



Candidates on parade

Miss Melissa Dudley, who was crowned queen of the 1982 Blackberry Festival later in the evening, is shown here during the festival parade. On her left is Sherry Fryer, Miss Dudley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Dudley of Carlisle, was out over four other candidates

at the ceremony, held Thursday evening, July 1. Other photos of the festival and the queen ceremony are elsewhere in the Mercury. Veteran observers said the crowd at this year's festival was larger than last year. — Mercury photo.

For fourth month Kentucky unemployment declines

For the fourth consecutive month, Kentucky's unemployment rate declined during May. The state's May unemployment rate was 8.1 percent, down from the 8.3 percent April rate, according to statistics released by the Department for Human Resources.

The May rate marks the first time since December 1981 that the state has recorded an unemployment rate below 10 percent.

Nationwide, May's comparable unemployment rate was 8.1 percent. This is a seasonally adjusted figure meaning that seasonal employment factors have not been considered.

The state's unemployment rate for May of last year was 8.1 percent. Kentucky's civilian labor force this May was 1,672,360 persons, 23,700 more than April but 32,100 fewer than May 1981. The civilian labor force only

includes persons currently employed and unemployed persons actively looking for jobs.

A total of 129,000 Kentuckians were unemployed in May, down 6,400 from April, but 21,700 more than were unemployed in May 1981.

Kentucky's total employment for May was estimated at 1,453,900. This is 30,100 higher than the department's April estimate and 4,900 lower than the May 1981 estimate.

The increase in the state's employment was primarily due to workers being recalled in the transportation equipment manufacturing industry, according to the Human Resources labor analysis section. Significant employment gains also occurred among agricultural and nonagricultural self-employed and unpaid family workers, as well as workers in the textile, apparel and trade industries.

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Life saved at Lake Carnico

A 14-year-old boy's life was apparently saved Friday afternoon at Lake Carnico by mouth-to-mouth resuscitation performed by a girl whose name is still unknown, according to sheriff's reports.

The boy, identified as Joe Sams of Paris, was apparently swimming with two companions, ages 18 and 19, when the incident occurred.

An unidentified girl who was swimming nearby, performed the life-saving act and got him breathing again. Sheriff's office reports said the boy was taken to Nicholas County Hospital where water was removed from his lungs.

The incident occurred at about 3 p.m. on Friday.

Man collapses, dies at festival

A Bourbon County man collapsed and died of an apparent heart attack at about midnight Saturday night while attending the Blackberry Festival here.

He was Irvin Douglas Gilkerson, 53, of the Houston-Arthur Road in Bourbon County.

The Nicholas County Ambulance Service reports that efforts to revive the man continued during the time he was transported to the hospital and after he arrived there, but to no avail.

The man was reported to have been dancing just prior to the incident and then complained of pain in his chest.

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Although blue mold has now been reported from several counties farthest to the west in Kentucky, there have still been no reports of the disease from other Nicholas County or surrounding counties, according to the Kentucky Crop Reporting Service.

Officials are quick to point out, however, that hot, muggy weather such as we've had for the last few days, is conducive to the spread of blue mold.

Farmers should inspect their tobacco regularly and at the first sign of anything suspected of being blue mold, a report should be made to the county agent, Mike Phillips.

One of the signs of mold is dark, leathery spots on the leaves. If you see such spots, look on the underside of the leaf for mold. It will be blue or gray in color. Within 10 days, a dried spot will then appear on the leaf.

Asbury says in historical remarks...

'Racing, tobacco and whiskey forced compromise with sin'

Racing was a way of life from the start, engaged in by leading people of the people of Louisville. The mares there has never been a vote on it. With the race track, Kentucky became the management, Kentucky became the management, Kentucky became the management.

When I arrived in Cincinnati, age 18, I was entering a large country. At that time, Kentucky was a country where the mares were raised in the tobacco as far to good at this time and he'd be a new road to be around one foot or more in most fields.

hurry on the streets, the people were fat and less formally dressed than the people of Louisville. The mares were different. The women drank beer with the men. In German circles the humor was explicit and explicit, including those who were not out with it in the presence of women, instead of in Kentucky. The first streetcar, an open one, on which I rode was backed by two wagon drivers in an argument over a minor accident.

Sewer grant is not funded

The Carlisle East End project grant has not been funded, according to a letter received by Nicholas County Judge-Executive James Smart from the state Department of Economic Development.

The letter pointed out that only a limited amount of funds was available for the Black Grant program and expressed the hope that "the problem faced this year would be alleviated in the next funding cycle."

The letter to Smart was signed by W. Dale Smith, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development.

The Carlisle application, totaling \$200,000 was to have partially funded sewer lines and water lines on the east end of the city.

Documents furnished with the letter showed that the Carlisle application ended up with a ranking of 10th in the state, out of 177 applications submitted, but the funds ran out before getting to our project.

Ranked first was a \$200,000 project from Bath County. Following Bath County in second place was Columbia County, followed by Johnson County, Pemroke, Russellville, Morehead, Clay County, Harlan County, Stearns County and then Carlisle.

The Carlisle application ranked very high in the Review Score for the application, but ranked very low in the category of relative need for the community.

"It's too bad we didn't get it," Judge Smart told the Mercury. "But we'll try again next year."

Smart said, "We did get the one grant we really needed," referring to the gas line replacement grant from HUD.

Based on danger, that is the project we need to get ahead the worst," Judge Smart said he hoped city officials realized the dangers involved with inflation and that they would move as soon as possible to get bids out.

"When we did the Henryville project, so much time elapsed between approval and construction, and we suffered from the high inflation rate at that time."

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The 14 and 15 year old players from Nicholas County also drew Boyd County and their first game is set for 3:30 p.m. on Monday, July 12, also in Ashland.

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If Nicholas County wins Wednesday's game, they will advance to play Gretna County in a 3:30 p.m. game Friday, July 9. The winner of that game will play again on Sunday.

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