Opinion

Grandiose plans for park

Here Abouts ...with Emily A. Wolf

Blue Licks State Park may have been in a deep slumber since its seasonal closing last November, but, not so the mind of its manager Sam Devine. He's spent the off-season conjuring up grandiose plans for the coming months.

How about this for starters:

"An Evening at Old Blue Lick Springs" as the theme for a cotilllion complete with a catered dinner and dance band, under a large tent, with activities in keeping with what an evening was like in the hey days of the resort area. Back when the 300-room Arlington Hotel was crowded with well-to-do guests from all parts of the country who came to enjoy the rejuvenating effects of the springs' water.

History tells us the hotel was built in 1857 and destroyed by fire April 7, 1862. A smaller version was rebuilt but after the springs dried up in 1896, so did migration to the scenic town on the banks of Licking River. Local folks enjoyed Saturday night dances [illegible]

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New on the block

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Russ Metz

[illegible]

She remembers big cookies

[illegible]

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[illegible]

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

10 years ago

[illegible]

20 years ago

[illegible]

40 years ago

[illegible]

50 years ago

[illegible]

... "Would you believe," a traveling man said in The Mercury office Tuesday, "that a road in Kentucky would be blocked with snow drifts on Saint Patricks Day?" The visitor said he was unable to get through a drift between Georgetown and Paris and had to go by way of Cynthiana to get to Paris.

... Kimbrough, widow of Henry C. Kimbrough, several weeks ago in Los Angeles, Calif. — Mrs. Laura Roberts Wyatt, 62, Lexington, widow of Lawson Wyatt, Monday at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington. — Mrs. Dame Vice Kerns, 60, Tuesday at home near Moorefield. — Edmond M. Collins, 77, Monday at the home of his son, Oren L. Collins, Lexington.

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Local dealer states her case

To The Carlisle Mercury:

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... a County-Wide Retirement Community. A community of a few people who want to sit on their folded hands and say Oh, my! Progress is not for us. It takes too much effort.

I raised four decent children in this county. Some are married now and of age to buy liquor. If they want to drink it is their business but I would rather they buy what they want in my [illegible]

Sincerely,
Carolyn Bowles
B&B Liquor

Railroad crossing signals inadequate 'lucky' driver feels

To The Carlisle Mercury:

[illegible]

... someone who isn't so lucky.

As we noticed, the signal light is blocked by the train passing through and even in the daytime is set too high for the average driver to notice. It is a swinging signal with a small red light on it, a bell which can't be heard because of the train's noise and because car windows are up in the [illegible]

... Railroad Commission has introduced legislation in the General Assembly regarding the hiring of certified safety inspectors to regulate railroads. House Bill 740 would give the KRC this authority. Its chairman, Jimmy Turner, points out that there are over 3,154 miles of track used in this state, with 8,000 grade crossings in need of examination, a third of these questionable as to their safety. Turner expects "a tough fight in view of strong lobbying interest of opposing forces." He is asking all citizens to contact their representatives and senators for their support of HB 740.

Sincerely yours,
Jennifer R. Masters
1204 Lower Jackstown
Carlisle, Ky.

Editor's note — The Kentucky [illegible]

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Catching up

[illegible] ... south from their backyard in Shepherd Hills...Our congratulations to the Cadets of neighboring MMI, champions of the 37th District. Not only did MMI sideline the Bluejackets, they took care of Harrison and Bourbon counties as well, enroute to this week's 10th Region play at favored Mason County's gym.

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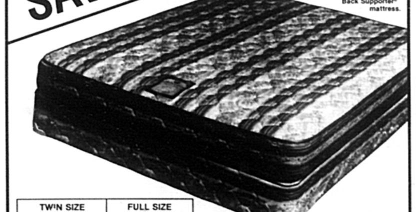

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