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Lively lecturing



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UK astronomy professor Tom Troland explains test answers in class. Troland's colorful antics draw big crowds to his lectures.

Troland lightens class with humor

By Holly Powell
Contributing Writer

Picture the following: a huge auditorium filled with endless rows of graffiti-decorated desks that are permanently nailed to the floor; the sleepy hum of an overhead projector combined with the amplified voice of a professor who is speaking through a microphone behind a podium miles away from the peacefully napping students.

It's what many UK students recognize as the large and easy-to-skip 100-level lecture class.

But Tom Troland, a UK astronomy professor, believes in livening up his large lectures by entertaining the 150 students per class with jokes, stories and quips.

"I like to compare adding diversion to my classes with adding spice to food," Troland said. "By itself, food is bland, as is 50 minutes of straight lecturing. But a little spice adds an element of lightness."

Jenn Rhoads, a fashion merchandising junior, enjoys Troland's class, not just for the astronomy, but for the professor's sense of humor.

"He makes his class so interesting, and it makes you want to go because he is so funny and interesting," she said.

One humorous incident that stands out in Tro-

land's mind happened several years ago when a student fell asleep in front of the class.

"At first I joked about him falling asleep right in front of me, but then he never woke up, even when the class started laughing," he recalled.

When the class was over, Troland said, the student still didn't move. "That's when I had the terrible thought that I had been making fun of a dead man the whole time." Fortunately, the student was just a heavy sleeper.

Troland, 44, has educated and entertained classes at UK for 12 years. Before that, he taught part-time at a community college in California.

Born in New London, Conn., Troland realized he wanted to study astronomy at the age of 9. When he was in the fourth grade, he discovered an error in a science book. His father, who was a high school science teacher, wrote the publishing company about the mistake. When the local newspaper discovered an article was written that described him as a "fast-talking carrot-top who has an easy way with big words."

This incident, among others, Troland said, made him want to pursue a career in science.

But it was his father who really instilled in him a

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Ag college dean opposes site for UK waste facility

By Brian Bennett
Senior Staff Writer

Though UK's plan to build an on-campus hazardous waste facility is still in its early stages, the proposal already has encountered some opposition.

University officials are trying to determine where the approximately 10,000-square-foot facility should be located. One of the proposed sites is adjacent to Agricultural Science Center South, also known as the Garrigus Building.

But Oran Little, dean of the College of Agriculture, said in a letter to Chancellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway that he is against the facility being placed near Ag Science South.

Little based his opposition on several factors. First, he said, the facility should be in a low traffic area to avoid the possibility of an accident during transportation of the materials. The Ag South location is a "high people traffic area," he said.

Little also said putting the waste site next to Ag South would prevent any future expansion of the building.

Another reason he cited for his opposition was that the largest classroom in Ag South would be

adjacent to an external wall of the proposed waste site. "The risks of exposing large assemblies of people in the classroom through possible accidents or explosions should not be ignored," he said in his letter, dated Feb. 1.

Administrators said they will choose a site for the hazardous waste facility that will not be hazardous to students, faculty and staff. "Like anything of this sort, it's important to give careful thought as to what place to put such a building," Hemenway said. "And I think that's what the intentions of everyone have been."

Donald Clapp, vice president for administration, said people might get the wrong impression when they hear the term "hazardous waste." He insisted that the materials that will be housed in the building are like those used everyday in campus laboratories.

"Whatever site we ultimately choose, we will do a very thorough and complete assessment of the implications of locating it there," Clapp said. "These are not some strange alien materials that are being brought to our campus. They are materials that we are dealing with all the time on campus in laboratories as well as other places."

"It's not a building that will nec-

essarily be any more dangerous than the labs we have or anything else on campus."

The facility has been planned for some time. UK officials requested funding for the project during the 1992 legislative session. The legislature asked the state Council on Higher Education to decide how much UK should receive for the project, and the CHE approved \$1.6 million for the facility at its November meeting.

Clapp said UK architect Warren Denny and other administrators are still looking at possible sites for the facility. Since administrators want the building to be close to the places most of the hazardous materials are generated, Clapp said they are looking "very heavily in the vicinity" of the agricultural science buildings and the Albert B. Chandler Medical Center.

Clapp said there is no deadline for a site to be chosen. Construction will not be completed for a "couple of years," he said.

"Hopefully, this will enable us to be even more responsible as an institution environmentally," he said.

Neither Little nor Denny could be reached for comment yesterday.

Many adults coming back for degrees

By Lori Coleman
Staff Writer

Many adults who never obtained a bachelor's degree are returning to college in droves.

By the end of this decade, one out of every three college students will be over 25 years old, according to expert predictions.

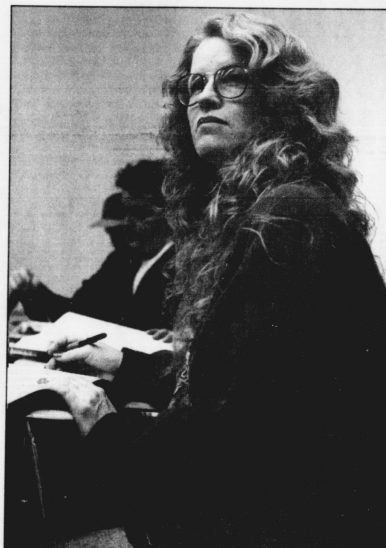
Approximately 33 percent of the students at UK are 25 years of age or older, said Ann Hostetter of the Academic Support Services for Adults office in Frazee Hall. "That number includes graduate students, too."

One of those students is 44-year-old Brian Engle, a political science senior who said being a non-traditional student is much easier than his earlier college experience in 1966.

"I am able to focus and prioritize," he said. "I have better control of myself - and my hormones - than I had 25 years ago."

Engle said he will attend law school after attaining his bachelor's degree in May, "if all goes well on the LSAT."

Another non-traditional student, Sonia Shropshire, 42, a social work major, didn't start college straight out of high school. She doesn't consider herself a "return student" since she didn't actually interrupt her education. Instead, she started



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Social work major Sonia Shropshire, 42, is one of many students 25 or older at UK.

later and has attended college regularly for the last four years.

Shropshire said she did many things before beginning a college career. "I was self-employed... I did volunteer work. Trying to get a

good, full-time job isn't easy, and I didn't have a lot of luck," she said. "I guess you could say I started taking classes for financial reasons."

Shropshire said the beginning of See STUDENTS, Back Page

Giving is way of life for volunteer Nasar

By Jeff Drummond
Senior Staff Writer

To Sara Nasar, volunteering is a way of life. Giving is a responsibility. Sharing comes naturally.

It's nothing unusual, certainly nothing to raise a fuss about.

For her vast contributions to foreign students at UK, Nasar, a member of the International Hospitality Program, has received the 1993 Frances J. Ockerman International Endowment Award.

In a Valentine's Day ceremony, she received an engraved silver serving tray and praise from Chan-

cellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway and members of the hospitality program.

Despite all the recognition, Nasar, 54, still keeps a level head. Honors are nice, but they don't motivate her actions. Volunteering is more like a family tradition.

"I'm so surprised that they gave me this," said Nasar, a native of Karachi, Pakistan. "What I'm doing, it doesn't compare to what my mother and sister do back home. Or my father. He did so much more than I do. It's no big deal there - it runs in the family."

Nasar's father, who died at the See HOSPITALITY, Back Page

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WEATHER:

Mostly cloudy today; high in the lower 30s. Very cold tonight; low in the mid-teens. Mostly cloudy tomorrow; high around 30.

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Ham radio club offering free messages anywhere

Staff reports

Anyone who is interested in sending a really long-distance message, free of charge, can do so today from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Student Center.

UK's Amateur Radio Club will be sending personal messages via "Ham Radio" to anywhere in the world, a project that club president John Roberts said is intended to make people aware of a permanent message service coming soon. Ham Radio is a less formal term for amateur radio.

The process of sending messages over radio has three stages. First,

the sender must provide the Ham Radio operator with the name of the intended receiver and that person's address and phone number with area code. The operator then will transfer the message to the club's "packet station," located at 553 Anderson Hall.

From an antenna atop Anderson Hall, the message is relayed through radio waves to the given area code, wherever it may be on the globe. A Ham Radio operator there will receive the message, take down the phone number and call the person who is to receive the message. The receiver may wish to respond, in

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SPORTS

Pitino, Mash say Wildcats have yet to play their best

By Ty Halpin
Assistant Sports Editor

The No. 2 UK Wildcats take on the unranked — and 9-12 — South Carolina Gamecocks tonight in a Southeastern Conference game at Rupp Arena. Looking from the outside, this game should be a blowout in UK's favor.

Not necessarily so, UK coach Rick Pitino said yesterday.

"They are a formidable opponent with some outstanding athletes," he said. "They've done a good job on the road at times. They played Vandy very tough at Vandy."

Pitino looked to the Gamecocks 76-72 loss to Vanderbilt Feb. 3 in Nashville as proof. That is no small feat, considering what the Commodores did to UK on Jan. 13.

UK forward Jamal Mashburn even went so far as to say the Commodores could be underrated.

"Indiana's good, but I think Vanderbilt is better," he said.

Pitino knows this is the time of the year when he wants his team to pick up their play.

"We really have to play good basketball," he said. "This is the time last year that we made our run."

Pitino said the Cats are starting to "focus on bringing our game to a new level."

UK is right on schedule at this point, Mashburn said.

"I think we're right where we want to be," he said. "You don't want to peak too early."

Freshman Jared Prickett sees the Cats getting better down the road.

"I really don't know that we've hit our peak yet," he said. "We're playing good basketball, but I definitely don't think we've hit our peak yet. Hopefully we'll start peaking with the South Carolina game."

As for the critics who have said UK has an easy schedule for their final six games, Pitino shrugs off those criticisms.

"Anybody who takes for granted those games probably did not watch Penn State play Indiana the other night," he said.

Pitino said he has been pleased

I don't think there are any more freshmen on this team.



— Jared Prickett, UK forward

with Rodrick Rhodes' practice of late.

"I think he wants to play more," he said. "I think maybe he's disappointed in himself a little bit. He wants to prove that he can play better. I think that's what he would say."

Freshman Jared Prickett, who made his first collegiate start against Notre Dame Saturday, will start again tonight.

"Who starts is really not that important," Pitino said. "Jared really has no idea what he's doing out there. He's just going out there and performing. What you see now is what we see in practice each day. He's going to be a great basketball player someday."

Mashburn said Prickett is just scratching the surface of his abilities.

"Jared's a good player," he said. "He's learning. He's got a lot of improving to do, which makes him a scary player."

Prickett said he probably won't keep his starting role.

"I don't think I'll continue to start," he said. "Rodrick's just a little bit down on himself. He had an incredible practice yesterday, so he's coming back strong."

Rhodes and Prickett are the only two freshmen who have started this season. They have gained valuable experience this year, Prickett said.

"All the nervousness is out of us," he said. "I don't think there are any more freshmen on this team."

Pitino looked toward emotion as a major factor the rest of the year.

"I think we'll be much more emotional," he said. "Right now, in

South Carolina at UK

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F Jamal Mashburn 21.8 ppg
C Rodney Dent 6.2 ppg
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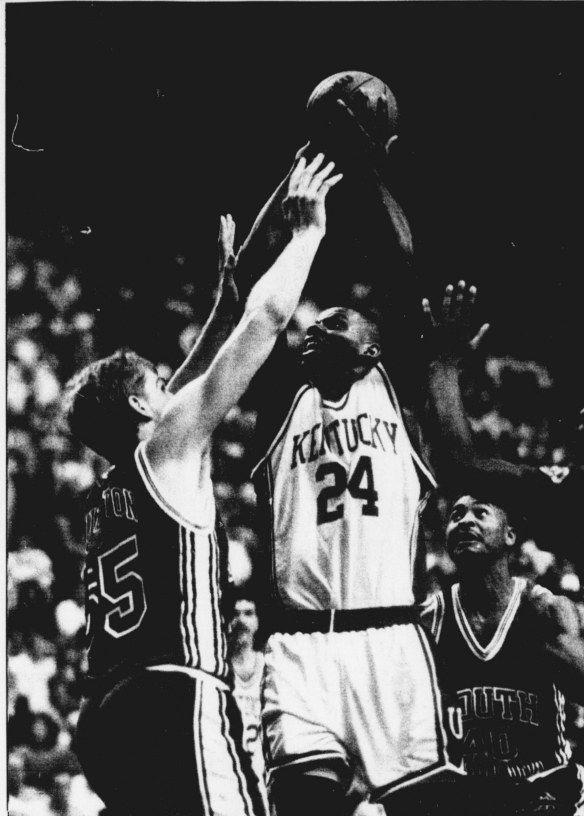
this part of the season, you need a lot of emotion. When you get to the NCAA or the SEC Tournament and the challenge is equal, you better have a little more emotion. You want to play every second as if it's your last second."

Notes:

-In the last game with the Gamecocks, six Wildcats scored in double figures. Center Rodney Dent had a career high of 17 points and had a perfect shooting day.

-Mashburn needs 10 points to pass Louie Dampier and move into eighth place on UK's all-time scoring list. Mashburn currently has 1,565 points.

-Pitino said South Carolina has impressed him with its performances on the road. The Gamecocks won Jan. 6 at Tennessee 95-83 and Jan. 20 at Florida. UK lost at both sites last season.



UK's Jamal Mashburn slices through two South Carolina defenders in a game last season. Mashburn is averaging 21.8 points a game going into tonight's game with the Gamecocks.

Roberts, Reds await decision from arbitrator

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Reds and second baseman Bip Roberts are waiting to learn who won their salary arbitration hearing.

At a hearing Monday in Chicago, Roberts asked for \$3.9 million in arbitration, up from his \$1.55 mil-

lion pay of last season. The Reds countered with an offer of \$2.7 million.

Under baseball's rules, the arbitrator chooses either the team's figure or the player's.

The decision of the arbitrator could be announced in the next day or two.

Starting pitcher Tim Lincecum, the

only other Reds player awaiting salary arbitration this year, is scheduled for his hearing Thursday in Chicago. That is the day that Reds pitchers and catchers are scheduled to report to spring training in Plant City, Fla.

Belcher asks for \$4 million, up from \$2.1 million last season. The Reds offer \$3.3 million. He had a 15-14 record and 3.91 earned run average last year with a career-high 34 starts.

The Reds avoided arbitration with a third player by reaching agreement Friday with first baseman Hal Morris on a \$1.275 million contract.

Roberts, in his first season with Cincinnati last year, made the All-Star team for the first time in his career.

He started games at four positions: left field, center field, second base and third base.

The switch hitter, acquired before the 1992 season in a trade with San Diego, batted .323 with four home runs and 45 runs batted in during

147 games.

Roberts scored 92 runs, had 172 hits (including 34 doubles) and stole 44 bases.

He led the Reds in batting average, runs, hits, doubles and stolen bases.

In the All-Star Game, Roberts had two hits in two at-bats, driving in two runs.

Roberts is expected to be the starting second baseman this season, since the Reds traded veteran second baseman Bill Doran to Milwaukee and obtained outfielders Roberto Kelly and Kevin Mitchell during the off-season.

Chris Sabo, the starting third baseman, is believed to be healthy after off-season surgery to repair an ankle injury that dogged him most of last season.

Roberts and relief pitcher Norm Charlton were the Reds' only All-Stars last year. Charlton was traded during the off-season to Seattle for Mitchell.

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Our deepest thanks to all of the 1992 officers for a wonderful job.

NCAA Final Four teams: IU, UK, Michigan, but Seton Hall?



Mark Sonka
Kernel Columnist

It is an unarguable fact that next to lounging in media hospitality rooms, abusing expense accounts, discussing which writers are dreadfully overrated and dining on chicken wings and beer, a sportswriter's favorite pastime in life is enlightening his colleagues with his knowledge of the sport of college basketball.

Of course, what this entails is precariously announcing which team you strongly feel will take the national championship, which teams you strongly feel will take consolation prizes at the Final Four, and which teams you strongly feel will take neither and choke like dogs.

The dreadfully early Final Four: **Indiana.** We all know the Hoosiers almost tanked it last Wednesday

against those mighty Nitany Lions of Penn State. But the fact is they have not lost a single game since the Wildcats three-d' them to death in Freedom Hall in early January.

Many writers - Bob Ryan of the *Boston Globe* and Mike Lupica of the *New York Daily News* included - feel there is not a better college basketball team in the nation right now. And the last time the Hoosiers had a senior who could shoot like Calbert Cheaney, they won the national championship (Steve Alford, 1987).

As long as Bobby Knight can continue bringing Brian Evanses off the bench and into the scorebooks, the Hoosiers will be the team to beat in New Orleans.

Kentucky. Two sentiments about these Wildcats: 1) Nice team. 2) Not as good as last year's. It is no great shock the Wildcats have more talent this year with athletic types

like Rodney Dent and Rodrick Rhodes, but they must learn to execute better in their half-court offense and defense, and the press must look more like last year's and less like it did against Arkansas last week.

Travis Ford's three-point shooting and Jamal Mashburn's inside-outside threat may be enough to land this team a spot in N'awlin's, but there are too few Pelphrey-to-Feldhaus and Woods-to-Farmer backdoor cuts to keep opposing defenses honest.

Michigan. A dangerous group of talented kids, this Michigan team. Chris Webber, Jalen Rose, Jimmy King, Juwan Howard, Ray Jackson and company seem to play for keeps once the NC Double A begins.

As long as Coach Steve Fisher doesn't get in the way, the Wolverines are destined for a nice Cajun

dinner on Bourbon Street come April.

Seton Hall. The Pirates have been hanging around the polls all year but haven't quite put enough wins together to leap into the top 10. P.J. Carlesimo is a decent coach. Danny Hurley is a good coach guard, and Terry Dehere is a great scorer at the two position.

Arturas Karnishovas seems to go 10-for-10 from the field every night out, while Jerry Walker is a tireless and experienced board worker. Luther Wright is a flat-out behemoth who just keeps improving.

Now for the also-rans:

North Carolina. The Tar Heels, in good Dean Smith tradition, have never met enough shots they didn't want to shoot. Why put up a three when you can pass it inside to a thug like Eric Montross or Brian Reese so they can blow an easy five-footer?

If not for Donald Williams, a sophomore with a rare penchant for taking jumpers, the Tar Heels would have virtually no weapons from the perimeter. Certainly not enough for them to book a flight to New Orleans.

Arizona. Yeah, right.
Kansas. See Arizona. Don't get me wrong - Roy Williams is a

great coach, one of the game's best. But last year's team blew it against UTEP in the second round, and the strength of the Big Eight this year is questionable at best. Really now, can you see Rex Walters in the Final Four?

Duke. There is Bull in Durham after all. There also is not enough bench here for Mike Krzyzewski to extend his astonishing string of five straight Final Fours. Why do I get the feeling the ACC is overrated once again?

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College coaches trying to change their positions after recent firing

By Doug Tucker
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — College basketball coaches, no longer willing to accept their traditional role, may take one giant step toward a new era today.

At immediate issue is the firing of California coach Lou Campanelli, whose promising young team was 10-7 when he was dismissed last week.

On Monday, the 16-member board of directors of the National Association of Basketball Coaches discussed Campanelli's situation for almost 90 minutes, arguing over how and whether to raise a protest.

NABC executive director Jim Haneey said his office might issue a statement today, marking the first time the 66-year-old organization publicly spoke out in one voice over the firing of anybody.

Beyond Campanelli, however, lies the much broader question of empowerment of coaches, securing greater job security and greater access to the rule- and policy-making process.

"We're trying to be part of the academic community. We consider ourselves teachers," said NABC president Johnny Orr of

Iowa State. "We are the guardians of the game."

"This is an association made up of coaches. One certainly has the right to be concerned about the welfare of its membership," said Haneey, who moved the NABC offices to Kansas City last year to be nearer the NCAA.

"We're concerned about intercollegiate athletics. We're concerned about fitting into the system and becoming valuable assets in the process, whether the issue is reducing costs or concerns about student-athletes' welfare."

In Campanelli, the NABC has the perfect example of what coaches see as a growing problem.

"This firing of coaches at mid-season is an issue that we have to address," Haneey said. "There have been four so far this year in Division I, and we understand two more have not been announced."

"In this particular case, there are a couple of bases left for us to touch before we say anything."

The NABC is powerless to stop the firing of coaches, who answer to the chief executive officer at each school. But banding together, their power to command the media spotlight could prove embarrassing to any school acting in haste.

"We can look at situations and try

to draw attention to how things happen, and try to make people aware of the impact of timing and other things on coaches and programs," Haneey said.

He described the 90-minute conference call as "very productive." The 16-member NABC board includes Mike Krzyzewski of Duke, Roy Williams of Kansas and Dennis Crum of Louisville.

Haneey acknowledged he had received a letter from California authorities stating Campanelli was fired because of abusive behavior toward players that was observed after recent games. Haneey also dismissed reports that the coaches were considering some sort of blackball action against Todd Bozeman, the assistant coach who was named interim coach in Campanelli's place.

"For us to organize into something like that, frankly, would be appalling," he said.

Haneey moved the NABC office to Kansas City last summer after the board voted to seek greater input into the process. Faced with future issues over cost reduction and sharing more revenue with women's athletics, the coaches decided they needed solidarity more than ever.

State gets new baseball league

By Allen G. Breed
Associated Press

PIKEVILLE, Ky. — They'll play on high school and municipal diamonds, in small towns that the major leagues have either forsaken or never even looked at in the first place.

The pay won't be great, the crowds will be small and there won't be any instant replay on ESPN. But at least the members of the new Frontier League will be playing professional baseball.

"It's important for kids in our area ... to be paid to play," eastern Kentucky native and former San Francisco Giants shortstop Johnny LeMaster said Monday during a tour to inaugurate the eight-team rookie league.

Asland will be home to the Tri-State Tomahawks, and the Kentucky Longrifles will divide their time between Pikeville and LeMaster's native Paintsville. The other host cities are Chillicothe, Lancaster, Portsmouth and Zanesville in Ohio, and Huntington and Wayne in West Virginia.

The only other teams with names so far are the Lancaster Scouts, the Huntington Frontier Redcoats and the Wayne Coal Sox. But all of the host cities share great expectations.

"The foundation has been laid," said Bud Bickel, president and commissioner of the independent league based in Huntington, W.Va. "Now, the work begins."

Players will range in age from 17 to 24, and players with previous professional baseball experience will be ineligible. In fact, LeMaster said, most players probably will be left over from the major league's amateur draft.

Tryouts will be held in May and June, and each 20-member team can

have up to five local players. Each club will play 52 games during a 10-week season, LeMaster said.

Opening day already is set for June 26. Ticket sales, advertising and corporate sponsorships will generate most of the revenue, and Bickel said players would be paid a base salary of about \$1,200 for the summer.

The new league is independent of the majors, but LeMaster said he hopes its teams will one day earn affiliate status with the big leagues. In the meantime, LeMaster said, talent scouts from the major leagues will be brought in for games "as an incentive" to the players.

Huntington still plays host to a Chicago Cubs rookie team, of which Bickel was general manager until last year. But most of the other Frontier cities are further removed from professional baseball.

Lancaster hasn't seen pro ball since the early part of the century, but it has earned a minor place in sports history, said Roy DeLong, a freelance writer who spearheaded the project in his town.

DeLong hasn't been able to find the old franchise's name, although he has seen the team referred to simply as the Lancasterers. But he does know from an old newspaper clipping that Lancaster pitcher Walter Justice hurled a rare four no-

hitters in 1908.

"There's a complexion of baseball in a majority of the (league) cities," said DeLong, who chose the Lancaster Scouts' green and gold colors after finding another clipping about the club. "It's not like it's a total new entity to a whole lot of people."

But the sport is not such ancient history to some of the host cities.

Both Pikeville and Paintsville were part of the majors' Appalachian League and had five rookie teams between them during the late 1970s and early '80s, including the New York Yankees and the Milwaukee Brewers.

Greg Maddux, a former Chicago Cubs pitcher and 1992 Cy Young Award winner, started his pro career in Pikeville.

But the Brewers pulled out of Paintsville in 1984 because of problems with the facilities, and the league decided Pikeville was too long a trip for the other teams to make.

City leaders say that is all in the past.

"It wasn't a question of whether they were successful before," said Mayor Walter May of Pikeville, a town of 6,000 in the Appalachian coal fields. "We have the facility and the will to make it successful."

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DIVERSIONS

Burnette goes own way on album

Billy Burnette
Coming Home
Capricorn Records
By Dave Lavender
Arts Editor



Former Fleetwood Mac guitarist Lindsey Buckingham gets back together with the group he won't hardly speak to and plays that White House gig. New Mac lead guitarist Billy Burnette comes out with a country album.

What's wrong with this picture? Well, nothing. Buckingham beckoned when the President called, like everyone else in America would do. As for Burnette, believe it or not, he actually is a veteran songwriter in Music City who took a divergent road when Fleetwood Mac came calling.

On the surface, *Coming Home*, Burnette's latest solo effort, seems like the most ridiculous thing released out of Nashville since Willie Nelson tried his hand at disco on his *Electric Horseman* album back in the late seventies. However, for those who know country music

This exodus from Nashville to British bands is not as rare as it would seem, as Dire Straits' Mark Knopfler asked Vince Gill to man second guitar when he was in Nashville recording *Neck and Neck* with Chet Atkins. Although Gill declined, Paul Franklin, one of Nashville's most prominent session steel guitarists, hit the road with Knopfler and Dire Straits on their *On Every Street* world tour.

The six-year wait was worth it for Burnette, who also has a cut on Tanya Tucker's new album. With an army of Nashville's finest songwriters and musicians, like songwriter Paul Kennerly and steel guitarist Terry Crisp, Burnette comes home in style with a country rock package that until a few years ago would have been too rock 'n' roll.

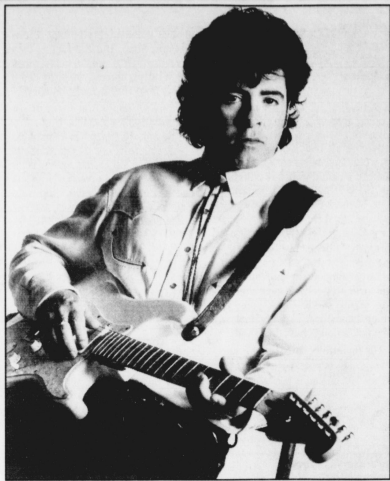
However, now with bands like the Kentucky Headhunters, Joe Ely, Little Texas and Steve Earle coming out of country music's capital, Burnette's rocking release seems almost a mainstream effort. The first track, "Tangled up in

Texas," is the first single from the album and a perfect marriage of country with the acoustic rock Burnette refined during his days with Fleetwood.

In fact, the vocal arrangements of the song are reminiscent of the Fleetwood sound, which whether done on purpose or not is irrelevant because it works.

That sound also is prevalent on "Into the Storm," a slow weeper drowning in Franklin's steel, tender fiddle and lush harmonies that blanket Burnette's venerable vocal, which sounds like a cross between a John Hiatt and a more polished John Prine.

Overall, the album is middle-of-the-road Nashville. A harder-edged release that would sit on my shelf with pride next to Ely was expected. Then I could beam in saying even Fleetwood Mac digs country. *Coming Home*, aside from a few cuts like "Walk With Me" and the aforementioned songs, deserves to be placed beside the flood of generic new country. Maybe Burnette should have stayed on the road with Fleetwood Mac.



Fleetwood Mac's Billy Burnette, who put his career on hold to play with the band, is back into country with his new release.

Planets dig samples of jazz, rap, funky drums on release

Digable Planets
Reachin' (A New Refutation of Time and Space)
Pendulum Records
By Ernest A. Jasmin
Staff Critic



Hip hop trio Digable Planets picks up where groups like Tribe Called Quest left off with smoothed-out, jazz-injected hip hop. Not since Arrested Development's *Tennessee* has a debut single made as loud a buzz on the rap

dominated industry with its down-to-earth style and mellow samples. Digable Planets takes the transformation one step further with Q-tipcent lyrics and beatnik style. You won't find hyped-up, cliché gangsterism or earthquake bass on *Reachin'*. Instead you'll find 15 tracks of jazz samples and low-key, funky drum tracks that will make you move as well as listen. *Reachin'* could be called psychedelic rap. Like the Beastie Boys' retro rap style, it pays homage to yesteryear while moving hip hop in new directions.

Like rap eccentrics De La Soul, the group proves a hip hop crew can take an extreme approach and still be funky. But "Reachin'" is of much higher quality than anything De La Soul would dream of making. Hit single "Rebirth of Slick" is backed by equally funky tracks like "Last of the Spidyyocks," "Nickel Bags," "Escapism (Gettin' Free)" and "Pacifics." But the samples are not the only aspect of the group's image that will seem retro to new listeners. Their whole approach is reminis-

condemning "pro life" conservatism over the smooth riff of "Jazzeotery." Basically the insects of Digable Planets have produced an instant hip-hop classic. The 55 minutes of jazzy funk found on "Reachin'" will probably produce a whole string of imitators (the same way N.W.A. spawned a whole generation of Comptonites and "Tribe" spawned a new generation of whatever they are). If you like jazz, funk and hip hop, the new Digable Planets album is a must listen.

Ramblings of 30-year-old columnist cannot be changed

Men profess to be lovers of music; but for the most part, they give no evidence in their opinions and lives that they have heard it. It would not leave them narrow-minded and bigoted.
Henry David Thoreau (1817-62)
Journal (August 5, 1851)



I copied this quote down one evening some ten years ago — and today, February 17, the day I turn

30 long years of age, I find it more relevant and more true than ever before. Why? Well, maybe it's because people really seem to have not paid any attention at all to the music that surrounds them. One of the most interesting aspects of the music cognition and learning class I am attending this semester is the discovery that people learn and think in different ways. I guess I've always had this naive idea that, if you treated others well, they would treat you well.

Sure, I've run into my share of trouble; but I used to write that off as the actions of a few jerks. I never believed that most people were that way. Hard as it is to believe, there really are narrow-minded bigots out there in all shapes, sizes and colors. I didn't believe that anyone would bother anyone else — or that anyone would bother me — simply because of skin color, or racial or national background. To my horror I have found that these things are indeed true. During my 12-year stay in Kentucky, I

have witnessed racism, and have been victimized by racism. These are things I still have a hard time accepting. But I've been lucky. I was raised by parents who showed me first by their own example to treat people with respect. I never thought of people in terms of their race or color or religion. I have had friends of every background — and I never thought twice about it. But, again, not everyone has been exposed to different cultures to the extent I was. Not everyone has been a minority before, as I was when I attended fifth to seventh grades in New York and loved every minute of it.

In Kentucky, I have heard unbelievable things, — like the guy who called my friend, who had advertised for a roommate, and asked if it was any problem that he was dating a "black" girl. Is it possible that anyone cares who dates whom, and what color they are, in this, the Year of Our Lord 1993? I never could have imagined that people would hassle some guy because of who he dates. I guess I have to accept the fact that some people really do value color and race. Music, sweet music — the uni-

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House, Senate pass compromise ethics reform legislation

By Mark R. Chelgren
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The General Assembly completed 15 days of soul-searching and self-examination yesterday with passage of an ethics bill legislators insisted placed Kentucky alone among the states.

House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo and others repeated an opinion widely held among legislators that news coverage of the ethics issue and corruption cases in the General Assembly prompted the special session on ethics.

But Stumbo also said there was some genuine public sentiment to clean up the legislature.

"All Kentuckians are concerned," Stumbo said. "Even though they may not talk about it, they're concerned. But even more than that, they're entitled."

"That's what these last two and a half weeks were about — the entitlement of the Kentuckians to have

confidence and restore honor in a very important branch of their government," Stumbo said.

Taken as a whole, lawmakers insisted the package is much better than reported.

"Please, don't let anybody try to tell you that because we didn't get 'no cup of coffee' that we have a weak ethics bill," said Rep. Bill Lear, (D-Lexington) one of the primary authors of the bill.

Lear said he might have preferred an absolute prohibition on lobbyists providing anything to lawmakers — the no cup of coffee rule — and further restricted PAC money. But he noted that individual legislators can decide those issues for themselves.

"I just say no," Lear said. "You can do that. I can do it. I intend to."

There was little debate and no dissension in the House on the bill where the vote was 99-0. Only Rep. Rex Smith (D-Grand Rivers) did not vote.

Republicans in both chambers offered variations on the basic bill to

further restrict a few sections. The issue was not pressed in the House, but Senate GOP members insisted.

The minority offer would outlaw lobbyists giving anything of value to legislators, force legislative candidates to return unspent PAC money and place more restrictions on the practices of legislators who are in licensed professions.

"We have a terrible image problem in this General Assembly," said Sen. Dan Kelly (R-Springfield).

Sen. David Karem (D-Louisville) said requiring lobbyists to report ever dime spent on legislators for food and drink would effectively end the practice of wining and dining lawmakers.

The Senate turned back the Republican alternative by a vote of 9-25 then passed the bill unanimously 34-0. Republican senators Gene Huff of London and Tim Philpot and Democrat Tom Smith of Radcliff did not vote. One Senate seat is vacant.

Citizens group calls on Jones to veto bill

By Charles Wolfe
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — A citizens group said yesterday Gov. Brevette Jones should veto the General Assembly's "sham" of a legislative ethics bill.

Some of its members scoffed at claims by House and Senate leaders that the bill limiting what legislators can take from lobbyists and political action committees is perhaps the strictest in the nation.

"It is the strongest piece of legislation in the United States, then I'd hate to see the weakest," Louie Mack, a former state representative from Lexington, said in a news conference at the Capitol.

Mack and several others who tracked the bill throughout the legislature's two-week special session said they were organizing

a group called Citizens for Ethical Government. They vowed to monitor and publicize quarterly reports of what lobbyists and PACs spend on legislators.

"Ethics legislation today is a sham," said Paul O'Brian, a spokesman for the group. The bill negotiated by House and Senate conferees will allow lawmakers to "suck up to the special interests, the PACs... that have bought up our government," O'Brian said.

The bill would put a \$100-a-year limit on what a lobbyist or his employer could spend on a single legislator.

It also would permit legislative candidates to take \$5,000 or 35 percent of total campaign contributions in an election cycle, whichever was greater, from

PACs. The House and Senate were expected to vote on it later yesterday.

The bill would be more permissive than an ethics code proposed last year by a task force that included Mack and five other outgoing House members. But under current law, lobbyist spending and total PAC receipts are unlimited.

Richard Belles, Kentucky chairman of the citizens lobby Common Cause, defended the bill.

If the bill had banned all "freebies" from lobbyists and set a lower limit on PAC money, "I would have been in public-policy heaven," Belles said in a telephone interview from Louisville.

Research fraud leads to indictment

By Laura Baenen
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — A University of Minnesota psychiatrist professor was indicted yesterday on federal charges he faked research on a drug used to treat obsessive-compulsive patients.

Dr. Barry Garfinkel also is charged in the 25-count indictment with mail fraud and falsifying documents in studies he conducted for Summit, N.J.-based Ciba-Geigy Pharmaceuticals.

Ciba-Geigy was unaware of the falsifications, the indictment said.

The indictment came at a time when the university's medical school was already under scrutiny for alleged ethical lapses.

University President Nils Hasselmo has ordered an outside review of the medical school's management, in part because of the Garfinkel probe and also after allegations of mismanagement in a transplant drug program.

Hasselmo last week removed Dr. John Najarian, whose highly publicized liver transplant saved the life of little Jamie Fiske a decade ago, as surgery department chairman. Najarian was not accused of wrongdoing, but the faculty member who headed the transplant drug program was fired for allegedly pocketing \$62,000 from sales of a drug byproduct.

Garfinkel's attorney, Doug Kelley, said "we are confident that he will be vindicated and his good name restored." He said Garfinkel did not profit by the alleged oversights, and that he was being victimized by a former associate.

Prospective jurors say King will receive fair trial

By Linda Deutsch
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A racially mixed group of prospective jurors who all had seen the videotape of police beating Rodney King said yesterday they could be fair in the second trial of four officers despite the potential for riots.

An Asian woman who was one of the first 12 panelists called into the federal court jury box said she watched most of the officers' earlier trial in state court on television and disagreed with that jury's verdicts of acquittal on all but one charge.

Those verdicts led to deadly riots in Los Angeles last spring.

The woman also said she was worried about friends' reactions if she voted to acquit the white officers in the 1991 beating of King, a black motorist. Asked how her friends and family would treat her if she voted for acquittal, she said:

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"I'm sure they would treat me fairly and understand."

Asked by Assistant U.S. Attorney Barry Kowalski how she thought they would react if she voted to convict, she said: "I'm sure they would feel justice has been done."

On her questionnaire, the woman said she was afraid civil disturbances would follow any verdicts. But in court she said that would not distract her from being fair.

The first jury pool of 73 was three-quarters male and included nine blacks, about a dozen Hispanics and a few Asians.

The first 12 potential jurors, identified only by number, were selected randomly from those who crowded into U.S. District Judge John Davies' courtroom. They included two blacks, an Asian and a Hispanic; the rest were white.

The judge had said he hoped a jury would be seated by the end of the day today. But questioning was going slowly as the proceedings got

under way yesterday. Only four people were questioned by the prosecution, and none by the defense, by lunchtime.

If the required panel of jurors isn't found among the 73 people in the first jury pool, more candidates will be called from among the 284 people who filled out questionnaires earlier this month on such topics as attitudes toward race and police procedures. All 284 agreed in advance to be sequestered in a hotel for at least two months if selected.

Lawyers are expected to challenge some prospects for bias. In addition, the defense may remove 14 panelists, and the prosecution eight, without stating a reason through peremptory challenges.

Defendants Laurence Powell, Theodore Briseno, Timothy Wind and Stacey Koon are accused of violating King's civil rights in the March 3, 1991, beating. A resident videotaped the beating, and the

tape has been broadcast repeatedly worldwide.

Before questioning began, the judge acknowledged the notoriety of the videotape, saying the test of a fair jury was not whether panelists had seen the tape but whether they could be fair and impartial.

"If we disqualified everyone who had seen a broadcast of that (tape), I don't think we'd ever get a jury," Davies said.

Davies asked if any of the first 12 potential jurors had not seen the tape.

No one responded.

The first panelist whose number was drawn exclaimed: "I won the lottery!" As he trudged toward the jury box, he muttered: "God,

you've got to be kidding me."

The young white male, identified as juror 484, said he believed everyone is susceptible to abusing power.

"It doesn't matter what walk of life you're in — if you've got a little bit of power you're going to use it," he said.

Another panelist, a Hispanic man, said he has been stopped by policemen and was treated well. He said he helps police apprehend gang members in his neighborhood as part of a Neighborhood Watch program.

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Apathy must be defeated; someone else should join race for SGA presidency

EDITORIAL

With only 22 days until the deadline to file for Student Government Association elections, only one ticket has applied to run for the highest student leadership position on campus. Senate Pro-Temp Jeremy Bates and political science junior Ellen Hamilton, his vice-presidential running mate, are the only students that have filed to run.

UK has over 22,000 students. Surely with this many people there is more than one person interested in making a bid for the SGA presidency.

Along with the responsibility, the SGA president receives basketball tickets, an office, a seat on the UK Board of Trustees, and free tuition and housing. The benefits are great.

Apathy is rampant at UK this year, but students deserve a choice. Not to discredit Bates and Hamilton, but an uncontested race will prove that students at UK really don't care.

Students must care, though, because the governor, the state legislature, and at times even the administration, don't prioritize student needs.

Applications to run for both the presidency and the student senate are available at the SGA office, located on the first floor of the Student Center. Students can call SGA at 257-3191 if they have questions about a possible candidacy.

Someone must step forward and join Bates in the race for SGA president.

SGA is useless if students don't care.

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SAVEing money

The Student Government Association Senate allocated \$135 to Students Against Violation of the Environment at its meeting last Wednesday. The bill was passed after much discussion and amending, but the last line of the bill allowed for any money left over from the allocated expenses to be used for "other activities."

How much does chalk cost?

Duck!

How many students engaged in one of the many snowball fights on campus Monday night? Many residence hall advisers and sorority house mothers spent the evening chasing perpetrators.

Money for nothing

The parking spaces in the central parking lot designated for commuter students have recently been replaced by parking meters. The meters only allow for 45 minute parking but most classes at UK are at least 50 minutes long. Sounds like a parking attendant's dream.

In one ear...

At last Saturday's UK-Notre Dame basketball game UK President Charles Wethington sat at the press table next to UK Radio Network announcers Ralph Hacker and Charlie McAlexander. Wethington was appropriately wearing his earphones, but the real question is: What was he listening to?

LETTER

Tuition increase means changes

To the editor:

Since tuition is increasing despite the fact students cannot afford the hike, and since we are not getting any extra benefits for this "parlor fee," I have come up with a few simple requests in exchange for this increase in tuition:

- *Change the logo, UK STANDS OUT. Who are the ad wizards that came up with this one?
- *Bring back Rob Lock, and give him one more try to dunk from the free throw line.
- *Bring kegs back on campus (Apologies to fraternities adviser Ron Lee).

*Turn the Kentucky Kernel into a paper with only crossword puzzles and personals.

*Make the stairway to the library dell wider. (Would the architect of this stairway please stand up? How did this get past jury? Somebody help me out because I would like to know.)

Although these requests may seem ridiculous and insane to the average student, I feel that if they go through the same judgment process that the state Council on Higher Education is used in raising tuition, then anything is possible.

Robert Warrington
Business junior
Feb. 7, 1993



Band remains unappreciated at UK

Most people don't realize work involved



Jimmy Gish
Kernel Columnist

The band has no support. I have been claiming this for quite some time now, ever since I arrived at this great hub of knowledge last August.

My claims were only reaffirmed during the Kentucky-Arkansas basketball game, when one of our own radio announcers made the claim that the University of Arkansas has the best fans and the best band in the SEC.

The claim about the fans has some merit. Excluding the student section and those involved in the game, the average fan at Rupp Arena is afraid to get his or her lazy carcass out of a seat and actually cheer for a change. There are very few exceptions.

Even so, the claim about the band could not be less accurate.

Of course, as a member of the Wildcat Marching Band, the UK Wind Ensemble and the UK Pep Band, my opinion could be slightly biased. Still, if that announcer had known what our bands go through, he never would have made such a claim.

When I decided to come to UK, I wanted to become involved with some of the various bands that the University sponsors. I had been in

band in grade school and high school for seven years, and I could not comprehend life without band.

I really wanted to be in the basketball pep band, until I discovered that one cannot join the pep band unless he or she is also in the marching band. After some deliberation, I decided to endure the short-term evil for the long-term good and signed up.

Band started out really well. We were allowed to move in a week before everyone except those involved in sorority rush, which was very convenient. The first day of band's early work, I discovered that the marching band here is about 25,000 times better than my old high school band.

I came from Webster County High School in Western Kentucky. I affectionately call Webster County "Band Hell" because the band here gets almost no support.

Very few people pay attention to the fact that there actually is a band here and refuse to attend band performances. Our band was not the best band in the world (major understatement), but one of the main reasons for that was the utter lack of support.

When I came to UK and saw how much better the marching band is here, I thought surely there

God forbid anyone should actually listen to what the band plays, continue the cheers that the band starts, or realize that at times the band is the group that rattles the other players in lieu of a cheering alumni section.

would be more fan support, but I was wrong.

During the first home football game, I saw the crowd cheer us as we performed the pregame show, but that was mainly because we were playing fight songs and cheers. After that point, the band was generally rejected, neglected and disrespected. It was the same during every home game.

I thought our luck might change when basketball season started. Wrong!

The next evidence of lack of support came during Big Boo Madness. When UK basketball coach Rick Pitino recognized the cheerleaders for the excellent job that they do every game, the entire crowd in Memorial Coliseum cheered. However, when Pitino acknowledged the band, the crowd was silent except for the band, grateful for the fact that even one person gave us a thumbs-up.

Almost no one cheers the band during either season. It makes me wonder if the band would be missed if we didn't show up.

God forbid that anyone recog-

nize what the band goes through — the bruises, sores, gashes, sunburns, frostbites, headaches and loss of hearing that band members suffer during performances, and the six hours in class for one lousy credit hour to prepare a program for an ungrateful audience during football season.

God forbid anyone should actually listen to what the band plays, continue the cheers that the band starts, or realize that at times the band is the group that rattles the other players in lieu of a cheering alumni section.

God forbid that anyone should care.

Maybe if the new set of radio announcers and a few fans would recognize and maybe even cheer the band, then some of us in the band might not feel so unappreciated.

Jimmy Gish is an undeclared sophomore and a Kentucky Kernel columnist.

Some people's dedication to Cats unnecessary



Aaron Zibart
Kernel Columnist

Basketball is a wonderful sport, and Kentucky certainly can claim to be one of the best places to see collegiate action. Yet our enthusiasm for the Wildcats is properly termed more as fanaticism than healthy appreciation.

By and large Kentucky is a small and unimportant state, with a correspondingly small population and little impact upon the national conscious. Take away the Kentucky Derby and the UK Wildcats and you will reduce our far commonwealth to the subconscious status of places like North Dakota.

However, what Kentucky's citizens can proudly point to is a love for basketball which knows no conceivable bounds. From Paducah to Ashland, and at all points in between, young Kentuckians (with the sole exception of the sacrilegious Louisville Cardinal fans) are brought up to love the Baptist church and the Cats, although not necessarily in that order.

Entire communities express their devotion to the Wildcats by planning town events around the team schedule, and I have been told that it is not uncommon for stores in rural areas to close early enough for workers to head home in time for tipoff. Of course this decision is practically a necessity, as no self-respecting, blue-blooded Cat fan would miss watching a game just to go to the corner mom-and-pop general store.

Fans also take unsurpassed joy in embellishing themselves with any article of clothing which bears that familiar shade of Wildcat blue. I have seen some of the most ornate examples of homemade apparel, from sweaters to coats to hats, each

boldly proclaiming such slogans as "Simply the Best" and "Wildcat Fan Even After Death." Many newcomers to UK home games probably have concluded that it is mandatory for parents to dress their young children as either cheerleaders or small versions of their hardwood heroes when bringing them to a game at Rupp Arena.

The thriving metropolis of Lexington is itself no less affected by Wildcat Mania, as the influence of the Cats extends without limit across the city. Who can think of a small business that has "Wildcat" or "Big Blue" in its name? You can buy that liquor, those satellite dishes, not to mention those wall coverings, from some store named in honor of UK's roundball wizards. Simply call the telephone operator, ask for the number of "Wildcat ...", and chances are you will discover that such a place does indeed exist.

Given the plethora of local television ads in which Honorary Mayor Rick Pitino is shown happily peddling products ranging from long-distance phone services to groceries to automobiles, it seems wonderful that the man has any time left to coach his players. That sparkling grin, endearing to the heart of any female fan, is truly worth its weight in gold to advertisers. In fact, I suspect that Pitino's endorsement of a particular product is more meaningful to most Kentuckians than a good review from the Better Business Bureau. Dives for appearances by Ca-

wood Lefford or former UK basketball player Richie Farmer, whose

days are apparently spent entirely in front of television cameras.

Often, as I am standing on a line for this or that, I overhear basketball conversations in which diehard Wildcat fans recite with head-spinning speed game stats and line-ups from seasons long since past. Invariably these fans speak in the terminology of coaches and referees, able to cross-reference the most obscure NCAA by-law with any play from the past week's games.

Victories, which come as often as Dick Vitale's flowing superlatives, are cause for Dionysian celebrations; defeats always serve as reason for great public lamentation. Somehow the realization that the Cats are not an unbeatable team is shocking to many, and following a close loss, I have seen the most stereotyped examples of male

toughness succumb to watery eyes.

Before I am inundated with hateful letters all howling for my blood, let me state that I am also a lifelong fan of UK and attend home games as regularly as anyone else. However, I cannot avoid finding the singular devotion which many people feel toward this sport a trifle humorous and easy to lampoon.

Jamal Mashburn may be the greatest college basketball player in the nation, but I don't think I should necessarily name my first born son after him simply to provide my support for the Wildcats.

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Hospitality

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age of 100, served as a life-long inspiration to his daughter. For the greater part of 40 years, he donated his skills and services as a physician to those who could not afford them.

Nasar said she remembers her dad driving a medicine truck and giving his services two hours a day, six days a week until he was 98. Her mother also assisted the effort by making food and donating clothing.

"Since I was a little girl, I remember my family was always

helping other people," she said. "I was brought up in that kind of environment."

"What we're doing is no comparison to what she's seen her family do," said Nasar's husband, Syed. "They've always been there to help and support the unfortunate."

Since 1985, the Nasars have dedicated their time — and their resources in some cases — to the UK International Hospitality Program. The organization assists foreign students in their transition from their native countries to Lexington.

At the beginning of each semester, when 150 to 250 new students arrive in Lexington, the Nasars are among those who greet them at the airport. They also take students

home when they need a place to stay or a hearty meal.

At times the Nasars accommodate six or seven students for up to a week. They say the time allows the students a chance to get "settled in" and used to the campus environment.

"Every semester, the International Office calls us with students that don't have any place to stay," Sara said. "We don't want them to stay in a hotel or anything like that."

"If they (stayed in a hotel), they wouldn't sleep good and they wouldn't eat very good. I tell them, 'Don't worry about anything.' I'll be like a parent to them — food, a place to stay, even money if they need it."

Syed, the chairman of the UK Department of Engineering, says his own experience as an international student led him to help others.

As a freshman at the University of California-Berkeley, Syed was overwhelmed by the transition to American college life. "I came here in 1955, and I was very lonely," he said. "I was depressed and there was nobody to pamper me. That gave me the idea that if I'm ever in the situation to help somebody, I would."

"If you're from Kentucky, you would feel like a stranger in New York or California, let alone another country."

While students are staying with

the Nasars, Syed drives them to campus, helps them locate buildings and advises them with their courses. "Occasionally, I take them to K-Mart, their favorite store," he said.

The Nasars recently played host to Kay Hyodo, a psychology sophomore from Japan.

Hyodo said the Nasars welcomed her to Lexington and helped her overcome many fears.

"When I first got here, the dorm hadn't opened yet," she said. "The International Hospitality Program introduced me to Sara and they kept me for four days."

"They were so nice. They listened to me, took me places, encouraged me to study a lot and

make friends. I was really nervous and homesick, but they helped me through it."

Similar testimonials have come from dozens of international students. The Nasars have been hosts to people from Asia, Africa, Russia, Austria, Romania, Pakistan and several other places.

Occasionally, the visitors to the Nasar home feel they owe their hosts something in return. After the spring semester of 1992, two Chinese students left behind an envelope with their thanks and about \$70.

Staying in line with their tradition of giving, the Nasars donated the money to the International Hospitality Program.

Troland

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strong desire to be an astronomer.

"He encouraged my interest in science all the time, even as my high school astronomy teacher," Troland said.

In fact, Troland said his favorite memory in his years of teaching occurred when his father visited Lexington four years ago and sat in on one of his lectures.

"He inspired my interest in science, and for him to sit in the front row and actually listen to me lecture was wonderful," Troland said of his father, who died last year.

Upon deciding to pursue his love of astronomy, Troland attended Amherst College in Massachusetts, where he received a degree in astronomy. He then went to graduate school in Berkeley, Calif., where he earned a doctorate in the same field.

Ten years from now, Troland, who is married and has a daughter, said he hopes to still be teaching at UK. But he couldn't resist joking that he hopes he hasn't landed in jail by then.

On a more serious note, he said he thought many lecture classes can turn out to be failures because of the lack of interaction between students and professors.

"Sometimes students don't absorb as much in large classes, so I try to generate some kind of interaction between me and the students," he said.

One way he likes to do this is by giving extra credit to students who ask questions in class.

"It creates a connection and it brings a required class to an interesting level," said psychology junior Alison Fitzpatrick. "He makes it so we have a good time."

Troland said he hopes students find his class interesting, but he doesn't see the need to require at-

tendance.

"I don't see the university as a parent," he said. "It's the student's decision."

But when students do skip class and then ask if they missed anything important, Troland said he gets peeved. "Do they think we all just sat around picking our noses that day?"

Besides teaching astronomy, Troland said he loves beverages and medieval architecture. Both interests tie into his love for France, a place he visits often to confer with other astronomers.

"I love the French language and culture," he said. "The French wines and brandies, along with the old French cathedrals and churches are just extraordinary."

Racism, sexism to be discussed

By Scarlett Consalvi
Contributing Writer

Racism and sexism will be the focus tonight of the last installment in the "Understanding the Issues" series at New Morning Coffee House.

Unlike the previous programs presented in the series, "Racism and Sexism" will be presented in discussion format rather than as a lecture.

"Understanding the Issues" is a series presented by the New Morning Coffee House and Community

Peace Center. "Racism and Sexism" will be the presentation of this conference.

UK sociology instructor Jaqu Wurzelbacher will conduct the program. Wurzelbacher said she hopes that after listening to a full series of lectures, attendees will be ready to voice their opinions.

Lexington was host to a similar conference several years ago. Wurzelbacher, who also is a doctoral student studying work gender and inequality, will recap previously discussed issues and their signifi-

cance. Following the brief presentation, Wurzelbacher will pose some questions to the audience, inviting free expression and sharing of concerns.

Wurzelbacher said she is enthusiastic about hearing what the audience has to say about sexism and racism. She hopes this last program will encourage audience participation and discussion.

"Racism and Sexism" begins at 8 p.m. at New Morning Coffee House at 504 Euclid Ave. Admission is free.

Students

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her college years was especially difficult.

"I had low self-esteem. A degree was unbelievably out of reach for me," she said. "I took a few classes for resumé purposes."

Not only has Shropshire built her resumé, she said school has helped boost her self-esteem.

"I took more classes, kept doing better, got more confidence and I'm still here," she said. Shropshire's graduation goal is May 1994.

The University offers many sup-

port systems to the older student, including child care and special scholarships. The Academic Support Services for Adults office makes its services available to students at hours conducive to full-time employment. Academic advisors are available Tuesday and Wednesday evenings until 7:30 p.m.

This office also offers workshops about career choices and changes, a career library and Discover, a self-guided career search program. The Discover service and many others are available to anyone who wants to use them. In some cases, there is a small fee.

Shropshire is a regular at the offices of Academic Support Services

for Adults. Her picture is posted on the bulletin board there, and the staff proudly displays a drawing she made of her husband and her, hard at work, studying for yet another test.

Shropshire said she has not completely mapped out her future, although she does know she wants to work with young people. She and her husband Larry have two sons.

"I would like to work with teenagers, maybe in juvenile justice or in a mental health facility," she said.

Engle's plans aren't quite set in stone either. "I'll go where the job is," he said. "Home is where my feet are."

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