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Police News



Richard S. Anderson, 43, of Hoopeston, was arrested at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the 500 block of West Lincoln. Wanted on an Iroquois County warrant, he was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Ronald L. Howe, 54, of Hoopeston, was ticketed for failure to yield and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident at 7:15 p.m. Thursday.

Police said Howe, in a 1999 Ford Crown Victoria, was eastbound on West Lincoln when he hit a 1993 Chrysler

New Yorker driven by Alberta M. Crozier, also of Hoopeston. Crozier's vehicle, which was on Second Ave., spun and stopped facing southbound.

A **23-year-old** man reported Saturday that tires were cut on several vehicles which were parked in the 700 block of West Main.

A **65-year-old** woman reported Sunday that someone took an oxygen canister from her vehicle while it was parked in the 500 block of West Penn.

Township officials concerned about Iroquois County plan

A proposal that would put a low level radioactive waste disposal site in southern Iroquois County has caught the attention of Grant Township officials.

Officials of the Iroquois Development Association have suggested a disposal site be located in Lovejoy Township.

Jim Hurt, Iroquois County Board member, met with residents of the area, including Lovejoy, Fountain and Prairie Green townships, on August 7. A second meeting was scheduled to be held August 10 at the Lovejoy Township building in Wellington.

At Tuesday's Grant Township meeting, officials expressed concern about the project. Road Commissioner Gary Weinard, also a District I County Board member, said he intended to discuss the issue with County Board Chairman Jim McMahon after Tuesday's county board meeting.

Weinard's concern comes from the planned location of the disposal site. "I'll be over the Mahomet Aquifer or it will be close," he said.

According to published reports, Iroquois County was in the running for a site in 1985, when the federal government mandated low level nuclear waste be destroyed and put in waste sites.

One of four final sites, the one chosen was located in South Carolina. That site is now near full capacity.

Weinard said Vermilion County would be attractive to developers of such sites because of the lack of county-wide zoning. "Vermilion County is a very ripe county for things like this to come," he said, adding Vermilion is one of only six or eight counties in the state that do not have countywide zoning.

Getting countywide zoning in place, which would help
See TOWNSHIP on other side

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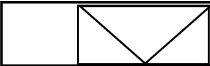
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Letters to the Editor



Six month review of Obama administration

Home loan companies have been bailed out, banks have been bailed out, you and I are in the car business now, a \$700 billion stimulus package was passed, businesses have had to downsize, cut back hours, go bankrupt or just plain close the doors. Unemployment has reached scary levels. Unemployed workers have or will have their homes foreclosed on. We don't know where all the money for projects is going to come from, do we?

Our Vice President informs us that the economy is much worse than the administration thought it was. Most of the stimulus money sits in Washington in that bureaucratic cesspool. Money that has been turned loose hasn't created any jobs, has it? What will be the excuse after the second stimulus bill goes through?

Our President is not camera shy, that's for sure. Do you cringe each time you see him on TV, and check your pockets to make sure there isn't a federal hand in it? Have you ever seen so many promises from an administration that ultimately are going to make your taxes skyrocket, in order to pay for them? I predict we have seen nothing yet from this President and Congress now that they have the voting majority.

We have lost a lot of our manufacturing jobs to other countries. Now, many jobs have been eliminated because of the recession. It is unlikely that most of these jobs will ever be seen again. And now our Congress is trying to make small business owners (about the only employment left for us) pay heavy taxes and treat them like big business. When is the government going to get off the backs of

these small businesses so we will have some kind of employment to go to? Where does this President and Congress think work is going to be found?

Before the election, in this column I mentioned Capitalism, Totalitarianism, Marxism, Marxist Theory, Socioeconomics, Socialism, and Communism, with an explanation for each. I also indicated that one of the candidates had stated that he wanted to share the wealth in this country and would be able to if he had a Congress that agreed with him. Don't look now, but you are seeing the beginning of such an unthinkable thing happening at this time.

I also said it was not this country that caused the Russians to give up Communism, it was the Russian people that forced this to happen. So, I say to you, it is up us, the citizens of this country to force our government, to abandon any idea of Socialism, and listen to us, the people that are at the grass roots. The people of Germany paid no attention to Hitler before WWII and look how that turned out.

When this country was founded, the main complaint was we did not want to pay any undue taxes. Today, we cannot name all the taxes that our government has placed on us. The only way they can pay for any new bills for programs they want is by taxing us more. Oh, there is wasted money that could be salvaged from state programs that are not necessary, and federal programs that need to be trimmed, but you won't see that happen. Anyone that has ever been involved with a budget knows how this works. Every department always asks for more than it needs, and there is never any budget more inflated than our government's. When they say our Congress has made a compromise on a bill, you can bet that those agreeing, got more money for their states.

Today, the administration and majority of congress are surprised with the outcries of citizens in these town hall meetings. Do these events in anyway remind us of our ancestors' outcries with the British when they waged unfair taxes on us and ultimately ended in war for our independence from Britain?

The problems with our country today is not Democracy, Capitalism, or the freedoms that our Constitution and Bill of Rights guarantees us, it is our government that has become out of control. This government was

formed to be a voice for us, the citizens of this country. A government of the people, by the people and for the people (Our government should pledge to this every day)! These people were selected by us to insure that the wishes of the majority of this countries citizens were maintained.

Our government has become a big black hole and a self perpetuating entity. We the people have only one way to have a say in who represents us in this government (the ballot box), and except for our voices, we have no way to let these people know how we feel about what they are ruling on. Any means to quiet these voices would be a complete reversal of why we fought the British for our independence.

Before another bill is passed that is going to cost a lot of money, our government should be required to explain to the American people just where this money is going, and how it is going to be paid for. Otherwise, if it is rushed through Congress, it will confirm that the President and Democratic Congress' intentions are to turn our government into a Socialist state.

I also wrote that every American should have decent health care. This is such an important issue, do you want them to pass just any ol' health bill that is going to cost

Township continued from other side

in such situations, might be difficult. Residents of the southern part of Vermilion County "don't want anything to do with zoning," he said. "They look at it as an infringement of property rights."

In unrelated business, Weinard said residents should not see a rate increase in the county portion of their taxes for this year.

Also, Assessor Susie Sheppard said her office has been busy lowering assessments on man properties.

Weather



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trillions of dollars, without having a good debate, and many suggestions from the experts in the field of medicine? It looks like there is going to be another stimulus package. Let's hope that both these issues are not ramrodded through Congress. Just what is the hurry, unless debating it does not follow Socialistic thinking.

How many of you, feel that the President, has too many irons in the fire at one time? No matter how smart he is, no one can juggle these many important issues, especially when proper time is not spent on them, before trying to rush them through Congress. At the rate he is going, he is going to have to rob Peter to pay Paul. It is for sure, unemployed taxpayers are not going to be able to help him.

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