Mercury Memories

50 Years Ago
September 14, 1944

At nine o'clock Monday morning, opening chapel exercises were held in the city school auditorium. Miss Mary Frances Fisher played the processional, when 374 pupils marched to their respective seats.

County Judge Walter Shepherd has been appointed Democratic campaign chairman for Nicholas County by Harry Lee Waterfield, state chairman of the Democratic state Campaign Committee, whose headquarters are at the Seelbach hotel in Louisville.

THE PACIFIC WAR: The Japanese drive southward in China against the American air bases in China has been making progress. However, superfortresses have been raiding Japanese and Manchurian targets. Reports of carrier-based plane attacks in great force upon Palau, an island within 600 miles of the Philippines, and on fields in Mindanao, suggest that we must expect reports of an invasion of the Philippines soon. In the Pacific, the past weeks have undoubtedly seen regrouping of forces for further action.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Crouch, of Lexington, a daughter, Friday, September 8; To Mr. and Mrs. William Maffett, of R.F.D. 3, a daughter, Sunday, September 10.

MARRIED: Miss Louise Franklin and Pvt. Allie Glenn Snapp at Winchester Wednesday, September 6; Miss Vivian Toadvyn and Mr. Clifford E. Greve, Wednesday, September 6.

DIED: Mrs. B.F. Swindler, 97, Sunday; Mrs. Sadie Beck Tune, August 26; Coburn Russell Barlow, 45, Tuesday afternoon; William M. Steele, 73, Tuesday.

60 Years Ago
Thursday, September 13, 1934

John M. Wells and Henry Keller have leased the small room adjoining the Graeter building on Maple Street and will open a lunch room.

Herman Crump, Sherman Crump and Park Crump, brother, have purchased the interests of the other heirs in the lands of the late John T. Alexander in the Flora section.

Eggs have reached the highest price in several months. Local dealers are paying 20 cents per dozen.

W.J. Kookendoffer, well known farmer of the East Union section, suffered painful injuries on his head one day the past week when he was kicked by a horse.

The Scott-Kendall Sales Company sold last week for W.E. and O.H. Collier their farm of 100 acres in the Walnut Grove section to R.C. Sexton, of Albion, Michigan.

J.C. Cartmill sustained a fracture of the right wrist while practicing football one day last week.

Dr. J.C. McGuire, resigned as health officer of Nicholas County and transferred to Pulaski County.

R.L. Curtis brought to the Mercury office Wednesday morning a toad which was found imbedded in solid clay soil after having been had gone down some three feet into the street in front of the Greater building while lowering the service pipe.

DIED: Mrs. Sallie Campbell, 82, at her home on Long Run in this county.

75 Years Ago
Thursday, September 19, 1919

J.P. Banta buys Parks Hill grounds and will subdivide into lots for building private cottages.

Henry Keller returns from Detroit and accepts position at Wills confectionery.

Mrs. Mamie Cain sells home to Foster Cox for $6,500 and will move to Lexington and occupy residence recently purchased in Mentelle Park.

Howard Wills sells pool room on "Easy Street" to E.D. Goodwin.

Francis Howell, of Huntington, W.V., is guest of sister, Mrs. Robert Parker near Jackstown.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Blake returned from South Carolina where Mr. Blake has been on tobacco market.

Miss Okie Baugus leaves for Berea College; Miss Mary Lou Ingles re-enters State College at Lexington; Charles Whaley returns his studies at M.M.I.; Oney Gifford, of Robinson County, will attend Berea College.

BORN: To the wife of Roy B. Scott, a son, Francis Marion.

MARRIED: Miss Flossie T. Harney and Mr. Cleveland Varner, both of Nicholas County.

DIED: Hoard Sharp Bell, 44, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bell, at his home near Frankfort; Mrs. James F. Rogers, 35, at Joseph's Hospital, following an operation.

100 Years Ago
Thursday, September 20, 1894

Mrs. Fannie Talbott enrolls 97 pupils at Sharpsburg College.

Dr. M. Dills will lecture on surgery each Thursday evening during the winter at Homeopathic College of Medicine in Louisville.

Circuit Court convenes with large civil docket and unusually large criminal docket.

Firm of Rankin & Feeback dissolves; Albert Feeback to continue the business.

James Cain's handsome residence completed, and Sala Kennedy's on adjoining lot, progressing nicely.

Mrs. H.C. Stanley (nee Fannie McVey) carries off blue ribbon at Ewing fair as best lady equestrian.

Mrs. Reuben Prather visiting relatives in Covington.

Harvey Kennedy and Edward Campbell enter Medical College in Louisville.

Miss Dee Rogers leaves to make home with sister, Mrs. J.B. Jones in Lexington.

Rev. James Mann and wife, and T.H. Pickrell attend Methodist Conference in Frankfort.

W.T. Scudder of Chicago visits uncle, Dr. H.M. Scudder and Mrs. Lou Scudder.

Mrs. Lizzie Miller and Mrs. Anna Conrad, of Keokuk, Iowa, guests of Mrs. John W. Pawling.

Two deacons of the Paris Christian Church resort to blows and whiskers pulling in argument over election in front of church Sunday morning.

Miss Josie Dorsey will board at home of Thomas McClintock and attend M.F.C. this year.

miss Delia Templemen and Mrs. Strobridge, of Cincinnati, visit Mrs. J.H. Templemen.

Miss Amelia Lee, and Mrs. Harvey Lee and Mrs. William Ross, Jr., attendants in Spears-Carter wedding at Paris.

O.N. Caldwell and sisters, Misses Julia and Lou, are Charles Vanarsdale of Chicago, visiting family of F.E. Congleton.

Mrs. Amanda Hall returns to home in Kansas City after visiting daughter, Mrs. Ephriam G. Smith.

MARRIED: Judge Holladay Stitt, of Carlisle and Miss Olivette Bland of Mason County; Benjamin Spears and Miss Olivet Current, at Paris.

DIED: Mrs. Malinda Hamilton, mother of John T. and George W. Hamilton.

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Leigh's Lines
Opinion By Leigh Stone, Managing Editor

Chautauqua Days are almost here, so I'll be looking for you readers in Millersburg this weekend!

Jamie Barbee, in charge of the baking contest, said the baking contest begins at 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16 at Millersburg Park. There will be pies, cakes, and bread judged on appearance and taste. Trophies, ribbons and a few prizes will be awarded.

"Please bake your favorite recipe and participate!" Diane asked.

For more information, call Diane at 484-3485 or 289-5945.

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Best wishes to Nicholas County Hospital Administrator Dan Miller in his new position.

Dan's resignation at the hospital is effective Sept. 20.

I haven't talked to Dan since his resignation was announced, but I have talked with hospital board members and Josh Shepherd, director of public relations.

Hospital board members told me they thought it was best for Dan to speak for himself concerning the resignation. I agree. There's nothing like getting the information directly from the main source! Lack of information allows for mis-information.

Hospital board members say they realize the hospital is a concern to people and repeatedly state the hospital isn't going to close. They, like the rest of us, welcome Dr. Chuck Dahan to the community. Dr. Dahan should be here by the end of this month. His employment should alleviate some of the reduced work hours some hospital employees have been asked to assume the past couple of weeks due to lack of patients at the hospital.

Board members I've talked with explained that hospital board meetings are closed to the public because the hospital is a *not-for-profit* organization and doesn't come under rules like tax-supported organizations.

Josh Shepherd, public relations director for the hospital, said local dollars are contributed to the hospital in that the citizens of Nicholas County own the land where the hospital is built. But the hospital is paying for the land. The board includes local citizens, including representatives from local government, due to law, he said.

Board members praised Dan's accomplishments and are thankful for an amicable parting.

See this issue of The Mercury for articles telling about the resignation and his accomplishments.

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Those High Street tomatoes! My neighbor Betty Barton left half a basket filled with juicy, tasty, ripe tomatoes on my front porch recently and were they ever good! Thanks Betty!

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David and Marty Hunter, owners of Elk Creek Stables had a terrific turn-out at last Saturday's Saddle Up Ride for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. One group from a major farm in the area brought a charity check for $295. They were kidded, "Why didn't you make it an even $300?"

"We intend to," came the good-natured reply.

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Many of you have told me about the housing tobacco Labor Day, Sundays, and whenever they can. Nicholas County School Board member Sammie Vies kidded board member Jimmy Dale before last night's school board meeting. "Ask Jimmy what he did today," Sammie challenged The Merc.

"I hung tobacco," replied Jimmy.

"He had a *real* job, today!" joked Sammie, a farmer, about his colleague. Jimmy, Jimmy's regular job is at McAlpin's in Lexington.

"I just got off the rail about an hour ago," chimed in Nicholas County Elementary School Principal Gerald Hammons.

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A group of local farmers and businessmen will meet at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20 at the office of County Judge Executive Chuck Smith at the Nicholas County Courthouse. The group will discuss the proposed closing of the local ASCS office. Robert Wiseman of Congressman Scotty Baesler's office will be in attendance. Other participants will include Nicholas County/Carlisle Chamber of Commerce President Rose Brady; Lester's Family Store co-owner Carty Lester; Carlisle Mayor Ronnie Clark; and Judge Chuck Smith. Rose told me others were expected to participate as well.

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A good-sized crowd at a ball field away from home helped make the difference in last Friday night's football game against Fairview. Senior quarterback Shane Kenney saw school board vice chairman John Cleaver in the crowd when Cleaver shouted, "This is how to play football!"

That kind of encouragement from supporters and mentors is what assures victory every time.

Mercury Vapours
By Warren R. Fisher

Reprinted from Thursday, September 15, 1966

If you don't feel like cooking something, baking would be a better word, on Saturday, Oct. 1, I just don't do so—Just go to the Kentucky Utilities office where the Carlisle Junior Woman's Club is sponsoring a "bake" sale. The proceeds from all of the goodies sold will go to the arthritis fund. You can plan now to take it easy on October 1.

-MV-

You're either too big or too small! CED, the Committee for Economic Development, a non-profit national research and educational organization of 200 executives, think a school system with less than 1500 students is too small. The Nicholas County school system, according to the Kentucky Education Association, had an average daily membership of 1,272.2, last year.

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In a bulletin from the Kentucky Office of Economic Opportunity, Frankfort, we note under new grants since June—$99,969 to Licking Valley Community action Program, for Program Development. The local office may be found on the third floor of the court house.

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In a column sent to many newspapers by the American Bar Association it seems we have read, never sign an instrument without reading it carefully, and it goes without saying, one should understand what one reads before affixing his signature.

A former Kentucky Governor addressing a group of would-be lawyers the other day, says: "I signed it, but that only means I was there. . ."

Of course we are referring to the proposed new Constitution and again we think Judge James W. Stites, a former member of Kentucky's Court of Appeals, has one of the best answers:

"Times and events move so much more rapidly now than in 1891, and we need ways to make changes in a reasonable time." he told a seminar at the University of Louisville. The old constitution inhibits change; the new would permit easier and faster amendment.

He does not think the proposed new document has all the answers, but believes it gives the suggested Supreme Court of Kentucky too much authority, he thinks the plan for an annual legislative session is unsound unless legislators are put on annual salary, and he sees the local-government section as unsatisfactory, although better than the old provisions.

However, taken in all, he finds the new constitution an improvement over the old one because it was "written in an atmosphere of confidence in government, and with the idea of letting government function, rather than hog-tying it."

His attitude, we think, is the right one. No constitution that could possibly be written would be perfect and please everyone, but the constitution of 1891 has been proved inadequate and restrictive for modern conditions. A change is needed.

Letters To The Editor

Writer seeks true representation from government

Dear Editor:

Our Representatives Not Giving True Representation

They finally did it. They rammed the so called "crime bill" down the throats of the American people. I know that most people do not fully understand this crime bill, so I will try to explain a few things bout it to illustrate why this bill will have little, if any, effect on crime. The first thing is that this is a federal crime bill. This means it only affects about 5 percent of all crimes committed. We have also been told this bill will add 100,000 police officers to the streets of America. What you haven't been told is that the first year this goes into effect, the federal government will supply 75% of the money the first year; the second year, 50%; the third year, 25%; the fourth year, nothing. Also, to start with, there is not enough money provided in the "crime bill" to pay for 100,000 police officers, let alone the training, support and vehicles for these police officers. Another thing is the "pork" in the "crime bill". Money that is destined for minority inner city youths for such things as midnight basketball, art programs and dance lessons. Part of the reason for such high crime rates is social programs such as food stamps and government subsidized housing that allows for too much free time for these people to commit crimes. The liberals in this country have created this problem, and now they want to throw more by liberal social programs. This should make the ones of you who are producers and not takers of the government dole mad as h__l. And last, but not least, the so called "assault rifle" ban. This did not only ban "assault rifles", but also banned clip-fed shotguns, pistols with clip capacity of over ten rounds, and even some types of .22 caliber and 9 mm rifles. This, on top of the executive order that Wilhelm Klinton had issued banning all weapons and ammunition from China. China was a source of SKS rifles used by many people around here to hunt, and was also a source of inexpensive ammo. Then they told us that they graciously listed 650 protected guns in the "crime bill". We were not told that of these 650 temporarily protected weapons (I say temporarily because I can assure you that this is not the last of the attacks on your right to keep and bear arms), at least 450 of these weapons are no longer manufactured. There were only 14 protected semi-autos on the list, and the list excluded several weapons that would not fit the liberals description of a so-called "assault rifle".

But to finally get to the biggest point of why I am writing this letter. Prior to the vote on the crime bill, I was in contact with Mr. Scotty Baesler's office, and also Mr. Wendell Ford's office in Washington, DC. I asked the staff people in both offices the percentages of calls for and against the so-called "crime bill". Their answer was 75% against to 25% for. If this was a good representation of the constituents of the 6th District, and in the case of Mr. Wendell Ford, the constituents of this state, then why did these men vote for the "crime bill"? I will tell you why. It is because they were voting for their president and not the people who sent them to Washington. These men are out of touch with their constituents. I would have backed these men to the hilt if they would have voted for a true crime bill that also would not have trampled on our second amendment rights to keep and bear arms. I do not know about you, but this is not the type of people I want representing me in Washington. To truly serve their constituency with true representation, these men should have voted with the majority of their constituents and not with der Furher and the first lady Hillary "Rotten" Clinton. To conclude, I want to give you part of a speech given by the greatest man in the history of our nation, President George Washington, to the first session of Congress. This portion of his speech cannot be twisted by any liberal as they do the second amendment. "Firearms stand next in importance to the constitution itself. They are the American peoples liberty teeth and keystone under independence." There is more to this speech, but I also want to give a portion of a speech given by one of the most infamous people in history. "This year will go down in history. For the first time, a civilized nation has full gun registration! Our streets will be safer, our police more efficient, and the world will follow our lead into the future!" Adolph Hitler, 1938.

Nuff said!

Michael D. Stracener
Carlisle, Kentucky

David Hunter, right, and Marty Hunter, seated, registered participants of the Elk Creek Stables Saddle Up and Ride for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital last Saturday.

General News

Church Corner

The following is provided by a local church official, and does not necessarily reflect the views or opinions held by The Carlisle Mercury or Park Communications, Inc.

KHC offers housing help

By Rev. Robert Allen
Pastor, Saltwell and Rose Hill United Methodist Churches

We are living in a time of many things that are uncertain and people every where are looking for something or someone that they can lean upon or trust. All of us at times have probably made a promise that we could not keep. But this is not true of God. We can depend on Him for He always stands behind His word, and what He says we can depend on. If you are one who is uncertain about some things and you are looking for someone that you can put your trust in and be certain of, let me recommend Jesus Christ the Savior of the lost world.

Listen to the words of the Apostle Peter who found in Christ one that He could depend on. Let me share with you some promises that you can lean on.

1. Help in time of need. "He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So may we boldly say: "The Lord is my helper." (Hebrews 13:6)

2. Strength in weakness. Read Isaiah 41:10. I am also reminded of the Apostle Paul when he said. "When I am weak then I am made strong" and he also said I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me."

3. Cheer in despondency. Read Matthew 14:27 and John 16:33.

4. Guidance in the perplexities is God, Our God forever and ever; He will be our guide even unto death."

Proverbs 3:6 "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

5. Comfort in trouble. Isaiah 66:13 "As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you." Read John 14:13.

6. Joy in sorrow. Psalms 126:5 The Lord says, "Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy."

7. Power in service. Acts 1:8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and ye shall be witness unto me etc."

The whole essence of our thoughts is that as a child of God today, let's trust His word and claim His "exceedingly great and precious promises." They are new and fresh everyday and they are the kind that you and I can lean on and you can never break God's promises by leaning on them for the son writer said On Christ The Solid Rock I stand.

Effective immediately, Kentucky Housing Corporation is making available $2,000,000 statewide for low-income, single-parent families who wish to purchase a home. The three-year loans will carry an interest rate of one to seven percent, depending on the ability to pay and will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis through participating lenders.

Kentucky Housing Corporation's Director of Homeownership Programs, Cheryl Harp, suggests that interested single-parent families should call their local lender for more information about qualifying.

"We are pleased to offer this special opportunity to qualifying single-parent families who think homeownership is out of the question," stated Harp.

For more information about this program or the name of a local participating lender, call Kentucky Housing Corporation's Homeownership Department at (502) 564-7630, followed by 4 from a touch tone phone, or dial (800) 633-8896 or (800) 247-2510 (for hearing impaired only).

Seniors attend performance at Renfro Valley

The following Senior Citizens attended the performance of Renfro Valley recently: Betty Caywood, Shirley Vice, Bettie Payne, Lillian Pyrman, Marie Robinson, Herbert Smoot, Naomi Linville, Elizabeth Caywood, Noble McIlvain, Ruth See, Calvin Morris, Martha Florence and Ruth Ross.

Earlywines visit Florida, bring back memories

Jake and Pauline Earlywine have recently returned from a visit with their daughter, Linda Bidarian, and family in Tampa Bay, Florida. Their other two daughters, Lisa Earlywine and Candy Proctor, also visited. While there, Jake went fishing in the Gulf of Mexico out of Hudson Port aboard The Foxy Lady. He scored what is known as a grand slam in the gulf by catching shark, cobia and groupers. The sharks are called nurse sharks and weighed approximately 70 pounds each.

Jake Earlywine holds up a shark he caught on a recent trip to Florida. Earlywine caught the shark in the Gulf of Mexico, along with Cobia and groupers, to score what is known as a "grand slam".

Search in progress for Mother of the Year nationwide

The search is now underway for the 1995 Kentucky Mother of The Year. This honor is provided through the Kentucky Chapter of American Mothers, Inc., the national organization that first sponsored Mother's Day and promoted it through the U.S. Congress.

Nominations are encouraged from religious organizations of all faiths, from men and women's clubs or organizations and all service groups. An individual cannot sponsor a nominee. Nominations must originate with a group.

Qualifications for the Kentucky Mother must meet American Mother, Inc. guidelines. The woman, age 45 years or older, should have been legally married and the mother of one or more children, adopted children quality. She must be an active member of a religious body and have actively participated in community, state or national activities which along with her role as a successful mother and homemaker have placed her in high regard in her community.

The Kentucky Mother must be willing to join American Mothers, Inc. and be prepared to represent Kentucky in the Mother of American contest in the spring of 1995.

The Kentucky convention and award luncheon will be held in Bowling Green, Kentucky, on November 12 with further details forthcoming. Nomination blanks and materials must be obtained by September 30, 1994 and returned by October 21, 1994.

Nomination forms and guidelines may be obtained from and should be returned to: Carolyn Self, 735 North Drive, Hopkinsville, KY, 42240. For additional information, call (502) 886-7178 (daytime) or (502) 886-8703 (evenings).

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