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Plain Talk

By Tim Jones

I'm a former Marine and when you're a former Marine you try to keep up with some of your old buddies... The Gundy and I ran the company we were in. He was the...

Writer displeased with Mercury's editing, editorial policies on letters

Carlisle, Ky. September 30, 1990

The Editor Carlisle Mercury Mr. Hank Bond... The famous writer of History, Burkesdale Hamlet in the History of Education in Ky. Library L.D. 370, 9709...

I am a writer of letter to the Public for information of their concern also have a saying which applies in this word of Honesty... Integrity... Trustworthy and Sincerity...

Now this statement can be after by following with the word Sincerely but when you do it will always come out as something of less value.

The good Lord was looking after me this week. ON WED in the National syndicated Cartoon 'Doonesbury' the word CHAP was used to describe the condition facing...

Now as I stated the Good Lord was heard of me this week. You can see in the Sunday Herald OF 27th the article of which I am including using the Word 'Hill' in the article.

It is very important that I let you know that they the Herald made no attempt to censor these three words. CHAP... DAMN... HELL.

Your True Friend of Citizens A. Gates Charles A. Gates 319 Syracuse St. Carlisle, Ky.

Editor's Note: This letter of discontent has been published to accommodate the writer's obvious dissatisfaction. It has been presented just as written, to the best of this paper's ability to reproduce it.

While it is true this newspaper reserves the right to edit or revise letters to comply with normal journalistic principles we have made no effort whatsoever to alter this particular writing.

As a matter of fact, Doonesbury, authored by G.B. Trudeau, has been covered on more than one occasion by more than one newspaper; however, it is the decision of the publication — not the author of the comic strip, or any other material offered for publication.

Secondly, while the Lexington Herald Leader has chosen to allow the words to appear under normal circumstances this newspaper will not again.

It is our belief, right or wrong, there are better ways to communicate than to use these words in some manner as to provide the reader with whatever shock value they may or may not contain.

This is why we will continue to edit them, on every possible occasion.

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most nervous types comfortable around him. He does do his job well, and likes to do his way.

The Gundy and I ran the company we were in. He was the company gunnery sergeant, which meant he got the food, water and training gear ready when we went to the field and more or less got the company where it was supposed to be when we were in camp.

I was fortunate enough to be his platoon commander at the time and when the Doc was UA (unauthorized absence), he had to use the company commander. Being his platoon commander, he did it.

Captain Bright, the company commander at the time, was everything but a bureaucrat. When God made the Marine Corps he had Captain Bright and looked like he had carved out of granite. Captain Bright was also a good man. He was a reasonable man, who would listen to people about their lives. I defended Doc to the CO, and because the Doc was a good Marine, Captain Bright just slapped him on the wrist.

The Doc, besides being a driver when the need arose, served as a team leader and squad leader for me when I had a rifle squad. The Doc was the kind of guy you didn't have to be explicit with, as if almost always did, the Doc didn't think for himself and figure something out.

The Doc was a born team player when he was your driver. He always had plenty of Copenhagen and could come up with a stove and coffee in the coldest weather.

MERCURY MEMORIES

5 Years Ago Thursday, October 10, 1985 A Carlisle four-page command of Lloyd Walls, Larry Wootley, Lytle Anderson and David Zachary received second place trophies in the 1985 Invitational Golf Tournament held last week at Lake Barkley State Park, Cadiz, Ky.

A Carlisle A. Gates James Tintner, has been named Employee of the Month in 1970 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America" Inc. located in Paris.

Dr. Ellis Ashby, retired Cincinnati surgeon and owner of Forest Retreat Farms here, was guest speaker at the Belmont Rotary Club September 14, 1985.

BORN: Justin Tyler Rawls, September 28, 1985. MARRIED: Miss Nancy Morris to Ricky Smith, September 28, 1985. DIED: Mrs. Thelma Buswell, 78, September 25, 1985. Mrs. Bobbie Ritchey Day, 83, October 2, 1985. Jessie S. Hunt Jr., 80, September 29, 1985. Mrs. Elsie Mae Ritchie, 89, September 21, 1985.

10 Years Ago Thursday, October 9, 1980 The deadline set for Kentucky cities and counties to draw up solid-waste management plans was extended from January 1, 1981 to July 1, 1982, with the passage of the 1980 General Assembly.

MARRIED: Robert J. Baggett, son of Robert L. and Jean S. Baggett of Route 60, Carlisle has been promoted to his present rank while serving with 1st Marine Brigade, Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

NICHOLAS County unemployment rate below state average. BORN: Amanda Rae Sobly, September 11, 1980; Rebecca Ann Brewster, September 28, 1980; James Ann McElhinney, September 28, 1980.

MARRIED: Miss Tammy Dawn McClanahan to Henry Vincent Ludovray Jr. Mrs. Mildred Mary Markum to Gordon Gifford, September 27, 1980.

30 Years Ago Thursday, October 12, 1950 Senator Robert de la Rosa, Mexican Ambassador to the United States, was the guest speaker of the 16th annual Nicholas County Farm Bureau, Wednesday, at Carlisle High School.

Frederic Holler of Barteville, was elected president; E.H.D. Allison, vice president; and Glenn Whitlock, secretary of the Nicholas County Sheep Producers Association of the 1950 annual meeting Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gillipie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Ludovray of Wilmore.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Crockett a son on September 18, 1950; George

He had lived in Colorado most of his life but had spent time in Australia and western Kentucky with his grandparents. He could talk about horses and mountains, how humid Oklahoma was, and about the weather and the weather in his own home.

He was All he seemed to want was a decent job when he left the Marine, which the guy got because he was a certified welder. When the gundy went to the other day he was in the commissary outside. The Doc had been out of the Marines for about a year and took a shotgun, stuck it in his mouth and blew his head off.

What did a guy who was in around every day for two years All because a tough guy and a real tough guy. I guess it could have been a woman. Tough guys often fall for the hardest. I guess it could have been a girl. Tough guys aren't really the best with women. I could guess a million things but it really doesn't matter. He's gone and whatever it was it must have been terrible enough to him.

It's strange when you hear of a friend dying. Especially so when it is one who you were around constantly for two years and then never saw again.

Marines probably grow closer than people in other professions. Especially when you're grunts like we were. You're in the field three nights a week when you're on the main base and for the desert to spend 30 days. You freeze together on some mountain pass, sweat steaming buckets together in some Pacific jungle and sweat together in long stretches of desert. You walk 20 miles with 80 pounds on your back and wear like hell. Marines, when you've finished, find few adjectives. At other times, they get sear each other and clutch teeth in a waying hum of steel the Navy has the pull to beat.

Needless to say, through all of this you grow close to people. You learn to respect the one who is a little more than you are. They learn to respect the one who is a little less than you are. They learn to respect the one who is a little more than you are. They learn to respect the one who is a little less than you are.

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GENERAL NEWS Carlisle viewed as very historical town

By Tom Jones The Carlisle Mercury Staff Carlisle - The historical markers are designed to commemorate what many, including the United States Department of the Interior, see as a very historic small town. The Interior Department, which performed a survey and printed its results in a continuation sheet, noted the history and changing nature of the city of Carlisle.

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Tom Ockerman is the new Branch Bank Manager at Deposit Bank's West End Branch in Carlisle.

He is a 1969 graduate of Nicholas County High School and brings seven years of lending experience to Deposit Bank.

Tom and his wife Patty have two children, Michael Allen 4, and Lindsay Autumn, 7. They live on Stoney Creek Road in Nicholas County, where Tom farms 180 acres and raises 10 acres of tobacco.

Tom is a member of the Carlisle - Nicholas County Chamber of Commerce, where he serves as a director. He is also a member of the Nicholas County Extension Clinic.

The family attends Blue Licks Christian Church, where Tom serves as a Deacon.

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Residents

Continued from Page 1 Continued from Page 1. I would have liked to have been there to see the utility tax and 1989 tax rate for property they need.

She said she thinks the taxes are fair. She added that there might be some people who are surprised when they get their bills in November.

"I expect to be very busy when the bills go out," Brady said there is a chance to change property valuations but in most cases it is not possible. She said the owner would have to prove that the property was not there or changes made had come out of the assessment of farms, another category of property, to be completed before the end of 1991.

She said because only one category has to be reassessed each year, drastic increases will not be across the board each year.

She said, however, the value of residential property has increased this drastically in years.

"For this county, I think the change is dramatic." She said she bases values on property according to the surrounding property and their selling prices.

She said the value of property also changes if the owner has made improvements such as building additions or remodeling.

The state requires the valuation of property to be within 10 percent of its actual selling price.

Brady said she tries to be as accurate as she can to 100 percent of the actual value.

"If I can't hit 100 percent, I'd rather hit 90 to 95 percent." Brady said she thinks the rate increase is a steep and would have liked to have seen them go about the changes in a different way. "I feel they could have gone into a different approach to spread it out over 2 years."

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