

An Editor's random thoughts . . .

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wrapped bud, sealed against the winds and sleets, swung through the waste months, until awakened by the warm breath of another Spring.

On the white mantel shelf is a bowl of chrysantheums, hardy adventurers of bloom that sail daintily into the face of the black frost.

"We look but open our eyes and see, still the Oriole's owners here. The still, small voice in burning bush, Yet mope wood the Autumn's hush."

NCHS news

By Kayanna Mitchell and Jeff Tidwell Mrs. Betty (Jrard), Director of Pupil Personnel Center to Mr. James W. Williams, National case September 15 to discuss her role as DPV. She has been working at her current job for six years.

Joplin is among dozens of former American Indian crops that today grow within the United States. Oil from the plant virtually duplicates the oil of the sperm whale and is far purer.

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Breaking loose

Leaving one defender behind and dragging carries from scrimmage Friday night against Beechwood.—Mercury photo.

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For generations, the crumbly black rock was little more than a nuisance to farmers and builders. In recent months, however, oil shale has become a hot ticket for speculators as well as a trigger on the tempers of many Kentuckians.

Supported by OPEC oil prices, the United States has extended its search for domestic petroleum fuel to everything from tar sands to Jerusalem artichokes. But nothing has ignited a bigger dispute than efforts to launch a shale mining industry in the Bluegrass state.

Kentucky Energy Secretary William B. Starvill has given his blessing to the effort, and oil companies have waxed poetic about the possibilities in an Appalachian shale belt.

Citizens' groups, environmentalists and a host of rural politicians have replied with a barrage of skepticism that threatens to block oil companies' attempts to acquire massive blocks of shale in Kentucky.

Oil shale deposits in the U.S. are huge. They are found in abundance in Colorado, Utah and Wyoming. The darker shales that underlie Kentucky and five other southern and midwestern states contain less recoverable oil than western shales—something like 300 billion barrels, compared with 1,200 billion barrels in the West.

But eastern shale has been traditionally ignored by energy buyers because of its lesser oil content. Development of new processes that are said to double the oil yield of eastern shale, plus the fact that most eastern shales are privately owned, made the oil companies take another look.

Not all monkeys live in hot steamy places. Some monkeys have their homes about as far north as any monkeys in the world—in the mountains of Japan. Over thousands of years, they have developed longer fur and different habits to adapt to the colder climate.

Roundup

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Actions of the Legislative Research Commission. The Legislative Research Commission, in keeping with the executive branch's request for further budget cuts, trimmed an additional six percent from its budget for fiscal 1982.

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The fare for "getaway special" to space—canisters in which scientific experiments and inventions can be packed. The new space shuttle, to be used about \$3,000 to \$10,000 each.

Money from the sales will be used by the cheerleaders for camp and uniforms. This year the yearbook staff is also helping on the project to defray costs of the yearbook's publication.

Mrs. Harrison's fourth period anatomy class will receive a new skeleton in approximately six weeks. The skeleton comes from India and is a natural bone. It has removable parts marked in red and blue to show muscle locations.

Students Council elections were held Thursday, September 17, with two representatives from each home room being elected.

At first, students were going to be allowed to sign up for student council just as any other club. But in an interview with Danny Tarkitt, Student Council advisor, he said, "With over 70 on the list it's just too many."

This year the council will be in charge of all student events. Those elected to Student Council include: 12th Grade—Barbara Edwards, Robyn Fryman, Stephanie Hamilton, and Judith McGuffey, Peggy Stewart, and Angie Wilson.

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What, or who is a Senior Citizen?

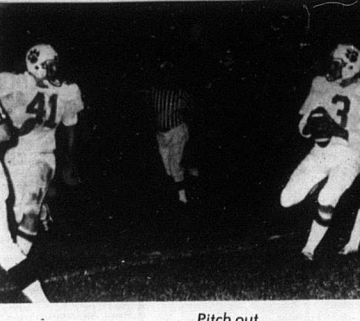
by Geneva Allen

Being called a "Senior Citizen" sounds like you might have won first in the game. "Senior Citizen" well, that depends entirely on the individual. I have known some to reach that stage rather easily in life.

I have had people say, "I'm not on the list"—"Neither"—"I'm not on the list"—"You are asked to pay a small sum for the food, which will give you a well balanced meal, along with good companionship."

Also, the Center is required to furnish \$100.00 to obtain matching government funds. The Center has an activity committee, made up of the participants and this committee has planned four sales and a Christmas Bazaar to help raise that money.

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USDA issues new food stamp rules to be effective Oct. 1

New rules were published last week that will change the way food stamp eligibility is determined and how benefits are calculated, starting October 1. According to Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Mary Jarrett, the new rules will implement portions of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981 and are aimed at saving \$1.8 billion in federal costs for fiscal year 1982.

The new regulations set a gross monthly income eligibility limit for all food stamp households except those with elderly or disabled members. Under the present law, eligibility is determined on the basis of a household's net monthly income, a figure derived by subtracting the \$55 food stamp "standard deduction" and any other allowable child care, excess shelter, earned income, or medical deductions from the household's gross monthly income.

Winter drawdown plans announced for Cave Run Lake. Winter drawdown plans for Cave Run Lake were announced last week by the Louisville District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

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Proposed title bill discussed by Brown

Governor John Y. Brown Jr. and state transportation officials met with a selected committee of about 20 county clerks at Frankfort last Thursday to discuss the details of a proposed title bill.

As proposed by the 1982 Kentucky General Assembly, the law will separate title of ownership from the currently combined registration-title process. Kentucky is the only state in the union with a title law.

County court clerks across Kentucky would be additionally opposed title bill proposals because of a preconcurred loss of local revenue. Willard Hamford, Paduca County Clerk and president of the county clerks association, said during the meeting that, "We're not saying we're against" this bill proposal, but the clerks have reservations.

Brown said that passage of this bill would add an estimated \$4 million to \$4 million annually in local tax revenue by lightening the collection of property taxes on vehicles.

Consumer protection from purchasing stolen vehicles and being a victim of identity theft. Storing title documents in a central location to prevent their loss.

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