Opinion

An editor's random thoughts...

By Warren R. Fisher Sr.

Thoughts while driving: Sunshine again after listless gray days of early November and the air as soft almost as that of September — but a chill comes as the sun sinks into a West of gorgeous flame, for the year grows old...Rye greening about the sharp stubs where White Burley reared its canopy of sticky leaves in August; and now the barns are redolent with the drying weed and deft fingers strip the leaves and tie the "hands" in hundreds of stripping rooms...and the Market only a scant two weeks off, with its promise of hope reborn in thousands of hearts, or utter despair and ruin for thousands. Tremendous, terrifying, somehow a seeming anachronism in our civilization, this power to hold the happiness of men and women in thrall to the whim of a price too often arbitrarily set. God grant that it may this season bring a fair return for the fruits of long days of labor; that Christmas once again in this region may be a season for joy and the laughter of little children...For too many weary months men have failed to rejoice in the fruits of their labor, have drudged on, doggedly, patiently, with a hope deferred that sickened the hearts of the most valiant..."Wherefore I perceive that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that is his portion." Wise old Hebrew. But too long this portion has been withheld, by an outworn system of men's making, from him who would rejoice in his labor...Sombre thoughts these for a day of sunshine, but these be sombre days; days of a hope reborn, but a hope faltering forward yet on timid, laggard feet...What is it all about anyway? What does it serve us that we rush about like nervous ants, laboring, hoarding, only to be crushed by the giant foot of Destiny untimely, or swept into oblivion at the whim of a perverse Chance in the hour of our success? Who may answer that? What philosophy may accougt for the seeming unfairness and heartbreak of the struggle that is life? For

I returned and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.

Time and chance! What havoc these may wreak — and rarely fail to do — I think on gray days of the heart, when hope lies as fallow as the cold November fields. And there is so little in the wisdom of the ages to bolster hope, when ill fortune betides and the winter of life creeps icily into the heart...The soothing voice of Nature is all too mute in November; the plaintive note of a lone bluebird comes almost as a sob for a Summer that is dead; the little streams meander darkly through gray pastures and only the flames of sunset bring a touch of color where yesterday the oaks and maples were robed in crimson and gold...I should not, I think, read Ecclesiastes, as I have done today, on Autumn days, for to me it is the despair of a soul that had drunk deep of life; that had known joy and love and lust and sorrow; that had sought wisdom and found its emptiness; that found hope for the living, only because "a living dog is better than a dead lion." It is, to me, the surrender of a mind before the riddle of the universe. And yet he says: "Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun."

And in that light, which brings returning Spring and the earth's rebirth; that brings the flowers and the fruits in their season and the food of harvest; that brings the heat, without which this earth would perish — in that light may not the riddle be answered for some of us?

Home through the glories of a flaming sunset and the quick, chill-rush of a November dusk...To work a bit tonight, to think sombre thoughts too much, to dip again into the defeatism of Ecclesiastes and at last to turn by chance to a line written by that David, who was the father of him who reached the bitter conclusion that "all is vanity." And I thought of that shepherd lad who became king, of his robust follies and very human frailties, of his sins and griefs; of how he entered boldly into the banquet room of life, not sidling in; and yet he wrote: "Fret not thyself...commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass."

The boon of faith that was David's is answered by the wail of Bathsheba's son: "For in much wisdom is much grief; and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow."

Agree or Not

Why not? a gracious gesture...

By S.C. Van Curon

FRANKFORT — Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. caused considerable flap in both political parties when he went over to Republican headquarters in Louisville election night to congratulate state GOP campaign chairman Larry Forgy on the Republican victory in Kentucky.

It was a gracious gesture on his part even though the governor admitted the visit was for selfish interests to attain benefits for the state from the GOP national administration the next four years.

The governor said he wanted to work with the federal government and the Kentucky Republican leaders to push Kentucky forward. He particularly mentioned the coal industry and the conversion of coal into oil and other petroleum substitutes. Kentucky has a big stake in the future of the plants projected in the state for this purpose.

Some of the Democrats in the state sharply criticized Brown for his friendly gesture toward the Republican Party although logic says Kentucky must look to a Republican dominated federal government for the next four years for help and cooperation.

The next day after the visit and the early criticism, Gov. Brown said that Forgy called him up at Democratic headquarters that night and invited him over. That too, was a gracious gesture if it is true. Republicans criticized the action of letting Brown make a statement on television at Republican headquarters.

Reporters asked Forgy on a television news show if he had invited Brown to Republican headquarters.

Forgy's immediate reply was, "What difference does it make?" He went on to bring up other subjects and after the show, the newsmen still pressed Forgy for an answer.

The only answer he gave them was, "You know me well enough. What do you think?"

Brown's visit to the Republican victory party would have come off as a more gracious gesture if he hadn't stubbed his political toe the week before when he called in all state Democratic legislators for a conference, and didn't invite the Republicans.

He let it be known then that he snubbed the Republicans because they had demanded equal television time on Kentucky Educational Television to answer a speech that Brown had made. The Republicans called his before-election speech purely political. They eventually got the time, but many citizens strongly maintain that public television, supported by state tax dollars, should not be used by the administration lest it be accused of partisan politics.

This little episode of childish pique on the part of the governor did not enhance his image and leaves a tarnish on his gentlemanly visit to the Republican victory party. He said to Forgy that the "people have spoken" and that partisan politics now should be cast aside for the good of the state for the president's term.

The next Congress will be the first where the Republicans have controlled either branch of the law-making body since Eisenhower, or 26 years.

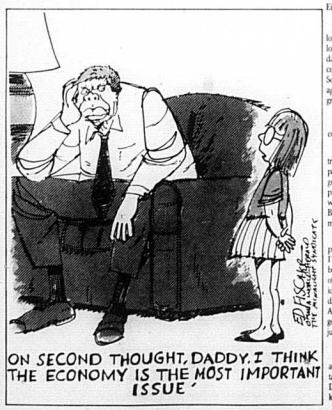
The Democrats have been in power so long it's hard for them to realize they have lost and some are wandering around in a daze, especially some of the losing congressmen, wondering what happened. Some of the Kentucky Democrats are still aghast and have yet to learn to take defeat gracefully.

Here's what some defeated Democratic congressmen have said:

Rep. Leon E. Panetta, California. "Our traditional constituents have moved, but the party's position hasn't. It's very difficult to get Democrats to ask questions about programs that are already in place, about whether these programs are working or not. Being in control for so long, to some extent, made Democrats lazy."

Rep. Gillis W. Long, Louisiana. "I feel psychologically lighter than I have in years. I'm happy they have it for a while. I've been depressed by our inability to grab hold of many of these problems. We'd run out of ideas. For four years we've been living in a dream world about the attitudes of the American people. They thought that government just wasn't doing its job, and it just caught up with us.

Sen. Strom Thurmond had this to say about staff changes when the Republicans take over in January. "We will treat the Democrats with the same courtesy and kindness they always have extended to us."



Down Memory Lane

City assessment completed for '41 taxes

Thursday, November 24, 1960

Miss Sidney Crouch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Crouch, is a member of Ohio State University Chorus, which will appear in the 32nd annual "White Christmas" presentation of Handel's "Messiah" Sunday, Dec. 4.

Thomas C. Johnson, owner of the Western Auto Associate Store, was awarded a plaque recognizing 20 years of service to his community.

The home of Howard Ring located a half mile from Moorefield on the Gravel pike was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin Friday.

The 1960 crop of burley goes to market with a support price average of $57.20 per hundred pounds, the same as last year.

Marine Lance Cpl. Bobby K. House, son of Kash House of Moorefield, was commended Oct. 13 after graduating from the Non-Commissioned Officers' Leadership School at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Cheerleaders for the Nicholas County High School 1960-61 basketball season are Nancy Mattox, Carol Faye Tincher, Sheryl Craig, Bonnie Whitaker, Sue Irvin and June Smith.

BORN — To Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Atkinson Jr. of Falmouth a son, William Stewart, Nov. 9 at the hospital in Newport. — To Mr. and Mrs. James Lee of Louisville a daughter, Paula Kaye, Nov. 12. — To Mr. and Mrs. Albert White twin sons, Gary Wayne and Larry Allen, Nov. 20 at the Bourbon County Hospital. — To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Norvell a daughter, Nov. 20 at the Nicholas County Hospital. — To Mr. and Mrs. John P. Barrow Jr. of Lexington a daughter, Lucy Woolfolk, Nov. 14. — To Mr. and Mrs. Calvin L. Wills a son, Gregory Lee, Nov. 13 at the Bourbon County Hospital.

MARRIED — Miss Erma Dee Frederick and Buddy Buckler Nov. 18 at the Trinity Methodist parsonage, Covington. — Miss Cora Fryman and Dean McLean Nov. 19 at the home of the Rev. Samuel Phillips, pastor of the Assembly of God Church.

DIED — Samuel Warren Hillock, 64, native of Nicholas County, Sunday at his home in Tampa, Fla. — Roy S. Greene Sr., Monday at the Mary Chiles Hospital. — Henry Turner Judy, 79, native of Nicholas County, Monday at his home in Bourbon County. — Mrs. Willie Worth Hutchinson, 68, Bath County native, Tuesday at the Mary Chiles Hospital. — William Hughes, 54, Nov. 16 at the Nicholas County Hospital. — Mrs. Bettie Flora, 73, native of Nicholas County, Friday at Georgetown, Ohio. — James Harvey Hardwick, 77, Friday at his home in Carlisle. — Mrs. Nannie Bell Florence, 80, Friday at a Cynthiana nursing home. — Bruce J. Monson, 48, Nov. 10 at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Los Angeles. — Mrs. Carrie Wills Howley, native of Moorefield, Sept. 16 in Miami, Fla.

Thursday, November 21, 1940

David W. Booth, 73, widely known farmer and former county official, died suddenly at 5:30 o'clock Tuesday morning at his home on the White Chimney Road following a heart attack.

Approximately 250 farmers from all sections of the county attended a mass meeting at the courthouse Tuesday night, at which time the provisions of the referendum to be conducted Saturday were explained.

Arlie Lee Gray, clerk in the local ACP office, will probably be the first man sent from Nicholas County in the selective service call. Gray was one of five Nicholas County registrants who have volunteered for immediate service.

City Assessor Perry McClanahan has completed the assessment of the city of Carlisle for 1941 taxes, which shows the total valuation of property for the year to be $1,173,161. This is a decrease of $4,804 from last year.

Taking advantage of the cold weather last week farmers slaughtered hogs. Meat hogs are quoted at approximately $6.50 per hundred weight.

BORN — To Mr. and Mrs. M.P. Nichols, a son at the Johnson Memorial Hospital. He has been named David Betz. — To Mr. and Mrs. Hinton Williamson of Alliance, Ohio, a daughter at their home Tuesday, Nov. 19. She has been named Carole Anne.

MARRIED — Miss Marie Colmire of Fleming County and Edward Lee Jolly of Myers by County Judge D.M. Curry at his office in the courthouse on Nov. 13.

DIED — Mrs. A.A. Dale of Myers received word Monday from Gulfport, Miss. of the death of her uncle, R.S. Cottongim, 90, at his home. He was a native of Nicholas County. — Mrs. Amanda Myers Damon, 88, at her home in Louisville, Nov. 15. She was born in Nicholas County, but had lived in Louisville 25 years.

Letters

To The Carlisle Mercury:

Nicholas County High held their Homecoming Activities Oct. 31, and as a former student and alumni my family and I attended the football game. Since we live away from Carlisle it was especially nice to see the school and so many old friends again.

The big disappointment to me was when **The Carlisle Mercury** came out the following week there was NO mention of the Homecoming events — Queen and Court — only a brief sentence at the beginning of the sport write-up. There were three beautiful girls vying for queen and Miss Kathy Mathes being chosen as queen should have at least gotten a write up and surely one picture. Nicholas County and Carlisle has many pretty and talented young ladies that very seldom get recognition which is a shame. Is it any wonder so many young people aren't interested in competing and trying for personal recognition and honor when the only paper in town fails to report their achievements?

Judy Sexton

Editor's Note: Your criticism concerning the coverage of the Nicholas County High School Homecoming is justified. We are sorry, but at that time, and now, we do not have a reporter-photographer on our staff. We are working to remedy that as soon as possible.

The earliest Chinese coins were made in the shapes of knives and spades, indicating, experts say, that such objects had previously been used in bartering.

Mercury vapors

by Warren R. Fisher

This week starting with last Thursday has been the shortest week on record as far as column writing goes. We're so far behind, I suppose we might say we're in front.

A little squib that I read the other day was as follows: "America and defeat cannot be made to rhyme." — Eric A. Johnston.

Well I'm glad! But by adding about three or four words, Just give America time.

If that doesn't rhyme, then I've lost my dime, or wasted my time making the whole thing rhyme.

— MV —

Columnist Anthony Harrigan has some words worth considering:

Neither major candidate in the presidential election would address the problem of labor costs in the auto industry. An article in The New York Times last summer pointed out that autoworkers earn between $17 and $18 an hour. The article noted that this is "roughly double the average American wage." Now people in industry and even through their political muscle. If they succeed, it will be at the expense of America's taxpayers. There will be more Chryslers and more union representation on the boards of automakers. We could find ourselves in the position of the British, building cars that the public won't buy. What would we do with excess automobiles produced through federal subsidies? It's a question worth considering.

The hard fact is that labor costs in the auto industry must come down. The UAW must agree to accept a lower wage scale in order to restore the lost competitiveness of many American-made cars. The UAW also must accept a much higher degree of automation in Detroit's plants. This automation already is in place in Japanese factories and is a major reason for the competitiveness of Japanese automobiles.

In other words, the autoworkers must concede some part of their excessive wages if they are to keep their jobs at all. And there must be at least a few courageous office holders who will call for a wage cut in the industry.

To date, the autoworkers have been shielded by federal aid. The Labor Department has declared them all eligible to receive 70 percent of their regular pay from the federal government. When that runs out, there will be additional unemployment benefits. These can't be paid indefinitely, however.

The autoworkers already have received a vast amount of aid from the public treasury. The time has come for them to make sacrifices in order to preserve their jobs and the industry that employs them.

in Congress are now beginning to consider restrictions on the flood of Japanese imports, they are silent on the even more basic problem of excessive labor costs.

The United Auto Workers rely on political clout to bypass the marketplace. They think they can maintain high wages

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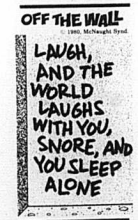

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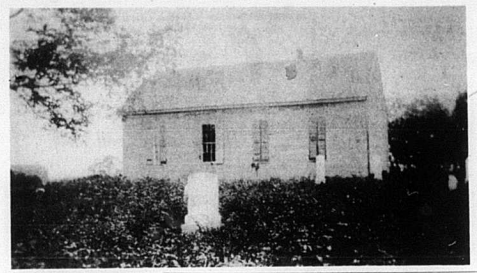

Descendents clean grounds

The building in this picture of the old Pisgah Methodist Church was erected in 1863 to replace a log structure which was built in 1814. The church, about 1½ miles southeast of Moorefield on an old dirt road connecting the Gravel Road with the Upper Sharpsburg Road, was the worship center for all Methodists in the Moorefield-East Union area. The last meetings were held here in the late 1920s or early 30s. This building was later torn down and the furnishings sold. In the old Pisgah Graveyard are the remains of many pioneer families and early settlers of Nicholas County who were members of the church. On Nov. 1 descendents of these pioneers met at the old cemetery to clean the grounds. A log school was built near the church in 1815 and replaced by a frame building in 1873. — Photo submitted.

Luther A. Clay Memorial Fund

The Luther A. Clay Memorial Fund for the Locust Grove Baptist Church has been established by close friends of Mr. Clay. He was an active member of the church for more than 50 years.

Mr. Clay served as chairman of deacons and treasurer of the church for over 30 years. The memorial fund was established for improvements and necessary maintenance of the building.

"Mr. Luther," one church member said, "always looked after those things for us, and this memorial fund will be an on-going tribute to his hard work and dedication.

Contributions to the Luther Clay Memorial Fund may be made through Locust Grove Baptist Church, in care of Rachel Mastin, Treasurer, or through the Deposit Bank of Carlisle.

REFUNDING $$$ AND SENSE
by VICTORIA R. FLEMING

We are all aware of the rapidly changing world we live in and the blending of roles plays a major part. No longer is it unusual to find a woman behind a desk or in the garage and a man in the kitchen. Today we share many functions and more and more men are finding themselves pushing grocery carts. Many household commercials and ads are now pitched to male viewers and readers — one magazine is even featuring a cooking contest for men! Changing lifestyles has created an enormous population of hungry single men and husbands responsible for the family's dinner. Or women who suddenly find themselves facing the vagaries of a carburetor. And there are refund deals, some outlined below, to help us save money in these new roles!

Q. How do I keep track of my outstanding refunding deals?

A. A looseleaf notebook with alphabetical dividers can do the trick. Just enter the name and address of the offer, the qualifier sent in, the "reward" and the mailing date. This gives you a checklist for what you've already done, what you've received and avoids possible duplication.

PICK OF THE WEEK

STANLEY TOOLS, Dept. HMM, Myrtle St., New Britain, CT 06050. Free set of plans for butcher block table, outdoor barbecue kitchen or workbench. Send name, address, any Stanley tool label, and cash register tape with purchase price circled. No expiration date.

Listed below are other "no form necessary" deals — just remember to include your name and address.

RUPERT'S CERTIFRESH, Box 1080, West Covina, CA 91793. $1 coupon. Send name, address and ingredient flap from a package of Certi-Fresh batter-fried fish sticks. 12/31/80.

WEED WHIP OFFER, TruTemper Corp. 1623 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44115. Send name, address and model number from carton end for extra spool of monofilament line. No expiration date.

CAM2 MOTOR OIL, 6001 North Clark, Chicago, IL 60660. Full price refund plus postage. Send name, address, 5 CAM2 trademarks, oil filter boxtop and cash tape with oil filter price circled. No expiration date.

RAIN DANCE REFUND OFFER, P.O. Box 3015, Ronks, PA 17572. $1.25. Send name, address, guarantee statement from back of Rain Dance Car Wax box and cash register tape with price circled. 12/31/80.

The following offers DO require forms.

DUPOND CAR PRODUCTS REFUND. 75 cents. Send form, cash register tape with price circled for DuPont Carb & Choke Spray Cleaner and CS number from back of product can. 12/31/81.

SALUTO MAIN DISH REFUND OFFER. $1 coupon. Send form and 2 unit pricing codes from any Saluto Main Dish packages. 5/31/81.

CELESTE PIZZA REFUND OFFER. $1. Send form and 3 net weight statements from any Celeste pizza. 2/28/81.

STOUFFER'S STUFFED SHELLS. 50 cents. Send form and 2 information panels from backs of any Stouffer's Stuffed Shells packages. 1/1/81.

Saltwell news

by Mrs. Fred Hollar

Mrs. Gary Hollar and Mrs. Jerry Galbraith, Carlisle, were in Lexington on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Snapp spent the past weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Snapp and son of Cincinnati. On Sunday they all spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Goodman and daughter of Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Gaunce spent Tuesday with Mrs. Wayne Gum, Headquarters.

Mrs. Obie Chasteen, Franklin, Ohio, Mrs. Lila Gabbard, Hamilton, and Mrs. T.H. Gill, Berea, spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Feeback, Carlisle.

Mrs. Gladys Kenney and Mrs. Hazel Snapp visited Mrs. Louise Linville near

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