Opinion

'Milkshake' on his mind

Brad Allison is a team player from the word "go". The Little Leaguer proved it Sunday night when he smacked a grand slam home run in leading his All-Star teammates to the championship in the 11-12 year-old division of the Nicholas County Instational Tournament.

You might say when Brad stepped to the plate in his final at-bat he was thinking "milkshake" all the way. You see, Dan Short owner of the local Dairy Queen, had promised the boys a free milkshake for each homer they hit during the week-long tournament. Brad had already hit two out of the park, one more than Jarred Wills and Brad Brierly, so he really wasn't thinking of another for himself. He was concentrating on Short's generous offer of a shake for the whole team by any member hitting a home run with the bases loaded.

So, the stage was set. Brian Dunn was on third, Jarred Wills was on second and Daniel Brown was on first when the Montgomery County pitcher let go with his pitch to young Allison. Pow! With one swing of the bat four runs crossed the plate, the team iced the championship and the Dairy Queen was out 14 shakes!

I'm sure the winning trophies are appreciated but you can imagine the milkshake tasted mighty good on a hot Sunday night.

Speaking of hot weather, 90 cases of pop had already been sold as of Saturday morning with two full days and nights of tournament left to play. The concession stand did a landoffice business, we're told.

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Good deal, all around

Sale of the old frame house on the county farm for $5 has turned out to be a good deal for all involved. The former Forest Dalzell homeplace was sold last month by fiscal court to the Carlisle/Nicholas County Industrial Authority (IDA) for the same $5 payment, to save the county the cost of having it removed.

The newly-formed and penniless IDA was given 60 days to dispose of the vacant dwelling which featured a number of valuable touches, including two oak mantle pieces, stained glass windows and brass light fixtures.

The word was spread around that IDA was looking for a buyer for the house, as it stood, or stripped. Mrs. Elsie Crawford was looking for lumber for house repair and offered $100, take it or leave it. The IDA took it, along with the mantles, stained glass windows and lighting fixtures which are valued between $400-$500.

The mantles are already sold but the windows and fixtures are still available if anyone is in the market to buy.

So, the deal was worth $500-$600 to the now "prosperous" industrial development authority. Mrs. Crawford got a lot of good building material for $100, and the county, as mentioned earlier, saved itself the considerable expense of having the old house removed.

The tearing down started last week. I remember the place as a child when a very long walk through the fields from our adjoining farm let that time's ended at the Dalzell residence. Seems to me there was a grape arbor near the back of the house, which was always kept in apple-pie order, ripple and out. But, then, that was a long time ago.

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In the news ...

Read with interest that Kentucky Fried Chicken is being sold to Pepsico Inc. for $840,000,000. I still think of the late Harland Sanders, who started the whole thing years ago when he served fried chicken, honey and hot biscuits in the restaurant adjoining his Sanders Motor Court in Corbin. That was before there was a Colonel in front of his name and when he still waited on customers, including yours truly.

The colonel knew his chicken and made a lot of money franchising his product, beginning in 1955. Now, with so much dietary fuss associated with fried foods, the new owners (Pepsico) plan to change the "fried" image to baked and non-breaded. In other words, they "aren't gonna dance with the same girl they brought to the party." Interesting gamble, but with all the high powered advertising they no doubt will lay on us, we'll probably be brainwashed into thinking it tastes just as good as the real thing, when, of course, it doesn't.

The company may even introduce a non-chicken product...and maybe sooner than planned if the hot weather in the south keeps on killing the commercially grown variety in the country's chicken belt.

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We also read, with much consternation, that country folks owning satellite dishes can expect more and more channels to scramble transmissions, and unless dish owners can afford to dish out large sums of money for decoders, they won't be able to watch the same programs as their city counterparts.

It wouldn't object, if we could pay for and receive cable programming. But we can't, and neither can anyone outside metropolitan areas. Cable companies understandably can't afford to run lines to sparsely populated rural America. So, the dish was born. Legislation before Congress would ensure that dish owners will continue to have access to cable programs at a reasonable monthly rate. Sen. Wendell Ford is championing the course of Kentucky's rural population to the extent of calling for a fair shake all around. If you appreciate his support write him in Washington.

One of the toughest losses, should it happen, would be scrambling by the three major networks. The dish improves reception, much the same as an aerial. I'd hate to think we'd be paying for that (network programming) which is totally free to city viewers just because we live in the country. That's discrimination of the worst sort.

There's a logical solution out there somewhere. I just hope it surfaces to everyone's satisfaction. Soon.

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Hated to read that Louisville will host the boys' state basketball tournament in 1988 or '89. Freedom Hall never been a good location (too far removed from downtown) and, to, it is not as centrally located as Lexington, site of recent meets.

Here Abouts

...with Emily A. Wolf

Practicing Taoists ...go with the flow when the urge hits them

"The Tao of Pooh," a small paperback explains how Winnie the Pooh, a calm, still, reflective bear, is one of the world's great masters of the ancient Chinese philosophy of Taoism.

Tao is pronounced "Dow" and it means "the way." Its followers believe they can stay happy and calm under all circumstances by going with the flow of nature and never challenging it.

The secret is never to buck nature and just be simple.

If you've read about him, you know that Winnie the Pooh is just about as simple a creature as it is possible to be.

The basic Taoism that the book by Benjamin Hoff is concerned with is simply a particular way of appreciating, learning from, and working with whatever happens in everyday life.

For instance, Pooh begins "a journey to Eeyore's house to give him a jar of honey for his birthday."

About midway in his journey, he begins to get hungry.

Lucky I brought this with me," he says, opening the jar of honey.

Now, let me see," he thought, after finishing off the last of the honey. "Oh, yes, Eeyore's."

He no longer has the honey, so he has to make a new "useful pot for putting things in."

Pooh is delighted.

That's Taoism, more or less. Making do with what you have.

At first, it seemed kind of moronic. But the more I read, the more sense it made.

The book is full of neat little tales that illustrate the theory of the stonecutter.

The stonecutter envies a wealthy merchant and wishes he could change places. Suddenly, he is the merchant, enjoying the riches and power but defeated by people less wealthy than he.

Then he sees a high official, carried in a sedan chair and escorted by soldiers. Everyone, no matter how rich, must bow down to him. He wishes he were the official.

Suddenly he is. But he feels hot and uncomfortable in the sticky sedan chair. Then he looks up at the sun and wishes he could be such a powerful thing.

He becomes the sun, but a huge black cloud hides his light. He wishes he were a storm.

He becomes the storm, blowing tiles off roofs and uprooting trees. After a while he runs into something he cannot budge. It is a huge stone.

He wishes he could be that powerful stone.

He becomes the powerful stone.

He looks down and sees the stonecutter.

—RM—

A new word, "bladderate," has been coined by Jim Boren, founder of the tongue-in-cheek organization, the International Association of Professional Bureaucrats.

To bladderate, as Boren defines it, is to prolong or drag out a meeting until it must be adjourned to accomodate the urgentness of the suffering participants.

"The best way to induce bladderation," Boren says, "is to serve large quantities of coffee or tea, followed by a long treasurer's report and a full reading of the minutes of the last meeting, interrupted several times by detailed lengthy corrections and additions."

Russ Metz

The purpose of bladderation is when those in charge of the meeting want to postpone a controversial vote or decision until others attending are utterly piteous little mews, crossing their legs tightly and would willingly vote to terminate with extreme prejudice their own mothers to get out of the room.

—RM—

Nebraska folklorist Roger Welsch said one farmer told him that on top of all his other problems this spring, he encountered another piece of bad luck — his tractor got stuck in reverse and he unplowed six acres before he could get it stopped."

A friend in Dannebrog, Neb., commenting after the bank failed, said, "The only real problem in town is that there are no two-story buildings, so everybody is trying to kill themselves by jumping off the curb."

Then there's the story about the farmer who came into the hardware store and bought three hammer handles one day, 12 the next day and 24 the third.

A clerk asked him what he was doing with all the hammer handles.

"Well, I'm selling them," the farmer replied.

"For how much?"

"Fifty cents each."

"But you're buying them for a dollar each," the clerk said. "You're losing 50 cents on every hammer handle."

"That's a lot better than I was doing farming," the farmer said.

—RM—

This preacher was assigned to a new church in a town where he made friends easily. A merchant in the town asked the minister to join his service club and the cleric agreed.

A day or so later, though, the friend called the minister in some embarrassment. "I didn't know when I asked you," he said, "but your bishop already is a member of our club and we have a classification rule. We can't have more than one minister of any single denomination."

The minister said that was all right, he understood. But the next day the friend called back again.

"It's O.K.," he said, "You're in. I explained to the membership committee that he's a bishop and you're a preacher. So I convinced them to divide the ministerial classification into wholesale and retail."

—RM—

Some women in Rochester, N.Y., decided to do something about the inequity of the ordinance that allows men, but not women, to take off their shirts in city parks, Lewis Grizzard reported the other day.

The women went down to a park and took off their tops. They were promptly arrested.

When I first read the news of the incident," Grizzard said, "I thought...if women want to go around without their tops on in Rochester, or anywhere else, for that matter, it should be just fine with me." He continued:

As with most men, I have been interested in the anatomy of the female for a number of years. This began when I noticed I was paying more attention to Dale Evans than Roy Rogers back on cowboy days.

But then I thought again. If women started going around topless all the time, it could damage the economy.

It would mean catastrophes for the bra industry. The bikini business would be cut in half. Topless bars would be torn down and replaced by parking lots. Playboy would probably sell out to Rupert Murdock and be turned into a gardening magazine and Hefner would be closed with two weeks.

And there's this other thing. Not all women look that terrific with their shirts or tops off.

I was on the beach once in France. It was O.K. for women to take their tops off there, and a great many of them did. I learned a lot from that experience.

I learned that God didn't create every woman equally.

But the most intriguing thing I learned, and a third point to make in my argument that topless is not for me. Once the mystery is taken away from just about anything, its appeal loses something in the process.

Women should be the first to realize that their appeal to men is based largely on their mysteries and forbidden fruits.

When what was previously intriguing becomes commonplace, we have lost a treasure that cannot be easily recaptured.

Never let us reach the point where "take it off" is replaced by a forlorn "put it back on."

Onward, upward.

Down Memory Lane ...from the Mercury files of bygone years

10 years ago

Thursday, August 5, 1976

Donald C. Perkins has been named manager for Kentucky Utilities Company in Carlisle, succeeding the late Morris Whiteley. A native of Hopkinsville, Perkins joined KU in 1960 as a commercial service adviser in Mt. Sterling and was working out of the Winchester district when promoted.

The restored Colville covered terrige in Bourbon County has been entered in the U.S. Transportation Department's ninth annual The Highway and Its Environment contest. State Transportation Secretary John C. Roberts nominated the bridge as an "outstanding example of sympathetic treatment of our historical environment." The bridge spans Hinkston Creek about four miles northwest of Millersburg.

The Nicholas County Little League All Stars defeated Danville 11-4 for third place in the Berea tournament recently. They play Paris in the finals of the Camargo tournament. Kirk Mattox pitched the Danville game after Nicholas County lost in the semi-finals to Winchester. Sixteen teams played in first round play as the local All Stars defeated Mt. Sterling 16-1 with Robert Seaby pitching. In the quarter finals, Nicholas County beat Campbellsville 5-4 with David McGuffey and Mattox pitching.

Smith's Dollar and Discount Stores back to school sale: Box of 24 Crayola crayons, 33 cents; boys Maverick jeans, $5.44 pair; girls knee socks, 2 pair for $1.

A serious traffic accident that left one person dead and two injured occurred in Nicholas County about 1:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon on U.S. 32 near Myers Station, about five miles from Carlisle. A car driven by Leonard Morris traveling west collided head-on with an eastbound car driven by Kenneth Walker. Walker, age 21, of Ewing, was found dead at the scene of the accident, while a passenger in his car, Danny McIntyre, age 20, of Ewing, was taken to the Nicholas County Hospital. The driver of the other car, Leonard Morris, was taken to the Nicholas County Hospital and then rushed to the UK Medical Center in Lexington.

BORN — To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Curtis, Dayton, OH, a son, Ray Eldon Jr., July 31, 1976. — To Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bloomfield, a son, Stephen Lane, July 16, 1976. — To Dr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Wesley, Lexington, a son, Timothy Edwards, July 22, 1976 at Central Baptist Hospital.

20 years ago

Thursday, August 6, 1966

The FBI announced July 23 the arrest of Lester Carl Fuller, 38, wanted for bank robbery. Special Agent M.W. Johnson, special agent in charge of the Chicago FBI office, said Fuller, who also allegedly used Vernes Wilson, was arrested by FBI agents July 22 in Wilmington, Ill. Fuller, married and unemployed, has been charged with the robbery in Moorefield, Ky. July 6 of the Moorefield branch of the First National Bank of Carlisle.

Commander John W. Haizlip, U.S. Navy, son of Mrs. John Lee Winchester, has completed a two-year tour of duty in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C., and will report to Charleston, SC. At his new station he will assume command of Submarine Division Forty-Two, consisting of two of the latest nuclear powered attack submarines plus four conventionally powered submarines. Prior to entering the Naval Academy, he attended Carlisle High School and Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Blacksburg, VA.

Linda Clay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Clay, and D.W. Booth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Booth, were chosen King and Queen of the Nicholas County Farm Bureau at the annual fish fry last Thursday night at the city school. They will represent Nicholas County in the district contest this fall.

Special to the Mercury: New York, August 3 — Nicholas County's economy is running in high gear, according to a nationwide survey of business activity, recently completed. Local residents with more money available to them than in former years, have been spending a record amount for goods and services. The findings are contained in a new, copyrighted study by Sales Management, entitled "Survey of Buying Power." The net earnings of Nicholas County residents were at a high level, it shows. Their spendable income, after deductions for personal taxes, amounted to more than $8,722,000 as compared to their 1964 total of $8,075,000.

Tuesday's rains were worth untold dollars to Kentucky's tobacco crop, according to Ira E. Massie, University of Kentucky tobacco specialist, and county agents in southern Indiana. The Kentucky Crop and Livestock Reporting Service stated before the rains many tobacco plants had begun to wilt and seldom too early. Massie said many of those plants will green up and grow again. This year's tobacco crop is the slowest growing crop since the 1961 crop.

DIED — Rev. Ethel M. Tout, 78, wife of Robert Tout, July 31 at home in Wilmington, Ill. — Mrs. Mary Baker, 92, a resident of the Phoenix Hotel, Lexington, found in the robbery in July 29 — Berry Ray Gaunce, 67, Harrison County, July 31 at Norton Memorial Hospital, Louisville.

Mrs. Frances Cochrane Norris, 74, wife of J.T. Norris Sr., July 28 in an Ashland hospital.

40 years ago

Thursday, August 8, 1946

Speaking before a throng of approximately 300 persons who attended the first Farm Bureau picnic and field day last Saturday, J.E. Stanford, executive secretary of the Kentucky Farm Bureau, termed the Nicholas County exhibition of tobacco the most outstanding of any test he had seen in 25 years of public work with farmers. The picnic and field day, which was held at the farm of Edgar Darrell at Miranda was considered one of the most successful events of its kind ever staged locally.

The formation of a cooperative organization for the promotion of artificial dairy breeding in Nicholas County was the topic at a meeting of local dairy farmers Thursday night at the courthouse. The meeting, which was attended by approximately 110 farmers and others interested in the program, showed a strong desire on the part of local dairymen to foster the artificial insemination in this county. Local men elected to have charge of the program were Orel Day, chairman, and Glenn Booth, secretary. Other members were Kenneth Stephenson, East Union; Bruce Gaunce, Headquarters; Ernest Jacobs, Moorefield; Lovell Hollar, Barberville; Leonard Alexander, Myers; John Ferguson, Parks; Robert Hildreth, Ellisville; W.E. Piper, Carlisle.

Friday and Saturday, Sept. 13 and 14 have been set as the dates for the Nicholas County American Legion Horse Show, and plans are rapidly nearing completion for the staging this year of one of the most successful exhibitions ever held in Nicholas County. Attractive premiums totaling $1,242.50 have been arranged and 17 rings in the horse show have been scheduled for the afternoons and nights of the two-day program.

Proposals to investigate ways and means of obtaining natural gas for Carlisle were heard and discussed at the regular August meeting of the Carlisle City Council Monday night at the city offices. The matter of obtaining information concerning the acquisition of a gas supply in the city was referred to the water works committee, of which William Harper is chairman, and to City Attorney Wade Kerr, who will be asked to immediately to determine the desirability of such a project.

BORN — To Mr. and Mrs. William Sevas Jr., Price Hill, Cincinnati, a son, July 27. — To Mr. and Mrs. William J. Stacy, Chattanooga, TN, a son, William Allen, Aug. 3 at Park View Hospital. — To Mr. and Mrs. Pete Reid, a daughter, Shirley Ann, July 25 at Johnson Memorial Hospital.

MARRIED — Miss Gladys Greene and C.B. Pumphrey Jr., July 31 in Hazard. — Miss Mae Elizabeth Landrum and James Taylor Williams, Thursday at Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington.

DIED — John Levi, 60, Thursday at home in Wilmington. — Mrs. Willamia Wilson, 68, Thursday at home in Paris. — Mrs. Jane Maffett, 82, wife of H.F. Maffett, Thursday at home in Cynthiana. — Samuel C. Berry, 86, local dairy farmers Thursday night at the courthouse. The meeting, which was attended by approximately 110 farmers and others interested in the program, showed a strong desire on the part of local dairymen to foster the artificial insemination in this county. Local men elected to have charge of the program were Orel Day, chairman, and Glenn Booth, secretary. Other members were Kenneth Stephenson, East Union; Bruce Gaunce, Headquarters; Ernest Jacobs, Moorefield; Lovell Hollar, Barberville; Leonard Alexander, Myers; John Ferguson, Parks; Robert Hildreth, Ellisville; W.E. Piper, Carlisle.

Eighth District by enormous majorities, Fred M. Vinson of Ashland, incumbent, overwhelmed his opponent, Frank Saulsberry of Harlan County, in the Democratic Congressional race Mr. Vinson received 41,651 votes to 8,148 given Saulsberry, establishing a record-breaking majority in the district of 33,503.

Another big sale at the Carlisle Stockyards Tuesday: 2,200 head of stock went under the hammer and prices were good. Each week demonstrates more conclusively that the local stock market has become a well established institution. That sellers of livestock are well satisfied with the market is proved by increasing sales since a sales house was established here.

At a meeting held at the office of County Agent H.J. Matson last Wednesday afternoon, officers were elected for the Nicholas County Fair and plans for holding the fair were discussed. Officers were: Grimes Caywood, president; Walter Atkinson, first vice-president; Clyde Sexton, second vice-president; S.C. Vaught, secretary and treasurer. An advertising committee composed of George D. Scott, G.B. Leonard, Clyde Sexton and Robert Fisher was appointed.

William E. Branaman has been accepted as agent for the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company at London, Laurel County, and will leave for that city about the middle of August. Mr. Branaman has been agent at Carlisle since December 1918, coming here from Millersburg.

BORN — To Mr. and Mrs. Willie Joly, a son, Hiland Gene, July 28.

MARRIED — Miss Verna Ellington and Eugene Knapp secured a license here Saturday and were married in Lexington by Rev. George V. Moore. — Miss Mae L. Frisbee and Thos. K. Dunn secured a license here Saturday and were married by Rev. C.A. Sweazy, pastor of the Methodist Church. — Miss Daisy R. Sellers and Cecil Marshall, Sunday by Rev. C.A. Sweazy. — As a result of a statement made more than five years ago, that Rev. R.H. Covey was to perform the marriage ceremony of Miss Mary Ann Miller and DeSmas Smith, both of Lansing, Michigan, motored to Carlisle and were married last Friday.

DIED — E. Lawrence Curran, 49, Bath County, August 3. — Henry Lewis Metzger, 69, Monday at home in Paris. — Ernest Hall, 56, Covington, Wednesday in Newport.

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1939 Musketeers not school's best team

Temperatures may have been unbearable and the earth parched from lack of rain, nevertheless, in less than three weeks school will be underway and another football season soon to begin.

In other words, the transition from summer to fall is fast approaching.

Class reunions always spark small talk and tall tales of athletic achievement. Betty (Dollins) Abee was going through some high school memorabilia when she came across a post card picture of the 1939 Carlisle High School cheerleaders and a Pep Club booklet saluting the football team of that year.

The '39 roster included G.T. Cowan, Stanley Crawford, O.T. Caswell, Berry Woodall, Junior Buntin, Ralph Shearer, Billy Crouch, Junior Maxey, Pat Conley, Ben Pumphrey, John Hatilip, Charlie Caudill, Red Wade, Red Purcell, Van Crabb, Jack Hamm, Jimmy Goins, Paul Stone, Kenneth Snapp, Paul Dayton, Tom Carter and Elmer (Popeye) Clark.

The team was coached by Joe Ed Johnson, who was assisted by Donald Fair, and managed by Charles Sexton and Walter King Robbins. Pumphrey was a junior that year and recalls that the lone Musketeer win was a 7-6 decision over Maysville. He thinks they played Georgetown to a 6-6 tie. Losses were inflicted by Nicholasville, Stanford, Cynthiana, Lawrenceburg and Winchester.

Better days were ahead for the Musketeers, however. The 1940 team compiled a 6-3 worksheet and the following year the boys in green and white lost only once, Pumphrey remembers. That squad (1941) had a number of holdovers up front from the 1939 team, plus a single wing backfield powered by Ed Chambers, Charles Sexton and Kenneth Snapp. W.R. Crawford also saw quite a bit of playing time as a back, although an undersized lineman. Other new faces included: John Hopkins, Billy Woodall, Bobby Hamilton and Steve Atkinson.

Cheerleaders in 1939 were seniors Kat (Kathleen) Mann and Bob Perry, junior Ann Clark, sophomore Betty Dollins and freshman Nancy Donovan. Clark was also football sponsor that year. Her attendants were Helen Riggs and Mazie.

The Pep Club was sponsored by Mrs. Joe Johnson. Perry was president, Margaret Howe Blount, vice-president, Lois Seamands, secretary, and Franklin Bell, treasurer.

Merchants and officials who supported the team with their advertising messages included Everett M. Smith's Standard Service Station, Martin's Garage, Verna Stone's White Villa groceries, Carlisle Mill & Supply Co., Dorsey Bros. & Fisher, E.G. Metcalfe's Monarch Grocery, Pitman's Jewelry, Hopkins Drug, Carlisle Drug, Mrs. Keller Hughes' Cardinal Beauty Shop, Johnny's Beauty Shop, Harper's Garage, Lerman Bros., Kentucky Utilities, Youthful Modes Shop, Falls City Distributing Co; also, Sheriff's Office, L.B. Barton, sheriff; Floyd Clark, deputy; Abraham's, Evans Store, C.C. Cole Col, Townsend Dry Cleaners, Dr. G.T. Cowan (dentist) and Dr. Stanley F. Hutchings (dentist), School Supt. E.E. Pfanstiel, Turneman & Son, George Gaffin proprietor; Gaffin Beauty Shop, County Clerk Jno. F. Sugg, H.M. Endicott, deputy; Buntin's Garage, Walker Bros. Garage, Blue Grass Produce Co., Roger Womack, C.R. King Hardware, Miss Nancy Talbert, principal, and Innes B. Ross.

Those who remember calling the Carlisle Drug, for example, will recall that the number was of a simple, operator-assisted 81, a far cry from today's seven digit dialing.

Local operators could often put you in touch with your party even if they were not at home. In fact, telephone operators probably knew as much about the comings and goings of the community as anyone in town. And maybe more.

The Mercury welcomes pictures and information regarding events of times past.

1939 CHS cheerleaders

The 1939 cheerleaders at Carlisle High School, from left, freshman Nancy Donovan, senior Betty Dollins, senior Kathleen Mann, junior Ann Clark and senior Bob Perry, back. Ann was also elected football sponsor, with Kathleen and Helen Riggs as attendants. This picture appeared in post card form. — Photo submitted

Residents approve military action against terrorists

Of the almost 18,000 area residents responding to recent survey by Congressman Larry Hopkins (R-KY) most indicated support for U.S. military action against terrorist nations such as Lybia, Hopkins said.

By a margin of 74 percent to 26 percent, residents said they approvedof the use of military force in such instances.

In the survey, 6th district residents also:

—favored the concept of having the government offer financial rewards as "bounties" for turning terrorists over for trial in the U.S. by a margin of 77 percent to 23 percent.

—favored amending the War Powers Act to give more power to the President to use military force by a margin of 64 percent to 36 percent.

—opposed the idea of giving military and to Iraq to offset Israeli terrorism by a margin of 52 percent to 48 percent.

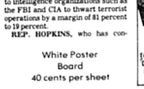
—favored giving greater powers to intelligence organizations such as the FBI and CIA to thwart terrorist operations by a margin of 81 percent to 19 percent.

REP. HOPKINS, who has conducted constituent surveys since first being elected to Congress eight years ago, said he was pleased with the high rate of response.

"It really says something about the high level of civic concern of the people of Central Kentucky to have nearly 18,000 of our people respond to a survey on important matters of public policy," Hopkins said.

The survey was conducted in a district-wide mailing of Hopkins' constituent report. The May issue of the report also contained information for safe travel for Americans considering trips abroad. Hopkins said up to date information of the safety of any foreign destination can be obtained from his Lexington office at (606) 233-2848.

Dee Fraley's Carpets



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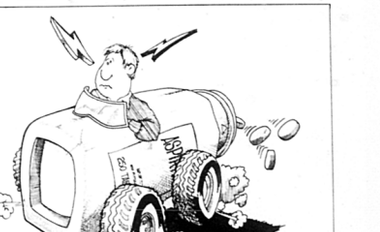

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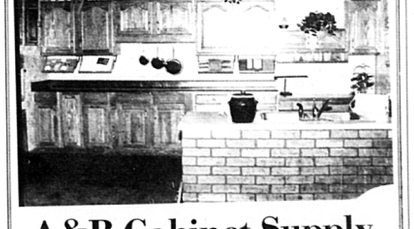

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