentucky Nurses' Association, various labor groups, large corporations, the Kentucky Trial Attorneys' Association, Jefferson County Sheriff's Public Employees' United for Legislative Action, railroads, trucking industry, Louisville Apartment Association.

You can be sure the Kentucky School Boards Association, the Kentucky Education Association, and Kentucky School Administrators will have lobbyists here.

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Down Memory Lane Former Woman of the Year; Dampier elected superintendent

Thursday, January 21, 1960
Mrs. Mary D. Forman, a native of Nicholas County, was elected Woman of the Year of Carlisle High School, who now resides in Phoenix, Ariz., has been chosen 1959 Woman of the Year for the American Business Women's Association, Phoenix chapter.

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Magistrate in the Fifth District of Nicholas County to fill the vacancy caused by the death of J.C. Gillispie.

A two-story outbuilding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Troy near East Union was destroyed by fire last Thursday night. The fire was caused when a member of the family carried a lighted lantern into the building to get some gasoline and the gasoline exploded.

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Management Briefs

Kodak increases prices—again

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—A list of new prices ranging up to 71 percent, effective during the last week, from about \$5.40 an ounce to \$1.00 a pound, was announced by the Eastman Kodak Co. When they go into effect, the price increases will be the third Kodak has implemented since Oct. 1977, according to the company.

Black and white film prices will rise by 10 percent, and color film prices will rise by 15 percent. Kodak also announced that the price of its Super 8 film will rise by 10 percent, and that the price of its Super 8 film will rise by 10 percent.

Consolidated to hike paper to \$440 a ton

MONTEAL, Canada—Consolidated-Bathurst Inc. has announced that it will raise the price of its newsprint to \$440 a ton, effective Jan. 21. The price increase is due to a sharp increase in the price of silver and other raw materials.

The company said the price increase will be the largest since 1974. It said the price of silver has risen from \$10 an ounce to \$50 an ounce, and that the price of copper has risen from \$1.50 a pound to \$2.50 a pound.

STATES SMELTING AND REFINING CO.

1215, OHIO AVENUE
SILVER POINT, ILL.
No. 75238
May 25, 1979

Mr. Warren Fisher
Carlisle Mercury
212 Lexington
Lexington, KY 40511

Mercury Vapors

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one male due North of the city of Clayton and at 3300 feet elevation. At night it appears as a cross in the sky. On a clear, crisp winter night it might be seen for 70 miles as a faint star. It is the light in the window when coming home to our County. It is a memorial to their deceased loved ones by many of those who have made contributions to its erection. To take the position that it is an effort to "establish" a state religion is patently absurd.

"If enough good people stand by and let the A.C.U. force this non-religious view to extreme, we shall all lose one more measure of our heritage. We people of Rabun County intend to stand and fight for what we believe is right. We would appreciate your support and prayers."—Randall J. Carver,

Weight limit changed on bridge near Hooktown

partial collapse of the abutment on the north end of the bridge. The weight change was authorized by the Department of Transportation District Highway Office No. 7.

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Trends

(Delayed)

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wright and daughter were Thursday a party at the home of Mrs. Wright. Guests were Mrs. Wright, Mrs. A.R. Fisher and Miss Robbie Harvey were Sunday dinner guests of Miss Edna Kenney were all Christmas eve supper guests of J. Kenney, Scott and Jamie Kenney.

Weekly fads

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollar visited Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Mattox on Friday night.

Prices to rise

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Out of town visitors and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Feaback the past week were Mr. Earl Tomes and Bobby L. Tomes, Campbellville, Mr. Leonard

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Editor's notes

That's the reason
You want to know why the Wildcats lost to Tennessee in Knoxville a couple of weeks back.

Well, just before going to bed I looked for my Wildcat card that UK fan Forrest Curtis sent me and couldn't find it anywhere. I had to settle for a CAT Diesel Power jacket that I did find.

However, the other lid had been located and put in a safe place. There will be a rematch, you know. And I'm betting now that the cats blew the Vols out of Rupp Arena so far they'll be in Cothan before they come down.

(P.S. The above was written before the Kentucky-Alabama game Saturday night. After halftime I took off my Wildcats cap and put on a Jack Daniels Old No. 7 Field Tester hat, picked up my crying (and wet) to bed.)

They didn't lie (barely)
I first got one of those cup of soup deals last week, the kind where you put boiling water in a cup full of some dehydrated gunk and five minutes later you have a soup. You want to call it that. (By now you may be getting the impression that I wasn't impressed.)

I selected beef and onion because all of the rest were artificially flavored. Well, it had beef in it, right? One little teeny piece at the top and one little teeny piece at the bottom. Maybe you wonder if Truth-In-Packaging is a dead concept.

Roots Dept.
The Kentucky Press Association had Don Armstrong, who insists he's related to me (first time anybody's ever insisted we're kind) is searching for his roots in Nicholas County.

One of Don's forebears was John Noble, a British soldier who settled in Nicholas County, and married a lady named Rice. His daughter, Mary Noble, married John C. Bryan. If any of you historians out there have ever heard of these people, let me know. If there's an inheritance involved I'll make sure there's a finder's fee.

Mercury vapors

Blue Monday/day

by Warren R. Fisher

343-000, we'd be considering over 32 block Mountain some 20 years ago. The sponsor and owner of the cross is the Rabun County Chamber of Commerce, Clayton, Georgia. The cross was erected with the permission of the State of Georgia on the edge of the Black Rock State Park. The cross is lighted cross that is erected on.

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