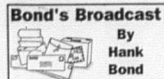


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Bond's Broadcast
By Hank Bond

Annexation issue has forced sides to be taken after mayor's veto

There appears to be very opposite opinions on the annexation of a strip of land to 19th Hole of Carlisle and U.S. 68.

From listening to talk on the street over the past few days, it's evident the majority has some sort of opinion on the event.

It cannot go unnoted, however, that there is some sort of split developing not only between members of city council and the mayor but residents of the county.

The worst of all of this situation, though, is it is occurring during a political time of year.

With every vote important, it appears decisions are being made based on that — an election time of year.

The Carlisle Mercury has always taken the position of working with various groups to encourage growth, and economic development within the city and county. This is no different.

It seems strange to say the least that there is such a disparity between groups in the town and the elected officials.

I attended the meeting where Carlisle Council approved, 4-2, the intent to annex extension concerning the 19th Hole of Carlisle.

The annexation would extend to U.S. 68 and allow city limits signs to be posted on the highway. In this manner, it is hoped, more travelers will be made aware of where Carlisle is and in addition, possibly divert the casual traveler toward the city and its businesses.

Some I have talked to believe this would be of little significance and actually cost the city in the long run with additional essential services to be rendered. Others believe it is a positive step and can only enhance the city's economic position with the possibility of additional traffic.

Rob Hester of the Carlisle - Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce spoke in favor of the annexation, Carol Sparks a member of the Chamber board and the Main Street Program Board spoke in favor of the plan, and Ernie Jones a businessman in Carlisle, also spoke in favor of the plan.

Apparently a majority of the council favored the annexation, but the mayor does not.

The only real justification for his decision to veto the ordinance, which was made available to the newspaper, centered around the potential annexation's link to a liquor by the drink ordinance, which he also vetoed after council had approved it 4-2.

Everyone has the right to an individual opinion — council members, the mayor, citizens of the community.

But this action smacks of discord and lack of positive efforts together. To simply veto the intent to annex is outrageous because it was tied to another piece of legislation does not appear to be reasonable.

If the mayor is concerned about potential cost to the city versus the potential for tax revenue then so state that.

The Carlisle Mercury has covered the action of city council for as long as I have traced back. It is not as though readers have not had the opportunity to take a look at actions and planned actions of council on a regular basis.

This topic, will actually two topics, annexation and liquor by the drink, have dominated several regular and special council meetings for the past several months.

Almost without exception, when any community is faced with these choices, there is a disparity between citizens as to the proper course to follow.

The mayor made his decision — council as a whole made the decision it thought best — now you should make your decision.

There will probably be a special meeting to discuss the vote. In accordance with that there will probably be an attempt to override the veto action, although since it takes one more than a majority (five votes in this case) and the original vote was 4-2, it is apparent one council member would have to change his vote to override the veto. This does not appear likely, should council run true to form in staying in official positions.

Make an opportunity and talk to those you have elected as city representatives — both the council and the mayor.

If you agree with the action taken, then say so. If you do not, express your opinion in that manner. Do not however, do nothing.

Apathy can be the death of many things and a town is no different. This does not mean you have to be in favor of what is requested or against the action taken, but merely becoming involved in the process.

Make your opinion known on this matter. If you choose, write a letter to the editor as others have done and we will utilize whatever space is necessary to convey your messages.

And so, for this week, thanks and truly.

Josh Shepherd From Left Field

School is about to begin. Parents across the country celebrate.

At least those who aren't taking their kids to school for the first time.

I don't remember actually being that much trouble my first day, but it was fortunate then that my mother was a teacher. She had all ready removed most of my fear. My father, on the other hand, was laying bets on when I would get my first paddling.

I was nervous, certainly, but I knew I wasn't as scared as some kids were.

One boy had fixed himself to his father's leg as if the boy were trying to save himself from drowning.

"Come on now Mikey," the father implored, embarrassed, his patience taxed, "Daddy has to go to work now. No, now don't dig your fingernails in daddy's leg. Daddy doesn't need to get a tetanus shot."

My mom led me to Ms. McBurney's room and I hoped I would know someone, anyone, in the room.

And I did.

Ricky, a boy in the back of the room waved fiercely for me to join him.

We had met about a month before — in a fight.

I looked at my mother and felt like saying, "Great mom. My first day and the only person I know in the place tried to wrench my teeth out a month ago."

But instead, I ran to his table like an old buddy, dumped my writing pad and box of fist grip pencils on the table top, and sat down.

One kid next to me tagged me on the shoulder, said "girl germs" and crossed his fingers with a snide smile on his face. I looked at him then turned to Ricky for help. He explained girl germs was something to avoid.

Then came the usual getting acquainted ritual.

We raced to see who could count to one hundred fastest, (there was always some kid who would cheat by saying 99 cows and a bob-tailed bull), who could spell Mississippi using "cerclators", though none of us knew exactly what a "cerclator" was. (I still don't know.)

Afterwards Ricky leaned close to me and asked me in a whisper if I had seen the Electric Paddle.

"What's the electric paddle?" I asked.

I felt a bit panicked. My parents hadn't said anything about this.

"My daddy said if you're really bad, the teacher can use the electric paddle which sucks you up into it and you're never heard from again," he said with a serious expression.

"Is it in here now?" I asked looking about the room.

"I don't know. I've been looking for it, but I haven't seen it. She probably keeps it hid," he said.

Another boy came in the room and Ricky and I watched him standing while his father pushed him farther in the door. His hands were crossed in front of him and as the boy looked over the room, he scowled.

The teacher pointed to an empty seat at the end of our table.

His father led him to the seat, sat him down and left.

"This is stupid," he said.

"That we have to be here. My daddy said so, but he said I have to go anyway. But I bet you I ain't gonna do nothing, and they can't make me."

"Yeah you will or they're going to take the electric paddle to you," Ricky said.

"Ain't no teacher going to take an electric paddle on me," the boy said.

"Oh yes they will," Ricky said.

"No they won't."

"Yes they will."

"No they won't."

Both boys voices were rising and I knew I was caught in the middle of what would eventually end in a fight. As they began to press closer to each other repeating the same argument, I saw the other boy slowly doubling up his fist. But Ricky took the first swing, which brushed over my head. The boy jumped across the table and rolled into my lap as Ricky's fist flailed on top of the boy's head.

The boy tried to regain his legs and was braining my chest in the process when suddenly the teacher bellowed our names.

From a pile on the floor, we looked up and began blaming the other persons.

Tapping her ruler across her palm, Ms. McBurney pointed at the boy to follow her to the hallway and ordered Ricky and I to wait by the door.

Ricky turned slightly pale as he heard the sharp whack from the other side of the door.

"Were we bad enough for the electric paddle, you think?" he asked.

"I don't think so," I said.

The boy came in with his face bright red. He walked quickly to his seat and bent his head down on the table.

"Ricky!" Ms. McBurney said and Ricky shuffled out the room.

It was then I noticed the classroom had gone silent. I turned around and all eyes were on me. Then came the sharp whack and Ricky yelped, but his cry was cut short and I heard him giggle.

He came walking in the room and he seemed happy, relieved.

He leaned near me and said, "The electric paddle is a joke."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor:

I have never written a letter to the editor of a newspaper before, but they say there is a first time for everything. I am 75 years old and lived in Carlisle for 53 years of it. It is the first time we have ever had a change to get anywhere near annexation to anything on Highway 68.

Why would anyone want to raise such an opportunity to it personal feelings, it is certainly not in the interest of Carlisle, not very becoming of a mayor to work against his city where so many other people are working for it.

My wife, I'd like to say, is a member of the Electric Paddle.

P.S. This has nothing to do with my feelings for liquor. I don't like it or if I had I don't have to drink it either. Let me say it is here for those who want it.

I'm calling a special meeting for August 4th at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Hopefully our mayor will attend this meeting and give the public his reasons for not wanting our small town to grow.

This meeting will be published and hopefully the public will attend.

Thank you,
Betty Burton.

Editor:

Carlisle, The Little Town with the big Heart, seems to me like it will always be just a small town with very little business.

I love my town and all the people in it, except for a precious few people who object to it.

You Are Urged To Express Your Opinion! Send Your Letters To The Editor The Carlisle Mercury P.O. Box 272 Carlisle, KY 40311 Deadlines for next week's publication is 6 p.m. Friday

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GENERAL NEWS



Team work
Carlisle City firemen and Nicholas County firemen responded to a fire at Garrett's Restaurant last week in Carlisle. Quick action by residents and both departments prevented any serious damage. - Josh Shepherd Photo

State begins tax exchange program

Revenue Cabinet Secretary Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

In the first full year of an agreement developed by the Southeastern Association of Tax Administrators, Kentucky is expected to increase sales and use revenue by \$5.5 million. An early test case (SEATA).

Kentucky will exchange tax audit information with all 200,000.

The agreement targets interstate business shipments information is provided by the state of origin to tax officials in the destination state.

Data on major consumer purchases will also be furnished to the state of residence.

The agreement calls for businesses to voluntarily register with the revenue department in the states where they make regular sales.

Auditors in SEATA member states will look for information showing that merchandise was purchased and shipped to an out-of-state buyer.

The auditor will then record the names of those customers and forward that information to tax officials in the customer's home state.

Customers will then be contacted directly by their home state revenue department and assessed for any tax due on the merchandise shipped from out of state.

Secretary Calvert announced that appointment of Kenneth Gilbert, Director of Audit and Protest Resolution, to the Multistate Coordinating Committee which will oversee the SEATA agreement.

Separate sales tax exchange information agreements were recently signed with Indiana and Ohio.

The First National Bank of Carlisle REPORT OF CONDITION

Consolidating domestic and foreign subsidiaries of the First National Bank of Carlisle, in the state of Kentucky, as of the close of business on June 30, 1989, published in response to a call made by Comptroller of Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161, Chapter Number 5629 Comptroller of the Currency Central District.

Statement of Resources	Thousands of dollars
Assets held in trading account	516
Premiums and fees assets (including capitalized leases)	108
Other real estate owned	102
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	102
Customer liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	none
Other assets	480
Total assets	31,486
Liabilities	31,486
Deposits:	
In domestic offices	23,735
Noninterest-bearing	4,148
Interest-bearing	19,587
Federal funds sold and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	3,105
Reserve funds loaned to the U. S. Treasury	250
Other borrowed money	none
Mortgage loans and obligations under	none
Banking liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	none
Notes and debentures subordinated to deposit	none
Other liabilities	1,653
Total liabilities	26,743
Equity capital	none
Retained profits and capital reserves	2,440
Surplus	200
Total equity capital and reserves	2,640
Total equity capital and reserves deferred pursuant to 12 U. S. C. 1823 (j)	2,740
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Total liabilities, limited-liability preferred stock, and equity capital and reserves deferred pursuant to 12 U. S. C. 1823 (j)	31,486

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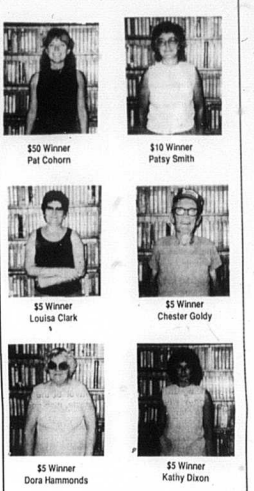
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