



Points East

By:
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Here's the way I had it figured six months ago when it occurred to me that a generator would be a nice thing to have my electric service is more predictable than the weather. In short, if it snows very much I'm not going to have very much. Depending on how you look at it, I'm either the first or last house on the good old Inter-County RECC line in this neck of the woods. Suffice it to say that when the juice goes off, it stops when it gets to my house when they turn it back on; a situation I did not notice when I bought the place.

Anyway, the way I had it figured, generators would be in great supply after January 1, as opposed to being in great demand on New Year's Eve when most suppliers were cleaned out because of Y2K paranoia. I figure there should be a page and a half or two pages of generators for sale in the Lexington paper come Tuesday after the classified clerks get back to work from the holidays. And I figure the price will be right.

There's gotta be somebody out there who needs a hundred dollars in cash more than he needs a six hundred dollar generator now that it's safe to

assume that the world didn't collapse.

I know people who bought up like a two year supply of dried and canned food because they were convinced the world was coming to catastrophe if not to an absolute end at the stroke of midnight on December 31. I'm hereby offering one dollar per dozen cans of mixed vegetables, corn, beans, peas and the like and I will haul off one hundred pound sacks of pinto beans for free for folks who need their basements back.

In other news, I will be 51 years old if I live until Wednesday. So if you have a generator that you'd just like to make a present of, you can feel free to drop it by without bothering to wrap it.

I wonder what the news media will come up with next to scare the wits out of the general populace. We all know that they are not going to wait another thousand years to perpetuate the foolishness that went on over the Y2K scare. Big news companies no longer ask what journalism school a prospective reporter graduated. They want to know how many institutions a job candidate has been

committed to for clinical paranoia. And if the news I read in 1999 is any indication, there's a good pool of experience.

I wonder why there is no speculation about what happened to that Mars space craft that didn't call home a few weeks back. I figured by now, the better reporters would have latched onto the high jack theory that was captured and the Martians are going to ride it back to New York City. Hey, that's as viable as Y2K scare and don't be surprised if half the population of New York starts bathing in red food dye.

But back to this being 51 business. I don't know how it's supposed to feel to be 51 because I've never been that way before, but I do have aches in my lower back and my right knee that weren't there a few months back. I have to use reading glasses to tell what time it is on anything smaller than one of those big flashing things the banks have out front. I use a magnifying glass to read a thermometer. "What" and "Wh" are by far the most frequently used words in my vocabulary because I can't hear it thunder unless lightning strikes something within a hundred yards. People keep telling me they lunked at me and I didn't wave or blink back and I keep telling them they have to hit me with something if they want to get my attention.

Too bad the citizenry didn't get alarmed about losing its hearing over Y2K. Maybe I could have found a good deal on a hearing aid.

One thing I have discovered though, is that old stuff often works better than modern technology. I've tried every pain pill they sell across the counter at drug stores and supermarkets and perhaps a dozen prescribed pills. But nothing absolutely nothing I've tried relieves my aches and pains as well or as quickly as good old STANBACK which has been around a lot longer than I have.

None of the big chain grocers and pharmacies carry it. You generally have to go way out in the country to find someone who even knows what it is. I had a woman at a service station tell me the other night that I was pulling her leg. She'd never heard of it and it was that good she would have it.

Thank God for my good friend, Jim Bowman, who runs Oh Kentucky Campground and related enterprises on Highway 21 just outside Berca. Anytime I know I'm gonna be out of town for a few days I stop at Jim's and get a hand full of STANBACK powders and now I just have him order me a whole box full like he puts out on the display rack. I save a couple of bucks that way and I'm assured I will have a ready supply.

If you can't find STANBACK where you live, Jim has it and if he's sold out, tell him that I said it was okay to break on the case he has stashed under the counter for me.

In the meantime, let me know what you're doing to get ready for the Martians and you, too, can be in the news.

- 8) Thou shalt perform the duties of the office you were elected to the best of your ability.
- 9) Thou shalt not use your office for personal benefit other than is intended for that office.
- 10) When is the next election?

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Our Readers Write

Dear Editor,

Do you know what our Magistrates and Judge are doing? They are in the process of making a decision on opening a road off of Toddy Payne Road. They call it Halcumb East and its extension to Mullins Station. Why?? No one lives on this road, school buses don't travel it. It's an old abandoned road. It would take the county hundreds of dollars to just fix it, not counting the keep up. Why waste money just because of a few people who want to do things illegal. If the road is fixed it will just make it easier for them to dump garbage and ride their four-wheelers. If it's a county road then it's illegal to ride four-wheelers on it, if it's a county road then they are illegally trespassing on private property. They don't want the land owners to close the road, but they have failed to do anything about the road in Mullins Station, that the land owners have closed.

It is called Red Hill Holler Road. The county has made effort to open it. But they are making a big deal out of this one. Maybe because they don't want to see any outsiders try to help Rockcastle grow.

Why should they waste money and time one roads that have no concern. When our roads are being traveled everyday. People going to work, school buses pick up our children. We can't do this on four-wheelers. Our main concern should be these roads that have been abandoned. I know that there are plenty of roads that are being ignored. Red Hill has a few, Chesnut Ridge (Floyd Renner Rd.) and Mullins Station. There is a lot more too. I can't name them all. That's why I feel everyone should know about this. Cause there is no need to waste money. When it's in bad need of some where else.

A concerned citizen,

Tammy Wynn

Mt. Vernon, KY

P.S. If this all concerns the Fifth District, then who's taking care of the other districts or will they be ignored too.

Dear Editor,

Bring the 10 Commandments to the Rockcastle County Justice system:

- 1) Thou shalt treat everyone fairly and impartial.
- 2) Thou shalt be part of the solution, not part of the problem.
- 3) Thou shalt be innocent until proven guilty. (beyond reasonable doubt)
- 4) Thou shalt, at least, investigate complaints to determine justification and legality of a warrant.
- 5) Thou shalt treat everyone as thou would want to be treated.
- 6) Thou shalt be a County Government created by the people, for all the people.
- 7) Thou shalt help the county become a productive and respected place to live rather than a statistic for drug trafficking/crime.

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of Ronald Adams and Garnetta Adams
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