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Bond's Broadcast
By Hank Bond

There are no yesterdays...
There is only today
As you have probably noticed, at our house, this graduation thing has taken on some serious proportions.

best, can be filled with happy words, or sad words, or whatever falls in between.
Carol has a unique ability to be much like her father. That isn't all that good, most of the time, but she is anyway.

Carol has really never taken a whole lot from anyone. She tells it like it is, and if she isn't popular, then let's say that's just the net result.

It's much like writing for a newspaper, especially in a column.

Sometimes what you write people like, sometimes it's not that well received, but this is no different than any other business, and that is we do the best we can.

Although Carol has had her fights and falling outs, she usually bounces back.

What else can a parent ask?
What is more important to a parent? That a child is well liked by his or her peers or that he or she is successful in what he or she attempts to do.

We have been lucky at the Bond house. While Carol lets you know if she doesn't like something or if she doesn't want to do some-thing, and herself, which is most important to us.

Something I have not been very good about saying to Carol or to any of my children, tops my list right now.

I am proud of you, what you have done with your life, and what you stand for.

Thank you for the opportunity to share this with you.

And so, for another week, thanks and thirty.

Wilkinson breaks from campaign tradition

An AP News Analysis
Alexander said Wilkinson would a long moment before answering.
Finally, Harold crafted a response that perfectly summed up the reaction of many people to his name and his record at ASU.

He said, "I hope that the path he's on can continue. I hope I can continue with less acrimony than that perfectly summed up the reaction of many people to his name and his record at ASU."

Letters

Editor:
Why should it be city or town? Or vice versa. Putting out the fire is the same.
Give credit where credit is due. Ask the neighbors of Bobby Barnett or Tommy Vaughn, or March 12, 1986, when the tornado or big wind hit, to name only a few times when both departments worked together.

Guest Editorials

< Daily News, Middlesboro:

The predicted death of the Louisville chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving is a sad sign of the lackadaisical attitude against drunken driving that our nation is guilty of slipping into.

It appears that these types of campaigns have slackened off and even though the legal penalties may be stiff, they are not being enforced as they should.

No time is the right time to slack off on penalties against drunken drivers.

These are inconsiderate and selfish human beings, who plug themselves behind the wheel of a car in an altered state of consciousness, knowing full well that the death of another person or several people, including themselves, may result.

The trend should be going the other way. Penalties against drunken drivers should get stiffer, enforcement should be more severe and campaigns should run stronger now than ever before.

A life ended by a drunken driver can never be replaced, but the loss of another may be prevented, through organizations such as MADD. Therefore, they should be supported just as much as cancer research or research into any other life-threatening disease.

< Messenger-Inquirer:

For several weeks, attention has been focused on (University of Kentucky) trustee A.B. "Happy" Chandler's unfortunate use of a

public relations attempts to defuse the situation but to take positive action to attack the attitudes that cause such remarks.

The program suggested by UK President David Roselle and approved by the board will do just that. It will:

— Encourage the hiring of black faculty members by paying the first year of a black instructor's salary from Roselle's office, freeing a department's funds for programs.

— Create a \$100,000 fellowship program for blacks in graduate and professional programs. This will help create a larger minority pool from which faculty members can be hired.

— Establish workshops in minority relations and cross-cultural study programs.

— Set up a task force on minority affairs to assess concerns of black students.

Roselle and the trustees deserve recognition for their acknowledgment of student concerns and quick action to make positive improvements. The implementation of that plan sends a powerful message to other colleges and agencies who may be taking a second look at their own minority problems.

< Kentucky Post, Covington:
Like it or not, we are all obligated to pay our taxes.

Taxes are levied to fund government, which provides us with numerous services ... Taxes also pay for our roads, and, perhaps most importantly, our schools.

Perhaps that's why it was so surprising to see state Sen. Gus Sheehan's name — three times — on a list of delinquent taxpayers published in the newspaper recently. The taxes were owed for 1987 (and in 1985 and '83).

One would think that someone who has spent considerable years in public office — and one who is well aware of Kentucky's poor financial picture — would make sure that he pays his taxes on time.

Sen. Sheehan acknowledged that he had not paid the taxes and cited a busy schedule during the legislative sessions among his reasons for failure to do so. He has since paid the taxes plus interest.

A busy schedule is no excuse. Kentuckians have every right to expect those entrusted with the making of laws to uphold them.

These editorials express the views of the respective newspapers.

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GENERAL NEWS

Fiscal Court holds budget review

By Heather Mathews
The Nicholas County Fiscal Court met May 11 at 10 a.m. in a special called meeting to hear the first reading of the budget and make amendments to the proposed budget.
Shirley Gardner explained the first reading of the budget provided the magistrates with the opportunity to amend and give tentative approval of the final product in order for the budget to be taken to Frankfort for their tentative approval and classification.
Changes and further amendments could be made at the second reading even after the budget is taken to Frankfort.

The board primarily discussed the requested increase in funds to the Parks and Recreation Board and increased in funds received by some of the magistrates for the medicine and general help fund for the needy in all the precincts of Nicholas County.
David Zachary, chairman, represented the Parks and Recreation Board.
Zachary reported a requested increase in funds because an application for a grant had been unsuccessful.
He said, "We do have a bid for the lights from Chuck Tanner for \$5,000."
He added, "It will use all the old poles, set them and install lights, but the basic problem is no grass in the park."
We have seen every season and have tried different grass each time including eye grass, but it would just come out.

County 4:1 Extension Agent was also present to further explain the situation.
If we get a grant from Frankfort, which we will know about in the next week, and borrow matching funds, then the lights will be up in the next three weeks."
He added, "If we do not get the grant this will be the first time in about 25 years that we have been refused, so I think we have a great chance of receiving the funds."
I also think that the park will be used all this summer.
"Let me have one problem. That is, we do not really know what the park costs to operate so we really do not know what to charge, but we can attempt to do that."

Ambulance service fate discussed

By Heather Mathews
The Nicholas County Fiscal Court followed the called meeting with the regularly scheduled meeting held and primarily discussed the future of the ambulance service in Nicholas County.
Since there were no bids submitted, the court, presided at the meeting to discuss the present state of affairs concerning the ambulance service.
Resse Smoot, presiding judge executive, said, "I'm not taking the vote out of the county, which would raise costs significantly, we would rather deal with some people who are closer and who know the roads and locations better."

The board agreed for McDonald to file a bid at what the operation would cost and advertise the bids.
Jack Conley, board attorney at \$15,000 was made during the meeting that the city paid one third of the cost while, according to McDonald, most of the runs are in the city.
McDonald warned a raise in insurance was sure to be.
Russell said, "We would be better off in paying another company before carrying the insurance load that Homeland pays.
According to McDonald, he pays insurance which ranges from \$6,500 to \$7,000 yearly including malpractice and workman's compensation."

The board decided to provide \$25,000 in this fund instead of the previous \$12,000 and in the mean time talk to the insurance company.
Other approvals given were for:
— Provision for \$500 for the spouse abuse center at the WCA in Lexington, extension office budget increase;
— Salary increases;
— Increase in salary for Nicholas County dealing with occupational tax;
— Approved all bills and
— Approved senior citizens bills;
— Approved ditching and culverts for landfill;
— Approved emergency doorer and ladder purchases.

Dumpster fires causing problems

By Heather Mathews
The dumpsters in Nicholas County which range over 50 according to Phillip Howard, landfill manager are causing a distress to the county as fires burning in the dumpsters bring danger to the community.
According to Shirley Gardner, Howard's duties include overseeing the operation and seeing that the landfill operation complies with state imposed regulations.
Friday, May 13, the county's dumpster truck caught on fire as did a large pile of trash contained in the dumpster.
Howard said, "We had known the truck contained burning trash, and waited until the outside of the truck was cool to dump it."

A couple days on fire and we worked all day up until the night for just one or four people to handle with and the compounded responsibility of insurance it makes the job run impossible.
It was supposed to be, by requirements, a fully qualified Emergency Medical Technician on duty for the ambulance at all times and I am the only one that meets the requirements, plus, we have one dipper for the night from 6 a.m.-10 p.m. (12 hours daily) but there is the time from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. and there is no one to handle it at the police department."

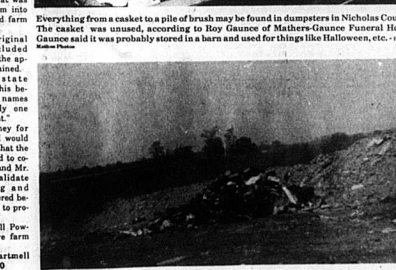
According to Howard, the danger at the landfill and the threat to citizens may result in losing the dumpsters.
There is always the possibility of losing them, but of course that is not up to us.
This is a landfill, meaning whatever can be found around your house can be dumped, but some things are strictly prohibited.
Any chemical substances or automotive equipment is prohibited and if a person sets a dumpster in the fire there is a fine involved.
Why do people set dumpsters on fire in the first place?
Hughes believes it is a mix of vandals and those that set

Sludge disposition remains unresolved

By Heather Mathews
The Carlisle Mercury Board of County Commissioners met in a special meeting on Monday, May 16, to discuss the sludge problem.
Skip Watson, Carlisle City Attorney reported that the Hazardous Waste in the Department of Environmental Protection and pulled the permit.
He explained the city had no permit because it had no permission to put the waste on one site.
Watson said, "Right now we can have our engineers recalculate the acreage for a size smaller than the original 36 acres."

had based on an agreement that involved two farms.
This was based on one deed that included both farms.
This deed was old, before the sludge problem was made split the one farm into two sites, the Crawford farm and the Hughes farm.
This means the original application filed included land not belonging to the applicant, Watson explained.
He added, "The state should have caught this one mistake early."

Watson said, "We no longer have the deed with the two farms involved.
How did this problem arise?
The original permit was Continued on Page 10



Everything from a basket to a pile of brush may be found in dumpsters in Nicholas County. The basket was unused, according to Roy Guzman of Mather's-Guinan Funeral Home. Guzman said it was probably stored in a barn and used for things like Halloween, etc.