

Opinion

A modest solution to paper chase

We all know that the purpose of government is to print and shuffle paper.

No wonder, then, that some of the highest paid government workers in Washington are printers.

The General Accounting Office reports that printers in the Government Printing Office, which publishes the Congressional Record and other federal publications, earn 42 percent more than other government printers.

And what's more, they want more money.

The Reagan administration, elected to cut paper shuffling, doesn't want to give them a raise.

We have a solution.

Both the government and the printers union should hold firm to their demands at all costs, until there is no alternative but for the printers to go on strike for a day.

Then, when the presses stop, America

would experience the unique test of a government without paper.

Imagine it: a bureaucracy that would have to make decisions in the real world, not on paper; a Congress that would have to listen to congressmen's remarks on the floor of Congress, not read them in the Congressional Record; a president who would have to write memos and proclamations by hand, not run them off on a printing press.

We can hear the outcry already. Bureaucrats weeping at their clean desks, congressmen thundering in the well of the House, the president borrowing a mimeograph machine from Republican headquarters. While the Republic, unlettered by paper, rolls on mightily and smoothly.

Ah, a government without paper, a fantasy too beautiful to imagine. We'll never see it. A GPO strike would be legal.

Profile in courage

Add to your profiles in courage last Rep. Dan Coats, R-Ind. He voted against designing Oct. 25 as National Mother-in-Law Day. Not content with that bit of extreme bravery, Coats plunged into the lions' den by saying "behind every successful man lies a surprised mother-in-law."

Jesting aside, Coats said he had nothing against his or anyone else's mother-in-law but had wearied of Congress taking valuable time to designate special days to commemorate a myriad of things, like Jogging Day, National Coin Week, Hawk Watching Day, etc.

"As a freshman congressman," he explained, "I've quickly fallen prey to the sage advice of many House voters that 'nobody is against bad eggs' or 'hold your nose and nod.'

for National Chicken Soup Day because there are 190,000 mothers in the district who serve chicken noodle soup to their kids every time they sick."

Coats says the "implied threat" is that if those mothers found out their congressman voted against the soup day, "they would rise en masse next election to throw the insensitive lout out of Congress."

So the representative did show courage, rare as it is in Congress these days, even on a myriad of things, like Jogging Day, National Coin Week, Hawk Watching Day, etc.

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County help sought with trash problems

The Carlisle Mercury: I am writing in support of a letter by Frances Herrington which appeared in the Mercury two weeks ago. We live in the Stony Creek area and have been concerned over the removal of the trash dumpsters on Pennington Ridge Road.

The dumpsters were used by a large area and many weeks would pass before the garbage was removed. However, for those of us who use the dumpsters, it was a convenience. For anyone who passed the area since the dumpsters had been re-

moved into what trash is still being dumped at the area. This is truly an eyesore for people traveling Pennington Ridge Road.

Our county officials, help us to help our community clean up.

Mrs. Patricia Corkern
Stony Creek Road, Carlisle

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STATIONARY FRISBEESTIC SLIP-PAGE ELIMINATOR #362

Englight

Agree or not Money and its sources, a state need

The next governor of Kentucky will be facing a real challenge, but there is little chance the voters will hear the most important issue discussed at any length.

The most basic issue is money and the probable source or sources.

Education is always a big issue. Kentucky is always a big issue. Kentucky is always a big issue. Kentucky is always a big issue.

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Down Memory Lane 50 per cent Federal funds for sanitary sewer, disposal system

Thursday, August 25, 1983

Announcements were made last week that the Federal government had approved a grant of \$10 million for the construction of a new sanitary sewer and disposal plant. Simultaneous plans and specifications for the new Nicholas County Health Center had been completed and an advertisement for the letting of a contract for this building should be forthcoming. Also the final Court book action last Wednesday towards selling \$100,000 revenue bonds to finance the construction of a new nursing home. These three projects will result in approximately \$12.5 million being spent in Nicholas County within the next 18-24 months.

The County Fire Department Commission met Aug. 24 at the County Extension Office and completed reviewing the purchase of tank and equipment. The truck already having been purchased. This now completes the County Fire Department, to be ready for the December 1st opening of Carlisle and will be available for use within the next 30 days.

City Judge Ben J. Alexander has received a Certificate of Merit Award from Glenn Lewis, Board Chairman of Public Safety, for imposing penalties on motorists at least 60 percent of traffic cases cited to them by Kentucky State Police during 1982 and are reporting the convictions to the Division of Driver Licensing of the Department of Public Safety.

The University of Kentucky has closed Ralph Wiley, a member of this year's graduating class of Nicholas County High School, for his outstanding country basketball scholarship and as a leader in the school.

BORN — To Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boyer, a daughter, Wanda Louise, Aug. 23, at Nicholas County Hospital, 2001 S. Main Street, Lexington, Ky.

TO Mr. and Mrs. John Baker, a son, Anthony Clark, Aug. 14 at Houchens County Hospital.

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Op-Ed page

Der Flying Dutchman... will again do his magic sky-writing tricks for der world

"Oh, Henry, how wonderful! After six long years of waiting by the telephone, it has happened. I know they would come to their senses sooner or later."

"Has called, mein Nancy, der president has called!"

"Please, Henry, you promised not to do that. I want to see you more when we shall see."

"Sorry, Nancy. I was just getting into shape for my first interview. You know how the reporters love my accent."

"Now let me brush the cobwebs off your suit, Henry, and if you're not yet prepared, I suppose the president wants you to be his secretary of state, right?"

"Well, not exactly. He said he wishes to employ my incredible expertise in the complex field of diplomacy to establish a permanent peace."

"But Henry, you know the president and his conservative staff hates you gets and distrusts you. Didn't you ask any questions?"

"That of course, my dear Nancy. I asked him where Central America was. I don't recall it being around when I was secretary of state."

"Really, dear, you can see he does not hate me. He's afraid you'll join the Mondale bunch and undermine his reelection plans. You should have secretly told him information when he was running against your boss, Gerald Ford, in '76—the way you played both sides of the street in the Nixon-Humphrey campaign of '68."

"That's a shame! But the next time I see Seymour Hersh, you're going to punch him in the nose."

"Please, dear, stop shouting in German. But after your illustrious career in the White House and your great powers, are you actually going to stoop to asking an angry little Central American?"

"I don't mind speaking a few hours of my valuable time to establish another lasting peace in Central America, wherever that is. It will keep my talents honed and razor-sharp. After the public again sees the brilliance of my diplomatic eloquence, they will demand to know how I did it."

"But, dear, what if you don't achieve a lasting peace?"

"Responsibility, besides, nothing is more important to me than a lasting peace. Pack your suitcase and marmalade. I am off to Tel Aviv and Cairo and so."

"Whatever works. As a warm-up, I'll write the Middle East crisis again, check things out in the White House as usual, and have tea with the Chairman before popping into Central America."

"You forget, my dear Nancy. I am a shrewd diplomat. I must be on the move to keep my wits honed to meet the current world mayhem position, which is as great a boon toward a Nobel Peace Prize."

"You always was shifty, dear."

"Vouch your language, woman, you are addressing the top brass of the banana republic. I'll go down in history as the man who saved the United States from invasion by Cuba, and the spread of the Sandinista scourge."

"That's Sandinista, dear."

"Whatever."

"The world's waiting."

"V-a-sh, Farewell, dear Nancy, I am off to Monaco."

"That's your man Manganese."

"Whatever."



They are, in essence, miniature, mobile billboards. You might call them signs of the times.

Their messages range from religious reminders to observations that would have horrified Grand Inquisitors. Some are trash if they are slow, but I'm ahead of you. Some champion environment and political causes. Some range from racy to raunchy. Some are cheap products (Promote pork—run over a chicken). Some are strictly for laughs.

They are, it seems, a bumper sticker for almost every hobby, interest, occasion, belief or occupation. There are even lousy public notices and special interest groups. There are ones that inform all within eyeshot what kind of people make better lovers.

After awhile you begin to think you have seen them all. But the other day I spotted a fresh one—although presumably it has been around for some time. It was a bumper sticker that read: "I am the self-assured face of one of America's coldest powers. 'Hank the Hawk.' It read: 'There is smaller letters. 'Well, it works in Texas."

Anyway, the sticker spawned an idea. Next time you are bored out of your skull, try writing your own bumper sticker messages. It's surprising how many naive observations a guy can create. In addition, of course, that what you consider original already may have been thought of by someone else. For lack of names—have been thought of by someone else. For lack of names—have been thought of by someone else.

Hang glider racers who finish last are "loaf" losers. Employees in dusty clothes are frustrated for advancement. Quarterbacks make snap judgments. Country criers are fools. Hay fever is nothing to sneeze at. Cars without have novel ideas. Misses are down-to-earth people. Fiction writers have novel ideas. Misses are down-to-earth people. Fiction writers have novel ideas. Misses are down-to-earth people. Fiction writers have novel ideas.

Others might be spared dashed hopes, shattered dreams and tired toes. I offer more of the familiar real estate phrases and what they actually mean:

Charming Tiny Snow White might fit but few of the Dwarfs would have to go to the Old Dwarfie Home. See "Cute," "Enchanting," "Sweet," and "Good Starter Home."

Most Potential Gain. Steer clear unless you have loads of money and believe carpenters are misde mens. See "Ready to Retire" and "Unexploited Gem."

Overbuilt. C. Godwin's idea.

Utique City Home. Used to be a warehouse.

Highly Contemporary. Lots of steel shanking with little bales—the kind your Dad used to store his tools in the basement.

Daring Design. Sell a warehouse.

Unusual Building. Treat me. You don't want to know. Completely Updated. Avocado dishwasher and Harvest Gold cupboards. Or a vase.

You Love It. No, you don't.

Spontaneously. Black walls and no windows. See "Architect's Delight."

Over-extended. Ugly as sin.

Brilliant Concept. Do you really need a two-story oak oak in your 30-foot sky dome? See "Makes Dramatic Statement."

Upper Bracket. If you have to ask the price, you can't afford it. Attractive in a world of mediocre opportunities, this damns with faint praise. See "Sunny," "Neutral Decor," "Popular Street" and "TV Jacks."

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The night of the Killer Tornado

by William L. O'Connell

At 11:30 p.m. on the night of the storm, I was in my bedroom in my home in Carlisle, Ky. I was reading a book when I heard a loud rumbling sound. I looked out the window and saw a bright light in the sky. I heard a loud rumbling sound. I looked out the window and saw a bright light in the sky. I heard a loud rumbling sound. I looked out the window and saw a bright light in the sky.

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Agree or not

One way of taxing thoroughbred sales might be to levy a severance tax on them — tax the foal when he is born.

Kentucky roads are deteriorating and the next administration is going to neglect the neglect in maintenance for the past four years, partly caused by a Kentucky bid to join the interstate system. It is totally responsible for maintenance of the state interstate system. Inflation also took its toll.

Two blocks below the Highways, it was around in her yard weedy last year's flowers. I believe in her yard weedy last year's flowers. I believe in her yard weedy last year's flowers. I believe in her yard weedy last year's flowers.

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Had to wait on his bud... but the Japanese beetle had squandered his rights on this fragrant magnolia. He is no more, a pair of twergers and a big foot did it.