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UK gets large grant for drug research



RICHARD CLAYTON

By JAY BLANTON
 Executive Editor

University officials announced Friday that UK has received a five-year \$2.75 million grant to establish a Drug Abuse Prevention Research Center.

The grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse will allow a team of eight UK professors to study drug abuse in four research projects. UK is the only research center funded by NIDA this year.

The common thread of each research project, according to UK

President David Roselle, "is the goal of determining why people use drugs and what can be used to make them stop."

It is "gratifying that UK has been chosen to take a leadership position" in drug abuse research, Roselle said. Drug abuse is not just a problem of college students, but is also a problem in the work place.

Richard Clayton, scientific director of the center, said that research will not only look at drug abuse from one area — such as biology — but will link several fields together to understand the problem of drug abuse.

Specifically, the projects will examine:

- The effect of drugs on animal models in looking at the stimulation of the brain. The goal of the study is to determine whether there are safe alternatives to drugs that would have similar stimulating effects.
- A study of drug prevention efforts at elementary schools. The project will specifically study the "Project DARE" program in which Lexington police officers discuss drug abuse with sixth grade students.
- This project will examine the effectiveness of anti-drug messages on

TV. The project will study young adults and look at ways to increase the effectiveness of the anti-drug messages.

- A study of the prevalence of drug abuse among minorities. This project will examine models of predicting differences of drug use among blacks, Hispanics and whites.

Cynthia Robbins, who is the principal researcher on the minorities project, said that even before the grant from NIDA, UK was a leader in drug abuse research.

The grant, though, will enhance UK's position because it will allow

people from different disciplines to do research together, Robbins said.

Clayton said that from the research in the four projects, professors will take "what we learn . . . and apply it in the laboratory of life."

The research projects team will not be starting from scratch though. Work on the projects is already underway because money from the NIDA grant was made available at the beginning of October, Robbins said.

In order to get the grant from NIDA, Clayton said a written application was submitted.

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Professor speaks on jury process

By CRAIG SCHMITT
 Contributing Writer

Walter F. Abbott, a UK associate professor of sociology, spoke Friday about how lawyers can choose jury members who will improve their chances of winning their cases.

In the Peal Gallery of the UK King Library North, Abbott described the significance of his book, *The Analytic Juror Rater*, published last summer, and how it relates to today's legal system.

In his book, Abbott has designed a method attorneys can use to select jury members that will improve their chances of winning their cases.

According to Abbott, everyone is biased to some degree.

"As soon as the jury goes into deliberation, the first decision will be the same as the last," he said. "Juries tend to vote in the direction of the majority. It is ideal for both sides to have the best defense argument possible."

Attorneys, Abbott said, need to "come up with a jury that will at least listen to both sides."

By voir dire, the process of jury selection, and the use of his book, Abbott said it could be done.

Using "forensic sociology," Abbott said it is possible to predict a person's level of authoritarianism from certain characteristics. He has placed basic demographics, human characteristics and values, on a scale, with each receiving a rating between zero and 100.

The categories include age, sex, race, occupation and religious affiliation. When the scores from each trail are added up, the sum is that individual's nonauthoritarian rating.

The purpose of the rating, Abbott said, is that jurors with higher level

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Air attack



Tennessee quarterback, Jeff Francis, scrambles away from UK defensive lineman, Oliver Barnett, last Saturday at Commonwealth Stadium. The Volunteers defeated the Cats 24-22. For more about the game, SEE PAGE 3.

UK center for cancer gets money

By JACK NYBERG
 Contributing Writer

The Lucille Parker Markey Cancer Center received an \$18,164 donation on Friday from the Kentucky's Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

For the last 14 years, the Ladies Auxiliary has been raising money for cancer research. Alternating its donations between UK and the University of Louisville, the group this year presented its biggest donation to UK, and next year will raise money for U of L's cancer research effort.

With federal money for medical research getting harder to receive, many cancer research facilities have to look increasingly toward private money to fund their programs.

UK's Markey Cancer Center is no exception and as federal dollars become scarce, private donations become more precious.

Dr. Thomas Vanaman, chairman of the biochemistry department, said that "over the next 10 years, in all probability, we're going to see substantial losses of federal funding for all aspects of basic research."

"And in order for us to be able to keep programs going, we have to be concerned about finding other sources, particularly private donations," he said.

Dr. Gilbert Friedell, director of the Markey Cancer Center, estimated that in the future, at least 30 percent of the center's research funding will have to come from private donations.

"In the future funding will have to come from industry; it'll come from the public in the form of donations and we'll have to be inventive . . ."

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Who's Who nominees named

By BETH PENNER
 Staff Writer

Lances Junior Men's Honorary has selected its nominees for Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities.

Lances chose 45 students from UK's campus enrollment of 23,000. The standards for being selected for Who's Who are overall campus involvement, a high grade point average and contributions to school/community, said Becky Gilbert, Lances membership chairman.

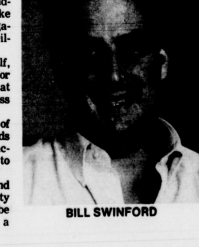
"Who's Who is a nationally recognized honor for students, only given to top upperclassmen and graduate students," Gilbert said. All students chosen will be listed in a

nationally published Who's Who volume.

On Oct. 28, Lances hosted a selection committee. The members consisted of UK students and advisers. The committee tried to be representative of the wide array of students at UK, Gilbert said.

The committee members were Lynne Hunt, Student Activities Board president; Brad Dixon, Student Government Association executive vice-president; Bob Clay, director of residence hall life; Bob Bradley, a member of the athletic department, and Mike Palm and Becky Healdy from the dean of students office.

The committee nominated people from their own representative field,



BILL SWINFORD

U.S.-Soviet treaty nearly set, Sec. says

By BARRY SCHWEID
 Associated Press

GENEVA, Switzerland — Secretary of State George P. Shultz said yesterday the United States and the Soviet Union had agreed to station inspectors at each other's nuclear missile sites for 10 years after banned weapons are scrapped.

Shultz arrived yesterday in Geneva to try to wrap up a missile treaty. Speaking with reporters on the plane before it made a refueling stop in Shannon, Ireland, en route to Switzerland, Shultz said "some operational details" remained to be worked out.

"The treaty is virtually complete," Shultz said. "All of the main things have been agreed to."

The treaty to ban U.S. and Soviet intermediate- and shorter-range nuclear missiles is the designated centerpiece for President Reagan's summit beginning Dec. 7 with General Secretary Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

The Soviet diplomat arrived in Geneva yesterday, saying in a brief airport statement he was confident the treaty will be completed "despite the fact that certain difficult questions continue to exist."

Soviet Foreign Minister Edward A. Shevardnadze said preparations for the Reagan-Gorbachev summit also were in their "most crucial stage."

Victor Karpov, head of the Foreign Ministry's arms control depart-

ment and former chief arms negotiator in Geneva, was among the aides accompanying Shevardnadze.

In Moscow, commentator Tomas Koleschenko wrote in Pravda, the Communist Party daily: "As always happens in these cases, 'technical' problems at the last stage take on more importance. For that reason, obviously, there arose the necessity of a new meeting between Shultz and Shevardnadze."

Faced with that deadline, Shultz scheduled meetings today and tomorrow in Geneva with Shevardnadze.

Talking to reporters aboard his U.S. Air Force jet before a refueling stop in Shannon, Shultz said he planned to seek Soviet support for an arms embargo against Iran and a timetable for withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan.

The United States has delayed trying to push a weapons cutoff through the United Nations Security Council because of concern that the Soviets might block the move with a veto.

The council approved a cease-fire in the Iran-Iraq war July 20 with Soviet support. "It is time to move forward," Shultz said.

An arms embargo would be designed to deprive Iran of many of its weapons and force it to negotiate an end to the conflict with Iraq, now in its eighth year.

On Afghanistan, after years of slow-moving negotiations through

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Cuomo rumors problem for candidates

By DAVID ESPO
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Persistent speculation that New York Gov. Mario Cuomo will be a late entry into the presidential race is making it difficult for the six declared Democratic contenders to expand their own support, according to a variety of party officials.

"It kind of muddles the water," said Bonnie Campbell, chairwoman of the Democratic party in Iowa, where the first caucuses will be held next February.

"If it's his intention not to go through the process but to be available for a draft, that's fair game. But I think it does cause problems

for the candidates who have been campaigning in Iowa and New Hampshire and the South and working very hard," she said.

"Yes, he is muddling the field," said Joseph Grandmaison, chairman of the New Hampshire Democratic party, who added quickly that he believes Cuomo is doing so inadvertently rather than as a strategy to win the nomination.

Grandmaison added that an unusually high percentage of party activists remain uncommitted in the state where the first presidential primary will be held next winter. He said that is partly because former candidates Gary Hart of Colorado and Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware withdrew from the race earlier in

the year, and partly because of Cuomo.

Robert Becket, who was campaign manager for 1984 Democratic nominee Walter F. Mondale, agreed that Cuomo's coyness is hampering the candidates, but said there is little they can do about it.

Cuomo has not he is not a candidate and will enter the primaries or caucuses where delegates to the nominating convention will be picked. But he also said, "Of course I'd do it" if the party told him he had an "obligation" to accept a draft.

Most of the candidates say they are unconcerned by the frequent speculation about Cuomo's inten-

tions; so far only Jesse Jackson has expressed irritation.

"If I lose the nomination, I want to be eliminated by someone who has played in the same league," he said recently. "There are no accidental drafts."

Ann Lewis, an adviser to Jackson, said she believes others share that view.




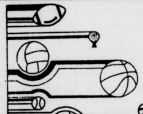


There's no denying the potential impact that Cuomo has on the race.

Until recently, Cuomo had spoken warmly of Dukakis' candidacy, without endorsing him.

Then two weeks ago Cuomo made flattering comments about Simon. "I feel great, great empathy with him," the New Yorker said of the Illinois senator.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Information on this calendar of events is collected and coordinated through the Student Center Activities Office, 203/204 Student Center, University of Kentucky. The information is published as supplied by the on-campus sponsor, with editorial privilege allowed for the sake of clarity of expression. For student organizations or University departments to make entries on the calendar, a Campus Calendar form must be filled out and returned to the Student Activities Office. Deadline: Forms will be accepted no later than the Monday preceding the publication date.

23 MONDAY	24 TUESDAY	 <p>MOVIES</p>	 <p>MEETINGS</p>
<p>*Other PARTY!! All medical health majors welcome. 11:00 donation. Breedings: 8-1 a.m. Call 8-6988</p> <p>*Concerts: Student Cello Recital: Free. Memorial Hall: 8 p.m.; Call 7-4900</p> <p>*Movies: Movie Premiere: Planes, Trains, & Automobiles (Steve Martin, John Candy). Free. Worsham Theatre: 8 p.m.; Call 7-8867</p> <p>*Sports: UK Cross Country NCAA National Championship. Charlottesville, VA. Call 7-3838</p> <p>*Sports: Aikido: Japanese Martial Art Beginner Classes. Free. Alumni Gym Loft: 8:30 p.m.; Call 266-0102</p> <p>*Other: Conversation — Drama Practice: no auditions, just bring enthusiasm! (Wesley Foundation). Free. 508 Columbia Ave.: 6:30-8 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Religious: Free Meditation Group. Free. Newman Ctr.: 6 p.m.; Call 266-4918</p> <p>*Religious: Breakfast Prayer Group: Breakfast is served, followed by prayer (Wesley Foundation). Free. 508 Columbia Ave.: 7-8 a.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Religious: Worship service: warm & casual gathering time of singing, prayers, & messages. Free. 508 Columbia Ave.: 8-9:30 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Religious: Free Meditation Group: Free. Newman Ctr.: 6 p.m.; Call 266-4918</p> <p>*Religious: Breakfast Prayer Group: Breakfast is served, followed by prayer (Wesley Foundation). Free. 508 Columbia Ave.: 7-8 a.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Religious: Worship service: warm & casual gathering time of singing, prayers, & messages. Free. 508 Columbia Ave.: 8-9:30 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Religious: Monday Evening Fellowship — Friendship, group discussion, parties, & meals. Free. K House: 412 Rose St.: 8 p.m.; Call 254-1881</p> <p>*Sports: Judo Club: Beginner's welcome. Wrestling experience valuable. \$5/year. Alumni Gym Loft: Call 8-4156</p> <p>*Lectures: "The German Greens: Local Politics in a World Context". Free. Gaines Humanities Ctr.: 4:30 p.m.; Call 7-1537</p> <p>*Sports: Basketball Ticket Distribution for Hawaii. Free with UKID. Memorial Coliseum: 8 a.m.-9 p.m.</p>	<p>*Meetings: LCCAS: Free. 215 Oswald Bldg.: 11 a.m.; Call 7-6071</p> <p>*Religious: Tuesday Night Together — T.N.T. — A Time for Worship & Fellowship. Free. Baptist Student Center: 7:30 p.m.; Call 7-3895</p> <p>*Religious: Campus Crusade for Christ — WEEKLY MEETING: Free. Student Ctr.: 245.7:30 p.m.</p> <p>*Sports: Japan Karate Club — Shotokan. Free. Buell Armory: 7:30-8:30 p.m.</p> <p>*Religious: Pilgrim Race Group: Meet At the UK Track to Jog or Run at Your own Pace (Wesley Foundn). Free. UK Track: 5 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Religious: Lunch & Last Lecture: guest speakers share about topics from their careers and lives. \$1.50. 508 Columbia Ave.: Noon-1 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Sports: Basketball Ticket Distribution for Cincinnati</p> <p>*Sports: UK Fencing Club: Free. Alumni Gym: 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Call 272-1013</p> <p>*Concerts: UK Percussion Ensemble, James Campbell, Director. Free. CFA Recital Hall: 8 p.m.; Call 7-3145</p> <p>*Concerts: Graduate Students Trumpet Recital. Free. CFA Recital Hall: 12:30 p.m.; Call 7-4900</p> <p>*Other: Premiere Showing: Appalshop's Film: "Harriette Simpson Arnow"; \$5. \$3 stu. Student Ctr Theatre: 7:30 p.m.; Call 7-4035</p> <p>*Sports: Wildcat Basketball vs. Soviet National — Home. Free with full-time UKID. Rupp Arena: 7:30 p.m.; Call 7-1818</p> <p>*Religious: RDA — Weekly Program for all interested in learning more about Catholicism. Free. Newman Center: 7:30-8:15 p.m.; Call 255-8567</p> <p>*Other: Aerobics. Free. Newman Center: 5:50-7 p.m.; Call 255-8567</p>	<p>*Movies — 11/23: Movie Premiere: Planes, Trains, & Automobiles (Steve Martin, John Candy). Free. Worsham Theatre: 8 p.m.; Call 7-8867</p> <p>*Movies — 11/30: Rebel Without a Cause; \$1.95; Center Theatre: 8 p.m.; Call 8-8867</p>	<p>*Meetings — 11/24: LCCAS: Free; 215 Oswald Bldg.: 11 a.m.; Call 7-6071</p> <p>*Meetings — 11/25: Cosmopolitan Club Meeting; Free; 228 Student Ctr.: 7 p.m.; Call 7-2755</p> <p>*Seminar — 11/25: Biochem: Phenolic Glycoside of Myobacterium leprae the causative agent of leprosy; Free; MN 463: 4 p.m.</p> <p>*Seminars — 11/25: Interdisciplinary Geriatrics Colloquium: OVAR/GEC. Free; Med Ctr MN 136; Noon; Call 233-5166</p> <p>*Seminar — 11/30: Essay Test Taking Seminar; \$10.00. 103 Barker Hall: 11-11:50 p.m.; Call 7-8673</p>
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<p>*Religious: Bible Discussion Group. Free. 231 Student Center: 7:30 p.m.; Call 254-3997</p> <p>*Seminar: Biochem: Phenolic Glycoside of Myobacterium leprae the causative agent of leprosy. Free. MN 463: 4 p.m.</p> <p>*Sports: Aikido: Japanese Martial Art Beginner Classes. Free. Alumni Gym Loft: 8:30 p.m.; Call 266-0102</p> <p>*Sports: UK Ping Pong Club: Free. Seaton Ctr.: Squash Ct.: 7-10 p.m.; Call 8-8161</p> <p>*Sports: Judo Club: Beginner's Welcome — Wrestling experience valuable. \$5/year. Alumni Gym: 5-6:30 p.m.; Call 8-4156</p> <p>*Religious: "Who Are the Reason?" — Come join the singers, dancers & stage crew doing this musical. Free. 508 Columbia: 6-8 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Meetings: Cosmopolitan Club Meeting. Free. 228 Student Ctr.: 7 p.m.; Call 7-2755</p> <p>*Other: Dinner: Casual Dinner & Good Company — Wesley Foundation. \$3.00. 508 Columbia Ave.: 5-6 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Seminars: Interdisciplinary Geriatrics Colloquium: OVAR/GEC. Free. Med Ctr MN 136; Noon. Call 233-5166</p>	<p>*Religious: Pilgrim Race Group: Meet At the UK Track to Jog or Run at Your own Pace (Wesley Foundn). Free. UK Track: 5 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Religious: Baptist Student Union — "D.L.A. 91". Baptist Student Center: 12:15 p.m.; Call 7-3989</p> <p>*Religious: Conversation: music, practice — bring enthusiasm!! (Wesley Foundation). Free. 508 Columbia Ave.: 6:30-8 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Religious: Decision Point — Bible studies focusing on Human Sexuality (Wesley Foundation). Free. 508 Columbia Ave.: 8-9:30 p.m.; Call 254-3714</p> <p>*Sports: UK Fencing Club: Free. Alumni Gym: 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Call 272-1013</p> <p>*Sports: Japan Karate Club — Shotokan. Free. Alumni Gym: 7:30-8:30 p.m.</p> <p>*Religious: Thursday Evening Bible Study — Christian Student Fellowship. Free. 502 Columbia: 7 p.m.; Call 233-0313</p> <p>*Academics: Thanksgiving Holiday — Academic Holiday (Through 11/28)</p> <p>*Other: Thanksgiving Day</p> <p>*Religious: Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship: Large Group Gathering. Free. Student Ctr.: 11:5-8 p.m.; Call 266-1546</p> <p>*Religious: Thanksgiving Day Celebration of the Mass. Free. Newman Center: 10 a.m.; Call 255-8567</p>	<p>*Concerts — 11/23: Student Cello Recital. Free; Memorial Hall: 8 p.m.; Call 7-4900</p> <p>*Concerts — 11/24: UK Percussion Ensemble, James Campbell, Director. Free; CFA Recital Hall: 8 p.m.; Call 7-3145</p> <p>*Concerts — 11/24: Graduate Students Trumpet Recital. Free; CFA Recital Hall: 12:30 p.m.; Call 7-4900</p> <p>*Concerts — 11/30: Walter Hicks Senior Tube Recital. Free; CFA Recital Hall: 8 p.m.; Call 7-4900</p>	<p>*Sports — 11/23: UK Cross Country NCAA National Championship. Charlottesville, VA. Call 7-3838</p> <p>*Sports — 11/23: Basketball Ticket Distribution for Hawaii. Free with UKID; Memorial Coliseum: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.</p> <p>*Sports — 11/24: Basketball Ticket Distribution for Cincinnati</p> <p>*Sports — 11/24: UK Fencing Club. Free; Alumni Gym: 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Call 272-1013</p> <p>*Sports — 11/24: Wildcat Basketball vs. Soviet National — Home. Free with full-time UKID; Rupp Arena: 7:30 p.m.; Call 7-1818</p> <p>*Sports — 11/25: UK Ping Pong Club. Free; Seaton Ctr.: Squash Ct.: 7-10 p.m.; Call 8-8161</p> <p>*Sports — 11/26: UK Fencing Club. Free; Alumni Gym: 7:30-9:30 p.m.; Call 272-1013</p> <p>*Sports — 11/27: Lady Kat Invitational Tournament (Through 11/28). Free with UKID; Memorial Coliseum; Call 7-1818</p> <p>*Sports — 11/28: Wildcat Basketball vs. Hawaii — Home. Free with UKID; Rupp Arena: 8 p.m.; Call 7-1818</p>
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SPORTS

MONDAY

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Todd JONES

UK losses painfully teasing

Only Stephen King could have written a script as devilish as the one the UK football team enacted this fall.

A Wildcat team with high hopes in September saw them twisted into a 5-6 record that drips with frustration.

"We've been short so many times," UK coach Jerry Claiborne said. "It's a disappointing season to us, our players and our fans."

The disappointment stems from the record itself. This team was too good to suffer a losing season. But frustration also tears at the Cats because of how the defeats came about.

First it was Rutgers. UK headed to New Jersey determined to make up for last year's tie. They didn't. The Cats were upset, 19-18.

UK brushed that aside and roared back with two more impressive victories. After five weeks, the Wildcats had four wins and bowl bids sounded good.

Louisiana State put a damper on those with a 34-9 victory. But that wasn't so bad. UK wasn't expected to win in the bayous anyway.

What killed the Cats came seven days later. Once again, UK was the underdog. But this time it appeared an upset was brewing.

For 58 minutes, the Wildcats led the Bulldogs at Georgia. That was just an evil tease. The Dogs snatched victory away from UK with less than two minutes to play.

UK fell to Georgia, 17-14. The Cats never got off the floor the rest of the season.

A lifeless win over Virginia Tech followed. But then bowl hopes were shot out of the sky when Vanderbilt pulled an 38-29 upset. Florida smacked the Cats with their fifth defeat the next week.

The LSU game was the only loss UK could handle. Even that wasn't decided until the second half. The other four could have gone either way.

"We had an opportunity to win everyone one of them," Claiborne said.

The same wicked act took place Saturday.

UK led the favored Volunteers from Tennessee until the fourth quarter. Trailing 24-20, the Wildcats launched one final attack at a winning season. They took the ball to the Volunteers' six-yard line with the clock ticking down. First and goal.

"When we got the ball down there, I didn't think they'd stop us at all," UK offensive tackle Greg Kunkel said. "I just thought this was going to be great, coming up with a score and a victory like this."

It never happened.

Four jack-hammer attempts left UK 12 inches short of a winning season. Mark Higgs hit an orange wall on fourth down and was left with his face buried in the brown grass of Commonwealth Stadium.

"That sums up the whole season," Kunkel said.

"It hurts worse," UK guard Dermontti Dawson said. "I'd rather be beaten by three or four touchdowns instead of three or four points."

The margin of defeat doesn't matter to the fans. It's still a defeat. And lately their tolerance has not been high. Some have called for Claiborne's head. The players say that is unjustified.

"It's never been Coach's fault since we've been here," UK center Brad Myers said. "If people knew Coach a little better they would understand that. It upsets me that people say things about him."

Claiborne is taking the heat with his head held high. It's just part of his business.

"If you're not a very thick-skinned person, you shouldn't be a coach," Claiborne said.

The tough defeats UK suffered this fall should have made Claiborne's skin tougher than ever. He'll need it. It's going to be a long winter.

Sports Editor Todd Jones is a journalism senior.

Fohr has UK hungry for JuCo talent

By JIM WHITE
Assistant Sports Editor

Although Saturday's 24-22 loss to Tennessee is still fresh on his mind, UK football coach Jerry Claiborne has already begun thinking about next year.

Twenty seniors will be vacating the football dormitory this spring and it's time to start rebuilding the ranks.

But Claiborne said he may not be relying totally on a group of wide-eyed freshmen to fill the holes.

"We're going after some junior college players," Claiborne said. "A junior college player is older, he's already played a couple of seasons and he's more mature."

Claiborne has good reason to trust junior college players. The two he recruited this year, ended up as key members of the offense.

At the beginning of the football season, UK quarterback Glenn Fohr, who transferred from Hudson Valley Junior College in New Jersey, was playing second fiddle to senior starter Kevin Dooley.

Saturday, however, Dooley never saw the field. Fohr had taken over.

The 6-foot-2, 205-pound junior passed for 240 yards and led a 68-yard charge in the game's last minute that came one foot short from taking the win away from the Vols.

"Fohr did a really good job for us," Claiborne said. "He came in and moved the ball well and came awfully close."

At Hudson Valley, Fohr was an All-Conference player. He led the Coastal Conference in passing in 1986, accumulating 1,512 yards and seven touchdowns.

This season, Fohr got the call when Dooley was injured against Ohio University.

He completed 74 of 163 passes for 973 total yards. Fohr also passed for six touchdowns, including two against Tennessee.

"It was a good learning experience," Fohr said of the Tennessee game. "We moved the ball really well. That's kind of a confidence booster for next year."

Junior Charlie Darrington, from Northeast Oklahoma Junior College, bailed Claiborne out at the tight end position.



With the graduation of mainstay ends Mark Wheeler and Matt Lucas, the position was wide open at the outset of the season.

Darrington stepped in and wound up leading UK in pass receptions until the last game.

(Wide receiver Dee Smith's 170-yard performance against the Vols gave him the No. 1 spot.)

For the season, 6-3, 225-pound Darrington had 26 receptions for 365 yards and two touchdowns.

Despite making three catches against the Vols, the pass Darrington remembers the most was the one he didn't catch.

Late in the third quarter, Darrington dropped a very catchable pass in the end zone that could have given UK a 24-14 lead over Tennessee late in the third quarter.

"I just didn't look it in. I was celebrating before I caught it," Darrington said.

Above, UK senior running back Mark Higgs avoids Tennessee linebacker Kelly Ziegler Saturday at Commonwealth Stadium. At right, Wildcat quarterback Glenn Fohr scrambles for yardage.



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New assistant coach Dykes answered UK's call for help

Editor's note: This is the first in a two-part series about the new UK basketball assistant coaches. Tomorrow's story will be on graduate assistant Roger Harden.

By TOM SPALDING
Staff Writer

It didn't take long for Jimmy Dykes to accept a job on UK's coaching staff. One phone call was enough.

When Kentucky coach Eddie Sutton was faced with the dubious task of filling the assistant coach vacancy, left by Doug Barnes, he dialed Boone, N.C. and Dykes was waiting.

"He said I was the man they were looking for," Dykes said.

Dykes may be an unfamiliar face to many Big Blue fans, but not to Sutton.

The 26-year-old Fayetteville, Ark., native was a point guard on four of Sutton's teams at Arkansas, including two Southwest Conference championship squads.

"It helps me considerably because I played for four years as a player," Dykes said. "In fact, I was a graduate assistant in 1984 so this is really my sixth year under him."

"I think it's much easier for (Dykes) to teach our present players than it would be by bringing in someone who'd never seen an Eddie Sutton team perform," Sutton said.

Dykes and his mentor parted ways after his stint as graduate coach at Arkansas in 1985. Sutton went east to Kentucky and Dykes went west, landing a job as an assistant coach at Sacramento State University.

That didn't last long. A year later, Dykes took a new job in Boone at Appalachian State University.

"My ultimate goal is to be a coach of a Division-I school someday," Dykes said. "I don't know how far away that is, but I'm very happy here and I want to be part of this program as long as Coach Sutton will have me."

Sutton said he is glad to have his former player. But he's not sure how long his new assistant will stay in Lexington. Sutton sees a bigger coaching position in Dykes' future.

"I'd never hire anyone if I didn't think one day they'd be a head coach," Sutton said. "I think (Dykes) has the talent to be one."

Dykes' main duties at UK are scouting other opponents, preparing the team for games and helping in areas of on court instruction.

"I have a complete understanding of his system and what he expects from his players," Dykes said.

Being only 26 helps, too. Dykes said at his age, it may be easier for him to relate to the players.

"I last played for him about three and a half years ago," Dykes said.

"I try to put myself in (the players') shoes. I've got a pretty good rapport with each of them. When a problem has arrived on the team, I have a pretty good feel for how they play from time to time, and I'll relay that to Coach Sutton."

Dykes has only good things to say about his friend, mentor and former coach.

"I would've followed Coach Sutton wherever he went," he said. "He's the best in the business to put together a collegiate basketball team."

He has the natural ability to get the most out of everyone around him from players to assistant coaches to trainers.

Now, Eddie Sutton wants to get the most he can out of Jimmy Dykes.



RANDALL WILLIAMSON/Kentucky Sports

UK assistant coach Jimmy Dykes works with freshman forward John Lankford during practice at Memorial Coliseum.

Benson, Van Emburgh reach finals of Indoors

By SALLY MACY
Contributing Writer

The UK men's tennis team had an impressive showing this weekend at the Region III Indoor Tennis Championships held at Athens, Ga.

All-Americans Greg Van Emburgh and Rich Benson, the tournament's No. 1 seed, reached the finals in doubles play by defeating the Ole Miss team, 6-2, 6-4.

The duo will play freshmen Al Parker and Chris Garner of Georgia, who are the tournament's No. 2 seed.

The finals will be held this morning at 9.

UK's third doubles team of junior Willie Laban and freshman Ian Skidmore, reached the third round before being defeated by Randall and Booras, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.

In singles action, the upset of the tournament came when UK's Greg Van Emburgh, seeded No. 4, was eliminated in the first round by Georgia's Jim Childs, 4-6, 2-6, 1-6.

All-American Mario Rincon and Benson both reached the third round of singles play before being defeated.

Rincon was knocked off by Miami All-American John Donar, 6-4, 6-7, 7-5, while Benson was eliminated by No. 3 seed Stephen Enoch of Georgia, 6-3, 5-7, 7-5.

UK's Adam Malik fell victim to Georgia's Francisco Montana, 6-2, 6-2, in the second round, while Laban was knocked off by Ole Miss' Aaron Barrick, 6-1, 7-5.

Sammy Stinnet and John Lankford turned in a tremendous performance reaching the second round before being defeated by Jay Bailey and David Hobeisel of Southwest Louisiana, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.

Guest tickets available

Guest tickets for tomorrow night's UK basketball scrimmage against the Russian national team are on sale today for \$8.

Tickets for the UKIT will also go on sale today at 9 a.m. The tickets are \$12 for the two-game session. Guest tickets for the Hawaii and Cincinnati games will go on sale beginning tomorrow.

Volleyball team wins SEC

The ninth-ranked UK women's volleyball team downed the University of Florida last night to capture the Southeastern Conference Tournament championship.

The UK team defeated the Gators in three games with scores of 15-8, 15-3, 15-9.

The Lady Kats were led by senior middle blocker Lisa Dausman. Dausman had eight kills on 11 at-

tempts and one error for a hitting percentage of .391. She was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

Also receiving honors were UK's Kim Thompson and Laura Linder, who were named to the All-Tournament team.

The 29-1 Lady Kats will next compete in the first round of the NCAA tournament in early December.

Golfers compete at UCLA

Lady Kat golfers tee off in the UCLA Desert Classic today at the Mission Hills Resort Golf Course in Rancho Mirage, Calif.

It's a three-day 54-hole event. In UK's four tournaments this fall, it has finished second twice, third and first, winning the UK Invitational.

The Kats will be led by preseason All-American selection Kate Rogerson. The UK senior has had a strong fall, including two first-place finishes in the four tournaments.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

UK coach Jerry Claiborne commenting on the verbal abuse from Wildcat fans:

"I've been in this thing too long to have somebody who probably hasn't played a down of football affect me. If you're not a very thick-skinned person, you shouldn't be a coach."

Diversions

Erik Reece
Arts Editor

Cold weather should make viewers consider video releases

Editor's note: Friday night was the coldest night of the school year. It was too cold to go out. It was definitely too cold to battle the elements while standing in a ticket line to see the weekend premieres movies.

With that in mind, the Kernel thought it would be helpful and timely to give the reader a quick critical rundown of what is currently premiering on video.

GARDENS OF STONE

During the spate of Vietnam films that have been released in the last year, one that was overlooked was Francis Ford Coppola's "Gardens Of Stone," a somber meditation on the effect the war had on the home front.

James Caan returns to the screen after a seven-year hiatus as Sgt. Clell Hazard, leader of "The Old Guard," the Army's official ceremonial unit based in Arlington. Both Hazard and his profane army buddy (played with scene-stealing vigor by James Earl Jones) would rather be instructing recruits in how to come back from the war alive than seeing them come back dead.



The two take a paternalistic view toward an idealistic young soldier (played with doe-eyed innocence by newcomer D.B. Sweeney) who would rather be fighting the war abroad than fighting it at home. Eventually the young soldier gets his wish, only to return home to become another monument in the garden of stone — Arlington National Cemetery.

Caan easily dominates over Coppola's lethargic direction. By framing the film with the young soldier's funeral, he has created a dirge-like pace that, were it not for Caan's riveting performance, would've made for difficult viewing.

STRAIGHT TO HELL

The filming of "Straight to Hell" probably happened something like this:

On the strength of "Repo Man" and "Sid & Nancy," director Alex Cox took off for the Southern United States with half a million dollars, a lot of hip British rockers and a loose idea about a spaghetti western parody.

From the looks of "Straight to Hell," what began as a low-budget camp comedy turned into an extended beer run . . . and the acting in the movie bears this out.

"Straight to Hell" is bad. I saw it sober, which was probably a mistake, because that apparently isn't the way director Cox saw it. The

promise is this: Two groups of coffee-addicted outlaws converge on a ghost town to fight it out Sam Peckinpah style. The Fogues head up one group and the Clash's Joe Strummer heads up the other.

The script, however, or lack thereof, is burdensome. The only thing that breaks up the silly dialogue is some gratuitous violence. And there's not enough of that.

Eric Idyl could have had a heyday with this. "Straight to Hell" could use that Monty Python sort of socio-political humor. Or any kind of humor for that matter.

—Erik Reece

WHO'S THAT GIRL

If history is going to refer to movies like "The Seven Year Itch" as classics, then there's no way "Who's That Girl" can be totally disregarded.

Granted, the script doesn't have the dark humorous twists of Johanna Demme's "Something Wild," but then "Something Wild" doesn't have Madonna.

The comic formula here isn't new. Rich kid winds up with sleazy, street-smart girl from the gutter. And while the storyline isn't new, it is punchy and it does move.

—Erik Reece



James Caan stars as Sgt. Clell Hazard in "Gardens of Stone."

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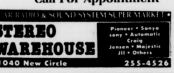
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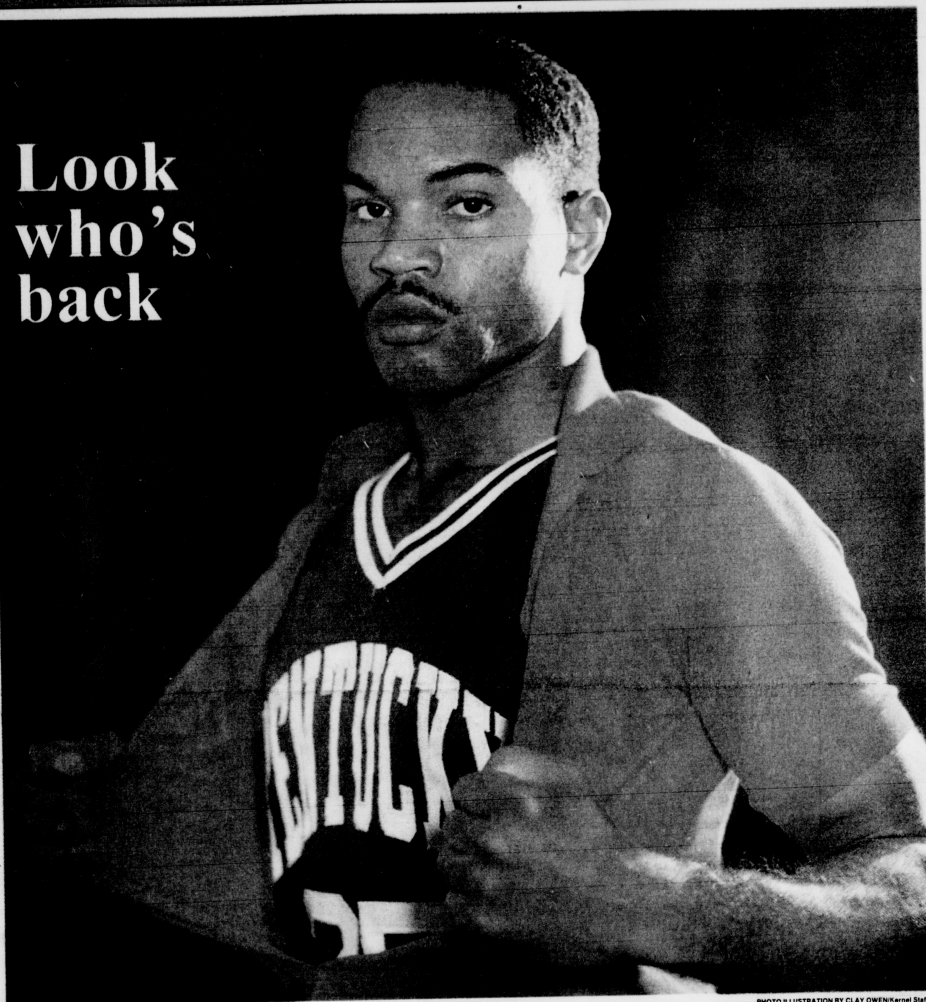


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Bennett shreds red shirt along path to recovery

By TODD JONES
Sports Editor

Slowly, the deep sleep from anesthesia began to recede and the numbness trailed off with it.

As he lay on the hospital bed, Winston Bennett glanced up at his parents with groggy eyes.

"What did they do to my leg?" he asked.

Shirley Bennett could not answer.

"He was in a great deal of pain," Mrs. Bennett said. "For the first time, I wasn't able to stay in the room and watch him cry. It made me leave the room."

"I had to go out in the hallway. Eventually I came back in, put a cold cloth to his head and prayed for him."

What they did to Winston Bennett's leg 394 days ago was completely rebuild his right knee. It had exploded during basketball practice at Memorial Coliseum, and three screws and a staple were required to put the joint back together.

"The pain was excruciating," Bennett said. "It was the most pain I've ever had to endure. It was the type of pain where you wake up crying."

There would be many nights like that in the following months.

The pain in Bennett's right knee was terrible enough. But the injury caused more than physical discomfort. It

ore at his mind.

For three years, Bennett was a rugged forward on the Kentucky basketball team. He was good. But he was also buried deep in the shadows cast by better players around him.

First it was All-Americans Melvin Turpin and Sam Bowie. As a freshman, Bennett jumped off the bench whenever they needed a rest. He knew his role. He accepted it.

When that duo graduated, Kenny Walker became the Wildcats' inside force. With another All-American ahead of him, Bennett was again handed second fiddle. He accepted it.

Walker moved on to the NBA and when practice started last fall Bennett was suddenly the man. It was his year. He was ready for the spotlight. But then the plug was pulled.

"It added to the injury," Bennett said of his missed opportunity. "I thought about it a lot."

That wasn't all Bennett thought about. Initially, he feared the end of his career. The surgery was that serious.

"It crossed my mind a lot of times," Bennett said.

"Yeah, I thought it might have been over. I didn't know what I was going to have to do."

He would soon learn. The knee wasn't going to mend itself. There was a lot of hard work to do. But before Bennett could begin rehabilitating his knee, he first had to settle his mind.

The pain of missing his big chance eased. The pain of missing basketball itself didn't.

"It was like taking away something you love, something you were used to having all your life," Bennett said. "All of a sudden it's gone."

"He loves basketball," Winston Sr. said. "That's all he really knows. When it was gone last year, it took a lot of adjustment for him and the whole family."

The adjustment did not come quickly but haunted Bennett for months. The game teased him as he sat on the sidelines watching his teammates. He could find nothing good about his ordeal. That had to change.

"The main thing I tried to tell him is that all things work out for the best," Mrs. Bennett said. "There had to be a reason for the injury. He had to see that and use it for a steppingstone. It took him awhile."

Deep in the night, Bennett would call his parents in Louisville.

"I always look to them for inspiration and guidance," he said.

Long-distance calls produced long discussions. The Bennetts tried to show their son the positive aspects of his injury. Gradually, Winston began to see the light.

"The experience taught me to be grateful for what I have — my health and my strength," Bennett said. "It taught me to appreciate the game more. Having played it

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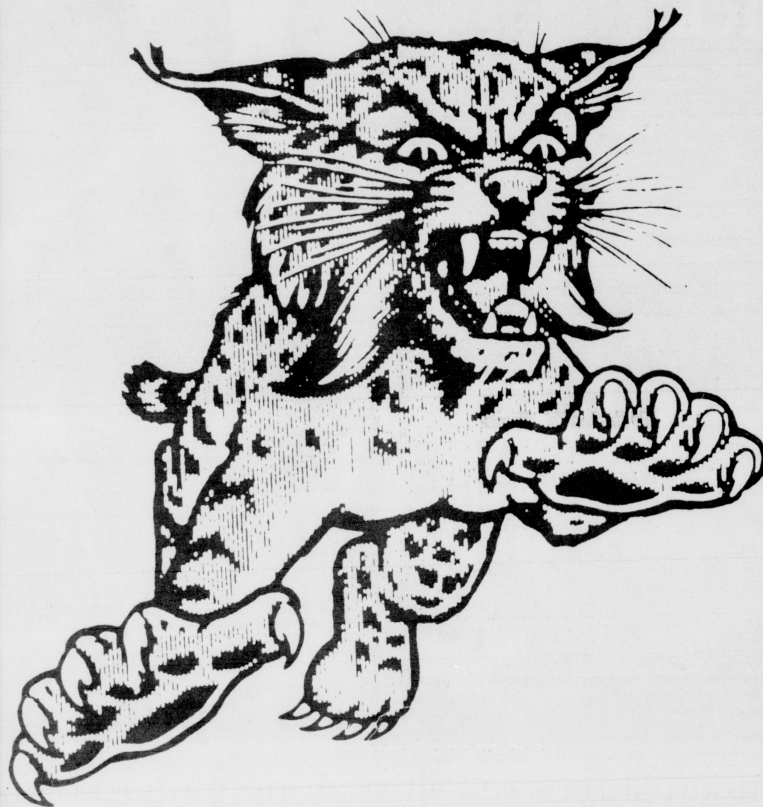


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Fans crank up heat on UK pressure pot

After two years, you'd think Eddie Sutton would be immune to the magnitude of Kentucky basketball. He's not. The sheer craziness of it all still nearly causes his kinky hair to go straight.



Todd JONES

"It shocks me sometimes," Sutton said. "Every day I go to my office, something happens where I pinch myself. Basketball in the Bluegrass is almost a second religion."

Nobody has ever doubted the feverish devotion of Wildcat fans. Do, and you may get a load of backshot in the rump. In the Commonwealth, life begins on Oct. 15 and ends with the Final Four. Forget football. Ever try to dribble one?

The extreme excitement UK basketball causes can be a double-edged sword. For the first time since he's been here, Sutton may feel the full thrust of the rapier.

Two years ago, he took a group of hard-working Wildcats and molded them into a 32-4 team. Jaws hit the floor. After all, this was the core of a club that went 18-13 for Joe B. Hall the previous year.

The surprise at Sutton's feat came because no one truly expected much. The usual championship heat that singled Joe B. wasn't fully cranked up on Sutton. Title talk was just a whisper.

No one spoke of the Final Four last year. With the storm of injuries that struck the UK camp, fans were hoping just to get through the year with a full team. Sutton quenched their thirst by going 18-11.

That record will not do this year. Nothing stirs the Blue natives like a highly-touted recruiting class. But that's just a spark. Bring back Winston Bennett and gas is pumped on the fire. Sutton may have himself a four-alarm blaze by mid-December.

Sutton isn't dodging the obvious. He can't deny the truth. He knows his Cats are good.

"There are about 20 teams that could get to Kansas City and we're certainly one of them," he said. "I've never had as much talent as I have this year."

But unlike the faithful who allow their imaginations to run rampant, Sutton is extremely objective about this club. There's a few unanswered questions — questions that many people ignore. But not Sutton.

"We have a chance to be a very good club," he said.

One thing is certain — the backcourt is set in cement. Few guard duos can feature the flash of Ed Chapman and stability of Ed Davender. Sutton can lean on them. But not for the whole season.

"Last year, we lived and died with that three-point shot," Sutton said. "That's not the way you play basketball."

The Cats cannot count on that balance yet. Rob Lock has been extremely inconsistent. Richard Madison has turned to vapor too often. Cedric Jenkins does not score. Mike Scott is unproven.

Of course, the man everyone is counting on to fill the void is Winston Bennett. He could. If he is back.

"He certainly would be the difference in our ballclub perhaps being good and maybe being great," Sutton said. UK needs Bennett. Bad. It's not



EDDIE SUTTON

just his scoring punch inside or his rugged defense. His return would bring back some missing intangible qualities. The Cats need Bennett's heart and guts.

"Some of our players are a little soft," Sutton said. "But we're going to be a hard-nosed basketball team."

Bennett could make UK just that. Just his mere presence on the court would help. But only time will tell.

Fans who are blinded by optimism immediately shout that if Bennett can't do it, all these incredible freshmen can. My god, just look at their high school stats. They're All-United.

"But they're just freshmen," Sutton said. "You just can't get around experience. You throw a lot at young players and it takes a while for them to absorb it all. Basketball

1987-88 Wildcat Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time	TV
Nov. 28 (Sat.)	Hawaii	Lexington	8	UK-LIVE
Dec. 1 (Tues.)	Cincinnati	Lexington	8	UK-LIVE
Dec. 5 (Sat.)	Indiana	Indianapolis	2	ABC-TV
Dec. 12 (Sat.)	Louisville	Lexington	1:30	CBS-TV
Dec. 18 (Fri.)	UKIT	Lexington	6:30 / 9	UK-LIVE
Dec. 19 (Sat.)	Alaska	Lexington	8	UK-LIVE
Dec. 28 (Mon.)	Vanderbilt	Lexington	8	ESPN
Jan. 2 (Sat.)	Georgia	Atlanta	7	ESPN
Jan. 6 (Wed.)	Mississippi State	Lexington	7:30	UK-Delayed
Jan. 9 (Sat.)	Auburn	Lexington	8	ESPN
Jan. 13 (Wed.)	Alabama	Tuscaloosa	10	ESPN
Jan. 16 (Sat.)	Tennessee	Lexington	1	UK-Delayed
Jan. 20 (Wed.)	Florida	Lexington	8	SEC-TV
Jan. 23 (Sat.)	LSU	Baton Rouge	2	CBS-TV
Jan. 27 (Wed.)	Vanderbilt	Nashville	8:30	ABC-TV
Feb. 3 (Wed.)	Ole Miss	Lexington	7:30	UK-Delayed
Feb. 6 (Sat.)	Mississippi State	Starkville	4	SEC-TV
Feb. 10 (Wed.)	Auburn	Auburn	8:30	1
Feb. 13 (Sat.)	Alabama	Lexington	1	SEC-TV
Feb. 17 (Wed.)	Tennessee	Knoxville	1	SEC-TV
Feb. 20 (Sat.)	Florida	Gainesville	2:30	NBC-TV
Feb. 24 (Wed.)	LSU	Lexington	8	SEC-TV
Feb. 28 (Sun.)	Syracuse	Lexington	2:30	CBS-TV
Mar. 2 (Wed.)	Georgia	Lexington	8	SEC-TV
Mar. 5 (Sat.)	Ole Miss	Oxford	8:30	SEC-TV
Mar. 10-13	SEC Tournament	Baton Rouge		SEC-TV

is a game of repetition." It's also a team game. That is easily lost in the haze cast by the tag "superstar." This team does have a lot of stars. But they need to become a galaxy.

"The big thing they got to understand is that there is 200 minutes of playing time in a game and only one basketball," Sutton said. "The players must understand their roles."

"Two years ago, that basketball club understood their roles and played hard."

"We have a lot of talent this year," senior guard Ed Davender said. "But my sophomore year we had that certain chemistry, that certain attitude. It's a special feeling."

We have to have that certain unity as a squad.

That doesn't come easy. Team unity is extremely elusive. Only certain clubs acquire it. The Cats desire it. Sutton is set on seeing just that. Bad apples will not spoil the bunch.

"This year we're going to have some real gut practices," Sutton said. "I've never chased a player since I've been at Kentucky but this year there will be some of them going to the showers before practice is over."

"We've got a chance to go a long way. It's my responsibility to get the best out of all of them."

hung the last championship banner in Rupp Arena. In that time, Bobby Knight has grabbed two and Denny Crum has snaked a couple himself. Patience has never been a Big Blue virtue. It's wearing even thinner.

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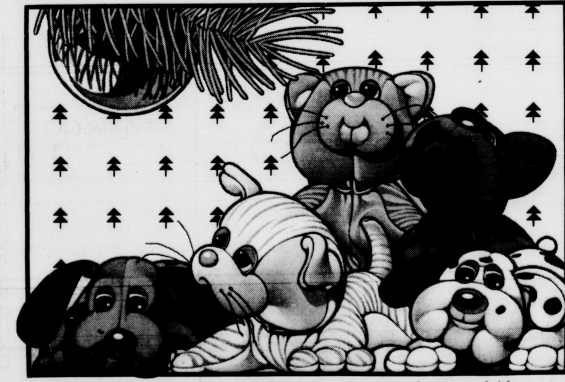
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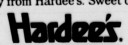
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Ace Chapman plays new role because of Wildcats' full deck

By JIM WHITE
Assistant Sports Editor

Rex Chapman seems to make himself noticed no matter what company he keeps.
Last year, as a freshman, he stood out from his Wildcat teammates by leading UK in scoring with 16 points per game. He was the first fresh-

man in the school's history to do that.
Among Southeastern Conference peers, his "Freshman of the Year" honor set him apart.
This summer, the 6-foot-4 guard joined the ranks of the best college basketball players in the nation for the Pan American games in Indianapolis.



DAVID STERLING/Kentucky Star
UK sophomore guard Rex Chapman looks to pass around teammate Cedric Jenkins in a Blue-White scrimmage game this fall.

Among names like David Robinson, Danny Manning and Jeff Lebo, the then 19-year-old Chapman made a name for himself. He was the leading scorer in two scrimmage games against NBA All-Star teams, scoring 22 and 18 points.
At the Pan Am games Chapman didn't let up either, leading the United States team of college standouts in two of the games with totals of 18 and 17 points.

So much for the veterans putting Chapman in his place. He's found his place and it's at the top.
"He's just better than others," Louisville Cardinal and Pan Am coach Denny Crum said. "He's got that flair for the game. He loves to play it and it shows."

But after a school year crammed with college basketball and a summer vacation playing international teams, Chapman's love was waning a bit.

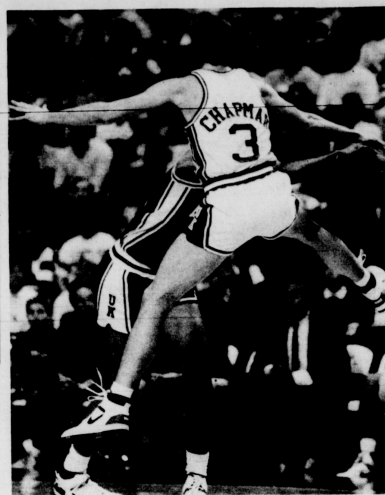
"I was really down after the Pan Am games," Chapman said. "I didn't want to play at all. So I took some time off to get hungry again."

And it's a good thing.
A healthy and large Wildcat roster have caused UK coach Eddie Sutton to turn up the heat in practice. Not even leading scorers or national heroes are safe from the abuse.
"It's a lot more intense," Chapman said. "Coach gets on me in practice like he does everyone else. But I like it rough like that. In a way it's more fun. He feels it's his responsibility to make me, make everybody, a better player."

Chapman said he wants to improve his "all-around game" — a vague description of what areas need work. But when it comes to the sophomore's play, it's hard to pinpoint major trouble spots.

3 REX CHAPMAN Ht: 6-4 Wt: 185 Sophomore guard

- Named to several preseason All-America teams.
- Member of United States team which won the silver medal in the 1987 Pan American games in Indianapolis.
- Averaged 16 points a game last season and was the first freshman ever to lead UK in scoring.
- SEC "Freshman of the Year."
- Second-team All-SEC last season.
- Scored in double digits in 24 of UK's 29 games.
- Scored a career-high 26 points on four different occasions.
- Led UK in assists with 103.
- Second in blocked shots (15) and third in steals (35).
- Vertical leap of 39 inches.
- 1986 Kentucky High School "Mr. Basketball."



DAVID STERLING/Kentucky Star

Rex Chapman leaps to block a teammate's pass in a Blue-White scrimmage game at Rupp Arena earlier this preseason.

"I wouldn't even attempt to name one," Crum said. "OK. Here's one. His weakness is he can't play center. He doesn't have any real weaknesses. There's really not a thing on the court that he can't do."

"He has a chance to be the best guard I've ever had," Sutton said. "I don't know if there's a better guard than Rex Chapman."

But Chapman's point totals this year may not reveal that.
Last season, with injuries to mainstays Winston Bennett and Cedric Jenkins, Sutton was calling on his boy wonder to pour in as many points as he could every night.

Chapman scored in double figures in UK's last 15 games. He scored in double digits in 24 of the Cats' 29 games last season, including a high of 26 points on four different occasions.
But this season there'll be others to lend a hand.

"I won't be needed to score a lot of points like I was last year," Chapman said. "We'll have a more balanced attack this year and I won't feel the pressure to go out and score 20 points every night."

Chapman's high scoring last season had rumors of teammates' jealousy and dissent circulating in the media.

And Chapman said he realizes the increased competition for playing time this season could breed more nastiness in the public's eye.

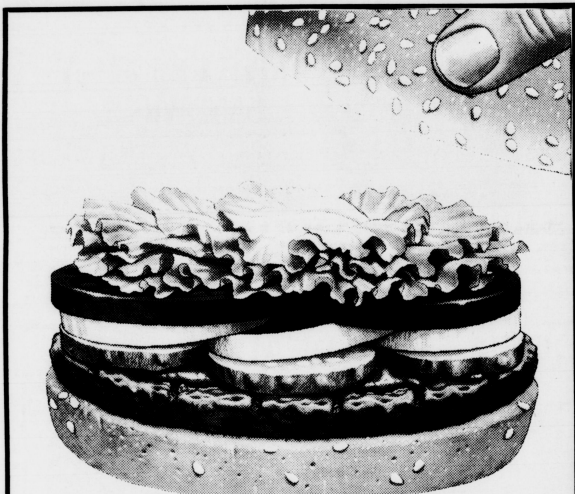
"There will always be some rumors about those kinds of things," Chapman said. "There was nothing to those last year and there wouldn't be anything to them if they were to come up again."

One thing that has already come up since Chapman's Pan Am experience is his confidence — or cocki-

ness maybe?
When a freshman star realizes he can hold his own and more when playing with biggest and haddest college basketball has to offer, it's possible it could go to his head.

One thing that came Chapman's confidence from the summer was the Pan Am team's 120-115 loss to Brazil in the finals.

"I have just a couple of regrets playing basketball and that's one of them," Chapman said. "I learned a lot from it. I learned no matter how much talent you have you can't replace hard work."



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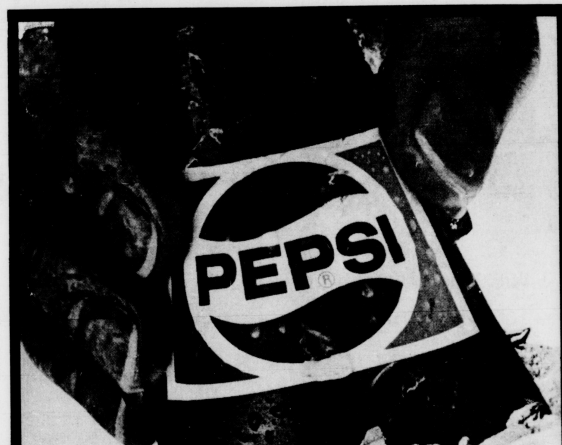
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•Bennett hoping to return to top form this year

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all my life, I may have taken it for granted to play at the level that I played.

"The injury sort of brought those things to light. I feel now it was a blessing. But going through it was painstaking."

Bennett came to grips with the injury mentally. But he still had to deal with it physically.

In February, he discarded his crutches and began rehabilitation. UK football player Mark Higgs, who had suffered a similar injury and returned to form, offered some words of wisdom.

"His advice was to work hard," Bennett said. "He said what you put into your rehab program, that's what you will get out of it. If you work 110 percent, you will come back 110 percent."

That was no problem for Bennett. It's the way he has approached everything in his life. He takes no shortcuts.

"Whatever he puts his mind to, he goes at it hard," Winston Sr. said.

"He's always been one to work real hard," Mrs. Bennett said. "He's always been real aggressive and competitive."

Bennett's extreme competitiveness comes across clearly on the basketball court. Before his injury, he caught the eye of many with his style of play.

"Bennett is the most aggressive and toughest hanger in college basketball," UK coach Eddie Sutton said. "He's a warrior."

"The biggest impression he makes on me is that he's just a tremendous hard-nosed competitor," Louisiana State University coach Dale Brown said. "He's in a mold by himself. Guys like him are diving on the floor, taking charges."

"Their actions just stimulate your adrenaline. They bring something to the game that can't be taught or bought."

Bennett was bringing his compet-

25 WINSTON BENNETT

Height: 6-7 Weight: 210 Senior forward

- Named to several preseason All-America teams (honorable mention).
- Complete reconstructive surgery on his right knee on Oct. 25, 1986.
- 1985-86 Second-team All-SEC.
- Second leading scorer (12.7) and rebounder (7) on 85-86 team that finished 32-4.
- Shot 50.6 percent from the field in 85-86.
- Scored in double figures in 28 of 36 games in 85-86.
- Third leading UK scorer (7.2) and rebounder (5.3) as a sophomore.
- Averaged 6.5 points and 3.6 rebounds in helping UK to Final Four appearance as a freshman.
- Named to 1984 All-SEC Freshman team.
- Academic All-SEC as a sophomore.
- 1983 Kentucky High School "Mr. Basketball."

itiveness to the game long before he came to UK. Even at a young age, he made an impression with his drive and desire.

"They used to shoot rocks outside at the garbage can and even then he didn't like to lose," Mrs. Bennett said. "They hung a pull-ball hoop above the door and would shoot rolled-up socks at it. His father would shoot one and Winston would jump up and try to block it."

"He never likes to lose. Even when Winston and his father would go fishing, he would make it a competition."

The competitive fire that burns deep inside Bennett was fanned by his knee injury. He hated to lose on the court, but he was even more vehemently opposed to losing off it. The knee was not going to defeat him.

"When he said he was coming back, I believed it," Winston Sr. said.

Bennett worked daily with UK strength coach Pat Etheberry. Hours were spent behind the weight-

machine. Bennett pushed himself relentlessly. Some days, he felt he reached the limit.

"There was so much adversity as far as pain is concerned that at times it left me with some doubt," Bennett said. "I was lucky to have people behind me who pushed me."

"The inspiration from the fans, my parents and the coaches allowed me to hold forth that incentive to get back on the court because there were times when I felt like maybe I wasn't going to be able to get back."

In a personal struggle, outside aid can only get you so far. Bennett is quick to thank others for the help. But the scar was on his knee. He had to deal with it.

"You really got to have it deep down inside you," Winston Sr. said. "We weren't up there to push him. He had to have it deep inside him. We knew if he wanted to put his mind to it, he would come back because all through his life he's been that way."

Bennett's determination paid dividends. By mid-June, he was jogging.

A few weeks later he was back on the court. Tomorrow, he will start at forward against the Soviet Union National team at Rupp Arena.

"It feels great to be back," Bennett said. "It was a long time coming. It's really exhilarating. It's kind of hard to express being back after being out for a year."

Bennett realizes his return will be scrutinized like a hawk. Skeptics are eager to see if his play suffers from rust. Most of all, they want to know if he returns to his old rugged style of play.

Sutton is confident Bennett will be the same forward he was two years ago. But others fall prey to apprehension.

"I've seen players play soft," Sutton said. "He can't play soft. He's a banger. If he just plays with reckless abandon, then he'll be OK. If the doctors say it's OK, then it's OK."

Bennett agrees with his coach. After healing the knee, he must once again heal his mind.

"I can't allow the thought of the knee to plague my play," Bennett said. "I can't afford to play passively. I have to feel like it's 110 percent heated. If you think about getting hurt, you will get hurt. You can't be hesitant out there."

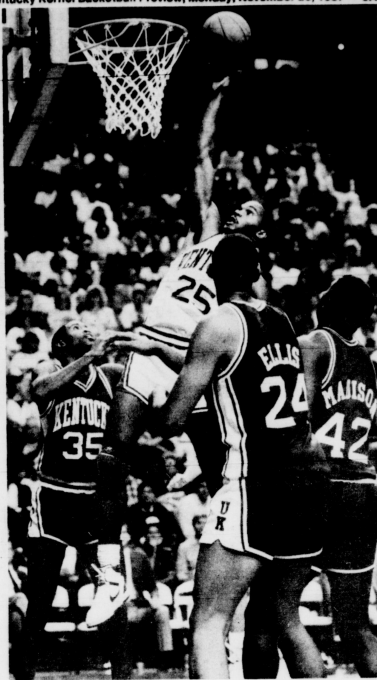
Those who know Bennett are not hesitant about expressing confidence he will be the same.

"I believe the Lord has blessed him and he's back," Mrs. Bennett said.

"Winston Bennett will be back," Dale Brown said. "I can promise you that."

Sutton said the return of his warrior could make the difference between his club being good and being great. That could deliver the Wildcats to the Final Four. Nothing would be sweeter to Winston Bennett.

"A championship would make it all worthwhile."



UK senior forward Winston Bennett tips one in over teammates Reggie Hanson (35), LeRon Ellis (24) and Richard Madison (42).

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4	Derrick Miller	G	So.	6-6	Savannah, Ga. (Baptist Bible)
12	Deron Feldhaus	F	Fr.	6-7	Maysville (Mason Co.)
15	Ed Davender	G	Sr.	6-2	Brooklyn, N.Y. (Boys & Girls)
20	Sean Sutton	G	Fr.	6-1	Lexington (Henry Clay)
23	Eric Manuel	F/G	Fr.	6-6	Macon, Ga. (Southwest)
24	LaRon Ellis	C/F	Fr.	6-11	Tustin, Calif. (Master Dei)
25	Winston Bennett	F	Sr.	6-7	Louisville (Male)
33	Johnathon Davis	F	Fr.	6-8	Pensacola, Fla. (Pine Forest)
34	John Pelprey	F	Fr.	6-7	Paintsville (Paintsville)
35	Reggie Hanson	F	Fr.	6-8	Somerset (Pulaski Co.)
42	Richard Madison	F	Fr.	6-7	Memphis, Tenn. (Northside)
44	Rob Lock	C	Sr.	6-11	Reedley, Calif. (Reedley)
50	Mike Scott	C	Jr.	6-11	South Shore (Greenup Co.)
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Davender comes into his own

Solid year may finally get senior the respect he deserves

By TODD JONES
Sports Editor

Ed Davender grew up a lot faster than most children. He had to. The streets of New York City wouldn't allow otherwise.

"It was rough," Davender said. "I prepared me for a lot of things. I saw a lot of crime. It was always around."

Like many other young boys in Brooklyn, Davender spent a great deal of his time pounding the pavement at the local playground. Basketball was the game. It enthralled him.

But Davender saw the game in a different light. Others played basketball to pass the time until more interesting trouble arose. Davender used the game as a way to survive.

"Basketball was a way to get me out of Brooklyn," Davender said. "I probably never would have went to college if it wasn't for basketball."

Four years ago, Davender did find the road out of Brooklyn. And basketball was the ticket. It led him to UK.

"People always ask me how a guy from Brooklyn ended up in Kentucky," Davender said. "I just wanted to get away and try a different atmosphere."

Kentucky coach Eddie Sutton is glad he did. With Davender, Sutton knows he has one of the better guards in the Southeastern Conference.

"Ed is a complete ballplayer," Sutton said. "He's not half a player, or quarter of a player. Some guys are great shooters. Some can play defense. Some can rebound. Ed is a complete player."

Sutton isn't the only one tooing his player's horn.

Last season, Davender was named second-team All-SEC. This fall, he has been mentioned as a preseason honorable mention All-American. Sutton said his guard may deserve even more of the spotlight.

"Often times he is overshadowed by the media because of Rex (Chapman) and Winston (Bennett)," Sutton said. "Ed has played great basketball for us."

Statistics back up Sutton's praise. Davender was the second leading scorer for the Wildcats last year with a 15.2 average. The 6-foot-2 senior scored 20 or more points on nine occasions and twice matched his career-high of 29.

15 ED DAVENDER Ht: 6-2 Wt: 165 Senior guard

- Named to several preseason All-America teams (honorable mention).
- Named second-team All-SEC as a junior last season.
- Second leading scorer last season with a 15.2 average.
- Second in assists (101) and steals (47).
- Scored in double figures in 22 of 29 games last season.
- Scored a career-high 29 points twice and passed the 20-point mark nine times.
- Named SEC's "Best Defensive Player" by several newspapers last season.
- Third-leading scorer (11.5) and second in assists (12.1) on 1985-86 team that went 32-4.
- Second-leading scorer (8.5) as a freshman.
- Named All-New York City as a prep junior and senior.

Point production, however, doesn't mean Davender was totally pleased with his offensive play. His jumpshot is still erratic. He connected on just 44.8 percent of his field goals last year.

"I still need to work on my shooting," he said. "I'll always have to work on my shooting."

On the playgrounds, Davender worked on a variety of moves with the ball. But in college he learned what's just as important is what you do without the ball. After leaving Brooklyn to get away from crime, Davender discovered he had to become a thief on the hardwood.

"When I came to college I saw the talent was so outstanding around me," Davender said. "I realized I had to try and do something to make a name for myself. I chose defense."

Now, Sutton chooses Davender to blanket the opponent's top guard.

"Ed is a great defensive player," Sutton said. "He works very hard at refining his defensive techniques and he's blessed with good speed and quickness."

Davender used his physical tools to pick the pockets of the enemy 47 times last season. Several news-



RANDAL WILLIAMSON/Kentucky Staff

UK senior point guard Ed Davender shoots a jumper against Alabama in the 1986 Southeastern Conference tournament.

paper polls named him the "SEC's Best Defensive Player."

Davender accepts such praise with a shrug of his shoulders. Just part of the job. But both pupil and mentor agree it's a job not made for every player.

"You've got to be a bulldog," Sutton said. "Ed has a tenacious attitude when it comes to defense."

"I have a nasty attitude when I'm on defense," Davender said. "I really don't like it when my man tries to score on me. I do whatever I can to stop him."

All the injuries UK suffered last year meant Davender didn't have much time to stop himself. No depth

equals no rest.

"It shows in your defense," Davender said. "You don't have as much stamina. It seemed like the season was pretty long. I was playing almost every minute."

That will not be a problem this season, Sutton has plenty of horses now to aid the weary. The change of pace may take a while for Davender to get accustomed to. Moving from from Brooklyn to the Bluegrass did.

"Here, it's a lot different and it took me a long time to get adjusted to it," Davender said. "Sometimes it's still hard."

At least away from the basketball court it is.

Frosh Sutton adjusting as coach's son, player

By STEVE HARDY
Staff Writer

Off the court, Sean Sutton's smile masks himself behind the boyish uncertainty of an 18-year-old freshman.

But on the court his smoothness and savvy shine through with the confidence and maturity of a seasoned veteran.

Like all coach's offspring, Sean possesses those intangible instincts that develop from years of listening and practicing. That's something you can't teach overnight to even the most gifted pupils.

"I think any coach's son has an advantage; they become more of a student of the game," said UK coach Eddie Sutton, Sean's father. "Sean knows exactly what we are trying to teach — that's a big plus."

That knowledge came from sitting on benches and in locker rooms, listening to his father since he was 4 years old, Sean said that was a very productive atmosphere to grow up in.

But now Sean is stepping into a whole new world — the world of college basketball. And that requires an adjustment for anyone, no matter whose son you are.

The freshman playmaker says the big difference in college is bringing the ball up the court against guys like Ed Davender and Rex Chapman.

"In college you have to be cautious all the time," Sean said. "In high school I didn't even have to worry about anyone stealing it."

Another key adjustment for Sean has been the physical style of play in college.

"It's a lot more physical, you're gonna get beat around, you have to realize that and take it," Sean said.

It's just a little bit different from Henry Clay High School where Sean averaged 19.2 points and 5.3 assists his senior year. He also shot 56 percent from the floor and 72 percent from the charity stripe while earning All-State honors for the second consecutive season.

Assistant coach Roger Harden, a former point guard at UK, said Sean has the instincts to be an effective point guard.

"The asset Sean has is that he is a true playmaker," Harden said. "That's just something you

20 SEAN SUTTON Ht: 6-1 Wt: 175 Freshman guard

- Named All-State as a junior and senior at Henry Clay High School.
- Averaged 19.2 points and 5.3 assists as a senior last season.
- Shot 56 percent from the field and 72 percent from the line.
- Played in the Dapper Dan, Derby Classic and Kentucky-Indiana All-Star games last season.
- Named MVP of the Derby Classic after scoring 19 points in leading the South to victory.
- Son of UK coach Eddie Sutton.

either have or you don't have."

Sutton said the rest of the coaching staff also think Sean is right on schedule to fit into the Wildcats' plans this season.

"He was doing very well until he sprained his ankle — it slowed him up a little," Eddie Sutton said. "But we've been very pleased with his progress."

Sean also thinks things are beginning to click. Though he said he was a little shaky at first, he said the older players wouldn't let him get frustrated.

But frustration is no stranger to the freshman playmaker. As a senior at Henry Clay, Sean felt he had to prove himself every time he stepped on the court because people didn't feel he was good enough to play at UK.

Sean managed to silence his skeptics this summer at the Derby Classic All-Star game. Against some of the best competition in the country, he scored 19 points and was named the Most Valuable Player.

"There's still gonna be pressure," Sean said. "But I've proved myself to a greater magnitude of people."

The elder Sutton feels his son never had anything to prove.

"We wouldn't have recruited him if we didn't think he could play at UK," he said. "I don't think he has anything to prove."

Harden thinks experience is the only thing Sean lacks right now. And that will come in time.

"The greatest thing for Sean is he knows his strengths and weaknesses and he doesn't overstep those," Harden said.

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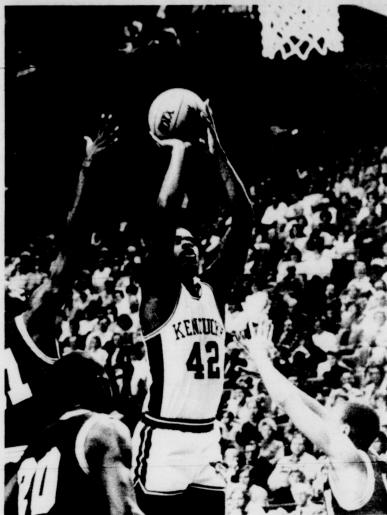
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Senior Madison has last chance to find elusive consistency



UK senior forward Richard Madison goes up for two against Mississippi State at Rupp Arena last season.

By CHRIS ALDRIDGE
Staff Writer

When Eddie Sutton took the reins of the UK basketball program two years ago, he immediately recognized the tremendous athletic ability of Richard Madison.

Sutton even said he thought Madison had the potential to join Kentucky's illustrious list of 33 All-Americans.

But potential is one thing and actual performance is something entirely different. And Madison has had a hard time living up to his high school press clipping during his three years in Lexington.

Sutton said he believes the biggest problem his senior forward has is playing well on a consistent basis.

"There have been times when Richard has played outstanding basketball, and there have been times when he has played very poor basketball," Sutton said. "And when I say consistent, I mean consistently good, not consistently bad."

The UK coach pointed out last season's 91-77 NCAA tournament loss to Ohio State as a prime example. He said Madison was impressive in the first half, but was "nowhere to be found" in the second half.

"I think he has the tendency to sometimes not to play with the same intensity level, and that's when he disappears on us," Sutton said.

The competition from the incoming freshman is something Sutton thinks will motivate Madison to play harder. If not, the UK coach said he may be forced to resort to a more traditional coaching method.

"If he doesn't play with more intensity, he may have a great seat in Rupp Arena over there next to

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RICHARD MADISON

Height: 6-7 Weight: 230 Senior forward

- Started in 24 of UK's 29 games last season.
- Averaged 7.4 rebounds a game to lead UK.
- Had a career-high 17 rebounds against Louisville last season.
- Registered in double figures in rebounding six times.
- UK's third-leading scorer (9.1) and second in field-goal percentage (55.3).
- Averaged 4.8 points and 2.5 rebounds as a sophomore in 85-86.
- Scored 5.1 points and 3 rebounds a game as a freshman.
- 1984 prep "Player of the Year" in Tennessee.

me," Sutton said. "The bench is a great motivator."

Madison said he certainly wants to be more consistent in all phases of the game and will work hard to achieve that goal this year.

"I want to be consistent as an all-around player — scoring, rebounding and different things like that," Madison said. "I guess that's what the coach is basically trying to say."

(Consistent) not just toward one thing but the whole game."

Madison rejects the notion that the inconsistency is not in his hands but in his head.

"It's not really a mental thing," Madison said. "Sometimes you've got the hot hand and you know it, and you want the ball. In some games, you're going to the boards well, you're playing good defense and you're getting steals."

Madison pointed out his great rebounding performances last season, including his career-high against Louisville.

"I had 17 rebounds, but I only scored nine points," he said. "So I guess (Coach) thinks if I can get double figures in rebounds, I can get double figures in scoring too."

With the return of Winston Bennett to the lineup, it will allow Madison to move back out to the wing position. There he will be able to put up his unique, rainbow bank shot that earned him the nickname

"Master Blaster" when he was a prep star at Memphis' Northside High School.

"I'd rather play out on the floor," the 6-foot-7 Madison said. "I'll be handling the ball a lot more and I think I'll have a chance to get more shots this year, so that might help me out a little bit."

"Last year, I didn't get to shoot the ball as much because I played a new position inside. It was really the first time I ever played inside."

Even with that lack of inside experience, Madison still led the team in rebounding (7.4 per game) and was third in scoring (9.1) behind guards Ed Davender and Rex Chapman. He said he believes the experience of a year inside the paint is an asset to the team.

"We do a lot of posting up with the forwards... so it's going to open up a lot of things for us," Madison said. "But Madison added that his

change of position doesn't mean he will be trying to keep up with Chapman in the number of three-point shots attempted.

"I'm really not worried about putting up three-pointers," Madison said. "It's getting the ball in the hole any kind of way. I don't care if it's a lay-up."

Madison's change of position isn't the only difference from last season. He said even practice isn't recognizable compared to the sessions Sutton held in the past.

"Last year, it used to get boring sometimes because you knew there wouldn't be people out there to bang around with every day," he said. "This year, each day somebody's there fresh to bang with."

Madison said his goal this year is the same as the team's — to win the national championship. But because this is his senior year, that goal is even more urgent.

"The other seniors and I think this team has the opportunity to go all the way if we stick together and stay away from injuries," Madison said. "I just want to show leadership and do anything I can to help the team win."

"This is my last go-around. You know you're going to miss it once it's over with. After that last game of the season comes or that last NCAA (tournament) game, then it's all over."

Madison said a national title would be icing on the cake.

"College is a lot of fun and it's a lot of great memories," he said. "I just want to leave it on a great note."

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Jenkins looks for time in a crowded front line

By DAN HASSERT
Editor in chief

Mention injuries and Cedric Jenkins rolls his eyes. "I've had my share of them," he said. His share being a stress fracture in his left ankle that kept him out of the first few months of his junior year. His share being a broken nose in practice earlier this year. And a busted lip the very next practice. But don't assume the fear of getting hurt plays heavy on his mind. The senior said he has recovered completely from the inopportune injury last year, which ruined the promising momentum he had picked up at the end of his sophomore year. "It was real frustrating," Jenkins said. "I was coming off the good sophomore year, I had high expectations for myself," and then boom. "But mentally and physically, I think it's all healed up."

Jenkins will inevitably improve on last year's numbers (1.5 points and 2.1 rebounds per game). But just how much of a force he'll be for the Cats remains to be seen. With all eyes focused on the return of senior Winston Bennett, the maturing year of Rex Chapman and the debut of the fabulous freshmen, one would think that Cedric Jenkins would enter the year a little timidly. Don't bet on it.

The 6-foot-9 senior center from Dawson, Ga., says the defense better be spread out because he plans to get the ball down low plenty this year. "They can't concentrate on one

55 CEDRIC JENKINS Hts 6-9 Wts 205 Senior center

- Missed several early games as a junior last season with a stress fracture to the left anklebone.
- Returned to play in 23 of UK's 29 games.
- Averaged 1.5 points and 2.1 rebounds.
- Led UK with a 83.3 free-throw percentage.
- Averaged 3.3 points and 2.3 rebounds as a sophomore when UK went 32-4.
- Class AA "Player of the Year" in state of Georgia in 1984.

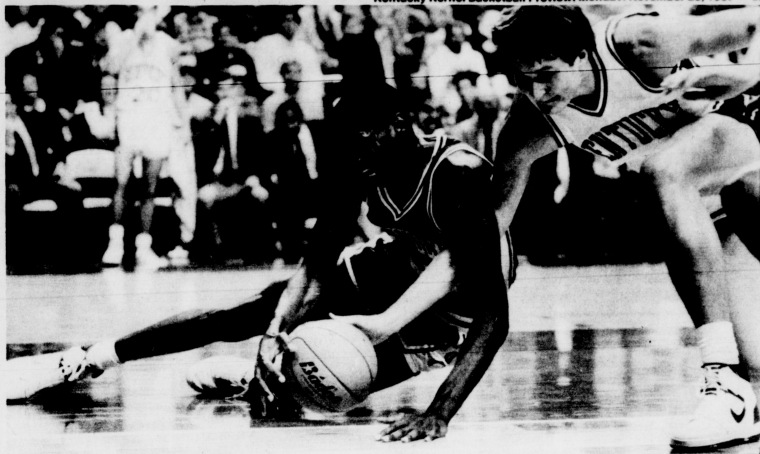
person," Jenkins said. "We're going to have offensive attacks coming from everywhere. I'm planning on being one of those attacks."

With as much talent as the Wildcats have this year, coach Eddie Sutton's offensive strategy will stress just that — teamwork.

"The big thing they got to understand is that there is 200 minutes of playing time in a game and only one basketball," Sutton said. "They got to understand it's a team game."

And unlike last year, that means plenty of action in the paint. "We'll have better balance and get the ball inside to score," Sutton said. "Last year, we lived and died with that three-point shot. That's not the way you play basketball."

That philosophy promises plenty



DAVID STERLING/Kentucky Staff

UK senior center Cedric Jenkins battles for the ball against Mike Scott in a scrimmage game earlier this year. Jenkins is hoping to

come back from a stress fracture in his left ankle that limited his playing time as a junior last year.

of action for the big men, but which ones? With Bennett anchoring one of the inside spots, that leaves two open. Senior Richard Madison, who averaged 9.1 points and 7.4 points as a starter last year, has to be considered a favorite to fill one. And with Jenkins, last year starter Rob Lock, junior Mike Scott and 6-11 freshman LeRon Ellis all vying for that spot in

the middle, bodies are virtually flying in practice.

Right now, Sutton is content to observe. He's said winning a starting spot is a day-to-day battle. But while the big men are banging each other good every day in hopes of grabbing one of those spots, Jenkins said the hard play won't lead to any hard feelings. "If a man goes out and earns the position, it's your

fault."

That daily competition in practice — lacked last year when at one point the Cats had just seven scholarship players — should toughen the Cats down the stretch, he said.

Jenkins isn't worried about his own intensity. He said he'll contribute with offensive rebounds and hard-nosed defense.

Jenkins' most memorable moment

at Kentucky is winning the SEC tournament his sophomore year, especially the final game against Alabama, when he scored a career-high 13 points and yanked down seven boards.

But for Jenkins, that was just a taste. And he wants more. "Everybody who falls in our path to Kansas City, we're looking to get all that we

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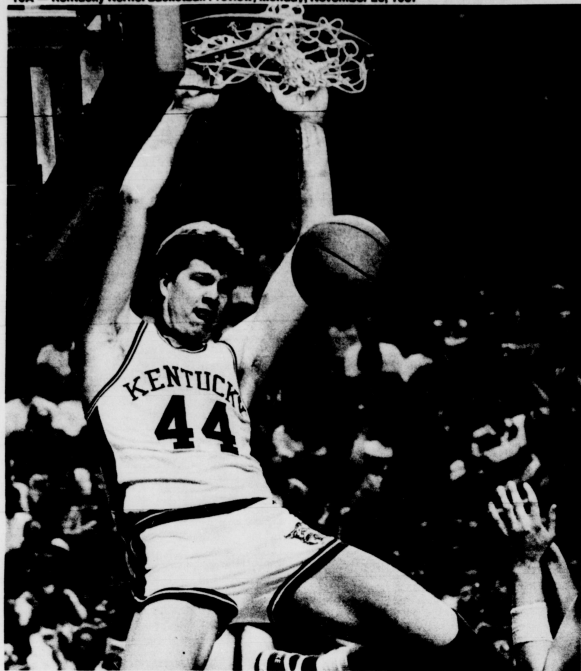
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Senior center Rob Lock stuffs the ball in an early preseason game. Lock, who started in 26 of UK's 29 games last year, will be battling against several players to retain his starting position.

Lock has seen good times and bad, but playing style remains the same

By TOM SPALDING
Staff Writer

The action is fast-paced and furious. Ten grown men run the length of the floor and merge under the basket. The guard dribbles around looking for the alley-oop. He spots it. The ball sails high into the air.

The pass is meant for one player, but two go up in the air. The defender deflects the ball, preventing the easy score. But he goes down. Hard. So hard it knocks him out.

The next day, Rob Lock can't remember what happened to him. But if taking hard falls and playing his brand of basketball helps the Kentucky Wildcats win the NCAA Championship next spring, he'll do it.

"You know, it really doesn't bother me how I'm remembered as a ballplayer," Lock said. "But I've never gone half-speed or not given my all. I've always given 100 percent."

Lock has had to give his all this season. Practice has been a war. Last year, it was barely a battle. Injuries, illness and the law had wiped out last season's Wildcats. As a result, the tallest player Lock had to guard in practice was 6-foot-7 Richard Madison.

"Last year I had to guard Richard everyday," Lock said. "But it made me a better player. He's a lot quicker than I am and a better rebounder. It made me more conscious of different aspects of the game."

One aspect Lock will have to face is the brutality of practicing against a stocked front line. Look at the names he'll face in the post. Madison, Bennett, Ellis, Scott, Jenkins.

That's the difference. "Last year I couldn't do anything real strenuous in practice because

44 ROB LOCK Ht: 6-11 Wt: 225 Senior center

- Started in 26 of UK's 29 games last season.
- Averaged 7.5 points and 5.3 rebounds.
- Led UK in field-goal percentage (56.5) and blocked shots (31).
- Scored a career-high 19 points and grabbed 11 rebounds against Iona in the UKT.
- Had career-high 13 rebounds at home against Florida last season.
- Played in 28 of UK's 36 games as a sophomore.
- Played in 27 games as a freshman in 84-85.
- High School All-American.

there weren't enough players," Lock said. "Now it's a war everyday in practice."

And a war he doesn't mind jumping into.

"If you don't, you'll get left behind," Lock said. "But it's making me a better player."

Last season was by far the best for Lock. He led the team in field goal percentage (56.5) and blocked shots (31). He also established personal career highs in points (7.5) and minutes played (21.9).

Statistically he had the best performance of any UK center since Melvin Turpin in 1984. But those numbers don't mean anything this season.

"I think that the people competing for the same spot are at the same level," Lock said. "Nobody's head and shoulders above the rest."

But there are a lot of head and shoulders out there. So much that Lock, who started 26 of 29 games

last season, may not even break the top six.

"It's nice to start, but it's not going to be imperative," Lock said.

"It's good that we can go from starter to third-string substitute and not lose anything."

Lock will try to savor this season, his last. Gone is the pressure to try and please the fans. A self-described typical laid-back Californian, Lock has had to adjust in his three-plus years. To play at Kentucky, he said, you have to develop "thick skin."

And he's done a good job of it. From highs that include a career-best 19 points against Iona last year to lows that include being booed by his fellow students, Lock has been through it all.

"I just don't want them to think of me as a bad person or bad player," he said. "Only that I gave 100 percent every time."

Fans that have watched Lock play for three years have finally realized that Lock is not made in the mold of past All-American centers like Turpin, Sam Bowie or Dan Issel.

"I knew my talent wasn't at that level of play coming out of high school," Lock said.

But he gave up the chance to become a star. Lock was a highly touted scorer out of Reedley High in Reedley, California. His senior season, he averaged 21.7 points and 13.4 rebounds a game and was named to most prep All-American teams.

Recruited by Pac-10 schools UCLA, Arizona State and Arizona, Lock could have attended any one of these schools and had a shot at stardom. But he chose UK.

"I had doubts I could play here," he said. "But you can't really learn from your competition until you strive for No. 1. And this is the No. 1 place to be."

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"MEETING THE DEMANDS OF THE KENTUCKY FANS"

Miller wants to prove to fans this year he's not a 'quitter'

By ERIC GREGORY
Staff Writer

Derrick Miller prides himself on not being a quitter. But at one point last season the UK sophomore guard came close to packing his bags and leaving Wildcat basketball.

"I'll be honest with you," Miller said hesitantly. "I thought about leaving if I had left, I can't say if I would have went to wherever I was going that the situation would have been different. It could have happened anywhere I went to school."

What happened was a drastic drop in Miller's clock time in the second half of UK's season.

At the beginning of the year, the 6-foot-6 Savannah, Ga., native was averaging more than 21 minutes per game. Playing behind Ed Davender and Rex Chapman, Miller became UK's obvious third guard, basting zones and pouring in three-pointers.

Miller led UK last year with a 43.2 three-point percentage (35-81). But then the playing time slacked off. In the next 17 games, he averaged only 8.2 minutes. Some people speculated that he was going to forsake UK for another team and more playing time.

Despite his accurate three-point shooting, Miller's regular field goal percentage was only 39 percent.

But he decided to stay.

"I'm just going to get it out and whatever happens, happens," Miller said. "To this day, a lot of people ask me, 'Are you still transferring?' And a lot of people said I should transfer. I don't want to be looked at as being a quitter."

During the period when rumors were flying, Miller was compared to Todd May, Clarence Tillman and other former Wildcats who left for other teams. He shouldn't stay,

4 DERRICK MILLER Height: 6-6 Weight: 175 Sophomore guard

- Played in all 29 games last season as a freshman.
- Averaged 6.2 points and 1.9 rebounds.
- Led UK with 43.2 three-point field-goal percentage.
- Scored a career-high 15 points against Georgia at Freedom Hall and was named Game MVP by the Jefferson County UK Alumni Club.
- Member of the South squad at the 1987 U.S. Olympic Festival in Chapel Hill, N.C.
- 1986 Class A "Player of the Year" in Georgia.

people said. He's not going to make it.

But some summer experience may help Miller make it.

He earned national recognition by playing on the South team in the Olympic Festival under UK coach Eddie Sutton and in the process learned some valuable lessons.

"Playing in the Olympic Festival helps your confidence because you're playing with some of the best players in the country," Miller said. "You play against those guys, and you say, 'I can play against anybody.'"

Miller didn't set fire to the nets in the Festival, nor did he in UK's pre-season Blue-White scrimmages. But, unlike last year, he's not letting poor performances and limited roles affect his attitude.

"I shot the ball poorly the other night (Rupp Arena scrimmage) and I think that was a test to see if I would get mad," he said. "And I was a little down the next day, but I got myself together and just put it behind me."

Sutton tends to think Miller can get himself together for UK this season.

Chapman and Miller are two of

our best outside shooters this year," Sutton said.

Miller said he has set his sights on doing a little more than outside shooting this year. He has added 15 pounds to his 175-pound frame.

"Most people think that slim guys can't get the job done," Miller said. "I've been lifting a lot of weights and I plan to lift more during the season on my own to get some more weight on."

Now that he has the physical conditioning covered, Miller plans on taking care of the mental aspect.

With several freshmen competing for playing time, Miller said he is going to have to work harder, both mentally and physically.

"I watch Eric (Manuel) and Leflon (Ellis) play," he said. "I've got several people on this team better than me, but if I work hard and have a good attitude, I can improve up to their level."

But Miller's not complaining about his playing time.

"I think in the beginning, I won't play as much as I played last year. But towards the end, it might be the same (as last year). I might play a lot and I might not. Time will tell."



DAVID STERLING/Kentucky Staff
DERRICK MILLER

Scott finds he's learning along with UK freshmen

By STEVE RUSH
Contributing Writer

It's been almost a year since Mike Scott decided to pack his bags, leave Wake Forest and return to the Bluegrass state.

Much has taken place in that year — a little reconsidering, but also a lot of hard work.

"Sometimes, now that I look back on the situation," Scott said, "I think that it might have been to my advantage to have sat out last year and have three more years."

"But at the time, I did not know what was going to happen and I felt like it would help me to go ahead and play."

Time away from the court definitely took its toll on the big man from South Shore, Ky.

After returning to the hardwood on Jan. 17, his production dropped from the 9 points and 6 rebounds per game average at Wake Forest to a microscopic 0.4 points and 0.6 rebounds per game in nine games at UK.

Scott felt pressure was on him to fill the gap created by the departed Kenny Walker and the injured Winston Bennett and Cedric Jenkins.

"I don't know if anyone could have filled that gap," Scott said. "I got a little bit down on myself whenever I saw that I wasn't living up to my expectations or what I believe, my capabilities."

The 6-foot-11 Scott stayed in Lexington over the summer and gained valuable experience playing pick-up games with the current and former Wildcats. And he thinks he's come a long way.

"The competition here has helped me tremendously," Scott said. "Everyday in practice, especially this year with the size of the team and the great talent we have, has really helped me."

"I feel like I'm in a lot better con-

50 MIKE SCOTT Ht: 6-11 Wt: 240 Junior center

• Transferred to UK after being graduated from Lexington Community College.

• Transferred to LCC from Wake Forest.

• Became eligible at UK on Jan. 17.

• Averaged 0.4 points and 0.6 rebounds.

• Averaged 9 points and 6 rebounds as a freshman at Wake Forest.

• High game as a freshman was 21 points and 13 rebounds against North Carolina.

• Named All-State after averaging 20.9 points and 11.9 rebounds as a senior at Greenup County High School.

dition. I've lost a lot of weight from last year and I feel like I've gained a step on my speed."

But Scott also concedes there are areas he needs to improve.

"Right now I feel like I've got a lot to learn," Scott said. "I need to be more aggressive and take the ball up strong." As the season progresses, he said he plans to contribute, particularly in areas like rebounding and defense.

Sutton is also optimistic Scott can find his niche.

"Mike Scott is an entirely different player than he was last year," Sutton said. "He's lost weight and it has really helped his foot speed. Mike Scott is going to play."

"It was an injustice to him last year. It cost him a whole year of eligibility."

Winning a championship would help Scott put the past behind him.

"I believe that we can win the national title," Scott said. "We most definitely have the talent."

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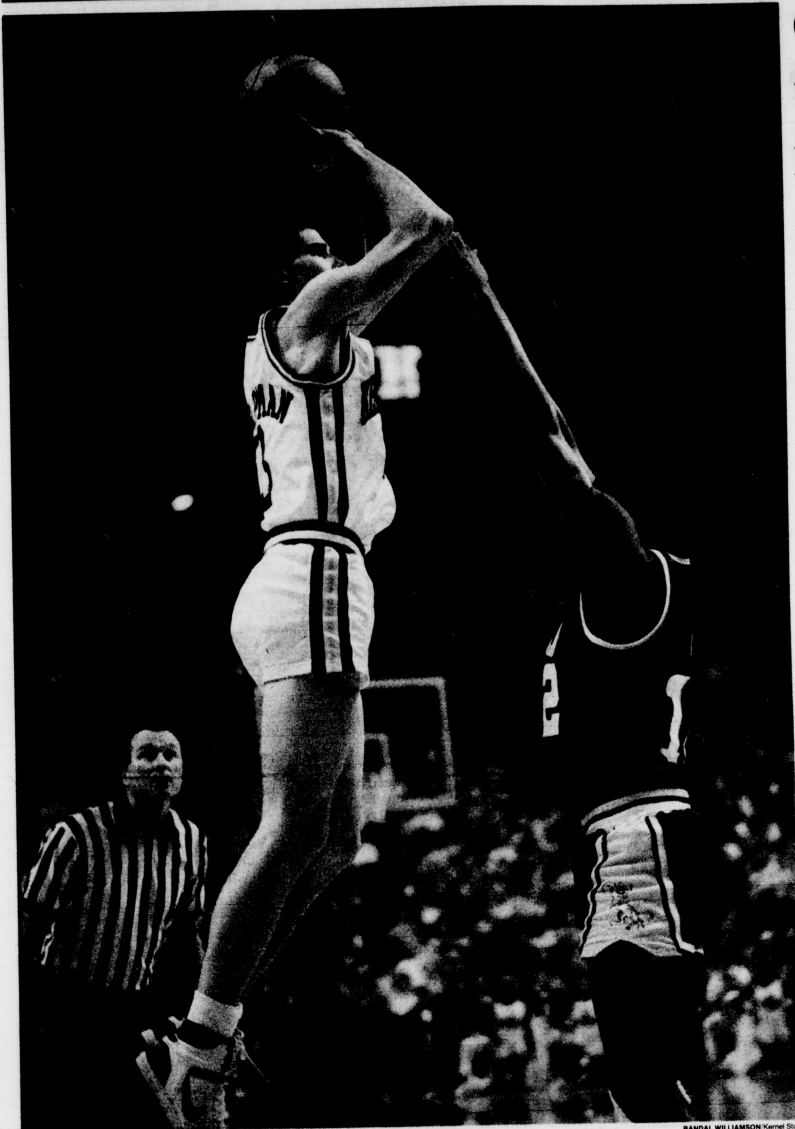
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Basketball '87-88



UK sophomore guard Rex Chapman displays the smooth jumper he's known for against Louisiana State University defender Darryl

Joe at Rupp Arena last season. The 6-foot-4 Chapman led the Cats in scoring as a freshman, averaging 16 points per game.

Cats expected to finish first in tough SEC



Tom SPALDING

For many years the Southeastern Conference has been the best-kept secret in basketball. While leagues like the Big Ten, Big East and the Atlantic Coast were shining in the media moonlight, the SEC was always buried in a blanket of obscurity.

Experts argued for many years that the conference was simply Kentucky and nine other teams.

That stigma has been washed away. Last year eight teams participated in postseason play, including six in the NCAA tournament.

This season should be no different. Top to bottom there isn't a better league in the country.

After a year absence from the top, look for Kentucky to win title No. 37 in its illustrious history. Sure, the Wildcats have the best backcourt, Bennett and the super seven freshmen. But teams in the SEC have just as much talent as UK and are just as good.

The difference is depth. Kentucky has the most bodies — and the best — of any team. And in a grueling 18-game race, that could make all the difference. Prediction — 16-2.

Florida has come a long way since 1981. It was January of that year when the SEC cellar-dwellers rolled into Rupp Arena and went back to Gainesville chomped up, 102-48.

Head coach Norm Sloan won't have to worry about that this season.

The Gators have senior 6-foot-4 guard Vernon Maxwell (21.7 points per game last season) and 7-2 sophomore center Dwayne Schintzius (19.5 ppg, 6.1 rpg). If Florida can find a power forward to go alongside 6-6 swingman Chris Capers, the Gators have a shot at their first SEC title ever. Prediction — 14-4.

Georgia was last year's surprise team. At mid-season the Bulldogs lost guards Toney Mack (17.6 ppg) and Patrick Hamilton (7.5 ppg) to academics and David Dunn (10 ppg) to a knee injury.

Coach Hugh Durham did two things — slow the Georgia offense and give the ball to Willie Anderson (15.9 ppg). The Bulldogs fashioned an amazing 18-12 record and tied for third with UK in the SEC.

This year, however, Mack, Hamilton and Anderson are back. Also heading the list are sophomore forward Eric Burdette and talented freshman forward Elmore Spencer. Prediction — 22-6.

Auburn will be out to prove that last season was just a fluke. The Tigers were picked in the preseason Top 10 and finished a disappointing 18-13.

Returning this year are center Jeff Moore and forwards Chris Morris and Mike Jones who averaged more than 45 points and 23 rebounds last year.

Only reserve guard Johnny Lynn (3.2 ppg) is experienced at handling the ball. Prediction — 11-7.

Vanderbilt will miss forward Bobby Westbrook, but that's it. All-SEC first-team center Will Perdue (17.4 ppg, 8.7 rpg) and a talented trio of guards (Scott Draud, Barry Booker and Barry Gohsen) will create inside and outside pressure on opposing teams. Prediction — 10-8.

Dale Brown and his fighting LSU Tigers blew away UK at Rupp Arena last year and nearly defeated NCAA champion Indiana. But that season is over. Only two starters are back — senior forward Bernard Woodside (6.9 ppg) and senior guard Darryl Joe (8.6). If sophomore guard Fess Irvin and medical red-shirt Ricky Blanton can come back after a serious knee injury, LSU will once again "freak" out opponents.

Tennessee — 9-9.

Tennessee will have its best team in years, despite losing SEC scoring leader Tony White (24.5 ppg).

UT is led by a trio of juniors — All-SEC forward Dyrion Nix (14.1 ppg, 10.1 rpg), Elvin Brown (10.7 ppg) and center Doug Roth (9.7 ppg).

The Vols haven't been in the SEC title chase since tying UK in 1983. They won't do it again this year, either. Prediction — 8-10.

Alabama lost four of five starters from last year's 28-5 SEC champs.

They'll have to rely heavily on sophomore forward Michael Ansley (11.7 ppg) and a bevy of inexperienced players. The Crimson Tide return only four lettermen, hardly a capable defending champion. The only race Alabama will be involved in is the battle with the Mississippi schools to stay out of the cellar. Prediction — 6-12.

Ole Miss will have a totally new look about them this season with nine new players. Only seniors Roderick Barnes (11.6 ppg) and Charles Prather (12.0 ppg) return to a squad that under coach Ed Murphy finished 15-14. Prediction — 15-15.

Mississippi State, to put it mildly, hasn't got a chance. Give coach Richard Williams credit — he's recruited some good players, but that's for the future. The present is here and it's dismal, with only Greg Lockhart (8.2 ppg) and Reginald Boykin (7.9 ppg). It's going to be a long winter for the Bulldogs. Prediction — 1-17.

Staff writer Tom Spalding is a journalism freshman.

Syracuse among early favorites for national championship

If you're looking for an interesting and off-the-wall choice for the national championship, you won't find it here.

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Syracuse. Jim Boeheim must feel like he danced all night with the best-looking girl at the prom but couldn't take her home with him.

Instead, she left with "bully boy" Bobby Knight, as his Indiana Hoosiers won 74-73 in last year's NCAA championship game. Now, Boeheim is determined to get her for good this time around.

The Orangemen are led by the "Greek Peak," 6-foot-10 Rony Seikaly (15.1 points, 8.2 rebounds per game), who has NBA scouts drooling already.

In Syracuse's walk through the NCAA's East Region last season, Seikaly left two of the nation's most heralded big men in the Orangemen's wake. He dominated North Carolina's J.R. Reid and Florida's Dwayne Schintzius, outscoring both by a combined score of 99-21.

Joining the "Greek Peak" is last year's "Big East Freshman of the Year," Derrick Coleman (11.9 ppg, 8.2 rpg) and the little man who runs the show, assist wizard "General" Sherman Douglas (17.3 ppg, 7.6 assists per game).

A Feb. 28 date with Kentucky in Rupp Arena just may be a preview of the national title game.

UK has all the ingredients — a



Chris ALDRIDGE

fifth-year senior bruiser, a sophomore sensation, the best crop of freshmen in the USA, and a coach who has his most talented group in his 18 years in the collegiate ranks.

And if that isn't enough, history is on the Cats' side. In the last 40 years, UK has won three of his five national titles on the eighth year of each decade — 1948, 1958, and 1978.

What happened in 1968, you say? Ohio State hit a shot at the buzzer to nip fourth-ranked Kentucky 82-81 in the Midwest Regional final.

Watch out for No. 3 Pittsburgh. First-year coach Paul Evans' Panthers swept Syracuse in their two Big East conference games last season.

Pittsburgh may have the best front line in America, as 6-10 Charles Smith (17 ppg, 8.5 rpg) and 6-6 Jerome Lane (15.8 ppg) return to terrorize the Big East once again.

Lane led the nation in rebounding, pulling down 13.5 a game, while Smith was the league's top intimidator in the paint, blocking 3.2 shots a game, good for fourth nationally.

Manning the perimeter are returning starters Demetreus Gore (12.9

ppg) and Mike Goodson (8 ppg, 4.8 apg).

Purdue is my fourth-ranked team. The Boilermakers have four returning starters and are coached by a man with Kentucky ties, former Western Kentucky head coach and Sutton protege Gene Keady.

Guards Troy Lewis (18.5 ppg) and Everette Stephens (12 ppg, 6.3 apg), and forwards Melvin McCants (12.1 ppg, 5.5 rpg) and Todd Mitchell (15.8 ppg, 6.5 rpg) all return from last season's Big Ten co-winners.

The team Purdue shared that title with was last year's national champs, Indiana, who return three starters.

The No. 5 Hoosiers welcome back 6-10 pivotman Dean Garrett (11.4 ppg, 8.5 rpg), forward Rick Calloway (12.8 ppg), and point guard Keith Smart (11.2 ppg, 3.2 apg). Coach Knight also has Indiana Mr. Basketball co-winners Jay Edwards, a 6-5 guard/forward, and Lyndon Jones, a 6-3 guard, in his boot camp.

North Carolina, kingpin of the Atlantic Coast Conference, checks in at No. 6, led by the inside-outside combination of Reid (14.7 ppg, 7.4 rpg) and guard Jeff Lebo (13.5 ppg, 4.2 apg).

Although they lost three starters, the talent pool runs deep for the Tar Heels. Freshman point guard King Rice may make fans forget about the departed Kenny Smith.

Another Big Ten power, Michigan, returns do-everything guard Gary Grant (22.4 ppg, 5.4 apg), who was first in the conference in steals (2.7 a game), second in scoring, and third in assists last season.

Glen Rice (16.9 ppg, 9.2 rpg) and Mark Hughes (6.1 ppg, 6 rpg) may find their playing time cut in half with the availability of 6-9 sophomore Terry Mills, a Proposition 48 victim, and Sean Higgins, a 6-8 freshman.

Defending Big Eight champ Missouri and coach Norm Stewart appear to be on their way to a second-straight conference title with their starting lineup intact.

Swingman Derrick Chevious (24.1 ppg, 8.6 rpg), the league's top scorer, and 6-9 sophomore forward Nathan Buntin (11.8 ppg) are the Tigers' top performers.

No. 9 Florida, an up-and-coming Southeastern Conference program, is looking to make its second-ever NCAA tourney appearance under coach Norm Sloan. Last year was the first. People are talking basketball even at this SEC football power.

Kansas rounds out my Top Ten, led by 6-11 All-American forward Danny Manning (23.9 ppg, 9.5 rpg), who turned down big NBA bucks for another shot at a national title.

Staff writer Chris Aldridge is a journalism senior.



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Syracuse center Rony Seikaly, who averaged 15.1 points per game last season, returns this year to lead the No. 1 Orangemen.

Manuel settles in with Cats

By ERIC GREGORY
Staff Writer

The UK coaching staff saw hundreds of high school players last year on the recruiting path. But it wasn't difficult to pick out Eric Manuel.

"A football coach once asked me what do you look for when you go out recruiting," Wildcat coach Eddie Sutton said. "Do you look for a guy who can run, pass, shoot, play defense, play hard?"

"I said if they're hard to guard, you want them. Eric Manuel is hard to guard."

Sutton wanted Manuel. And got him. Manuel was ranked one of the top 10 recruits in the nation last year. He was the 1987 Georgia Player of the Year, All-State three years and had game-highs that included 40 points, 20 rebounds and 16 assists. Such versatility is what caught the eye of the UK recruiters.

"He can play a lot of positions," Sutton said. "He could play point guard if he had to. He wouldn't be comfortable there, but he has good passing instincts. He's as sound fundamentally as any freshman coming in."

With such praise, UK fans are expecting sparking times from the 6-foot-6 swingman. But Manuel isn't expecting instant stardom.

"I'm just looking forward to getting in the game and helping the team out," he said. "I don't see myself as a starting player, but as someone who comes in and motivates the team. I just can't complain about how much playing time I need or how many points I should score."

The basketball court isn't the only place where Manuel has his strategies mapped out. Academics are also a part of college life, and for a freshman, the change in studying is almost as big as the change in basketball.

"From high school to college, you have to study twice as hard," Manuel said. "You have to focus in more on yourself and what is expected of you."

Manuel knew it wasn't going to be easy. And so the promise of outside assistance was one reason he chose the Kentucky program.

"Anytime you have a problem or a different situation that you can't work out yourself, you can always



ALAN HAWES/Kentucky Staff

UK freshman guard Eric Manuel, a three-time Georgia All-state selection, drives for a shot in a preseason Blue-White scrimmage.

23 ERIC MANUEL

Height: 6-6 Weight: 205 Freshman guard

- Named to virtually every prep All-America team.
- 1987 prep "Player of the Year" in Georgia.
- 1987 Gatorade Southern Region High School Player of the Year.
- Three-time Georgia All-State selection.
- Averaged 24 points, 7.9 rebounds, 6 assists and 4 steals as a senior last season.
- Career game highs include 40 points, 20 rebounds and 16 assists.
- Three-year stats include averages of 18.4 points, 9.8 rebounds, 5.7 assists and 4.2 steals.
- Shot 55 percent from the field and 75 percent from the line in prep career.
- Member of the gold-winning North squad in the 1987 U.S. Olympic Festival in Chapel Hill, N.C.

ask one of the coaches," Manuel said. "That's what I like about the program — it really involves the players overall."

"And what makes Coach Sutton a great coach is you can always go to him with a situation, like being down or anything like that. You can sit down with him and talk those things out and he'll make you feel more comfortable."

Now, Manuel's biggest problem is getting comfortable with playing Sutton's man-to-man defense. It's not a phase of the game high school

superstars are expected to excel in.

"I've had to adjust my defense," Manuel said. "There are quicker guards in college than there were in high school."

Manuel has made a quicker adjustment to living in the Bluegrass. He said Wildcat fans are making him feel right at home.

"I just feel fortunate to come to a great program like Kentucky that has such great fans," he said.

Ellis knows it's time to cook on the court, not in kitchen

By JIM WHITE
Assistant Sports Editor

In high school, UK freshman center LeRon Ellis was a busy kid. If he wasn't sweating it out with the Mater Dei High track team or at water polo practice, you might have been able to catch him fiddling with the piano or whipping up a tasty breakfast — his specialty in the kitchen.

"But they were all high school hobbies," the Tustin, Calif., native said. "In high school you have a lot of spare time on your hands and you have to do a lot of things to occupy that time."

Now only two things occupy the 6-foot-11, 225-pound Ellis' time — basketball and college.

But that's not to say he's no longer busy. With 15 credit hours and 6½ study period hours per week, not to mention the three daily hours of basketball practice, Ellis' numerous interests have taken a backseat — at least for the time being.

"I really don't have time to think about anything else," Ellis said. "But I can pick up a lot of these things later."

Now it's time to get serious about basketball.

That's something Ellis hasn't been tremendously serious about until now. He hasn't had to be.

Despite receiving letters from many college programs as a high school freshman — Texas-El Paso and Syracuse included — success in basketball was still just another interest for the Renaissance boy.

"I really didn't think anything of the letters," Ellis said. "I used to get them, open them, look at them and then throw them in a closet. That's how you know how serious I was as a freshman."

When he was a high school junior, Ellis realized what basketball could do for him.

Part of the realization came from LeRon's father, LeRoy Ellis, who played professional basketball from 1961-75 and is now an assistant coach at the University of Southern California.

"I always was aware of basketball as a career because of my father," Ellis said. "I knew my dad made a career out of it and I could probably do the same."

But let's not get too carried just yet.

24 LeRON ELLIS

Ht: 6-11 Wt: 225
Freshman center

- Named to virtually every prep All-America team.
- "Player of the Year" in state of California last season.
- Averaged 23 points, 10 rebounds, 4 blocked shots, 2 steals and 2 steals as a senior.
- Led Mater Dei High School to 31-1 record and state championship.
- Member of the West squad in the 1987 U.S. Olympic Festival in Chapel Hill, N.C.
- Father LeRoy played in the NBA from 1961-1975.



RANDAL WILLIAMS/Kentucky Staff

"My junior year I got kind of serious about it — not too serious though," he said. "I just realized that it could get me a free education and a nice paycheck some day."

That some day is fast approaching and Ellis can feel it coming. It's finally time to get serious.

"Instead of having eight years to get ready, I have four," Ellis said. "I think I got as much out of high school basketball as I could have. I think I can do the same with college."

UK coach Eddie Sutton believes

that "Him and (senior center Rob) Lock will have a battle," Sutton said. "LeRon, as he learns and develops, will be in the hunt."

But as of now, Ellis said he is still just fishing for his niche at UK. The 23 points, 10 rebounds and four blocked shots that Ellis averaged a game as a high school senior don't stack up anymore. Mainly because "in high school I didn't have to work that hard."

"Here you got seniors, you got fifth-year seniors like Winston Bennett who's way ahead of anybody. When you get here you're just really behind. I think as a freshman you can learn enough to get by. Once you learn all the basics it's just a matter of refining those skills."

So far, learning and refining those skills has temporarily put an end to the hobby-monger Ellis used to be. The electric keyboard Ellis fooled with in his spare time has been replaced by a calculator; his kitchen replaced by the practice court at

Memorial Coliseum.

No more Ellis omelets?

"No. Not now. Now I just eat them," Ellis said. "For one thing I don't have anywhere to cook."

And Ellis hasn't been able to get his hands on a piano yet, either.

"I may take lessons some day though," he said. "I have a pretty good ear for music. I'm not like Mozart or anything, but I can get a good feel for a song."

But whether it's cooking in the kitchen, on the piano or on the hardwood, Ellis always wants to do a little better than before.

"In a sense you can't be satisfied with any performance," Ellis said. "When you start being satisfied with what you do, that's when you stop working hard — you stop trying to do better."

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Freshmen filling up UK stables

By STEVE HARDY
Staff Writer

The stable is full at the Rupp Arena corral this year, and no one is more excited than Eddie Sutton.

What has the UK coach so elated is his talented group of freshman thoroughbreds. Seven new faces will make the UK bench a bit more crowded.

"This is the most depth I've had as a coach," Sutton said. "Last year, I'd look down the bench and there was no one there."

There's plenty there now. And three of those rookies who will be in the hunt for playing time are Deron Feldhaus, John Pelphey and Johnathon Davis.

However, early indications are that the three are destined to be redshirted. But that doesn't mean Sutton hasn't been impressed with what he has seen from the trio in practice.

"They've been very attentive," Sutton said. "They've picked up the system quick, and they're eager."

Deron Feldhaus came to UK after reading Mason County High School his senior year to a 31-3 record and the quarterfinals of the state tournament. He averaged 23.4 points and 10.3 rebounds while capturing All-State honors for the second year in a row.

Feldhaus says the big difference in college is the size and quickness of everyone else.

"Everyone is so talented at the college level," he said. "You just have to know when to take the ball to the hole, and when to pass."

John Pelphey agreed. He has also found the transition to college ball an eye-opening experience.

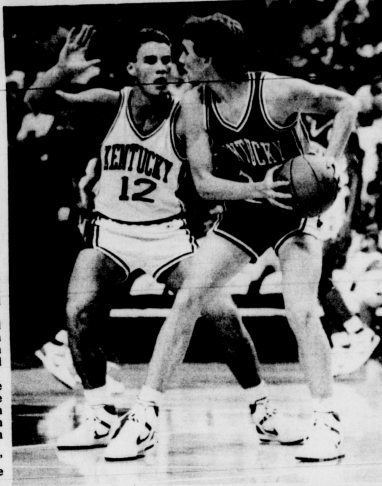
"Everything is done against a lot better players," Pelphey said. "It's not as routine as in high school. You have to play with a lot more intensity. There's a lot less room for mistakes."

Pelphey is another two-time All-State selection and is currently reigning as Kentucky's latest "Mr. Basketball."

As a senior at Paintsville High School, Pelphey averaged 20.1 points and 10.5 rebounds while leading the Tigers to the semifinals of the state tournament.

Sutton thinks the pair are fitting in well at UK.

"They're both excellent perimeter



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UK freshman forward Deron Feldhaus (12) guards teammate freshman forward John Pelphey in a Blue-White scrimmage.

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| 34 | JOHN PELPHEY
Height: 6-7 Weight: 180 Freshman forward |
| 12 | DERON FELDHAUS
Height: 6-7 Weight: 200 Freshman forward |
| 33 | JOHNATHON DAVIS
Height: 6-8 Weight: 195 Freshman forward |

shooters," Sutton said. "They both play with a high level of intensity and will continue to improve as they gain more and more experience."

Rounding out the freshman trio is Johnathon Davis. A 6-8 forward from Pensacola, Fla., Davis averaged 15.1 points, 10 rebounds, and 5.7 blocks as a prep senior.

"He's very good around the basket," Sutton said. "But his future will be out on the floor."

Sutton said Davis and the rest of the kiddie corps are making a smooth adjustment to college ball.

"Overall, they've probably made the adjustment as well as any group at this stage I've ever seen," Sutton said.

Sutton doesn't see the need to rush anybody. You have to learn to tread before you run. That is where a red-shirt season could help.

"When you redshirt, you're just trading your fifth-year for your first," Sutton said. "All of them will play. It's just a matter of time. I do know if their attitude and work habits continue, they will play for UK."

Off-year not lost for Hanson

Forward uses opportunity to mature

By CHRIS ALDRIDGE
Staff Writer

With his teammates shouting encouragement, Reggie Hanson slowly stepped up to the free-throw line.

After wiping away the sweat beading on his brow, he dribbled rhythmically, concentrating on the basket.

He paused, and released a high-arching shot.

Ball's-eye. All net. His teammates cheered him on as he stepped up to the stripe once again.

Terrible Release...Swish. The Kentucky players ran out on the floor and surrounded Hanson in a wild celebration.

Instead, the shots came at the end of a UK basketball practice. They were the difference between he and his teammates hitting the showers and running a couple more length-of-the-court wind sprints.

Whether it's been hitting free throws at the end of a practice or leading his Pulaski County basketball team to the 1986 Kentucky high school state championship, Reggie Hanson has shown the heart of a winner.

Hanson's "big valentine," as Wildcat coach Eddie Sutton calls it, showed when the freshman's first year at UK didn't go as planned. In the first season of the NCAA's Proposition 48 academic standards, Hanson came up one point short on his ACT test score. The penalty was sitting out a year.

But Hanson decided he wasn't going to let the situation get advantage of him. Instead, he took advantage of it.

Rather than waste a year of eligibility, Hanson paid his own way to school last year and concentrated on improving his performance in the classroom.

And rather than let his basketball talents fizzle away at the peak of his career, he stayed in shape by lifting weights and playing in as many pick-up games as he could.

Hanson attributes his academic and basketball comeback to a good



REGGIE HANSON

35 REGGIE HANSON
Ht: 6-8 Wt: 195
Freshman forward

- Named All-State in Kentucky as a junior and senior.
- Averaged 23.1 points and 10 rebounds as a prep senior in 1985-86.
- Led Pulaski County High School to 32-4 record and State Championship in 1986.
- Named MVP of '86 State Tournament.
- Shot 82 percent from the floor and 87 percent from the line as a senior.
- Missed 86-87 season at UK due to Proposition 48 guidelines.
- Member of the South squad in the '87 U.S. Olympic Festival in Chapel Hill, N.C.

"I'm just hoping to get in there and beat and bang, and whatever happens, happens."

Reggie Hanson,
UK freshman

old-fashioned work ethic.

"It's just hard work that does it," Hanson said. "I'm working pretty hard and I'm making pretty decent grades. But I've got to work a lot harder at my academics and at basketball."

"Not playing organized basketball kind of hurt my fundamentals and things like that. But right now, I'm back in the flow of things and I'm learning a lot."

"Reggie Hanson has been a pleasant surprise," Sutton said. "We were apprehensive that he wouldn't play as well as he is at the present time because he did lay out and didn't get to practice with us."

"He certainly is a talented player," Sutton said. "He's got a chance to be a great defensive player. He's got wonderful wheels that allow him to run up and down the court, and he's got quick jumping ability."

Hanson began turning heads in pick-up games this summer at the UK Seaton Center. The 6-foot-8 forward held his own even though he frequently had to guard former Wildcat All-American Kenny Walker, now with the New York Knicks.

"Playing against a guy like that can teach you a lot," Hanson said. "I've learned to play harder. You've got to be physically tough and mentally tough and that's what I've learned from playing against him."

As a result, Sutton said Hanson

will have a chance to come off the bench and help the Cats this season.

"There's no doubt he's going to help us," Sutton said. "But how much, I don't know. As he gains experience he's going to get a lot better."

Hanson said he'll be happy to get that chance.

"It makes me feel good that coach Sutton has that kind of confidence in me," Hanson said. "That makes me want to go out and work a lot harder and try to contribute the best way I can."

Hanson said there is no question that he is a better player now than he was at this time last year.

"I think I've improved my all-around game," Hanson said. "My rebounding, my shooting and my defense have improved a lot and I've gotten a lot stronger and put on a few pounds."

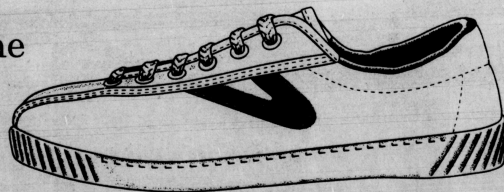
Hanson says his new bulk, up 15 pounds to 195, will help him stand his ground in the paint once the Cats get into the thick of their rough-and-tumble Southeastern Conference schedule.

"I'm not going to back down from nobody," Hanson said. "You've got to be tough to play college ball, no matter where you play."

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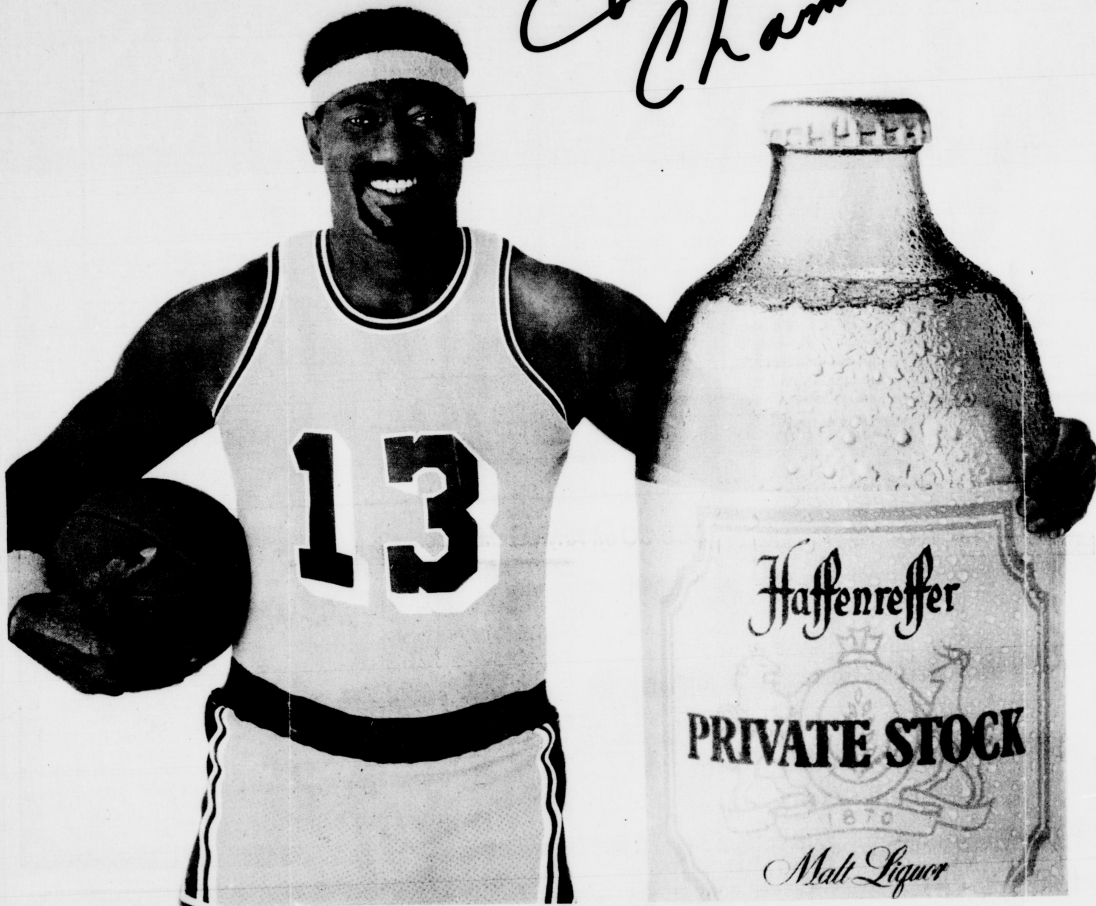
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15 Jodie Whitaker	G	Jr.	5-7	Austin, Ind. (Austin)
21 Tracye Davis	G	Fr.	5-8	Lexington (Henry Clay)
22 Michele Pennie	G/F	Sr.	5-11	Clearwater, Fla. (Central Cath.)
23 Mary Jane White	G	So.	5-8	Clayton, Ohio (Northmont)
32 Kris Miller	G	So.	5-4	Owensboro (Owensboro Cath.)
33 Beth Ousley	F	Fr.	5-11	Morehead (Rowan Co.)
34 Pam Shrum	F	Jr.	6-0	Monticello (Monticello)
40 Dee Harrell	C	So.	6-4	Memphis, Tenn. (Kirby)
42 Julie Whitaker	G	Fr.	5-8	Austin, Ind. (Austin)
50 Bebe Croley	F	Sr.	5-10	Lexington (Henry Clay)
55 Angel Stevens	F	Fr.	6-1	Noctor (Breathitt Co.)

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Date	Opponent	Time	Place	Date	Opponent	Time	Place
Nov. 27-28 (Fri.-Sat.)	LKRT			Jan. 23 (Sat.)	Florida	7	A
Dec. 1 (Tues.)	EKU	5:30	H	Jan. 28 (Thurs.)	Vanderbilt	7	A
Dec. 7 (Mon.)	Tenn. Tech	7:30	H	Jan. 30 (Sat.)	Tenn. St.	7	cat
Dec. 8 (Wed.)	Indiana	7:30	H	Feb. 2 (Tues.)	Mississippi	7:30	H
Dec. 9 (Thurs.)	WKU	7:30	cat	Feb. 5 (Fri.)	Ala.-Birm.	7:30	H
Dec. 11 (Fri.)	Morehead St.	2	H	Feb. 7 (Sun.)	Georgia	2:30	A
Dec. 20 (Sun.)	Ohio U.	5:30	H	Feb. 10 (Wed.)	Dayton	7	A
Dec. 28 (Mon.)	Cincinnati	7:30	H	Feb. 14 (Sun.)	Auburn	1:30	A
Dec. 30 (Wed.)	Louis. Tech	7	A	Feb. 18 (Thurs.)	Tennessee	7:30	H
Jan. 7 (Thurs.)	Miss. St.	7:30	H	Feb. 23 (Tues.)	LSU	7:30	H
Jan. 10 (Sun.)	Marshall	3:30	A	Feb. 25 (Thurs.)	Middle Tenn.	7:30	H
Jan. 13 (Wed.)	Alabama	5	A	Feb. 29 (Mon.)	Virginia Tech	7:30	H
Jan. 16 (Sat.)	Illinois St.	2:30	A	Mar. 3-8 (Thurs.-Sun.)	SEC Tournament		
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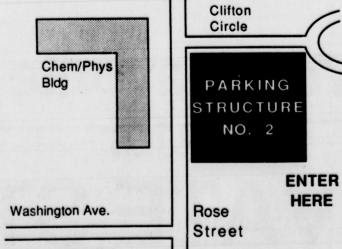
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Fresh start

Fanning hoping to get Lady Kat program moving again

By SALLY MACY
Contributing Writer

With the Lady Kat season under way, new coach Sharon Fanning finally has the chance to follow through with her preseason promises.

And Fanning, who came to UK from the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, set some pretty lofty goals for her team.

"We want to win the (Southeastern Conference) and win a national championship," Fanning said. "I don't know when those things are going to take place, I have no idea, but that's what we're working toward."

Fanning replaced former coach Terry Hall, who resigned last spring.

"At the time," Fanning said, "I wasn't really looking at Kentucky or any other school for that matter. They just called me and I decided to come up here for a look around."

"I feel at home here. I felt at home the first week I was here."

"We sought her out, she didn't seek us out," UK Athletic Director Cliff Hagan said.

"We thought Coach Fanning was a very attractive and engaging person," he said. "She's a tremendous person, and that, (along) with good coaching skills and knowledge, made her the best replacement for Coach Hall," he said.

"Through the years, I have al-

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**Sharon Fanning,
Lady Kat coach**

ways thought that Kentucky was very supportive of its women's athletes in general and had a great tradition in basketball, women's basketball too," Fanning said.

While head coach at Tennessee-Chattanooga for 11 seasons, Fanning compiled quite a record. She led the Lady Mocs to five straight Southern Conference championships beginning in 1982. Her overall record at UTC was 189-129.

Coach Fanning gained national attention at UTC as well, being named Southern Conference Coach of the Year in 1985 and 1986.

She also was coach of the North squad at the U.S. Olympic Festival last summer. Fanning's most recent honor came in August when she was named to the staff of the USA Select team competing in Seoul, Korea.

Since Fanning's arrival into the Lady Kat basketball program, many of the players have noticed changes in the coaching style and philosophy

they were accustomed to under Hall.

"The difference is that Coach Fanning is more intense on the court," said senior forward Bebe Croley. "I think all around more tense. She's a real motivator."

"The philosophy is very different with Coach Fanning," said junior forward Pam Strum. "There's more enthusiasm, she's really into what we do."

Conditioning routines particularly differ this year. "Coach Fanning stresses discipline, communication and being in shape," said freshman guard Debbie Hoskins. "She has a real tough conditioning program full of weights and lots of running."

Strum said that "the conditioning will pay off in the long run. When the other teams wear down late in the game, we'll be able to go that extra mile."

Coach Fanning hesitates to make any predictions on the Lady Kats' upcoming season, but realizes she

has a young team to work with. "Experience and time will be critical with the young ones and with the whole team because this is a new coaching staff and we all have to learn a little more about each other," Fanning said.

"We're trying to develop, even though we're small in size and few in number, we're trying to develop a game where we can attack both from the perimeter and inside," she said.

"We have to work very hard to make a program of national prominence here or any place else. I feel that the potential is here, and if we don't make a better program, I feel it will be our fault because of the resources, support and fans."

The Lady Kats' height and health will also be a key factor to their performance on the court. "The SEC is very demanding," Fanning said. "It's a war everytime you go out there, so we'll have to keep a healthy team to stay competitive."



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Lady Kat coach Sharon Fanning, beginning her first season at UK, coaches in an exhibition game against the Australian National team.

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Kats want attitude to mean return to top

By TOM SPALDING
Staff Writer

It was a breath of fresh air for both Sharon Fanning and the Lady Kat basketball program. For Fanning, success was the term usually associated with her program at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga. There, she compiled a 189-129 mark in 11 seasons.

Fanning's accomplishments were many — five straight conference championships and a Lady Moe team that went 26-5 and was runner-up in the National Women's Invitational Tournament.

When UK came calling after her Moe's finished only 7-30 last season, Fanning jumped ship. Now, she's not only at a bigger school, but she also finds herself in the bigger and

better Southeastern Conference. For the Lady Kats, Fanning's hiring was a change the athletic staff believed was much needed.

"We are thrilled to have Coach Fanning join us," UK athletics director Cliff Hagan said. "We believe that her personality and drive will give this program the boost that it needs now."

In the last few years, UK has tailed off in women's basketball. Just five seasons ago, the Lady Kats were ranked No. 4 in the country (ahead of the men's team), and were drawing sellout crowds in 11,500-seat Memorial Coliseum.

But UK hasn't fashioned a 20-win season since Terry Hall's troops did it in 1982-83. That squad, led by all-time leading scorer Valerie Still, finished 23-5.

In addition, the Lady Kats haven't

posted a winning mark in the SEC since 1983, when they went 8-2. Last year, UK ended its season at 3-6 in the SEC and 17-11 overall.

The question in many people's minds is, can Fanning duplicate the success so prominent at the beginning of the decade?

"We want to win an NCAA Championship," Fanning said. "I don't know if that will be in two years or 10. But Kentucky is capable of that. That's our long-term goal."

The goal right now is win, but it won't be easy.

Fanning must replace two key starters from last year, 6-foot-1 center Debbie Miller and 5-foot point guard Sandy Harding.

Of course, not all lost — not when you have a player of Bebe Croley's caliber. The 5-10 senior forward averaged 17.7 points and 7.1

rebounds a game. If UK has a bread-and-butter player, Croley is it.

"Bebe definitely is one of our leaders," Fanning said. "She has a great deal of experience and should be a key to this year's season."

The Lady Kats also return 6-0 junior forward Pam Shrum (3.4 ppg, 2.8 rpg) and junior guard Jodie Whitaker. Whitaker, Indiana's 1985 Miss Basketball, averaged 12.1 points a game last season.

But the big factor is Croley. She was the offense last year and should be again this year. However, Fanning's philosophy revolves around a group of players, not just one.

"We're trying to rely on our team effort," Fanning said, "and trying to get everyone with a lot of confidence so that we won't break down when people key on Bebe defensively."

Fanning has to replace the tiny Harding, who finished her career 11th on UK's all-time scoring list with 1,023 points.

"We're going to have to find a perimeter player to go with Jodie," Fanning said. "I have to say one of our two seniors would have to get the nod at this point."

The leading candidates are 5-11 senior Michelle Pennie and 5-8 senior Monique Tarantini. Tarantini started against the Australian National Team last week.

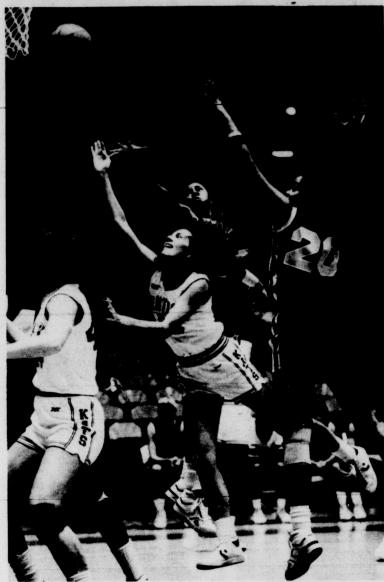
The front court shouldn't pose a problem with Shrum and Croley. Sophomore Dee Harrell, who at 6-4 is the team's tallest player, will step in at the center spot.

UK must make up for its lack of height in other ways. Fanning's teams are known for their scrappiness and hustle, and this year should be no different.

"We're going to be a very aggressive team and try to outwork people," Fanning said. "This has been a tremendous group to work with. They support each other and work well together."

Besides inexperience and lack of big players, another problem for UK could be adjusting to a new coach.

"A system like ours, you don't just snap your fingers and it goes together," Fanning said. "You have to build it on a day-to-day process."



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UK senior guard Michele Pennie goes up for the shot in a game last season at Memorial Coliseum.



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UK guard Jodie Whitaker (15) tries to block a pass by teammate Kris Miller in a Blue-White scrimmage this preseason. UK will begin the season with the Lady Kat Invitational Nov. 27-28.

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Whitaker leading young backcourt

By TOM SPALDING
Staff Writer

That little blur you saw running down the Memorial Coliseum basketball court for the past four years isn't there anymore.

Sandy Harding, a 5-foot former point guard for the Lady Kats, ran out of eligibility after compiling four seasons of amazing statistics. Her most important contribution, experience, will have to be replaced.

"Losing Sandy was a big loss," Lady Kat guard Jodie Whitaker said. "She was a good ballplayer and a good leader."

Whitaker, a 5-7 junior who averaged 12.3 points per game last season, is the most likely candidate to step in and take over the point guard spot.

"Playing the point is a big difference, a new challenge," Whitaker said. "But I have confidence that I can handle that role."

Whitaker will have to take the reign of leadership that Harding passed on when she graduated. The Kats have only one true senior guard.

"My main standpoint is to pass," Whitaker said. "But I'm here to guide the team."

Of course, it's been a tough outing for Whitaker and her teammates in the back court. The coaching change not only brought a new face to the team, but a new philosophy — hard defense.

"Coach (Terry) Hall dealt with guards a lot," Whitaker said. "She was a good coach, but she didn't stress defense as much as coach Fanning does. You have to play hard defense."

The 1985 Indiana Miss Basketball is learning what everybody else is learning, even the freshmen.

"I'm still trying to get adjusted to her ways," Whitaker said. "I'm

learning about the same as everyone else is learning. We're all like freshmen."

Whitaker, of course, won't have to face the wolves alone. The top candidates to fill in the guard vacancy are 5-8 senior Monique Tarantini (2.3 points per game), 5-4 sophomore Kris Miller (1 ppg) and Michelle Pennie (4.6 ppg), a 5-11 swing guard who pulls double duty — guard and forward.

"We're going to have to find a perimeter player to go with Jodie," Fanning said. "I'd have to say one of the two seniors would get the nod at this point."

Fanning also is blessed with a couple of talented freshmen, whom she said would see playing time. In 5-10 guard Debbie Hoskins and 5-8 Tracey Davis, Fanning has her guard combination for the future.

"Tracey Davis is going to be a big help at point guard," Fanning said. "She'll probably be one of our best ball-handlers under pressure, keeping her head up and making things happen."

Davis was a standout for three years at Henry Clay High school in Lexington.

"I knew I wasn't expected to come right in," Davis said. "It's my first year and a learning year."

Hoskins is a sharpshooter out of Harlan High School in Harlan.

"Debbie Hoskins is probably one of our best offensive players," Fanning said.

Fanning doesn't have a lot of talent in the back court to work with, but she's got other ways of dealing with that.

"We're going to try to outwork our opponents," she said. "That's what I like (running game). It's more exciting. If you are smaller and don't have quite the athletes the other team has, you have to beat them other ways."



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Senior forward Bebe Croley, who averaged 17.7 points per game a season ago, prepares to shoot in a game last year.

Small, young Lady Kats having to rely on hustle

By TOM SPALDING
Staff Writer

Head coach Sharon Fanning might not want to look at her Lady Kat roster. But she has to. And what she'll see are two big problems — lack of height and lack of experience.

Small is a word that's going to be used a lot when describing the UK front line. The starters under the boards include 5-foot-11 Bebe Croley, 6-4 sophomore center Dee Harrell and 6-foot junior Pam Shrum.

And if the lack of size isn't bad enough, Fanning has to add inexperience to it. Last season, Shrum and Harrell only averaged a combined five points and four rebounds.

The only other front line senior is Croley, and no front liner has started more than 13 games. That could spell trouble. Big trouble.

"I know we're young and not very big inside," Fanning said. "I know we don't have a great deal of experience or speed. We're going to have to rely on outplaying people."

"When you're as small as we are," Croley said, "you have to out-think them."

Croley has made a name for herself as one of the best in the Southeastern Conference. She poured in a team- and game-high 26 points against the Australian National Women's Team — a squad that featured five players 6-2 or taller.

But Croley is the only proven starter. And the only scorer.

"We're trying to rely on our team effort," Fanning said. "We're trying to get everyone involved, some confidence, so we won't break down when people key on us defensively."

Harrell is hoping she won't break down when she starts at center for the first time. The Memphis, Tenn., native last year had as many turnovers (5) as field goals. She said she's improved.

"My confidence has grown a great deal," Harrell said. "I feel that will be a big factor as far as playing center."

"Dee has worked very hard in the summer and progressed very well," Fanning said. "I just hope when she gets in games it'll carry over."

The coaching transition has been smoother for Shrum, a junior from Monticello. One of three returning lettermen, Shrum is a player molded into the Fanning image — aggressive, hardworking and willing to sacrifice for the team.

"In the past a lot of us have been so individual," Shrum said. "We were working for our own goals instead of the team's."

Although the Kats will be out-sized and out-quicker, they're not going to just give up.

"Any time you work hard, something's gonna happen and something's gonna fall for you," Croley said.



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Croley hopes last season is memorable

By C.A. DUANE BONIFER
Editorial Editor

When Bebe Croley was in the seventh grade, her older brother would take her to the park to play basketball.

Usually the only girl on the court, Croley would play full-court games with boys several years older.

"We'd go whole-court with the guys, and that really made me quick and helped me with my speed," she said.

Croley played her high school basketball at Lexington Henry Clay, where she lettered during her last three years.

During her first season on the Blue Devils' varsity squad, Croley played with Leslie Nichols, who went on to star as a UK forward.

"It was really a lot of fun," Croley said. "When I came in, I wasn't that well known because of Leslie, and that gave me a chance to kind of

shine and surprise some people."

Though recruited by several colleges, Croley elected to stay home, signing a letter of intent to play for Terry Hall, then-coach at UK.

"It was home, it was a good program and I think it was a real class program," she said.

But Croley fought a stress fracture during her rookie season at UK and only got to play in about half of the games.

During her sophomore year, however, Croley put the stress fracture behind her and became the Kats' fourth-leading scorer with a 12.1 average.

Last season, Croley stepped forward to lead a 17-11 Lady Kats team with a 17.7 average, finishing the season 14th on the all-time UK scoring list with 937 points.

During a homestand in February, Croley went wild for a career-high 32 points against Alabama and then came back one week later with 30

"I think I lead by example more than anything else. I'm really not much of a talker."

**Bebe Croley,
Lady Kat senior**

points against Florida.

This season, Lady Kats rookie coach Sharon Fanning said she will be counting on Croley to have another double-digit season, but said scoring will not be the only contribution she expects the senior forward to make.

With center Debbie Miller lost to graduation, Fanning said Croley, along with junior forward Pam Shrum, will have to anchor the baseline until the freshmen and sophomores become better adjusted.

"Bebe has good jumping ability, so she will have to help us out a lot on the glass," Fanning said.

Fanning said Croley is perhaps "one of the best players that I've had an opportunity to work with. She is one of the best athletes in terms of ability."

"She has good quickness, she has good basketball sense and she's very team-oriented," Fanning said.

Team captains for the 1987-88 campaign haven't been chosen yet, but Fanning said Croley will be instrumental as a team leader.

"I'd have to say that Bebe will be looked up to as a leader by the rest of the team," Fanning said.

"In our preseason games, Bebe was one of the players that set a very good example for the rest of the team."

With a team that has nine freshmen and sophomores and only four juniors and seniors, Shrum said Croley's leadership will be crucial to

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BEBE CROLEY
Height: 5-10 Senior forward

• Led the Lady Kats in scoring with a 17.7 average that placed her fourth in the SEC.

• Fourth in the SEC in field-goal percentage (78.6), sixth in steals per game (2.6) and ninth in rebounding (7.1).

• Last season, was named the first unanimous MVP in the 10-year history of the Lady Kat Invitational.

• After three seasons, ranks 14th on the all-time Lady Kats scoring list with 937 career points.

• Started 22 of 27 games as a sophomore.

• Missed half of her freshman season with a stress fracture.

• 1984 first-team Parade All-America as a senior at Henry Clay High School.

the Lady Kats' chances to compete in the Southeastern Conference.

"Bebe is going to have to show a lot of leadership and she's going to have to show a lot of teamwork and team effort," she said.

Croley said she doesn't consider herself to be a typical team leader, though.

"I think I lead by example more than anything else," she said. "I'm really not much of a talker."

When Croley came to UK, she set her sights on playing in the Final Four of the NCAA tournament.


Although she won't make any predictions on the odds this year's Kats have in making it to the Final Four in Tacoma, Wash., "with a little luck, anything can happen," Croley said.

"If we work hard, things are going to pay off for us," she said. "I just want to go out and get things done."

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