

Opinion

Our way with words

We have the most massive and magical tools for communication ever known to the human race, but we use them more to confuse than to communicate.

That's because we have specialized in corrupting the most basic tool of all — words.

And we are already setting records for words above the political campaign season.

It is the modern fashion to treat words as toys rather than tools. Facility in the use of the spoken and written word is now the general, popular and political measure of weight. Not accuracy or precision. Not truth.

We judge politicians by how glib they are, and then give them massive functional, administrative responsibilities.

We operate on the premise once expressed in regard to the candidacy of Adlai Stevenson: "Nobody who speaks so clearly can possibly think straight."

Unfortunately, that is not true. The facility to handle the language spectacularly too often involves avoiding the handicap of facts and thus of accuracy. When a muddled situation is described in a way that seems to make things clear, that is only misleading, for the reality is the muddle not the clarity.

There is no one profession, indeed, where a capacity to mangle anything sound word with the facile manipulation of words. This is the core man, the professional of banks.

To some degree, people not dealing with hard facts but with mere expression or abstraction are related to this, however. That, children, intellectuals and entertainers have



Agree or not

A campaign of half truths

As for the complaints from the Democrats about the Republicans' blaming Carter for high interest rates and other problems, as well as his having no control over the President's power, it comes as something of a surprise that they should complain about Carter if he offers to use half truths and avoid the fact that he isn't in charge of the economy.

It is not as if the president is an issuer, but the Democrats are forgetting that they are not in charge of the economy. The average citizen knows that it is not the president who controls the money supply, but the Federal Reserve Board, which has no political loyalty. The average citizen knows that it is not the president who controls the interest rate, but the Federal Reserve Board, which has no political loyalty.

Down Memory Lane

Tobacco Festival set Nov. 13; MMI dedicates Gamble Hall

Thursday, October 27, 1984
 The Miller School of Business Administration is planning a tobacco festival in Gamble Hall on November 13, 1984. The festival will feature a variety of tobacco products and will be held in Gamble Hall, which was dedicated to the memory of the late William Mitchell Miller on October 27, 1984.

Op-Ed page

Running self into grave...is not having to say you're sorry for being out of shape

Used to be, when you planned a trip to Washington, Boston and other big cities, you had to buy a travel agent and a lot of accident insurance. You just knew that if a last second you did, you'd have a disaster would be met and you'd be stable into an open ambulance and be taken up by helicopter in the air.

You still need the accident insurance, but you don't need the travel agent and the accident insurance. You just know that if a last second you did, you'd have a disaster would be met and you'd be stable into an open ambulance and be taken up by helicopter in the air.

Russ Metz

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Re-Elect

William T. Dampier

Nicholas County Board of Education

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 Experienced, Qualified, Honest

Photo by Carlisle

Colorful Coxcombs
 Carlisle, measuring 15 and 13 inches across the top were grown by Helen Skaven at his home on Hill View Road. From seeds given him by Mrs. Charles Monroy of Abingdon Road, Skaven's yard has many of the beautiful flowers in various colors and sizes.

The Public is Invited!

To an Open Forum to meet and hear Nicholas County Board of Education Candidates.

The Forum will be held October 22, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. at the Nicholas County Library.

This forum is sponsored by: The Carlisle Community Women's Club, The Lion's Club, Carlisle-Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce, Nicholas County Pritchard Committee for Academic Excellence, Ministerial Association, Library Board, Rotary Club, Paris League of Women Voters.

Rights vs. safety

There is widespread interest in a case before the U.S. Supreme Court as to whether a Constitution limits public school officials in searching students' pockets of violating school rules. The case stems from a 1983 decision by the New Jersey Supreme Court that said students and their property are protected by the Fourth Amendment prohibition against unreasonable search and seizure.

That decision defining a student's purse as a locker as a "zone away from home" has tied the hands of New Jersey school officials who like their counterparts across the nation, are already restricted by their authority by a succession of restrictive legal rulings regarding student rights.

The net effect has been to embolden student outsiders who are able to operate with relative impunity in inner-city schools, while harried administrators have been relegated to functioning as highly paid paper shufflers.

The good die young...

Forty years ago this week, the following article appeared in the Lexington Herald-Examiner:

...and as an outgrowth to our destination, which we did not wish to do, but when my trip was cancelled for two days and one day, I was ordered to be a voluntary vessel from Australia...

Here Abouts
 ...with Emily A. Wolf

Medicare.

If you're 65 or over, you probably know about Medicare. Including the part that covers your hospital and medical bills. There are other important parts of Medicare that you should know about.

Here Abouts

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 Elizabeth A. Wolf graduated at the Moorefield Academy and was first licensed to practice law and admitted to the bar in Carlisle in 1941.

"Forward in the Faith" Special Services

Carlisle United Methodist Church

October 17-21

Why not open your 1985 Christmas Club Account when picking up your 1984 Christmas Club check?

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Big tod stool!

Dwain Mitchell, 3 son of Mr. and Mrs. B.B. Mitchell Jr., is shown with two long-jump mushrooms from the 1984 United States, captured July 28, 1984. The mushrooms are the largest ever captured in the United States. One weighed 30 inches in circumference and 11 inches long. The other weighed 28 inches in circumference and 11 inches long.