

FOCUS

Bond's Broadcast

Sometimes, it's good to hear! Just last week I had the chance to speak to a lady from Nicholas County.

Now the phone conversation didn't last very long... in fact, I never even had the chance to learn what the woman's name is, but I did get her message loud and clear.

The only information I was able to get clearly, at first, was that she was a native of Nicholas County and her entire life had been lived within the boundaries of Nicholas County.

She told me, and this isn't a direct quote, I've been reading all of your columns about shopping at home, banking at home, supporting all area activities, and you know what? I finally took you advice.

I planned out a shopping list to make myself certain I wouldn't walk away from downtown Carlisle saying I couldn't find what I wanted here, so I had to go somewhere else.

Actually the list contained 15 items I usually drive to Paris or Cynthiana to buy on a regular basis, she said. And from that list I would be able to make my future buying decisions.

Secondly, and most importantly, I convinced myself that just because all of the stores in Carlisle aren't under one roof, that isn't any reason not to shop.

Last, but not least, I made a list of the 15 items' prices, so I could compare all of the things far and square, she continued.

After the shopping trip the lady went home, and without unloading her car went directly to Cynthiana.

While in Cynthiana, she pursued her normal shopping routines.

She looked top and bottom, high and low, for one of the 15 items, and lo and behold she couldn't find one of them.

Yes, in Carlisle, she was able to find all 15 items.

She filled her car with gas before leaving and again as she returned home. What she found was she used 2.5 gallons. At a cost of \$1.20 per gallon, she estimated that cost her about \$3.00 in gas.

The driving time took just a little over an hour, and her shopping, checkout and loading of the car took about one hour and 15 minutes.

Her shopping in Carlisle took 35 minutes.

"I found the people in the stores of Carlisle very friendly. Some were working, who I knew, and in addition to my shopping, I was able to balance out the trip with a nice visit in two places."

The bottom line: I took off the price of the 15th item, I was unable to find in Cynthiana. I know the price was two cents more in Carlisle, but in fairness, I compared only the 14 items I was able to purchase.

The net result: I saved 17 cents, while shopping in Carlisle, not counting the gas money or the additional driving time.

I'm glad I ran this comparison, she said as we ended the conversation, because I really intended to call you and tell you there was no way it could be worth my while to shop in Nicholas County... I guess I was wrong.

And with that, she bid me good day, and we ended the conversation.

Not exactly a bad call for me to take, was it? I know it takes a lot to rearrange you planning to shop, but in the end and all, at least take a look at the Items in Carlisle... do some comparison shopping, and then make your decisions. At least you can say you made our best effort to shop at home.

And so, for another week, thanks and thirty.

Mercury Memories - From Years Gone By

5 Years Ago

Many of the comments on Main Street in Carlisle the Monday after the Saturday liquor vote in which two more Nicholas County precincts went wet, were comments of relief that the vote was over, regardless of how it came out.

10 Years Ago

Several meetings have been held in recent weeks by five of a supposed abandonment of the I-6-N interchange that runs from Florence to Myrtleville through Nicholas County.

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VIEWPOINTS

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Report to Kentucky

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U.S. SENATOR FOR KENTUCKY



Mitch McConnell

TOBACCO GROWERS LOOK AT NEW WAYS TO INCREASE INCOME

There is no doubt that tobacco will continue to be a most important agricultural product in Kentucky. Left tobacco has a long history of being a major cash crop for the state and will always remain this way.

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If you own a dog...

If you own a dog... your owner would take you to the vet to be wormed

Michael Luby of the New York State Public Health Service says that two-body chemicals are responsible for making us fat.

Falling in love... with its goddess and optimism... is triggered by pheromones.

One minute you are walking down the street like you had good sense. The next minute the old train gets a jolt of pheromones.

In general, this chemical makes you act in such a way that, if you are not happy with your life, you will try to change it.

There was this one poor farmer who was called on the carpet by his local board for being an "inefficient farmer."

Russ Metz

Russ Metz... "You A Good Word About Anybody..."

The Indian explained that he had 100 points to stand behind his word.

Well, thank you very much, smile the banker giving the wad of bills in the Indian's hand.

"You A Good Word About Anybody..." many little paperback books by Jan Goodell.

The fourth... "When arguing with a fool, make sure he's not similarly occupied."

The sixth... "Be quiet with both your mouth and your ears."

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