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Candidates agree

FRANKFORT (AP) — Kentucky's two gubernatorial nominees both favor eliminating state taxes on private pensions and are in agreement on other senior-citizen issues.

"I'm in favor of phasing those taxes out at the appropriate time," U.S. Rep. Larry Hopkins said last Wednesday, adding that the time wouldn't be right during the "heat of a campaign."

Hopkins, a Republican, and his Democratic rival, Lt. Gov. Brereton Jones, appeared together for the first time since the May primary on a live radio broadcast of "A-OK Primeline. The public-affairs program was sponsored by the Association of Older Kentuckians.

Although Jones said he didn't believe it is fair for private retirees to pay tax on pensions while government pensions are not taxed, he also stopped short of promising a repeal.

"That would be a cheap political move to make that premise because that would be creation of false hope," Jones said. "But I do believe we've got to try to do that."

Legislative estimates last year indicated that repealing the private pension tax would cost the state at least $90 million a year. The state tax on federal pensions was repealed last year.

During a discussion on nursing-home beds, Hopkins said the state was still facing a $27 million Medicaid deficit. In an interview following the program, Jones said he thought Hopkins was "pretty close to being accurate" on the Medicaid deficit.

However, Brad Hughes, a spokesman for the Cabinet for Human Resources, said a measure enacted during the special session this year should help avert a Medicaid deficit.

State officials had previously predicted a $27 million deficit in the Medicaid program because of increased federal mandates. But earlier this year, the General Assembly approved a bill that taxes health-care providers and uses the money to obtain more matching federal Medicaid funds.

The measure already has started generating additional funds and Medicaid expenses were lower than planned because some newly required programs had been delayed, Hughes said.

The candidates also said they would be willing to appoint someone over age 70 as a cabinet secretary, and they also said they favored alternatives to nursing homes, such as home health care.

In addition, each said he would be willing to consider offering tax incentives to businesses that agree to employ older workers.

Nicholas Court

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rescue squad in the city."

Nicholas County Judge Reese Smoot said, "We would be the last to run and say we didn't need this (equipment, but we are stripped at the present time.

"We are receiving a grant for a new ambulance and the money after the purchase could possibly be allocated to the rescue squad for the equipment.

"If any money is left over we would be glad to help out down the road because the rescue squad does an excellent job."

The court agreed to use Big Sandy as a juvenile correctional facility at $70 a day.

Dana Price was appointed tax administrator for the Nicholas County Fiscal Court effective January 25, 1991.

Nicholas County Attorney Jock Conley is still researching the deed to the old Myers Voting Precinct.

The county was given the property according to Smoot and someone wants to buy the property.

A clarification in a decision for the Nicholas County Senior Citizens was brought up by Shirley Vice about her senior citizens being able to go on shopping trips.

Vice said, "We only take one to two shopping trips.

"We haven't taken but one trip since December and the senior citizens pay for the gas."

Vice said, the ad council (Bluegrass Area Development District) says any trip that is taken must be for a shopping trip not for recreation.

Recreation is not a needed service according to the ad council, said Vice.

Smith said, "I'm not against the senior citizens going out of town to take a trip to Wal-Mart or to eat only if every time they were doing their grocery shopping."

Bussell said, "I understand the senior citizens can not buy everything they need in Carlisle just like everyone else and they deserve a trip out of town also."

Vice said, she was willing to take time off so the senior citizens could be able to get out of town from time to time.

The fiscal court was in favor of letting Vice take the senior citizens on shopping trips from time to time.

The fiscal court agreed to employ an engineer to write a closure plan for the landfill so the dead lines can be met on time.

The fiscal court authorized Smoot to approve small repairs that are needed to be done to the jailer's car.

MERCURY MEMORIES

5 Years Ago
Thursday, June 26, 1986

The A-Frame under construction this summer of 1964 belonged to Roger and Sara Womack. It was the first cottage built in Lake Carnico Estates.

Preliminary estimates of the impacts from the Toyota Corporation plant under construction indicate significant population growth for Scott County and neighboring Kentucky counties.

The Carlisle/Nicholas County Industrial Development Authority submitted the best (and only) bid of $5 for the purchase of an old vacant frame house on the county farm, fronting on Highway 36.

BORN: Jessica Mae Hill, June 19, 1986; Irvin Lee Livingood, June 10, 1986; Andrew Parker Norton, June 11, 1986; Krystal Lauren Tubbs, June 13, 1986.

MARRIED: Melissa Lee Dudley to William Harold Whitaker, June 7, 1986.

10 Years Ago
Thursday, June 25, 1981

The Nicholas County Board of Education entertained a petition from the county's high school teachers Monday night which called for an increase in the number of credits required for graduation.

Food prices in Kentucky turned upward during June, according to Kentucky Farm Bureau's monthly market-basket survey.

The Rev. Joseph A. Saulino has been appointed pastor of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe by the Most Rev. William A. Hughes, Bishop of Covington.

BORN: Kyle Lee Galbraith, June 12, 1981; Leslie Jayne Potter, May 22, 1981.

MARRIED: Beverly June Kelley to Rondall R. McLean, April 11, 1981.

DIED: Glavice Gaunce, June 18, 1981; J.B. Wilhoite, June 19, 1981.

20 Years Ago
Thursday, June 24, 1971

A new farm wheat allotment may be established for the 1972 crop of wheat for famers that did not have a 1971 allotment if they meet eligibility requirements.

Ralph Shearer and Joe D. Blount won the E.W. Glass Invitational Golf Tournament at the Stoner Creek Country Club in Paris on Sunday. They were each awarded blazers as first - place winners.

This week the Head Start will take their first trip. They will go to Blue Licks to swing, slide and play together in the park.

MARRIED: Miss Sharon Keal to Robert Ray Ritchie, June 11, 1971.

DIED: Mrs. Tilman Allee, June 21, 1971; Mrs. Virginia Berry, June 19, 1971; Charles Henry Hughes, June 19, 1971.

40 Years Ago
Thursday, June 26, 1951

The committee chairman working on the VFW Fourth Homecoming are as follows. Cliff White is chairman of the celebration. Bingo, Keller Hughes; Refreshment stand, Teddy Poe; Dances, Bill Powers; Dog Show, Ed Sanders; Fireworks, Frank Stone; Decorating, Junior Buntin.

Electricity went off in Carlisle and the county Monday morning , a total of 27 minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Alexander entertained with a picnic supper at their home on Eastern Avenue, Sunday night.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. John Argo, a son, June 27; Herschel Taylor Jr.; Georgia Kay Marshall.

MARRIED: Miss Loretta Sparks Fryman to Paul Glenn Curtis, June 23; Miss Patsy Roth Willis to Jimmie H. Gaunce, Saturday.

DIED: Herman Eubanks, Wednesday; Nelson Sivis, Monday; Mrs. Annabel Lee Burns, Tuesday; J.D. Gaunce, June 23; Miss Marie Gibson Smith, Sunday.

50 Years Ago
Thursday, June 26, 1941

A general meeting of the 4-H Club was held Friday evening at the East Union School, with 35 Members present and several visitors.

The farmers Stock Yard sales climbed slightly above last week with hogs and cattle showing strong gain.

BORN: Jackie Lee Clavell, June 18, 1941.

MARRIED: Miss Eunice Ganelle Wills to Charles Bashaw, Sunday; Miss Helen Keene Veach to Donald H. Fair, June 21, 1941.

DIED: William Selby, Thursday; G.C. Varner, Friday; Billy R. Barton, Saturday; Mrs. Adaline Reynolds, Mt. Sterling; C.C. Nixon, Tuesday; A.W. Shrout, Tuesday.

Jones, Hopkins speak at KPA convention

FORT MITCHELL (AP) — Lt. Gov. Brereton Jones said based on sheer numbers Saturday that he could raise more money than his Republican rival for governor, however he pointed out this was simply not an issue in the race for governor.

He said this would probably be true for the November General Election, regardless of whether the two agree to limit campaign spending and fund-raising.

During a separate appearance at the summer meeting of the Kentucky Press Association, GOP nominee U.S. Rep. Larry Hopkins hammered at Jones' refusal to release income tax returns.

Hopkins opened his remarks by acknowledging he had mishandled a controversy about his military and academic background during the primary campaign.

"I blew it, to be very frank about it," Hopkins said as he attempted to put the matter to rest before the fall campaign gets fully under way.

Jones declined to release his tax returns as he has repeatedly in the past, saying that providing them to the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance and releasing a 10-year summary should be adequate.

"You can be certain if there is something wrong with my tax returns, you (the press) would know about it," Jones said.

He said Hopkins had not responded to his proposal to impose a voluntary $100 limit on political contributions during the fall campaign. And Jones added that he wanted to discuss an overall limit on spending, perhaps $1 million each.

Jones proposed a plan which would call for the candidates to pull even in the amount of money raised for the campaign and then accept donations with a limit, suggested at $100, for the remainder of the campaign fund raising process.

But in apparent concessions to Hopkins, Jones said he would be willing to allow the amount both campaigns have in the bank to equalize before the restrictions began, and to apply the $100 contribution limit to donations toward paying off a $1.6 million loan he made his 1987 campaign for lieutenant governor.

Hopkins called efforts to pay off Jones' 1987 debt "a scandal waiting to happen." He promised a campaign "that will be more fast-breaking and having more full-court presses" than during the primary.

But first, Hopkins attempted some damage control.

Larry Forgy, who narrowly lost to Hopkins in the Republican primary, charged that the seven-term congressman had attempted to mislead voters by listing Southern Methodist University and Purdue University as colleges he had attended. Hopkins actually attended private institutes located on those campuses.

Also, Hopkins told a Frankfort news conference earlier this year that he had served in the Marines during the latter part of the Korean conflict. Hopkins actually entered the military on June 29, 1954, after the fighting ended.

He took pains Saturday to set the record straight on his academic background and noted that he never fought in Korea, although his enlistment was within the official period to qualify for Korean War benefits.

"It has not been my intention to inflate or misrepresent my record," Hopkins said.

Both candidates pledged to lead positive campaigns, although Hopkins said Jones' refusal to release income tax returns would jeopardize that. Jones said the main reason he wouldn't release 10 years of tax returns as Hopkins has done was that as a farmer, he had some good years and some bad years.

Jones said he could envision the use of income figures from his best year and tax-payment figures from his worst year together in a negative 30-second television commercial.

In response to questions from the newspaper group, Jones said he thought the value of television advertising was dropping because an ever-increasing number of channels are available on cable television and satellite feeds. He said he believed he would spend more money on print advertising than in the past.

However, Hopkins declined to get that specific, saying only that he would abide by what consultants told him was the best way to spend limited campaign advertising funds.

Hopkins pledged to resume a tradition broken by Gov. Wallace Wilkinson of delivering the State of the Commonwealth address during odd-numbered years at the KPA's winter meeting. During an interview before leaving the convention, Jones said he also would resume the addresses to the KPA.

Jones also maintained he would create an executive order within one minute of taking office that would make it illegal for anyone in the governor's office or other appointed office to do business with the state.

Jones also said he wanted to form committees, with nominations from various groups, to make appointments to the trustees of Kentucky's state institutions.

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Eugene Hall, a TTI employee, is shown removing the old Wig-Wag railroad traffic signal, and replacing it with a new model. The Wig-Wag signal was the last functioning signal in the state.

POLICE LOG

Kentucky State Police

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Trooper Tim Layne has charged Ricky Boone, 31, of Carlisle, Kentucky with driving under the influence. The arrest occurred at 10:50 p.m., June 22 in the limits of Carlisle on Hwy 36. He was turned over to the Nicholas County Transportation officer.

Trooper Tim Layne has charged Buel Richardson, Jr., 21, Paris, Kentucky with alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, assault of police officer. The arrest occurred at 12:30 a.m., June 23, one mile west of Carlisle on Hwy 36. He was turned over to the Nicholas County Transportation officer who put him in the Bourbon County Jail.

City of Carlisle

City of Carlisle Police Office Daryl McFarland investigated a two vehicle, non injury accident, which occurred at 6:04 a.m., June 22, on North Broadway in Carlisle.

The drivers involved were Erin Mathes, 20 Carlisle, operating a 1989 Dodge and Kenneth Hunt, 60, Carlisle operating a 1987 Chevrolet.

City of Carlisle Police Officer David Hardin has charged Mark S. Terrell, 31, Carlisle with driving under the influence.

The arrest occurred at 11:40 p.m., June 22, at the West limits of Carlisle.

City of Carlisle Police Officer Roy Fryman investigated a two vehicle, non injury accident which occurred at 8:50 p.m., June 20 on Main Street in Carlisle.

The drivers of the vehicles were Marcy Doyle, 19, Carlisle and June Wiggleworth, 51, Carlisle.

City of Carlisle Police Officer Lamar Mann investigated a single vehicle non injury accident which occurred at 4:09 p.m., June 22 on east Main Street.

The driver of the car was Matthew L. Evans, 19, of Carlisle operating a 1979 Oldsmobile.

City of Carlisle Police Officer Terry Fryman investigated a two vehicle non injury accident which occurred at 9:40 a.m., June 22, on Dorsey Avenue in Carlisle.

The drivers involved were Robert A. Brady, 43, Carlisle driving a 1983 Chevrolet and Sheila Fryman, 22, Carlisle, driving a 1991 Dodge.

Schools receive

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through 12, parenting skills and health care.

Youth services centers will assist middle and high school students and their faimilies in areas such as job training, drug and alcohol abuse treatment, family and mental health counseling and health care.

"The 133 centers will have a primary target of more that 48,000 students eligible for free school meals," Cowherd said. "However, since any at risks student, regardless of family income, may be referred to the centers, the potential service population at the 23 0 schools is more than 110,00 students."

The grants range in size from $10,800 to $90,000. The first year of the program will see 74 family resource cents set up in elementary and middle schools, 35 youth services centers developed around Kentucky high schools and 24 combined programs involving students in elementary and secondary grades.

Ten of the centers will serve smaller schools with target student populations of 149 or less, 40 approved proposals have targeted populations of 150-299 students and 83 programs will be setup to serve 300 or more students.

Seventy-eight of the centers will be in rural communities, 38 in urban settings, 14 in suburban locations and three in areas meeting combination rural/suburban description.

Over the past month, the task force and its staff in the Cabinet for Human Resources considered applications for the 1991-92 school year for a total of 245 centers involving 436 schools and funding request exceeding $16.2 million.

Ronnie Dunn, manger of the cabinet's Family Resource/Youth Services Center branch, called evaluation and reading the proposals "a tremendous challenge."

"Each application was checked for compliance with the formal request for Proposals," she said. "Three trained volunteers reviewed each plan, scoring them on such factors as the number of eligible students and schools involved and the evidence of collaboration among the community's service providers.

"Finally the grants had to be measured against the total budget set up by the 1990 General Assembly," Dunn said.

Under the education reform law, additional centers are to be funded in each of the next four years, although the law does not mandate eventual service from one of these centers for every Kentucky school.

Six graduate from MSU

Morehead State University's May graduates included six Nicholas County and two Robertson County residents who completed degree requirements during the 1991 Spring Semester.

Lesley Duncan, Cynthia Hamon, Robert Allen Hopkins, Kimberly Martin all of Carlisle, David W. Masters and Karl E. Vermilion of Morehead, and Sandra Jackson, Maysville, and Marianne Leet, Mt. Olivet.

Two Nicholas County students graduated with honors from Morehead State University during its 1991 Spring Commencement. Graduating Summa Cum Laude were Kimberly Anne Martin of Carlisle and Karl Edward Vermillion of Morehead. To graduate Summa Cum Laude, a student must earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.9 to 4.0 on a 4.0 scale.

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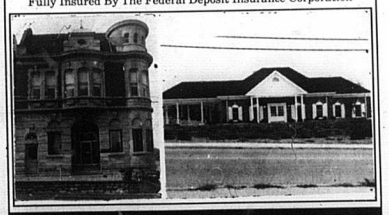

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