An editor's random thoughts...

with the boon and burden of thought. In short, I would retain the

. . . open eye and ear
To find the Orient's marvels here.
The still small voice in Autumn's hush.
Yon maple wood the burning bush.

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Ah, and it is by just such fatuous clinging, my incorrigible romanticist, to that importunate and never-to-be-discouraged yearning to eat one's cake and have it too, which has beset you all of your life, that would sooner or later lose for you the comfortable placidity and bovine imperviousness to worry of your bright new reincarnation. You would be very happy for a little while, in your pleasant moronic domain of Acceptance and Practicality, learning of the real sweetness of sleep and for the first time tasting food and laughing loud and deep down with that hearty and delightful quality that speaks the vacant and therefore the untroubled mind. And then you would begin to listen for the footfall of the pilgrim steps of Spring and to peer into the golden chalices of daffodils, to glorify bird song at dawning and romance over the roses of June; to let the beauty of a firmament very cunningly contrived, very lovely in its season and passing wonderful, get at the foolish heart and mind of you. You would begin to look into that star-spread canopy that declares the glory of its creator, to listen perforce to the soothing sounds and hinted-at whispers of that night, "which sheweth knowledge" (according to the wisdom an ancient has set down twixt the covers of a book) and you would begin to plague yourself with thoughts and futile, foolish wonderings. And then it would be that your bright, new incarnation would leave you, vanishing into that limbo from which our dreams and high ideals are bodied forth in life's Aprils and into which they return, grey, tortured ghosts, in life's Octobers . . . And some "good business man" would -foreclose his mortgage unexpectedly on your fair domain and you would be left unhandseled and forced to make your living again perchance, by dabbling with types and ink and by the spoiling of good white paper with the marshalling of more or less dilettante and unimportant combinations of words in more or less pleasing sequences. And you would be where you were at the beginning . . . Which all of us must be at long last . . . And empty handed.

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And so, alas, am I, as Time begins to trot withal, faced — more unpleasantly during illnesses especially — by the idiotically belated conviction that youth is gone and that much that was fine and rebellious has gone with it. I have become, as someone has said, the lackey of prudence and half-measures. I have come to the embracing of a duplicity of sorts and shameless compromises in my dealing with the rest of the herd, that I and mine may be warm and well fed, where in another April I should have consigned to Tophet, in a fine rage and with much momentary satisfaction and lack of foresight, many men and things that irk me . . .I find my old gods leaving me and I must look for my philosophy . . .For I find myself growing a bit crusty and a more or less jaundiced and ironic pessimism beset my juggling with words, so that this spoiling of good, white paper with their unimportant and not in the least lucrative combinings in sequences more or less pleasing becomes an irksome task of late. So that I take no pleasure in it, nor, by the same token I know, will you.

And so, gentle reader — for of a certainty you are gentle and forbearing and perhaps a little foolish to have pursued (if any do) this confessional of a middle-aged and ailing country printer to its limping end — fare thee well until I have looked more to my philosophy.

Tournament winners

Shown above are the Little League Basketball Tournament winners — the Hawks. Front row, from left, are Brian Hiander, Frankie Johnson. Back row from left, Kevin Hughes, Steve Gill, Steven Sexton and Bryan Brierly. — Photo submitted.

Sick pay benefits are taxable income

Taxpayers who become sick or injured on the job and receive sick pay benefits from their employer must include the payments as income on their federal tax return, the Internal Revenue Service says.

The payments are taxable whether they were made directly by the employer or from a welfare fund, a state sickness or disability fund or an insurance company, provided the plan was paid by the employer.

Benefits received under an accident or health insurance policy for which the employee paid the premiums are not considered taxable by the IRS.

More information on sick pay benefits is contained in the free IRS Publication 525, "Taxable and Non-taxable Income." It can be ordered with the form in the tax package or by writing the IRS.

Kids invited to write to the President

Children from across the country are being invited to share their concerns with top government leaders through the fifth annual national letter-writing campaign sponsored by Save the Children, the international child-assistance agency.

The theme for this year's letters is: "Dear Mr. President, If I had one wish for the world's children . . ."

The campaign will culminate during Save the Children Week, May 1-7, in Washington, D.C. At that time all letters will be presented at a children's hearing in the U.S. Congress and at the White House. The topics expressed most frequently by the children will form the 1982 Children's Agenda for Action. This summary of concerns will also be the kickoff of the new Children's Congress in Washington at which elementary school children, representing every state, will meet to address the problems facing today's youth.

The letters, along with the name of the teacher and school, must be received by April 1. Mail to: Caroline Brady, Dept LC, Save the Children, P.O. Box 933, Westport, CT 06881.

Save the Children Week, an opportunity to draw public attention to the needs and rights of children, will be officially proclaimed by all state governors. Julie Andrews is Honorary Chairperson.

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Kentucky Business Scene

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More Kentucky businesses are going bankrupt these days, and they have plenty of company across the nation.

Of the total 7,485 bankruptcies filed in the state last year, 771 were business or business-related, according to figures supplied by the eastern and western Kentucky districts of U.S. Bankruptcy Court. Pursuing on the 771 filings, 335 were recorded by the western district court at Louisville and 436 by the eastern district court at Lexington.

In 1980, when a total of 5,202 bankruptcies were filed statewide, the western district court received filings of 258 business or business-connected petitions for bankruptcy. Comparable data is unavailable from the eastern district since the breakout of types of bankruptcies was not formulated in that court until Oct. 1, 1980, but court officials said the numbers did grow from 1980 to 1981.

Kentucky bankruptcy court officials trace the rise in business-related filings more to present economic woes than to the effect of a new federal bankruptcy code which went into effect Oct. 1, 1979. The code liberalized the extent of property a debtor could retain and also permitted certain small, unincorporated firms to keep functioning after a bankruptcy filing.

Statistics gathered nationwide by the Small Business Administration showed business-related bankruptcies at a record high in fiscal year 1981. In that year which ended June 30, 1981, bankruptcies numbered 47,414 — up 30 percent from the 1979-80 year in which approximately 36,000 business bankruptcies were filed.

The SBA said there is an unmistakable link between high interest rates and the spiraling rise in business failures since the start of 1980, particularly in those industries especially sensitive to interest rates.

Debtors may file bankruptcy petitions at any district court office. From there the documents are forwarded to the bankruptcy court. Petitioners also may file their papers directly with the bankruptcy court. Creditors are notified by the bankruptcy court clerk, but that often takes several days.

Steve Hixon said it can take from seven to 10 days for creditors to discover that a bankruptcy case has been filed by someone who owes them money. It was that time lag that helped convince Mr. Hixon, a Bowling Green attorney, to found his Early Warning Bankruptcy Bulletin five months ago.

"I have people in Lexington and Louisville who examine each day's bankruptcy petitions," Mr. Hixon said. "They have a list of our subscribers. If they come across the name of one of our subscribers as a creditor to someone who has filed for bankruptcy, they fill out a form we have and send it off that same day. Normally, our subscribers will be informed within one day of filing."

Mr. Hixon said the idea of quick notification is to protect a creditor's legal status.

Debt collection becomes illegal once a bankruptcy is filed, and ignorance of that fact is no excuse. Creditors who learn that a filing has been made can check on insurance for a loan's collateral — insurance that becomes the creditor's responsibility if the loan is not reaffirmed.

The form a subscriber receives lists the debtor's name, address, social security number, attorney's name and the place, date and time of the filing. Other data included are the amount of debt, whether the debtor intends to liquidate or reaffirm a loan, loan numbers, whether the loan was secured, the value of the security and the total amount of the debtor's assets and liabilities. Approximately 16 banks use the service.

"Few firms have the resources to station someone in Louisville or Lexington to look for information about their clients," Mr. Hixon said. "At best, they can depend on the credit bureau which publishes a laundry list of everyone who files for bankruptcy. Most banks have so many clients they can't really recognize a debtor's name if it shows up on a list like that."

Kentucky stocks on the move last week: Market direction of the Kentucky stock index was upward. Leading gainers: General Energy (OTC), to 22⅝ from 20¾; Humana (NYSE), to 24 from 21 7/8; Jerrico (OTC), to 19 7/8 from 17 7/8. Biggest losses: Louisville Gas and Electric (NYSE), to 18⅝ from 19 3/8; Begley Drug (OTC), to 7½ from 8¼.

Saltwell

By Mrs. Fred Hollar

Mrs. Gladys Kenney, Miss Robbie Harney and Mrs. A.R. Fisher spent Monday with Miss Edna Huddleson, Carlisle.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Snapp and Eddie, Cincinnati, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Goodman, Paula, Angie and Rebecca Goodman, Grand Rapids, Michigan, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Snapp, honoring several of their recent birthdays. The Goodmans remained for a few days' visit.

Mrs. Jennings Mattox, Mrs. Mike Mattox and Mrs. Vaughan Mattox entertained with a baby shower for Mrs. Phillip Mattox at the Saltwell Church on Sunday afternoon. Games and refreshments were enjoyed by all and she received many lovely gifts. There were around 23 in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Strauder Hollar and sons spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bullock and sons, Paris.

Mrs. Taylor Mitcheltree spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. R.J. Wagoner, Bartlerville. They also spent a couple nights with Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Earlywine, to be near Veterans Hospital, Lexington, where Mr. Wagoner was a patient the past week. He returned home Saturday but returned on Tuesday for possible surgery later in the week.

Mrs. Sheila Schuller and baby of Dayton, Ohio spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Ishmael Smith.

Andrea Galbraith, Carlisle, spent the wekend with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hollar and children. Denise Stone also spent the night on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Tanner and Mr. and Mrs. Bill George were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Hollar one night recently. Mrs. Wanda Gaunce was also a visitor on Sunday.

Mrs. Hazel Snapp, Mrs. Gladys Kenney and Mrs. Bill George were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollar. Mrs. Kenney also visited Mrs. Rosilli Franklin in the afternoon.

Mrs. Dave Masters spent one day the past week with Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Stone and Tommy.

Mrs. Bobby Brady visited Mrs. Brenda Nolan and children, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Stasher, Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Florence, Mr. and Mrs. Strauder Hollar and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby White in the past few days.

Mrs. Gladys Kenney, Miss Robbie Harney, Mrs. A.R. Fisher and Miss Edna Huddleson were in Lexington on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Gaunce, Mr. and Mrs. Timmy Gum and babies were Sunday supper guests the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gum and Daniel, and Melissa Gaunce.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Gaunce of Orangeburg, Debbie Gaunce of West Palm Beach, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Price, and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Price visited Mrs. Nellie Gaunce and Ricky Price and Lisa White over the weekend.

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