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The Whistleblower

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This Week's Really Big Story

Patriot missile to protect Cincinnati

Smelling Persian Pork and defense contractor PAC bucks, Landslide Charlie Luken was greasing the tracks for the Fountain Square West design submitted by architect Helmut Jahn to be built as a Patriot Missile launcher to defend the General Electric Plant from incoming Scuds.

When asked about the likelihood of an Iraqi attack on the Queen City, Landslide Charlie replied, "But are you willing to take the chance?"

Raytheon Corporation, producer of the anti-missile missile, who are insisting that the building be named the Patriot



Tower, will assume a majority equity position in the project. The firm expects rising company stock prices to cover anticipated cost overruns.

Councilman John Mirilsena, who had opposed the design as an office tower, has jumped on the bandwagon, declaring his newfound love for the launcher concept. "I'm all for anything that will support our troops and get me 15 seconds worth of videotape in the bargain," Mirilsena said.

When Nell Surber was asked to comment on the size of the launcher, the former city development director said, "It's enormous. It's the biggest one I've ever seen."

Top Ten List

This week, after only 13 days, it's the top ten reasons most Americans have gotten tired of the war.



10. Soap operas interrupted by press briefings from the Pentagon
9. Too many goofy protesters on Oprah and Donahue
8. Delays getting checked in at airports
7. Confused by all those Saddam lookalikes
6. "Support the Troops" stickers keep falling off
5. Have run out of exotic animals to name our new weapons
4. First three Time-Life books on "War in the Gulf" have already arrived
3. Not enough war news on local radio stations
2. Distracts attention from Reds and Bengals contract negotiations
1. And the number one reason why, after only 13 days, most Americans have gotten tired over the war is...everybody wants to get back to worrying about the homeless.

"Borgman cartoon is treason," Pentagon says

WASHINGTON: Officials at the Department of Defense are outraged at the publication of the exact likeness of the Air Force's new A-69 "Wildebeest" attack aircraft located on a secret base in Saudi Arabia.

"It was our most secret weapon," explained a high defense department source.



"It would have ended the war in two days. Now, because its design was published by the Enquirer the hostilities will last much longer."

Enquirer political cartoonist Jim Borgman denied any treasonous intent. "I had no idea," Borgman explained. "I just sort of drew it."

"Not a draftdodger," Cunningham claims

Controversy continues after reports surfaced last week about WLW Radio personality Bill Cunningham's previous military history.



The bellicose Cunningham, 43, whose super-patriotic war cries are heard nightly on his radio program, continues to tell listeners how much he wishes he could be in the first wave of an assault on the heavily fortified Iraqi defensive positions, but that the only reason he has never served in the armed forces was that he was "4-F."

Documents obtained from the Department of Defense indicate that Cunningham was enrolled in ROTC while a student at Xavier, but that he had given his address as "somewhere in Saskatchewan."

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**Real Editorials
By the Publisher
Charles Foster Kane**

War is hell

Especially for publishers, trying to decide how big to make headlines. We've always understood that the bigger the headline, the bigger the story, but this situation is getting out of hand. We certainly hope the hostilities end soon. The war is screwing up our format.

Supporting the troops

And it seems that we're not the only ones suffering from a severe loss of productivity these days. Take Cincinnati City Council. Please. Right before war broke out, Jim Cissell and Nick Vehr introduced a resolution specifically supporting President Bush's strategy. Mayor David Mann suggested that council adopt a separate resolution expressing its support for the troops and offer "heartfelt thoughts and prayers for their families and loved ones." 18,000 sorties later, Council signed a letter to be sent to members of the U.S. Armed Forces serving in Operation Desert Storm, promising them a "hero's welcome" and two tickets to a Reds game when they return. Nick Vehr offered a resolution decrying the violence against Arabs living in Cincinnati. Tyrone Yates offered a resolution denouncing the missile attacks on Israel. Then Jim Cissell suggested a motion that all city-owned cars be equipped with stickers commemorating the POWs—not only in the Persian Gulf, but also in Vietnam. Isn't that special.

Viewers' Choice

Last week in New York, AIDS protesters broke into the studios where The "CBS Evening News" and "McNeil Lehrer Report" were being broadcast to complain about how much time the networks were spending on the Crisis in the Gulf. Local TV stations were not concerned, however, since everybody's watching Wolf Blitzer. They call it the "CNN Complex"—the nation's sudden addiction to watching the news.

Definition of War

Israeli Deputy Foreign Minister Benjamin Netanyahu may have said it best when asked if he thought his country was at war. "War is like pornography," Netanyahu said. "We know it when we see it."

Reparations

A lot of people are asking how the U.S. is going to pay for the war. Some are even suggesting a tax increase. Why not wait till after they surrender and take their oil?



**Real Facts
"More of the News
They Seem to Lose"**

The more things change, the more they stay the same



As reported in the first issue of *The Whistleblower*, Sharonville Mayor John Dowlin was tapped by the Hamilton County Republican Party to take the hot seat on the county commission vacated by newly elected Secretary of State Bob Taft. While this was treated as news by the local news media, *The Whistleblower* had reported it would happen as far back as May 29. Wonder when the news folks will catch on to the neat way Dowlin will maintain his control over Sharonville from the county commission.

Here's the deal: Vice-Mayor Paul Kattelman has crossed over to glory, assuming the Mayor's post which Dowlin had locked up for the past 27 years. But Kattelman is a county employee, working for the commissioners in the labor relations area. So Sharonville's new Mayor is beholden to Sharonville's former Mayor for his daily bread. You can bet Dowlin will still be pulling the strings in Sharonville from the County Commissioners office. Dowlin also maintains the time honored tradition of nepotism at the courthouse. His son, John S. Dowlin, Jr., is listed as an administrative assistant in the public defender's office. But maybe that's not such a bad idea. At least they could carpool.

Archie Bunker mentality

Cincinnati City Council is busy drafting a resolution to re-allocate infrastructure tax funds to a plan for storing canned goods in the abandoned subway tunnels in case of enemy attack. Earlier proposals to use the tubes as homeless shelters were immediately rejected by Jim



Cissell, who introduced the resolution. "If we don't at least make a gesture, somehow related to the war, we'll never get back on the evening news," Cissell said. Debate on the idea has broken down to partisan bickering, aggravated by Dwight Tillery's demand that minority residents get special "set aside" provisions when Council allocates Survival Stamps.

Semper Si

Hamilton County Sheriff Si Leis has armed the county helicopter with Cruise missiles in order to achieve peak readiness status, in the event additional air support is needed over Iraq. "Hell man, there's a war going on," Leis shouted when asked to justify the expense. "And as a Marine, I

believed you always have to be prepared for the worst. Besides, we don't know for certain these peace creeps may want to push the envelope. You saw what they did for Mapplethorpe."



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Cheap Shots

Weight watcher

Many people think that Rev. Morris McCracken is some kind of a nut just because every time he gets arrested and sent to jail, he always goes on a hunger strike.



Some people believe his facts for peace are to call attention to some great point he is trying to make.

On the other hand, maybe he just doesn't like the food.

Poore effort

Floyd Poore's 30-minute campaign commercial, titled "Hear Kentucky Calling" began airing on TV stations across the Bluegrass State last week. This \$95,000 hanky honker is a portrayal of Dr. Poore's humble roots as a poor farm boy in Grant County.



We thought the log cabin and rail splitter bit was a bit overdone, but the weak story line was compensated by mag-

nificent lighting and the production magic of Steven Spielberg.

Patriotic profits

Almost everybody and his brother has already found a way to make a buck by exploiting the war.

The only question is, how long is it going to take Northern Kentucky restaurateur Jeff Ruby to change the name of The Waterfront to Amphibious Landings?



Blue chip salary

While Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce members continue to wonder if the amount of President John Williams' salary has anything to do with their dues increases, perhaps an item in the *Dayton Daily News* could shed some light.

Williams, according to his 1987 1099-Form, was then the highest-paid chamber executive in Ohio with a salary of \$145,200.

According to our calculations, that's \$36 per member.

For a single membership, that's more than 10 per cent.

Williams' pay was even more than his counterpart's in Cleveland, whose organization's membership was shown as more than twice that of Cincinnati's.



Another Real Guest Editorial by Bunky Tadwell

Another reason war is hell is that it brings out the navel gazers in force. How these weepers and wailers get through the trauma of a hang-nail, no one knows. The television folks delight in getting close-ups of their sear-stained faces, clutching a sign their two-year-old made on recycled paper while in a state of rapture following the child's decision to protest something or other. You know the kind.



Now somebody has decided to shift the gaze a foot or so below the bellybutton and examine the 60's. God save us from another trip to the 60's.

In order to justify the 60's, the navel noodlers have to trash the 50's. Now as I recall, a couple of years into the 50's we stopped a going-nowhere war, achieved a measure of stability economically, kept reasonable order in the world, managed to get a few bucks ahead, people over 40 could still get a job, the Corvette and small Thunderbird were introduced, along with the 57 Chevy. Not bad.

They—whoever "they" are say it was a time of repression. Thought control. McCarthyism. Our culture was destroyed. People lived in fear.

Which planet were "they" on?

Somehow, none of that rings a bell with me. Nor with others who were hanging out at the time. What Joe McCarthy did while babbling on in the Senate eventually brought his downfall and disgrace. What the Senate and House did recently to Judge Bork

puts "Tail-Gunner Joe" in the shade. And all those nasties are still in office.

I did the whole 50's bit...service, college, parties, growing up, living it up, yelling and screaming at real or imagined injustices, sneering at institutions, taking secret pleasure in knowing that I was right and everyone else was wrong—you know the bit.

I did not live in terror. I was not repressed. I did think the culture was going to hell because of rock and roll, but I was over on the jazz side of things anyway so there was not much I could do about it.

So where's the beef with the 50's? I'll tell you. "They" need to blame it on someone. The 60's saw the coming of age of profit making in the children's market. Not just monetary profits, but philosophical profits. At last, children, and those who wished to act like them regardless of age, were given the go ahead. Throw off the morals. The taboos. Let it all hang out. And what fun. Who wouldn't rather get naked and ball their brains out than get up and go to work? It's got my vote.

Everything—from music to so-called educators—keyed in on tearing down existing customs and laws for the benefit of—what? Freedom? A new world order? Peace and love? Nope. Greed. Money. Put the inmates in charge of the grin bin and there's money to be made. Oh, some of the would-be intellectuals were content to have the dope-warped dandies worship at their sandals. But for the most part, it was a time of cynical money-making, thinly disguised as a cultural revolution. And what a price we all paid.

The views and opinions in this column

The nuts want to do it again. We learn nothing. It could happen again.

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Real Letters from Real Readers

Sirs:
These American translators really piss me off. What I said was "Iraq wants a level playing field," not a "leveled plane field."

Tariq Aziz

Sirs:
I bet you're surprised that I was the Senator responsible for saving the funding of the Patriot missile.

Dan Quayle

Sirs:
In your hearts you know I'm still right.

Barry Goldwater

Sirs:
Nancy and I just heard about this trouble in Iran or Iraq, or one of those dirty little places over there. Boy, I sure hope they're not using this bogus missiles Ollie North sold them.

Ronald Reagan

Sirs:
We just found out that Poland sent 100,000 troops to the Gulf, but Mexico doesn't know what to do with them.

Channel 9's "I-Team"

Sirs:
It is with a heavy heart that I must report to my fellow American's that I'm deader than Kelsey's Nuts!

LB-J

Sirs:
The Whistleblower is the journalistic equivalent of the Scud missile.

Craig Kopp/WEBN

Sirs:
It's amazing what a man will report when someone has attached electrodes to his genitals.

Peter Arnett/CNN

Sirs:
Jane Fonda had nothing to do with CNN getting a leg up in Baghdad. I gave Saddam free HBO and the Playboy Channel for life in the bunker as part of the deal.

Ted Turner

Sirs:
Did I say earthquake? Well, I meant to say that we have a 50% chance of getting into a war.

Iben "It's not my fault" Browning

Sirs:
Please forward the remaining issues of my subscription to Yassir Arafat. Since CNN reporters read *The Whistleblower* over the air between air raids, I really don't need the extra paper cluttering up the bunker.

Saddam Hussein

Sirs:
Would your publication be interested in hiring an experienced military expert as a stringer to cover the ground forces in Iraq? My contacts in the Middle East are still pretty fresh.

Oliver North/ USMC (Ret.)

Sirs:
The reason the war is going so slowly in Kuwait is that we were using a map of Hilton Head.

Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf



Another Exclusive Whistleblower Report

Blackwell to inaugurate Whistleblower Wire Service

J. Kenneth Blackwell, picked by The White House to represent the United States on the United Nations Commission of Human Rights, will be reporting from Geneva this week via the newly created *Whistleblower Wire Service*, by which important communique on issues vital to the national interest will be relayed to local news media outlets.

The former Cincinnati Mayor will be attending meetings having as their focus the alleged human rights atrocities committed by Iraq in occupied Kuwait.

Local news media outlets are advised to make arrangements with *The Whistleblower* to receive their dispatches.



Landslide Charlie Goes to Washington by Congressman Charlie Luken

Operation Desert Storm a Fake

Senator Joe Biden of Delaware will introduce a bill in Congress to call off the War on the Gulf, because he claims the whole thing is a plagiarized version of Barry Goldwater's plan for "limited tactical weapons engagement."

"Because we are in a combat situation, I can't reveal all the details of how we got this information," Biden told reporters at the

Capitol. "But the gist of it involves a horny Marine guard at the Pentagon and Tortia Tolley as the bait." Biden attached a rider to the bill, which will attempt to have the 1988 Presidential Election invalidated.

"Bush lied to us about taxes, he's lying to us about the war, what are we waiting for?" asked the Senator.

Editors of *The Whistleblower* do hereby call for entries for a poster competition based on the theme:

War Sucks !

RULES OF THE CONTEST are as follows: All amateur and professional painters, designers, illustrators, photographers, cartoonists, and other graphic artists are eligible.

Choice of subject matter is at the discretion of individual artists (though posters must bear some relationship to the theme of the contest)

Ten winners will be selected.

All winning posters will be reproduced and sold through retail outlets. Winning artists will receive a generous royalty on sales.

All winning posters will be featured in an issue of *The Whistleblower*. Fifty of the best posters will be displayed in a gallery.

Deadline: Posters must be received in *The Whistleblower* offices prior to 5 p.m., Monday, Feb. 11, 1991.



Bluegrass Holler by Ken Camboo

Governor Wilkinson spoke to the Covington Business Council last week as candidate wife Martha passed among the crowd seeking campaign contributions. Reported take on the venture was \$9.40 and two TANK bus tokens.

Gov. Wally used the forum to defend his decision to cancel state funding for dormitories at NKU. The chairman of NKU Regents, Dr. Herb Booth, has claimed that the college was coerced to contract with a heavy Wilkinson contributor. Booth is also chairman of Dr. Floyd Poore's campaign.

Due to the War in the Gulf and unforeseen financial troubles with Cincinnati lenders, Corporate President Bill Butler is rethinking his plans to open the Metropolitan Club on the 19th floor of RiverCenter.

He now says the elite luncheon club will open as a bunker on the lower level of the RiverCenter garage.

Although the list of members is a closely guarded secret, an informant for *The Whistleblower* has learned that a diploma from Leadership Kentucky and/or membership as a Kentucky Colonel does not automatically assure one's safe passage.

Other sources are confirming that local banks have already submitted lists of directors and large shareholders for priority VIP consideration. Working name for the new club is the Subterranean Covington Urban Development Society, or SCUDS.

Slop slingers at the Parish Kitchen have noticed a severe reduction in the amount of free food being donated by area companies since the outbreak of war. "It looks like all the stale cookies and outdated Lean Cuisines are being sent in care packages to Desert Storm troops," remarked Sister Mary Adele, who said she supports the war effort, but is concerned about the economic effects on social services.

Covington City Commissioner Irvin "Butch" Callery has sent a letter to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney requesting that surplus gas masks be issued to residents of Latonia, who are still complaining about gaseous emissions from the neighboring BP Chemical plastics plant.

"They're good Americans supporting our troops, and I think they deserve some fresh air," Callery said.



I Bombed In Baghdad by Phil Samp

"Good evening, combat fans...this is Phil Samp, along with Peter Arnette and the rest of the CNN sportscasting team, with tonight's play-by-play overlooking all the action from high atop the Al-Norma Rashid Hotel."

"Thanks, Phil. Tonight we're watching the bombing from Baghdad."

"The attack's just getting under way, and what a fine opening salvo it is. Right, Peter?"

"Right, Phil. Stormin' Norman Schwarzkopf's U.S. team possesses a fine aerial attack."

"You bet, Peter. The Americans can go long, they can go short. They can pick you apart over the middle, and the Iraqis always have to be ready for the bomb."

"There'll be no runback on that one, Phil."

"That was a cluster bomb out there in the flat, wasn't it, Peter?"

"No Phil, actually that was a Tomahawk missile and the entire area is flat."

"There are a lot of fine arms on

the U.S. team. And that blast over there was the biological weapons plant, wasn't it Peter?"

"Actually, Phil, it was a baby milk factory."

"Right, Peter. The Iraqis will be picking themselves up for a week after that hit. Tell me, why haven't we seen much of the fabled Iraqi ground attack?"

"Weren't you listening to Saddam's half-time pep talk in the bunker? The Iraqis are saving themselves for the fourth quarter."

"The Iraqis are getting pestered pretty badly, Peter. Why don't they call for a time out?"

"They're all out of time out, Phil. The clock is running."

"That's right, Peter. I must have been thinking about last week's tank skirmish."

"Phil, let me ask you something. How long have you actually been a war correspondent?"

"Ever since I told Paul Brown what was wrong with the attack offense."

Sexual Preferences by Connie Lingus



Dr. Ruth Westheimer was overheard advising couples who have curtailed sexual activity since the war began that "it is important to remember your partner should not be neglected during these trying times."

Dr. Ruth suggests that a man can rekindle the flame, hunkering down during a pause for peace by convincing his wife that she is his "bunker of love" and he just wants to hide his heat-seeking missile of lust in a safe place until after the Scud alert has passed.

"2000 sorties a day is a little overly optimistic," she added.

Traffic Tie-Ups by John Phillips Sousa

Greetings from the test range of the world...Baghdad, Iraq, I was planning to bring you the latest traffic from Tampa and the Super Bowl, but ever since they restricted airspace over the game, I came over here to give you traffic from the "Super-Unleaded Bowl" 1991.

Airspace here is not restricted, although it is a little crowded.

Good news for those worried about downtown parking. Allied urban renewal efforts have cleared out an area for several miles. Just watch for the gaping craters and the possibility of an unexploded demolition device.

There's been no traffic problem for drivers coming to Baghdad. However, outbound traffic is a mess with the camels currently hump to hump from here to Jordan.

Also, maneuvering around should be easier since most obstacles have been vaporized.





Boobs on the Tube

by John Quichwarmer

WLW bites the big one

WLW Radio Program Director Vance Dillard was cashiered last week. While the station's ratings stayed on top during his tenure, employee morale had plummeted.

Dillard's days were numbered when County Auditor-elect Dusty Rhodes defected to WGRB two weeks back. Given Rhodes' community involvement and near-legendary status among area broadcasters, losing him was the "bonehead move of the year."

Insiders say Dillard did nothing to try to keep Rhodes aboard. That sealed his fate with the home office.

Dillard's replacement, Bill Wills' first move was to put disc jockey-turned-weatherman Pat Barry back behind the mike to impart his vast knowledge of foreign affairs and military experience with equally well-informed sports-talk callers who had found a bigger game to talk about.

Then Wills added Jerry Springer and Norma Rashid to provide Arab-Jewish perspective.

Wills then added re-broadcasts of Jerry Springer's editorials (from the night before) to provide a real depth of insight. Springer's editorials are also published in the highly acclaimed *Eastside Weekend*, which touts Springer as a resident of Loveland.

Sources at NewsChannel 5, however, acknowledge rumors that Springer is currently cavorting in a Lytle One lovenest with a nubile young female fan. "She may only look 12," said our NewsChannel 5 *Whistleblower*. "But she's got the body of a 9 year old."



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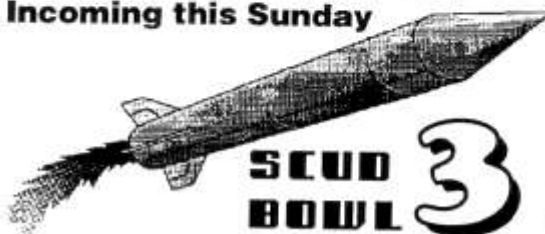
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