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## Worthington says Mercury story wrong

**Editor:** I read very closely the articles in The Carlisle Mercury last week that misrepresented my position on the Carlisle/Jockey project. This letter is being written to tell as Paul Harvey would say, "the rest of the story."

**Fact:** The project plan (called phase III) being considered now by the city and state costs \$2.3 million dollars. Carlisle's cost is \$1.3 million and will require increased revenues to pay the debt service on the project's bond after the \$400,000 available in Carlisle's utility depreciation fund is used. A payroll tax, a water/sewer rate increase, or a combination of the two will be required to meet the project's cost.

**Fact:** The current need to renovate the Carlisle sewer plant is projected to cost another \$1.3 million. This will create the need for additional tax/revenue rate increases on the residents of Carlisle and the workers at Jockey.

**Fact:** A payroll tax of 2 to 3 percent or a doubling of the utility rates will be required to meet the debt load for the water and sewer projects.

**Solid waste program funded**  
Solid waste disposal activities in Nicholas County have been improved as the result of a state grant announced by Governor Martha Layne Collins.

A \$20,000 grant from the Area Development Fund was awarded to Nicholas County to offset costs of a dumpster truck. According to local officials, the new truck replaces one which has become inoperable. The new truck will service over 50 dumpster sites throughout the county.

The Area Development Fund is a capital projects program administered by the Department of Local Government in the Office of the Governor.

**Fact:** My proposal, adopted by the city and the state in November 1986, would have cost only \$1.3 million. The project (called Phase I) would meet the current operating license requirements for Jockey Knitting.

I have spent many hours searching for a satisfactory solution to the problems facing the City of Carlisle and Jockey Knitting. It has been and is my goal to develop the most cost effective and environmentally sound proposal possible. I believe the phase I proposal met those standards.

I am submitting another proposal this week to the city and the state. It will be called "Phase II Minus." The project will meet all the needs considered in phase II, but at a considerably lower cost for the city of Carlisle and the state of Kentucky. It will also eliminate the detrimental environmental impact on the water quality for the Western Fleming Water District users.

The proposal will request the state to upgrade the city's water treatment plant, distribution lines, and add a booster pump into the existing raw water line to the river. The city would be asked to install

**Service to be off**  
A spokesperson for Kentucky Utilities in Carlisle has informed The Mercury electric service will be off for Carlisle customers Thursday, May 7, 1987 from 11:20 p.m. until 1 a.m., Friday May 8. The one and a half hour outage will allow repair to a transformer.

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a new disposal line for Jockey Knitting. This gravity feed/low pressure line would extend along U. S. 68 to the river near Blue Lick. The proposal is expected to save the city of Carlisle about 25 percent of the phase II project's cost.

You can be assured that I want to work cooperatively to seek a cheaper and more environmentally sound plan for the Carlisle residents and the Jockey workers than is being proposed now.

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**Or the Mercury Staff**  
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**Pete Worthington**  
State Representative  
(Note: Mr. Editor, I have

not changed my position since October 5, 1986. The Carlisle Mercury made an error in

reporting my position at the public meeting held in October.)



Students in Linda Simons' first grade class were treated to a pizza party last week for having the best percentage of attendance at Nicholas County Elementary School. This is the third time this year her class has won the award. Pictured above are class members Chris Mitchell, Amanda Ferguson, Thomas Watkins, Bobbie Rhoads and Keith Lehman. (Photo by Tom...)

## Kelly fights Heartbreak Hill

**By Jessie R. Dunson**  
Of the Mercury Staff

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crashed into each other causing chairs and riders to overturn onto the course. In all, 11 runners were involved.

The race was delayed while the medical team attended to the overturned runners, and the course was closed.

Then, there was no audible countdown as is normal in a marathon. The rope was still up at the starting line, and the racing marshals were still in front of the rope when the gun went off signaling the start of the race.

Several runners stumbled and fell on the rope, and the marshals ran for their lives in order to get out of the way of the charging racers.

Gayle and some runners at the head of the pack had rope burners from being pressed so hard by the runners behind them.

John Trosny of Ireland, picked up one of the top three runners in the race, got his feet tangled up in the rope and fell down, as did Bob In Connally of Australia.

According to Gayle, continued in

the 6,500 participants were an estimated 3,000 "bandit" runners. They are people who had not qualified, registered or been assigned a racing number. Some of these "bandits" were in the starting lineup, and some fell in along the way. They were not given water by racing officials along the route, or allowed to go into the shade at the end of the race course.

Nevertheless, they were off, and Gayle was in "the race of races", an experience for which he says he wouldn't take anything.

He said the crowd along the route was tremendous. Picket fences had been erected along the entire route to keep the crowd back. But they edged as close to the runners as they could. Many reached out just to touch a runner in the Boston Marathon.

One runner ahead of Gayle got sick the judged stomach cramp. After the runner's initial recovery, the crowd cheered and clapped so loudly that Gayle said the sound was almost deafening. The

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Nicholas County Volunteer Firemen responded to a barn fire, April 20 at the residence of Mike Station, Myers Road. Left, Jeff Snapp applies water to the surrounding area. Center, the barn and contents were a total loss. NCVFD and City of Carlisle firefighters responded to a transformer fire, Monday, May 4, at Jockey International's Knitting facility. Gas was escaping, and firemen used gas masks to enter the building. Smoke damage was reported. Twelve city firemen responded, along with seven county fire fighters. Both Nicholas County ambulances responded to the scene. May 2, city firemen responded to a truck fire on Main Street. The vehicle was occupied by Glenn Smith. April 28 NCVFD responded to a house fire at the residence of Carl Waugh. Damage was sustained to the chimney. (Photo by Tom...)