



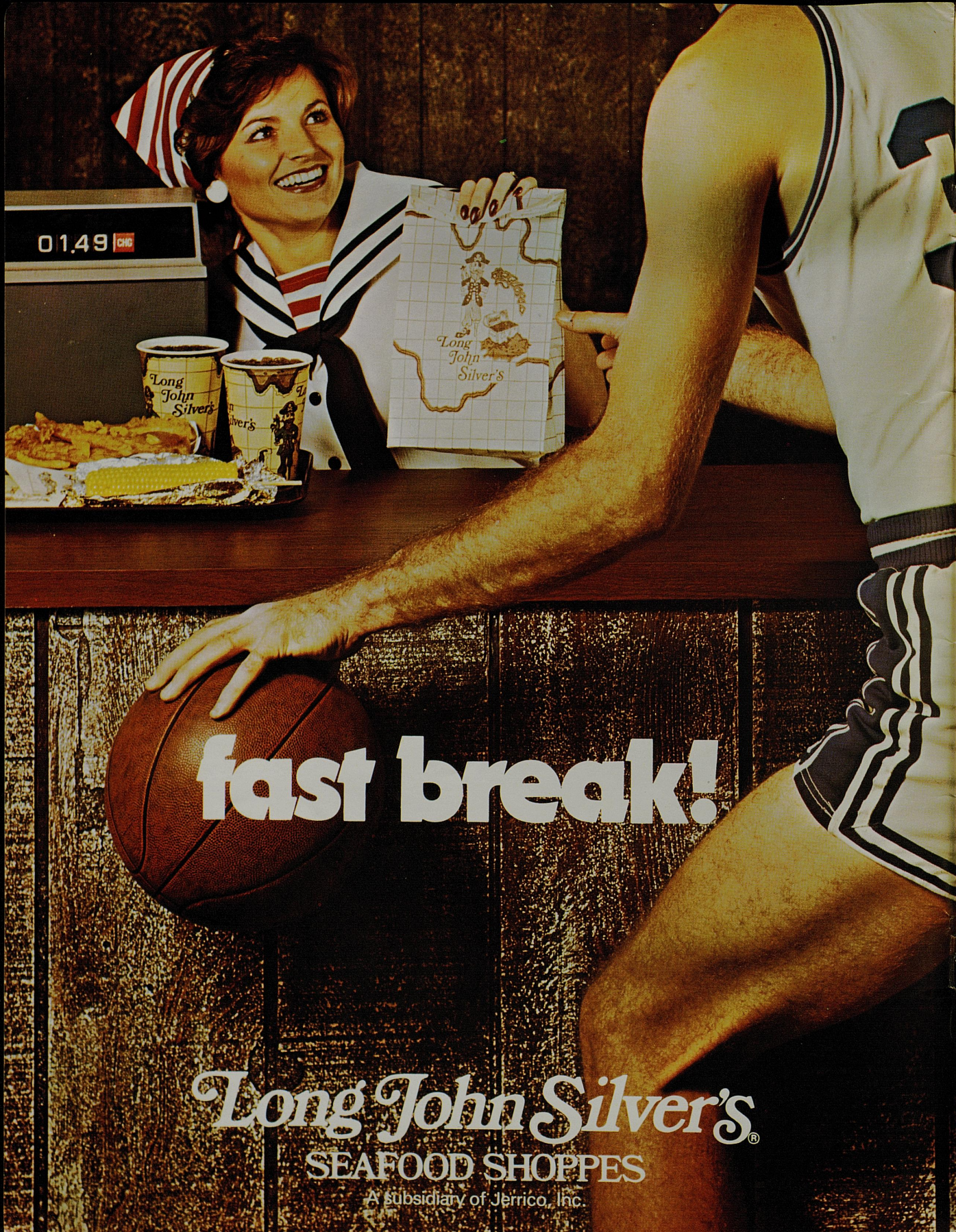
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New Features This Season

This season's **WILDCAT TIPOFF** will include several continuing features which have not been a part of our program in the past.

In each issue Wildcat fans will be able to read an account of the last meeting between Kentucky and their current opponent.

The TIPOFF offers a column, "This Week's SEC", which lists every team in the SEC and their opponents for the current week.

The third innovation in this season's program will be a column authored by "The Voice of the Wildcats", Cawood Ledford. In this issue's "Cawood Reflects", Ledford muses about the upcoming season.

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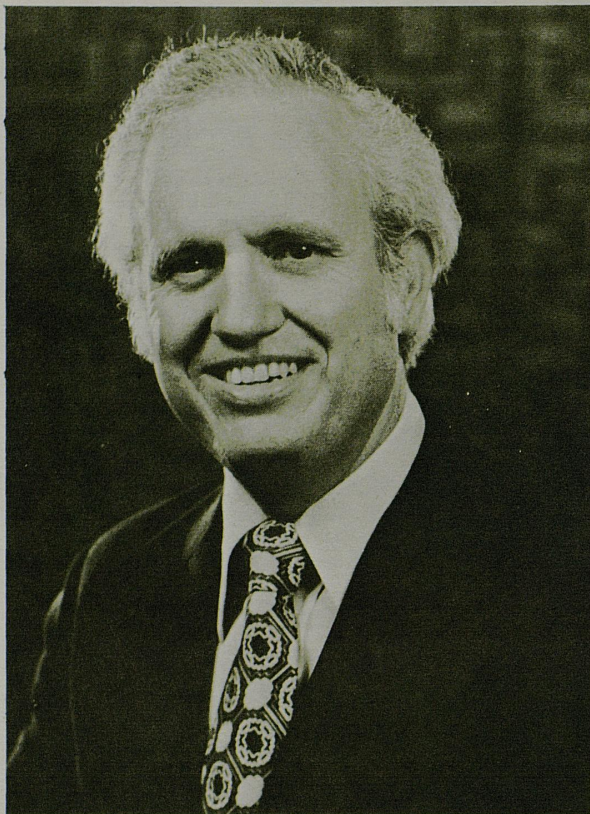
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JULIAN M. CARROLL

**Governor of the
Commonwealth of Kentucky**

JULIAN MORTON CARROLL became Kentucky's 58th governor on December 28, 1974, succeeding Wendell H. Ford, who was elected to the U. S. Senate. Carroll then won a full four-year term in the 1975 general election. Born in McCracken County in 1931, he attended Paducah Junior College after graduating from Heath High School. He was graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1954 and received his law degree from UK in 1956. Before becoming governor, Carroll served three years as lieutenant governor and ten years as a member of the Kentucky House of Representatives. He is an active member of the Optimist Club and a former Jaycee. He attained the highest office in Kentucky for laymen of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in 1966-67 when he was named moderator of the Kentucky Synod. The Governor and his wife, Charlann, have four children.

H. FOSTER PETTIT

**Mayor
Lexington-Fayette
Urban County Government**

H. FOSTER PETTIT served two years as mayor of the City of Lexington and was a leader in the consolidation of the city and county governments. He was elected mayor of the Urban County Government in November 1973.

President of the Kentucky Municipal League for 1976, Mayor Pettit is also active with the U. S. Conference of Mayors and the National League of Cities. He was awarded the Optimist Cup in 1976 and the Chamber of Commerce Citizen-of-the-Year citation for 1975.

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A native of Lexington, he is an attorney who served three terms as a state representative. He resides on Richmond Road with his wife, Marion, and four sons.



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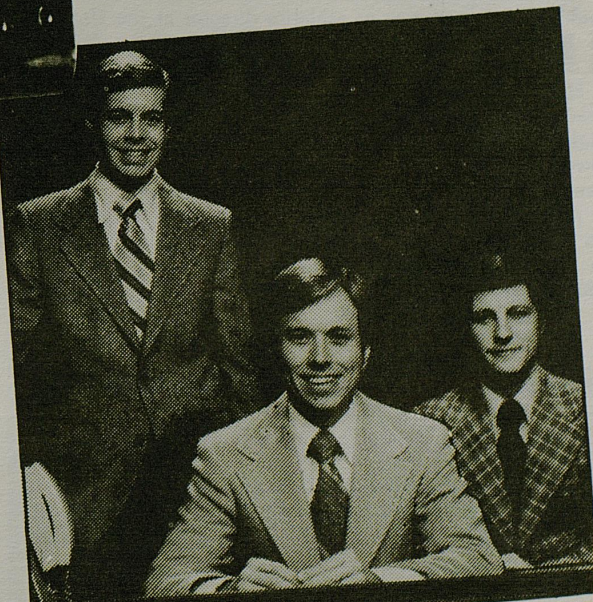
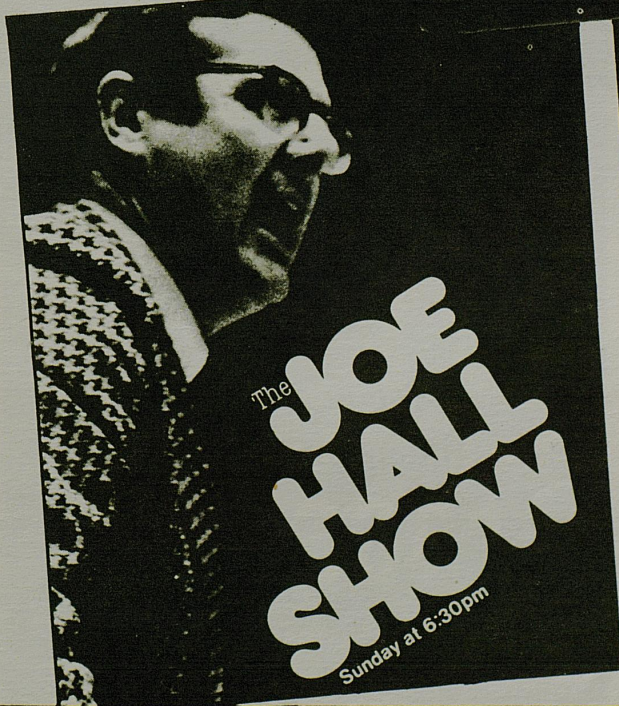
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Dr. Otis A. Singletary
University of Kentucky President



Now in his eighth year as president of the University of Kentucky, **DR. OTIS A. SINGLETARY** is a Mississippian whose route to the Bluegrass State curled through Louisiana, Texas, North Carolina and Washington, D. C.

He came to Lexington from a position as University of Texas vice-chancellor for academic affairs. Previously, in Washington, he had been director of the U. S. Job Corps in the early stages of its development before moving to the American Council on Education as vice-president. He had gone to the capital in 1964 after three years as chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

The UNC appointment terminated Dr. Singletary's first association with the University of Texas, this a seven-year stay that saw him, as a young historian, rise rapidly in rank from instructor to full professor and begin the shift to administrative work, first as associate dean and later as assistant to the president.

The Kentucky president, and his wife—the former Gloria Walton, met when both were students at Millsaps College. He later earned master's and doctoral degrees at Louisiana State. The Singletarys have two daughters, Bonnie and Kendall, and a son, Scott.

Cliff Hagan
Director of Athletics

"I've been preparing for this all my life," **CLIFF HAGAN** said before taking over as athletics director at the University of Kentucky in 1975. Hagan succeeded Harry Lancaster as director after serving as assistant director for three years.

Hagan's path to the athletics directorship began in Owensboro, Kentucky, where he established a then state high school tournament record of 41 points in leading Owensboro to victory over Lafayette in the championship game of the 1949 state high school tournament.

At UK, he played on teams that won 86 of 91 games and an NCAA championship (1951). The 1954 team, undefeated in 25 games, elected not to participate in the national tournament.



Frank Ham
Assistant Director
of Athletics

FRANK HAM became Assistant Director of Athletics in July 1975 soon after Cliff Hagan succeeded Harry C. Lancaster as Director of Athletics.

A native of Scranton, Pa., Ham came to the University in 1969 as Administrative Assistant to football coach John Ray, and was reassigned to the Athletic Director's staff in 1972 when Ray resigned.

Larry Ivy
Assistant Director of
Athletics For Finance

Adding a new dimension to UK athletics was the September appointment of **LARRY IVY** as Assistant Director of Athletics for Finance.

Ivy, who came to the University as Director of Housing in 1969, will be involved primarily with the administration and management of financial aspects, and will help develop and initiate policies for accounting procedures and related business management activities of the department.



Joe B. Hall

*University of Kentucky Wildcats
Head Basketball Coach*

JOE B. HALL'S record as Wildcat head coach for the past four years stands at 79-36. During the 1976 season his team won the National Invitational Tournament and ended the year with a 20-10 record.

Hall became No. 1 varsity assistant and head freshman Coach to Rupp after Harry C. Lancaster was named permanent athletic director Feb. 1, 1969. His record with the freshmen was 60-15, including an undefeated (22-0) season (1971-72) which resulted in the Kittens being crowned National Freshman Champions by the Basketball News.

During his first season as head coach, the Wildcats won their last nine conference games to sew up the SEC title.

His ten-year coaching record is 155-92. Broken down, it shows a 57-50 five-year mark at Regis, a 19-6 record at Central Missouri, and a 79-36 four-year record at Kentucky.

A popular personality on the clinic and convention circuits, Hall also has had much international exposure. In addition to the Globetrotters tour in 1951, and the "Down Under" tour in 1974, he has helped conduct basketball clinics for the U.S. Army in Anchorage and Fairbanks, Alaska (1968) and at Ramstein Air Base in Frankfurt, Germany and the RAF Base at Mildenhall, England in 1975. He also was Olympic Trials coach under Hank Iba at the Air Force Academy in July 1972 and is a member of the 1976 Olympic Basketball Committee.

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**DICK
PARSONS**



Much of Kentucky's defensive prowess on the court can be credited to the talent of **LEONARD HAMILTON**, a third year assistant, who came to UK after three years as an assistant at Austin Peay State University.

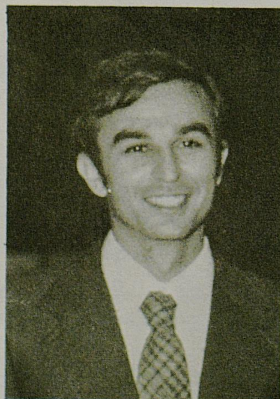
In high school at Gastonia, N. C., he lettered three years in football and twice in basketball. He was basketball team captain two years at Gaston Community College in Dallas, N. C., where he scored 54 points in one game, set a record for most field goals in a season, and was All-Region and All-Tournament.

At University of Tennessee-Martin, he was team captain and led in assists and steals, was most valuable defensive player, All-Conference and All-Tournament. He was elected "Mr. Volunteer" by the student body and played in the Kentucky-Tennessee All-Star game.

At Austin Peay, he coached the freshman team, scouted and recruited. During his three years there, the Governors went from last place to first in the OVC, appeared in two NCAA tournaments and were nationally ranked in scoring.

He is married to the former Claudette Hale. They have a son, Lenny.

**JIM
LONG**



DICK PARSONS, who begins his fifth year as Joe B. Hall's No. 1 assistant, returned to the University as baseball coach in 1969. Before giving up his position to join basketball on a full time basis, he molded a team (1971) which established or tied 15 school records.

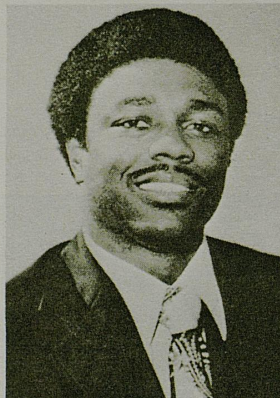
A mountaineer in his own right, Parsons came to the University in 1958 after an outstanding career as a four-sports star at Harlan High School, where he had a three-year basketball scoring total of 1,276 points.

A consistent player who made few mistakes at UK, Parsons was known as a fine outside shooter and for his aggressive defense during three years as a starting guard. His career high, 21 points, came against Mississippi as a sophomore.

He was a two-time (1960-61) recipient of the coveted A. B. Chandler award, given annually for the player best exemplifying the qualities of leadership, scholarship, character and ability. Only four other Wildcats have twice been so honored since the award was originated in 1951.

While working on his Master's Degree at the University in 1968-69, he scouted, recruited and helped with the Wildcat freshmen team, later accepting a part-time assistantship in basketball in addition to his baseball job.

He is married to the former Celia Cawood of Harlan. They have a daughter, Kathy, and a son, Ed.



**LEONARD
HAMILTON**

A native of Detroit, Mich., **JIM LONG** joined the UK staff last year as junior varsity coach and scout.

He came to the University in the fall of 1974 as a graduate student in journalism, but his past association with basketball became too much of a temptation and he soon sought out a liaison with the UK staff as a scout, which the following year blossomed into his jayvee position.

A 1965 graduate of Notre Dame High School in Harper Woods, Mich., he twice lettered in basketball and three times in tennis.

He completed requirements for a B.S. degree in Foreign Language (German) and a teaching certificate from the University of Michigan in 1970.

After a three year teaching stint at Grand Haven, where he was head junior high and assistant varsity coach, he returned to Michigan to earn a Master's degree in Secondary Education in 1974. While working on his Masters degree, he was junior varsity coach at Saline High School.

A veteran organizer of summer basketball camps, Long worked three years at Michigan's camp and twice at Kentucky's, serving last summer as UK's camp director.

In addition to his coaching duties, Long will lend his talents to recruiting and scouting.



ROY DON WILSON

Trainer

Entering his seventh year at UK is **ROY DON WILSON**, who came to the University after serving two years as trainer at The Citadel. A native of Texas, he is a graduate of Amon Carter Riverside High in Fort Worth. He received his B.S. degree from Texas A & M with a major in physical education and a minor in business. He is married to the former Patricia Jane Cotter of Houston. They have a son and a daughter.



WALT McCOMBS

Trainer

Returning to UK after a three-year absence during which he served in a similar capacity at Clemson University is **WALT McCOMBS**. Assigned primarily to basketball, McCombs also works with Wilson on the football field. A native of Belton, S. C., McCombs is a graduate of Parker High School and a 1971 graduate of The Citadel, where he was student trainer for four years. He was assistant trainer at UK in 1972 and '73. He is married to the former Shelby Burris of Belton.

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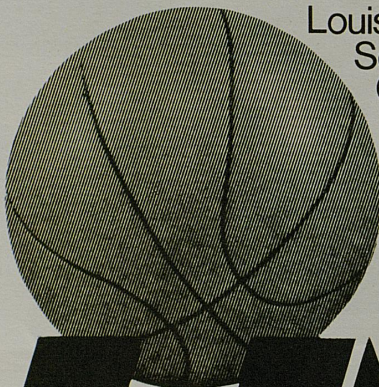
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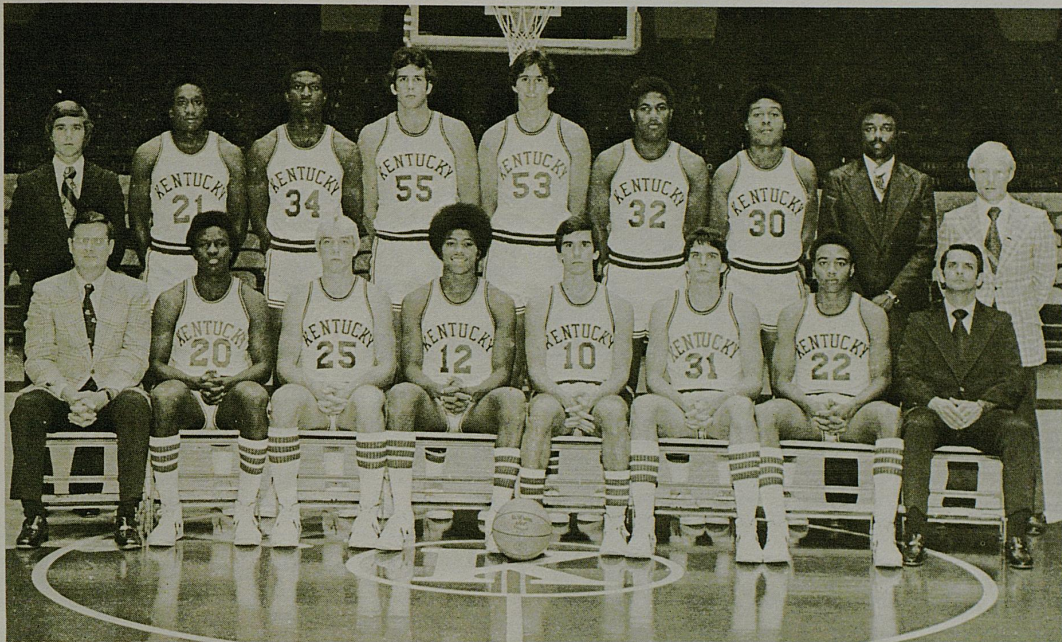
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Front Row (left to right): Coach Joe Hall; Dwane Casey; Jay Shidler; Larry Johnson (Co-Captain); Kyle Macy; Tim Stephens; Truman Claytor; Dick Parsons, Assistant Coach. Top Row: Tripp Ramsey, Manager; Jack Givens; LaVon Williams; Mike Phillips; Rick Robey; James Lee; Merion Haskins (Co-Captain); Leonard Hamilton, Assistant Coach; Walt McCombs, Trainer.

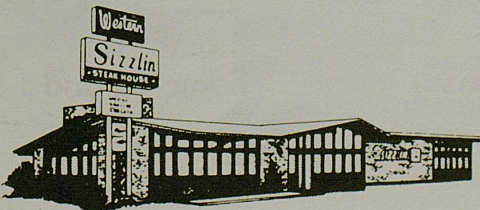
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20	Dwane Casey	G	So.	6- 2	195	19	1L	Morganfield, Ky.
21	Jack Givens	F	Jr.	6- 3	205	22	3L	Lexington, Ky.
22	Truman Claytor	G	So.	6- 1	173	19	1L	Toledo, Ohio
25	Jay Shidler	G	Fr.	6- 1	185	18	---	Lawrenceville, Ill.
30	*Merion Haskins	F	Sr.	6- 4	205	21	2L	Campbellsville, Ky.
31	Tim Stephens	F-G	Fr.	6- 3	175	18	---	Stearns, Ky.
32	James Lee	F	Jr.	6- 5	230	20	2L	Lexington, Ky.
34	LaVon Williams	F-C	Fr.	6- 6	200	18	---	Denver, Colo.
53	Rick Robey	F-C	Jr.	6-10	235	20	2L	New Orleans, La.
55	Mike Phillips	C	Jr.	6-10	235	20	2L	Akron, Ohio
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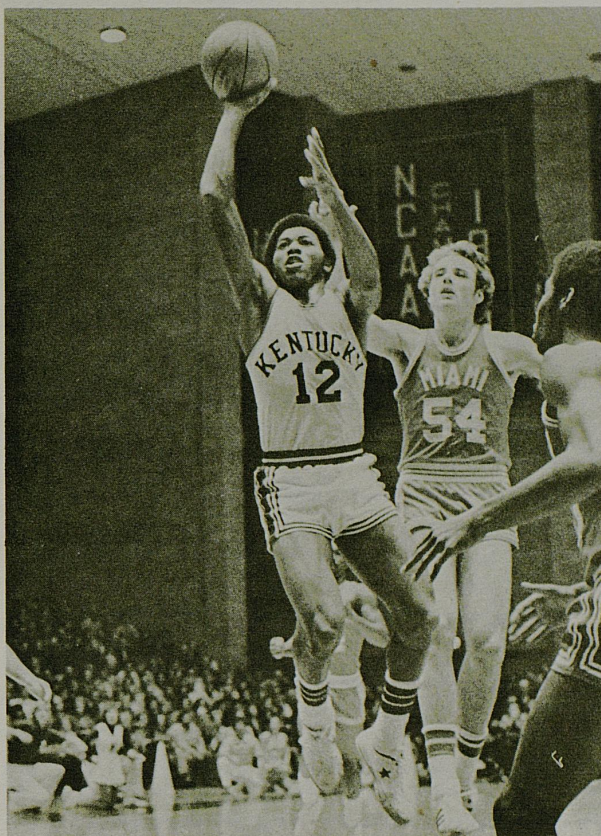
Meet The 'Cats

LARRY JOHNSON—12

Co-Captain

Back for his final year is 6'3" guard LARRY JOHNSON, whose dazzling speed and ball handling made the press very ineffective against the Cats. The willowy but strong Johnson was at his best under extreme pressure and won three games with final second heroics, including a last second shot to down Providence in the NIT semi-finals. Johnson averaged 11.2 ppg and led the team with 98 assists. He was named to the All-NIT second team.

Says head coach Joe Hall, "I hate to think about having to replace Larry. He does it all. He is the most effective deterrent to the press we have had in sometime, and he seems to come up with the big play when we need it. He is a dedicated worker, and a tremendous set of hands makes his ball handling almost flawless. By getting the ball into play quickly and initiating the break, he almost single handed keeps the Kentucky fast break alive."



STATISTICS

Position: Guard

Class: Senior

Height: 6'3"

Weight: 205

Age: 22

Major: Recreation Management

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DWANE CASEY—20

Sophomore **DWANE CASEY** from Morganfield, Kentucky is one of two second year men on the Wildcat team. The 6'2" guard has a 1.3 point per game average.

Casey saw action in 20 games and showed steady improvement throughout the year. He played a vital role in the NIT when he hit three quick baskets in the championship game against UNCC.

"Dwane definitely fits into our plans this year," said Hall. "He worked hard this summer on his deficiencies and it's going to pay off for him with more playing time."

STATISTICS

Position: Guard

Class: Sophomore

Height: 6'2"

Weight: 195

Age: 19

Major: Arts and Sciences

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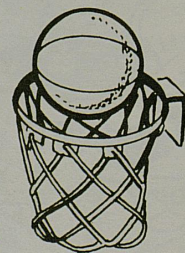
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JACK GIVENS—21

Heading the list of returning lettermen is All-American and All-SEC forward **JACK GIVENS**, a silky smooth 6'4" junior southpaw who led the Cats with a 20.1 ppg average while grabbing 7.2 rebounds. Givens scored in the 30's three times and was out of double figures only three times. He became UK's second leading sophomore scorer (602), and was named to the All-NIT team.

Coach Hall says, "The hardest thing to realize about Jack is that he is starting his junior year. We already have come to depend on his leadership and ability to come through in pressure situations. Jack's basketball maturity is his greatest asset."

STATISTICS

Position: Forward-Guard

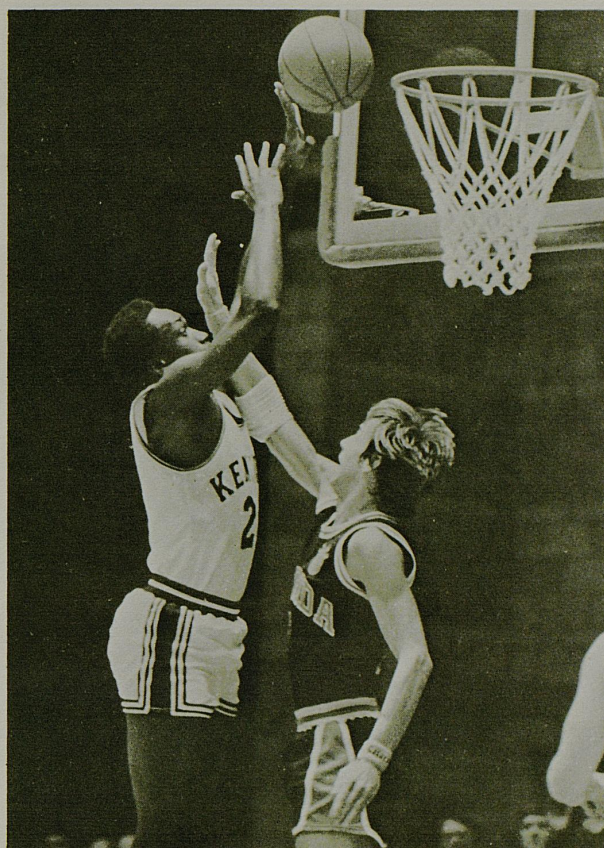
Class: Junior

Height: 6'4"

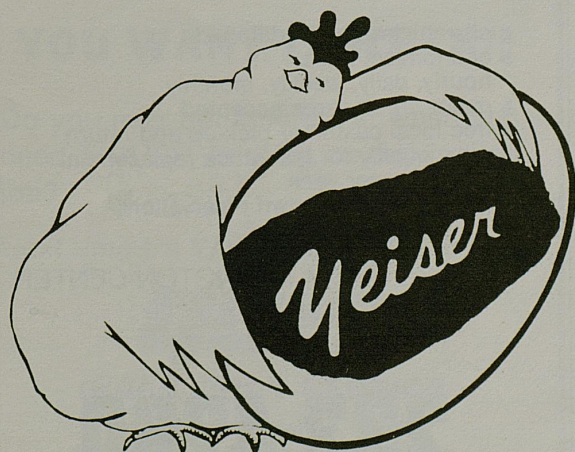
Weight: 205

Age: 20

Major: Arts and Sciences



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TRUMAN CLAYTOR—22

TRUMAN CLAYTOR capped a fine early season performance by winning Co-MVP game honors with Adrian Dantley in the annual Notre Dame shootout in Louisville. After starting eight games, he fell prey to a series of nagging injuries which seriously reduced his effectiveness. However, he returned to form and had a good NIT. His future was clouded again with the injury bug, suffering twice from broken bones in his right hand during summer playground activity. However, "T. C." seems to have recovered and has been impressive during practices.

STATISTICS

Position: Guard
 Class: Sophomore
 Height: 6'1"
 Weight: 173
 Age: 19
 Major: Arts and Sciences

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JAY SHIDLER—25

JAY SHIDLER is a newcomer to the Wildcat camp from Lawrenceville, Illinois. He was the state's top scorer at 32.7 points per game average and nine rebounds.

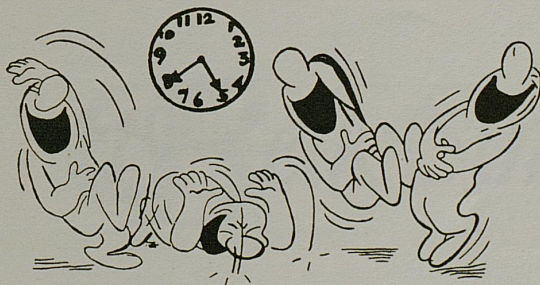
An all-around athlete, Shidler earned 11 letters at Lawrenceville—four in basketball; one as a football quarterback; three in baseball, and three in track, where he holds the school record in the high jump at 6'5".

UK coach Joe B. Hall likens him to a "jump-shooting Ralph Beard," a former all-time great who performed at guard for the Wildcats in 1946-49. "Jay is a true guard—an exciting player who will need little seasoning. He plays the type defense effective in college basketball, is physically mature and has the skills to render an early contribution to our team.

"Jay comes from an athletic family and his personality and character will enable him to step right in and contribute to the Kentucky tradition," says Hall.

STATISTICS

Position: Guard
Class: Freshman
Height: 6'1"
Weight: 185
Age: 18
Major: Arts and Science



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MERION HASKINS—30

Co-Captain

MERION HASKINS, a 6'4" senior forward who saw considerable playing time last year including two starts, is a solid fundamentalist and proven defensive player. Despite scoring only 2.3 ppg in 29 games, Haskins' leadership will play an important role in the success story of the '77 Cats.

Hall points to his value away from the ball—blocking out on the boards, getting out on the break to force the defense away from the ball.

STATISTICS

Position: Forward

Class: Senior

Height: 6'4"

Weight: 205

Age: 21

Major: Agriculture-Economics



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TIM STEPHENS—31

Wildcat newcomer **TIM STEPHENS** is from Stearns, Kentucky. He was the state's leading high school scorer in 1976 at 35.6 points per game and 18 rebounds.

"Stephens is a potential guard," says Coach Hall, "and one who can play the big guard. He is a proven quick forward and will have the opportunity to swing both positions. He and Shidler will give us the outside shooting potential we lacked last year. They should reopen our inside game by taking the pressure off our big men."

Stephens is a two-time All-State basketball player from McCreary County High School, Whitley City, Ky. "I've followed UK since I was 10 years old," Stephens said. "It has been my only thought to play at Kentucky. Now that I've reached that level, I'm as excited as can be."

STATISTICS

Position: Forward-Guard

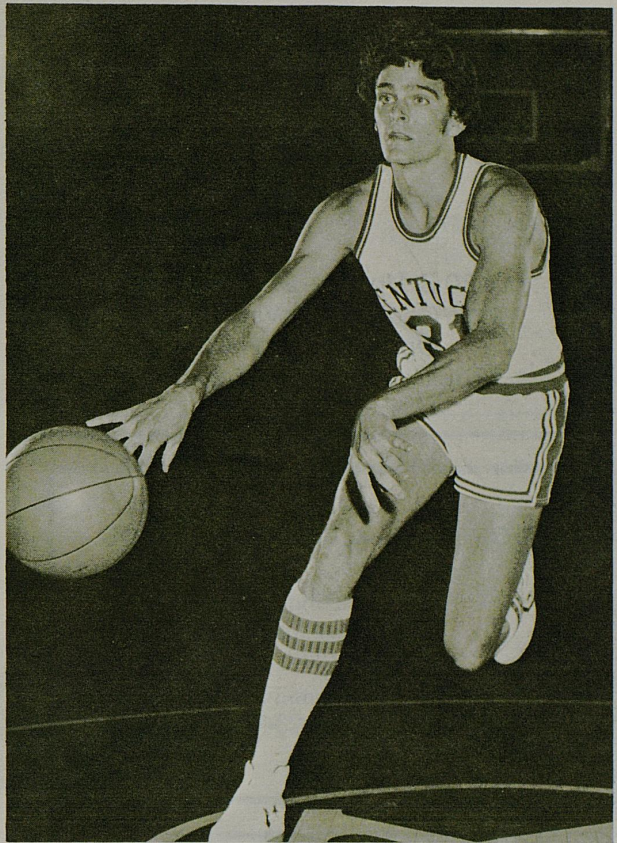
Class: Freshman

Height: 6'3"

Weight: 175

Age: 18

Major: Arts and Sciences



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Player	G	MIN	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	REB-A	A	PF-D	PTS	AVE	TO
Givens	30	1068	243-494	49.2	116-140	82.9	216-7.2	81	80-0	602	20.1	76
Phillips	30	874	199-367	54.2	69-117	59.0	295-9.8	22	93-5	467	15.6	97
Johnson	30	1072	136-304	44.7	64- 89	71.9	165-5.5	98	99-3	336	11.2	81
Lee	30	783	116-236	49.2	47- 77	61.9	220-7.3	41	105-8	279	9.3	92
Robey	12	357	73-130	56.2	41- 56	73.2	90-7.5	17	39-4	187	15.6	35
Warford	28	636	77-165	46.7	28- 37	75.7	31-1.1	68	67-3	182	6.5	46
Claytor	28	542	70-178	39.3	28- 36	77.8	26-0.9	32	44-0	168	6.0	45
Fowler	25	234	32- 65	49.2	25- 37	67.6	44-1.8	7	43-1	89	3.6	13
Haskins	29	302	20- 44	45.5	27- 35	77.1	43-1.5	10	21-0	67	2.3	25
Casey	20	144	10- 27	37.0	5- 9	55.6	13-0.7	12	20-0	25	1.3	11
Holland	9	30	1- 2	50.0	3- 4	75.0	1-0.1	3	4-0	5	0.6	2
Hall‡	9	98	4- 14	28.6	0- 0	-----	19.2.1	3	17-1	8	0.9	9
Ramsey‡	2	8	0- 1	-----	0- 0	-----	3-1.5	0	0-0	0	-----	6
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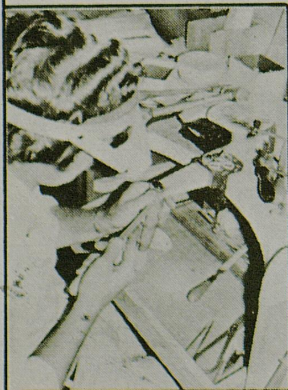
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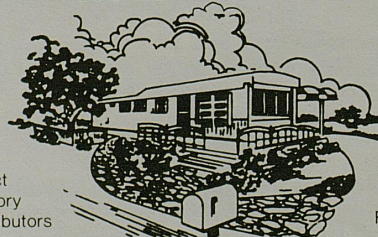


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CAWOOD LEDFORD

In the twenty-three years I've called Wildcat basketball there have been many individuals who have stood out as exceptional players. From the 1958 championship team I thought, and still think that Vernon Hatton might be the best, right-down-to-the-last-second ballplayer Kentucky's ever had. He was at his best when it meant winning or losing a game. Hatton certainly was a great ballplayer.

The team with Louie Dampier and Pat Riley that went to the finals in 1966—"Rupp's Runts." If they had not been ill with the flu I think they would have won it. I think that they were the best team in the country. Larry Conley has always been a great favorite of mine because even though he was a great shooter, I thought he just totally sacrificed himself to set up Dampier and Riley. You could say the same thing about Tommy Kron. They were really the heart of that ball club, even though the other two guys made the All-American.

Bob Burrow came in here from a junior college and led the conference in rebounding. That was just about the only time Kentucky reached into the junior college ranks.

Adrian "Odie" Smith might have been one of the most under-rated players that ever played here. He certainly showed it when he played pro ball.

A lot of people think that Dan Issel may be one of the greatest of all timers here and I think the pro ranks are perhaps proving that with the year he's having in the NBA. He has great pride and great determination to be good, and I do think that would have been one of the great teams had not Mike Casey broken his leg and lay out a year—their senior year. He came back and played the following season, but had they been able to keep the Casey-Pratt-Issel combo, I think that could have been a national championship team, but that's what could have been.

There have been so many players who can be classed as individual standouts including Kevin Grevey—a great shooter, one of the greatest shooters that's ever been here.

Kentucky has had twenty-seven players named All-American but the Wildcats have had many more in my book.

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The last meeting between the Wildcats and the Jayhawks took place on December 13, 1975 in Lawrence, Kansas, before 14,220 fans. With Kentucky holding a slim lead, Truman Claytor sank a pair of foul shots in the last 34 seconds to claim the 54-48 victory for the Wildcats over the stubborn Kansas Jayhawks.

Kentucky had battled back from a three-point deficit with five minutes showing on the Allen Field House clock on a pair of Rick Robey jump shots.

Taking advantage of two crucial steals, the Cats were playing keep-away when the Jayhawks' Milt Gibson fouled Claytor. Prior to Claytor's heroics, the Jayhawks had held a three-point advantage 48-45 with 5:01 left.

Kentucky had been assessed a technical foul for not forcing the action, and Norm Cook sank the last of his 18 points on the free throw shot.

That was the last point the Jayhawks would score as Claytor, Robey and James Lee mopped up for the Cats.

SCOREBOARD

KENTUCKY (54)		KANSAS (48)	
Givens	6	Cook	18
Robey	21	Nobles	19
Hall	2	Koenigs	3
Johnson	10	Johnson	2
Claytor	6	Gibson	2
Casey	3	Shelton	2
Lee	6	Sanders	2

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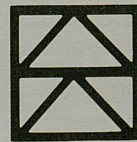
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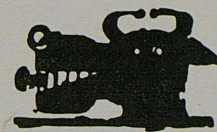
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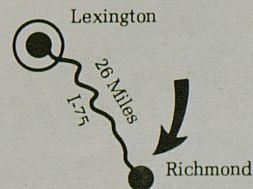
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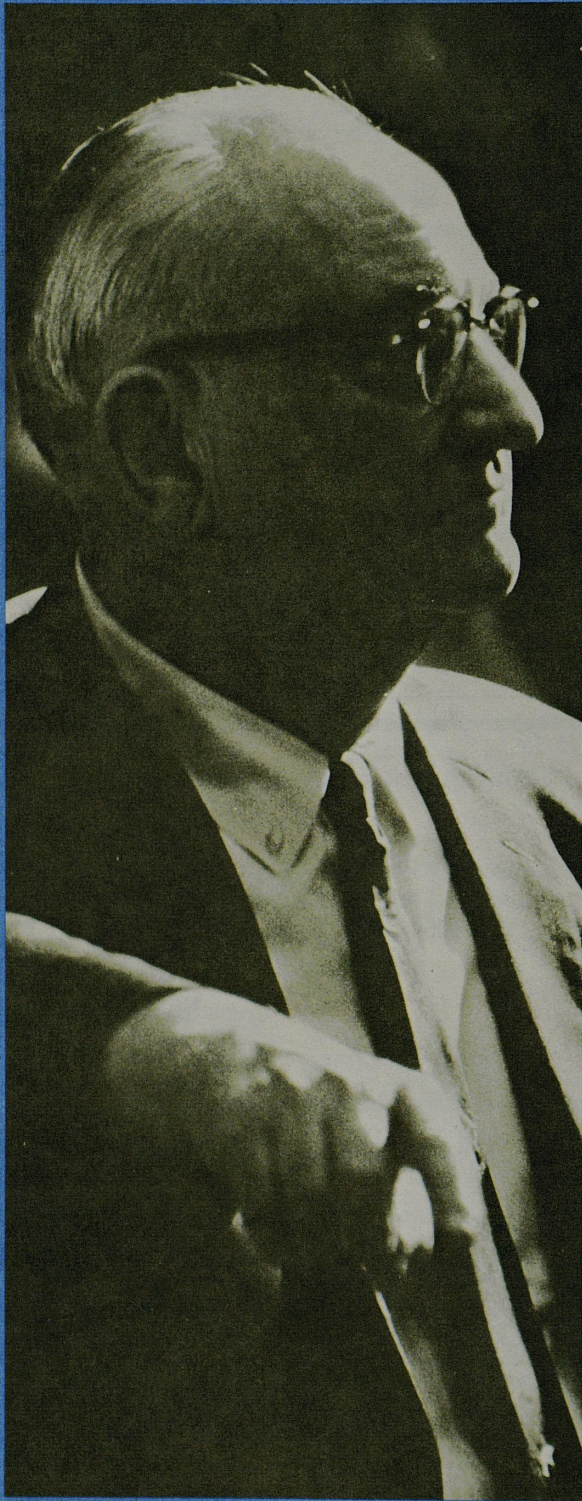


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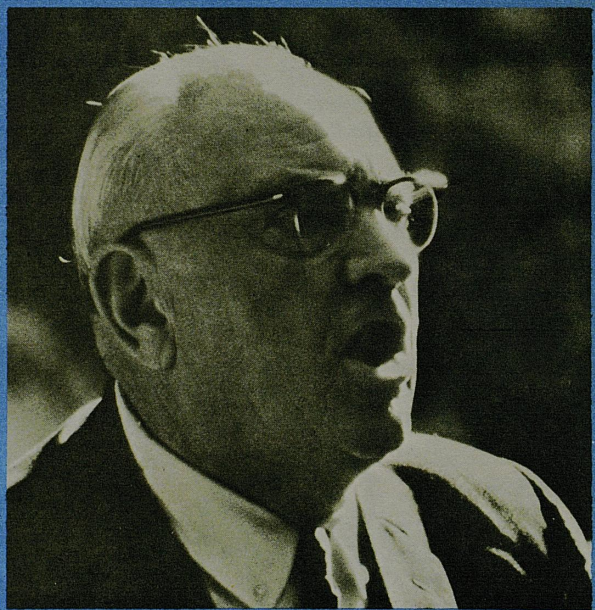


Rupp Dedication

In the storied land of Kentucky Bluegrass there dwells but one Baron, a man of consummate pride and a mold of powerful teams which for more than four decades made the name of the University of Kentucky synonymous with the game of basketball.

Now the baron, **ADOLPH FREDERICK RUPP**, is a spectator in a castle named in his honor. Rupp Arena, seating 23,000 Wildcat fans, will carry the Rupp traditions into the future.

Before bowing to the mandatory retirement rule, Rupp coached the Wildcats through one of the greatest collegiate sports eras of all time.



The record speaks for itself: 880 victories and 190 losses for 82.2%, making him the winningest collegiate basketball coach in the history of the game.

Rupp took over the title of winningest coach in December 1967, when the Wildcats defeated Notre Dame, 81-73, for his 772 victory, surpassing the record held by his old coach, "Phog" Allen of Kansas.

During the Rupp era, Wildcat teams gained a worldwide reputation. They were NCAA champions in 1948, 1949, 1951, and 1958, had five players on the 1948 Olympic championship team, and were International Universities champions in 1966.

"The Baron" was denied a fifth NCAA championship when his ailing "Rupp's Runts" lost to Texas Western in the finals of the 1966 tournament.

In addition to the NCAA titles, the Ruppmen won an NIT championship in 1946, five Sugar Bowls, 13 UKIT's and a record 27 SEC championships. They were national champions by polls six times since 1949.

During Rupp's tenure, 25 Wildcats were honored 37 times as All-Americans and 52 players were honored 91 times as All-SEC performers. Thirty-one players entered pro ranks.

Honors And Awards Have Been Many For Well-Known Coach

While Wildcat players received their share of the glory, Rupp also gathered more honors and accolades than perhaps ever were bestowed on a basketball coach. Down the glory road, his many honors, accomplishments and awards included:

- Certification by the NCAA Service Bureau as the nation's most successful collegiate basketball coach, both for the decade ending in 1961 and at the 20-year level.
 - Selection as the unanimous national "Coach of the Year" in 1966 for the fourth time in his career and runner-up for the 1957 and 1964 seasons.
 - Honored in 1967 by Columbus (Ohio) Touchdown Club as "Coach of the Century".
 - Coach of the International Universities Tournament champions in 1966.
 - A nominal world championship as co-coach of the successful USA entry in the 1948 Olympic Games which included five members of Kentucky's NCAA champions.
 - Producer of more Olympic gold medallion winners (7) than any other cage coach.
 - An all-time record total of 27 Southeastern Conference titles since the league was organized in 1933.
 - Election to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 1959 and previous selection (in 1944) by Helms Athletic Foundation as a member of their exclusive Hall of Fame.
 - Trustee and member of selection and honors committees of Basketball Hall of Fame. Also chairman NABC Hall of Fame Committee and heads the group that selects players to appear in East-West All-Star Game benefiting the Hall of Fame.
 - Recipient of the Governor's Medallion in 1959 for meritorious service to the Commonwealth of Kentucky and plaques of appreciation from the U. S. Air Force (1959) and Sugar Bowl committee (1951).
 - Election to the Kentucky Hall of Fame (1946), outstanding citizen of Lexington (1949) and twice honorary citizen of the City of New Orleans. Enrolled in the Kentucky Athletic Hall of Fame in 1965.
 - SEC coach-of-the-year in 1964, '66, '68, '69, '70, '71, and '72.
 - Chosen "Delta Sig of the Year" for 1966 by the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Phi, professionally fraternity in commerce and business administration.
 - Development of more All-Americans (21 players honored 32 times) and more material for the pro ranks (31) than any other coach.
 - Five Sugar Bowl Tournament championships, a National Invitational Tournament title and 13 trophies from the 19 previous UK Invitational Tournaments.
 - Membership on the NCAA Basketball Rules Committee.
 - More overseas clinic trips (seven to Europe, three to the Far East, and one to the Near East) for U. S. Government than any other coach. Also visited Alaska in 1968.
 - Selected as an official goodwill ambassador to the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City representing the National Association of Basketball Coaches.
 - Election to Kansas Hall of Fame.
 - President, National Association of Basketball Coaches, 1971.
- Coach Rupp is married to the former Esther Smith. They have one son, Herky and two grandchildren, Chip and Farren.



Rupp Dedication

WILDCATS' SCORECARD

		FG								FT						PF			TP	
12	LARRY JOHNSON 6-3 Senior Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15	8	9	10	11	12	4	5					
20	Dwane CASEY 6-2 Sophomore Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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21	JACK GIVENS 6-4 Junior Forward	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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22	TRUMAN CLAYTOR 6-1 Sophomore Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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25	JAY SHIDLER 6-1 Freshman Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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30	MERION HASKINS 6-4 Senior Forward	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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31	TIM STEPHENS 6-3 Freshman Forward-Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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32	JAMES LEE 6-5 Junior Forward	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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34	LaVON WILLIAMS 6-6 Freshman Forward-Center	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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53	RICK ROBEY 6-10 Junior Forward-Center	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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55	MIKE PHILLIPS 6-10 Junior Center	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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12	CRIS BARNTHOUSE 6-4 Senior Guard-Forward	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15	8	9	10	11	12	4	5					
13	JOHN DOUGLAS 6-2 Junior Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15	8	9	10	11	12	4	5					
14	CLINT JOHNSON 6-2 Junior Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15	8	9	10	11	12	4	5					
15	MILT GIBSON 6-0 Junior Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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21	MAC STALLCUP 6-6 Freshman Forward	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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22	DONNIE VON MOORE 6-9 Junior Forward-Center	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15	8	9	10	11	12	4	5					
24	KEN KOENIGS 6-10 Junior Forward-Center	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15	8	9	10	11	12	4	5					
32	HERB NOBLES 6-7 Senior Forward	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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34	BRAD SANDERS 6-4 Sophomore Guard	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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42	SCOTT ANDERSON 6-7 Freshman Forward	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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44	PAUL MOKESKI 7-0 Sophomore Center	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	
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Reminiscing

By ADOLPH RUPP

(As told to Russell Rice, Kentucky Sports Information Director)

When I started out in basketball at the University of Kentucky, I was hired also as an assistant football coach and many of the boys I had in basketball were also on the football team. While I was out on the football field, I turned basketball over to Pisgah Combs, who had graduated the year before, and he took whoever we had out there and worked with them and then I would come in afterward. I scheduled the practices so that I'd have a chance to see them.

About the 20th of November, I would go out with basketball; about December 1, the football players would report. That meant that we did not have much time to practice, since our first game was December 18.

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Basketball has become such a big thing that they now push the games up into November. Of course, it was a big thing *then* at Kentucky, where we dominated the situation early. Even with the old Alumni Gym, which seated less than 3,000, we produced the "Fabulous Five," which I would say right to this day was possibly the greatest basketball team of all time. Of course, we didn't have the techniques that the boys have today . . . like jump shots and all those things. But we did have a sound ball club and we won the Olympics (in 1948).

The NCAA tournament didn't amount to a great deal then (in fact, we turned down four of them before we finally accepted the invitation in 1942). After winning the

1948 NCAA and the Olympic Trials collegiate bracket, we played the Phillip Oilers, champs of the AAU. We had an eight-point lead when Cliff Barker received a broken nose and couldn't play any more. They beat us 53-39. Ralph Beard had a tremendous game.

We came back the next year and won the NCAA championship again.

Then they refused to allow us to go to the tournament the next year. They sent North Carolina State instead and they came in third.

The following year they decided to send Kentucky again. We won that one (1951) with a bunch of sophomores—(Frank) Ramsey, (Lou) Tsioropoulos, (Cliff) Hagan and all that crowd.

We then tailed off until 1958, when the "Fiddlin' Five" won the thing. We had no business whatsoever winning it. They beat Seattle with Elgin Baylor and a great team behind him. I've always thought that for a bunch of boys to come along and win on sheer determination, that was the crown of all time. Everyone said it was the worst team ever to win the NCAA. That may be true. It just possibly was less talented than most, but no team ever won it with more determination.

We built Memorial Coliseum to seat about 12,000 and everybody said I was crazy to build a building that big, but we packed them in that first night and from then on. We dedicated it with Purdue before a capacity crowd and defeated them easily. From then on, basketball continued to grow at Kentucky.

Finally, basketball got so big at Kentucky that the other Southeastern Conference schools decided that football coaches and assistant football coaches no longer would be the answer if they wanted to be competitive.

They also realized that basketball could make money, but they would need larger places. Then Tennessee got a bigger place than we had. So did Vanderbilt, Alabama, Auburn and Georgia. The Mississippi also have fine places. Florida is the only "weak sister" as far as a fine building is concerned and they've been getting ready to build a new one for 20 years now.

Basketball at one time was a coaching thing. I remember reading a book, "The End of the Greats." Fortunately, it named me, along with Hank Iba, Joe Lapchick, Clair Bee and Nat Holman. I would say that in those days it was a coaching job absolutely. Today basketball is a recruiting proposition, something you can easily surmise by reading all the sports pages about the great athletes in high school and the schools that have been there to recruit them. The schools that have been successful are the ones that have taken the outstanding boys and concentrated on those. There is no use taking a guy anymore who just isn't capable of playing. It's a recruiting thing. It's vicious, far more vicious than it ever was when I was coaching. Of course, I was not in on the recruiting except on a rare occasion. But if one-tenth of what I hear today is true, the NCAA has a problem on the recruiting in all sports. It's even getting down to baseball and track and other things. The NCAA better put on a hundred more investigators and even then I don't think they'll find out what's going on.

I would say that coaching has changed a little since Hank, Johnny and I quit and that's mainly in the phase of different defenses, although the defenses haven't been much different than when I quit. We put in the 1-3-1. I think everyone

will give us credit for that. It was a wonderful thing for us as a jump attempt at a team that was giving us trouble. We've had tremendous success with it and still are. I think the 1-3-1 is one of the best defenses, although I've often thought at night that the 2-3 might be a great defense to have in reserve. In fact, we used it the last two years I coached and had great success with it.

In the 1-3-1, you've got to have mobility to get anywhere. In any defense, mobility is the answer . . . aggressive mobility. We numbered our boys clockwise; one in front, two on the wing, three in the hole, four on the other wing and five on the free throw line. The two and the four are exactly the same.

With our "Rupp's Runts" of 1966, we had great mobility. Our front guy was Tom Kron, a 6-4½ guard who could knock those passes down, go all the way and score. On the right we had Larry Conley, where your strongest man ought to be. In the hole we had Thad Jaracz. Louie Dampier was the other wing and Pat Riley in the center. Those boys absolutely personified the acme of perfection as far as the 1-3-1 defense is concerned.

From the offensive standpoint, I still believe that the greatest offense that has ever been perfected is the pivot-post that we employed at UK all the time I was there. The offense was made perfect by the Original Celtics. I studied that play with them many nights, talking and talking into the wee hours. I discovered that if you don't have a good pivotman, you're not going to get anywhere with it.

At one time we had a fine pivotman in Cliff Hagan, who was only 6-4½ and not the big bruiser who would go back to the basket and knock it in. But he had great hands and he could deal the basketball just as well as a guy in Las Vegas can deal those cards. He could go back to the basket if there were no alternative. He would go back particularly to his left and use a hook shot that no one could guard. He was probably the finest pivotman that we have had at the University of Kentucky. We had other fine ones like Bob Burrow, Dan Issel and Alex Groza. Issel was next to Hagan as possibly the finest we've had in recent years. I can't compare Groza with them because Groza employed a different style of play.

If I were going to coach today, I would use the pivot-post offense. It has so many possibilities. We had 10 basic plays that we worked on and worked on . . . not only hours, but hundreds of thousands of hours in order to perfect them. We also had the stack offense that proved very effective for us then and now, but so many schools don't realize its effectiveness. These schools have a stack, but it's a two-man stack. We had a four-man stack.

The stack was my idea completely. The stack is really a double screen. The man who passes goes in and sets a screen. The pivot man goes to the opposite side, then both of the others come in and screen for them while they go out. Then if they don't get a shot, maybe the inside man can get a screen because if they don't they reach back and screen for each other and try to get the same formation going.

I like to see the professional game primarily for the execution that they have, but as far as strategy is concerned, it is not there. The college game is still the greatest game in basketball. I like to see good college games. I like to see the boys out there if they're talented. You have about eight or 10 or maybe 12 universities that have the talent. They go after each other and use the principles laid down by their coaches. I think it is the finest basketball that is played in America today.

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HEAD COACH: Ted Owens

Jayhawks Return Eight Lettermen For 76-77 Season

Kansas bases its 1976-77 hopes on a blend of youth and experience in an attempt to regain the Big Eight title which escaped it last season for the first time in three years.

Eight lettermen return for Ted Owens' 13th Jayhawk cage edition including 6-9 junior Donnie Von Moore, a part-time starter in 1973-74 who missed last season because of illness.

Last year Kansas field one of the youngest teams in school history. This year's edition actually doesn't stack up as a veteran unit either with just two seniors—Cris Barnthouse and Herb Nobles—in addition to seven juniors, two sophomores and three freshmen. Neither of the two seniors were starters last year.

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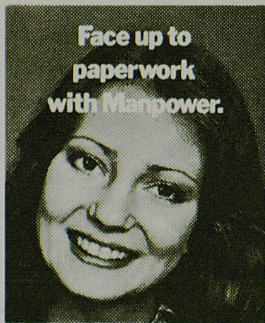
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PAUL MOKESKI—44

MOKESKI overcame the frustration of a near crippling hamstring pull just prior to the season's start to become one of the Big Eight's top newcomers last season. The hamstring injury came on Thanksgiving Day, just two days prior to the season opener causing him to miss the the first eight games. His debut came against Nebraska in the opening game of the Big Eight Tournament where he came off the bench to score a career high—19 points, and lead Kansas to a 69-66 triumph. He established his career rebounding high later in the season with 12 against Oklahoma State.



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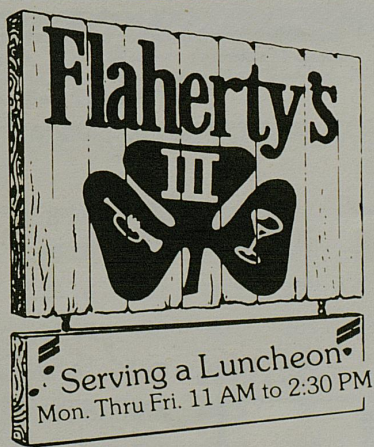
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CLINT JOHNSON—14

JOHNSON, a 6-2 junior guard joined Norman Cook as a first team All-Big Eight Tournament selection this past year. He led the team in playing time with 994 minutes, an average of 38.2 per game. Johnson also led the team in assists (66) and steals (31). He joined Cook as the only two members of the team to start all 26 games in 1975-76. His career scoring high of 20 was first set as a freshman against Oklahoma State but was tied twice this past season in outings against Colorado and Oral Roberts. His career rebounding high of 10 came this past season against Yale.



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Ted Owens
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Head Basketball Coach

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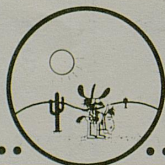
Included in Owen's record are five Big Eight championships and six Big Eight Tournament championships. In fact, his six tournament titles rank him No. 1 among all-time participating coaches in the 30-year history of the meet. No other current league coach can equal those totals.

Kansas has been consistent in making post-season tournament appearance under Owens. Under his tutelage the Jayhawks have made their way into the NCAA Tournament five times and the National Invitational in New York twice. In the last six years Owens has twice led Kansas into the final round of the NCAA Tournament. In 1971 the Jayhawks finished fourth behind UCLA, Villanova and Western Kentucky (although the latter two were later stripped of their second and third place finishes because of ineligible players) and in 1974 the Jayhawks again finished fourth behind North Carolina State, Marquette and UCLA.



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KANSAS BASKETBALL STATISTICS FOR 26 GAMES — WON 13, LOST 13

Player	g-gs	min.	avg.	Home (8-6)			Away (5-7)			reb.	avg.	pf	dsq.	asst.	tp	avg.
				fg	fga	pct.	ft	fta	pct.							
Cook	26-26	937	36.0	156	337	.463	74	105	.705	206	7.9	73	6	55	386	14.8
Johnson	26-26	994	38.2	128	301	.425	31	43	.721	91	3.5	74	1	66	287	11.0
Koenigs	26-25	786	30.2	105	212	.495	69	91	.758	172	6.6	106	14	36	279	10.7
Nobles	25-8	713	28.5	116	271	.428	37	54	.685	171	6.8	81	6	47	269	10.8
Mokeski	18-16	474	26.3	82	170	.482	27	37	.730	115	6.4	58	5	18	191	10.6
Gibson	25-24	768	30.7	62	159	.390	14	25	.560	49	2.0	66	3	59	138	5.5
Shelton	7-3	151	21.6	14	42	.333	6	9	.667	25	3.6	19	1	8	34	4.9
Sanders	19-0	193	10.2	14	28	.500	5	12	.417	13	0.7	18	0	23	33	1.7
Barnthouse	18-2	174	9.7	10	31	.323	5	12	.417	29	1.6	18	0	9	25	1.4
Baum	5-0	8	1.6	1	1	1.000	2	2	1.000	4	0.8	2	0	1	4	0.8
Worthington	2-0	2	1.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0
KU Totals	26-26	5200	200.0	688	1552	.443	270	390	.692	875	33.7	515	36	322	1646	63.3
Opponents	26-26	5200	200.0	637	1539	.414	371	540	.687	840	32.3	425	16	232	1645	63.3

(Team Rebounds: Kansas 174, Opponents 166) (Rebound Percentage: .510)

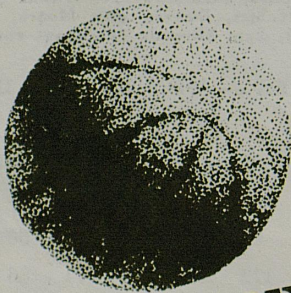
Steals: Johnson 31, Cook 27, Nobles 25, Gibson 18, Mokeski 15, Koenigs 11, Sanders 7, Barnthouse 5, Shelton 3.

Blocked Shots: Nobles 38, Cook 18, Mokeski 17, Koenigs 16, Johnson 5, Gibson 3, Shelton 1.

1976-77 KANSAS NUMERICAL BASKETBALL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	AGE	BIRTH	CLASS	HIGH SCHOOL
00	Hassan Houston	G	6-1	180	18	5- 8-58	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (University City)
12	**Cris Barnthouse	G-F	6-4	185	21	9- 9-55	Sr.	Winfield, Kan.
13	John Douglas	G	6-2	170	20	6-12-56	Jr.	Leighton, Ala. (Colbert Cty.)
14	**Clint Johnson	G	6-2	180	20	8-12-56	Jr.	Leavenworth, Kan.
15	**Milt Gibson	G	6-0	180	20	7- 9-56	Jr.	Roswell, N. M. (Goddard)
21	Mac Stallcup	F	6-6	210	19	11-10-57	Fr.	Tulsa, Okla. (Edison)
22	*Donnie Von Moore	F-C	6-9	210	21	3-29-55	Jr.	Chicago, Ill. (Kenwood)
24	**Ken Koenigs	F-C	6-10	200	20	7-20-56	Jr.	Goddard, Kan.
32	*Herb Nobles	F	6-7	210	22	9-30-54	Sr.	East St. Louis, Ill.
34	*Brad Sanders	G	6-4	180	19	5- 3-57	Soph.	Leavenworth, Kan.
42	Scott Anderson	F	6-7	225	18	6- 6-58	Fr.	Addison, Ill. (Adison Trail)
44	*Paul Mokeski	C	7-0	235	19	1- 3-57	Soph.	Encino, Calif. (Crespi)

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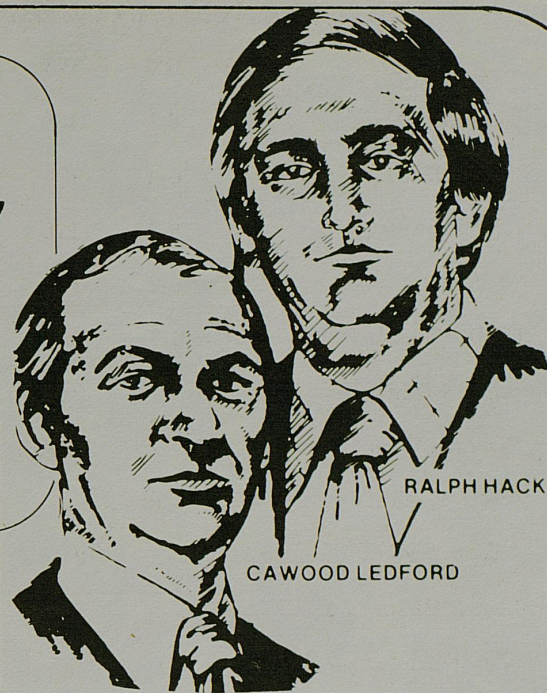
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JAMES LEE—32

Filling in for Robey last year was **JAMES LEE**, a junior-to-be whose speed and quickness belies his solid 6'5", 230 lb. frame. Lee started 20 games and after a slow transition, blossomed into the powerful, explosive type player which was predicted of him from prep days. His best performance came when he scored 21 points and grabbed 11 rebounds as the Wildcats upset sixth-ranked Alabama 90-85 on national television. He finished with a 9.3 ppg and 7.3 rebounding mean, and was named to the All-NIT second team.

"Pressed into starting duty last year when Robey was injured, James became one of the most improved players on the team," says Coach Hall. "He is a fluid, strong forward who could easily become one of the outstanding players in the conference."

STATISTICS

Position: Forward
 Class: Junior
 Height: 6'5"
 Weight: 230
 Age: 20
 Major: Social Professions

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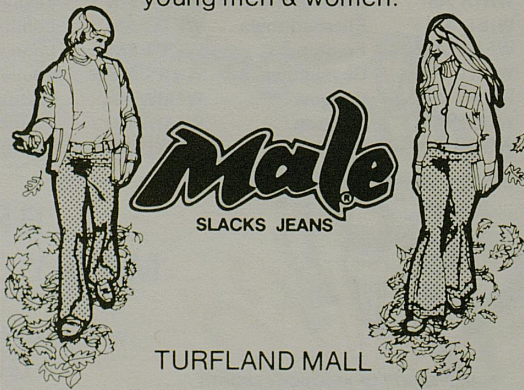
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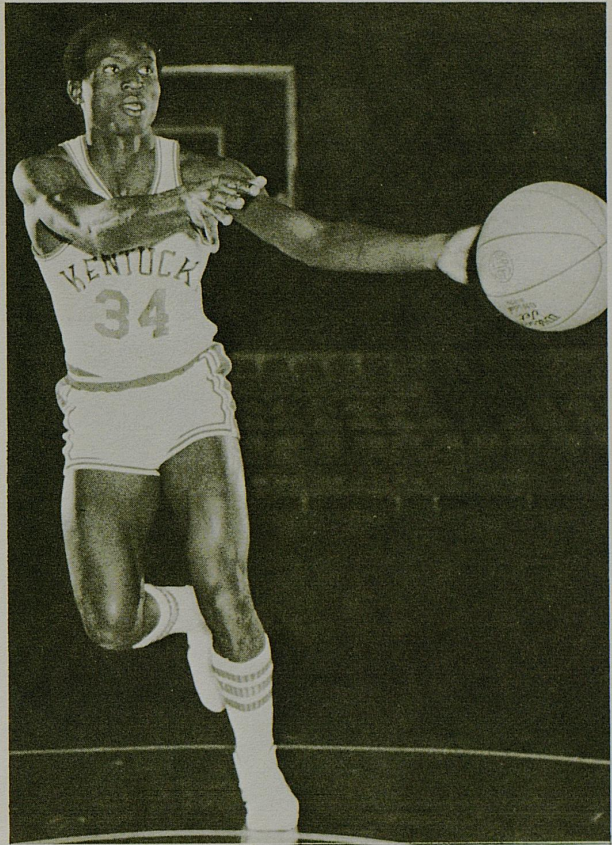
LaVon WILLIAMS—34

Freshman LaVon WILLIAMS is from Denver, Colorado. Touted as the best prep cager ever to come out of Colorado, he was named 1976 State Tournament Player-of-the-Year.

According to Coach Hall, "Williams is a player who thrives on competitive situations. He enjoys making solid team contributions through his defensive and rebounding ability. He is a capable scorer, but contributions through other phases of his game seem more important to him. He is a very disciplined player in his shot selection and ball handling and he really comes to play when the going gets rough. He is a winner who plays team basketball."

STATISTICS

Position: Forward-Center
 Class: Freshman
 Height: 6'6"
 Weight: 200
 Age: 18
 Major: Arts and Sciences



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RICK ROBEY—53

RICK ROBEY is the 6'10" fiery junior competitor who averaged 15.6 points per game and 7.5 rebounds at forward before missing the last half of the season with a knee injury. However, the knee has fully mended without surgery and Robey has been declared 100 per cent recovered. Failing to escape the knife completely, Robey underwent summer operations for a tonsillectomy and removal of a cyst from his hand.

According to Coach Hall, "Robey probably is the key to the improvement of our club this year. His knee injury last year and subsequent loss of a half season's play have made him that much more determined to contribute to the team this year. Rick seems to have much more scoring potential and a better understanding of the game than at any point of his career. He has developed a good feel at forward, and his inside game is tremendous as well. He is extremely agile for a big man."

STATISTICS

Position: Forward-Center
 Class: Junior
 Height: 6'10"
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 Age: 20
 Major: Agriculture-Economics

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"Mike," according to Coach Hall, "can be an awesome scoring machine—someday, he is going to cut loose and pop open a lot of eyes. He needs only to develop lower body strength and control to dramatically increase his efficiency. Mike has a good variety of shots, including an accurate outside jumper."

STATISTICS

Position: Center

Class: Junior

Height: 6'10"

Weight: 235

Age: 20

Major: Arts and Sciences



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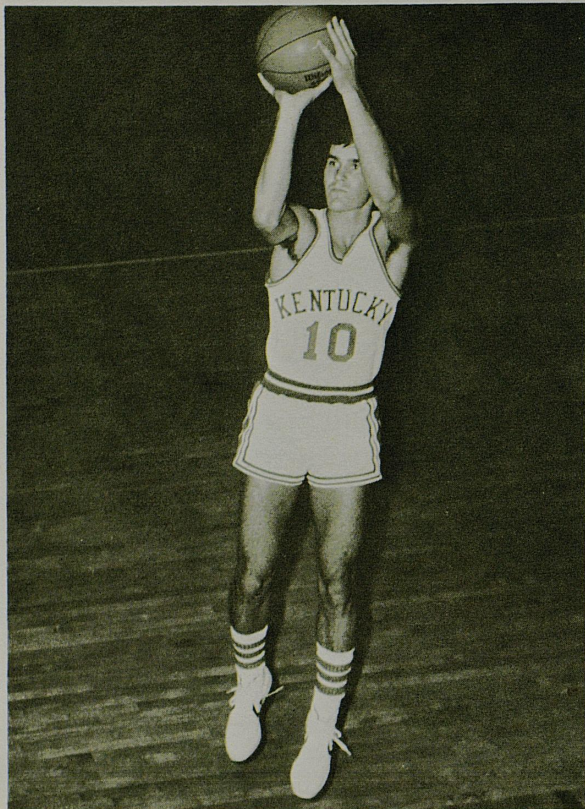


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KYLE MACY—10

As a prepster at Peru (Ind.) High School, **KYLE MACY** gained All America status and was named Indiana's "Mr. Basketball" after averaging over 35 points his senior year. He was coached at Peru by his father, Robert C. Macy.

Macy, a transfer from Purdue University with a 3.16 academic average, earned a starting role at Purdue in the third game and scored 21 points. His season high came in his first Big Ten game when he popped in 38 points against Minnesota. He finished the year with a 13-plus average, while hitting 49.1 per cent from the field.

"We had recruited Kyle in high school so we know that he is an outstanding young man who will be a credit to our program at Kentucky," said Coach Hall. "He will insure us a quality person and player at his position for three years."

Macy will sit out a year of competition due to the transfer. However, he will be able to practice with the Wildcats and learn Hall's style of play.

STATISTICS

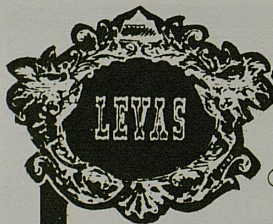
Position: Guard
 Class: Sophomore
 Height: 6'3"
 Weight: 175
 Age: 19
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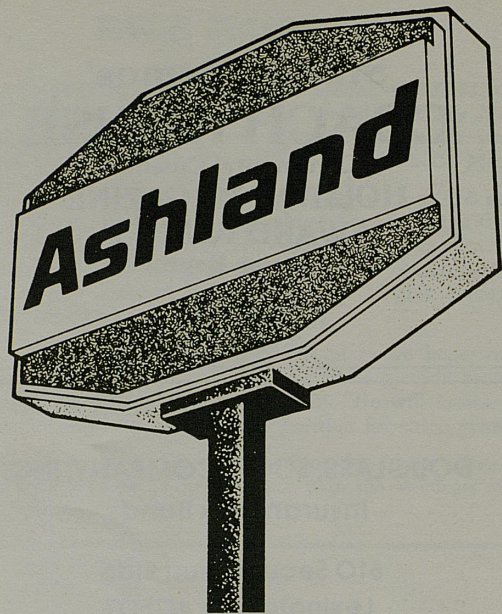
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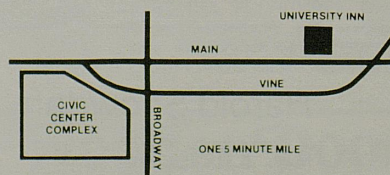
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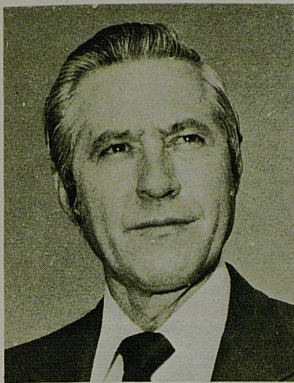
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RUSSELL RICE was named sports information director at UK in May, 1969, after serving two years as assistant to Ken Kuhn, who retired after more than two decades of service with the University. Rice came to the Wildcats from The Lexington Leader, where he was a general reporter eight years and sports editor five years. A native of Paintsville, Ky., he won letters in football, basketball and baseball at Van Lear High. After serving with the U. S. Marines in World War II, he attended Kentucky Wesleyan College and received his bachelor's at the University of Kentucky in 1951. He has served as manager of the NCAA Mid-East Basketball Tournament (1968), president of the Southeastern Conference Sports Information Directors Association and chairman of the Basketball Hall of Fame Committee of the College Sports Information Directors Association and was recipient of the 1971 Churchmen's "Sportswriters of the Year" award.

**JACK
PERRY**
Assistant
Sports
Information
Director



JACK PERRY joined the Sports Information staff in March, 1970, after 15 years with the Lexington Herald-Leader, where he was Librarian for 10 years. A native Lexingtonian, Jack attended the University in 1949-50 before entering the United States Air Force. He is married to the former Miss Barbara Sanders of Lexington. They have four children—Mrs. Greg Moore, of Owensboro, Ky., Mrs. Deborah Case, Jack David and Todd, of Lexington.

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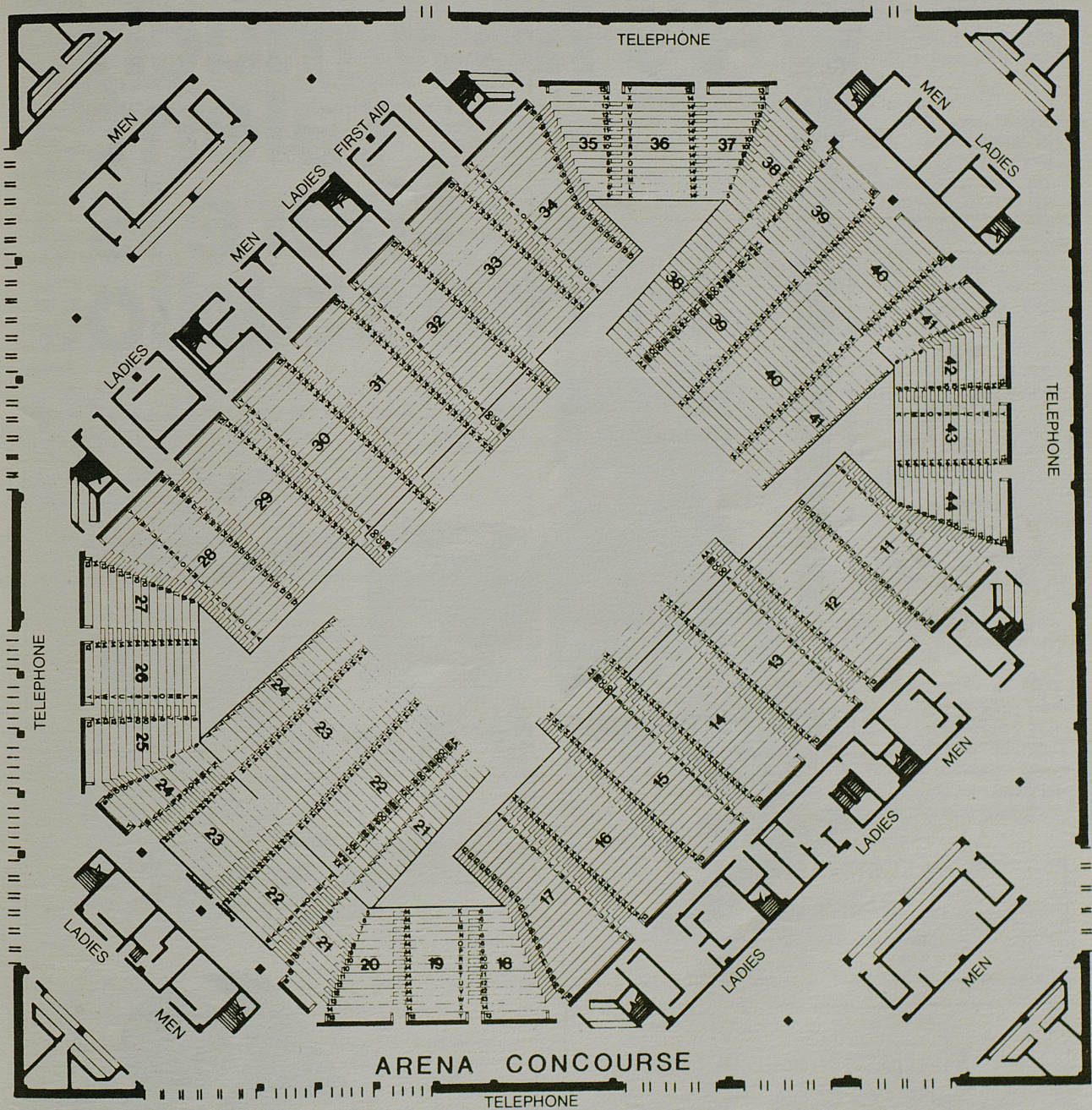
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GATE INFORMATION

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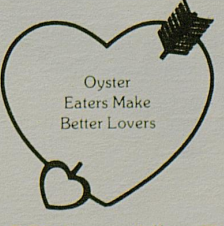
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