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The sign says it all

Mrs. Doris Whaley's return to work in the PVA office last Thursday after a long illness was marked by a welcoming sign, a stuffed pig, balloons and a long-stemmed red rose. Com-pliments of her co-workers on the second floor of the courthouse. (See Here Abouts, beginning on page 2) — Mercury photo

BGK plant 'safe' for now is ruling

The latest in a series of trips to Frankfort, in an effort to clarify Blue Grass Knitting's operational status, has borne fruit.

A delegation of four from Jockey International, BGK's parent company met with State Commerce Secretary Carroll Knicely and assistant Rob Worthington last Thursday and reportedly were told that newly-imposed regulations governing the discharge of waste water would not effect the local plant in the immediate future.

The four — Mrs. Donna Steigerwaldt, chairman of the board of Jockey; her husband Bill, and Fred Holmes, senior vice-president, manufacturing, all of Kenosha, Wisconsin, and Barry Mademann, vice-president, textiles, at the Carlisle plant — were given reason to believe that the local operation had until 1988 to comply with new state Department of Environmental Protection effluent standards.

IN A STORY in Tuesday's Lexington Herald, Don Harker, director of the state Division of Water, said that the company's concerns (over a possible shutdown) stemmed from a "misunderstanding and miscommunication" about the enforcement of the regulation which went into effect last month.

In fact, Harker went on to point out, BGK could be given up to three years to reach a solution as how to comply with new standards that limit the chloride content of discharged waste water to not more than 600 milligrams per liter.

At the time the regulation went into effect the chloride level in its waste treatment runoff pipe tested at 1,800. Within a few hundred yards from emission point the effluent tested at 395/7, or under the new limit. Further downstream testing revealed only a trace of chlo ride per liter.

Mademann has contended all along that it is impossible to meet the 600/1 regulation as long as the state applies the chloride level to the runoff pipe.

Harker was quoted as saying that "we gave them a number of possibilities to come into compliance."

MEANWHILE, the third shift at BGK was sent home Thursday night when city water reserves were reported too low (down to about eight feet in the tank) to handle the demand.

Mayor Frankie Hughes said he and the other council members were at the textile plant Thursday night explaining to BGK personnel on hand the need to curtail third-shift production because of the low water supply.

The level of six feet has been termed "dangerously low" by Bob Smallwood, consulting engineer with GRW Engineers, Inc. of Lexington. At this point only about 30,000 gallons remain in the tank.

Mademann said he was told BGK was "using too much water" but that they were not using more than usual. A check of city records since the first of the year, however, showed an increase in usage of almost 1.5 million gallons from January until April.

The breakdown of metered usage reveals some 4,86,600 gallons were consumed in January, 5,200,000 in February, 6,240,700 in March and 6,302,500 in April.

It is customary for the city's water

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At International Science Fair

Cassandra Browning (left) and Dawn Letcher, seniors at Nicholas County High School, are in Shreveport, La. this week to take part in the International Science and Engineering Fair. Both earned the right to participate by placing first and second respectively at the Northeast Regional Science Fair held in March at Morehead State University. —

Pumphrey resigns; Board picks Barr

The Nicholas County Board of Education, at its May 13 meeting, accepted the resignation of football coach Ben Pumphrey, who is retiring after a successful 25-year career here and other Kentucky high schools.

Pumphrey is being succeeded by assistant coach Robbie Barr.

Other measures approved included:

• Adopt textbooks in Group V (Elementary Music K-6) for a six-year period.

• To enter into a contract with Bluegrass Regional Private Industry and Development Council for Summer Youth Employment Program.

• To accept resignation from Mrs. Elizabeth Conyers and Mrs. Blanche Tapp.

• To authorize superintendent to apply for funds under the following acts: Educational Consolidation and Improvement Act, Chapter 1, Chapter 1 (Migrant), Chapter 2, Education of the Handicapped Act, Part B.

• To contract with Orkin to spray high school building twice annually.

• To excuse from school Nita and Osias Villaflor on May 9, 10, 13.

• To authorize superintendent to approve field trips between May 13 and the end of school.

• To allow Head Start use of elementary school on May 22 for Parents Night.

• To hold a called board meeting on May 20 at 8 p.m. to discuss any and all legal business.

• To employ the following classified personnel: (secretaries) Faye Robinson, Kathy Hilander, Shirley Collins, Karen Cartmill, Dorothy Woosley, Sue Woodall; (aides) Libby Clark, Sharon Compton, Viola Cleaver, Brenda Day, Fiery Duncan, Patsy Ecton, Betty Guthrie, Pat Hamm,

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MIKE KENNEY
...retained as cage coach

ROBBIE BARR
...head football coach

Time running short for water loan $$

City council took no action towards selling the wheels in motion for an expansion and improvement of its water system, at a regular meeting Monday night.

Under terms of a Farmers Home Administration loan, the city has until "around June 1" to take advantage of a $797,000 loan at five percent interest, it was pointed out. The timetable, a 180-day limit from the time of approval March 22, includes a 120-day period necessary to complete engineering specifications which also must be approved by FmHA.

Council's next regularly scheduled meeting would be June 10. Any vote to approve or reject the loan and its accompanying higher water rates would probably have to come at a called meeting, it was pointed out.

Blue Grass Knitting, the city's largest consumer of water, has contplained that proposed new rates set down by FmHA to assure the loan were too high. BGK officials have gone on record as objecting to a hike of approximately 40 percent over current rate charges.)

IN OTHER BUSINESS, council referred a letter from Rev. Bob Gipson concerning city charging municipal tax on church insurance policies to attorney Stockton Wood, presently on vacation in Sweden.

• Delayed any discussion on personnel procedure (job description).

• Voted to give firemen attending training school $7.50 per session.

• Appointed John Ring to four-year term on Planning and Zoning Committee.

• Accepted the resignation of John Tapp, a 15-year employee at the water plant, effective June 7. Will check applications on file for a replacement.

• Heard from clerk Mary Tapp that bathrooms at the water plant had been completed and were nice.

• Learned from Mayor Frankie Hughes that the water pump at the river is back in working order after a new breaker was installed.

• Discussed a half-million gallon underground water tank at Blue Grass Industries for fire protection and sprinkler system.

• Betty Barfan said she had been approached by Linda Linville to see what could be done about weeds on neighboring property on Mulberry Street. The home is owned by an out-of-town mortgage company.

Officers announced for May 28 election

The Nicholas County Board of Elections — H.L. McClanahan, W.J. Clark, Jack Randolph and Mildred Clark — announces the following election officers for the May 28 Primary.

District 1, Headquarters: Earl V. Delaney, D, Clerk; Frances Harney, D, Judge; Daley M. Kennedy, R, Judge; Martha P. Kennedy, R, Sheriff.

District 1, Barterville: Fred L. Hollar, D, Clerk; Allen Rule, D, Judge; Howard Sidle, R, Judge; Shelby Roundtree, R, Sheriff.

District 2, Rafferty: Martha Sibert, D, Clerk; Virginia Wells, R, Judge; Clay Mann, D, Judge; Jackie Wells Jr., R, Sheriff.

District 2, Myers: Sophia Margaret Bowles, R, Clerk; Eugene Letcher, D, Judge; Wilma McClanahan, R, Judge; Lida Ruth Hensley, D, Sheriff.

District 3, Moorefield: Mary Lou Henson, R, Clerk; Grimes Bussell, D, Judge; Fanny Ring, R, Judge; Karen Bussell, Sheriff.

District 3, East Union: Carolyn Vice, D, Clerk; Homer Kearns, D, Judge; Billy R. Lawson, R, Judge; E.G. Stephenson, R, Sheriff.

District 4, Mayors Office: Permelia Dollins, D, Clerk; Charles Wilson, R, Judge; Lola Bowen, D, Judge; Lee Bentz, R, Sheriff.

District 4, Engine House: Mary Trapp, R, Clerk; Luther Anderson, D, Judge; George Gaffin, R, Judge; Ines Ockerman, D, Sheriff.

District 5, Mathias: Joyce Clark, R, Clerk; Ethel Caswell Smith, R, Judge; John S. Tapp, D, Judge; Alma Atkinson, D, Sheriff.

District 5, City Building: Maxine Smoot, D, Clerk; James Neal Wood, D, Judge; Ruby Vice, R, Judge; Paul Donovan, R, Sheriff.

COUNTY CLERK Rose Scott reminds residents that Tuesday, May 21 is the deadline for applying for an absentee ballot.

Also, that voters who have changed their party affiliations since last November's general election will not be eligible to vote in the coming primary.

Approximately 800 persons registered to vote here prior to the close of voter registration books at the end of April. Nicholas County has about 4,800 eligible voters. Official numbers will be verified in Frankfort in the next few days.

Hester named to KHA board

The election of new officers for the Kentucky Hospital Association (KHA) for 1985-1986 took place last week during the association's 50th Annual Convention in Louisville.

Elected chairman of the board of KHA was Russ Sword, administrator of Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital in Hazard.

In addition to Sword, Robert W. Hester, Administrator, Nicholas County Hospital was elected to the KHA Board of Trustees, as vice chairman of the Blue Grass District.

Mercury names Hinton to advertising staff

Mrs. Jeneeia Lee Hinton has been named sales representative of The **Carlisle Mercury**. The announcement was made this week by publisher Warren R. Fisher.

Mrs. Hinton, a native of Flemingsburg, is a graduate of Fleming County High School and Morehead State University, where she holds an Associate of Arts degree in Journalism. Her studies also included business, public relations and advertising courses.

As a member of the MSU "Trail Blazer" newspaper staff, she wrote news stories, sold and designed ad layouts.

Mrs. Hinton is the former Jeneeia Ginn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ginn of Flemingsburg.

She is married to Steve Hinton, manager of Carlisle Southern States. They have a 3½-month-old daughter, Stacia.

JENECIA HINTON
joins Mercury staff

A happy 'Baseball Bunch'

Several Nicholas County bat Jackets celebrate their 6-2 victory over Bourbon County last Tuesday in the opening round of the 39th District tournament. From left, Wendell McNabb, Doug McCord, Scott Allison, Greg McNabb, Kenny Payne, Dudley Holland, Darren Robinson, Kevin Wells, Carl Whitson, Rusty Scott and Chris Anderson. The Jackets lost to host Harrison County in the finals but advanced to 10th Region play this week. (Story, page 4) —