

## Permits needed to build dams

Officials of the state Division of Water Resources would like to remind landowners that they must receive a state construction permit before they can build a dam.

According to Dave Rosenbaum, director of the division, many Kentuckyans are unaware that according to state law they must receive a permit from the state Department for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection before construction can begin.

"On several occasions landowners have constructed dams without even contacting our division to find out what the state requirements are for building them," said Rosenbaum. "They must realize that our job is not to stop people from building dams, but to protect them from potential disaster which could result from constructing a faulty dam," he added.

Rosenbaum said the permit requirement is not only a safety prescription but that it could spare people from great financial loss as well.

"A person who loses a dam not only endangers lives downstream, but he ruins valuable property and wastes his entire investment in building the dam," he said.

According to state law, any person who constructs a dam without a permit, faces a fine of up to \$1,000 a day each day the dam exists without a permit.

For further information concerning dam regulations contact: Dave Rosenbaum, Division of Water Resources, Wilkerson Boulevard, Frankfort, KY 40601, (502) 564-3900.

Jack Randolph caught this eight pound bass at Lake Carnico last Thursday on artificial worms. Anybody done better? — Photo submitted.

## Straw's tree

Kramer a fan of the tree and its discoverer, also agrees that the name is fitting. And he is particularly proud that the Archaic Year saved from near death by the sharp eyes of Bill

Straw, now serves as a living memorial for past members of the Independence Christian Church, and a beautiful addition to the city.



## Damage

Inspector Ken Taylor examines an Owen County dam for signs of instability. Inspectors so far have revealed that most Kentucky dams have serious inadequacies. — State photo.



## 3 to graduate

Among the more than 60 graduates from Mayville Community College who will receive degrees this Friday, May 11, are three Nicholas Countians: Michael J. Anderson, Stephen C. Curtsinger and Joni Elder Gross will receive degrees from the two-year school.

Graduation ceremonies will be held Friday at 8 p.m. at the Mayville Opera Theatre.



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## UK students eligible for grants

Students planning to attend the University of Kentucky next fall might be eligible for loans, grants or scholarships as well as more financial aid under the Middle Income Student Assistance Act passed by Congress last October.

"The new law affects two major student aid programs," said James Ingle, director of the UK Office of Student Financial Aid. These are the Basic Opportunity Grant Program and the Guaranteed Student Loan Program.

The revised eligibility for families under the Basic Opportunity Grant Program makes it possible for a student in a family of four with up to \$25,000 in yearly income to receive a grant which does not have to be repaid.

The eligibility income limit is higher for a larger family or a family with more than one child in college, Ingle said.

In addition, many self-supporting students now qualify for larger allowances and 40 per cent more students in Kentucky can receive such allowances as there is more money available.

In the Guaranteed Student Loan Program, the Federal government formerly paid interest on loans to students whose incomes were under \$25,000. Under the new law, the government will pay the interest on the loans while the student is in school and for nine months after he leaves school and there is no financial limit on family income. The loans are obtained through banks.

Another student loan program is the National Direct Student Loan Fund, which is the largest part of UK's total loan program.

Other sources of financial assistance are non-repayable, one-year monetary awards based on need which are granted to Kentucky residents by the Kentucky Financial Aid Fund (KFAP).

Others who indicate the need for financial aid on their application will receive a financial aid application by mail. This year the KFAP is being mailed to the home address of each graduating high school senior in Kentucky.

The UK Office of Student Financial Aid considers each applicant individually, and grants, loans, scholarships, and part-time employment opportunities are awarded primarily on the basis of financial need.

For more information, contact the Office of Student Financial Aid, 563 Patterson Office Tower, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky. (40506), telephone (606) 258-8606.

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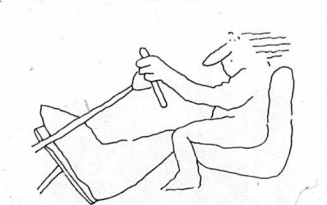
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## Bank employees sweep awards

The top three awards in a recent Dale Carnegie course sponsored by the First National Bank of Carlisle employees, Eva Gray (customer service), Sarah Jane Bell (human relations) and Dottie Marshall (overall participation) were award winners during the course, which dealt with customer relations and personnel development. Three other employees, Mary Platt, Phyllis Hamilton and Phyllis House, also attended the course.



## Complete course

These six employees of the First National Bank of Carlisle recently completed a Dale Carnegie course in customer relations and personnel management. They are, seated, Eva Gray; standing, from left, Phyllis Hamilton, Mary Platt, Sarah Jane Bell, Phyllis House and Dottie Marshall. First National employees won the three top awards at the conclusion of the course. — Mercury photo.

The six-week course was designed primarily for sales and receptionists. A total of 31 Kentucky Group Bank employees participated in the course, which was held at the Hospitality Inn in Lexington.

Some of the topics covered include remembering customer names, associating names with customer names and how to approach a customer with an explanation of bank services offered as well as determining which services a customer might be able to use.

Personnel for the course were selected on the basis of the frequency of their interaction with the bank's customers. Instructor for the course was Ed Holloway. The awards and prizes included Dale Carnegie books and office memoranda such as paperweights and refillable lead pencils.

## Solons study utility rates

A legislative committee met in Louisville recently to review several proposals for alternate rate structures for the state's utility companies.

Legislators said they expect to consider several utility rate proposals in the 1980 General Assembly and the Louisville meeting was part of an effort to become familiar with them. Membership of the committee said they want to find out what the public thinks about the proposals being considered.

Before it went out of existence, the state's Public Service Commission (PSC) ordered utility companies to submit proposals for "lifetime utility rates" by July 1. Lifetime rates would offer cheaper utility costs to residential consumers who use less than average amounts of gas and electricity.

The PSC has been replaced by the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) which will decide whether the lifetime rates will be implemented.

## Second in state

Jeff Smith placed second in individual competition in physics at a recent achievement test competition at Eastern Kentucky University. A total of 545 students from 76 high schools participated. — Mercury photo.

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