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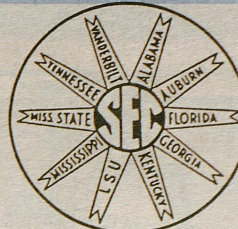


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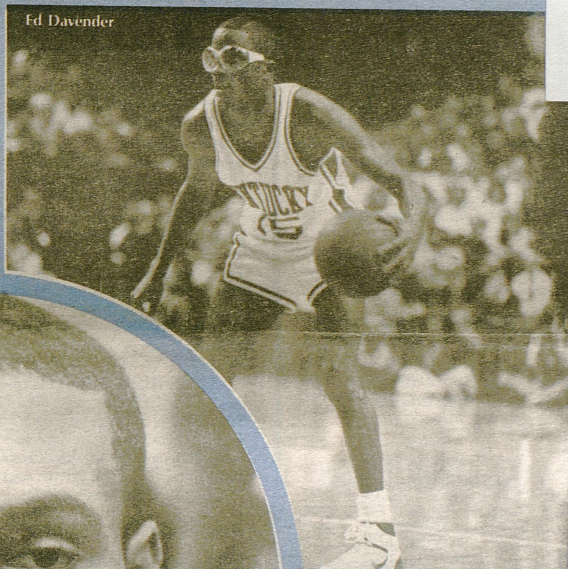
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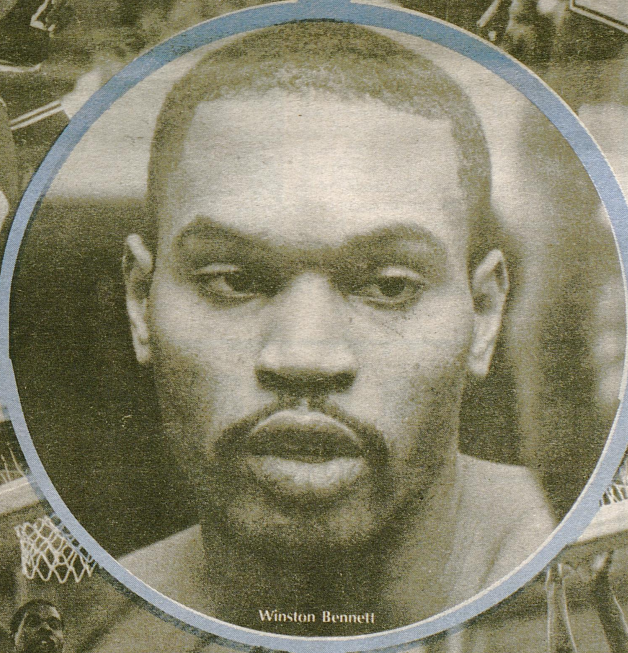
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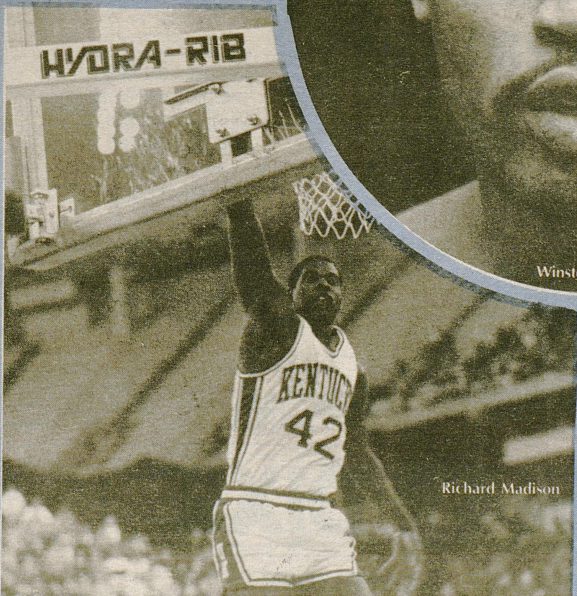
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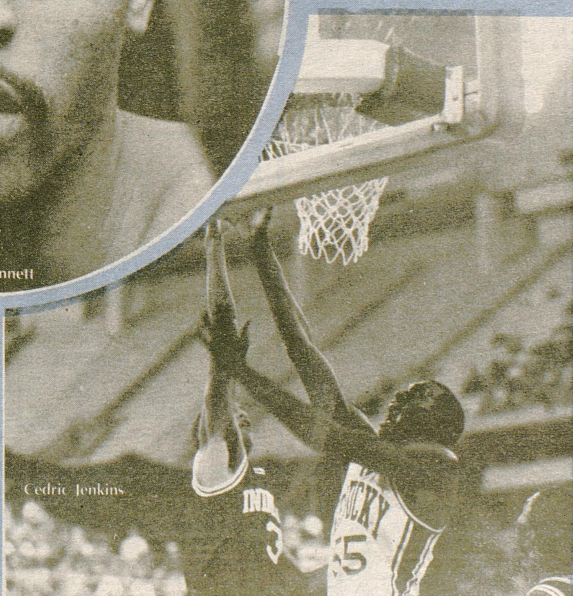
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UK's Dee Smith Held In Ohio On Drug Charges

The Cats' Pause has learned through various sources that University of Kentucky football player Dee Smith was arrested on two counts of trafficking cocaine last Thursday in Cincinnati, Ohio, along with two other Lexingtonians. Smith, a native of Paducah, was reportedly picked up for: 1) trafficking in cocaine for sale and; 2) preparation for distribution of cocaine.

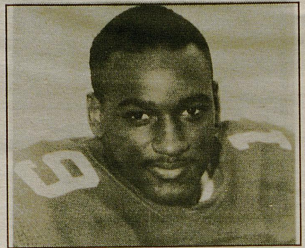
Smith was arrested on Pete Rose Way for trying to sell four ounces of cocaine to local drug enforcement agencies.

Both are state charges. Smith awaits a preliminary hearing on Friday, March 4. Until then he is in the Hamilton

County Justice Center. Bond has been set at \$150,000.

A release from the UK sports information departments said: "University of Kentucky coach Jerry Claiborne verified Monday that junior to be Dee Smith of Paducah has been arrested in Cincinnati, Ohio. Claiborne said his coaching staff would wait until the outcome of the judicial proceedings before deciding what, if any, disciplinary action would be taken against Smith.

"Smith, a 5-foot-11, 182-pound flanker, had 23 pass receptions for 420 yards and four touchdowns for the Wildcats in '87. Smith also led UK in punt and kickoff returns."



Dee Smith

Chapman Expected To Play Against Georgia; Cats Move To No. 18

After having to miss one game because of a lower back injury in the LSU contest, last Sunday sophomore Rex Chapman said that he would be ready to play against Georgia on Wednesday evening.

When asked by one reporter if he was able to go against Syracuse, Chapman nodded yes. He felt that coach Eddie Sutton held him out of the nationally-televised contest because of safety reasons.

"I wanted to play," said Chapman after UK's 62-58 victory over the Orangemen, the first game he has missed in his two-year career, "but they played great. There wasn't any need to really play me at all."

Asked if he would play against Georgia, Chapman replied, "I hope so."

The 6-foot-5 sophomore fractured a bone in the lower part of his back when he fell while going up for a layup. The area which he injured—transverse process—is not serious. Pain probably will persist for another two weeks or so.

The day before the contest against Syracuse, Chapman tried to practice, but had to take himself out.

"The way he landed, he could have broken an elbow or his pelvis," team doctor Michael Ray said. "As fractures go, especially one to the lower back, this is one you'd want to have. It has nothing to do with the stability of the back or the nerves that exit the spinal cord."

Chapman said his main drawback, because of the pain, was playing defense and going after loose balls.



Rex Participated In Pregame Drills, But Didn't See Action Sunday

With victories over LSU and No. 10 Syracuse last week, UK jumped four spots to No. 8 in the Feb. 29 AP Top Twenty. Eddie Sutton's club also opened the door for a possible No. 2 seed in one of the NCAA regionals.

The NCAA uses computer rankings and the wire service polls to assist the seeding process for the 64-team tourney. Looking at the poll, UK would figure to be the second-highest rated club in the Southeast.

If everything stays the same, No. 1 Temple, No. 2 Purdue, No. 3 Arizona and No. 4 Oklahoma would figure to receive the top seeds in each of the four regionals—Temple in the East, Arizona in the West, Purdue in the Southeast and Oklahoma in the Midwest.

No. 5 UNLV would seem to be second in the West, No. 6 North Carolina in the East, and if No. 7 Pitt was moved to the Midwest, No. 8 UK would be second in the Southeast.

AP Top Twenty	Previous Week
1. Temple (44).....	1
2. Purdue (12).....	2
3. Arizona (3).....	3
4. Oklahoma (4).....	4
5. UNLV.....	3
6. North Carolina.....	9
7. Pitt.....	6
8. Kentucky.....	12
9. Duke.....	5
10. Michigan.....	7
11. Iowa.....	13
12. Syracuse.....	10
13. Georgia Tech.....	20
14. Bradley.....	14
15. Brigham Young.....	11
16. N.C. State.....	18
17. Loyola, Calif.....	19
18. Wyoming.....	16
19. Vanderbilt.....	17
20. Xavier.....	—

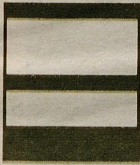
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## No. 8 'Cats In Line For 2nd Seed In NCAA Regionals

Less than a week ago, some fair-weather followers were ready to give up on this crop of Big Blue. Oh, ye of little faith.

All the 'Cats needed were a couple home court battles at the friendly confines of Rupp Arena. Presto! The 'Cats bombed LSU 95-69 and then came up with a sterling exhibition in upsetting Syracuse 62-58 Sunday, without Rex Chapman.

The victory over LSU wasn't all that surprising, the margin was. The win over the Orangemen was a different story. First, Kentucky knew the game would be a battle to the wire, but that was before Chapman came crashing to the floor in the LSU game and suffered a cracked bone in his back, forcing him out of the Syracuse contest.

In retrospect, Chapman's absence may have been a blessing in disguise, for the Wildcats gave as strong an exhibition in determination, defense and chemistry as we've seen this season. In other words, the 'Cats knew anything less than 100 percent and they could be facing a total humiliation at home and in front of a national-television audience on CBS-TV.

A few (myself included) said the game against Syracuse really meant nothing. And that's true in one sense. The game did not count in the conference standings and if Chapman had to miss one game, it could not come at a better time.

On the other hand, the victory over Syracuse certainly made a case for a high seeding in the NCAA tournament next month.

By beating the 10th ranked Orangemen, the 'Cats moved up four notches to No. 8 in the *Associated Press* poll. That means Kentucky has a good shot at a high seeding, perhaps even the second round of four and that's all important.

If Kentucky should beat both Georgia and Ole Miss this week, and that's a big "if," the 'Cats could do no worse than hold their ground at No. 8, and that will be the final week of rankings before the NCAA tournament bracket is announced.

Kentucky's victory also should be a shot in the arm for other SEC schools considered "on the bubble" as far as getting selected to the NCAA tournament.

Any time an SEC school can whip a Top Ten school from another conference, it makes the entire SEC appear stronger. The SEC got a double dose Saturday when Vanderbilt knocked off Notre Dame 75-66 in South Bend, and the game wasn't as close as the score indicated.

Even before this weekend there were signs the SEC has been underrated. Sure there have been some upset losses outside the conference. But what about the wins? Kentucky previously had beaten Indiana, Notre Dame and Louisville. Florida won the pre-season Big Apple NIT, LSU upset then top-ranked Oklahoma, Vanderbilt beat then-No. 1 North Carolina and came within a bucket of Indiana back in December.

Suddenly, the SEC doesn't appear to be a pushover some thought a few weeks ago.

Kentucky is within one game of clinching a share of the SEC title as the regular season draws to a close this week. The 'Cats host Georgia on Wednesday and then travel to Ole Miss for the finale on Saturday.

If Kentucky is to win the title outright before Sunday, the 'Cats will probably have to take care of the business themselves. Two of UK's three chief rivals—Florida and LSU—finish their regular season a day later, on Sunday in Baton Rouge.

Entering this week's play, Kentucky owns a one-game lead over Vanderbilt and a game-and-a-half over Florida and LSU. Auburn, which had been in a tie for second place with six losses prior to last Saturday, fell to 9-7 after losing 82-77 at Alabama.

### SEC Standings\*

Team	All	SEC	GB
Kentucky.....	20-5	11-5	—
Vanderbilt.....	18-7	10-6	1
Florida.....	19-9	9-6	1½
LSU.....	14-10	9-6	1½
Auburn.....	16-9	9-7	2
Tennessee.....	15-10	8-8	3
Georgia.....	15-13	7-9	4
Alabama.....	14-14	6-10	5
Ole Miss.....	12-13	6-10	5
Mississippi State.....	12-14	4-12	7

\*thru games of Feb. 28

The race is still pretty complex. Vanderbilt has two games remaining, both on the road at Florida and Mississippi State.

Florida has Vanderbilt at home on Wednesday, then hosts Alabama on Saturday and the following day the Gators go to Baton Rouge.

LSU, meanwhile, is at Mississippi State on Wednesday before welcoming Auburn on Saturday and then Florida on Sunday.

If Kentucky wins both, the 'Cats are a lock. If the 'Cats split, then LSU appears to be in the best position to catch the 'Cats.

Ironically, LSU has the opportunity to close the pre-NCAA tournament schedule with five consecutive home games should the Tigers go to the championship game of the SEC Tournament.

This being the 10th anniversary of the renewal of the Southeastern Conference postseason tournament, it's very unusual that the tournament bracket is so unsettled with just two rounds of action remaining in the regular season.

In fact, there is not a single position locked up at this time. Even 10th place Mississippi State still has a shot at the No. 8 spot.

If the current standings should hold, the first double-header round on Thursday would have Georgia, Alabama, Ole Miss and Mississippi State playing. Even that could change.

There will be several big, big regular-season finales this weekend. Some are

obvious, like UK at Ole Miss, Vanderbilt at Mississippi State and Florida at LSU.

But the biggest game of all—as far as rivalry goes—could be in Athens where Georgia will be host to Tennessee. Not so, you say!

Well, think about it for just a moment: Who would have given Don DeVoe a prayer in keeping his job just three weeks ago. Now, don't all of you shout at the same time.

But in the past couple weeks, the Vols have upset Kentucky and then stunned Florida in Gainesville to move up to sixth place. More importantly, the Vols have evened their SEC mark at 8-8 and 15-10 overall.

If Tennessee can beat Alabama at home on Wednesday, it would give the Vols a 9-8 mark and a real shot at a NCAA tournament bid at 17-10 and 10-8 in conference. A 10-8 mark would probably put the Vols in the league's top division.

But that's a big if. Georgia is battling to get back some respectability. The Dogs are 7-9 in SEC and 15-13 overall. Anything less than a sweep over Kentucky (at Rupp) and Tennessee, and the Dogs will have to depend on a miracle in Baton Rouge to earn them a postseason invitation.

Lest we forget, these two clubs haven't exactly been in the brotherly love mood over the years either.

### Some leftovers from the UK-Syracuse battle:

\*Senior Ed Davender moved up to the 10th spot on the all-time Kentucky scoring list Sunday when he pumped home 14 points, giving him 1,519 for his career. He ranks No. 3 on the UK all-time free throw attempts list with 403 attempts, behind Kenny Walker's 550 and Dan Issle's 488. He ranks sixth in free throw attempts with 517 and fourth in career assists with 397.

\*Sophomore Rex Chapman missed the first game of his collegiate career Sunday. He had played in all 53 games during his two-year career prior to the big game and had started in all but one, that being senior day last season when he was replaced by Paul Andrews. Chapman told reporters after the Syracuse game he went to coach Eddie Sutton prior to the game and told the UK coach he (Chapman) wanted to play.

\*Senior Rob Lock continued his fine play against Syracuse when he scored 12 points with four steals and four rebounds. Lock has now scored in double figures in six of his last eight games. Although Syracuse's Rony Seikaly scored 21 points and had nine rebounds, Lock was largely responsible for eight turnovers created by the Orangemen attempting to get the ball inside to Seikaly even more.

\*If you're into statistics, here's one for you: Prior to Sunday's game, Kentucky had won 15 and lost only one game when leading at the half. When trailing at the half, Kentucky had only a 4-4 mark. Another stat: When Kentucky had shot 50

percent or better, the 'Cats were a flashy 10-0. When shooting less than 50 percent, UK was a so-so 9-4. Kentucky shot only 43.5 percent against Syracuse. The best stat on Kentucky's games is the turnover department. When UK commits less turnovers than the opponent, Kentucky is 18-3. When the reverse is true, UK is 1-2. Sunday, UK had nine less turnovers than Syracuse (17-8). When you take care of the ball, you take care of the game.

\*The crowd of 24,025 Sunday was the seventh-largest crowd in the history of Rupp Arena. It surpassed the 24,012 which attended the Kentucky-Louisville game on Nov. 26, 1983. The mark can be attributed to an overflow of regional and national media attending the game.

\*Two additional rows of auxiliary press seating was required for the media. CBS-TV, which televised the game nationally, installed a studio-type setting for special breaks in the first half of its double-header which included an NBA game.

\*The trio of officials which attracted the wrath of fans and coach Sutton more than once Sunday came courtesy of the Big East Conference. According to UK officials, when Kentucky returns its game to Syracuse next season, three SEC refs will be calling the game.

**HITS AND MISSES** . . . NCAA executive director Richard Schultz was a guest of UK president Dr. David Roselle Sunday. The NCAA's top official is making several get-acquainted visits to college campuses all across the country. And for those curious ones, no, it has nothing to do with the NCAA's look into allegations published by the *Lexington Herald-Leader* over two years ago . . . Among those 24,025 fans were scouts of at least nine NBA teams. They were taking a look at UK's seniors, but more particularly Syracuse's Seikaly. Now, just putting you on. There's nothing they could learn about Seikaly Sunday they didn't already know. They were like everyone else. They wanted a free ticket to watch a great game . . . Speaking of tickets, I knew it was a big game almost two hours before tipoff. There are about five regular big-time ticket scalpers who work all the Rupp Arena games. Everyone knows who they are. They usually hang around the lobby of the Hyatt Regency or just outside Rupp Arena. Not this time though. Two of the better known ones were three blocks away, trying to flag down motorists with extra tickets to sell. The topper? One scalper held a sign (pleading for two tickets) in one hand and five \$100 bills in the other . . . Congratulations to UK sports information director Brad Davis who is leaving Kentucky in April to become the assistant commissioner in charge of public relations for the Southeastern Conference in Birmingham. Davis won't have a difficult time adjusting to the Steel City. Davis spent many years at Auburn University where he attended college as his father, Bob Davis, was

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# Different Story

## This Time LSU Watches In Horror As 'Cats Cruise Past Tigers 95-69; Chapman Breaks Bone In His Back, Could Be Out For Two To Three Weeks

By TCP Staff Writer Jim Easterwood

Some people like their horror stories in surprising packages. Like Alfred Hitchcock's "Vertigo." Or Kentucky's "Manuel."

Led by Eric Manuel, a multifarious freshman, the 'Cats cruised past the horrified Tigers of Louisiana State 95-69 Wednesday night at Rupp Arena.

Beating Dale Brown's basketweaver was not unexpected. But the margin had to surprise everyone. . .possibly even Brown, the vociferous LSU coach.

But even Brown is a realist. "Hustle and diving on the floor will only carry you so far," said Brown. "There comes a time when superior talent plays and plays well, they are going to knock your head in."

### UK-LSU Was A Horror Story. . .For Both Sides

But there was another horror flick that didn't play well with 'Cat fans Wednesday night.

It was like something out of a Friday the 13th movie.

One could almost hear the collective gasps of shocked fans when sophomore Rex Chapman took the Fall Heard Round the (Basketball) World.

When Chapman hit the floor with 4:33 left in the first half, visions of NCAA championships were no longer dancing in anybody's head.

Evangelist Jimmy Swaggart, who coincidentally calls Baton Rouge home, never generated as many groans from his "fans" when he announced his philanderings last week.

As Kentucky coach Eddie Sutton rushed to the floor, a hush filled what had been loud voices from the audience of 23,164.

After what seemed like hours, Chapman was helped off the court. He started the second half but played only a few minutes before being taken to UK's Medical Center for observation and tests. The diagnosis was a broken transverse process, a small butterfly-shaped bone in the lower back. Chapman will likely be out for two to three weeks, but his progress is being checked on a day-to-day basis.

### But Manuel's Performance Helps Ease Pain

Losing Chapman for one, possibly two or even three games could be a horror story of great magnitude. But the performance of Manuel makes it less so. He was almost flawless.

The 6-foot-6 swingman scored 14 points, had a team-high seven rebounds, three assists and three steals.

Manuel also does things that don't show up in the scorebook. Like play defense, free Winston Bennett to play inside—where he is devastating—and create a smooth offensive flow.

"When Eric is in the game our offense looks a lot better," said Sutton. "I wasn't sure how LeRon (Ellis) would play coming off the bench. Would we get the same amount out of both by starting Eric?"

Sutton's other concern was also unfounded. He had wondered if Manuel could cover Ricky Blanton. That question was answered, emphatically so, in the first half.

Blanton, averaging 16.5 points a game, was held scoreless. He missed all three of his field goal attempts and wound up with only six points.

"He went out early and snuffed him," said Sutton.

The aging of Eric Manuel and the confidence of Ellis should blend nicely together until Chapman makes his return.

The 'Cats will lose a bit on both ends of the court with Chapman out. But the chemistry that Manuel gives them should carry them until the Southeastern Conference tournament.

Manuel's play was contagious. It seemed to create new enthusiasm on the part of the other 'Cats. Like Rob Lock, the oft-maligned 6-11 pivot.

### All Five 'Cats Starters Finish In Double Figures

Lock (10 points) was just one of five 'Cats in double figures. Bennett led with 24, followed by Ed Davender (21), Manuel and Chapman (11).

But it wasn't the points Lock scored. It was the way he played—with zest and zeal.

Lock was so relaxed he reached out to take a swig of TCP publisher Oscar Combs' Coke with Chapman at the foul line and UK leading 33-23 with 7:57 to go in the first half.

Combs said, laughing, "It (the Coke) has white lightning in it. . .watch him go wild."

And Lock did. . .well, sort of. Sutton liked the fire displayed by the 'Cats.

"That was impressive," said Sutton. "In the games last week we looked like zombies at times. We looked like we were tired. . .and sometimes that's a matter of mind."

Zombies one week. . .monsters of Rupp Arena the next.

The 'Cats, for sure, came to play. Brown had wanted a game in the 50s. For the whole game, however. Not a half.

But the 'Cats turned up the heat of the press in the first few minutes and the Tigers never got into their game plan.

Brown had all sorts of defensive tricks in the Tiger bag. He was going to start off with a diamond-and-one, go to the triangle-and-two. . .then the man and a zone—all part of his much-publicized "Freak" defensive scheme.

### UK Press 'Freaked' Out Brown's Bayou Bengals

But the 1-2-1-1 zone press of the 'Cats spoiled the best-laid plans of Brown and men.

The press created 12 turnovers in the first half, including four straight gifts early that sparked Kentucky to a 13-2 romp through the Tiger defense.

Manuel had six straight points during this span as Kentucky led 13-4, with only 3:46 having elapsed. Kentucky never looked back.

The 'Cats hit six of their first nine shots from the field and had a superlative shooting half. They connected on 20 of 29 shots, a 69-percent effort. Sutton just shook his curly locks as if to say, "Where had all that firepower been?"

LSU did have one impressive spurt. The Tigers closed the margin to six (27-21) on a three-point play by Jose Vargas, the Tigers' on-again, off-again center. There was 10:12 left in the half. It was the last gasp of a wounded team.

Kentucky went on a 19-7 tear as Davender and Chapman bagged back-to-back three-point goals to get the 'Cats off and winging. With the 'Cats leading 46-28, the crowd was really into it until Chapman came down the court to attempt a driving layup with 4:33 left in the half.

The 6-foot-4 Owensboro star hit the floor with a thud after colliding with LSU's Lyle Mouton. He twisted over and landed on his back. It took his—and the crowd's—breath away.

But the 'Cats weren't about to let it get them down. They outscored LSU 9-4 the rest of the half to take a commanding 55-32 lead.

The second half? Sorry you asked. It was anticlimactic as both teams played hard, but ragged basketball.

Sutton was kind to his pal, Dale, as he subdued freely. The biggest 'Cat lead was 62-35 with 17:54 to play.

"They had wanted. . .we didn't," Brown summed up. "Eddie was kind. If he played well to beat us by 35 he could have done it."

Brown's comment referred to a horror story for Sutton last year when LSU wasn't so kind.

The Tigers thrashed the 'Cats by 35 on their home court, the worst UK loss in Rupp Arena and the worst beating a Wildcat team had suffered since 1950. But that was last year. Wednesday night, it was a different (horror) story.

### UK-LSU Play-By-Play

Time	Kentucky	Score	LSU
19:33		0-2	Joe follow layup
18:55	Davender layup	2-2	
18:20	Bennett follow layup	4-2	
18:01		4-4	Sims 4 ft.
17:43	Manuel layup	6-4	
17:24	Manuel dunk	8-4	
16:47	Manuel 16 ft.	10-4	
16:14	Chapman 21 ft.	13-4	
16:00		13-6	Woodside layup
15:41	Lock FT, FT	15-6	
15:22	Bennett 8 ft.	17-6	Vargas 6 ft. hook
14:41		17-8	Joe layup
14:11		17-10	
13:52	Lock FT, FT	19-10	
13:39		19-12	Sims 10 ft.
13:24	Bennett layup	21-12	
13:05		21-14	Joe reverse layup
12:40	Davender 15 ft.	23-14	
12:14		23-16	Vargas 6 ft. turnaround
11:29	Davender layup, FTA	25-16	
11:01	Ellis FT, FT	27-16	
10:43		27-18	Joe FT, FT
10:12		27-21	Vargas 4 ft., FT
9:01	Davender 20 ft.	30-21	
8:50		30-23	Sims tip-in
8:34	Chapman 21 ft.	33-23	
7:57	Davender FT, FT	35-23	
7:16		35-25	Sims 11 ft.
6:40	Manuel 15 ft.	37-25	
6:24		37-28	Griffith 20 ft.
6:07	Manuel 14 ft.	39-28	
5:53	Lock FT, FT	41-28	
5:30	Chapman 21 ft.	44-28	
5:08	Chapman finger roll	46-28	
3:58		46-30	McKenzie FT, FT
2:59	Bennett 10 ft. bank	48-30	
2:42		48-32	Mouton 18 ft.
2:24	Ellis FT, FTA	49-32	
1:50	Lock layup	51-32	
1:12	Manuel 15 ft.	53-32	
0:06	Bennett 8 ft.	55-32	

### HALF

Time	Kentucky	Score	LSU
19:17	Lock tip-in	57-32	
18:57		57-35	Joe 21 ft.
18:39	Manuel 15 ft.	59-35	
17:54	Bennett 4 ft., FT	62-35	
17:44		62-37	Vargas 6 ft. hook
17:21		62-40	Joe 20 ft.
16:49		62-42	Sims 15 ft.
16:02		62-44	Blanton follow layup
15:37	Bennett layup	64-44	
15:05	Ellis 10 ft.	66-44	
14:44		66-47	Woodside 20 ft.
14:25	Davender 14 ft.	68-47	
13:02	Bennett 6 ft.	70-47	
12:43		70-49	Blanton 19 ft.
12:19	Davender FT, FT	72-49	
11:31		72-52	McKenzie 20 ft.
9:21	Bennett 15 ft.	74-52	
8:46	Bennett layup	76-52	
8:32		76-53	Vargas FT, FTA
7:31	Jenkins FT, FTA	77-53	
7:26		77-56	Joe layup, FT
6:57	Bennett FTA, FT	78-56	
6:48		78-58	Joe 18 ft.
5:46	Bennett layup	80-58	
5:31		80-61	Joe 20 ft.
5:15	Madison 4 ft.	82-61	
4:44	Jenkins 6 ft. hook	84-61	
4:24		84-63	Blanton 18 ft.
4:02	Davender FT, FT	86-63	
3:21	Davender layup	88-63	
2:29		88-65	Mouton 12 ft.
1:54	Davender FT, FT	90-65	
0:41	Madison finger roll	92-65	
0:28		92-67	Irvin FT, FT
0:17	Hanson FT, FT	94-67	
0:09		94-69	Irvin 17 ft.
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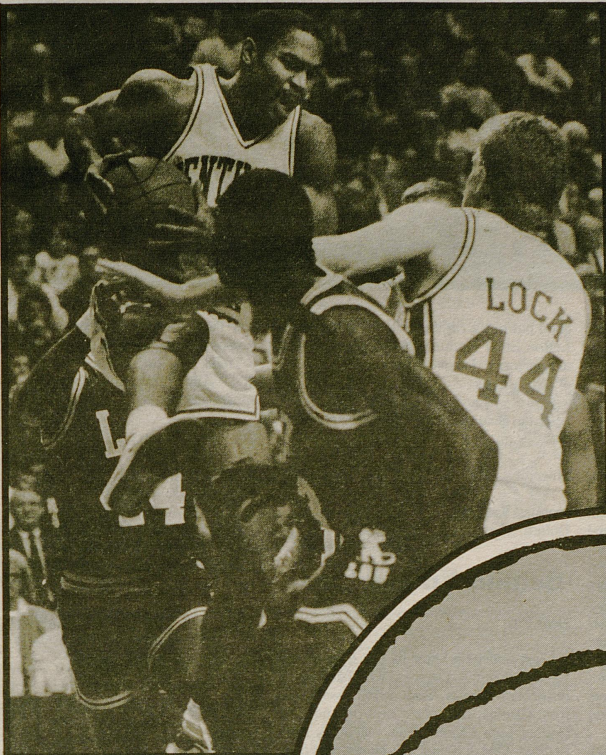
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14 Madson, Kyle	1	5	1	5	2	2	0	0	2	5	1	2	0	17
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 TECHNICAL Fouls: None  
 Attendance: 23,164



(Top) Winston Bennett Declares War On LSU, Scoring 24 Points In Win Over Tigers



(Top) Wonder If Eddie And Dale Are Talking About The Good Ol' Days?

**UK 95, LSU 69**  
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(Bottom) Bennett Slashes Through The Lane

(Bottom) UK's LeRon Ellis Looks To Slow Down LSU's Darryl Joe

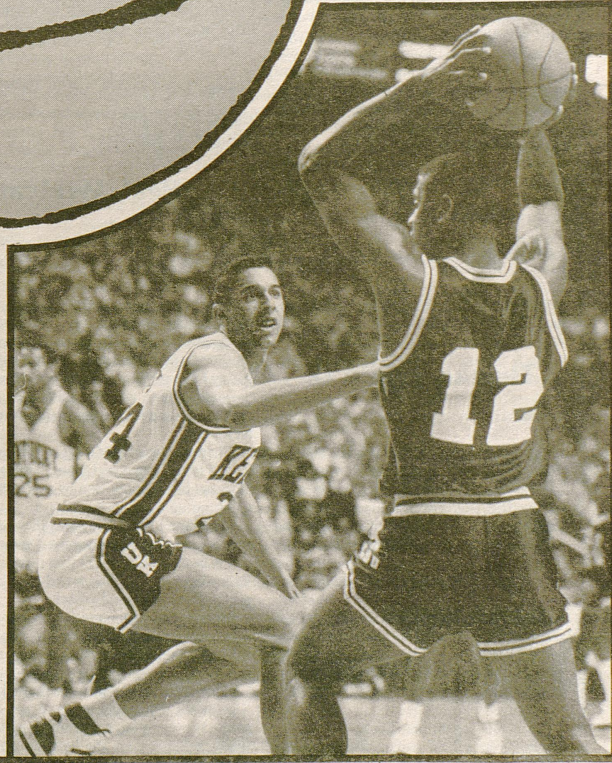
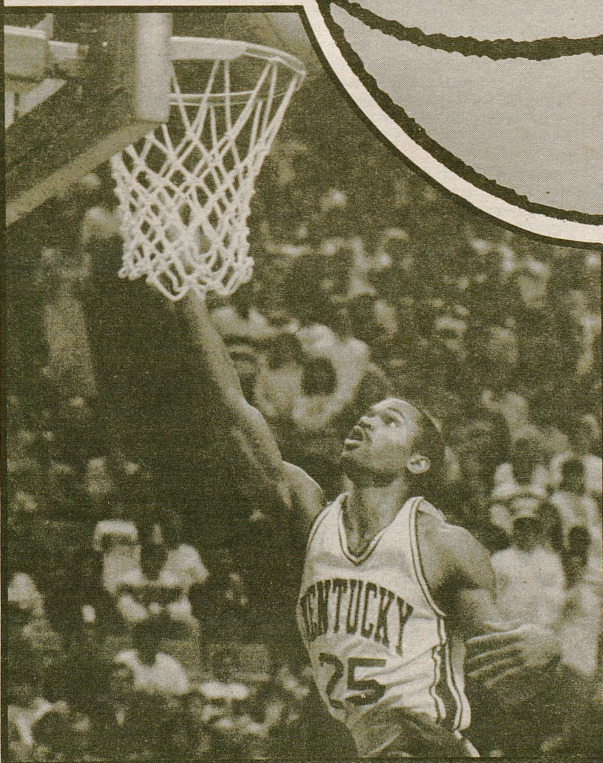


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# VIEWPOINT

## Letters To The Editor

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### Blue In Knoxville

Dear Sir:

I am writing this letter for myself. I guess you could say I am writing it as a form of self-therapy, so to speak—as a way of preserving my sanity. Exactly 24 hours after the dreaded UK-UT game, I find myself still in a state of shock and licking my wounds after a day spent in the world of Volunteer mania. "How 'bout them Vols?" and "What happened to the 'Cats?" is still ringing in my ears. However, I find it amazing that before the game almost everyone had given up on the basketball Vols and were ready for (what else?) football season to begin. "DeVoe must go" had become a favorite slogan. Now, suddenly after a narrow two-point win over the 'Cats, the basketball fans come crawling out of the walls, an maybe DeVoe isn't so bad after all. And tonight on a local radio talk show, there was even talk of winning the SEC tournament because they proved they could beat the Big Blue.

Well, I hate to burst their bubble, but boy would I hate to be the Volunteer that a Wildcat got ahold of on a neutral hardwood floor!

Yes, last night hurt. Not only did it hurt, but it hurt a lot. As the buzzer sounded, I sat down on the bleacher, put my head in my hands and let the tears fall. But as I walked out of Thompson-Boling Arena, I held my head high and had the final satisfaction of knowing my 'Cats are still No. 1 in the SEC. And even though because of money factors I may attend the University of Tennessee, my heart will always be in Bluegrass country—where the 'Cats are king. 'Cats, I love you. And I just wanted to say that win or lose there is one Tennessee girl that with a Kentucky heart that will always be found at Thompson-Boling Arena shaking her Blue and White shaker and yelling, Go Big Blue!

Thanks for letting me air my feelings. I can breathe a little easier now.

'Cat Fan Forever,

Kristy Hoover  
Clinton, Tennessee

P.S.—I LOVE REX! (and my mom does, too!)

### Thanks, Eddie D.

Dear Sir:

The word today in Knoxville is "Thanks, Eddie Davender"—thanks for showing us a way to win! All week long the inside word on the Hill was that Davender could and would penetrate, but was selfish and would not pass off. So, the Vols prepared with that in mind. In so doing, coach DeVoe was able (obviously) to convince his players that they too would have to move the ball around better than before in order to win. Today the coach, Dyron Nix and the rest of the team, and the spectators all feel that Tennessee has learned a big lesson that could make the rest of the season somewhat better. Thanks Eddie D.

Yes, I fully agree that Eddie D. is a fine player but he MUST realize that coach Sutton is right when he insists on passing the ball

to get the best-positioned shot possible—from anyone open. This is a super group of talented players, Eddie D.—use them as a TEAM—your points will come. Bennett did not contribute as he must, but part of that was due to the above. I note the continued improvement of (Eric) Manuel in ballhandling (forget THE turnover, could have happened to anyone) shooting AND passing. As he works more, defense will certainly improve, probably to a point of being very dramatic with the talent he has. He is the Kenny Walker-Winston Bennett of the future—and more! (Rob) Lock is very valuable in so many ways—a good player (not a great one) who can be had, even as the great ones can at times. (LeRon) Ellis is a super plus for the future but must learn to pick himself up when on the road—the fans can't do it for him every time, although we did try hard last night. (Rex) Chapman was just off target, even when he had a better position. That hurt us, but thankfully, is not going to happen often.

Tennessee did play well, the way they had to. To win (in the future), we must put it back together the way Tennessee did, the way coach Sutton wants, the way Kentucky and other great teams have done time and time again—PASS OFF, MOVE THE BALL AROUND!!! When playing the way we should, the 'Cats are a very fine team with the POTENTIAL to get to Kansas City. The response of Eddie Davender will definitely be a major factor, if not THE KEY.

Enclosed is a check for renewal of TCP. We get a lot of harrassment here in Big Orange Country, but we Blue Bloods are tough. TCP helps in letting us what is happening in the 'Cats' corner.

Thanks from a clawed 'Cat in Tennessee,

Claude R. Gambrel  
Spring City, Tennessee

### Get Real, Wildcats!

Dear Sir:

I have been a Kentucky fan for a couple of years. I am only 13.

I live in a scummy state, Georgia. I hate it. They hate basketball, it's all football. I hardly see any Kentucky games or hear about the games. So I listen to WLW, that's the only way I can get to hear the games. There are those down here who like basketball (few). I get put down a lot because I am a true Kentucky fan.

When we played the Georgia Bull "dawks" I went to the game and I was hoping for a blowout, but we only won by seven! What's going on up there in Kentucky?

Everytime I see a UK game they seem to have no emotion. Kentucky has a great tradition in basketball! I haven't seen it since when Kenny Walker, Sam Bowie and Melvin Turpin were playing for Kentucky.

Sutton's first year—great!

Sutton's second year—not that good.

Sutton's third year—two losses at home; get real!

Too many people want to be the star of the 'Cats' team. Chapman needs to stop taking practically every shot. I feel Ed Davender and Winston Bennett are the best the team has got. I like (Rex) Chapman and I think he's

good but he's a little overrated. What about LeRon Ellis? Nothing. He hasn't been able to play much. I think he should start instead of (Rob) Lock.

I love UK and always will. They're the best, but let's start playing like a true Kentucky team.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Van Hook  
Duluth, Georgia

### Behind Enemy Lines

Dear Sir:

I just noticed a letter in *The Cats' Pause* signed by Jim T. Demoss, who had been a resident of Clinton, Tenn. I live seven miles from Clinton, the county seat of Anderson County. I am a Kentuckian, originally from Bedford. One of Kentucky's players was from Bedford; Mr. (Jack) Tingle, who later worked for the *Louisville Courier-Journal* and I believe passed away with cancer. I went to Kentucky when Frenchy Demoisey played, I believe the original hook shot shooter.

There are a lot of Kentuckians here and we take ribbings from Tennessee and give it in return. I do not agree with a lot of the writers of letters who give the coaches a hard time. It would be much different if they were in the coaches' places. I think they are doing a magnificent job. I have been here since 1945 and worked 32 years before retiring from atomic energy plants at Oak Ridge. Things look good for coach (Eddie) Sutton the next few years, as they are doing an excellent job recruiting. I believe they will get another California boy this year. I certainly enjoy *The Cats' Pause*. We need it here in enemy country.

Sincerely,

Norman O'Neal  
Clinton, Tennessee

### SEC Zebras Are Terrible

Dear Sir:

Recently, while listening to the UK-Auburn game (as it was not televised) I became quite disturbed. Cawood Ledford, who can call a game better than anyone with unbiased broadcasting, was adamant that the officiating was very "lopsided." Ralph Hacker, in full agreement, said that the same trio of officials had worked the game in Baton Rouge when Vanderbilt played LSU, and that they had let LSU "mug" the Commodores; as a result, LSU won the game. Fortunately, UK did not suffer the same outcome.

What I want to know is, to whom can I write about such poor officiating in the SEC? It is obvious after watching the ACC and Big Ten games that SEC officials do not come close in comparison.

I feel this poor officiating degrades the play and coaching of the SEC, and that it is time to bring it to the attention of someone with the authority to correct it.

Many have said, and now it is time to prove, that UK fans are knowledgeable about

how the game is played, or rather how it is supposed to be played.

Thank you for reading (and/or printing) this. Any information will be greatly appreciated.

Continued success,

Beth Cole  
Louisville, Kentucky

(Editor's note: OK, Beth, you can address a letter of complaint to associate commissioner John Guthrie, who supervises the SEC officials, at this address:

900 Central Bank Building  
Birmingham, Ala. 35233  
(205) 252-7415

### When Is Tipoff Time?

Dear Sir:

I love 'Cats and I love every inch of *The Cats' Pause*. I was wondering if it has ever been brought to your attention that we Big Blue fans who have had to move would like to have the game times listed on the game calendar so we can pick up the games on the radio? I can get all the games on radio and not television. If you put the time in *The Cats' Pause*, it would sure help. Thanks from a 'Cat fan in Buckeye Country.

Yours truly,

Edwin L. Wilson  
Proctorville, Ohio

(Editor's note: Consider it done, Edwin.)

### Barefoot In California?

Dear Sir:

I guess the kids will have to do without shoes. . .

Please renew my subscription to *The Cats' Pause*.

Sincerely,

Cliff Reeves  
Huntington Beach, California

P.S.—Only kidding about the shoes.

### Keene Observer

Dear Sir:

I have been a subscriber to your newspaper for several years and look forward to receiving my copy each week.

I am writing because I have heard about a young lad who plays for a small school in Feds Creek named Shannon Keene. I understand he averaged over 50 points a game in grade school and his highest game was 65 points!

I am sure your readers would be very interested in knowing more about this young man just as I am. What kind of stats does he

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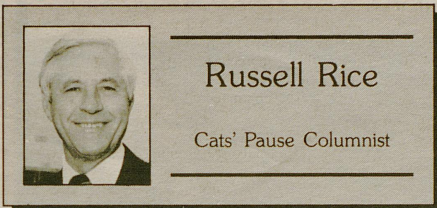
# What's In A Name? — Playing The Name Game

## Taking Another Look At Numbers Game, Too

As evidenced by recent feature articles, the current crop of University of Kentucky basketball players seems more concerned with nicknames than any group of Wildcats since the "good old days" when nicknames were apparently the social order of the times.

We're not speaking of such obvious cognomens as Bill, Jack, Joe, Jim, Charlie, Al,

Use your imagination on the origin of the following nicknames: Fred "Cab" Curtis (1937, '38, '39), Carl "Hoot" Combs (basketball 1940; football 1938, '39, '40), Charles "Turkey" Hughes (basketball 1924, '25; football 1923, '24; track 1923, '24), Adrian "Odie" Smith (1957, '58), Allen "Horse" Feldhaus (1960, '61, '62), John "Frenchy" DeMoisey (1932,



Russell Rice

Cats' Pause Columnist



Lee, Ray and Mike, but of such unusual nicknames as "Aggie," "Beebop," "Chigger" and "Swoop," to name a few.

The question concerning the current Wildcats is whether the nicknames will stand the test of time, since Mike Scott has been upgraded from "Snowman" (after the abominable one) in 1986-87 to "Snow Chief" after he returned trim and ready for the current season, and music lover Winston Bennett advanced from "Steady Bee" to "Beebop." Long-armed Cedric Jenkins has carried "Swoop" for years, while Reggie Hanson still has his old high school nickname, "Reb."

Imaginations apparently weren't overtaxed when teammates tagged 6-foot-11, 225-pound Rob Lock with "Mountain," Derrick Miller with "Grumpy" as in Snow White and her seven little fellows who were about the size of Leroy "Baby Magic" Byrd, who was a miniature copy of Earvin Johnson of the Lakers, and red-haired freshman John Pelphey with "Opie," sheriff Taylor's son on "The Andy Griffith Show."

**FAMILY CONNECTIONS, ESPECIALLY SIBLINGS**, have played a big part in Wildcat nicknames, notably Wallace "Wah Wah" Jones, whose little sister couldn't pronounce his given name, and Earl "Brother" Adkins, who reports that "first my brother started calling me 'Brother,' then my mother, my father and my sister took it up."

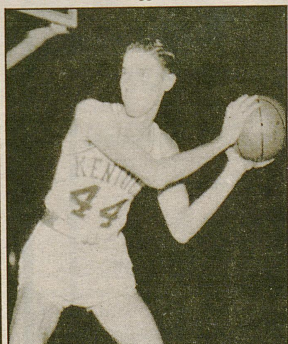
Freshman Eric Manuel's father's nickname is "Moon," so Eric was "Little Moon" when he arrived at UK; now the "Little" has been dropped.

Norris "Chigger" Flynn (manager, 1956), a person of slight build, was a wee one when a salesman from North Carolina started calling on father Flynn, who was in the drycleaning business.

"I was about three or four years old and playing in the yard," Norris recalls, "when that salesman looked at me and said, 'Why, he's no bigger than a chigger.' Every time he came back, he wanted to know, 'How's the little chigger?'"

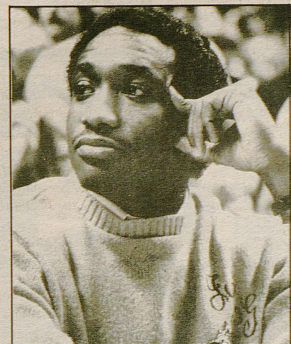
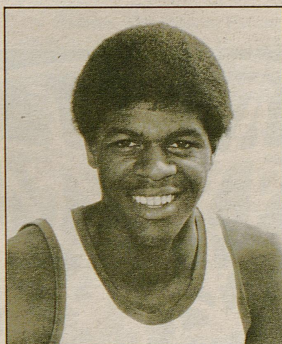
Charles Ishmael (1963, '64) came to UK from Mt. Sterling on a football scholarship, but earned his spurs in basketball. He was tagged "Chili" by brother David, who is three years his junior. David, who played football for the Wildcats in 1965, has been known since childhood as "Dutch," perhaps after Charles "Dutch" Ishmael, who lettered in football in 1938, '39, '40. "Chili" says that older "Dutch" apparently is no kin; besides, the Ishmael family isn't of Dutch origin.

**WHEN PHIL GRAWEMEYER (1954, '55, '56) WAS A BABY**, his mother couldn't get him to sleep with any song other than the then-popular "Lookie, Lookie, Here Comes Cookie." Forest "Aggie" Sale (All-American, 1933) was an agriculture major; Elmer



Phil 'Cookie' Grawemeyer, Left, And LeRoy 'Cowboy' Edwards

"Baldy" Gilb (basketball 1929; football 1926, '27, '28) is living proof of his nickname; LeRoy Edwards (All-American 1925) was truly a "Big Boy," also known as "Cowboy" during the one year he played at UK; Marvin Akers (1941, '42, '43) was a "Big Train" who choo-chooed his way through the opposition en route to two-time All-SEC honors; speedy Dwight Anderson (1979) was a "Blurr;" All-American Bill "Grits" Spivey (1951, '52) was from smalltown Georgia; Garland "Spec" Townes (1950) wore glasses; Stanley "Spooks" Milward (1928, '29, '30) was as gangly as Homer "Tub" Thompson (1937, '38, '39) was squat, and Carl "Deacon" Staker had the tall, gaunt looks of a mountain circuit rider.



Dwight 'Blurr' Anderson, Left, And Jack 'Goose' Givens

'33, All-American '34), Mulford "Muff" Davis (1943, '46, '47) and Jack "Goose" Givens (1975, '76, '77, All-American '78).

In the case of some famous Wildcats who had obvious nicknames, the UK publicist at the time tried to create new monikers such as "The Cat" for Cliff Hagan, "Plato" and "Golden Greek" for Lou Tsioropoulos and "Blond Bombshell of Basketball" for Frank Ramsey, who were members of UK's 1951 NCAA championship and 1954 undefeated teams, but the nicknames didn't stick.

By the same token current UK hero Rex Chapman has been dubbed "Rosie" by roommate Hanson, after former University of Dayton star Roosevelt Chapman, but the Owensboro product is still "Rex" to thousands of adoring fans.

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**STEVE OGDEN, OF BELLVUE, OHIO**, with whom we have been playing a numbers game, writes that it was a pleasure having his name and the name of Dave Lawrence (1933, '34, All-SEC '35) mentioned in this column because Lawrence is his great uncle. "My grandmother Ogdin (Dave's sister) will get a kick out of that also," he notes.

Returning to the numbers, here is Dave's latest observation: "I was recently informed by a local official that uniform Nos. 1 and 2 are not used on Ohio high school uniforms, and possibly college, because of the confusion it could cause the scoreboard keeper and the statisticians when a foul is called. For example, a player may be wearing No. 2, and while he is in the game a two-shot foul may be called on someone else, but the player wearing No. 2 may get credit (be charged with) the foul by mistake. "Don't take my word for this, but it's something you may want to check out."

While we're on the subject, what individual player was assigned the highest and lowest jersey numbers during his UK career?

Answer: Bill Smith, of Walton, who wore No. 88 in 1955 and 1956 and was assigned 00-White in the 1958 championship year, when he wore No. 5 for the blue "road" uniforms. (Also, Paul Corum wore No. 88 in 1955; Byrd wore No. 00 from 1984-86.)

It's candle-lighting time for:

**Charles McClurg** (football 1934, '35), 74, retired coach who died in December in Fairfax, Va., hospital. One of the most successful high school coaches in Virginia history, McClurg coached in several high schools in Kentucky. In five years at Harlan, his football teams compiled a 34-5-2 record. He coached Wildcat basketball All-American and football All-SEC Wah Wah Jones, who reports that Mr. and Mrs. McClurg had an apartment in the Jones' home when Charles was coaching there. They lived there when their first child was born. "I remember how he used to watch me practicing shooting by tossing coal into a bucket," Wah reports.

McClurg went to Portsmouth from Ashland in 1948, coaching Wilson High to two Eastern District basketball championships. He was an assistant to Pete Sanchon at Norview High in 1955-56, when Norview went undefeated. Sanchon then departed for Princess Anne High School, and Lefty Knapp was named Norview's coach. After the Pilots had lost two of their first four games, McClurg was elevated to head coach and the team won its six remaining games that season while annexing a third Eastern District title.

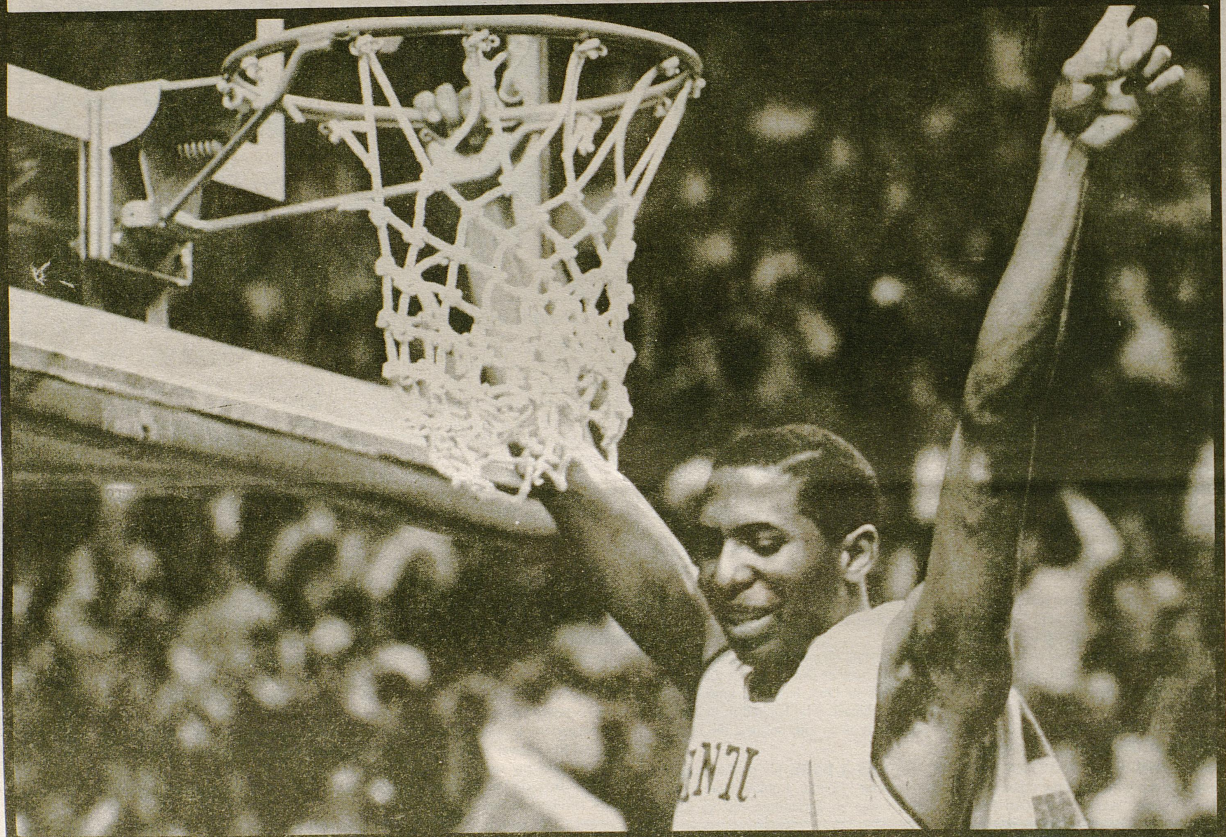
In 1958, McClurg's first full season as head coach, Norfolk schools shut down one year under the state's anti-integration laws. But football was permitted to go on at the three Norfolk senior high schools—Norview, Granby and Maury.

While the doors at Norview were closed, McClurg made sure the Pilots didn't lose their touch on the football field. Norview won its first nine games and yielded only two TDs that season to stretch its winning streak to 15 games under McClurg. In a stunning surprise, South Norfolk tied Norview 6-6 in the final game, costing the Pilots the state championship.

McClurg left Norview in 1961 to become a school administrator in northern Virginia. He retired in 1978. A native of Erlanger, he was a Navy veteran of WWII. He was a starting guard for the Wildcats.

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## Five Wildcat Seniors To Take Curtain Call

All Have Had Their Moments In Spotlight

Kentucky basketball has a great heritage. All it takes to see that is one look at 23,000-seat Rupp Arena and the championship banners hanging from the rafters. No moment in UK sports, though, is more touching and memorable than the final home basketball game each year when fans and the senior players say



Larry Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist



farewell to each other.

Kentucky seniors Ed Davender, Winston Bennett, Rob Lock, Cedric Jenkins and Richard Madison will have their moments of glory this week. It's an experience they won't soon forget.

When a UK player runs through his own hoop, embraces his parents and waves to the crowd, something magical happens inside Rupp Arena. It's a feeling of mystique every UK fan should have the chance to experience at least once.

It's a game when former Gov. A.B. "Happy" Chandler should sing My Old Kentucky Home as only he can. It's a game where UK equipment manager Bill Keightley cries as if he was losing a son for life.

Even hard-core media members along press row have been known to share the emotion along with the players, fans and coaches.

The departure of these five seniors will mark an end to an era just as the departure of Jimmy Dan Conner, Mike Flynn, Kevin Grevey, Bob Guyette, G.J. Smith, Jerry Hale and Steve Lochmueller did in 1975. Or Rick Robey, Jack Givens, James Lee and Mike Phillips in 1978. Or Dirk Minniefield, Derrick Hord and Charles Hurt in 1983. Or Jim Master, Sam Bowie, Melvin Turpin and Dicky Beal in 1984.

When a large group leaves, it makes the farewell experience even more emotional.

Still, it's not the game heroics or post-game interviews I remember about the seniors. Any player who stays at UK creates his own special memory for any writer.

Here are the memories I'll have when I think back about this group:

- **Davender.** His quick smile is more memorable than his quick hands or daring near the basket against bigger foes. I've never seen a friendlier, more cooperative Wildcat than Davender.

He's honest but has often been hurt by what he considers unfair rumors the last two years.

I'll never forget my first interview with him in 1983 at the UK Media Day. I asked him about the intense fan pressure. He said, "I would rather have people talk to me and ask for an autograph instead of coming up to rob me. In New York you can be walking down the street and somebody will try to mess with you or do something to have the police after you. I'll take this attention any time over that."

- **Bennett.** Tough but compassionate. Fair but firm. That's how I would describe Mr. B.

He has been a perfect role model with his manners, good grades and work ethic on and off the court. He always plays full speed and has been a leader, even when he couldn't play because of a knee injury last year.

I'll remember him telling me how his parents made him stay inside to study when he was growing up while his friends shot basketball outside. It was a tough lesson but taught him the value of discipline.

I'll remember the credit he always gave to his parents for his success and the concern he voiced for his mother this year when illness prevented her from attending home games.

But my best memory will be of him joining All-American Kenny Walker in a break dance routine in front of 2,000 Little League players, cheerleaders and coaches in Danville in 1985. He showed a side of Winston Bennett few have seen.

- **Lock.** He hasn't been the most talented player I've watched at Kentucky. But I have not seen a player hit the floor more often taking charges or diving for loose balls than Lock.

He never made excuses no matter how he played. He took criticism like a man and turned jeers to cheers and cheers to jeers quicker than any UK player I've seen since 1975.

He has a great sense of humor, something most fans never got to see. He was also a team player and hard worker.

I'll never forget Lock predicting before the 1986 Louisville game that he would outplay Pervis Ellison. I wanted to laugh but used his quotes in a pregame story. No one was more amazed when Lock did just what he predicted. After the game he said, "Told you so." All I could do was shake his hand.

- **Jenkins.** Quite, intelligent, polite, unselfish. Those are words I'll always associate with the player known as "Swoop" during his UK career.

He had a chance to end his senior year as a starter but failed to hold his position.

Never once, though, did he complain.

My best memories of Jenkins will be the way he took over in the second half of UK's win over Indiana in the Hoosier Dome and his game-winning tip against Louisville.

- **Madison.** The "Master Blaster" was burdened with the label of "unlimited potential" much like Hord was years earlier. Madison was the team's top athlete. He can throw a football 70 yards or hurl a baseball 90 miles per hour.

Joe Hall and then Sutton failed to find a way to have Madison sustain a maximum effort for a long stretch of games. He just never seemed comfortable in UK's disciplined style.

He was one player truly satisfied just being at UK. He liked the atmosphere and security of being a UK player.

Madison will be remembered for being able to put his arm around Sutton and listen as the coach chewed him out, offered encouragement or gave instructions. He even had the nerve to pat Sutton on the fanny once when their conversation ended. I've never seen another player do that.

All the seniors had great moments on the court. None will forget his UK experiences but I'll also have memories of my own as I watch the group say farewell.

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KENTUCKY is now looking for a new sports information director because Brad Davis has decided to join the Southeastern Conference.

"My ultimate goal one day is to be an athletic director and I just felt like joining the SEC office would be a step in that direction," said Davis, who was elevated from assistant SID to the head job last year when Russell Rice retired. "I didn't want to be a sports information director forever. Still, it is not easy to leave Kentucky. But it is a decision I felt I had to make."

Kentucky's loss is the SEC's gain. Davis has been a popular SID at Kentucky and will do nothing but enhance the SEC's image in his new position.

UK doesn't need to look far, though, to fill the vacancy. Joey Howard, formerly of Ole Miss, joined the staff as assistant SID this year and did a superb job during football season. He's young, energetic and full of ideas. UK should give him a chance at the head job.

Howard's experience has mainly been with football but anyone who has worked with him should have no doubts that he could handle the promotion.

Then Kentucky could bring back former student assistant Ron Juanso as assistant SID. He was one of the top candidates last year when Howard was hired.

Juanso, now with the publicity department of the Kansas City Royals, paid his dues during his four years at UK. He knows the media and is well liked by everyone.

Howard and Juanso would give UK one of the youngest, brightest sports information departments in the conference. It's a move that should be made because both men know the job and have shown they can do the job. I just hope UK gives the two a chance to show what they can do.

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FLORIDA LET ABC-TV convince it to switch its game at LSU from Feb. 27 to March 6, a move Coach Norm Sloan now admits was a mistake.

LSU will host Auburn March 5 while Florida must play at Alabama the same day.

"It was not a wise decision but it is one we are stuck with," said Sloan. "ABC wanted the game to close out the conference season. If we had it to do again, I don't know if we would agree."

"We have to play at Alabama, fly to Baton Rouge and then play again with an awful lot at stake. It was probably a mistake."

GEORGIA COACH Hugh Durham thinks Dale Brown has done his best coaching job at LSU this year.

"Dale has done a great coaching job to have his club up in the race," said Durham. "LSU has some great athletes. They can play defense and score when they get inside. But they are not a great shooting team."

"If they do not shoot well, they put so much pressure on their defense. I know this may not sit well in Baton Rouge but I just think Dale has done a great job to keep them in the race."

BROWN THINKS it takes more than one or two technical fouls to stop fights from erupting during major college basketball games.

"Maybe a suspension of a game or two for those who initiate the fight would help," said Brown. "Fighting is something you hate to see but these are the greatest athletes in the world playing in a little box."

Brown thinks sometimes the pressure coaches put on themselves to win might influence players.

"We have to keep our priorities in order," said the LSU coach, who denied published reports that he was interested in coaching the new Miami team in the NBA. "We don't want to make this a life and death matter. But with the constant pressure we put on kids we as coaches are asking for explosive situations."

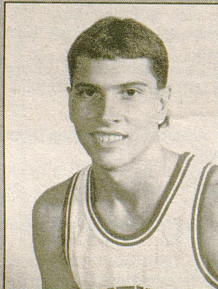
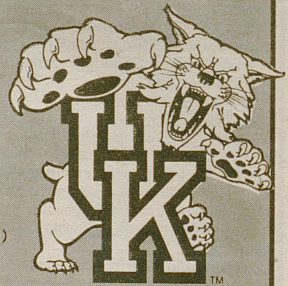
"I'm amazed there is not more of it. The penalties have to be made stiffer than a technical foul to extinguish it from happening more."

# WILDCAT BASKETBALL STATISTICS

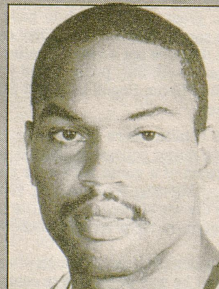
(Thru 25 games)

G	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3PT	3PTA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	PF	D	Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
CHAPMAN, REX																						
24	24	813	33.9	162	343	47.2	41	111	36.9	62	76	81.6	71	3.0	49	-	91	67	14	42	427	17.8
DAVENDER, ED																						
25	25	856	34.2	133	285	46.7	19	61	31.1	114	135	84.4	45	1.8	50	1	93	54	3	44	399	16.0
BENNETT, WINSTON																						
25	25	829	33.2	146	299	48.8	1	2	50.0	86	123	69.9	202	8.1	75	3	43	42	2	37	379	15.2
LOCK, ROB																						
25	25	663	26.5	89	166	53.6	-	-	-	95	123	77.2	176	7.0	84	5	20	49	23	24	273	10.9
MANUEL, ERIC																						
24	3	433	18.0	61	114	53.5	1	2	50.0	26	31	83.9	65	2.7	18	-	45	16	2	27	149	6.2
ELLIS, LERON																						
20	8	273	13.7	36	79	45.6	-	-	-	18	34	52.9	56	2.8	35	1	11	15	13	11	90	4.5
JENKINS, CEDRIC																						
24	11	405	16.9	30	72	41.7	-	-	-	34	42	81.0	94	3.9	49	1	20	21	18	8	94	3.9
MADISON, RICHARD																						
23	4	395	17.2	33	79	41.8	-	1	-	14	25	56.0	86	3.7	27	-	17	21	1	5	80	3.5
SCOTT, MIKE																						
13	-	67	5.2	10	21	47.6	-	-	-	3	4	75.0	22	1.7	8	-	3	6	5	5	23	1.8
SUTTON, SEAN																						
18	-	136	7.6	4	12	33.3	-	1	-	19	31	61.3	8	.4	6	-	33	10	1	4	27	1.5
MILLER, DERRICK																						
15	-	81	5.4	8	36	22.2	3	23	13.0	2	3	66.7	11	.7	8	-	3	8	-	1	21	1.4
HANSON, REGGIE																						
14	-	74	5.3	4	14	28.6	-	-	-	7	8	87.5	15	1.1	11	-	1	4	1	2	15	1.1
TEAM																						
25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53	2.1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
WILDCATS																						
25	-	5025	201.	716	1520	47.1	65	201	32.3	480	635	75.6	904	36.2	420	11	379	315	83	210	1977	79.1
OPPONENTS																						
25	-	5025	201.	654	1454	45.0	94	272	34.6	278	403	69.0	824	33.0	525	20	351	439	60	162	1680	67.2

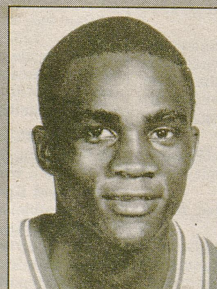
Date	Record	UK	Opp	Opponent	Margin	Top Scorer	Top Rebounder	Attendance
Nov. 28	1-0	86	59	Hawaii	27	18 LOCK, ROB	9 BENNETT, W.	23,049 (H)
Dec. 01	2-0	101	77	Cincinnati	24	22 CHAPMAN, REX	13 LOCK, ROB	22,865 (H)
Dec. 05	3-0	82	76	Indiana	6	22 DAVENDER, ED	10 JENKINS, CEDRIC	43,601 (N-Indy)
Dec. 12	4-0	76	75	Louisville	1	21 CHAPMAN, REX	11 JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,489 (H)
Dec. 18	5-0	85	71	Miami (Ohio)	14	28 BENNETT, W.	10 BENNETT, W.	23,995 (H)
Dec. 19	6-0	84	81	North Carolina-Charl	3	24 CHAPMAN, REX	16 MADISON, RICHARD	23,995 (H)
Dec. 28	7-0	100	58	Alaska	42	24 BENNETT, W.	11 JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,169 (H)
Dec. 31	8-0	81	74	Vanderbilt	7	24 DAVENDER, ED	17 BENNETT, W.	23,104 (H)
Jan. 02	9-0	84	77	Georgia	7	26 CHAPMAN, REX	10 BENNETT, W.	13,666 (A)
Jan. 06	10-0	93	52	Mississippi State	41	17 BENNETT, W.	8 JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,047 (H)
Jan. 09	10-1	52	53	Auburn	-1	20 BENNETT, W.	10 BENNETT, W.	23,379 (H)
Jan. 13	11-1	63	55	Alabama	8	17 DAVENDER, ED	5 LOCK, ROB	12,391 (A)
Jan. 16	12-1	83	65	Tennessee	18	23 CHAPMAN, REX	9 BENNETT, W.	23,819 (H)
Jan. 20	12-2	56	58	Florida	-2	20 BENNETT, W.	11 BENNETT, W.	23,433 (H)
Jan. 23	13-2	76	61	LSU	15	21 DAVENDER, ED	10 BENNETT, W.	13,853 (A)
Jan. 27	13-3	66	83	Vanderbilt	-17	18 CHAPMAN, REX	8 BENNETT, W.	15,646 (A)
Jan. 31	14-3	78	69	Notre Dame	9	23 DAVENDER, ED	7 LOCK, ROB	19,502 (H-L'ville)
Feb. 03	15-3	94	65	Ole Miss	29	16 BENNETT, W.	11 BENNETT, W.	23,133 (H)
Feb. 06	16-3	83	59	Mississippi State	24	21 DAVENDER, ED	11 BENNETT, W.	6,863 (A)
Feb. 10	17-3	69	62	Auburn	7	25 CHAPMAN, REX	7 BENNETT, W.	12,599 (A)
Feb. 13	18-3	82	68	Alabama	14	25 BENNETT, W.	9 BENNETT, W.	23,288 (H)
Feb. 17	18-4	70	72	Tennessee	-2	27 DAVENDER, ED	14 LOCK, ROB	24,378 (A)
Feb. 20	18-5	76	83	Florida	-7	24 CHAPMAN, REX	12 BENNETT, W.	11,921 (A)
Feb. 24	19-5	95	69	Louisiana State	26	24 BENNETT, W.	7 MANUEL, ERIC	23,164 (H)
Feb. 28	20-5	62	58	Syracuse	4	15 BENNETT, W.	5 JENKINS, CEDRIC	24,025 (H)



**Leading Scorer:**  
Rex Chapman—17.8



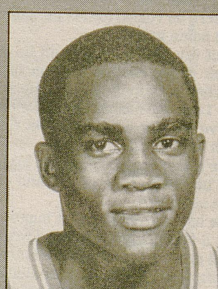
**Leading Rebounder:**  
Winston Bennett—8.1



**Assist Leader:**  
Ed Davender—9.2



**\*Best FG Percentage:**  
Rob Lock—53.6



**\*Best FT Percentage:**  
Ed Davender—84.4

\*minimum of 2 FG attempts per game.

\*minimum of 2 FT attempts per game.

# Bat Cats Hope To Become Talk Of The Town

## Radio Could Be In Baseball Program's Future

Lights, radio, action!

The above lead may fit the 1988 Kentucky Bat Cat season like a well-padded mitt over a catcher's scabrous hand. Not only will Keith Madison's club introduce local fans 12 night dates—Shively Field style—but also the UK athletics department is hoping to throw past



Nick Nicholas

Cats' Pause Columnist



its radio pitch to enough sponsors so possibly 27 games, home and away, can be aired on Lexington's WVLK.

According to assistant athletics director Gene DeFilippo the go-ahead could be given as soon as two weeks. If the sponsors take a swing at UK's sales pitch, then the tables possibly could be set for more Kentucky baseball broadcasts in 1989. However, those plans still are, eh, in the air.

As far as television is concerned, two home games (April 9, Vanderbilt and April 23, Mississippi) will be broadcast by Lexington's WKYT.

A lot of folks are jumping on the Bat Cats' bandwagon. . . and Madison doesn't mind it one iota.

Last Wednesday night before LSU and Kentucky squared off on the hardwood, a press conference was scheduled an hour before tipoff at Rupp Arena. . . not for a Wildcat basketball signee announcement but a one-on-one chat between the media, Madison and some of his star players.

**DESPITE LOSING SECOND BASEMAN TERRY SHUMPERT** (second-team All-American, and second-round pick of the Kansas City Royals), first baseman and slugger Mitch Knox (second team All-SEC) and ace relief hurler Steve Culkar off last season's 40-15 squad, Madison believes this club can be his best ever. So does *Collegiate Baseball*, which rated Kentucky No. 23 in its preseason poll.

The Bat Cats in the '87 fall exhibition campaign recorded a perfect 15-0 slate. Perhaps more important than UK's unbeaten record, though, came on Sept. 19, against Louisville.

"In our first night game last fall, in an exhibition game we had standing room only," remembered Madison, who is in his 10th season as UK's skipper. "That was an exciting night for us. For seven or eight years I'd been trying to sell the administration to putting up lights at the baseball field. Now, all of a sudden we've got lights. . . I was thinking, 'What if this doesn't work?'"

"But I knew it would work when I looked behind the dugout that night and saw the people lined up all the way back to the (Shively) Sports Center waiting to get into the game. That made me realize that Lexington is a baseball town and people love baseball here. (I knew) if we could give them a chance to see games after the working hours that they would come out and watch baseball."

You might say that during this particular fall evening 1,683 fans leaped on Madison's Big Blue Machine. How many more will come aboard? Well, plenty more might come to the ballpark because of 12 promotional events, from giving away an automobile to Kazoo Night. "You name it, we're going to do it," noted Madison.

And, well. . . if Kentucky can rack up 35 or so victories, plus be in contention for an SEC title, NCAA invite then there may be more SROs at Shively Field, just like the one last September.

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"We want to win the Southeastern Conference championship," said Madison, listing his No. 1 priority for this campaign. "In one poll we're supposedly going to finish third, in another fourth. (But) we feel like we have the experience and the pitching depth to win the Southeastern Conference championship."

Favored to take the SEC title, Madison points to LSU as "the team to watch." The 'Cats must face LSU in Baton Rouge for a two-night double-header on March 19th followed by an afternoon contest the next day. The two other clubs given the preseason edge are No. 6 Mississippi State and Auburn.

**BOTH THE BULLDOG AND TIGER SERIES** will be played away from Shively Field.

Taking the lumber to the big boys wasn't a problem for last year's club. Georgia, the league's 1987 regular season champions, lost two of three games to UK on Athens' turf.

Around the horn, defensively Madison rates his infield as the best in the SEC. Let's start at first where John Marshall will reside. Marshall, the team's third baseman a year ago, hit .315 in 43 games with four home runs sandwiched among 39 base hits. At second base, junior college transfer Vince Castaldo and junior transfer Roger Gum (Tennessee-Martin) will be given opportunities to try and fill Shumpert's vacant spot.

Castaldo pleased the UK staff by hitting .457 last fall, including six home runs and 27 RBIs. While trying to fill Shumpert's shoes on defense, Castaldo is expected to bat in the cleanup position. Pardon me for asking, but wasn't that Knox's role last year?

"He's going to provide a lot of punch for us," Madison said. "He's not a Mitch Knox-type power hitter, but he's a real solid power hitter. I predict he'll hit somewhere between 12 and 16 homeruns this spring."

At shortstop, sophomore Billy White returns after a splendid first year snagging line

drives and turning double plays for the Big Blue. Starting 49 games as a college rookie, White batted .253 (40 hits in 158 at bats), but improved his batting eye with a .404 average in the fall. Defensively, Madison considers White the No. 1 shortstop in the SEC.

Third base will be occupied by either sophomore switch-hitter Darin Rieman or Castaldo, a left-handed hitter. Rieman owned a .293 batting average last season (49 hits in 167 at bats) and was third on the squad in RBIs with 36.

Behind the plate, UK has four catchers able and ready. And with 10 double-headers on the 'Cats' 55-game card, all four likely will be used. Heading the list are veterans Robbie Buchanan and David Ray. Buchanan, listed as the 'Cats' top catcher, held down his position with a .985 field average last spring and a .302 batting average (five home runs, 35 hits). Ray's stats weren't shabby by any means, gunning down 43 percent of those attempting to steal on his strong right arm. The senior also had an impressive .304 batting average.

Madison has the luxury of two other capable catchers in junior Joe Welch and freshman Rick Norton, son of former Wildcat quarterback Rick Norton Sr.

"All of those guys are capable of making the big plays," Madison said of his starting infield. "Defensively, in the outfield, I feel pretty good about that, too."

Preseason All-America selection (*Collegiate Baseball*) Chris Estep will be looking to have a banner campaign in his junior year. The strong-armed centerfielder drilled 16 home runs while participating in every game last season. Blessed with power, Estep has a good eye (40 base on balls) and also is a threat to opposing catchers, stealing 10 bases last year.

In the 15-game fall slate, he hit .588, including seven round-trippers. Last season's Tony Gwynn on the team, sophomore right fielder Sam Taylor spoiled 'Cat

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—UK coach Keith Madison

fans with an uncanny .343 average—46 hits in 134 at bats—for a rookie. What to do for an encore, huh?

Platooning in left field will be juniors Mark Blythe and Bobby Olinick. Eight times last season Blythe, a right-handed hitter, swatted pitches out of sight. He hit .259 on the season. Although the fall competition wasn't near as tough as it is in the regular season, Blythe improved to .419 during the exhibition slate.

**OLINICK HAS BEEN A CONSISTENT PERFORMER** throughout his first two years in a UK uniform, hitting .313 as a rookie and .311 as a sophomore. The biggest mark of improvement in Olinick second year was his ability to belt the long ball—six homers. As a freshman he connected on only one. Last season from his outfield position Olinick also nailed three runners attempting to score.

UK's designated hitter will come from the trio of Castaldo, Gum and Rieman. Let's turn our attention to the mound. Bring it home, coach.

"Jon Hudson (4-1 in relief, 4.35 era 38 strikeouts) came on very strong at the end of the season and is going to be our ace in the bullpen. He had an exceptional summer up in Alaska, which, believe it or not, is the most prestigious summer collegiate league in the country. He performed against a lot of the top hitters on the West Coast."

The little lefthander (5-11, 155 pounds) recorded a 5-1 record and a 3.25 earned run average for the Peninsula Oilers. Last season for UK he made 21 relief appearances.

Madison also was quick to point out the addition of Stetson transfer John Ofstun, a 6-3, 210-pound right-hander. "He throws the ball very hard and he throws strikes," said the UK coach. Ofstun, a knuckle ball hurler, will be joining Hudson and Dave Voit (4-0 last season, 7-0 career) in the Bat Cat bullpen.

Starters Mathew Coleman (10-2 in '87, 4.68 ERA) and Doug Sutton (6-2, 4.18 ERA) give UK two experienced right-handers. "I feel really confident because I've gained a lot of experience over the last two years," said Coleman, a second-team All-SEC selection in '87.

Coleman was the winningest picture on UK's staff last season, lasting the distance a team-high four times.

Sutton, a 6-3 junior righty from Bowling Green, struck out 57 batters in 64 and two-thirds innings.

**OTHER STARTING PITCHERS WHO MUST BE PRODUCTIVE** are veteran right-handers Vince Tyra (2-2, 6.54 ERA) and Tom Deller (5-6, 5.27 ERA). Tyra, a senior from Louisville, was mainly used in long relief situations but did start six games last season.

Coming off a Cinderella season, Kentucky has the misfortune, if you can call it that, of being expected to do well in 1988. When UK rolls into Oklahoma, and visits Stillwater—home of the preseason No. 1-ranked Oklahoma State Cowboys—and Tulsa—No. 11 Oral Roberts—UK will not be taken lightly. The same goes for stops in Baton Rouge, Auburn and Starkville.

"Well, I don't think anybody was taking us lightly at the end of last year," Madison pointed out. "We played Mississippi State here and swept them. We took two out of three at Georgia. Everybody knew Kentucky was for real."

"It's going to be a different approach, especially early in the season, playing teams that know Kentucky is one of the teams to beat in the Southeastern Conference. But our team likes that kind of pressure. We have an experienced enough team to be able to handle the pressure, in being one of the teams to beat."

# Meet The Press

## Sutton Lectures Media On Importance Of Seven-Pass Rule, Notes Patience Can Cure Scoring Problems As Well As Tiring Opponents To The Bone

By TCP Columnist Mike Estep

As UK coach Eddie Sutton took his seat at the head of the table for his weekly press luncheon at Wildcat Lodge, he was concerned that his team had just completed its first winless week of the season, having dropped conference games at Tennessee and at Florida, but he was also encouraged that the 'Cats could put it all together for a run during tournament time.



Other items available on the menu included a brief capsule of each player's role, the Seven-Pass Rule, the unpredictability of college basketball and a crash course in having fun on the court:

**Ready for takeoff?** A couple of weeks ago, after UK shellacked Wimp Sanderson's Crimson Tide in Rupp Arena, it looked like the 'Cats were ready to taxi down the runway and lift off toward the SEC title. But something funny happened on the way to the league championship—UK was grounded in midair, losing twice to Tennessee and Florida.

"Last week after the Alabama game, I felt we were about to take off," Sutton said. "I really liked the way the team played, I thought we played very well in that game. We went to Tennessee and met a very inspired basketball team. Tennessee is a good ballclub, and when they play like they did (two weeks ago), they're gonna beat a lot of people around the country. But we did not play a good basketball game against the Vols. We had a lot of defensive breakdowns. Offensively, we reverted back to the way we played in some of our earlier games in that we did not allow the offense to come to us. We didn't establish the inside game and too many of our shots were coming from the perimeter. As a result, we lost.

"We went to Florida, and at times we played well, but not well enough to beat a very good basketball team. Florida, talent-wise, probably has one of the 10 best teams in the country. They, too, have been inconsistent, but they played very well against us Saturday afternoon."

**Crunch time:** Sutton said he was worried about the two losses, but no one could afford to dwell on them because the schedule doesn't get any easier the rest of the way.

"Well, I'm concerned that we didn't play well last week," Sutton said. "I'm kinda anxious to see how we play tomorrow night. I'll really be concerned if we don't play well tomorrow evening."

Sutton had nothing to worry about against LSU, as the 'Cats came out and handled Dale Brown's club with ease, coasting to a 95-69 win. But that still leaves two tough SEC regular-season games, the SEC tournament and the NCAA tournament down the road.

"At this point, you would like to see your ballclub being more consistent, going out and playing good basketball the majority of the time."

**Starting over? Not exactly:** Prior to UK's win over LSU, there continued to be a logjam atop the SEC standings, with Kentucky and Vanderbilt tied for the league lead with 10-5 records, Florida and LSU just one-half game off the pace at 9-5 and Auburn sitting a game and a half back at 8-6.

So with only three regular-season conference games remaining and not much decided in the way of determining a champion, one media person asked Sutton if the

last leg of the league race was like starting over.

"No, not really," the UK coach said. "We went back and told our squad Sunday afternoon when we looked at the film, we used it as a teaching session, we tried to tell them that we're not gonna recover those five losses, they're on the record. We just have to correct the mistakes we're making. And it's not just one mistake and it's not just one player. We're having defensive breakdowns and we're having offensive breakdowns, and everyone's got to make sure that they're aware of what they've done that's damaged the opportunity for us to win basketball games. It's not like starting all over."

**Believe it, or not:** Sutton said the SEC certainly has no patent on the unusual this season, that things have been unpredictable across the nation.

"Strange things have happened this year, it's kinda been a bizarre basketball season," Sutton said. "If anyone told me that a team (top-ranked Temple) could go into Chapel Hill, play the Tar Heels, run off 19 straight points and that North Carolina would turn the ball over 28 times, I woulda said, 'You're crazy.' But that happened.

"And you look in the Big East. Last night, Pittsburgh has a very outstanding ballclub, but Seton Hall's a good team, too—they beat 'em by 19 points. So you can go in every conference across the country and strange things like that have happened. It's just another indication of the parity you have in the college game."

**Pass the roles, please:** After everyone had polished off a meal of fried chicken, mashed potatoes and broccoli, Sutton was asked to pass the roles—on his players.

"Well, I think you would tell all of 'em, first of all, to play hard and play smart, play solid defense, rebound," Sutton said.

"You would like Ed Davender to go out and run the ballclub. You would want Rex Chapman, both of those guys, they both have to be better defensive rebounders, help the big guys up front. At times when they have rebounded the ball on the defensive boards, it's made it a lot easier for us. So those are a couple of things I would tell both of them.

"I would tell Winston (Bennett) to go out and be a defensive stopper up front. Continue to rebound like you have been rebounding. For all three of those guys I would say make sure you allow the offense to come to you. You're three outstanding players and you're gonna get your shots some nights, some nights you're not gonna get as many. But you have to work hard on offense and be patient.

"Rob Lock, I would tell him to get out there and continue to play hard, don't put the ball on the floor, try to keep that ball out of the pivot area (on defense) as best you can. If the ball does come in (on offense) and you have a one-on-one low, take the ball to the hole and score. If not, fan the ball to one of the good perimeter shooters we have.

"Going right down the line. . . LeRon (Ellis), play hard all the time. Be more hard-nosed when you get banged around, and you are gonna get banged around in a ballgame on the college level, unlike perhaps it was in high school.

"Eric Manuel, just continue to play like you've been playing. I think Eric Manuel is playing very good basketball right now. Maybe become a little more aggressive offensively, look for your shot.

"Richard (Madison), become more consistent. Rebound well, be a very good rebounder and play good solid defense.

"Cedric (Jenkins), keep the ball off the floor inside the defense. Be stronger, when

you rebound the ball, don't let anyone strip you.

"I could go on for an hour, go back and reevaluate all of 'em."

Have you told 'em already coach?

"Yeah, a few times," Sutton said with a smile. "Our guys are trying. It isn't that they're rebellious. These guys are good players and good people. I think sometimes you all (media) make too much out of it. And

den it comes back and you've got a shot from 19 feet! That's true. But if you handle the ball for three more passes, maybe you can get that shot from 14 feet, or maybe get a layup. And that's what we talk about. Patience in the halfcourt game."

**D = MC<sup>2</sup>:** Or to put in layman's terms, defense, if played properly, takes much more effort than offense. Therefore, Sutton says, if you're patient on the offensive end, your



Winston Bennett

*"I think (Winston Bennett) has to be both places. . . but not at the same time, obviously. I think there are opportunities where we've got to expose the weakness on the part of the defender that's on him at the time. Other times we may want him on the wing if he's shooting the basketball, has a hot hand."*

—UK coach Eddie Sutton

I'm not sure that helps some of 'em."

**Inside, and outside, too:** Sutton has said on numerous occasions that Bennett would go a long way in determining how successful this club can be. And he has shown great versatility this season—he's been a force down low on the blocks, and he's been able to pop the jumper from the outside.

Sutton was asked where he thinks Bennett is the most valuable.

"We're gonna try to utilize him as well as we can in getting the ball inside in future games," Sutton said. "We tried to do that in the Tennessee game, but just were not able to get the ball to him as much as we wanted to.

"I think he has to be both places. . . but not at the same time, obviously. I think there are opportunities where we've got to expose the weakness on the part of the defender that's on him at the time. Other times we may want him on the wing if he's shooting the basketball, has a hot hand."

**To "three," or not to "three":** With that, Sutton took an opportunity to give some insight into the infamous Seven-Pass Rule, which rather self-explanatorily, says the team must execute seven passes in its halfcourt offense before putting up a shot. . . well, sometimes.

"That's one thing our team talked about yesterday," he said. "Sometimes shots can come very early. Like in transition, you may want that shot taken quickly—you've got numbers, you want to shoot. But once you put it in a halfcourt game, then we're talking about the Seven-Pass Rule. And if you watch ballclubs that are winning, that is not unique. I would think against most teams, teams that are in the Top Twenty, in halfcourt situation (want to be patient) unless someone is running a fever, and we talked about this yesterday. If somebody's running a fever, get the ball to him, let him shoot it. You've seen guys that can't miss. That's that time when you say, 'Hey, let's feed that guy. Let's be aware of him, let's get it to him.'"

"But once you put in in a halfcourt game, then you ought to try to establish an inside attack. At least get the ball in there and make the defense react to it, whether that guy shoots the ball or not. Once the ball goes into the paint area, either on a pass or a penetrating dribble, it forces the defense to draw up. Then the ball should be kicked back out, that's when perimeter shots, for the most part, should be taken.

"Somebody'll say, 'Well, you might get a shot if you pass the ball point to the wing, back to the point to the wing, then all the sud-

team can rest while forcing the other team to wear itself out.

"This is the other thing that too often people don't understand," Sutton said. "Because we play so hard on the defensive end—we play man, and man takes much more out of you than zone does—you can rest, to a certain degree, at the offensive end and you can't ever rest on the defensive end. You've got to be intent, you don't ever know what that offensive man's gonna do so you've got to be ready. So you exert a lot more energy on defense. Offensively you can go down there and be running offensive patterns, and to a certain degree, you can rest a little bit because the pressure's on the other team.

"At the end of the ballgame, if you count possessions—how many times do you pass off before you shoot the basketball. Eight passes, that's a possession, you shoot it. Two passes, shoot it. How many possessions do you have, how many times did you handle the ball before you shoot it. And at the end of the ballgame if you haven't put that team defensively at their end at least half the time, then you're in trouble. You want them to wear themselves down a little bit defensively. We go out and we shoot the ball too quickly, we don't handle the ball and we're having to work hard, sometimes that shows up in fatigue. And when you get fatigued you make bad judgements—judgment on shots, judgements on passing the ball, turnovers, defensive breakdowns. So if we play a basketball game, which is 40 minutes, and we're playing defense 25 minutes and they're playing defense 15 minutes, then we're in trouble. So that's important why you have to understand how basketball was meant to be played. And if you look at those Top Twenty teams, that's what they're doing—whether it's a seven-pass rule, a five-pass rule, an eight-pass rule—that's part of discipline."

Hear that, Billy Tubbs?

**Fun bunch:** It's inevitable—as the season drags on, it's more difficult to enjoy practice sessions day after day. During February, the newness isn't there like it was in October and November, and it isn't as exciting as it is when tournament time rolls around in March.

Sutton talks about how you put the fun back in the game during this period: "What you do sometimes, and we've done this, is you put in new plays, put in new defenses, put in new drills just to break the monotony."

The coach also said there's one sure-fire way to make things more enjoyable.

"Again, fun comes from winning," Sutton said, "that's the bottom line."

# Boy, It's Tough Trying To Figure These 'Cats

Add Another Member To Farmer Fan Club

**YOU HAVE NOW** been officially notified that it is high time you stopped racking your brain to come up with a reason as to why Kentucky lost to both Tennessee and Florida in one short four-day period.

Some have said it was defense. While it's true the Cats' "D" — especially on



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Cats' Pause Columnist



the inside and against Vernon Maxwell — left a lot to be desired, it cannot be the lone scapegoat.

Another suggestion was shot selection. To me, it seemed that UK was putting up mostly good shots. Overall, the team's shot selection has improved greatly since the start of the season and I don't think the Florida and Tennessee games were exceptions.

It also wasn't rebounding. The Cats outrebounded the Gators 40-34 with Rob Lock and Winston Bennett each grabbing 12. Lock also had a career-high 14 boards against Tennessee.

**YOU CAN MAKE** up any number of complex, lengthy reasons why the Cats just didn't get the job done that week, but what's left is the simplest and most essential part of basketball — putting the ball in the basket.

Everything else the Wildcats did was good enough to win the game, except shooting the ball. They weren't bad shots; they just didn't roll in.

The Cats shot 39.7 percent against Florida and that won't win many games in the McConnell Center (aka Gator Alley II). It was, however, better than the 28 percent Kentucky carded against the Gators in Rupp Arena earlier this season.

Only one Kentucky player — reserve Eric Manuel — even shot 50 percent, hitting 4 of 6. Rex Chapman scored 24, two short of his career-high, but needed 22 shots to do it. Half of the attempts came from three-point land.

**LERON ELLIS WAS** 3-for-8, Winston Bennett hit 3 of 9 and Lock was 1-for-5 for a combined shooting percentage of 32 percent from the starting frontline. Meanwhile, Florida's frontline of Livingston Chatman, Dwayne Schintzius and Chris Capers shot 55 percent, all hit double digits and totalled 42 points.

As a team, the Wildcats are shooting an uncommonly low 46.6 percent, not counting the LSU and Syracuse games. Only two regulars (Lock and Manuel) are hitting better than 50 percent.

For the most part, Kentucky plays good defense. And even when the defense has one of its occasional off-nights, the UK offense is usually more than potent enough to take up the slack. When the offense can't keep up, the team struggles everywhere.

**YOUR GUESS IS** as good as mine when it comes to why Kentucky hasn't shot the ball any better than it has. The Cats have a bench full of high school All-Americans, but rarely have a hot night from the field. Last week's LSU contest was an exception.

Chapman and Ed Davender have drawn most of the heat for the team's sub-par shooting, but I think that criticism is, for the most part, undeserved.

Prior to the LSU game, both were hitting at a 46.7 percent clip. Most teams would be happy with that, but then Kentucky is not most teams and UK fans are not your average fans.

You have to remember that the duo has also accounted for 163 of UK's 188 three-point attempts and naturally that is going to lower their average a little. In fact, Rex is shooting 52 percent from inside the three-point stripe and Ed is hitting at 50.5. As a team, UK is shooting 48.9 percent on two-point attempts, 2.3 percent better than its overall figure.

**ALSO, WHEN YOU** shoot a lot, it's easy for your percentage to drop. Chapman leads Kentucky with 338 attempts, while Davender is third with 259. Bennett has tried 267.

Plus, many of these attempts — especially the three-pointers — are put up in come-from-behind situations near the end of the game. If you're trying to catch up and time is running out, you have to shoot the three and do it often. You can't wait for a great screen or a wide-open jumper. That eliminates the big men from shooting, so it's left up to Rex and Ed.

Overall, Kentucky definitely has the offense to go all the way and it will be difficult for an opposing team to stop the Cats offensively because of their versatility. But when the shots just won't drop, there's not much any of us can do.

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**AND JUST TO** prove my point that the Cats really can shoot the ball, they followed up the Florida fiasco with a wham-bam effort against LSU.

Can you say 69 percent in the first half and 64 percent for the game?

Bennett, whose heart matches his build — big and tough, hit 11 of 17 shots and led UK with 24 points after having struggled in his previous two outings.

All five starters reached double figures, four of them by halftime. It still wasn't quite good enough, however, to completely avenge the 35-point thrashing the Tigers handed UK last season in Rupp, but it will do for now.

I was most impressed with Manuel, who started in place of Ellis. The freshman forward scored a career-high 14 points and grabbed a team-high 7 rebounds. He had 12 of the points in the first half and also dished out 3 assists.

I can see "All-American" and "Eric Manuel" appearing in the same sentence a lot down the road.

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**BY NOW, EVERYONE** still breathing knows that Rex Chapman broke a transverse process in his back after colliding with LSU's Lyle Mouton and landing hard on the hardwood on a drive to the basket last week.

And now the talk of the town is how this will affect Kentucky and its chances the rest of the season since Rex will probably miss the SEC tournament.

In my opinion: No, UK will definitely not be a better team without Rex. He plays too big of a role and is too versatile to be replaced by just one person. No, the Cats will not suddenly take a fall into mediocrity without him, either. In fact, in some ways, they could become an even better team.

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—One columnist's opinion

Sure, offensively, Kentucky will miss Rex a lot; any team would miss its leading scorer. But his absence will also make UK a tougher team to guard. No more box-and-chaser defenses. Who do you chase?

**THE INJURY WILL** also surely move both Manuel and Ellis into the starting lineup. Ellis has never really been able to put everything together this season and blossom into the kind of player he has the potential to be. Manuel, on the other hand, got off to a slow start and is just now coming around.

The scoring heft will now fall to Davender, who must also get some consistent help from Bennett. I also expect Sean Sutton to get some extra playing time at the point and Manuel will probably be able to help out the passing game, which has left a lot to be desired at times this year.

And when Winston is forced to look for his shot more, that puts him in a difficult position to patrol the boards. Therefore, Lock, Ellis and reserves Cedric "Swoop" Jenkins and Richard Madison are going to have to take up some slack.

**THE WILDCATS WILL** probably be hurt the most on defense, as Chapman's added size and leaping ability enabled him to handle some taller guards that Davender could not. Manuel, who has added a slight mound of round at his midsection, will have a hard time keeping up with the quicker guards.

Also, playing catch-up won't be as easy because Kentucky's main three-point threat is now gone. Davender has not shown that he can consistently can the three and Derrick Miller is even worse, not to mention being a defensive liability. No one else on the team has even attempted more than two three-pointers.

Chapman also had the ability to simply take over a close game in the final minutes. He was absolutely "Mr. Clutch" and I don't foresee anyone on the UK roster filling those particular shoes.

Overall, I look for Kentucky to become more patient on offense and perhaps play more zone on the opposite end. Some of the Cats' explosiveness has been eliminated, but they can still win the SEC.

I would say that I think UK will go on and win the SEC tourney, but you know what happened to the prediction I made week before last.

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I'm not concerned with the public relations the school would reap by signing him and I also don't want to harp on his specific talents or his supposed lack of skill in some areas.

The best thing I can say about the Clay County star is that he is one of the rare players to come along that possesses the even rarer combination of talent and the biggest intangible of all — being a winner.



# Rex-less 'Cats 62-58 Win

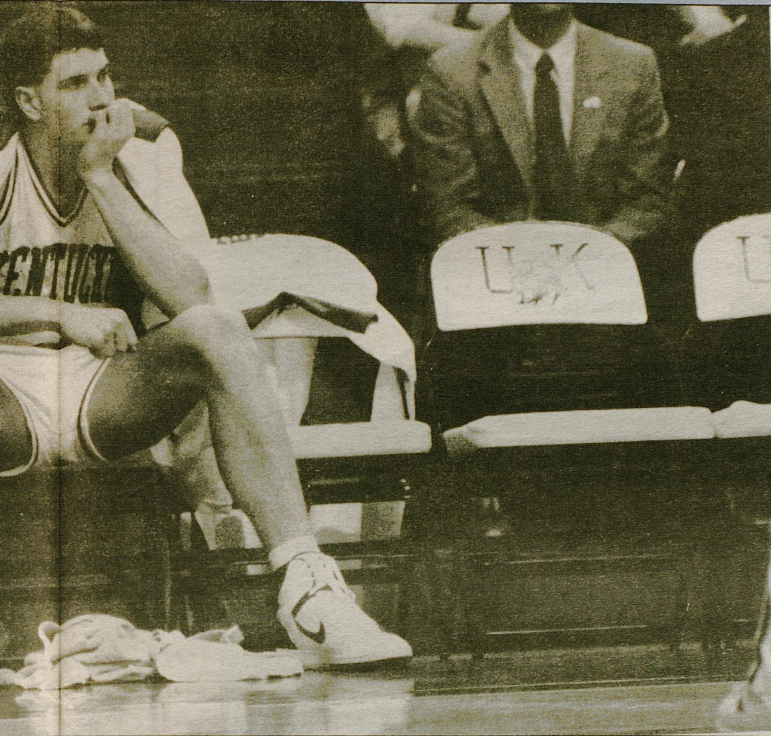


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Chapman Looking On From The Bench, Unable To Play Because Of Back Pain. . .



Save The Day By Going Coast To Coast For A Dunk Following A Last-Second Steal

## UK's Ability To Adjust Anything But Ordinary

By TCP Columnist Mike Estep

Syracuse vs. Kentucky, The Big Show. This made-for-television extravaganza was supposed to be just that—a welcomed respite from the rigors of the conference races, a chance to tip it off in front of a national TV audience with nothing more than a few spots in the wire service polls riding on the outcome.

Thankfully—for the folks at CBS-TV, the 24,025 in attendance, and most importantly, UK coach Eddie Sutton and his Wildcats—it proved to be much more than that.

Sure, under ordinary circumstances, a win over Jim Boehm's Orangemen would pale considerably when compared to possible victories against Georgia on Wednesday or Ole Miss on Saturday—either of which would surely lock up a share of yet another Southeastern Conference championship for the Wildcats.

But rest assured, because of the barriers Kentucky had to overcome, the adjustments it had to make, Sunday's 62-58 win was anything but ordinary.

For starters, the Wildcats took the court against the 10th-ranked Orangemen without the considerable services of sophomore Rex Chapman for the first time in two years. And as late as the eight-minute mark of the second half, in what would normally be time for Chapman to work another of his miracles, Kentucky found itself trailing by nine points.

"I thought we competed about as hard as we have all season long," Sutton said about the team's Rex-lessness. "As I've said many times, sometimes when one of your star players doesn't play then guys have got to step forward and have a good ballgame.

"A team with less character could've folded their tent and went home when we did fall behind by nine. But they didn't do that, they hung in there and did a good job."

And secondly, the game was officiated by a crew composed of three Big East officials, who called an entirely different style of game than the Wildcats have seen all season.

"We had Big East-style officials, and any time that you have different officials you're going to have to acclimate yourself to the situation at hand," said Winston Bennett, who led the 'Cats in scoring with 15 points despite being in foul trouble for much of the second half. "They were allowing us to play out there, and the game got a little physical.

"I thought it took us the whole first half before we really got used to it and came out and made some changes the second half, to where we were bumping and grinding just like they were.

"It means a lot to us, and I think we're really going to value it on down the road, maybe when we enter SEC tournament play, and definitely when we enter NCAA play."

"There for a while in the first half, we weren't getting a break at all," center Rob Lock said. "It's kinda hard, because you have to adjust to all that, it takes a while. And by the time we adjusted, I had three fouls, LeRon had three fouls and Winston had two."

But the 'Cats did adjust. Just like they adjusted to playing without Chapman. And that ability to adapt to changing situations could go a long way in determining how far they will be able to go when The Big Show—the NCAA tournament—really does get here.

### UK-Syracuse Play-By-Play

Time	Kentucky	Score	Syracuse
19:38		0-1	Coleman FT, FTA
19:11	Davender 18 ft.	2-1	
18:57		2-3	Seikaly layup
18:37	Bennett FTA, FT	3-3	
18:18		3-5	Seikaly dunk
17:38		3-7	Seikaly layup
17:19	Lock tip-in	5-7	
17:05	Davender layup, FT	8-7	
16:28	Ellis 10 ft.	10-7	
15:24	Bennett 14 ft.	12-7	
15:01		12-9	Seikaly layup
14:26		12-11	Coleman follow dunk
13:28		12-13	Seikaly layup
12:36	Manuel 15 ft.	14-13	
12:16		14-15	Douglas 15 ft.
11:45		14-17	Douglas layup
10:57	Madison 4 ft.	16-17	
10:34	Lock dunk	18-17	
9:49		18-19	Thompson layup
8:51	Jenkins 15 ft.	20-19	
7:46		20-22	Duncan 20 ft.
7:18	Lock 7 ft. hook	22-22	
6:11		22-24	Seikaly layup
4:21	Lock FT, FTA	23-24	
4:00		23-26	Brower FT, FT
3:27		23-28	Thompson FT, FT
3:01	Davender 10 ft.	25-28	
2:36		25-30	Coleman 10 ft.
2:08	Davender 13 ft.	27-30	
0:54	Bennett 20 ft.	30-30	
0:01		30-32	Douglas dunk
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19:01	Ellis layup	32-32	
18:33		32-34	Coleman FT, FT
17:51		32-36	Seikaly alley-oop dunk
16:57		32-38	Douglas follow layup
16:24	Manuel layup	34-38	
16:01		34-40	Coleman tip-in
15:46	Lock layup	36-40	
15:23		36-42	Douglas FT, FT
14:43		36-44	Douglas 8 ft.
14:02	Jenkins 4 ft.	38-44	
13:49		38-46	Seikaly alley oop dunk
12:48	Lock follow layup	40-46	
12:19		40-49	Seikaly follow dunk, FT
11:40	Bennett layup	42-49	
7:57		42-51	Coleman dunk
7:37	Bennett 17 ft.	44-51	
6:47	Bennett 18 ft.	46-51	
6:15	Davender 16 ft., FT	49-51	
5:51		49-54	Roe 21 ft.
5:33	Davender 13 ft.	51-54	
4:51	Bennett FT, FTA	52-54	
4:16	Bennett 15 ft.	54-54	
3:54		54-56	Coleman FT, FT
2:25	Manuel 17 ft., FT	57-56	
1:30		57-58	Seikaly FT, FT
0:55	Manuel 18 ft.	59-58	
0:07	Manuel dunk	61-58	
0:04	Lock FT, FTA	62-58	
<b>FINAL</b>		<b>62-58</b>	

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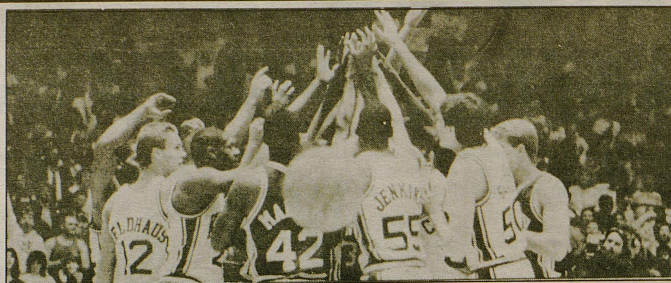
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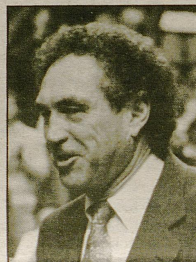


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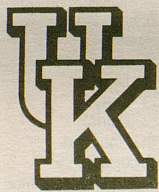
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- Feb. 7: Women's Basketball—Georgia def. UK 86-70
- Feb. 10: Basketball—UK def. Auburn 69-62
- Feb. 13: Basketball—UK def. Alabama 82-68
- Feb. 14: Women's Basketball—Auburn def. UK 93-67
- Feb. 17: Basketball—Tennessee def. UK 72-70
- Feb. 18: Women's Basketball—Tennessee def. UK 99-75
- Feb. 20: Basketball—Florida def. UK 83-76
- Feb. 23: Women's Basketball—LSU def. UK 88-74
- Feb. 24: Basketball—UK def. LSU 95-69
- Feb. 25: Women's Basketball—UK def. Middle Tenn. 76-68
- Feb. 26: Baseball—UK def. Tampa 10-8
- Feb. 27: Baseball—UK def. Tampa 10-6
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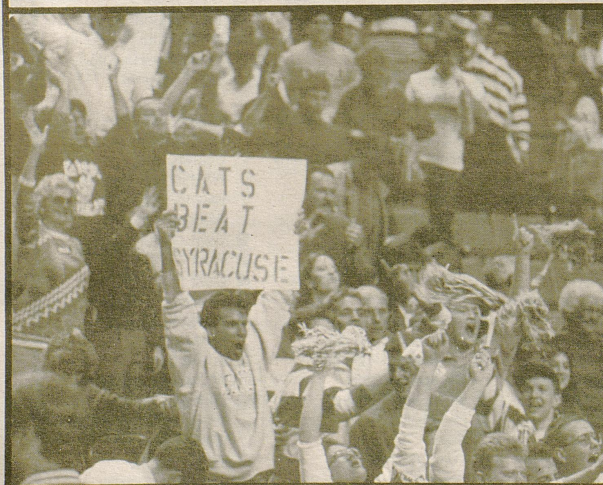
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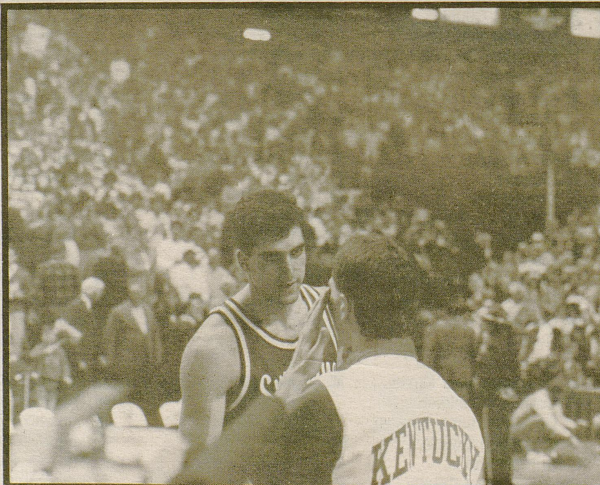
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# KENTUCKY WILDCATS



Big Blue Emotions High After Win Over Syracuse



Orangemen's Seikaly And UK's Chapman Have Postgame Chat

# Letters To The Editor, Read 'em And Weep

Let's Put Things In Their Proper Perspective

My daddy used to tell me that if he had bought Coca-Cola stock in 1922, when he had the opportunity to buy it cheap, we'd be millionaires today.  
My daddy was right. Not about Coca-Cola but about hindsight. If we knew then what we know now, we'd never have anything to look back to with regret.



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist



I read a great many fan-type newspapers every week. LSU's *Tiger Rag*, Florida's *Gator Bait*, Mississippi's *Ole Miss Spirit* and Kentucky's *Cats' Pause* among others.  
Most of them publish letters to the editors and you'd be amazed at how many experts on Coca-Cola stock there are.

"If coach so and so had done such and such we wouldn't have lost to those nobodies last week."

To be specific, a few actual quotes from recent letters to the editor of *The Cats' Pause*.  
"I am writing following the game at Vanderbilt. I can only hope the players and coaches of Kentucky will see this. I want them to know they've let down a great many people."

"... you must understand the embarrassment and humiliation I endured the night of Jan. 27." (Kentucky's loss to Vanderbilt).

"Mistake after stupid mistake deserves bench time. The only player who acted and played like he wanted to win in the disgraceful loss to Florida (at Rupp Arena) was Winston Bennett."

"The jury is still out on coach (Eddie) Sutton. He has had one great year and one mediocre year."

**COME ON, PEOPLE. THESE ARE KIDS** we're talking about. Eighteen-, 19- and 20-year-old kids just out of high school, give or take a couple of years.

We're not picking on Kentucky fans. They are actually the most knowledgeable in the league. Their paper just happened to be handy. The rest of the Southeastern Conference schools and coaches suffer the same "after the fact" criticism.

Basketball is a terribly inconsistent game. The best team doesn't always win. If it did, what was possibly the finest college team of our time, Houston, wouldn't have lost the

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—A wise ol' columnist

national championship to North Carolina State in 1983.

One night a kid comes out and fills it up. Two nights later he couldn't hit the side of a barn with a bucket of gravel.

No one knows why, least of all the kid himself. He's trying just as hard. He wants to win just as badly. It simply doesn't happen for him.

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Fans always ask me, "What is coach Jones really like," or "What kind of a kid is Bill Shootout?"

They're just like you, friend, except they get their name in the paper and you don't.

Coach Jones goes home after practice or a game where his wife and kids greet him and lay their problems on his shoulders just the way yours do. Mrs. coach Jones asks what he wants for dinner and whether or not they can afford to get little Johnny's teeth fixed.

**I ONCE TOLD A COACH WHO WAS COMPLAINING** about some professor making life tough for a player, that the prof was just doing his job, too.

"Yeah," said the coach, "but he doesn't do his twice a week in front of thousands of people."

Every coach and player wants to win. They work as hard at their job as you do at your plant or office.

But they are not perfect. Coaches don't have time to think and plan. They have to act. Players can't play to their max every night. They can't score on every shot. They're tired sometimes, hurt sometimes, emotionally upset at others.

And when all is said and done, the world will not come to an end because Vanderbilt beat Kentucky or Florida lost twice to Auburn or Mississippi State defeated LSU at Baton Rouge. Sure, some players are better and some coaches are smarter than the competition. Sure, those are the ones you want on your side.

It's easy writing a letter to an editor saying what a coach or player should have done after he's already done it. The trick is knowing what to do at the moment you have to do it.  
I loved my daddy. But if he had been as smart as I like to think he was, he'd bought Coca-Cola stock in 1922.

## Not For Broadcast

I am absolutely convinced the key to a winning football team is big, strong, quick linemen. The quarterback signees and running back recruits get the ink, but eight or 10 6-foot-5, 275-pound folks are every bit as important. That's why I suspect **Watson Brown** still is a long way from turning the Vanderbilt program around. Of the 22 newly signed players profiled in a recent press release, only four up front recruits were listed, one defensive end, one offensive tackle and two defensive tackles. The rest were receivers, quarterbacks, running backs and secondary people. Obviously, the Commodores signed some talented players but apparently not enough where you need them the most—up front. . . Mississippi State basketball coach **Richard Williams** appears to be pulling his starting lineups out of a hat. At midseason he had used nine different ones and all 10 players on the Bulldog roster have received at least one starting assignment this season. . . Tennessee forward **Dyron Nix** is threatening to win both the SEC's rebounding and scoring championships. **Kenny Walker** of Kentucky was the last player to lead the conference in both scoring and rebounding. He did it in 1985. The last Tennessee player to win a double was **Bernard King** in 1977. . . Because of the rotation plan used by the SEC in allocating ticket locations for the conference tournament, **LSU** fans will get lousy seats for this year's event even though it's being played in their home gym. Next season at Tennessee, Tiger supporters will do better but there will be complaints this year. School ticket sections are changed every year. One time your school's seats are in the middle, the next time they're at the ends. . . **Mississippi State** has averaged only 3,507 fans per game but that's an increase over last year's 2,908. Contrast that with **Kentucky's** approximately 24,000 or **Tennessee's** 20,000 and you'll understand why the 'Cats and Vols can afford to pour money into their basketball programs while the Bulldogs cannot. . . Vanderbilt's All-America linebacker, **Chris Gaines**, has been named the Tennessee Amateur Athlete of the Year by the Tennessee Sports Hall



Tennessee's Dyron Nix, Who's Had A Few Career Nights Himself

of Fame. Well deserved. . . Eighty-three **University of Kentucky** student athletes proved they were students as well as athletes by posting 3.0 or better grade point averages for the fall semester. . . How many teams will the Southeastern Conference get in this year's NCAA Tournament? Only three for sure—**Kentucky, Florida** and **Vanderbilt**, but don't count out Dale Brown's **LSU Tigers**. **Auburn** is very iffy and probably won't make it. Neither will **Georgia** or the rest have a chance. . . Why would **Florida** sandwich a game with **Miami** in the middle of the tough conference race? The game was played at **Miami** and drew just more than 5,000. And they're going to have a pro team at **Miami**. How long will it take them to move some place where they'll be welcomed?

**The Last Word:** Tennessee's **Dyron Nix** who scored 25 points only to see **LSU's** Jose Vargas get 28 and 10 rebounds as the Tigers beat the Vols 92-73:

"It's getting old. Every time Tennessee steps on the floor, somebody has a career night."

# Cheers For LSU's Brown, UNLV's Padio

The Other Kind For South Carolina's Felton

More Cheers 'n Jeers and things.

## Cheers 'n Jeers

Except for University of Louisville's new Associate Head Coach Wade Houston, last week not a particularly good one for coaches.



Bob Watkins

Cats' Pause Columnist



✓ LSU's Dale Brown hoped to keep Kentucky "in the 50s" at Rupp Arena to have a chance to win. His Tigers trailed 55-28 at the half.

✓ South Carolina's George Felton and Louisville's Denny Crum got a slap on the wrist from Metro Conference Commissioner Ralph McFillen who reprimanded coaches, players and officials involved in a fight in last Saturday's South Carolina-Louisville game.

✓ And Georgetown's John Thompson didn't like some of the questions asked him after a brawl between his players and those from Pittsburgh.

**CHEERS** to LSU's Dale Brown. After Kentucky beat his team by 26 points, 95-69, he said "Eddie (Sutton) was good to us. I'm glad he's a good friend of mine."

**JEERS** to South Carolina's Felton and Louisville's Crum for blaming the game officials for a rhu barb between their teams Feb. 20. It was the easy way out since the officials are not allowed to comment. Having seen both Louisville-South Carolina games, it was obvious the coaches had instructed their players to be as aggressive as the officials would allow. It seems only right then, that Felton and Crum would accept some of the blame for what happened in Columbia. They didn't.

**CHEERS** to the University of Louisville's new "associate head coach" Wade Houston who was given his new title last week. It puts Houston, 43, in line to succeed Denny Crum whose current contract has more five years on it.

"I hope this ultimately means that some day I'll get an opportunity to be the head coach here," Houston said Thursday. "This is a step in that direction."

**CHEERS** to Denny Crum who said Houston's promotion was meant to show the school's appreciation for Houston, who has been on Crum's staff since 1976.

**JEERS** to Georgetown basketball coach John Thompson. A man who fancies himself as being in the front rank of college basketball coaches where fair play and human principals are concerned, Thompson "shrugged off" as incidental contact, the fight between his players and Pittsburgh's last week.

**CHEERS** to Gerald Paddio of Nev-Las Vegas who told Basketball Times: "I would like to be remembered as Gerald Paddio, the player who always did his job, kept his mouth shut and did the right things."

**JEERS** to NBC-TV's Al McGuire. After watching Al Baby work games matching Duke-Notre Dame, Florida-UK and Temple-North Carolina, I was ready for a little Dick Vitale. The "bubbles and sea shells magic" seems to have worn off. McGuire had done little or no research for any of the games, relying instead on cute remarks, a snow job. But for college fans, those in Kentucky at least, it won't work.

**CHEERS** North Carolina State Coach Jim Valvano, pointing up the double standards at the college level want their institutions to be Harvards Monday through Friday and Oklahoma on Saturday.

### LSU's Dale Brown

Before the LSU-Kentucky game at Rupp Arena Feb. 24, Tigers Coach Dale Brown said his team had to keep Kentucky "in the 50s" to have a chance to win.

LSU did hold UK to 55 points ... in the first half. After UK had won the game 95-69, Brown waved the white flag, sort of. "Kentucky's loaded. Let's face it, when the play they're tough," he said. "Eddie (Sutton) was kind. I'm glad we're friends. When it comes time for talent to play lack of talent this is what happens."

"But," Brown added, "who knows, we may meet them again when it counts. This game really doesn't mean that much."

### Sutton/Strange season

"There have been some strange things happening in college basketball this season," Sutton went on. "It's been a bizarre season all over the country. If anybody had told me a team could go into Chapel Hill, North Carolina and score 19 straight against the Tar Heels to start a second half, or make North Carolina commit 28 turnovers, I'd have said he was crazy."

### Silver linings at UK

Given the roller coaster type season Kentucky has given its fans, there might be something good come out of Rex Chapman's injury last week. His absence, if only briefly, can have good effect here.

The Wildcats can learn to play "blue collar" basketball with their dynamic leading scorer out of the lineup. Learn to rely more on each other, work harder to compensate for Chapman's absence.

"Something like this can certainly be a rallying point," UK assistant coach James Dickey said. "Richard (Madison) and Cedric (Jenkins) are going to have to come in and play well. And some of the others too."

### Eric Manuel

Before the season, would anyone have put down a wager on freshman Eric Manuel being the "most consistent" Wildcat? If you had you'd be rich now.

Through last week Manuel continued his sterling performance and had played his way into the starting lineup.

Curiously, the knock on the 6-5 Georgian has become — he isn't shooting enough. Against LSU he took eight shots in the first half and made six for a team high 12 points. But in the second 20 minutes Manuel shot only twice, made one.

After the game the kid called "Moon" wasn't interested in personal totals. "The thing I noticed was that we had 15 assists at the half," he said. "We just played an all around good game. This really helped us. And hearing the Tennessee-Floida score (UT's 65-63 upset) really picked us up too."

What about being a starter instead of sixth man?

"I still get nervous either way," Moon replied. "But if I go out and get into the flow and then hit that first shot, well, it just becomes a real good game."

### Louisville is 'in' NCAA

At the cost of a few drops of blood at South Carolina last week, it says here that the Louisville Cardinals took a giant step toward an invitation the NCAA Tournament.

The Cards miracle comeback win against the Gamecocks, pushed UofL to 17-9 at this writing and, barring catastrophe, clinches at least an at-large bid.

### Kentucky all-stars

Eddie Ford, Kentucky's foremost high school basketball entrepreneur, paid a visit to Ford Knox High School last Friday to get a look at 6-6 forward Troy Smith. Ford, who lives in Madisonville, puts together a team of high school seniors-to-be each summer for a trip to Europe and then an all-star tournament in Las Vegas.

Who has been selected for the 1988 team? Ford smiled. "We'll make a formal announcement of who's on the team at a press conference on Friday of the Boys State Tournament (Mar. 18)," he said.

Three players who will be on the team are Allan Houston of Louisville Ballard, 6-7 Dan Hall of Marshall County and Ford's son, Travis, of Madisonville.

Some other possible candidates: Troy Smith (Fort Knox), 6-5 Dwayne Crittenden (Shelby County), and 6-7 Willie Eames (Lexington Lafayette).

What are Smith's chances? Ford wouldn't say, but, like most everyone else who has watched the junior forward play, he likes the way Smith plays "some times."

Sort of like ... if only Troy Smith's intensity for the game measured up to his talent for playing it.

### Chapman was hurt, and...

How popular is Rex Chapman in Kentucky?

"The phones started ringing at 8 a.m. and didn't stop all day yesterday," Joyce Baxter said last Friday. "I've just never seen anything like it."

Mrs. Baxter works in the sports information office at the University of Kentucky. "It was like Rex Chapman was their son or something," she said. "We have three phone lines into our office and they just kept rolling over all day. I think we had something more than 200 calls, people wanting to know how Rex is. Is he going to play Sunday? Is he out for the season? How's Rex?"

Baxter said that sports writers called too. Scribes from Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio and Indiana. "We even had some calls from New York," she said. "Wanting to know about Rex's injury."

At the Lexington Herald-Leader "the phones rang morning till night," sports writer Mike Fields said. "If the game hadn't been on television where people got to see what happened, the calls might have been worse than they were."

At WKYT-Television, Channel 27 in Lexington, last Wednesday night's episode of The Equalizer was interrupted by a news bulletin on Rex's condition.

On page 1 on the Feb. 26 edition of *The Herald-Leader* a story about Chapman's condition appeared along with a graphic of the human body focusing on the location of Chapman's back injury.

How popular is Rex Chapman? How much have you heard this week about what's happening with Gov. Wallace Wilkinson?

### Readers (right) write

■ Brent Coffman of Elizabethtown "This letter is to any South Carolina Gamecock fans there might be. Especially those who chanted "You Got Beat" and "Nervous Pervis" after the unfortunate incident that took place with 1:04 to go in the game between Louisville and South Carolina. It Ain't Over til its Over!

Coffman believes the Cardinals "are on a roll and this might pull them together for the final stretch toward their third national title in the 80s.

Further, he asked, "why wasn't (South Carolina's) Barry Manning ejected? He threw the punch that put Herb Crook out. Also, as LaBradford Smith now knows, if you're going to get into a fight, don't wait until the big guy throw the first punch."

Comment Manning was not ejected "because the officials didn't see him punch Herb Crook in the nose," Kenny Klein, U of L's sports information director said.

Incidentally, the South Carolina fan who came out of the stands and struck Crook a couple of blows spent a night in a Columbia lockup and has been banned from the South Carolina arena for the rest of the season.

"Herb Crook has decided not to press charges against the guy," Klein said.

Gary Phillips of Radcliff, Ky. writes in response to UK Coach Eddie Sutton, who "said that he didn't think the Wildcats would lose as many games as they have. In my book they should have had three other losses (eight in all), those being to Indiana, Louisville and Vanderbilt at Rupp Arena. Go Cards!"

■ O.C. Anderson of Noblesville, Ind. writes to say that he agrees with Tom Hawkins of Shelbyville who wrote last month that Kentucky will not "get past the first game in the (NCAA) playoffs."

"But I don't think Rob Lock is the one to shoulder all the blame," Anderson says. "I think when a ball player like Chapman is having a bad game, if UK had a coach like Bob Knight, he would take him out for a while."

"I also noted that Mr. Hawkins wondered how long a player like Lock could play for a coach like Knight. I am not a Bob Knight fan by any means, but I think he could give Eddie Sutton a few pointers."

Comment How would Knight handle the mercurial Rob Lock? Probably very much the way The General did in 1985-86 when he had only one big man, a 7-footer who had "stone hands." Uwe Blab. Knight learned to grin and bear it.

Comment II Thank you for writing.

And so it goes



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## Russell Rice

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**Adolph Edwards Jr.** (football 1925-26), retired lawyer who had held several positions with the federal government, died last October in Penfield, N.Y. He was 82. Known as "Moco" by his UK teammates, Edwards was a native of Boone County, as was McClurg. President Dwight Eisenhower appointed him secretary of Guam, a position he held from 1960 to 1961.

During the early 1950s, Edwards was chief counsel of the Office of Territories, handling legal matters concerning the administration of Alaska, Hawaii, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa and the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands. Eisenhower named him to a commission to make recommendations on the application of federal laws to the Virgin Islands.

From 1954 to 1960, Edwards was an associate solicitor in the Department of the Interior, serving as chief legal officer for the National Park Service and Fish and Wildlife Service, as well as the Office of Territories.

He appeared before congressional committees considering Alaska and Hawaii for statehood in 1956 and 1957 as the Interior Department's representative supporting statehood. He was chief advisor to the acting governor of Alaska during a session of the territorial legislature in 1957.

He was named to the UK Hall of Distinguished Alumni in 1965 and was a former president of the UK alumni chapter in Washington, D.C. He was in the Cynthiana law firm Lair & Edwards from 1929 to 1933. He was a captain in the Army from 1933 until 1937, when he joined the Pineville law firm Davis & Edwards. He was with that firm until 1943.

**Edgar Kerr Rice**, 78, semi-retired insurance businessman died last month at Bourbon General Hospital in Paris, Ky. A 1930 graduate of the university, he was a drum major in the Big Blue Band, then known as the "Best Band in Dixie," while a UK student.

He had played drums in a popular local band during the 1920s and once was asked to be guest conductor when the Lawrence Welk orchestra appeared in Lexington.

## Viewpoint

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have in rebounds, field goals, etc.? Is he as good as the rumors I've heard? I would be very interested in seeing an article on Shannon Keene and satisfying my curiosity.

Very truly yours,

Jim Reynolds  
Virginia Beach, Virginia

(Editor's note: Jim, thanks for the note, but we think it's a little early to be putting

so much pressure on a youngster. Frankly, media attention focused on early teens is getting out of hand, and we believe that doing a feature story on an eighth-grader—and all the statewide and national attention that would in all probability go along with it—unless he is competing on the varsity level, could be detrimental to his development. Maybe you'll see something here about that young man in a couple of years.)

## Oscar Combs

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basketball coach. Later, he worked for a television station in Birmingham. Brad has certainly left his mark on UK as he makes a move up the sports ladder. Good luck, Brad. . . . Davis will be replacing **Steve Townsend** in that position at the SEC headquarters. Townsend is moving on to Tuscaloosa to become the sports information director at the University of Alabama where he will be an assistant athletics director. . . . There are reports out of Birmingham (unconfirmed I might add) that there is a strong possibility that the SEC headquarters will be moved to Atlanta within the next couple years. Proponents of such a move insist the league will get more visibility in Atlanta. The prospects of expanding the SEC's associa-

tion with corporate sponsors would also be greatly enhanced. . . . The latest on the **Richie Farmer Derby**: A new school has joined the story. Reports are that LSU is now interested in Farmer and LSU athletics director **Joe Dean** confirmed last week that LSU coach **Dale Brown** has already set up a home visit with Farmer. Suddenly, another SEC school has also shown considerable interest in Farmer. Vanderbilt assistant **Ed Martin** was spotted at Farmer's final regular-season home game last week against Middlesboro. Farmer scored 20 before being lifted early in the fourth quarter after twisting his knee. . . . Less than 500 tickets remain unsold for the SEC basketball tournament next week in Baton Rouge. Tickets are still on sale in Baton Rouge.

## UK 62, Syracuse 58

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it maintained a four- to eight-point margin until Seikaly's three-point play put Syracuse on top 49-40 with 12:19 to play.

Bennett then connected over the Syracuse zone before Coleman's slam made it 51-42, Syracuse.

Coleman's bucket was a gift. Manuel had dived on the floor to get a loose ball, only to see his pass wind up in Coleman's hands.

But it was the last gift of the day for Syracuse. From this point on things seemed to go Kentucky's way.

Bennett hit a jumper to make it 51-46. Syracuse, in a hurry, turned over the ball and Davender's jumper hit the rim, went straight up and came back through. Davender was fouled and hit the free throw to bring the 'Cats to within a bucket at 51-49.

The noose was tightening.

Kentucky's zone then relaxed a bit, giving up a three-pointer to Matt Roe. Syracuse led 54-49.

But Kentucky roared back with five unanswered points to tie it at 54-54 and set the stage for Manuel.

"We had four fastbreak opportunities but couldn't cash in when we had them 49-40," said Boehim. "We should have gone to our half-court game. We were more productive."

As for Manuel's labor, Davender said he wasn't surprised.

"He plays like that all the time," said Davender. "He came through with some big time plays. . . he's not your average freshman. He took the shots down the stretch and made them."

Just like Rex.

# KENTUCKY BASKETBALL'S BIG BLUE MACHINE

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# Pow! Crunch!. . .Hard Knocks On Hardwood

## Big East Trying To Police Recent Fisticuffs

I'm sure you've heard the old saying: "I was watching a fight when this hockey game broke out." Well, nowadays the saying goes, "There was this fight, you see, and all of a sudden a basketball game broke out."

With the recent outbreak of fisticuffs in college basketball, the collegiate game lately best



Todd Hallum

Cats' Pause Columnist



resembles back-alley brawls instead of basketball encounters on the hardwood. The most recent violent activities involved the Georgetown Hoyas and the Pitt Panthers a couple of weekends ago. However, the two Big East schools were not the only offenders that day. On that same Saturday, Louisville literally fought South Carolina in a game where five technicals were whistled against both parties, the ejection of four players and Gamecock coach George Felton.

With the immediate abundance of publicity involving these unfortunate incidents, most of the people associated with college basketball now are starting to take a much strong position than ever before.

Although there have been no major incidents involving University of Kentucky games this season, UK's James Dickey, like any other coach, hopes something can be done to put a lid on such garbage.

"THERE IS NO PLACE FOR IT IN COLLEGE BASKETBALL," said Dickey, now in his third year as a Wildcat assistant. "You really hate to see it. It's a very competitive game for players and they are the ones that are told to play hard in every game. Sometimes coaches can't control those emotions of players and games can get out of hand. But no coach promotes that kind of activity."

Georgetown, which seems to be a team involved in many of these embarrassing incidents, has been the focal point of violence in college basketball. Therefore, the Big East has handed down new policies for any unsportsmanlike activities involving league members.

The executive committee of the conference has drafted a five-point policy regarding any situation which might provoke violence in Big East competition. The Big East hopes to at least put an end to its reputation of being one of the roughest in the country. . .the bullies on the block, so to speak.

The conference also hopes to set a precedent for not only the Big East but the rest of the country as well.



Crum Points Finger At Trio Who Officiated Recent UL-USC 'Battle'

"The Big East Conference views high visibility, which tend to magnify problem areas, as an opportunity to be an innovative leader in addressing national trends," said league commissioner Dave Gavitt.

"One of these trends," the commissioner added, "is the deterioration of conduct and good sportsmanship as it relates to coaches, players and fans of college basketball."

WHAT THE BIG EAST'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS DONE is draft a five-point policy that relates to any unsportsmanlike play in any basketball game. The plan calls for:

- ✓An automatic suspension for the next conference game for players or bench personnel other than head coaches who enter the basketball court during a skirmish.
- ✓Reaffirmed commitment on the part of conference athletic directors to ensure that games at their home sites will be in accordance of good sportsmanship and sound principles.
- ✓The implementation at the conclusion of the season of a "major" program aimed to prove positive leadership by conference administrators, coaches and athletes.
- ✓And last but not least, to ensure all competition to be conducted to the highest standards of ethics and sportsmanship to the program at the end of the season.

The proposals drawn up by the Big East certainly should make great strides in preventing fights in college basketball. However, game officials also play a key role in controlling a contest.

During the Louisville-South Carolina fight-marred contest, both Felton and Denny Crum blamed the incident on poor officiating. No rules coming down from any league can be enforced unless officials establish some control in the basketball game itself.



James Dickey: Impossible To Seperate Basketball & Emotional Play

Currently, the Metro Conference is reviewing the tape of the incident and will determine if any action should be taken against the players or officials. The officials of the contest were Bob Olah, Ben Dunn and Herman Ramsey and they could stand the chance of being disciplined, according to the Metro's director of communications Charles Dayton.

So far no fights have made headlines in any Southeastern Conference games this season. But according to Dickey no guidelines involving the recent violent activities have been sent down by the league office.

"There have not been any I'm aware of," said Dickey. "I don't know that three technicals can have a player ejected."

DICKEY SAYS UK'S POLICY FOR ITS PLAYERS controlling their tempers is trying to keep the bench area clear from the playing floor and not taunting opposing players in efforts to avoid verbal confrontations.

"We try to make our players aware to this situation before it can happen," said Dickey. "We tell them to back off and tell the players on the bench to say there and don't leave, because the first reaction of a player is to protect his teammates.

"It's a behavior we don't need."

But it's hard to imagine every player being able to control his temper for every game. Yes, the stakes are high and nowadays there is more pressure to win. . .which means more heated confrontations. Because of the nature of the game, Dickey believes you never can eliminate emotional battles between competitive schools.

"Basketball is an emotional game," said Dickey. "I don't care if it's a backyard one-on-one game, two-on-two, or whatever there will always be scraps and arguments. It doesn't matter if games are nationally televised or not there will always be heated arguments."

It remains to be seen if fighting will be eliminated from college basketball. But one thing remains certain, if it continues, all conferences will adopt the Big East's policy and more player suspensions will be in order.

Fighting belongs in the boxing ring, not on the basketball court.

# Hey, Mr. Ref, Do You Have Your Glasses On?

## Traveling Call Is Tripping Officials

It was two years ago during my ever-so-brief television career when the thought came tumbling out. What I said during that broadcast was that while the most difficult call for an official to make was the block/charge situation, the one which is most frequently missed, both ways, is traveling. At that time it was more a thought than anything documentable.



Larry Donald

Cats' Pause Columnist



But in the time since I've watched carefully and today my conviction is stronger than ever that walking is both the most incorrectly called play in college basketball.

Any sort of ball fake near the basket is an automatic whistle. The cross-over step, which used to be taught as an effective one-on-one technique, has virtually become extinct because it is nearly always a traveling call.

On the other hand, rarely is this call made when a slam dunk is involved. True, today's athletes are bigger, quicker and able to make longer strides. But watch some of those replays and you'll see two, even three steps before the dunk is executed and seldom will you see the play waved off.

How this evolved remains something of a mystery, but there's little doubt it's a fact of the game today.

I was in the crowd when Bradley's **Hersey Hawkins** lit it up for 63 points to break **Oscar Robertson's** single game Missouri Valley Conference record. Two things impressed me: His points came from the offensive flow. And I can recall him forcing only one shot, a three-pointer in which he was off balance. Otherwise it was a masterpiece of efficiency, 21 of 28 shots. On the same night in Detroit, the Titans' **Archie Tullos** broke the UD school scoring record with 49. In an otherwise dreary season for Detroit, Tullos has been outstanding. If he could bulk up a bit there are some scouts who think he could make an NBA roster next year. Said Bradley's **Stan Albeck**, a veteran of the NBA, "I think he's got a good future as a pro. He's the quickest guy off the dribble we've seen this year."

When the NCAA makes it mandatory that any player involved in a fight be ejected and suspended for the next game, we'll have fewer **Louisville-South Carolina** and **Georgetown-Pittsburgh** incidents. It's not much more complicated than that.

I'd say it is reasonable to assume that West Virginia coach **Gale Catlett** will expend considerable energy this spring seeking to sign a player who can shoot the basketball. In **Darryl Prue** and freshman **Chris Brooks**, the Mountaineers have two capable inside players, but they are constantly smothered by zone defenses. WVU's outside shooting is, ah, what's a kind word here, atrocious.

The Big Sky Conference is celebrating its 50th anniversary and in conjunction with that selected its greatest player ever—former Montana pivot **Larry Krystowiak**, that school's all-time leading scorer...It's a little known fact, but in his final year at Syracuse **Jim Boeheim** averaged 14.6 ppg. That refutes all those old stories which suggested the only reason Boeheim played at all was because of a willingness to take the ball out of bounds and pass it to **Dave Bing**.

Until recently I didn't know that the arena at Colorado State University is called **Moby Gym** because from a distance it looks like a whale...Honest, I do not make these things up.

Florida State's **Tony Dawson** certainly qualifies as one of the nation's most courageous players. He's turned in a fine career for the Seminoles after overcoming three broken legs all caused by being struck by a car as a youngster. The injuries left him with one leg shorter than the other, but that hasn't stopped him from being a starter at FSU...Mentioning that school, storm signals are brewing with reports the NCAA is investigating the program. Has there ever been a conference which constantly keeps stumbling over itself like the Metro?

When Brown coach **Mike Cingiser** left the bench during his team's game at Cal Fullerton to confront a fan who was heckling his players a scuffle ensued and the rowdy was ejected. End of story? No. For the next game the same guy showed up wearing a neck brace. Shortly thereafter Cingiser found himself charged with assault and disorderly conduct. Local police said they interviewed witnesses (who later turned out to be known friends of the guy) and decided to prosecute. If the school and its police department at Fullerton aren't embarrassed, certainly they should be.

Here's the latest from North Carolina State's **Jim Valvano**: "Administrators want your program to be like Harvard from Monday through Friday, but on Saturday they want you to play like Oklahoma." So true...Last time I mentioned North Carolina State as a tournament darkhorse and I still like Wolfpacks' prospects, but I also think you can throw **Georgia Tech** into that category...And isn't timing everything? Can you imagine **Dennis Scott** playing a few years back with the **Mark Price-John Salley** teams at Georgia Tech which so desperately needed a pure shooter?

I'm told the Atlantic Coast Conference recently signed a new television deal with syndicator Jefferson Pilot which will pay each school more than \$1 million per year for the next three seasons. It is a bigger contract than the SEC's football pact which is considered the best of its kind.

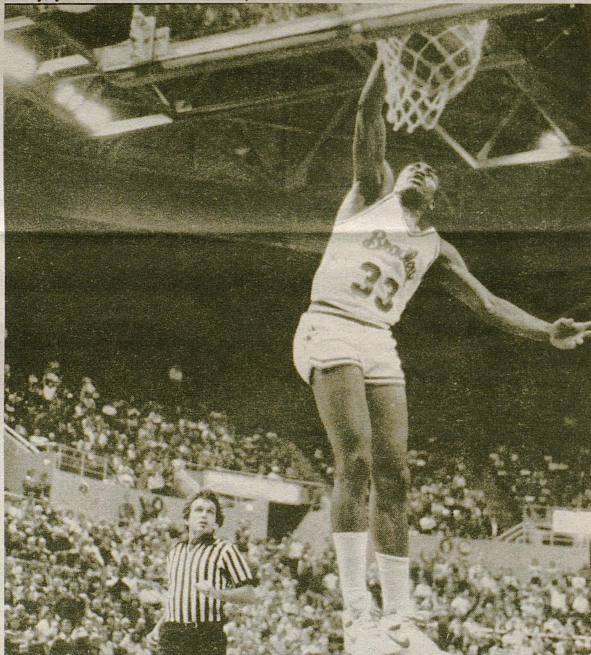
Among those collegians whose star has fallen this year, Georgia's **Willie Anderson** has to

be among the leaders...Everytime I look at the plight of the **Rutgers** program I remember this was one of three schools which said no thanks to the Big East. The others were Holy Cross and Temple.

It seems a forgone conclusion that Rutgers will fire coach **Craig Littlepage** and a leading candidate to replace him may be **Bob Wenzel**, assistant with the New Jersey Nets. Wenzel is a Rutgers alum and did an outstanding job at Jacksonville before departing there last summer to have a run at the pro game.

The NCAA tournament committee, which always faces a number of dilemmas in choosing the field of 64, will have to take a long look at the American South Conference in a few weeks. This new league does not have an automatic qualification, but has two teams probably which deserve to be there...I suspect Central Michigan's **Charlie Coles** will return to the University of Detroit and attempt to revive that moribund program. Coles previously was an assistant there.

I'm not quite ready to admit **Arizona** and **Temple** to my list of elite schools which have all the necessary tools to compete for a national championship year after year. Both have moved up quickly, but the next step is a long one and both have some problems in terms of visibility...The Owls' **John Chaney** almost surely will be a runaway choice as Coach of the Year nationally...This has nothing to do with basketball, but the other day at Detroit's Metro Airport I saw a guy wearing a business name tag which said: Tom N. Jerry...  
Hey, you take amusement where you can find it on the road...



### Hersey's Sweet 63-Point Performance Surpasses Big O's Record

It appears **Bobby Knight's** youngest son **Pat** will be a good enough player to attract some major college offers...I mentioned earlier how pleased I was to see **Tates Locke** back in the coaching business. We had breakfast recently and I've never seen him happier. At age 50 I think he's got enough left for one more run as a head coach and, Lord knows, the man still understands the game.

Very quietly **Navy** has regained some respect in the second half of the season. The Mid-dies, minus **David Robinson**, started very badly, but now have clawed their way within periscope viewing distance of .500...Are you surprised to learn that at least one of every four Division I basketball games is regionally or nationally telecast?

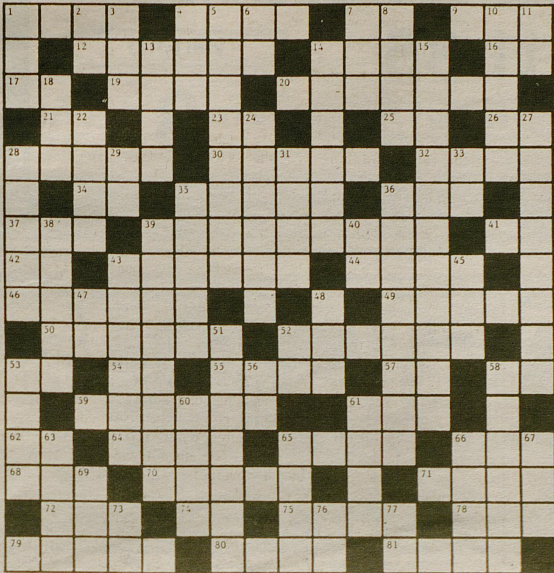
Mentioning television, the most significant ratings move this winter has been made by ABC which has pulled even for the year with NBC. Both trail CBS by a modest margin...**Rick Majerus**, who surprised many by departing the Milwaukee Bucks to take the Ball State job after previously bolting Marquette for the pros, has his Cardinals contending for a spot in the Mid-American Conference's postseason tournament. Considering Ball State was picked to finish last, Majerus has turned in an outstanding job. And, even better, he's got several promising players sitting in the wings...Recently Ball State beat Toledo during final exam week. Majerus had two starters taking exams from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tipoff that night was 7:30.

Much is being made of **Alonzo Mourning's** arrival next year at Georgetown. He's being hailed as the best big man since Patrick Ewing and that's fine. But if **John Thompson** hopes to have another national championship team during Mourning's era he better find some guys who can shoot the basketball.



T C P CROSSWORD PUZZLE

By Dan Kruckeberg



WHEN THEY WERE FRESHMEN

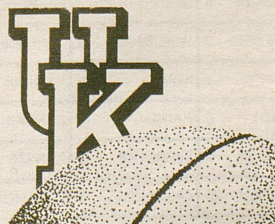
ACROSS

- 1 Namesakes of 43 Down
- 4 "\_\_\_\_\_ on the road is always tough"
- 7 Initials of 9 Across
- 9 Averaged 20.8 ppg for '66-'67 Kittens
- 12 Freshman who played in all games for the '80-'81 Cats
- 14 Coached Kittens in the early-'70s
- 16 Initials of '76-'77 Cat freshman LaVon
- 17 Initials of 27 Down
- 19 Form of "he"
- 20 1st name of freshman/2nd-leading scorer for Rupp's '45-'46 Cats
- 21 Initials of 55 Across
- 23 Initials of 24 Down
- 25 Abbr. for a collegiate class
- 26 "\_\_\_\_\_ and O's"
- 28 First name of 14 Down
- 30 Kenny Walker scored a \_\_\_\_\_ of 227 pts. as a freshman
- 32 Reddish orange
- 34 Abbr. for city of '88 Final Four
- 35 Won Freshmen Leadership award for '78 National Champs
- 36 WAC school
- 37 Mr. Lincoln
- 39 \_\_\_\_\_ rebounding and scoring for Kittens was omen of things to come
- 41 Initials of fine '66-'67 star of the freshman team, Pratt
- 42 Initials of '84-'85 freshman from CA
- 43 Religious services
- 44 Appointment
- 46 California desert
- 49 Stop \_\_\_\_\_
- 50 \_\_\_\_\_ first season earned him the Freshmen Leadership award in '76
- 52 Averaged 7.3 ppg as '82-'83 freshman
- 53 Symbol for "berkelium"
- 54 SEC state abbr.
- 55 Seldom-used '81-'82 freshman McKinley
- 57 Abbr. for "milliliter"
- 58 See 17 Across
- 59 Accounting book
- 61 First name of 14 Across
- 62 Initials of 10 Down
- 64 Rod and \_\_\_\_\_
- 65 Group of households
- 66 The '72 Kittens \_\_\_\_\_ 22 of 22 games
- 68 Law degree
- 70 First name of 79 Across
- 71 \_\_\_\_\_-out
- 72 Very long time
- 74 Symbol for "radium"
- 75 Angers
- 78 Coach Holman of '50 Champs CCNY
- 79 Started as freshman in backcourt with Parkinson
- 80 Had 10.4 ppg as '74-'75 freshman Cat
- 81 H. Lancaster was long-time \_\_\_\_\_ of the Kittens

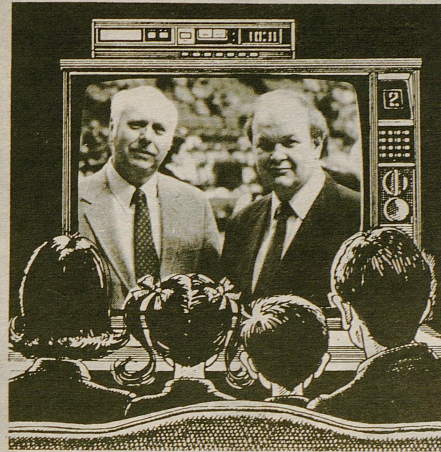
DOWN

- 1 Fast plane
- 2 Initials of 12 Across
- 3 Comes off the bench
- 4 Monkey
- 5 Freshman \_\_\_\_\_ '6.5 ppg case for the '83-'84 Cats
- 6 "\_\_\_\_\_ the paint"
- 7 St. Louis Cardinal GM Maxvill
- 8 Misfortunes
- 10 Freshman \_\_\_\_\_ 393 points led the '46-'47 squad
- 11 Cats in scoring
- 11 Compass abbr.
- 13 Coral
- 14 \_\_\_\_\_ '50 Kitten squad went 15-1
- 15 Greencastle, IN star on '67-'68 freshman
- 18 Abbr. for a major league city
- 22 First name of 41 Across
- 24 \_\_\_\_\_ '12.9 ppg came as a freshman on the '79-'80 Cats
- 27 Won '77 Freshmen Leadership award
- 28 Amulet
- 29 Initials of 35 Across
- 31 Russian news agency
- 33 Double vowel
- 35 Led '66-'67 Kittens in scoring
- 36 Scored 128 pts. as '83-'84 freshman
- 38 Defensive move
- 39 Started as freshman for coach Hall's last Cat team
- 40 First name of 39 Down
- 43 A freshman for Joe's '80-'81 Cats
- 45 Sense organ
- 47 Initials of '70s Cat Andrews
- 48 First name of freshman guard with 7.8 ppg for '76-'77 Cats
- 51 Rex was a \_\_\_\_\_ performer as freshman
- 52 Abbr. for "without"
- 53 Started 6 games as '80-'81 freshman
- 56 Initials of 80 Across
- 58 Won '86 Freshmen Leadership award
- 60 Equipment
- 61 First name of '74-'75 freshman with 9.4 ppg
- 63 \_\_\_\_\_ club
- 65 Scyllianess
- 66 '58 Kittens had 16 \_\_\_\_\_ in 17 games
- 67 Hoop gear
- 69 Abbr. for "dead on arrival"
- 73 Abbr. for "no return"
- 76 Initials of '64 Cat Kennett
- 77 Initials of '60s Cat Scotty

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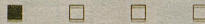
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MICHIGAN AT PURDUE		PURDUE 7	PURDUE 6	MICHIGAN 4	PURDUE 4	PURDUE 3	PURDUE 2
OHIO STATE AT INDIANA		INDIANA 9	INDIANA 5	INDIANA 11	INDIANA 6	INDIANA 4	INDIANA 5
MICHIGAN STATE AT MINNESOTA		MINNESOTA 1	MINNESOTA 8	MINNESOTA 3	MINNESOTA 5	MINNESOTA 3	MINNESOTA 4
WISCONSIN AT NORTHWESTERN		N'WESTERN 1	N'WESTERN 2	WISCONSIN 5	N'WESTERN 1	WISCONSIN 2	N'WESTERN 2
IOWA AT ILLINOIS		ILLINOIS 4	IOWA 2	IOWA 3	ILLINOIS 5	ILLINOIS 3	IOWA 2
OKLAHOMA STATE AT KANSAS		KANSAS 8	KANSAS 6	KANSAS 12	KANSAS 8	KANSAS 6	KANSAS 3
MISSOURI AT KANSAS STATE		KANSAS ST. 3	KANSAS ST. 2	MISSOURI 7	KANSAS ST. 3	KANSAS ST. 2	KANSAS ST. 2
NEBRASKA AT OKLAHOMA		OKLAHOMA 18	OKLAHOMA 20	OKLAHOMA 6	OKLAHOMA 25	OKLAHOMA 33	OKLAHOMA 8

# Back Thru The Wildcat Years

## Seven Years Ago

\*The NCAA tournament pairings were announced and Kentucky will play the winner of the Western Kentucky vs. Alabama-Birmingham game in the Mideast Regional at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

\*As Kentucky hit only nine of 16 free throws whereas Vanderbilt made 22-28 at the stripe, the Commodores eliminated the Wildcats from the SEC tournament in Birmingham 60-55 in the quarterfinals. The game featured what has to be one of the most dramatic turnarounds ever. Kentucky came out playing a tenacious man-to-man defense, with Sam Bowie patrolling the inside. Bowie blocked three early shots, Charles Hurt scored six straight points and UK led 10-0. After that, however, it was all Vandy, which was tied with the 'Cats at 27-all as the halftime buzzer sounded. Hurt and Bowie shared Kentucky scoring honors with 12

points.

\*Ole Miss won the Southeastern Conference Tournament, the first time ever for this institution. The Johnny Rebs defeated Georgia in the finals 66-62 and earned the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

## Eight Years Ago

Costly miscues in the final minutes allowed LSU to defeat the 'Cats 80-78 in Birmingham in the finals of the SEC tournament. UK beat LSU just one week earlier for the regular season SEC crown. LSU led by three at intermission but UK came back to take the lead. Then the 'Cats made some crucial turnovers in the final moments when the teams were virtually trading baskets. Overall, UK had 19 turnovers DeWayne Scales was spectacular for LSU, hitting 13 of 19 shots and scoring 26 points, many down the stretch. \*Cat Kyle Macy fought off an illness earlier in

the tournament and scored seven straight second-half shots, nine of 12 for the game. Macy, who the season before was selected MVP in the league tournament, finished the contest with 20 points. Sam Bowie hit nine of 13 shots and scored 20 points while getting 12 rebounds. Dirk Minniefield hit five of six shots for 12 points.

\*Despite 29 points from hotshot forward John Stroud, UK was able to down Ole Miss 70-67 and advance to the SEC tourney finals. Ole Miss led by six points with 14 minutes remaining and trailed by only one with 2:18 left. Chuck Verderber hit the front end of a bonus situation and Dirk Minniefield and an ailing Kyle Macy both sank two foul shots to seal the win. Freshman Sam Bowie led UK with a career-high 27 points. Minniefield added 10 points.

\*Led by Sam Bowie, who played the second half with a bandage on his leg after a first-half injury, UK defeated Auburn 69-61 in the first round of the SEC tourney. Kentucky took the lead at 6-4 and never trailed, although a gutsy Tiger crew kept battling until the end. Bowie scored 19 points and had 10 rebounds. Fred Cowan scored 11 points and Kyle Macy 10.

\*While UK defeated the Tigers on the hardwood they couldn't pin a loss on the Orange and Blue in another sport—wrestling. Kentucky was beaten by Auburn in the SEC wrestling tournament. Auburn finished with 8 1/2 points, Kentucky was second with 75. However, UK's Ricky Dellagatta was voted the Southeastern Conference's Outstanding Wrestler by the coaches.

## Eleven Years Ago

Eighteen points and 15 rebounds by Rick Robey keyed a Kentucky victory over Georgia to end the conference season. Kentucky finished with its 30th conference title after the 72-54 victory. Jack Givens paced all Kentucky scorers with 21 points and James Lee contributed 12.

\*Kentucky's baseball Wildcats opened the 1977 season with a pair of wins over Louisville by scores of 15-7 and 3-0.

\*With Bernard King pouring home 20 points in the final 20 minutes, Tennessee's Volunteers erased an 11-point deficit while the Kentucky Wildcats helplessly stood by and suffered an 81-79 loss, preventing the 'Cats from outright claiming the SEC title. Kentucky did, however, finish in a first-place tie for the crown. In the loss Rick Robey scored 17 points and Mike Phillips added 15.

## Twelve Years Ago

\*The University of Kentucky won its first ever SEC wrestling championship, defeating Florida 89-82 1/2, in what Wildcat coach Fletcher Carr termed "a tremendous effort." Kentucky performers winning championships were Kurt Mock, Tim Mousetis and Joe Carr. All 10 'Cats placed in the consolation or the finals.

\*UK football coach Fran Curci has about wrapped up his recruiting season, signing eight tackles, three tight ends, three running backs, three defensive ends, three linebackers, two quarterbacks, two middle guards, one defensive lineman and one wide receiver. "Taking everything into consideration, I think we had an outstanding year," said Curci.

\*Kentucky's Jack Givens was outstanding, hitting 13 of 18 shots and scoring 33 points, as the Wildcats downed LSU 85-70 at Baton Rouge. Givens also claimed 11 rebounds. Mike Phillips had 18 points and James Lee

and Larry Johnson each scored 10. Former Owensboro standout Kenny Higgs paced LSU with 20 points.

\*The Wildcats stunned the Alabama Crimson Tide before a national television audience in a game played at Memorial Coliseum. UK had lost to the Tide by 13 points earlier this year but rebounded with a 90-85 win the second time around.

## Seventeen Years Ago

\*Adding another SEC title trophy to its case, Kentucky captured first prize with a 102-83 victory over Auburn. It marked the 15th time this season UK has surpassed the century total in scoring. Tom Payne led the 'Cats with 30 points while Larry Steele added 22. John Mengelt of Auburn led all scorers with 38.

\*Ronnie Lyons and Rick Drewitz combined for 56 points to lead UK's freshman team over Auburn 92-84.

\*Kentucky football coach Fran Curci signed Roger Peterman and Ken Fuller to grant-in-aids.

\*The Big Blue placed five players on the UPI All-SEC teams. Picked were Mike Casey on the first team, Tom Payne and Tom Parker on the second team, Larry Steele and Kent Hollenbeck on the third team.

\*Kentucky finished the year strong, beating the Tennessee Volunteers 84-78 for the its 22nd win. UK outscored Ray Mears' club 12-5 in the final eight minutes after leading by only two. Tennessee came into the game as the nation's leading free throw shooting team but missed nine. However, the Vols are one of the league's smallest teams and out rebounded the mighty Wildcats 40-37. Larry Steele led UK with 24 points while Jimmy England scored 21 for the Vols.

## Thirty-One Years Ago

\*University of Kentucky athletics director Bernie Shively announced that North Carolina, presently ranked No. 1 in the nation, will play in the UKIT next year.

\*Kentucky guard Vern Hatton was named honorable mention All-American by the Associated Press. The first team comprised of Wilt Chamberlain of Kansas, Len Rosenbluth of North Carolina, Chet Foret of Columbia, Rod Hundley of West Virginia and Gary Thompson of Iowa State. Elgin Baylor of Seattle headed the team. In the United Press International poll, UK's Johnny Cox made the third team while Ed Beck and Hatton were honorable mention selections.

\*Wildcat sophomore Johnny Cox was named to the All-Southeastern Conference team. Also named were Bailey Howell and Jim Ashmore of Mississippi State, Joe Gibbon of Mississippi and Al Rochelle of Vanderbilt. UK's Ed Beck made the second team.

## Thirty-Two Years Ago

\*Coming off the heels of a loss to Alabama, Kentucky racked up a record-breaking 143-66 win over Georgia. The 'Cats scored 75 first-half points in a game played in Louisville. The 75-point figure broke both UK and SEC scoring records. The first team played less than a half as UK coach Adolph Rupp switched his lineup moving Johnny Brewer into the starting lineup. It was the Wildcats' 18th win compared to seven defeats. Jerry Bird led UK with 22 points, Bob Burrow had 21, Bill Cassidy 16, Phil Grawemeyer 13, Ray Mills and Bill Smith 10. Fourteen players for the Blue and White scored.

\*UK's Bob Burrow was named first team All-SEC. Alabama's Jerry Harper, of Louisville, received more votes than anyone else. Jerry Bird of UK made the second team.

# WILDCAT QUIZ

1. Before Rex Chapman left last Wednesday night's game at LSU with a back injury he had scored 11 points. In games participated in, how many consecutive contests has Chapman scored in twin digits?  
a) 35  
b) 36  
c) 37  
d) 38

2. North Carolina (13 straight) and UK (eight) are two of three schools which in the last eight years have earned spots in the NCAA Division I tournament. Can you name the third with eight or more consecutive trips?  
a) Syracuse  
b) Nevada Las Vegas  
c) Indiana  
d) Georgetown

3. True or False? Kentucky does not play at Syracuse next season.

4. True or False? In his first three seasons Ed Davender, due to Senior Night tributes, has never started a regular season finale at Rupp Arena.

5. Which Kentucky's seniors already have earned their undergraduate degrees?  
a) Cedric Jenkins and Ed Davender  
b) Rob Lock and Richard Madison  
c) Winston Bennett and Rob Lock  
d) Cedric Jenkins and Winston Bennett

6. After Kentucky's impressive showing last Wednesday against LSU, one specific UK senior, who added spark off the bench, said, "The year's almost over and I really want to go out in style." Who said that?  
a) Richard Madison  
b) Cedric Jenkins  
c) Rob Lock  
d) Ed Davender

7. What famous Kentuckian, just after the seniors are introduced during Senior Night, traditionally sings 'My Old Kentucky Home' at midcourt?  
a) A.B. "Happy" Chandler  
b) Cawood Ledford  
c) Joe B. Hall  
d) Cliff Hagan

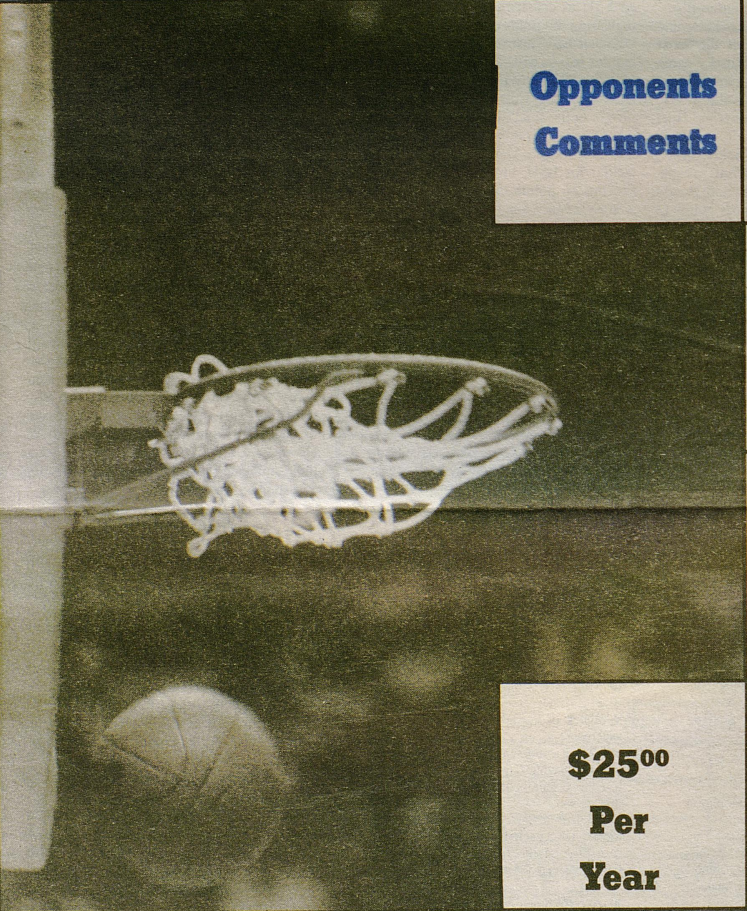
8. Of the five seniors, how many hail from the Bluegrass State?  
a) None  
b) One  
c) Two  
d) None of the above.

9. Which of the following is an incorrect statement?  
a) All five seniors have at least started once in their playing days at UK.  
b) All five seniors have started at least once this season.  
c) All five seniors played one year under former UK coach Joe B. Hall.  
d) All five seniors have at least scored one field goal in NCAA tournament action.

10. As a freshman, which of the five seniors was placed in a starting role in the first round of the UKIT, scoring a career-high 27 points?  
a) Winston Bennett  
b) Richard Madison  
c) Ed Davender  
d) Never has a UK freshman scored 27 in a UKIT contest.

1. 37  
2. Georgetown (nine straight appearances)  
3. False (UK will play at Syracuse next season)  
4. False (senior Troy McKinley took his starting spot in '85, so did senior Leroy Bird in '86 BUT last season four-year letterman Paul Andrews started in place of Chapman, not Davender)  
5. Cedric Jenkins and Winston Bennett (both seniors under Hall)  
6. Ed Davender (against East Tennessee State)  
7. A.B. "Happy" Chandler  
8. One (Winston Bennett)  
9. All five players played one year for former UK coach Joe B. Hall (Bennett played two seasons)  
10. Ed Davender (in '86 BUT last season four-year letterman Paul Andrews started in place of Chapman, not Davender)

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