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Officials distribute 1,000 student tickets for Wildcat football

By ANGELA JONES
Contributing Writer

The first day of ticket distribution for the Central Michigan game closed with a whimper — not a bang, according to Rodney Stiles, student affairs officer.

Approximately 1,000 of 5,500 available student seats were claimed by 4 p.m. yesterday — a letdown compared to last year. "I didn't expect as big a turnout as last year," Stiles said.

The ticket office broke a record of 3,500 tickets on the first day last year, he explained, because the season opener was against rival Indiana.

Yesterday's light turnout is attributed to student preoccupation with the first day of classes and rainy weather. "Students are busy paying their fees and buying books," Stiles

said.

This year students can pick up their tickets starting two Wednesdays before the game instead of waiting until Monday. This will allow UK students 10 days to pick up their tickets instead of one week as in the past. As a result, tickets will be available to the public for a period of five days instead of two.

"We want to give students their tickets, but if they're not here to take them, we'll have to give them to others," Stiles said.

Formerly, students waited until the last minute, the Friday before the game, to get tickets, Stiles said.

"If we waited until Saturday to give tickets to the public, we would be left holding a bunch of unused tickets in our hands."

More student interest is expected as the week progresses.

"I think it will just take a couple

of days for the news to get out," Stiles said.

Tickets can be obtained 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today through next Friday at Memorial Coliseum.

Kentucky plays six home games this season, Stiles said. After its home opener, UK will play its next home game against Indiana University Hoosiers on Sept. 15.

Greg Sither, an economics junior from Lexington, got group seating for members and guests of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

He said lines were short for group seating.

"I was really surprised," he said.

Anne Feldman, a telecommunications junior, said she didn't have to wait in line to get tickets.

She said she was surprised because "there's a new coach and I heard tickets were going to be hard to get this year."

About 100 enrolled in facility as on-campus child care starts

By SUSAN A. MARTIN
Contributing Writer

Last semester, UK employees James and Karen Wolf had to drive about 15 minutes out of their way to take their children to child care.

But this semester, they practically bring the children to work with them.

On August 6, a new Kinder-Care Learning Facility, on the corner of Woodland and Columbia Avenues, opened its doors to about 100 children.

"The first couple of weeks we've been open have been quite an experience for both the kids and the teachers," said Lorri Kanauss, center director. "Every infant up to after-schoolers has to get used to the

new routines."

According to administrators, UK is the first major University to set up such a center.

The facility is equipped for about 141 children, from six weeks to 12-years-old. The center's staff offers infant care, two pre-school classes, a pre-kindergarten class, a kindergarten class, and a before-and-after school pick-up/drop-off program for older children.

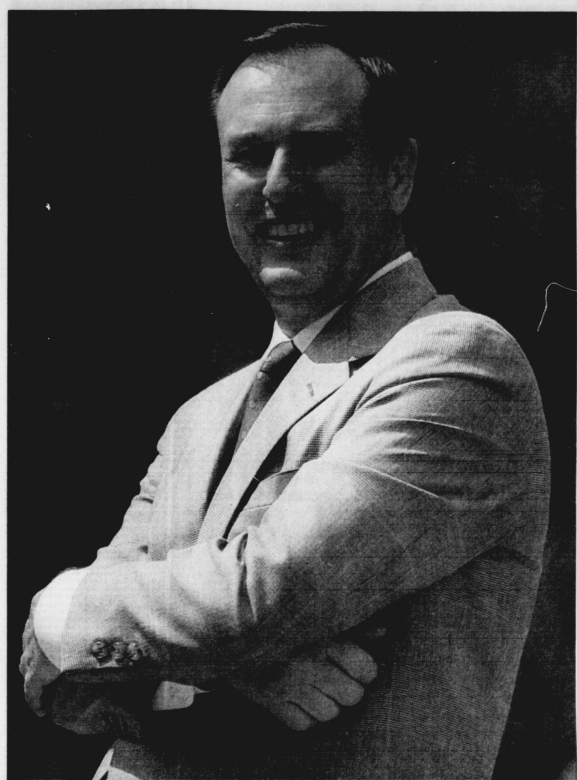
"I like the Kinder-Care program because I can see the difference it makes with my children," James Wolf said. "There were two main reasons for our decision to change centers — one, because it was a Kinder-Care center, and two — because it is so convenient to where we work."

The center offers a 15 percent discount to the UK community, as stated in their contract with the University.

Although the center is open to everyone, so far no one outside UK has enrolled their children, Kanauss said.

One growing concern that working parents have is that there is adequate and affordable child care provided, said Judy Marshall, of the vice chancellor's office.

Liz Rowe, operations manager, said half of the staff has an associate, bachelor of arts or science degree in early childhood development or education or a Child Development Association certificate. Others earned a high school diploma and completed a training program.



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NO IVORY TOWER: Charles Wethington, above, has been accessible and open to students in his tenure as interim president. Many in the UK community believe he'll be named full president.

UK chief satisfied with role as interim period nears end

By TOM SPALDING
Editor in Chief

Charles Wethington knows what his skeptics are thinking.

Student leaders and faculty are convinced that, despite a search committee's promise to conduct an unbiased, open search, it is a foregone conclusion that come September he'll be chosen as UK's 10th president.

But public criticism is, simply, "a matter of which I have no control," Wethington said in an interview last week.

As he nears his ninth month in the position as UK interim president, Wethington said he wants to focus on the "good kinds of problems," like getting the new freshman class settled in and

paving the way for a smooth semester, not whether he's one of the few candidates remaining in the search for a replacement to David Roselle.

"I'm concentrating entirely on doing the best job I can as interim president," he said.

An undetermined number of finalists for the position will begin coming to campus for interviews next month, and although he will not say whether he's in the running, "everybody assumes" Wethington is a candidate, according to Don Leigh, former chairperson of the University Senate.

Foster Ockerman, a Lexington lawyer who is chairman of the UK Board of Trustees and the search committee, said the finalists' names won't be released un-

til the first one arrives at UK sometime during the week of Sept. 10. The board is expected to name the president Sept. 18.

"If you count the numbers on the board and the votes he can get, yeah, (Wethington) has enough people who'll vote (for him)," said Sean Lohman, the student trustee on the board and president of the Student Government Association.

Lohman said he isn't convinced that Wethington will be steamrolled into the presidency, because the search committee hasn't interviewed all the finalists again. But he does say it's a possibility.

Wethington said he doesn't believe he's misleading anybody by

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UK Police, others making campus safe

By MARY MADDEN
Contributing Writer

UK Police and several campus organizations are working together this year to continue improving safety features on campus.

The newest program, Adopt-A-Copp, is an experiment this year, according to UK Police Chief W.H. McComas. The purpose of the program is to strengthen relations and "provide interface" between the police department and students in residence halls, McComas said.

Because the program is new, police are stationed only at Donovan and Haggin halls. Two police officers, who volunteered for the

Adopt-A-Copp positions, are stationed in each of the halls.

Concern for students' safety and for improving student-police relations was a big factor in prompting the University to begin the program, he said.

McComas said he hopes the officers will become a part of the residence hall communities.

They will "provide information on crime prevention and increase student awareness of safety," he said.

This program is also designed to help students become comfortable with UK police. Thus, the officers may not always be in uniform, and they will be available "just to chat"

with students.

In addition to the new Adopt-A-Copp program, several other safety programs are being continued this year around campus.

Campus emergency phones are beginning their second year of use. There are now 10 operational phones in various locations around campus.

And "one more will be in operation in about 90 days," McComas said. He added that, pending funding, there are 28 more recommended emergency phone locations.

When those phones are installed, the emergency phone system will be

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Bush orders Pentagon to call reserves to duty

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush ordered the Pentagon yesterday to call military reserves to active duty for the first time in 20 years, in an effort to bolster the defense of Saudi Arabian oil fields. Officials said as many as 40,000 "weekend warriors" could be in uniform by the end of the month.

Bush's order, taking thousands of Americans from homes and jobs, was a clear sign of the administration's commitment to sustaining the huge U.S. military force opposing Iraq's Saddam Hussein in the Middle East.

Officials declined to identify the reserve units that would be activated, or to say when they would be called to serve. But Army sources said some could be called up within 24 hours of Bush's order.

In a further sign of the scope of

the U.S. military buildup, Bush also authorized Defense Secretary Dick Cheney to suspend layoffs and requirements of servicemen. The Pentagon said it had no immediate comment on how or when it might use that authority.

The last time reserves were activated for military purposes was 1968, when 35,280 were called up by President Johnson following the Tet offensive in Vietnam and the North Korean seizure of the U.S. surveillance ship Pueblo. In 1970 President Nixon ordered a call-up during a mail strike.

Bush, meeting with Cheney and Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, at his vacation home in Kennebunkport, Maine, signed an executive order that stated:

"I hereby determine that it is necessary to augment the active armed forces of the United States for the effective conduct of operational

missions in and around the Arabian Peninsula."

Cheney and Powell had been expected to report to him that the United States was approaching a target of 100,000 military personnel in the region, said one source, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Presidential press secretary Martin Fitzwater said in a statement that "the actual number of reserve personnel to be called to active duty will depend upon the operational needs of the armed forces" in the gulf area.

While not saying which reserve skills Bush wanted to tap, Fitzwater noted that the reserves are an integral part of military airlift, food and water handling, surface transportation, cargo handling, medical services, construction and intelligence.

A Pentagon statement said some reserves called to active duty would be shipped to Saudi Arabia while others would remain on U.S. shores

replacing troops already dispatched to the Mideast.

"These reservists will support Operation Desert Shield by joining active duty units deployed in and around the Arabian Peninsula or by filling critical military support vacancies in the United States or elsewhere," the statement said.

An administration official said the Pentagon expected to call up 40,000 reservists "between now and the end of August."

Short of declaring a national emergency, the president can mobilize up to 200,000 of the nation's 1.2 million reservists for as long as 180 days. It is up to the Pentagon to determine how the total is divided among services.

"At this time we do not anticipate approaching the full 200,000 authority provided by law," Fitzwater said. While taking reservists from their normal jobs may be disruptive, the Pentagon statement said, "What

must be emphasized is that those who have been ordered to active duty are vital to our national commitment in this operation."

The call to arms for America's civilian militia is the first real test of the Pentagon's ability to field an effective fighting force since it began shifting more wartime responsibility to the reserves 17 years ago.

After the draft was abolished in 1973, the Pentagon adopted a "total force" concept that moved many key tasks, such as supply transport, medical services, and communications, away from the professional soldiers to civilian reservists.

The change was designed to ensure that no sustained conflict would be fought without the use of reserves. The idea was that following the publicly unpopular Vietnam war, the White House would be forced to measure national resolve in future military crisis by bringing civilians into the fighting force.

INSIDE: OFFICIAL SAYS ADD/DROP PROCESS WENT SMOOTH

DIVERSIONS

'Mo' Better' worthwhile despite flaws

By MICHAEL L. JONES
Arts Editor

He called it "Mo' Better Blues," but Spike Lee's new film seems more like a mo' better fairy tale.

Bleek Gilliam (Denzel Washington) has all the characteristics English teachers say constitute a tragic hero — right down to the tragic flaw, his obsession with music.

Gilliam has more passion for his horn than the two women in his life, schoolteacher Indigo (Joie Lee) and sexy singer Clarke (Cynda Williams). If that weren't enough, his (mis)manager is an addicted gambler named Giant (Spike Lee.) An ambitious saxophonist named Shadow (Wesley Snipes) is after his band and Clarke.

Bleek has more than enough reasons to sing the blues. Unfortunately, he's too caught up in himself to really care how much he is hurting the people around him.

In Washington's hands, Bleek is never unlikable, even when you think he's being a damned fool.

Spike Lee said that he wanted to make a realistic jazz movie. The film is most successful when it features the off stage interplay between the band. The movie's flaw is the love triangle.

The film is basically about an artist's descent into the abyss and his redemption and ascent from it. All of Bleek's selfishness comes back to haunt him when Giant's bookie (Ruben Blades) hires two brothers to remind him to start paying his debt on

time. Bleek walks in at the end of Giant's beating and gets one of his own, for trying to help his friend.

Bleek loses his ability to play, and instead of diving into despair, he chooses marital bliss and lives happily ever after.

Spike Lee has always had a problem ending his films, but I left let down. After over an hour of what is arguably some of the best film work he has ever done, Spike Lee let down the audience with a weak script (which he wrote).

First, you wonder why a level-headed sister like Indigo would put up with stubborn-headed Bleek, who can't seem to commit to her. Joe Lee, who has been in all of her brother's films, gives one of her greatest performances as this hard-

boiled woman who set goals about where she wants to go.

Spike Lee manages to stay away from the normal stereotypes associated with jazz musicians, but his women are paper thin. Luckily, his sister and William are able to bring a three dimensional quality to the characters.

Snipes' performance as Shadow is also noteworthy. He never allows Shadow to turn into a cartoon villain. He is all too human and humorous to boot.

In some ways, "Mo' Better Blues" is the best thing Lee has finished, but as a whole it does not measure up to last summer's "Do the Right Thing." However, as far as the current movies go, it's probably the best film on the market now.



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VARIATION ON THE BLUES. Denzel Washington is Bleek Gilliam in Spike Lee's sometimes brilliant, but flawed new film "Mo' Better Blues." The film also stars Spike Lee, Cynda Williams and Joie Lee. "Blues" is now playing at the Crossroad Cinema, 119 Reynolds Rd.

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French officials appoint minister for rock music

By MARILYN AUGUST
Associated Press

PARIS — Rock 'n' roll, never a prime concern of the French government, is getting a boost through France's new junior minister of rock.

"Monsieur Rock," as he's been dubbed, is 27-year-old Bruno Lion, a jean-clad dynamo with degrees in law and political science.

His official title at the Culture Ministry is "charge de mission" for rock and pop music, but he doesn't object when the title is translated as junior minister. He was picked last year by Culture Minister Jack Lang to revitalize a domain long dominated by foreign talent or homegrown

copycats.

His appointment came at a time when French rock and pop were beginning to outgrow their reputation as mediocre.

Second-generation immigrants from post-colonial France — a patchwork of ethnic groups from Africa and the West Indies — are musically coming of age, venting their rage and fears in tough sounds as diverse as their backgrounds.

In recent years, Paris has emerged as a capital of "world music" — catchy, ethnic rhythms sung in French, Arabic, Spanish and Caribbean dialects and updated with state-of-the-art technology by talented, innovative performers.

Among the rising rockers are

Mano Negra, who blends salsa, hip-hop, gospel, punk and reggae; Les Negresses Vertes (the Green Negresses), eight white men dressed in suits singing a blend of exotic melodies, puns and Edith Piaf-style passion; and Les Garçons Bouchers (the Apprentice Butchers), who wield meat cleavers and spit wine.

However, Lion's appointment met with ridicule and even outrage from some critics who believe rock, by definition, ceases to be rock once pulled into the mainstream.

"Any country that needs a minister for rock is not a rock country," said Lionel Rotgac, editor of the French edition of Rolling Stone. "He should resign; that would be the rocky thing to do."

Lion, the son of a prominent businessman, has persevered, chasing down financial and media support. With a 1990 budget of \$7.8 million, he expects to set up a solid support structure for musicians and industry professionals, including direct subsidies to artists.

His tasks also involve promoting native talent at home and abroad, no easy matter given France's dearth of concert space and poor reputation as an inspiration for rock.

"France is under-equipped compared to its neighbors. When I took the job, we had as many concert halls as there are in greater London or in Holland, and we're 12 times bigger," Lion said in an interview.

His priority is getting groups out of suburban basements, or subway stations and onto the stages of con-

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'Flatliners' thought-provoking tale of mischief

By LINDA D. GRAVER
Contributing Writer

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A new Columbia Pictures release



Julia Roberts and Kiefer Sutherland in "Flatliners."

presents man vs. his conscience in "Flatliners." This is a humanistic/sci-fi romp into the subconscious of five medical school students.

At first, an image of deja vu comes to mind, due to the direction of Joel Schumacher, who was responsible for "The Lost Boys." Fortunately, this contributes to the film's mystique.

Schumacher uses light, where blue is equivalent to death, yellow to life and white to the afterlife, consistent with religious stances. In fact, the experiments take place in a gothic cathedral. Paganistic dances also create an atmosphere that is visually, as well as sensually, exciting to the audience.

The five heroes embark on a journey to discover what awaits them on the other side — the afterlife. In other words, they kill themselves and then revive themselves to see what happens. In the process, character is forced to confront a painful rendi-

tion of past sins and experiences. Nelson Wright, played by Kiefer Sutherland, the instigator of the experiment, pulls together the brightest students from the gross anatomy lab to assist him. His hopes to gain fame by learning the some of the answers from beyond.

Reluctantly, everyone agrees to participate. Labraccio, interpreted by Kevin Bacon, represents the voice of reason, whose medical expertise consistently proves his worth.

William Baldwin (yes, Alec's little brother) is the lady killer/cinematographer chosen to document the experiment. Little-known actor Oliver Platt plays Randy Steckle, the self-absorbed, but comically entertaining, stenographer.

Lastly, Julia Roberts is Rachel Mannus, whose obsession with death leads her into the group. Her Florence Nightingale-like performances in the lab hold everyone to-

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cert halls and clubs. Since he took office in May 1989, the government has helped finance nearly 100 new auditoriums.

Lion's appointment was hardly a disinterested cultural gesture. "A little investment can go a long way," Lion said, noting that the government yearly earns more than \$180 million in taxes from record sales.

Lion sees himself as something of a talent scout. He said he works 14-hour days, lobbying for formation of a major, all-French record company financing music videos and trying to get rock into high schools. One of his goals is to internationally launch French groups.

At the recent New Music Seminar in New York, about 250

French musicians performed, as opposed to only 10 in 1988 and 196 in 1989, according to Lion.

A follow-up measure includes the opening of a French music office in New York next fall.

Lion, however, is concerned about the new U.S. immigration requirements for artists seeking temporary work permits. Lang and other West European culture ministers have protested the measures, which virtually exclude all but a handful of foreign performers who can prove "financial success and artistic worth."

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Add/Drop smooth, official says

By MYRNA MARCA
Staff Writer

Time hasn't healed Alicia Saldaris' memory of her Add/Drop experience two years ago.

"We were all a bunch of cattle just going from a little booth to another booth," Saldaris, an English senior, said of the process, which was held at Memorial Coliseum.

In comparison, she said, this week's Add/Drop "is much easier than that. I mean, this is a pain, but not nearly as bad as that."

Students complained of long, slow lines Tuesday but for people like Saldaris who remember the way it used to be, 1990's edition was a lot kinder.

Lisa Collins, director of registration, knows why. In talking about the old systems of registration and Add/Drop, she said she assures students that the new system is more

efficient and personalized.

"Under the old registration system, you advanced registration in April, and that was a batch registration. Everyone filled out bubble sheets. Classes had five-digit reference numbers."

The sheets were run through the scanner and they "literally had hundreds of errors" on them, Collins said.

After errors were corrected, a computer figured out who got what class by their grade point average.

"As your GPA got lower, you would be near to the bottom of the pile," Collins said. "And sometimes, the computer put you in another section. You (had) no say in what section you got. It put you in whatever was available."

"(The computer) didn't take into consideration how far it took to walk some place," Collins said. "It didn't care about you as a person at all."

Weeks later, students received their schedules through the mail. Many students ended up with no classes, because there would be no seats available in sections, or classes would be cancelled. A student could not do anything about his schedule until Add/Drop in August.

The old Add/Drop system grouped students by alphabetical order, according to the first letter of their last name. To remain fair, the Registrar would mix up the order year after year.

"You may never have been first, even though you went (to) class here for four years," Collins said.

The former August Add/Drop was equally bad.

"Crowds were absolutely huge," Collins said. "Thousands of people would go out there and stand outside the Coliseum, rain, hail, sleet, snow."

Each department had cards for class openings, so for every class a student needed, he had to wait in line in hopes of getting a card.

"Students literally had to work all day long to find the person with the card they needed," Collins said. "They would trade cards back and forth. People were desperate to get the cards they wanted."

"Our hope is that as more and more sites decentralize — and graduate school is going to decentralize more and more as time goes on — that the population will be smaller here and we'll serve people faster here."



MICHAEL CLEVENGER/Kentucky Staff

An official says this week's Add/Drop went a lot smoother than past years, although lines were still long and tempers short because of the waiting and frustration. Above, students get help Tuesday afternoon.

Ex-soldier torn between son, Iraqi invasion

Associated Press

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky. — The ex-soldier in Thomas Dooley tells him that President Bush shouldn't go easy on Iraq's Saddam Hussein.

But the retired Army colonel also is the father of one of the estimated 2,500 Americans being detained in Iraqi-held Kuwait, and he says that puts things in a whole new perspective.

"I can see both views," said Dooley. "And believe me, you look at it

completely different."

Dooley last heard from his 40-year-old son, Pete, only hours after Iraq invaded its tiny neighbor Aug. 2.

At the time of the invasion, Pete Dooley was working in Kuwait City as the manager of several fast-food restaurants. His last contact with his family was the phone call to tell them he was safe.

The Dooleys were nervous from the start. But recent rumors that Hussein may use the Americans and

other westerners as a shield against bombing attacks have brought to life some of their worst fears.

"It scares me to death," said Kitty Dooley, the hostage's mother. "That's the sort of thing that's been in the back of my mind the entire time, that (the Iraqis) would try and use them as bargaining chips."

Thomas Dooley, a former military strategist, said he agrees with the way Bush is handling the situation and believes the United States shouldn't back down to threats.

Case hinges on law

By BEN L. KAUFMAN
Kernel Wire Services

CINCINNATI — A narrow point of law vital to the prosecution of the controversial Mapplethorpe photo exhibit Monday became a broad discussion of how the arts are viewed. A grand jury indicted the Contemporary Arts Center and its director, Dennis Barrie, in April, saying five homoerotic photos from the exhibition, "Robert Mapplethorpe: The Perfect Moment," were obscene.

The testimony of three expert witnesses came before Hamilton County Municipal Court Judge F. David J. Albanese, who is deciding how many Mapplethorpe photos will be shown to jurors if the prosecution goes ahead. Two viewpoints emerged:

— Each of the five allegedly obscene Mapplethorpe photos may be judged on its own, said Judith Reisman, a communications consultant who said she has studied sexually

explicit photographs for the Justice Department and the American Family Association.

— Those five photos must be judged only among the remaining 170 figure studies, portraits and flower pictures, museum directors Martin Friedman and Evan Turner responded.

If the charges go to trial, jurors must consider whether the works as a whole are obscene.

Before that, however, Albanese must decide whether "the whole" means each picture, the five photos together, or the individual photos as part of the total exhibition.

Reisman, of Arlington, Va., described how people perceive and recall pictures, drawing on what she said was current research into the workings of the brain.

"Each work of art ... stands alone," she testified.

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SPORTS

Cats bugged by anxiety, not plagued by injuries

By BOB NORMAN
Sports Editor

Senior star linebacker Randy Holleran sat on the sidelines at yesterday's football practice after suffering his most recent injury.

One thing that UK football can't have happen — another injury hurting top defender Holleran — did happen.

Holleran is expected to be on the disabled list until, well, today. After all, he only pinched a nerve.

Such has been the fortunate case for the UK football team. With the exception of junior tailback Mike Thomas, the Cats haven't suffered an injury that is worthy of print.

It was last season at about this time — pre-season — that Holleran's career nearly ended after blowing out a knee.

But Holleran is healthy, as is nearly the entire team.

"No, we haven't had any signifi-

cant injuries up to this point," said Al Green, a trainer. "They've all been relatively minor that have kept some players out for a few days. Sprained ankles and pulled groins are the 'in' injuries so far."

Sprained ankles and strained groins may not sound all that comfortable and pleasant, but then again neither is the game of football. About 10 to 15 players, on any given day, sit out of practice due to nagging or flaring injuries.

But Thomas, who turned his knee early during the fall practices, is the only player expected to miss any game time.

Thomas is busy conditioning his body and working with his knee in preparation for his re-emergence in UK's offense. His presence, which rounded out a solid stable of running backs, is missed in practice, but he is expected to be back on the field within a month.

"He's been going through a reha-

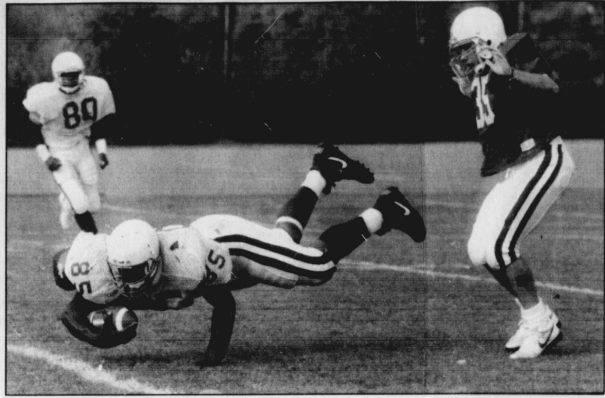
bilitation program," Green said. "He has been working on his upper body and general conditioning, so that when he does return he will be conditioned and ready to go."

Thomas, who was projected to start at tailback, has been making good progress and, according to Green, may see action in the second game at Rutgers.

With 10 days to go before their first game, many UK players are becoming anxious for the season to start. As they learn more about football, according to new head coach Bill Curry, the more they are ready to see different bodies to crunch.

And with a nearly perfect bill of health, they have many pieces beginning to fall in place.

"I'm really excited about getting out there," said No. 2 quarterback Brad Smith. "I think we're feeling more comfortable with the offense and I can't wait to show everyone what we can do."



MICHAEL CLEVENGER/Kentucky Staff

Phil Logan (far left) looks on as a teammate makes a catch during a UK football practice earlier this week at Shively Field. The Wildcats, who open play next Saturday, will hold a closed scrimmage this afternoon.

Father hopes to meet son in Seattle

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Ken Griffey, who announced his retirement from the Cincinnati Reds last weekend, hasn't given up on one of his dreams — to play alongside his son,

Ken Jr., of the Seattle Mariners.

Griffey said he chose to retire rather than being released by the Reds because he figured the Mariners would claim him if he was put on waivers.

"If I got released, Seattle probably

would have picked me up," Griffey said. "And I didn't want to put a lot of unnecessary pressure on Junior. Right now, he's in a situation where he might have an opportunity to win a batting title if he gets hot."

But Griffey, 40, hopes to team up next year with his son. Asked if he has played his final game, Griffey said, "At this point, I'll be honest with you, no. There's one more thing I want to do. You can sort of figure it out."

Griffey announced his retirement before a game Saturday against Pittsburgh in order to open a roster spot for pitcher Chris Hammond, who started that day.

Manager Lou Piniella said Sunday the team didn't force him to retire. Piniella said Griffey was given several options, including going on the disabled list.

When he went to Riverfront Stadium this week for the first time since his retirement, Griffey said he had no objections to the way the retirement was handled.

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Recruiting battles bring Pitino riches

By **BOBBY KING**
Assistant Sports Editor

With his latest coup under his belt — the luring of Travis Ford back to UK — Coach Rick Pitino said things have turned around for the Wildcats in the recruiting wars.

"Last year we were going out and we were trying to be fourth or fifth on a young man's list. Right now we're going into the home before we've even made a home visit, or he's made a visit to Kentucky and we're already first or second," Pitino said at a press conference. "That's a big lift for us."

Apparently the excitement Pitino brought to UK basketball last season is causing the word to spread among the nation's most talented high school players — the Wildcats are back.

"Everybody right now is impressed with the way things are going here at Kentucky and certainly we're being received like I'd hoped we would, but we still need to get on television. That's a big key for us," he said.

Pitino said that landing Ford was vital to his goal of having the Cats back in the NCAA tournament in 1991, the first season UK will be eligible to return.

"He's a young man that possesses all the abilities that we want as a staff from our point guard position, and I'm really excited about having him in our program right now," he said.

Ford also landed Pitino's highest praise for a point guard — a comparison to Billy Donovan, former

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Rick Pitino,
UK basketball coach

Providence College star and current UK graduate assistant.

"Everybody always questions me, 'Does (a player) remind me of Billy Donovan?'" Pitino said. "Just about 10 other players have come up and they'd ask me and I'd say, 'No, he does not.' Travis Ford is the first player that has been mentioned to me that really does remind me of Billy Donovan, because he can do so many things to help a basketball team."

For Pitino, another big attraction to Ford was his proven ability to play and excel at the Division I level. With his arrival, Pitino said UK is no longer in the market for any other point guards.

"He knows what it's all about playing in front of large crowds and playing under pressure. With high school talent, like college talent in the pros, you have no idea what they are going to do once they get to the next level. With Travis Ford you know exactly what you're getting."

With the fall signing period quickly approaching, all that remains on UK's wish list is a shooting guard and two front court players.

Pitino said the arrival of freshmen big men Gimel Martinez (6-9) and Jamal Mashburn (6-8) was a welcome sight, considering that last season UK had no one taller than 6-7. "It's nice to see some people ducking as they come through the doorway," he said, adding also that he believed Mashburn had grown. "He's legitimately 6-8 now."

Jody Thompson, another freshman, is from Feds Creek, a little school nestled in the hills of rural eastern Kentucky. With tongue in cheek, Pitino explained why his staff was so interested in the 6-5 guard.

"With Jody, much like Jamal Mashburn (of New York City), you try to recruit players from areas you can go back to because of the population and the amount of players we're going to get from that area."

"Certainly that was an attractive spot for us. We feel in the next five or six years we'll be going up there

(Right) Coach Rick Pitino talks to reporters yesterday at the UK Lodge. Pitino said he is pleased with recruits, if not rumors.

because of the 9 million people and bring other players in."

At the close of the press conference, Pitino joked about some unfounded rumors that he was having marital problems with his wife Joanne.

"I do have to address one rumor. My wife went to New York to be closer to her doctor because of the birth of our son Ryan."

"My wife has left me," he said grinning sheepishly. "She has left me for Donald Trump. I've convinced her that I do have more money than Donald, but she didn't care. She still ran away with Donald."

"But for all of you on a serious note," he added. "My wife did not leave me. We still are very much in love."



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Cracks develop in U.S. - Soviet relationship

Bush confers with military aids

By CHRIS CONNELL
Associated Press

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine — President Bush conferred with senior military advisers on the Persian Gulf crisis yesterday, after calling reservists to military duty for the first time since the Tet offensive during the Vietnam war.

The administration pulled some diplomats out of the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait but said it would defy Saddam Hussein's demand that the embassy be closed in the land Saddam now claims as part of Iraq.

Bush signed the executive order yesterday morning calling up an unspecified number of reservists. Administration officials said they expected 40,000 to be put on active duty by the end of August to buttress the U.S. forces standing guard in Saudi Arabia and on warships in the gulf.

As the White House announced the call-up, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, Gen. Colin Powell, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft arrived at Bush's oceanfront home to discuss the standoff with Iraq.

Cheney and Powell were ex-

pected to report that the United States was approaching a target of 100,000 military personnel in the region, said one source, speaking on condition of anonymity.

In Washington, the State Department announced the United States would defy Saddam's demand to close the embassy in Kuwait City by Friday.

Spokesman Richard Boucher said the decision was consistent with U.N. Security Council resolutions and "also with our obligations to the American private community."

A reduction in the embassy's staff was announced in a separate message for broadcast to Americans in Kuwait by the Voice of America and the British Broadcasting Co.

It said: "The Iraqi government has from the beginning of this situation stated that diplomats are free to leave Kuwait. We are taking them at their word and have ordered the departure of all dependents and staff that do not have a mission in Kuwait at this time."

The broadcast did not say how many of the 120 American diplomats in Kuwait City would leave — providing safe passage could

be arranged. Britain, the Soviet Union and several other nations already had decided to reduce their diplomatic staffs in Kuwait but to keep their embassies open, despite Saddam's order. He called for a shutdown by tomorrow, with operations shifted to Baghdad, the Iraqi capital.

Cheney arrived back in Washington on Tuesday from a four-day tour of five countries in the oil-rich gulf. He visited U.S. troops in the field and aboard the warships that are part of an international armada poised to enforce the United Nations economic sanctions against Iraq.

Bush, in his executive order, said the call-up of reserves was "necessary ... for the effective conduct of operational missions in and around the Arabian Peninsula."

The president sent letters to Congress, informing leaders there of his action that empowers Cheney to designate the reservists to perform missions he "may determine necessary."

It was the first time the president has activated the reserves since March 1970, when the reserves were called up during a postal strike.

Iraqis were trained, officials say

By LESLIE SHEPHERD
Associated Press

MOSCOW — Soviet military experts continue to train Iraqi soldiers to use their Soviet-built weapons three weeks after Moscow cut weapons supplies to protest the invasion of Kuwait, officials said yesterday.

The revelation appeared to open cracks in what had been unprecedented U.S.-Soviet unity in the 3-week-old Persian Gulf crisis.

Col. Valentin Ogurtsov said 193 unarmed military experts were finishing their "contractual obligations" to show Iraqis how to use state-of-the-art tanks, jet fighters and missiles, and to maintain and repair the hardware.

Ogurtsov and Foreign Ministry spokesman Yuri Gremitskikh insisted the experts were not advising President Saddam Hussein's government and were not involved in military operations.

Since Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Gremitskikh has maintained he did not know what the military experts were doing in the Arabian.

Confirmation they were still working came only hours after Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzh-

kov ordered all Soviet agencies to sever commercial ties with Iraq to comply with U.N. sanctions.

The Soviet Union sold more than half the weapons Baghdad bought between 1982 and 1989.

The day after the invasion of Kuwait, the Soviet Union halted arms supplies to Iraq, its long-time ally, and Ogurtsov said yesterday one shipment was stopped in transit. On the same day, Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze and Secretary of State James A. Baker III signed a rare joint statement condemning Iraq's attack on its oil-rich neighbor.

But these revelations, and reports from the United Nations that the Soviets were slowing efforts to get U.N. approval for military force to enforce economic sanctions, appeared to undercut the initial appearance of unity.

For more than an hour, Gremitskikh and Ogurtsov fended off questions about whether the military experts' continuing work violated the U.N. economic embargo or the Soviet order.

"Don't single out the Soviet Union," Gremitskikh said. "I don't think this presence of a very small number of military and technical experts ... runs counter to the United Nations' position."

He said nationals from other countries continued to work in Iraq but did not identify their professions or their countries.

Gremitskikh said that when the contracts expire, the military experts will leave and will not be replaced. Ogurtsov said the contracts ranged from 10 days to one year.

The colonel said that when the Soviet government contracted to sell weapons to Iraq, it also agreed "we would send technical experts to help the Iraqi military to learn how to use the arms supplied."

"We supply the new type of weapons, and if the local personnel is not acquainted with such a weapon, our expert goes there and teaches the method of using that type of weapon," he said.

"At the present time, they work not only in training centers, but on test ranges. Suppose we supplied a new type of tank. It has new, unknown capabilities to the local personnel, so we build a kind of test

range to test it. ... This is the kind of activity they are involved in."

Ogurtsov, asked why military experts were not recalled as part of the Soviet arms embargo, said: "It's not for me to say. ... The decisions are taken not by us, but at the political level."

The military experts were among 7,791 Soviets stranded in Iraq, which closed its borders after the invasion.

In all, 21,000 foreigners were caught in Iraq and Kuwait, including 3,000 Americans, who have not been allowed to leave.

Gremitskikh said Soviet women and children would begin to be evacuated on Sunday, after the last of the 882 Soviets caught in Kuwait had left.

He suggested Iraq would then allow Soviet men to leave.

The Soviets have not said how many of the 7,791 are men. Ogurtsov said many of the civilians were involved in oil drilling, research and other aspects of the oil industry.

The Foreign Ministry has said the figure includes workers in energy and other industries, businessmen, diplomats and their dependents.

It has denied reports that the Soviet Union has thousands of military advisers in Iraq.

Also yesterday, a special envoy from Saudi Arabia arrived in Moscow, carrying a letter for President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

The two countries do not have diplomatic relations.

Prince Bandar bin Sultan, the Saudi ambassador to Washington, was instrumental in establishing diplomatic relations between Saudi Arabia and China.

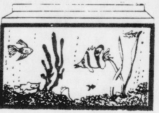
His arrival follows the visit of Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Saadoun Hammadi, who met with Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze on Monday and Tuesday.

The Soviet Union has said it will send troops to the Persian Gulf if the United Nations votes for military action to back up the international economic sanctions.

Commenting on the draft resolution submitted by the United States, Gremitskikh said: "It is necessary to avoid hasty actions and show maximum caution in such a serious thing as the use of force."

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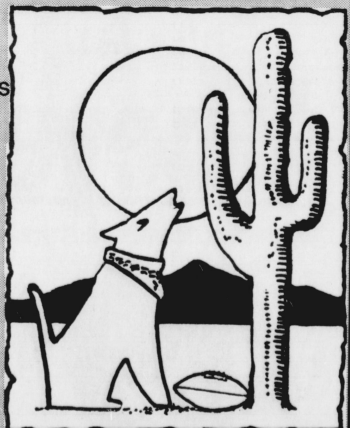
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Wethington

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not revealing what role he plays in the search. "I announced very early that once I made a decision to be a candidate, I would so inform the public," he said. "And I did. At that time, the search committee indicated it would not discuss further the names of the candidates. I took that as a signal to me that I ought not to make further statements."

However, he will tell you, very honestly, about how his term as interim president is going.

"I feel a considerable amount of satisfaction," Wethington said. "My sense is that it's been an extremely good interim period. The University of Kentucky has demonstrated that it's solid, strong, that it's moving."

Even critics agree that Wethington was the cause of that. He was named interim president last December after Roselle resigned to become president of the University of Delaware, and he helped secure funding from the state legislature last winter, at a time when UK and higher education desperately needed it.

And he's faithfully served the school in other areas since December, earning praise from many leaders in the UK community. Wethington feels he has their backing.

"I'm totally convinced the vast majority of faculty, staff and students on the campus will support the president of the University of Kentucky," he said. "They supported President (Otis A.) Singletary, President Roselle and me in the interim period."

Lohman said Wethington has been open to student opinion and has "always offered a helping hand" during his interim presidency.

For example, it was Wethington who tipped off Lohman about a possible tuition hike last year; also, Wethington warned Lohman about a possible switch in student seats for UK men's basketball games. Lohman and SGA officials subsequently protested, and both proposals were defeated.

"He's very pro-student," Lohman said.

Overall, many say Wethington has done a good job keeping the University on an even keel. In fact, Wethington has been outspoken on several issues: keeping the major block of Robinson Forest unmined; and furthering what he calls the "major move" on Coldstream Farm. But Wethington's job must still be scrutinized somewhat, said A.D. Albright, who served a stint as interim president at UK during the early 1960s.

"If (the interim president) is a candidate, it makes it somewhat more difficult, inasmuch as there may be a tendency to make decisions that do not cause any ripple or might impair the chances of the incoming president," he said.

Leigh, a professor of engineering mechanics, said Wethington is "doing the things that needed to be done" as interim president.

"I think faculty have a basic attitude about the qualifications needed for the (president's) job," Leigh said. "I don't think any of that has changed. I think the faculty would like to see someone in the presidency who has been a faculty (member) in a Research One university, such as the University of Kentucky."

Wethington, Leigh said, has never been that.

But Wethington — who has a doctorate in educational psychology — believes his commitment and dedication to the University can't be ignored.

Wethington was runner-up to Roselle in 1987 and was an administrator in UK's community college system for 22 years, first as director of Maysville Community College, then as the system's deputy chief for 10 years and its head since 1981. Should someone replace him as president, he said he'll return to his duties as chancellor, provided that the new president selects Wethington as a cabinet member.

His longtime relationship with Gov. Wallace Wilkinson has convinced many at UK to believe that he'll have enough votes to become president if the search committee recommends him. The 10-member

search committee is composed of five trustees, four faculty members and a student. All five trustees are Wilkinson appointees to the BOT.

"I think it's a shame Dr. Wethington could become president at this time," Lohman said. "With Governor Wilkinson in office, it's just always going to taint him because he is a good person and he is a good administrator."

"If Dr. Wethington gets it, it's going to be on his merits," Lohman said.

Those merits include more than just being able to get funding, Wethington said.

"That's one of the areas where I'd like to see a bit of balance," he said. "That obviously has been one of my roles and a thing I have expertise in. Remember that the biggest part of my responsibility has been that of an academic administrator..."

"I don't ever want to apologize for or downplay the role I had in getting funding," he added. "... That situation was placed in the hands of the board, and the board made the critical decision. It clearly needed to provide what it thought was clear leadership."

Leadership he believes he's carried over into the interim presidency.

"I came into this office rather straightforward," Wethington said. "I planned to make decisions and move the University forward. That's exactly what my plan is today."

Safety

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virtually complete. At that time, the system "would pretty well cover the entire campus," he said.

Another change is the continued installation of new lighting fixtures on the walkways in and around the Kirwan-Blanding Complex. McComas said students have noticed and commented favorably on the new lights, which are "ten times brighter" than the old ones. They are a part of "a campus lighting package" that will eventually cover the parts of the campus most used by students.

The new lights, installed as old ones burn out, "concentrate light on the ground." They will be installed near the "apartments, dorms and sidewalks," McComas said.

The CATS bus, the campus transportation system that is free to all students, is equipped with a cellular phone. Students may call the bus at 221-RIDE. The bus, which runs Monday through Thursday, will pick students up and drop them off at their destinations.

Another continuing program is the Student Escort Service. Run through Student Government Association, the service will still dispatch an escort to accompany students

who prefer this service to the bus.

McComas said that females who want to have whistles to carry can get them again this year. The UK Athletic Association has purchased 1,500 whistles, which will be distributed through SGA and the residence halls. The whistles may not be in the residence halls yet, he said, but students who wish to obtain them may contact their resident advisers.

In order to keep students informed about the safety programs in operation, posters have been placed around campus concerning the use of emergency phones and other safety services.

The campus police participated in a "leaflet drop" on Tuesday night. Leaflets concerning car safety were placed on student cars, McComas said. These drops will take place periodically throughout the year.

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Couples exchange vows at reunion

Associated Press

HARRRODSBURG, Ky. — When Candace Russell attended her 20th high school reunion, she had no idea she would become a bride before the evening ended.

The 37-year-old registered nurse and Rick Sparrow exchanged vows at after a friend coaxed them into the ceremony at Harrodsburg High School's Class of 1970 reunion.

Fellow classmate Bill Wickliffe, of Harrodsburg, came up with the wedding-reunion idea. He told the couple that "it would mean a lot to the people here if you get married tonight." Wickliffe said there would be no problem getting a preacher and a license.

"It went from an idea to a reality in about five minutes," Candace said. "I really didn't think it would come off — it just seemed too unreasonable. I thought, How is he going to get a preacher and license in 30 minutes? I just thought Bill had already had too many drinks."

Candace and Rick were high school and college sweethearts while at the UK. They got engaged, broke up and married other people.

Rick was a year ahead of Candace in high school, and at his reunion (one year ago to the day), someone suggested that he call Candace. He waited a month before calling and met her two days later.

"Within two minutes" they decided to resume their relationship. Wedding plans followed, but the

July 21 date fell through.

When word of the scrapped ceremony spread at the reunion one week later, Wickliffe came to the rescue.

Wickliffe had seen the couple

three weeks earlier and assumed that the marriage went as planned.

"When I found out they didn't get married, I said, Let's do it tonight," Wickliffe said.

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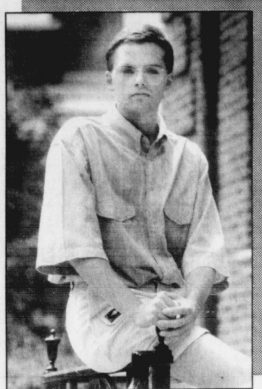
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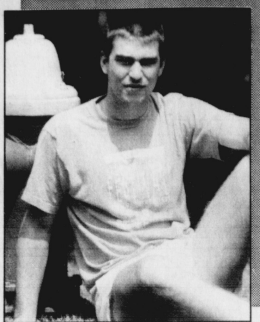
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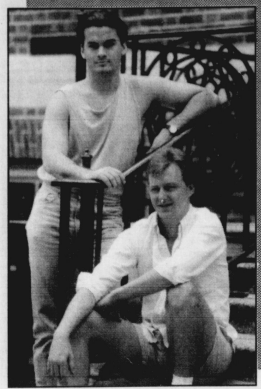
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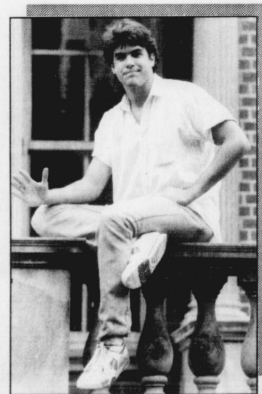
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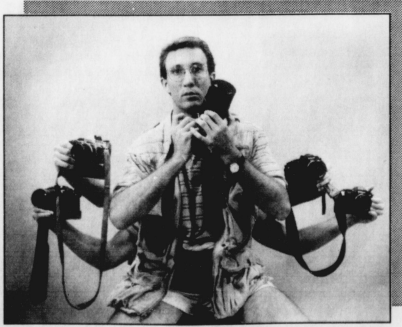
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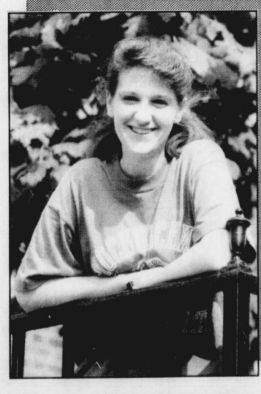
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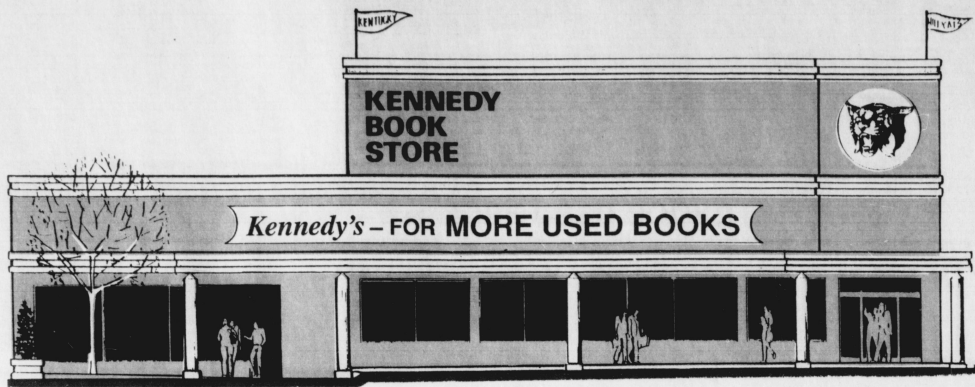


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