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Bond's Broadcast

By Hank Bond

You know, sometimes being a parent is really testing, but then again, sometimes it's one of the most wonderful things in the world.

Traditionally, I have never spent much time writing about the little people at my house, but sometimes it's really worthwhile. Having them around, that is.

Often, there are many things which we can all take for granted. Many times I have spent more time yelling at my children, than I have talking to them.

Of course, none of you other parents have never done this. Children can offer some of the most rewarding moments in a person's life... and then, sometimes these same wonderful darlings can offer embarrassment at a level unrestrainable on any available scale.

I have had a child scream at the top of her lungs, "Daddy, please don't beat me again!"

All-in-all that would seem to be bad, except the several hundred people in the very busy grocery store in Florence, Kentucky didn't understand... in fact I had not, nor had I ever planned, to eat this child.

Talk about strange looks. If looks could change the color of someone's eyes, I would raise half of the eyesight in my family.

I will have to openly admit, following that incident, once our groceries were tucked in the trunk of the car, the heater was blowing warm air, and we were well on our way home, the thought of beatings actually crossed my mind for a few minutes.

There are too many occasions to talk about in one simple column, but I will suffice to say that, particular afternoon in a Florence grocery store was not one of the most rewarding things I was talking about.

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Graduation excitement

With the end of the school year much closer than you think, members of the class of 1987 are making plans for that final walk across the stage to gather in a sheet of paper telling them they've made it.

The throwing away of the old and the movement to a world of grown-up-ness, if you will allow.

The problem is, some of these young folks, while young men and women, aren't nearly as ready to accept the responsibilities being thrown on them as they would like to make us believe.

I do want to point out there is something really exciting going to happen for this graduating class, and more to come in a minute.

Project Graduation is a wonderful idea. It will allow the members of the graduating class to get together and have the chance to spend that last evening together as a class.

As members of a graduating class, you will soon find out that even though you think you'll see many of your friends after graduation... you'll even make promises... it just doesn't work that way.

See Kirby deserves a real big pat on the back for her involvement. In addition, those in the school system working on this program should be commended for going along with that extra mile for the kids.

Mrs. Kirby will be out beating the bushes, along with many of the students who have made the project undertaking possible, asking for donations of support.

Don't miss an opportunity to really help something good to happen.

This is something everyone needs to get behind, support and make happen. If you are asked to participate, please do it. Be it a parent, a grandparent, a teacher, a businessman or anyone else, here's your chance to make something really good happen.

It's good for the kids... and it's good for you, too.

And so, for another week, thanks and thirty.

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Superintendent's Commentary

By Al McDonald

I'm an educator, and as an educator, let it be clear to me that Kentucky's biggest economic-development problem is the low educational level of our workforce.

Just a few years ago, Kentucky's major attraction in manufacturing industry was the willingness of our citizens to work for reasonable wages. Formal education didn't make a lot of difference.

The current growth industries... and the ones with the bright future... are those based on science and engineering technology and those that produce and distribute information.

The industries of tomorrow are looking for employees with strong academic skills, particularly those with good basic math and science knowledge.

In these industries, a strong back and a willingness to work are not enough. To them, Kentucky's work force is no longer efficient; it cannot adapt quickly to new technology. Statistically, it is the most poorly prepared work force in the nation.

That makes Kentucky unattractive to the kinds of businesses that offer the most promising jobs.

Already a poor state, we cannot afford another decade of being last... dead last... in the country in the education of our work force.

Yes, we have made significant improvements in our grade schools and high schools in the past three years, but we can't change our work force soon enough by educating our young people alone.

With a labor force of 13 million people and only 40,000 high school graduates a year, it would take 30 years.

To change Kentucky's work force, we must improve the education of the more than 1 million school Kentuckians who have not completed high school.

That's the goal of Project Second Chance. It is all about. It is an effort to insure that every child in this state has the opportunity to receive a quality education and receive the programs for the General Education Development certificate, or GED.

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U.S. SENATOR FOR KENTUCKY

Mitch McConnell

President Reagan's New Budget, Kentucky Projects Affected

President Reagan issued his Fiscal Year 1988 budget proposal this week and my phone in Washington and in Kentucky has been ringing off the hook with calls from Kentuckians who are concerned about possible adverse affects.

The President's budget is just a proposal and, like any budget, it will change a great deal before Congress passes a final version. Also, some of the details of the budget are still being worked out, so there are specific questions that we just don't have the answers to yet. However, from the outset, there is one good news for the Commonwealth:

The FY88 budget proposes no excise tax on tobacco. This line item has been in the Senate, that we did not begin the year with tobacco under direct attack. This speaks well of the work we've done the last two years to fight off attempts to tax tobacco.

Kentucky will receive \$18 million in military construction contracts during FY88.

There is no change in Social Security benefits in the President's FY88 budget.

The FY88 budget proposal includes increasing AIDS research and education 28 percent.

A Veterans compensation COLA will be increased to the Comprehensive Index.

The federal Aviation Administration will increase funding for air safety and airports by 20 percent.

A number of programs important to Kentucky would be negatively affected by this budget proposal. Some of the major proposals I intend to fight include:

Termination of the Economic Development Administration and an order to rescind FY87 appropriations.

Termination of the Appalachian Regional Commission and an order to rescind part of the FY87 appropriation.

A proposal to increase excise taxes on coal production for black lung and tax black lung benefits to the state.

Exclusion of funds for a number of important Kentucky projects.

A 27 percent cut for the Tennessee Valley Authority and a \$250,000 reduction for Land Based Water Grants.

These distinct efforts would have disastrous effects on major portions of the Commonwealth and cannot be allowed to happen. As your Senator, I will be doing everything I can to see that they don't.

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COMMONWEALTH COMMENTS

By John M. Kelly, Jr., Commonwealth Attorney

IS THE SUPREME COURT IMPURE? Critics of our country's highest tribunal are nothing new. However, recent attacks upon the United States Supreme Court.

It is true that a Supreme Court decision may be binding upon the lower courts, but it is not binding upon the case which it decided, that decision may not be binding upon all citizens.

The Attorney General is engaged in judicial thinking and should keep the courts practically as much in the country as the fifty-one legislators.

Our appellate courts, of course, do not interpret the U. S. and various state constitutions and laws, but also apply what we call the common law.

In doing all of this the courts rely upon the principles of stare decisis. This principle establishes basically that courts in their decision making process will turn to what superior courts have done in the past on a matter of similar fact situation.

With the Supreme Court being the most superior of all, their decisions are to be followed to the maximum.

Therefore, our Supreme Court does make law and it does become binding upon all citizens once a decision is made.

Of course, many times, even the United States Supreme Court will reverse itself and hold contrary to what it has held in the past.

This prerogative to change its mind is a vital and important part of the judicial system. Times change. We as a people are ever changing. Consequently, we should be unswayed by the decisions of the past.

The United States Supreme Court of the United States has determined that the practice of "separate but equal" was simply a myth; that reality separates the races.

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Report to Kentucky

SENATOR WENDELL FORD

U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510

NEW BUDGET IDEA IS FISHY

The Administration's budget for Fiscal Year 1987 contains one proposal that is particularly fishy. It would divert cash from a user fee program for sport fisheries into a general government account.

The user fee program in question is the Walleye-Brexit Trust Fund which was set up by Congress in 1984 to provide the states with money that would benefit sport fishermen and boating enthusiasts. The sportsman would contribute to the fund through excise taxes on fishing gear and boat fuel.

The program has been a windfall to states, which must come up with 25 percent of the matching funds. The Trust Fund has had a success, with the states matching the funds and putting the money to its intended use. In 1986 it distributed about \$144 million to the states, including \$14 million which went to Kentucky.

Despite the program's success, the Administration's budget proposes that \$24 million be transferred in FY 1987 from the trust fund to the Interior Department. Interior Department officials agree that the program should take a reduction like other programs, and that states are unable to put the large sums to use.

They argue that the states have all been able to provide the required matching funds, and that the monies have been able to fulfill needs. In fact, the funds were actually initiated by groups of sports fishermen.

I am pleased that Kentucky's Fish and Wildlife Agency is using its share of the trust fund money to purchase additional boats for use on our existing sport fishing activities in Kentucky, and it is good that individual fishermen and boaters in Kentucky, and it is good for tourism in the state.

The Fish and Wildlife Department has established an access development section which has a program for renovation, repair and new construction of boat ramps. They have a list of 600 potential ramp access sites and are already working on about 15. For the most part, the quality of construction is excellent and obtaining a site or county agreement for maintenance of the ramps.

The state is also using the funds to support activities in its seven fisheries district office programs that help in the betterment of Kentucky's fishing, improving fishing at ponds, lakes, rivers, and streams. These district offices do all of the related tasks, including stocking of the water, enhancing vegetation, and investigation of fish kills. The state also has a program to train fishermen to teach Kentucky's city dwellers all about the sport which may be strange to them.

The Brexit-Walleye Trust Fund is a good idea. Its success is generating a lot of funds for the state. If it is to continue to generate as much revenue, then Congress will alter the program to benefit the individual who contributes to the trust fund.

Budget cutting is a priority for our nation. But the Walleye-Brexit fund is one to which sportsmen contribute with the knowledge that the funds will be used for the betterment of fishing and boating in their states. This was clearly the intent of Congress in establishing the fund, and it is wrong for the Administration to propose to use the funds for other deficit reduction. I plan to propose this planned fund shift. Congress made an agreement with these sportsmen and should abide by it.

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Abbie Hoffman and Amy Carter's revival of the 1968 protest slogan, "Don't make it happen. Force will do what we add inside by force to our services. (Volunteers for this dramatic finale gladly accept.) Organized confusion is best."

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