

Cats Ride Waves 88-56 In UKIT

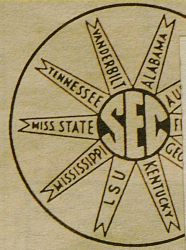


25590

University Archives
Margaret I. King Library
University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky 40506

The Cats' Pause

"SPOTLIGHTING UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY AND SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE"



900 47764 8/24/86 40506
UNIV OF KY LIBRARIES
ACQUISITIONS DEPT
CENTRAL SERIALS RECO
LEXINGTON
KY 40506

VOLUME 10 - NUMBER 16

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1985

LEXINGTON

UKIT UKIT UKIT
UKIT



UKIT UKIT

THE CATS' PAUSE



PUBLICATION NO. USPS 707340
 Published By
 WILDCAT NEWS COMPANY
 P.O. Box 7297
 Lexington, Kentucky 40522
 Second Class Postage Paid at
 Lexington, Kentucky 40501
 and additional Mailing offices

- Editor and Publisher**
 OSCAR L. COMBS
- Staff Writer**
 NICK NICHOLAS
- Staff Writer**
 TODD HALLUM
- National Recruiting Columnist**
 BOB GIBBONS
- Columnist**
 LARRY VAUGHT
- Columnist**
 BOB WATKINS
- Columnist**
 JIM GRIESCH
- Columnist**
 MEL HOLBROOK
- Columnist**
 STAN TORGERSON
- Columnist**
 DICKY BEAL
- Kentucky Basketball Recruiting**
 RICK BOLUS
- Contributing Columnist**
 JAMIE VAUGHT
- Sport Hobby Columnist**
 JACK MAIDEN
- Business Manager**
 DONNA COMBS
- Composition Coordinator**
 DON COFFEY
- Staff Photographer**
 GARY CROMWELL
- Circulation Coordinator**
 WANDA HOOKER
- Crossword Puzzle Editor**
 DAN KRUECKEBERG

Published Weekly: Sept. 14-April 12
 Monthly: May, June, July, August

Advertising Representative
 WILDCAT NEWS COMPANY
 2625 Regency Road
 Lexington, Kentucky 40503

Subscription Price
 \$25.00 per year in USA
 \$35.00 per year in Canada
 Phone: (606) 278-3474

Postmaster: Send Address Changes to
 THE CATS' PAUSE, P.O. Box 7297,
 Lexington, Kentucky 40522

A Statement From WAVG

(Following is a statement from Radio Station WAVG in Louisville concerning the UK basketball and football radio rights controversy. Two weeks ago, WHAS requested TCP to publish a statement concerning its position and last week, WAVG requested equal space. In accordance with our policy of fairness to all, we are publishing the following statement from Radio Station WAVG.)

All of us at WAVG-970 have been extremely pleased to have been a part of the University of Kentucky football and basketball broadcasts this season. Personally, it has truly been one of the highlights of my business career and of our ownership of WAVG.

In order to avoid any confusion let me first state that when you read the call letters of WAVG that was not a misprint. The call letters of the station were WAVE for 48 years, but due to an FCC regulation, when our company purchased WAVE Radio in 1981, we had to change the call letters and chose WAVG. Our station is a separate company from WAVE-TV3, but is a continuation of WAVE Radio, which has been on the air since 1933.

One of the questions which I get asked the most is what really happened between the Kentucky Network and WHAS? Obviously, it's no secret that the commitment which WHAS has had for UK has decreased dramatically over the last several years. In 1983, WHAS refused to carry the Jerry Claiborne Big Blue Line and we were asked at the last minute to air it, which we were glad to do. Anyone living in the Louisville area is aware that there has been very little promotion during the last several years by WHAS of UK outside of the station. In fact, the only billboards or buscards that I can remember that WHAS has done for UK over the last three years, mentioned both UK and the University of Louisville. In contrast, WHAS has done countless buscards and billboards exclusively for U of L. These are decisions that WHAS can't blame on the Kentucky Network or on UK officials.

Obviously I was not privy to all that happened between WHAS and the Kentucky Network. I have been told that WHAS ignored deadlines, stood up meetings and just basically pushed too hard a bargain. I do know that in previous years when WAVG approached the Kentucky Network we received a polite but cold shoulder due to a professional loyalty they had with WHAS. It seems to me that to go from that position to where the Network approached us, something had to have happened.

WHAS claims that they were forced to give U of L top priority. Even assuming for a moment that they were threatened with a lawsuit from U of L (which I honestly don't believe the U of L administration would have done) there is absolutely no reason WHAS had to give U of L priority for six years, since only two years remained on their U of L contract.

None of this is to say that the managers of WHAS are bad people. They're very competent at what they do and are professional broadcasters. Furthermore, I can't speak too badly about WHAS because my dad worked there in the 1940s and early 1950s. But it's just a plain fact that in recent years the University of Louisville has gained higher and higher priority on WHAS and UK has been relegated to a secondary position on the air and in promotion.

We were approached by the Kentucky Network in March, 1985, as to whether we would want to carry the UK games. My reply was that we weren't going to be coy and that we would love to have the games on WAVG. In fact, I told them if it would help to get UK on WAVG for me to lie down on the busiest expressway in Louisville at rush hour, just let me know where and when. (I was just kidding about this part and luckily they didn't take me up on it!) Seriously, I was born in Kentucky, grew up here and have lived in Kentucky my entire working career. My dad was an engineer on some of the UK games back in the 1950s. I have listened to the games and have been a fan of UK my entire life. So it was really a dream come true when we got the games on WAVG.

Would it hurt the University if WHAS was not on the network? WHAS is certainly not needed to cover the State of Kentucky since there are over 70 fine radio stations throughout the state that air the games. There is a need for UK to have a station with a more national signal, especially so that alumni throughout the country can hear the games. However, it is our understanding that WLW (a 50,000 watt clear channel station in Cincinnati) has agreed to carry the UK games on a live basis, starting next season. The signal of WLW is just as strong as WHAS and the live broadcasts of UK would be shifted to WAMZ. So, for approximately 30 to 50 percent of the UK games, the live broadcasts would not even be on WHAS should they be the University of Kentucky's station next season.

With the national coverage provided by WLW, the key question in the Louisville market becomes which radio station can do the best job of covering UK in our area. In the last five months, WAVG has printed and is still

distributing 250,000 schedule cards for football and basketball (if anyone would like one, just drop us a note). We have cards on the sides of buses going throughout Louisville promoting our coverage of UK and have given away UK/WAVG-970 t-shirts, done newspaper advertising and promoted UK extensively at the Kentucky State Fair. WAVG has also given away a lot of tickets to various UK games, has run a free bus to Lexington for the Midnight basketball practice and has given away the use of vans for going to the UK football games. These are just some of the promotions we have done on behalf of UK in the last few months.

On the air, WAVG is airing a daily Wildcats Sports Show, the Big Blue Line, all of the pre- and post-game shows, and, of course, Cawood Ledford and Ralph Hacker's call of the game. In addition, we carry the weekly Cats' Pause Sports Hot Line and the nightly Sports Call Show with Russ Small, which frequently is concerning the UK sports program. WAVG is always glad to air any public service announcements free of charge for the University and to air University produced programming that fits into our format. In summary, WAVG's commitment to UK is 100 percent.

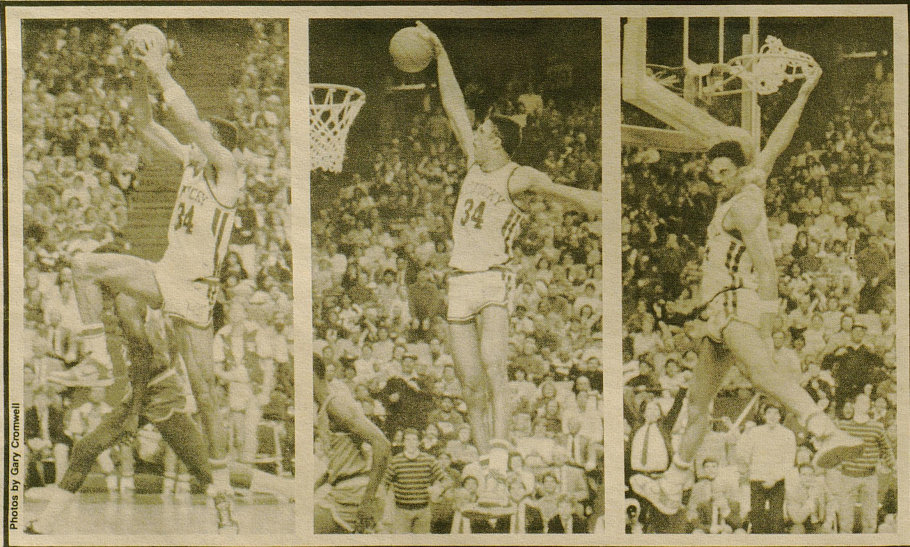
Of real importance to the University, our FM station, WLRS (LRS102), is the number one station in Louisville among people 12 to 34 years of age. This means the station could be very helpful to UK in reaching college students and prospective students and in marketing the academic as well as the athletic program in the Louisville area.

The big question now is obviously who will be broadcasting the UK games in the future in the Louisville area? There is so much politics involved it's hard, frankly to answer that question. In summary, here are our thoughts:

1. WLW will be providing national coverage for UK next season so the WHAS signal is not necessary to reach alumni.
2. WAVG will carry all of the games live, instead of bumping 30 to 50 percent to our FM station as WHAS will have to do.
3. WAVG and WLRS will definitely be the best stations to market and promote the University in the Louisville area. We will be promoting only one school, and that will be the University of Kentucky.

Signed,

Ed Henson, Jr.
 President and General Manager
 Radio Station WAVG970



Photos by Gary Cromwell

Sky Walker On The Air



Oscar L. Combs

Cats' Pause Publisher



Cats, Cards And CBS-TV

Just like any other big-time promoter, CBS-TV knows a good thing when it sees one. That's why the Kentucky-Louisville clash Saturday has been rescheduled for 4 p.m. Eastern Time instead of the original 12:30 p.m. tip-off.

Actually, CBS wanted to switch the game to Sunday, but UK athletics director Cliff Hagan said such a switch would impose too great a hardship on UK fans who had made plans and also make it difficult for UK which will play VMI in Louisville next Monday.

Nevertheless, the game will go on, just as big as ever. You gotta remember, folks, CBS-TV is the network which pushed so long for this contest. So you can expect the network to really promote this one.

Although Louisville was ranked high in all the preseason polls, Denny Crum's Cardinals will actually be ranked behind Kentucky when this contest is staged.

Prior to this week's rankings (which were released after TCP went to press), Louisville was ranked No. 16 by the Associated Press while Kentucky occupied the No. 13 spot.

Who will win this game?

This is probably as close a match-up as you'll ever get in the Kentucky-Louisville series. There's no question Louisville has more talent than Kentucky, but the game is being played at Rupp Arena.

Louisville would be a solid 14-16 point favorite at Freedom Hall while the Cardinals could expect to be a eight or nine-point favorite on a neutral floor. Why?

You have Billy Thompson to start with. He was the "Player of the Year" coming out of high school four years ago. You have Milt Wagner, one of the game's greatest guards returning to top form against Indiana after recovering from year's absence due to surgery. You have the stop-and-pop Jeff Hall. They're all seasoned veterans who can play for anyone in the country.

And how about sophomore Herbert Crook who is improving by leaps and bounds along with guards Mike Abrams, junior Chris West and freshman medical red-shirt Kevin Walls. That's before we get to the nation's finest group of freshmen.

You usually don't count on immediate help from rookies, but Crum was forced to go to the well early because of academic casualty Barry Sumpter who failed to meet school requirements (although he was eligible by NCAA regulations). That's when frosh Pervis Ellison stepped front and center and has been an awesome impact on the Louisville team.

Remember the name, Purvis Ellison. This man will be the difference if Louisville beats Kentucky in Lexington.

As far as Kentucky is concerned, you start with THE man, Kenny Walker. He'll be expected to carry the lion's share of the load. But also look for Louisville to employ some old SEC defensive strategy and take him out of the game early.

That will leave UK's hopes up to Sir Winston Bennett, along with guards Ed Davender, Roger Harden and James Blackmon. Those three will do a good job, but UK will have to sneak in a surprise of its own if the Wildcats make it three in a row over the Cardinals at Rupp Arena.

The top three candidates are Cedric Jenkins, Robert Lock and Richard Madison, not necessarily in any particular order. Jenkins and Lock have been fairly impressive at times, but

they've looked, quite frankly, terrible at times. The same can be said for Madison. If one should grow up in a hurry, he could be the star of the game Saturday. If none show up, it most likely will mean a defeat for the Wildcats.

On paper, Kentucky appears to have an edge at forward with Walker and Bennett. At guard, it's almost a stand-off with the edge going to the club which is hot. In the middle, Louisville has the decided advantage where Ellison will be going against either a true forward or against a pair of sophomores in Lock and Jenkins. True, Ellison is only a freshman, but he's playing like a junior and that's what counts.

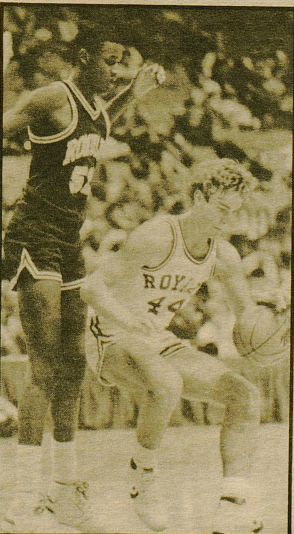
Believe it or not, Kentucky's chances also could rest on how successful it can be employing an old UL tactic, full-court defensive pressure. Kentucky must score some points off its defense. If it does, UK will have an excellent shot. If not, UL's inside game will be more than UK can handle for forty minutes.

Still, it's Rupp Arena and it looks like a Kentucky victory by three from this viewpoints.

The biggest crime on the college sports scene in Kentucky occurred at Rupp Arena Saturday night when Winston Bennett was left off the UKIT's All-Tourney team.

All Bennett did the two nights is what any coach would be proud of. He scored in double figures both nights, hauled down 16 rebounds and hit on nine of 13 shots from the field. And how about his defense. He's gets the job done night after night, and some people still don't appreciate his efforts.

No doubt this had to be one of Winston's greatest disappointments. For a youngster who has fought back so often, it seems he never gets his justice. He labored in the shadows of the twin towers (Sam Bowie and Melvin Turpin) two



Mills On Feldhaus

years ago and he's been nagged by injuries since his arrival.

And no one has been more of a target for officials than Bennett. He can breath heavy and the whistles sound like a four-alarm fire.

Perhaps, just perhaps, Winston will take out his frustration this Saturday in the biggest game of the year, as far as Kentucky fans in Louisville are concerned and you know where Winston's family lives.

Last weekend's prep action clearly indicates Kentucky was on the right track when Coach Eddie Sutton and his staff went after the likes of Rex Chapman, Terry Mills, Felton Spencer and Reggie Hanson.

Chapman enjoyed a great tournament in the King of the Bluegrass where he averaged over 20 points per game as Owensboro Apollo won fifth place by defeating Carson (Cal) 61-57.

In the consolation final, Pulaski County lost a tough 52-50 decision at the hands of Memphis (Tenn) Kirby but UK-bound Reggie Hanson exploded for 32 points and scored a whopping 109 points in the four-game tourney. He hit 13 of 18 from the field in the final game and 20 of his 32 came in the final half.

Spencer, whose team did not make the final day's list of four games, had a fine tournament including a 20-plus exhibition in the opening round.

Pleasure Ridge Park almost won the tourney, but dropped a 60-51 decision to Gonzaga (D.C.) in the championship battle.

Named to the all-tourney team were Perry Carter, Gonzaga; Rex Chapman, Apollo; Reggie Hanson, Pulaski County; Mark Tillmon, Gonzaga; Derrick Wilcox, Pleasure Ridge Park; Anthony January, Carson; Robert Peyton, Seneca; Felton Spencer, Eastern; Mark Short, Memphis Kirby; Desmond Porter, Pleasure Ridge Park; Greg Baughn, Apollo; David Hogg, Owensboro; and Brian Jointer, Pleasure Ridge Park.

In the fifth annual Hillbrook Classic, Lexington schools once again proved they can go with the nation's best as both Lexington schools won against out-of-state competition.

Tates Creek turned back South Aiken (S.C.) 64-50 in relative easy fashion as Brian Lane scored 26 points and Jerome Coles added 17.

Don Harville's Lafayette Generals made it a clean sweep for the Fayette Countians as the Generals upset Southwest Macon (Ga) 54-51 although star guard Prince Stewart played only three minutes and had to leave the contest after spraining his ankle.

Mike Gay popped in 21 points and Darrell Hill added 11 in a game which was as close as the score indicates. Both teams shot 44 percent from the field. Each club was credited with 34 rebounds and each team shot exactly 19 free throws. Macon, though, made 24 mistakes to 17 for Lafayette and that was the difference in the contest.

Mason County, with the talented Deron Feldhaus, raced out to an early six-point lead over Romulus (Mich) 23-17 but fell behind by seven (39-32) at half before rallying for a 70-64

win with a 21-13 comeback in the fourth period.

This showcase game gave Kentucky fans a glimpse of what might have been if superstar Terry Mills had signed with Kentucky. Mills exploded for 29 points and clearly illustrated why he is one of the nation's top two players. In addition to his 29 points, he also hauled down 15 rebounds.

But it wasn't enough to turn back Mason County which got double figure scoring from Feldhaus, Jay Jones, Jerry Butler and Tony Jackson. They scored 25, 15, 13 and 12 points respectively.

It was almost a clean sweep for the Kentucky teams, but Scott County blew a late lead to enable DeMatha to take home a 61-59 victory. DeMatha was led by John Gwynn with 18 points but game scoring honors went to Scott County's Frank Persley who scored 25 points and certainly improved his stock with the major college coaches.

HITS AND MISSES . . . One of the juniors Kentucky has been looking at recently is Macon Southwest's **Eric Manuel**, a 6-6 forward who played in the **Hillbrook Classic**. Manuel didn't have one of his better games, scoring only seven points and hitting two of eleven from the field, but he did have six rebounds in his 24 minutes of action . . . The field is shrinking rapidly in the **Al Baker Sweepstakes** and now comes word that Baker has narrowed his choices to **Kentucky, Ohio State, and Florida** although there is a chance he will still visit a California school. . . A couple really nice guys who have been familiar with Kentucky football over the years passed away recently and they'll be missed by everyone. **Frank Hare** is one of the nicest people who ever walked the face of the earth. He was the father of Frank, Jr. who played on the 1984 Hall of Fame Bowl team. Frank, 56, died of cancer last week. It was many years ago, when Frank, Jr. was in junior high that Frank, Sr. was first operated on for cancer. He recovered and got to see his son earn a scholarship at UK and become a member of the first UK bowl championship team since the early fifties. I'll never forget that night last December in Birmingham when **Kentucky** overcame all odds and upset **Wisconsin**. Just minutes after the game, Frank, Sr. was in the UK locker room, celebrating with his son. Tears were streaming from his eyes as his voice quivered, "I'm the happiest man in the world. This proves that something good will happen to you if you do things the right way." When I think of Frank Hare, I'll always remember those words because those words best describe one of the nicest people in the world . . . Another of UK football's finest passed away Sunday in Spring, Texas. **Clarence "Buckshot" Underwood** died of a heart attack at the age of 72. Buckshot was an assistant coach for 22 years under five head coaches at Kentucky. He came to UK in 1948 under the legendary **Paul "Bear" Bryant** and went on to serve under Blanton Collier, Charlie Bradshaw, John Ray and Fran Curci before retiring in 1978. UK sports information director **Russell Rice** said "he was a tough, tough person, but the kids loved him. He had great rapport with the kids. He paid his dues in the coaching profession. Buckshot will be missed by all those fortunate enough to have known him."

In First Round Action**Wildcats Easily Handle Pirates, 86-52**

A strong second half surge is all Kentucky needed as the Wildcats upped their slate to 6-1 with an 86-52 victory over the East Carolina Pirates last Friday evening at Rupp Arena.

The win placed the Wildcats in championship game of the 33rd annual UKIT tourney. Kenny Walker, decked out in his new pair of protective goggles, paced a balance scoring attack with 19 points. A big chunk of Walker's tallies came from the free throw line where the senior hit on 13 of 14 attempts.

Junior guard James Blackmon found the range on this night hitting eight of 12 from the field and two of four free throws for 18 points. Winston Bennett, who grabbed a game-high nine rebounds, chipped in with 11 points in 24 minutes of action.

"I thought we opened the ballgame and played well," said UK coach Eddie Sutton. "Then we went through death valley and went over 10 minutes without a field goal."

"You have to give East Carolina credit, they played us tough."

Kentucky found itself in a close tussle early as the visitors took advantage of some cold shooting by the Wildcats.

At the 13:04 mark Bennett squared up and fired a 16-footer over a leaping Marchell Henry, giving UK a 17-6 advantage. However, it would be the last field goal for Kentucky for a long, long time. In fact, the next time Kentucky scored from the field was on a twirling layup by Walker at the 1:37 mark. Walker's field goal gave Kentucky a 32-24 lead. Roger Harden and Ed Davender each connected from the field to close out the first half with the Wildcats on top, 36-24.

The cold shooting bug transferred sides in the second stanza as UK reeled off the first six points.

Pirate coach Charlie Harrison quickly signaled for a timeout with 17:50 remaining. Things didn't change much as UK proceeded to outscore East Carolina 44 to 28.

"We missed some easy shots and this led to some easy shots for them," Harrison said about the overall contest. "And they really pounded the offensive boards. I think this was the big difference in the second half."

Kentucky outrebounded East Carolina, 27-10 in the second half, including 12 to 6 from the offensive side of the ledger.

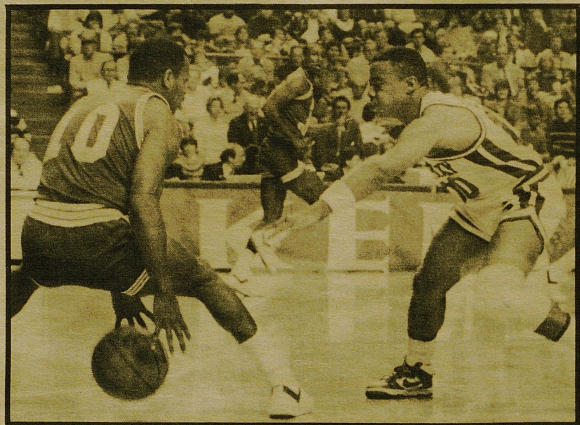
Shut out in the final 3:20 of the first half, East Carolina didn't connect on a basket until Herb Dixon got past Bennett for a reverse layup at the 17:37 mark.

Overall, Kentucky shot 53.7 percent (29 of 54) from the field while East Carolina connected on 21 of 52 attempts for 40.4 percent.

Henry helped the Pirates get close with a 14-footer and two layins pulling East Carolina within striking distance, 18-14. Sandwiched between Henry's points was an awesome baseline dunk by 6-foot-5 Al Clark.

Dixon and Henry led the Pirates, who fell to 4-2 on the season, with 10 points apiece. Defensively, UK's man-to-man gave the Pirates fits in the second half, especially underneath. ECU shot only 10 of 29 from the field in the final 20 minutes for a dismal 34.5 percent.

East Carolina's 6-10 center Leon Bass was held to eight points, before fouling out with 7:37 remaining.

**Byrd Looking To Pick Hardy's Pocket****BLACKMON FINDS THE RANGE**

For the three-guard offense to be effective Blackmon must hit from the field similar to his performance tonight.

Sutton pointed out that the 6-3 guard has been working on his outside shooting.

"He's been working real hard all week in practice," the UK mentor said. "He can shoot the basketball. He just needs to gain some confidence. I think James has played hard and has played well in so many areas of the game. He just hasn't been hitting the outside shot. We hope it's back from vacation and we'll have it the rest of the way."

"The biggest thing is confidence," commented Blackmon after the game. "I had a couple of bad games and missed a couple of shots I should've made."

For Blackmon it's been a roller-coaster career at Kentucky. One night he'll hit double digits then the next game draw a goose-egg.

Like Sutton stated, though, his shot may be back for good.

SEMI-TUSSLE FIRES UP CATS

For most of the first half the game had about as much excitement as watching a four-corner offense in operation. Kentucky came into the game a 30-point favorite, but East Carolina surprisingly took it to UK underneath. And when a team gets most of its points from the free throw line (16 of 36) it's tough, from a fan's point of view, to be excited.

Things were pretty much dullsville... until Bennett and Clark argued back and forth with 2:06 remaining. Both players, who had to be restrained by their teammates, were whistled for a foul each.

UK held a six-point advantage (30-24) but the Blue and White supporters were not a factor at all. But that was before the Bennett-Clark incident. Less than 30 seconds later a Davender steal turned into a 360-degree layin by Walker, which in turn ignited the partisan UK crowd.

Said Bennett, "I think that was just a matter of two teams going out and playing tough and emotional. East Carolina was not going to roll over and play dead. They were going to come out and put it to us."

WILDCAT COACH GETS CHANCE TO EXPERIMENT

After building a comfortable advantage the reserves came in and showed what they could do. Following Bennett's stop-and-pop 12 footer, Sutton called off the troops leading, 56-30.

Earlier Walker checked out of the game for good (14:08) and was later joined by Davender and Blackmon (13:14).

During the final 13 minutes, everyone was given a chance to show their colors. Instead of sitting back and relaxing the reserves continued to pour it on.

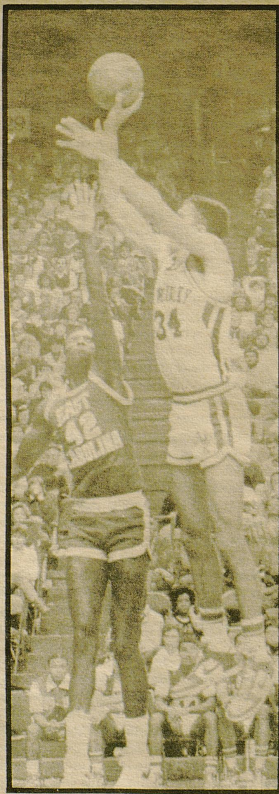
Byrd brought the crowd of 22,416 to its feet with a coast-to-coast layup. And just a second later did the little man do something positive again, as this time he stole a pass and laid it up for another two points (defensive goal-tending). In a span of 10 seconds Byrd's four points upped the Wildcat lead to 75-40. His six points is a UK career-high for the 5-5 guard.

Todd Ziegler came in and played well for 11 minutes. He also brought the crowd, as well as the Kentucky bench, to its feet when he soared to tip in a Richard Madison miss.

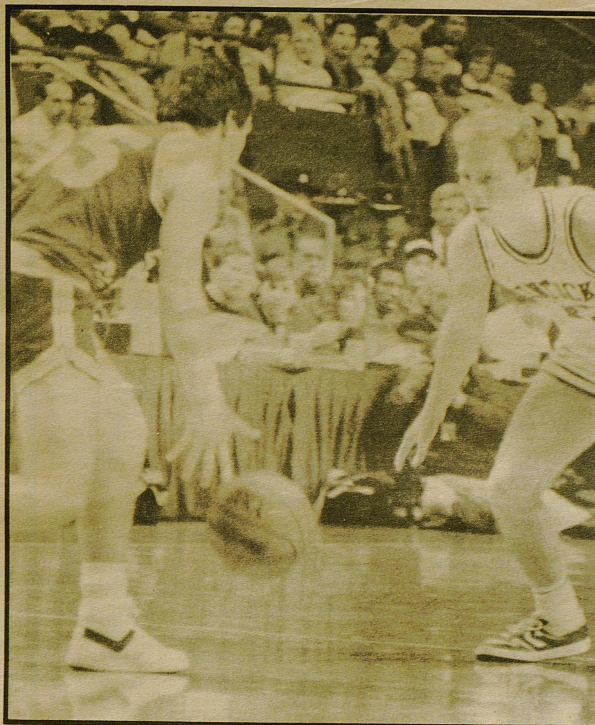
Madison and Cedric Jenkins also tossed in seven and six points, respectively.

PIRATE-WILDCAT TIDBITS

With 19 points **Kenny Walker** pulled within nine of No. 9 **Melvin Turpin** (1,509) on the all-time UK scoring list. Walker now needs only **649** tallies to be the all-time Kentucky scorer. The goggles worn by Walker are the same make that Kareem Abdul Jabbar and James Worthy of the Los Angeles Lakers wear. **Roger Harden** dished out four assists on the evening, upping his season total 46. Among those in attendance were the eight prep teams participating in the **Hillbrook Classic** (December 21). **East Carolina's** leading rebounder on the night was 6-5 forward **Manuel Jones** with four. UK outrebounded the Pirates **45 to 24**. UK's bench hit on 13 of 18 from the field for an impressive **73.3** percent. Kentucky's one and only freshman, **Irving Thomas** has still failed to connect on a field goal. He played eight minutes and did put up an attempt. On the near scuffle **Winston Bennett** said, "You never think of an action like that as a benefit because that's not showing class for either one of our programs. I'm sorry that I got into it. I've been known to get into situations like that."

**Walker From Outside****Winston Bennett**

OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE												Date	Site										
VISITORS (Last Name, First)													RUPP ARENA										
No.	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO	BLK	S											
EAST CAROLINA																							
25	H. Henry	f	4	10	2	2	1	3	10	30	1	1	0	0									
24	K. Sledge	f	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	12	1	3	0	0									
42	L. Bass	c	2	6	4	4	3	5	8	20	0	0	0	0									
10	S. Hardy	g	0	5	1	3	1	0	1	19	2	2	0	0									
11	C. Vanderhorst	g	2	4	0	0	1	2	4	17	1	3	0	1									
21	H. Dixon	g	5	6	0	0	1	3	10	15	2	2	0	1									
22	J. Williams	f	1	3	0	2	2	1	2	16	0	0	0	1									
32	A. Clark	f	1	4	0	1	1	4	2	21	0	2	1	1									
33	M. Jones	g	4	7	0	1	4	4	8	16	0	2	0	1									
34	J. Turnbull	g	2	4	1	1	2	0	5	6	0	0	0	1									
35	B. Battle	g	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	1									
40	W. Grady	g	0	2	2	2	1	1	2	4	0	1	0	0									
55	J. Kelly	g	0	1	0	0	4	3	0	20	3	5	0	0									
TEAM REBOUNDS (included in Totals)												2											
TOTALS												21	52	10	16	42	31	52	200	10	21	1	7
FG %: 1st Half 11-23=47.8												2nd Half 19-29=65.5	Game 21-52=40.4		Deadball Rebounds 2								
FT %: 1st Half 2-4=50.0												2nd Half 9-12=75.0	Game 10-16=62.5										
HOME																							
No.	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO	BLK	S											
KENTUCKY																							
25	Winston Bennett	f	4	6	3	6	9	3	11	24	1	1	0	1									
34	Kenny Walker	f	3	9	13	14	7	1	19	26	2	1	2	1									
10	James Blackmon	c	8	12	2	4	6	1	18	21	2	0	0	0									
15	Ed Davender	g	1	5	0	0	4	2	2	24	2	1	0	2									
23	Roger Harden	g	3	8	1	2	3	1	7	25	4	3	0	1									
00	Leroy Byrd	g	2	2	2	2	1	1	6	11	0	0	0	3									
14	Paul Andrews	g	0	0	2	2	0	3	2	11	3	0	0	0									
30	Irving Thomas	g	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	8	0	3	0	1									
32	Todd Ziegler	g	4	0	1	2	2	6	0	11	0	1	0	0									
42	Richard Madison	g	2	3	3	4	1	0	7	11	0	2	0	0									
44	Robert Lock	g	0	1	2	6	4	2	2	15	0	4	0	0									
55	Cedric Jenkins	g	3	4	0	0	6	2	6	13	0	1	0	0									
TEAM REBOUNDS (included in Totals)												2											
TOTALS												29	54	28	41	45	20	86	200	14	17	2	9
FG %: 1st Half 10-25=40.0												2nd Half 19-29=65.5	Game 29-54=53.7		Deadball Rebounds 4								
FT %: 1st Half 16-20=80.0												2nd Half 12-12=100.0	Game 28-41=68.3										
OFFICIALS																							
Galvan, Jones, Tanner																							
SCORE BY PERIODS																							
EAST CAROLINA 24 28 52																							
KENTUCKY 36 50 86																							
Technical Fouls: EAST CAROLINA 24 28 52																							
KENTUCKY 36 50 86																							
Attendance: 22,416																							
Copyright 1985 National Collegiate Athletic Association																							



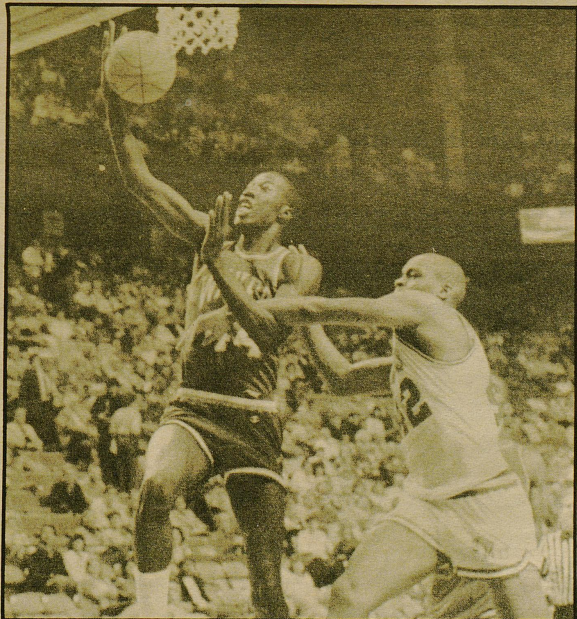
Pepperdine Holds On To Defeat SMU In OT

Dwayne Polee and Eric White each scored 20 points as Pepperdine blew an early 17-point lead, but rallied in overtime to edge Southern Methodist University 75-68 in the opening round of the 33rd annual University of Kentucky Invitational Tournament Friday night at Rupp Arena.

Pepperdine also got 11 points from forward Anthony Frederick and 10 points from Jon Korfas in winning its seventh game of the year against only one defeat.

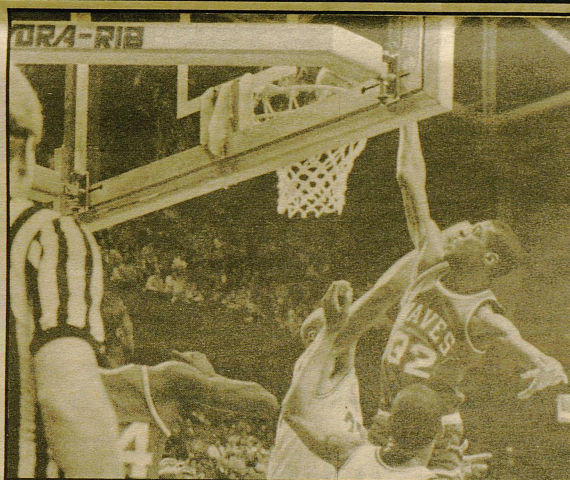
"It was a strange game," said Pepperdine coach Jim Harrick, "with us blowing a 17-point lead. Our zone hurt them and our scouting report indicated it would."

"It was uncharacteristic of us to lose a big lead like that," continued Harrick. "We got cautious and I got on them a bit about that. It was a game of momentum. First we had it and then they had it and then we had it at the end. I'd much rather have momentum early because it is so hard to catch up."



Waves' Fredrick On The Move

Photo by Gary Cronwell



Polee Scores Two

Pepperdine took a commanding lead midway through the first half at 21-12 with 8:17 left. That was in the middle of a 14-0 run which improved a 15-12 advantage to a 29-12 score with only 6:18 left in the first period.

SMU rallied quickly and narrowed the deficit to three (33-30) at the half behind John Colburne, Kevin Lewis and Randy Jones. Actually, SMU took the lead early in the second half twice on baskets by Colburne and Williams.

Pepperdine tied the game at 38-38 on Frederick's free throw and Pepperdine never trailed again in the game, although there were four ties later in the contest.

After Pepperdine moved back in front, SMU rallied in the final six minutes and finally sent the game into overtime when Jones hit a basket with just ten seconds left in regulation.

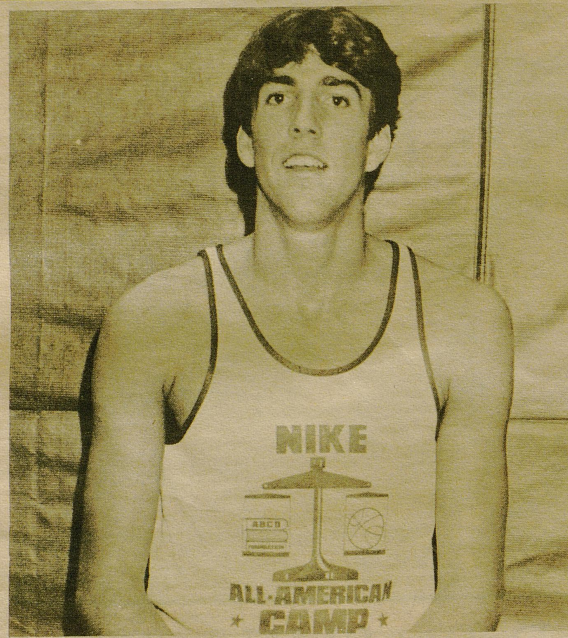
After a couple early ties in overtime, Pepperdine put the game away on back-to-back baskets by White and Frederick.

SMU also got 20-point performances from Kevin Lewis and Terry Williams while Butch Moore and Randy Jones added 10 points each.

Although outrebounded by SMU 31-28, Pepperdine hit a hot 53.7 percent from the floor on 29 of 54 while SMU was credited with a 48.3 percentage on 29 of 60. SMU hit a perfect 100 percent from the free throw line, canning all ten shots while Pepperdine was good on 17 of 23 for 73.9 percent.

"I thought we played a very fine basketball team," said SMU coach Dave Bliss. "It's difficult to spot a team as good as they are a 17-point lead in the first half and try to come back to win. It was really a learning experience for our kids."

Meet A Blue-Chipper



Mark Randall

Randall's Package Features Almighty Round-House Dunk

MARK RANDALL, 6-8, 190 lbs., SR., 23.5 ppg., 11.5 rpg., Cherry Creek H.S./Englewood CA. Projected as the next Bobby Jones ... excellent speed, mobility and leaping ability ... "One of the best I've ever seen at filling the lane on the fast break and completing the play," said Kansas Assistant Coach Alvin Gentry ... will go up in a crowd and deliver a potent, round-house dunk ... also described as a "player who does not excel in any one phase of the game, but is good at everything" ... can please the crowd and the coach at the same time ... great work ethics ... attends the largest high school in Colorado and will be coached this year by former ABA great Mack Calvin ... first team All-Colorado selection last year ... Will play for Larry Brown and Kansas.

Coach Eddie Sutton's Postgame Comments

Following are Coach Eddie Sutton's postgame comments after Kentucky defeated East Carolina 86-52 in first round action of the UKIT.

Question: Your comments on the game?

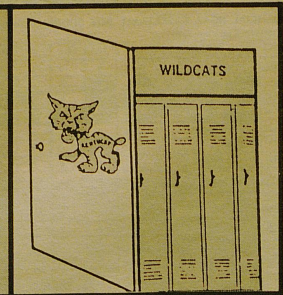
Sutton: "I thought we opened the ballgame and played very well. We went through 'death valley' there for a little while; I didn't think we were ever going to score a field goal. There was at least ten minutes (first half) where we didn't score a field goal. Then just before the half we came back and played very well again. Most of our points in the first half came off our defense or at the free throw line. We didn't execute very well, offensively. In the second half we played much better; we broke the game open. If we can play 40 minutes like we played at times (tonight) then we could be a good basketball team. We're happy to win the ballgame and you certainly have to give East Carolina credit. They scrapped very hard for the first 20 minutes of

the ballgame. I'm very happy for the young man on my left here (James Blackmon); he's starting to hit some outside shots, but there is a reason for that — he's worked very hard this week on his perimeter shooting. Believe me, he felt that he could hit the perimeter shot tonight. Winston (Bennett) did a great job, as always, defensively. He did a super job on the boards for us.

Question: Was the team lulled into a false sense of security once it got its early lead?

Sutton: I didn't see the first ballgame but maybe that can happen to you sometimes when you get ahead too far, too fast. (SMU erased a 17-point Pepperdine lead before losing in overtime). But again, you have to give credit to the other ballclubs. They didn't roll over and die. But we certainly did a poor job during that stretch of getting good shots off the offense. Our defense kept us in the ballgame.

Inside The Locker Room



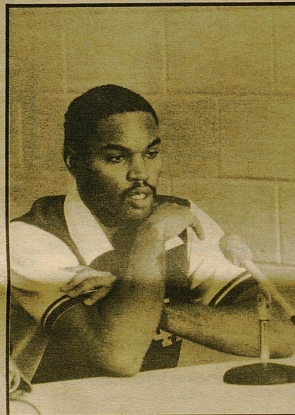
JAMES BLACKMON

(About his shooting)

Blackmon: The biggest thing is confidence and putting it up. I've been shooting for a long time, I feel like I can shoot, so I've just got to keep my confidence up.

(About if he had lost his touch)

Blackmon: Well, it isn't that I've lost it ... I've just had a couple of bad games. I missed a couple of shots that I felt I could have made. When you start worrying about that ... I've just got to keep it out of mind.



(About his whole game)

Blackmon: I'm just trying to concentrate on the whole game. If I can concentrate on defense my offense will come around.

(About preparing for a game)

Blackmon: Well, I try to go out and play hard and give a 100 percent everytime. If the shots fall then that's better for me. The first shot helps a lot, it gets your confidence up.

put it to us. It doesn't show class for either one of our teams. That's something I'm just going to have to shy away from.

(About his outside shooting)

Bennett: Under Coach (Joe) Hall I was relied on for a lot of inside play. Coming back this year Coach Sutton put us all on a weight program and I was able to strengthen my knee. I feel more confident about my jump.

(About the reserves scoring)

Bennett: We always feel enthusiastic when our starting five can come out and give our reserves a chance to play.

From Pepperdine game

ROGER HARDEN

(About the game)

Harden: We knew what they were going to do prior to the game, especially when they isolated on (Dwayne) Polce. He's a great



WINSTON BENNETT

(About the scuffle)

Bennett: I think that was just a matter of two teams going out and playing tough and emotional. East Carolina was not going to roll over and play dead; they were going to come out and

ballplayer. They were trying to get a lot of offense out of him, but I think Eddie Davender did a tremendous job shutting him down. We (Davender) got great help on defense — the guards did from our inside people. I think that our defense really created a lot of problems tonight for them. That's what we wanted to go out and do.

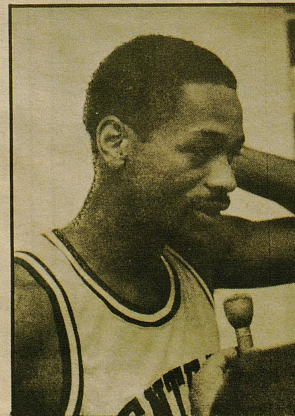
(About how important it was to win two ballgames this weekend)

Harden: I think it was very important for our confidence. We all know that we didn't play very well out at Kansas.

Following are East Carolina's coach Charlie Harrison's postgame comments after the Prates were defeated by Kentucky:

Question: Your comments on the game?

Harrison: We missed some easy shots and this led to some easy shots for them. And they really pounded the offensive boards. I think this was the big difference in the second half. Their defense took its toll. They made it difficult for us to run our offense. It is a very fine defensive team. Their half-court defensive scheme is awfully good. We did a good job of defending Kentucky in the first half. We thought we might be able to lay off Blackmon but he was hitting. He is a very good player, or he wouldn't be here.



Dream Game V May Be The Best One Yet

Sutherland & Hacker Give Views On UL-UK

Having played each other only once in 24 seasons prior to 1983, Louisville and Kentucky will hook up for the fifth time this Saturday afternoon. Ever since the contest in Knoxville, where the Cards and Cats battled in a wild, memorable overtime affair, state fans get easily revved up prior, during and after when these two play on the same court.

Two men, who actually have close ties to both schools — color commentators Jock Sutherland for U of L and UK's Ralph Hacker — recently had their brains picked by TCP about the upcoming showdown. (Sorry about using the needles, guys.)

First of all here's a little background on the two gentlemen.

Sutherland is the man Wildcat fans love to hate. On WHAS' weekly 'Sound-Off' program, his quick and funny quipes toward UK stir up many a 'Blue' tornado throughout Kentucky and nearby states to Wildcat fans who listen to the show. But behind those snide and tedious remarks is a **Kentucky Fan** — a supporter of all Kentucky teams.



Nick Nicholas

Cats' Pause Columnist

He just happens to cover the Louisville Cardinals . . . and it's something he is very proud of.

Scouting for the late Adolph Rupp was one of Sutherland's proudest moments. As well as scouting opposing talent off and on for UK up until 1978, Sutherland also worked as an assistant for C.M. Newton at Alabama, and coached Lexington Lafayette to the state title in 1979. After a stint at WVLC he ended up following the Cards for WHAS.

His only encounter with Eddie Sutton came when the UK coach was at Arkansas.

"I scouted Arkansas when Kentucky beat 'em in the NCAA," noted Sutherland about one of his UK assignments in 1978. "I went to Albuquerque (site of West Regional) and watched them play against Fullerton State. I saw him then and I remembered he had on two-tone shoes."

Though he is considered too comical at times on his and Van Vance's talk show, when it comes to announcing games Sutherland tells it like it is on both sides of the ledger.

Speaking of the other side, Hacker, who is Cawood Ledford's sidekick, has been covering UK sports since 1966, when he did play-by-play for the freshmen basketball team. Hacker, president and general manager for Lexington's WVLC radio station, is in his 14th season of doing 'color' for the UK hoopsers.

One would think that Hacker is Big Blue all the way, and in many cases he is. He almost has to be, because like Sutherland it's his job. He noted, however, "I think so much of the Louisville basketball program and have always admired it, especially the last 10 years because of (Denny) Crum. I think he's one of the great coaches in America. He does a super, super job. I'm really a Denny Crum fan."

Although a friend and admirer of Crum, many UK listeners probably expect him and Ledford to call the game strictly from a Big Blue angle. It doesn't work that way as Hacker sees this game as a 'professional' challenge for him to work.

"I try to make it in my mind, for the listener, another ballgame," conferred Hacker. "For me personally, inside I'm torn a little bit in pulling for Kentucky, because of following the Wildcats. And of course down deep I want Kentucky to win, but it's a challenge for me, professionally. Because of us (Kentucky Network) having WHAS and WAVG in Louisville, and having the loyalties in the city so divided, I want to play it right down the middle."

"I want to try and tell it as it happens, not what I really want to happen."

In trying to describe the upcoming roundball showdown, Hacker talked more on the lines of history, hoopla and what ever else may be a factor while Sutherland gave his views of both team's performers.

"The difference between me and Jock — I think I'm a 'color person' and he's an analyst," said Hacker. "There is a difference. I'm not qualified to rate players by position. I've never coached a basketball game in my life. I played but I was a high school player. . . I don't feel like I'm an 'X' and 'O' person."

"I can give you the color surrounding it, tell you the history of the players; I can do all those sort of things. . . but I'm not an X and O person."

So now that we're familiar with the two announcers let's get the show underway.

In X's and O's fashion, Sutherland believed that Kentucky was playing a little better than the Cardinals of Louisville. But this was prior to Kentucky being soundly defeated by Kansas. . . and this was before Louisville narrowly escaped with wins over visiting Western Kentucky and Indiana ballclubs.

Here is the way the Louisville announcer sees it.

Sutherland was quick to point out the outstanding talents of "two great basketball players." *UK Forward Kenny Walker* — "I personally think that Kenny Walker is the best 40-minute forward in the country. And by that I mean the guy comes in and plays as hard as he can play at both ends for 40 minutes. He's probably the toughest inside person in the country to defend because he moves so well without the ball. Therefore it's almost impossible to keep him from getting in position to receive the ball."

U of L Forward Billy Thompson — "He (Walker) doesn't have as many skills as Billy. Billy can bring the ball down the court real well, and is a good passer in the running game. As a two-footed straight up leaper Billy, believe it or not, is probably a better jumper than Walker. Walker is better on a one-step jump. Walker plays harder all the time. His (Walker) ability to concentrate for 40 minutes is better. I think you can then say that he can play with more intensity longer than Billy does."

Concerning the other forwards, Sutherland has all the praise in the world for Winston Bennett. "I doubt if there is a forward in the country that is a more ferocious player than Winston

Bennett. He takes no prisoners. You could put Godzilla in there and Winston would go out there and call him a bad name just to get his attention.

"This year the guy is shooting his shot with a lot softer touch. He's become more of a threat on the outside. I think he's a much better player right now."

Six-foot-seven Herbert Crook is considered a very strong offensive rebounder, "but is not quite as hard-nosed as Winston."

As far as Kentucky's guards are concerned, he feels that Roger Harden and Ed Davender are helping the team in their own way, while James Blackmon has still not been able to come around. And if he was the Kentucky coach and had his pick of two guards from U of L and UK, one of them would be Harden.

"The Harden kid is really terrific right now in his role." "The other Kentucky players accept and appreciate what he does for them. He does the dirty work — he gets the ball down and feeds all the people and gets it to them in positions to capitalize. I think they love him for that and they accept him in a leadership role."

Though he's been slow coming around, 6-5 Milt Wagner could any time regain the outstanding form he showed two years ago. Sutherland remarked that physically he's completely recovered from his broken foot.

"He's had a lot of shots go in and out early and he's kind of lost his confidence," said Sutherland the day following the win over Purdue. "Instead of taking what he used to take, he'll put it on the floor and get in a crowd and take it. When he does these things. . . he just becomes another good guard but not a great guard."

During his junior season (two years ago) Wagner led the Cards in scoring (16.6 ppg), assists (3.9) and free throw percentage (84.9). With those figures he was named to the All-Metro team and was a preseason All-America selection before breaking his foot early last season.

"If Milt Wagner was Milt Wagner, oh my goodness, they would have the best set of guards in the country. . . Maybe by the December 28th he may have gotten closer back to being Milt."

Jeff Hall, a native of Ashland, is someone who gets the most out of his talents.

"Jeff Hall is as good a shooter as you'll ever find. The tougher the situation the better he shoots. He's not a very quick guard but he has learned over the years now how to use a screen well."

"He's a very dedicated player."

While giving the edge to Louisville in having the most talent at hand in the guard slot, Sutherland considers the backcourt starters to be pretty even.

In the middle, he feels that "Kentucky has a gaping hole. So far (Cedric) Jenkins or (Robert) Lock have not been able to do it. Lock can't keep up with 'em. . . and Jenkins every now and then and shows signs of being able to come in there and do some things. But he still hasn't arrived."

Evidently, Louisville has found a 'keeper' in freshman Pervis Ellison. The 6-10 center is a star of the future if not already.

"Ellison will prove, when the year's over, that he is the best freshman pivot man in the country in Division I basketball. This guy has not only got the skill but he's got the longest arms in the world. He'd be a great thief. He works hard in practice."

"I don't think Kentucky has anyone who can touch him as far as his ability in the pivot is concerned."

On the bench, Louisville has the advantage with Kevin Walls, forward/guard Tony Kimbro, last year's television MVP of the DePaul-U of L contest, Mike Abrams, Mark McSwain and Kenny Payne.

As for Richard Madison, Sutherland says he has the potential, but hasn't come anywhere near to showing it yet.

Sutherland contributed a lot of Kentucky's success to Sutton, who he called "a today's (type of) guy."

"I think Eddie is taking about seven players — the starters plus Madison and maybe Jenkins — and really concentrated on playing those seven. It's easy to take that many players and get them to do what you want them to do."

"Denny, on the other hand, is taking 15 players and for sure 11 of them are contenders for the eight spots that you need. So, he's trying to play 10 and 11 people. Louisville does more offensively and defensively, but require more learning. Everytime you make a change with 10 or 11 different people you've got a whole new look."

In regards to Crum and Sutton he said that "both coaches are certainly in the Top Ten in the country."

"I would say that Eddie has proven that he can prepare for a team as well as Denny. But I don't think anybody does the job on the bench, from the time they throw it up until the game's over, than Denny Crum."

"They're both very sound and recognize what they need to do to win. They're both heavyweights without a doubt."

Sutherland's prediction — Louisville. "It will be between two teams that are trying to establish themselves as bona fide, legitimate contenders for the Final Four."

A view from Kentucky's color announcer.

As far as looking at the color of this rivalry, Hacker talked about the pressure of Eddie Sutton's first UL-UK game, the outside involvement and about Denny Crum.

Coaching his first UL-UK game Sutton will feel less pressure than former coach Joe B. Hall did, according to Hacker.

"Joe was on record of having opposed the series. He fought the series from the beginning. Eddie was not in on that particular thing, so for him it is a game of lining up and playing against an in-state school."

"It's a school (where Sutton's) probably not even looking at as an in-state, but one of the top programs in America. It's a program that's fast approaching the University of Kentucky if not already there."

Overall, he feels that Sutton will prepare the Wildcats for this game like any other Top Twenty contest. For instance, if Georgetown or Kansas were coming to play UK the same principals would be used.

It's just another big game.

With Hall opposing the series, the UK announcer felt there was that extra pressure on

[Continued On Page 25]

Holiday Tidings Extended To The Sports World

Here's Hoping Fans Get What They Want, Too

Happy holidays to You.

Yes Virginia, after watching a profusion of television specials about Coach Santa Claus and his short-on-height, but long-on-depth teams these last few weeks, my faith in the legend of Old St. Nick is restored.

But, like my 6-year-old daughter said last Thursday, "I'll bet Santa sure will be tired by Christmas Eve, dad, after visiting the kids at all those malls."

Christmas can be a tiring time too. And I'm sure you are weary of my week-in and week-out opinions on this team and that one.

So, this week, a bit of a respite. In keeping with the spirit of the season, allow me to extend a few sincere, (and some not so sincere) holiday wishes to a few special people. Some of them we know very well, others are not so recognizable, but they make it happen in sports just the same. *The Fans.*



Bob Watkins
Cats' Pause Columnist

It is my fondest holiday wish that...

Pervis Ellison... Louisville's prize freshman center has the serenity to remember who he is.

Howard Cosell... has the serenity to realize who he isn't.

Al McGuire... has the serenity to realize that he needs some new cliches.

Kentucky Coach Eddie Sutton... has the good sense to remember who *really* pays the freight.

Louisville Coach Denny Crum... stops making TV commercials for Cadillac.

Roy House of London, Ky.... gets to make a road trip with the University of Louisville basketball team Feb. 22...to Houston.

Jerry Claiborne... a partridge in a pair tree and three recruits like Ken Pietrowiak.

Al Baker... has the good sense to realize that his future is in Kentucky.

Dick Butkus... will make more TV commercials with Bubba, Boobie, Billy, Boog...and Rodney.

Bruce Springsteen... will be nominated for a Nobel Prize.

Western Kentucky Coach Clem Haskins... will get word from his school's administration that the coach and team are in for a vote of confidence Christmas gift — a new 5-year contract for Haskins.

Winston Bennett... will be reminded by his family doctor that it takes fewer of the 80 facial muscles to smile than it does to frown.

NCAA's Walter Byars... retires to one of his farms.

NCAA rules committee... throws away the Book.

NCAA executive committee... asks Bob Knight, Denny Crum, John Thompson, Rollie Massamino, Bob Cremins and Lou Carnesecca to be part of a committee to rewrite NCAA recruiting guidelines.

John McEnroe... will have a personality transplant before the next Wimbledon.

Chris Evert-Lloyd... has one more glorious day against Martina Navratilova.

Joe Theismann... has the gumption enough to take his money and run.

Mary Lou Retton... will remain energized for Seoul.

UK's Eddie Sutton... has an afternoon with Wildcat fan David Hall of McRoberts, Ky.

David Hall... receives two tickets in the mail for the UK-Tennessee game, Jan. 25 at Rupp Arena.

Zola Budd... earns another date with Mary Slaney in Seoul.

Kenny Walker... has a visit with Virginia Harvley of Sonora, Ky.

Rod Messer of London, Ky.... gets to make a road trip with the University of Kentucky basketball team Jan. 18...to Florida.

Kenny Walker... will start a new fade in eyewear.

Tom Marshall of Mt. Sterling, Ky.... successfully taps into Kentucky's basketball computer (recruiting) system.

Rex Chapman... finds a compatibility level with reaching his potential and having a good college experience.

Hal Teegarden of Brooksville, Ky.... gets to hang out for an afternoon with Rex Chapman and Eddie Sutton.

Bobby Knight... spends a year on assignment...following Washington Post writer John Feinstein around in preparation for a novel on the sports media.

Dan Issel... gets a ton of money from his book *Parting Shots* and gives a chunk of it to charity.

Joan Benoit... an old hat and 26 miles of good road in Seoul.

Letters to Santa Claus

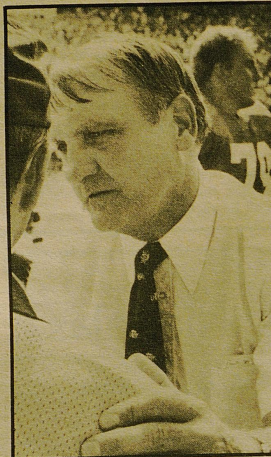
Kids are extra wonderful at Christmas time aren't they? What follows is a collection of letters to Santa from little kids in Kentucky I chanced to read this week.

• From Kelli: "Dear Santa, I have been good. I want a book, skate board, drum and a pen that writes in red, white, blue and green. Logan is still a rat. Don't bring him much."

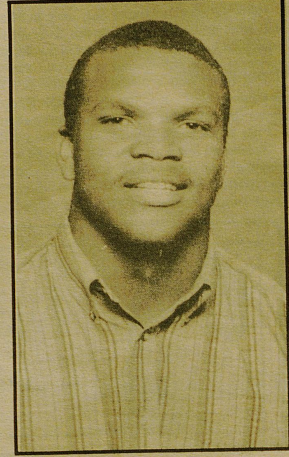
• From Jamie: "Dear Santa, I will leave you 19 cookies and 18 glasses of milk."

• From Tiffany: "Dear Santa, Watch the chimney because we haven't cleaned it this year."

• From Mary Elizabeth: "Dear Santa, I would like only one thing. Give the kids something that don't have a mom or dad."



Jerry Claiborne



Al Baker

• From Relukah: "Dear Santa. Will you bring me something to go from Pasquilles Pizza Friday night at about 9 or 10?"

Comment: Kids. They're the best game in town, aren't they?

Cheers and jeers

Yes, the holiday season has a few of these as well.

CHEERS to Pat Williams, GM for the Philadelphia 76ers on North Carolina State Coach Jim Valvano. "They had a scandal at his place," Williams quipped. "They found three players in the library."

JEERS to former heavyweight boxing champion Larry Holmes for saying, "Rocky Marciano couldn't carry my jockstrap."

CHEERS To Steve Garvey who said, "When they asked God to make a baseball player He carved out Pete Rose. The rest of us were made from the chips off the mold."

Comment: Wonder who *they* were?

JEERS to the so-called Seat Belt Rule in high school basketball. It keeps a coach on the bench while the ball is in play at risk of a technical foul.

CHEERS Maybe some good will come of the rule. Coaches will behave themselves.

Special salute

Acknowledgement to a fellow named Art Spander, a sports columnist in San Francisco who last summer posed the rhetorical question, "Where have the (sports) heroes gone? Joe DiMaggio...Joe Louis et al...?"

"What we hate to see is a world of sports turned upside down where the winners are graceless and the losers are tactless, where we're so concerned about the destination we can't enjoy the journey. We need athletes who are worth idolizing, athletes who want to win but know how to lose."

Parting shots

■ From Clinton County a snicker about former UK basketball coach Joe B. Hall, now a banker in Lexington.

"Did you hear the one about Joe B. Hall being taken hostage in a bank building?"

Seems the robbers were holding Hall and the bank guards could have gotten the situation under control if it had not been for the problems they were encountering from Hall.

He kept shouting, "Don't let the guards shoot! Don't let the guards shoot!"

Comment: Hmmm.

■ In October Minnesota football coach Lou Holtz was warning his coaching colleagues not to put too much faith in *lifetime* contracts. "At some schools a lifetime contract means if you're ahead in the third quarter, and moving the football, they can't fire you."

Two months later Holtz was the new coach at Notre Dame.

Comment: Holtz's new team had better do more than "move the football in the third quarter."

■ Seems a well-to-do college football coach was told that his star freshman running back would not be eligible to play in an important game in mid-season because of academic problems.

"But we've got the big one coming up Saturday," the coach pleaded with the adviser. "Can't you find some kind of test he can pass so he can play at least this week?"

All right, coach, the adviser said. "call the boy in. If he answers one question correctly then he can play."

The player came into the office.

"Add 2 plus 2 and you can play," the faculty man said.

"Two plus two," the young man mused. He thought it over for a couple of minutes and then a light seemed to go on. "Four!" he said with emphasis.

Standing nearby the coach yelled as if in pain. "Give him another chance! Give him another chance!"

And so it goes.

Happiest holiday greetings. ■

Kentucky Teams Win 3 of 4 In Hillbrook

By Jim Griesch

Of four high-piwered out-of-state basketball visitors to the 1985 Hillbrook Classic in Rupp Arena last Saturday, only Hyattsville, Md., DeMatha Catholic survived.

The day most certainly belonged to the host Kentucky teams.

Lexington Tates Creek proved too sophisticated for South Aiken, S. Car., 64-50 in the 9 a.m. opener. Lexington Lafayette out-quickened Macon, Ga., Southwest by 54-51. DeMatha edged Scott County 61-59, after falling behind by three with less than a minute to go. Finally, Mason County High made a point for small, quick players by upending Romulus, Mich., High and one-time Kentucky recruiting hopeful Terry Mills, 70-64.

Creepers Cranked Up: Tates Creek moved quickly out of the early-morning starting blocks, taking an 18-8 lead after one quarter, then moving to 33-231 at the half.

That, essentially, was the game. South Aiken featured 6-11 James Munlyn, who has signed with Georgia Tech. Nobody on the Tates Creek team is over 6-5. Munlyn, once on UK's list of wanted recruits, is a smooth shooter, getting 22 points on 10-of-15 shooting from the floor. Actually, Munlyn is more of a finesse player, weighing perhaps 180 pounds, and is like UK's Cedric Jenkins, only with a smoother jump shot.

Tates Creek's Jerome Coles, only 6-4 but a 210-pounder, was able to keep Munlyn in check, especially in the first half, and worked his way around the big man for 10 first half points, which equalled Munlyn's early efforts. Coles finished with 17.

But, the stars offensively for Tates Creek were the game's high scorer, Brian Lane (son of Transylvania University head coach Don Lane) with 26a (11 of 16 from the floor), and point guard Ben DeVary, who had 0 points but 11 assists.

DeVary is a two-sport star, quarterbacking the football team as well as the basketball team. He is the younger brother of Centre College's Coby DeVary.

Young DeVary indicated he is definitely interested in attending college, but is unsure which sport to pursue. He said he is seriously considering following Coby to Centre because he said, "I like both coach (Tom) Bryant (basketball) and coach (John) McDaniel (football)."

He also said he is seriously considering Rollins College in Florida.

Coles, incidentally, had a game-high 15 rebounds, besting Munlyn by 10.

South Aiken coach Mike Roberts noted that the game was "the earliest we've ever played, and all my kids were a little tight since this is the first trip of this nature we've ever taken."

He noted straight-faced, "I'm not sure if there is a building in South Carolina as big as this (Rupp Arena)."

He also explained why South Aiken did not seem to go to Munlyn every trip down the floor early, when Tates Creek was taking command.

"We preach to our kids more on team play, but I would like to have seen the ball in his hands as much as possible. It was not by design (that he didn't handle the ball much within the offense early)."

Munlyn did play well in the second half, as his teammates got the ball to him more. He hit a nice assortment of jumpers, stuffs, and the boards. It was simply too late.

Roberts also complimented the play of DeVary, saying, "He is a very smart player. He handles the ball very, very well."

Tates Creek is now 3-3, while South Aiken is 4-2.

The Creepers' Nolan Barger noted effort was a key. "We played harder than we have been. That was the big difference."

He added, "I haven't been pleased with our play before this, but I am proud of the guys now. We have been getting outcompeted in positioning, both on defense and on the boards, but we have been playing good teams."

South Aiken lost starting guard Dexter Smith early with an ankle injury, but Roberts did not use that as an excuse. He thought more of his conference season than in letting him try to hobble on a sore ankle.

The coach explained, "He has had a nagging injury, and he felt he could have played more. But, we start our conference play in January, and I would rather not have taken a chance."

Generals Get By On Enlisted Help: The Lafayette Generals pulled off an even more spectacular upset than did Tates Creek.

Lafayette got 29 super minutes from starting sophomore guard Darrell Hill after leading scorer Prince Stewart, the other guard, sprained an ankle after only three minutes of play.

Hill canned a couple of foul shots in the closing seconds to ensure the 54-51 win.

Southwest Macon sports two superb 6-6 players in senior Earl Wise and junior Eric Manuel, and had been ranked as high as eighth in the country by USA Today, the national daily newspaper.

But, Manuel had an off morning, going just 2-of-11 from the floor. Wise was 6-of-10, and wound up with 13 points and 12 rebounds.

But, it wasn't either of the two Southwesterners, nor was it the diminutive Hill who was the game's scoring star. That honor belonged to Lafayette's Mike Gay, a 6-5 senior who came up with 21 points and eight rebounds to make up for the loss of Stewart.

Gay was 8-of-12 from the floor, 5-of-8 from the line.

Lafayette coach Donnie Harville, who had seen his team disappear the week before against talent-laden Oak Hill Academy of Virginia, 81-57, noted: "We hadn't been able to sustain ourselves in previous games. Today, we did. We had to."

He also agreed that Hill made up for two or three serious floor errors, such as getting tag-

ged with two charging calls on made baskets. Both shots were disallowed.

"Being a sophomore, we allow him to do that (make an occasional error), but he is a talented and quick young man."

Harville must still be marveling over what such a win over so highly-touted an opponent can do for his club, especially without his star guard.

Harville wasn't sure what Stewart's status will be. "He turned his ankle. It's so severe we couldn't put him back in. He'll have to have some treatment the next two or three days."

Don Richardson, Macon Southwest's veteran coach, and a man who has produced major college talent for several years, was left wondering about playing at 10:45 a.m.

"I didn't know what to do (about a routine)," he said. "I didn't know when to get up, when to eat, keep them up, or what."

The coach said he had his team up for breakfast at 7 a.m., then kept them out of their rooms to keep them from getting sleepy just before game time.

He didn't think his plan worked this time. "They (Lafayette) played better than we did. We stood around a lot. We were flatfooted. We couldn't move out feet."

He also admitted, "This is the first time we've played this early, but, then, so did they."

He said of Lafayette: "They shot well. But, I would like to think that our worst game (this year) wasn't as bad as tonight (today)."

Macon had been 7-0 before running into Gay, Hill and the Generals. Actually, both teams moved the ball and got after each other up and down the floor. But, Lafayette worked to a 32-27 lead at the half, and always seemed to hang tough in the second half.



Persley and Mustaf

DeMatha Magic Works: What might have been. Scott County came so close to making the Hillbrook a 4-0 Kentucky sweep.

But, the Cardinals didn't. With 53 seconds left in the game, Scott seemed to be in good shape.

At that point, star Frank Persley slapped down a pass into the middle, dribbled most of the length of the floor and slammed down a thunder dunk while being fouled (intentionally said referees Rick Chasteen and John Radjunas). The burly center cashed in both foul shots and Scott led 57-54.

But, with 36 seconds left, Maryland-bound Steve Hood of DeMatha put in a rebound shot to cut it to 57-56.

At the 34 second mark, Persley was fouled. He missed the front end of the one-and-bonus, then fouled going for his rebound.

Rod Balanis hit both foul shots to put DeMatha back into the lead for good. Seconds later, John Gwynn stole the ball and was fouled by Mike Dickerson. He hit both shots for a 60-57 lead.

Gwynn got another foul shot with nine seconds left after a Scott turnover, and that sealed the game. Scott got a meaningless basket at the buzzer to cut the margin to 61-59.

But, legendary DeMatha coach Morgan Wooten was generous in his praise of Scott County. He said, "Scott County is every bit as good as (defending state champion) Hopkinsville (which edged DeMatha earlier this season in an out-of-state tournament in overtime. That is a real tribute."

Shooting, he said, played a difference in the outcome of the two games.

"Today, we hit 23 of 43 and Scott hit 23 of 48. Against Hopkinsville, we shot about 38 percent, and they hit about 55 percent."

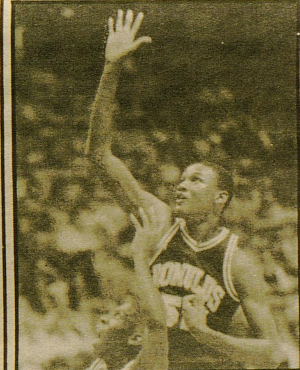
He also said, "We play a lot of places. We've already been in Pennsylvania, Missouri and South Carolina this year. Teams come all over to our place, but I have the utmost respect for Kentucky. The balance in this state is awesome."

DeMatha is 2-2 in the Hillbrook, having played each of the last three years before this season. They were 0-w-2, but have a two-game streak going now.

Scott, which has struggled to a 3-3 mark after being an early choice for the state crown, got 25 points from Persley and 15 from Dickerson.

But, DeMatha, which has seen every senior get a scholarship to a college in Wooten's long tenure, simply had sooo many players. They played nine, in even this tight game. Each seemed to contribute. Balanis, for instance, made a mistake that cost his team a four-point lead at the end of the third quarter. Wooten was proud that he got the important foul shots inside the final minute.

Persley easily outplayed 6-9 super sophomore Jerrod Mustaf in a highlight personal battle. But, Mustaf had just three points at the half, and finished with 13. That pleased Wooten. Hood also seemed to get going late in the game, hitting jump shots with defenders in his face. Wooten said, "He's our man in the clutch. He hit some crucial baskets."



Romulus' Terry Mills

Mills, Mason: My, Oh, My! Romulus, Mich., High may have lost to scrappy Mason County, but Michigan-bound Terry Mills absolutely proved he can play with anyone in the country.

Mills hit 13 of 24 shots from the floor, on dunks, drives, reverses along the baseline, and from 30 feet to get Romulus a 51-49 lead after three quarters.

The big man also had 15 rebounds and six blocked shots to dominate the stats.

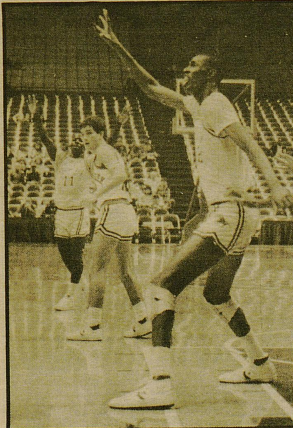
But, it was Mason County that had 5-8 salt-and-pepper guards Jerry Butler and Tony Jackson, and tough-as-nails 6-6 junior Deron Felhaus to lead the way.

The guards did such a good job of upsetting Romulus's offense, of making steals and assists and key baskets, that they compensated for all of Mills' immeasurable talents.

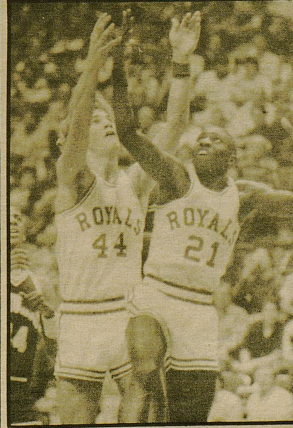
The guards had 25 points between them on 7-of-15 shooting, 11-of-19 foul shooting, and 12 steals (eight by Butler).

They were so good, they actually overshadowed Feldhaus' 25 points, and 6-1 forward Jay Jones' 15.

[Continued On Page 19]



James Munlyn



Feldhaus and J. Jones

CALENDAR

A T

December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

Remaining Games

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Jan. 6	at Auburn	8:30 p.m.
Jan. 8	Mississippi	7:35 p.m.
Jan. 11	Alabama	7:35 p.m.
Jan. 15	at Miss. St.	8:30
Jan. 18	at Florida	TBA
Jan. 23	Georgia	8:05 p.m.
Jan. 25	Tennessee	4:05 p.m.
Jan. 29	at LSU	8:05 p.m.
Jan. 31	Auburn	7:35 p.m.
Feb. 2	at N.C. State	1:05p.m.
Feb. 5	Vanderbilt	7:35 p.m.
Feb. 8	at Mississippi	9:05 p.m.
Feb. 13	at Alabama	8:05 p.m.
Feb. 15	Miss. State	7:05 p.m.
Feb. 19	Florida	7:35 p.m.
Feb. 22	at Georgia	TBA
Feb. 27	at Tennessee	8:05 p.m.
Mar. 1	LSU	1:05 p.m.
Mar. 5-8	SEC tourney	TBA



Previous Games

DATE	RESULT	LEADING SCORER, REBOUNDER
Nov. 22	UK 77, NW State 58	W. Bennett 18; W. Bennett 7
Nov. 26	UK 89, Chaminade 57	K. Walker 22; K. Walker 5
Nov. 27	UK 98, U. Hawaii 65	K. Walker 33; K. Walker 10
Dec. 3	UK 84, Cincinnati 54	K. Walker 26; J. Blackmon 7
Dec. 7	UK 63, Indiana 58	Davender 22; Blackmon, Harden, Madison (5 pts)
Dec. 14	Kansas 83, UK 66	Bennett, Walker, Blackmon (12points); Bennett
Dec. 20	UK 86, E. Carolina 52	K. Walker 19; W. Bennett 9
Dec. 21	UK 88, Pepperdine 56	K. Walker 21; K. Walker 10

14 Assist
Roger Harden

UKIT MVP
Kenny Walker

16 Pts. In 2 Games
Robert Lock



Williams Stars As SMU Wins Third Place Game

Terry Williams went on a scoring spree with 24 points, including nine of 12 from the field as SMU held off a stubborn and outmanned East Carolina team 71-62 to win the third place trophy in the 33rd annual University of Kentucky Invitational Tournament Saturday night. SMU never trailed in the game, but was unable to put the East Carolina team away until the final two minutes of the contest.

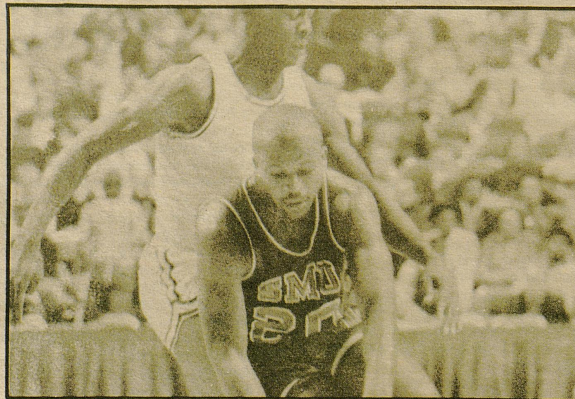
SMU built up an early 18-10 lead, but had its advantage sliced to 33-30 at the halfway point. Williams was followed in scoring by Kevin Lewis who finished the evening with 18 points and Butch Moore who tallied 15 points.

Leon Bass was tops for East Carolina with 17 points followed by Keith Sledge with 14 points and Curt Vanderhorst with 12 points.

Both teams were red-hot from the field with SMU hitting 27 of 43 for a blazing 62.8 percent. East Carolina was a little cooler, hitting 52.8 percent on 28 of 53.

East Carolina, now 4-3, prepares for another tournament this weekend when the Pirates play in the Siena College Invitational.

Meanwhile, SMU, now 6-1, travels to Oklahoma this weekend for the All-College Tournament with Cincinnati, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.



SMU - E. Carolina Action

OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE

VISITORS (Last Name, First)										Date 12-20-85					Site RUPP ARENA				
No.	SOUTHERN METHODIST	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO	BLK	S						
30	R. Jones	f	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	21	2	2	0	2					
42	K. Lewis	f	8	15	2	3	4	2	18	40	0	2	0	1					
33	T. Williams	c	9	12	6	7	9	1	24	37	3	2	0	1					
20	B. Moore	g	4	8	7	8	0	1	15	43	6	1	0	0					
25	S. Johnson	g	3	4	2	2	0	1	8	30	0	2	0	1					
11	J. Fuller		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0					
23	T. Thomas		1	1	0	0	0	1	2	11	0	0	0	0					
34	J. Colburne		2	2	0	0	4	2	4	20	0	2	0	0					
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)																			
TOTALS		27	43	17	21	17	9	71		200	11	11	0	3					
HOME		FG %: 1st Half		2nd Half		Game		Deadball		Rebounds									
FT %: 1st Half		2nd Half		Game															
No.	EAST CAROLINA	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO	BLK	S						
24	K. Sledge	f	7	10	0	0	8	2	14	36	2	2	0	2					
25	M. Henry	f	2	7	0	0	2	4	4	26	0	4	0	0					
42	L. Bass	c	8	12	1	2	6	3	17	24	0	1	0	0					
10	S. Hardy	g	0	1	0	0	0	0	18	18	1	1	0	1					
11	C. Vanderhorst	g	4	8	4	4	3	4	12	22	4	1	0	1					
21	H. Dixon		2	4	0	2	2	0	4	20	3	1	0	0					
22	J. Williams		1	3	0	0	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0					
32	A. Clark		2	4	1	4	1	5	5	25	1	3	1	0					
33	M. Jones		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	1	0	0					
55	J. Kelly		2	3	0	0	2	1	4	20	3	2	0	1					
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)																			
TOTALS		28	53	6	12	27	19	62		200	14	16	1	5					
OFFICIALS:		Tanner, Jones, McGrath		SCORE BY PERIODS		1st H.		2nd H.		OT		OT		FINAL					
Technical Fouls:		S.M.U.		EAST CAROLINA		33		38						71					
Attendance:		8,300		Copyright 1982 National Collegiate Athletic Association										62					

Hoop Sport Is Now In Full Gear

Tarkanians Rebels Off And Running

The motto at **St. Louis University** apparently is, "Be aggressive." Athletic officials there seeking to promote the basketball program have bought air time from powerful radio station **KMOX** for four games. The cost is \$8,000 per game, some of which can be reclaimed in advertising sales, but some of which also will have to be written off to promoting the program. Stay tuned.....

There are no major surprises after a couple week's play, although I must confess **Duke** has gotten out of the gate impressively. The Blue Devils won the NIT and have gotten out of the gate impressively. The Blue Devils won the NIT and have played well despite the absence of forward Jay Bilas. **North Carolina** is everyone's number one, but the team which caught my eye in the **Great Alaska Shootout** was **Jerry Tarkanian's UNLV Running Rebels**. If Tark gets production in the pivot from big **John Flowers** (ex of Indiana) this is a Final Four type team.....



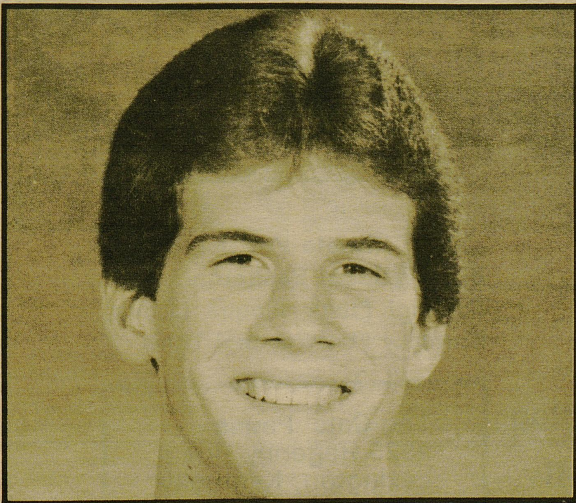
Larry Donald
Cats' Pause Columnist

Speaking of **UNLV** and its reputation as a halfway house for downtrodden players, the only recruit signed by Tarkanian this fall was 6-11 Californian **Clifford Allen**. He's quick, strong and can shoot it. He's also in a juvenile detention center as we speak.....Final Shootout note, **Dave Popson** and **Curtis Hunter** will tell the tale on North Carolina this year.....

If anyone doubts the necessity of a major rules overhaul in college athletics I give you the **Steve Alford** case. Benched by the NCAA for one game because he posed for a calendar being sold by an IU Sorority for charity, Alford seems to me the victim of an unfair and ridiculous system. Unfair, you ask. Last year during the football season at **Clemson** the athletic department was selling full-size posters of **William "The Refrigerator" Perry** at \$5 a copy. Where was the NCAA then?.....Arizona coach **Lute Olson** calls 6-8 freshman **Sean Elliott**, "the best player I've ever had at this stage".....

In case you are interested, I'm going to give you the ultimate scouting report on **Lewis University** in Illinois: Stop Niego, stop Lewis. The problem is whether to stop one of the twins, **Charles** or **Tom Niego**. Or **Joe Niego**, a junior forward. Or freshman **Mark Niego**. It's sort of a family affair at Lewis. Charles, Tom and Joe are starters and Mark comes off the bench. Stranger than fiction, friends.....

After watching the inaugural **NIT**, I'm not optimistic about its future prospects. The story is an old one, college basketball in late November going against pro and college football just doesn't get it done where it matters, on television. Not only that the NIT drew very poorly..... Along those lines, I thought **Penn State** football coach **Joe Paterno** had a very interesting thought for those who criticize the proposed college football playoffs on the basis that it would take away too much class time. Papa Joe pointed out that football players seldom miss a class because of a game and invited anyone to make a quick check on how many classes are missed by major college basketball players. The point is, college basketball teams are playing too many games. Thirty-five isn't uncommon and 40 isn't as unique an achievement as it should be. Just too many games and another example of the system out of control.....



Steve Alford



Dean Smith

Apparently a lot of youngsters changed their minds at the last moment deciding to sign on with the college of their choice this fall rather than wait until next spring. My recruiting experts were predicting a low number of signees among the top schoolboy performers, but, instead, nearly 50 percent of the top 100 reached for their pens.....No question who came out on top of the recruiting sweepstakes, **Syracuse**. Coach **Jim Boeheim** took the two best players off the West Coast in a five-man class which recruiting expert **Van Coleman** calls, "a big winner." And what does it say when Boeheim can wander into the California sunshine and take the two best players back to snowy Syracuse while UCLA and the rest look on helplessly? It tells you a lot about the relationship of college basketball and television..... One footnote to Syracuse, the signing of 6-8 Detroit product **Derrick Coleman** took place in the Motor City office of **Dave Bing**, who was Boeheim's backcourt mate with the Orangeman..... Where have you gone **Roy Danforth**?..... Metro Conference commissioner **Steve Hatchell** hints his league will have an eighth member next year and says not to be surprised if that school doesn't have a football team.....

If there were an **Edsel Award** for big dreams and a bad game plan in college athletics, I'd present it to **Northern Illinois**. The administrators there pulled the Huskies from the 10-team a big time program. Not only is that campaign destined to fail, but what about the basketball team, someday led by the talented **Kenny Battle**, which for post-season play? It's hard to understand how athletic administrators think sometimes..... Good television viewing for the die hard sports nut is to be had on the **Financial News Network** every evening. The cable operation changes gears and offers four hours of call-in sports on a program called **Score**. You'll also get up-to-the minute scores. Tune in, you'll like it.....

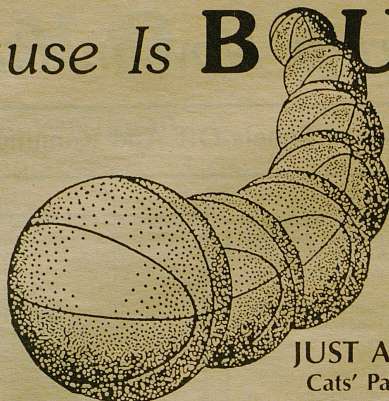
A coach who needed his team to start better this year is South Carolina's **Bill Foster**..... What does it mean that Missouri's headline player, **Derrick Chievous**, wears band-aids on various parts of his anatomy during games when there are no cuts or scrapes underneath?.....

One thing I fail to understand is why television analyst **Steve Grote** doesn't get more air time? As a former player he provides a fresh perspective on the game..... **CBS** people aren't buying the not-so-secret reports that **NBC** will depart college basketball if it doesn't get a piece of the NCAA tournament when the current contract expires in two years. "Look at it this way," one exec told me, "what are they going to put into that time slot which will draw as well as college basketball? Don't believe their bluff".....

Logical advice department: When **Siena College** was playing a game in **Lebanon** last summer coach **John Griffin** was informed the area had been shelled by Arabs the day before. Griffin wondered what he should tell his team to do if they saw a missile headed this way. Replied the Israeli officer, "Duck!".....

That sounds reasonable to me.....

The Cats' Pause Is **BOUNCING** With Super Gift Ideas



"Forty Minutes To Glory"
Champion Art Print

At The Cats' Pause
2625 Regency Road
Lexington, Kentucky

Kentucky Clocks
& Lamps
UK Desk Pen Set
1978 Championship
Tumblers

JUST ARRIVED
Cats' Pause Caps

Kentucky Sweat Shirts
SEC Team Sports Plaques
College Sports Books
On Major Colleges
1976 Wildcat
Peachbowl Pennant
Miniature Wildcat
Baseball Bats
Cats' Pause T-Shirts

**Free Full Color Poster Of
Joe B. Hall's Final Year
To All Customers Who Visit:
The Cats' Pause**
(no purchase necessary)

1985 Steve Ford
Wildcat Football Art Print

Record Albums:
*Cats First In Rupp (1976-77)
*NCAA Championship (1977-78)
*Kentucky Football:
A Year To Remember(1977)

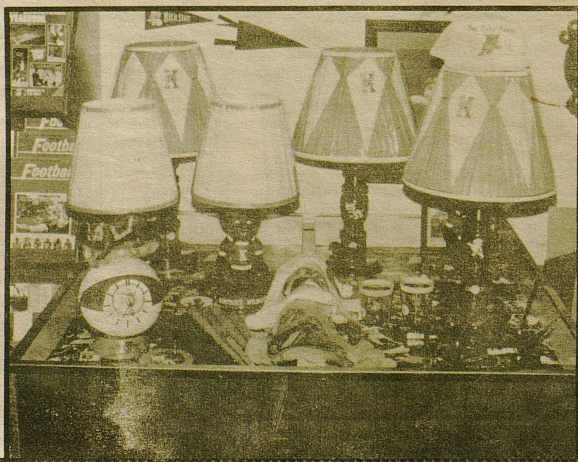
Bound Volume Of Your Favorite
Year of UK Sports In
The Cats' Pause

Posters: Rick Robey
Full Color
(Collectors Item)
Kyle Macy
Full Color
(Collectors Item)
Wildcat T-Shirts

Make Your Collection Of TCP
Kentucky Yearbooks Complete
(All Six Years Available)

**Many UK & SEC
Programs and
Press Guides For
The Collector**

**Many Other
Collectibles
Too Numerous
To Name**



**The Ultimate For the True
Blue Wildcat Basketball Fan**
National Finals Plaque Listing
Kentucky Five National Titles

**Stop
By**

The Cats' Pause
2625 Regency Road
Lexington, Kentucky

McWhorter Still Favors Small Pay To Players

SEC Commissioner Feels It Would Help Matters

Should college athletes be given a fixed amount of money every month? Some say it would reduce a lot of the nickel-and-dime cheating.

SEC Commissioner Dr. Boyd McWhorter thinks they should be paid. In a recent interview with *The Cats' Pause*, McWhorter said he was criticized several years ago when he remarked that players on athletic scholarships should be given a certain amount of money. And he still feels the same way today.

"I made a speech in Memphis about eight or nine years ago in which I said that we ought to return to \$15 a month," said McWhorter, who is in his 14th year as the SEC boss. "They used to get something comparable to it and I was accused the next day of wanting to pay for play."



Jamie Vaught
Cats' Pause Columnist

"And I think they ought to be given something. I said that because they are not allowed to do certain things that other people on scholarships are allowed to do, such as work. I, for example, would be quite willing to give them in the neighborhood of \$100 per month and take away the complimentary tickets which seemed to be the point of attention among some people."

McWhorter says he would rather see colleges pay athletes than have them work. Currently, a college player can have a job, but it must be in the summer when school is out.

"I would rather give them a reasonable amount of money," he said. "If the job is legitimate one on which he (the player) was doing the work and getting paid the going fee for that work, I would have no problem with it. But therein lies the potential for abuse."

On another subject matter in regard to his career, McWhorter was asked about the rumors that he is planning to retire very soon. He is 62.

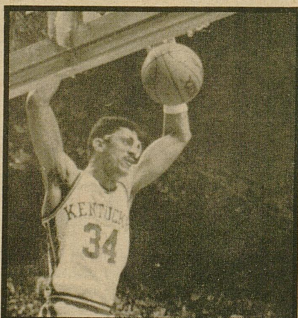
"Well, when you say pretty soon, I don't know what that means," he said. "But I would say I don't have another lifetime to give to it. I have not made up my mind (on when to retire). But I'm sure that I am beginning to see the end of the road."

Herschel Is Going Back To School: Since the struggling United States Football League made a decision to switch from its spring/summer schedule to fall, beginning in 1986, what is superstar Herschel Walker of the New Jersey Generals going to do with all that free time?

After doing a lot of international traveling this past fall, Walker plans to take advantage of the long-winter layoff. He will be returning to the University of Georgia where he was the 1982 Heisman Trophy winner. Before this summer, he hopes to receive a degree in criminal justice.



McWhorter



Walker

"After Christmas, I'll go back to Athens and register for the winter quarter at Georgia," Walker told Ed Hinton of the *Atlanta Constitution* earlier this month. "And because of the schedule change, I'll be able to go to school through the spring quarter. I only lack about 30 hours, so there's a good possibility I can graduate after spring quarter."

For now, Walker and his wife, Cindy, are living in Verona, N.J. Also, Walker — who just recently said he does not want to leave the NFL's Dallas Cowboys — is looking forward to do some business in Georgia.

"I've got a construction company now in partnership with Billy Richards, who ran track at Georgia," Walker said in the newspaper article. "We do residential housing and a lot of government programs because we're minority builders. We're trying to get into the Atlanta area — we're already doing some building in Decatur."

Walker also owns an interest in a D'Lites fast-food establishment in Athens. On traveling this past fall, Walker said he had been out four days a week. "I've been making appearances for Adidas — I've got my own line of clothing with them — and Franklin Sports, for their football equipment, and promoting my book, *Herschel Walker's Basic Training*."

"I just got back from Germany and England, on a trip on behalf of Kodak, to get the morale of the (U.S.) troops up. I was doing the sort of thing Bob Hope used to do."

After his playing days are over, Walker would like to be an FBI agent. "I know the odds are against it now," he commented. "But it's something that's still in the back of my mind."

Sutton Under Scrutiny: UK basketball coach Eddie Sutton knew that many observers would be watching his coaching style closely when he left Arkansas for basketball-crazed Kentucky last spring. But he wasn't quite ready to have his personal appearance evaluated.

In a college basketball column by Phil Taylor which recently appeared in the *Miami Herald*, Sutton was quoted as saying, "I'd been there two weeks when a columnist wrote that Kentucky people like their bourbon and their coach's hair straight. I thought they would at least wait until we lost a couple."

Sutton, already dubbed by one writer as "Mr. Perm," has also noticed that the news media in Kentucky can sometimes be rough on him, but he can't say they are not paying attention. As you will recall, Sutton had to call a news conference (before the season) when there was so much talk about the team changing sneakers from Converse to Nike.

"There were 44 reporters there," Sutton said in the newspaper story. "The next day there was a big story about our sneakers on the front of the sports section, and buried in a corner inside was a story about somebody giving \$1 million to the football program. Unbelievable."



"Unbelievable" Says Sutton

Tiger Tales: LSU cheerleaders wanted new uniforms this year, but their request was not granted by the schools athletic department. But the Tigresses, the athletic director's hostess group who perform at basketball games and other functions, reportedly have their new uniforms ordered. Interestingly, LSU athletic director Bob Brodhead's attractive daughter, Amy, is a member of the Tigresses dance squad. She is a senior at LSU this year. ... Did you realize that LSU's 1985 SEC basketball championship squad did not have a single player selected to the first teams of the Associated Press or United Press International All-SEC list? And, also it was the first team in SEC history to win the title with no seniors.

LSU head football coach Bill Arnsparger recently received a three-year extension on his contract. He previously had two years remaining on a four-year pact. Just a few days earlier, Arnsparger denied Jimmy "The Greek" Snyder's bold prediction that the coach will leave LSU to become head coach of the NFL's New Orleans Saints.

Woodruff Honored At UT: Bob Woodruff, the former athletic director at the University of Tennessee, and his wife, Trudy, were presented a trip to Greece and a 1986 Lincoln Towncar by friends and admirers recently at the Holiday Inn-World's Fair in Knoxville. A crowd of more than 700 attended the dinner party honoring Vols' retiring athletic director for the last 22 years.

Woodruff, who will continue his involvement in UT sports as a consultant to recently-hired athletic director Doug Dickey and other officials, played college ball at UT in the late 1930s and later served as the head football coach at Baylor and Florida.

Dis 'n' Data: Vanderbilt's new Memorial Gymnasium floor was dedicated earlier this month (Dec. 4) at halftime of the Duke game. The new maple floor was installed during the summer at a cost of \$93,000 by Memorial Gymnasium supervisor George Baines. The old floor was cut into pieces (about four to six inches long) and they were given out to the fans after the Duke game as a souvenir. "This is a way to say thanks to the people who have sat in those seats all those years," head basketball coach C.M. Newton said of the giveaway.

A Knoxville, Tenn., real estate agent reportedly has filed \$1,480 suit against the **U.S. Postal Service** for late mail delivery in regard to basketball tickets. Dott A. Baker claims the post office was a month late in delivering eight tickets to last season's **SEC basketball tournament** held in Birmingham. Depending on the upcoming bowl game results, Florida could be the only team in the nation that has finished in the top six in the final AP poll in each of the past three seasons. Nebraska is the only other school that could make the same claim depending on their date with Michigan in the **Fiesta Bowl**.

Tennessee safety **Chris White's** nine interceptions for the year tied him for No. 1 in the nation with East Carolina's **Kevin Walker**. White, who entered the 1985 campaign as a seldom used defensive back, joins four ex-SEC players at the intercept king. Previous winners include Ole Miss' **Bobby Wilson** (10 in 1949), Alabama's **Hootie Ingram** (10 in 1952), Georgia's **Jeff Hipp** (eight in 1980), and Georgia's **Terry Hoage** (12 in 1982). White, a 6-3, 200-pound senior from Cleveland, Tenn., is the only SEC player to capture an individual national championship this season.

Defeating Waves, 88-56 Kent

In almost identical form from the previous night, Kentucky turned on the scoring machine in the second half and defeated the Waves of Pepperdine 88-56 in the championship game of the UKIT last Saturday night.

The Wildcats were paced by tourney MVP Kenny Walker who connected on a game-high 21 points and 10 rebounds. Following Walker were: Ed Davender, 16 points; Winston Bennett, 12 points, and Rob Lock, 12 points.

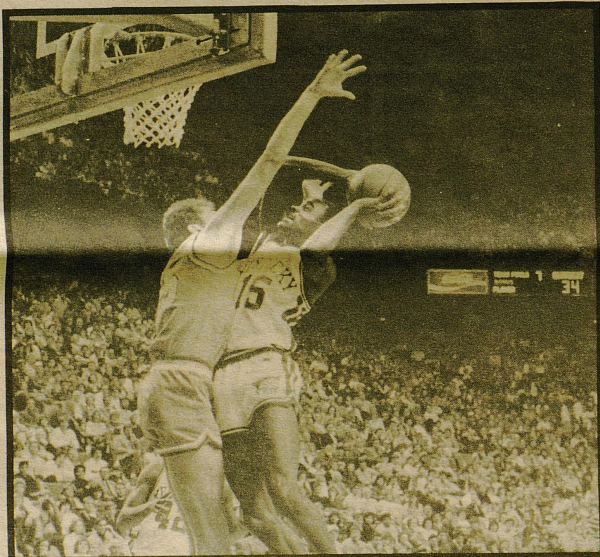
Both Davender and Blackmon were also selected to the all-tourney team. UK's championship marked its 24th in 33 editions of the UKIT, including seven straight. Against East Carolina, the Wildcats heavily padded a 12-point halftime advantage by outscoring the visitors 50-28 in the second period. Holding a nine point cushion after the first 20 minutes, the Wildcats proceeded to roll out the Waves by a 52-29 count.

Again, Sutton credited his team's outstanding defense for the win. "During the middle 20 minutes of the game we probably played as well as we can play," said the UK coach. "We shot the ball much better and rebounded the ball much better than we have been. But, the key to the game was our aggressive defensive play."

On the night, Kentucky's sticky man-to-man defense contributed greatly to Pepperdine's 18 miscues. The Wildcats also benefited because of a strong board game — 41-27 — which included allowing the Waves only 11 offensive rebounds.

Pepperdine, which falls to 7-2, was led by reserve Grant Gonderzick with 18 points. Without Gonderzick's 14 points in the second half things would have been even worse for this team from the West Coast.

Eric White and Dwayne Polee contributed 12 and nine points, respectively. Polee, who drilled in 16 points in the win over SMU, was selected to the five-man all-tourney team.



Earning A Basket Is UK's Ed Davender



UK's All-Tourney Selections

Photos by Gary Cromwell

OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE Date: 12-21-85 Site: RUPP ARENA

VISITORS (Last Name, First)		FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO	BLK	S	
PEPPERDINE														
No.	E. White	1	5	13	2	4	6	2	12	30	0	3	0	0
44	A. Frederick	1	2	5	0	0	6	4	4	28	1	2	1	1
50	L. Middlebrooks	0	1	6	0	0	7	2	2	30	1	1	0	1
11	J. Koreas	2	8	2	2	1	0	6	6	22	2	2	0	1
32	D. Polee	2	8	2	2	1	0	6	6	27	3	7	0	2
4	M. Wilson	3	6	3	4	1	2	9	9	27	1	1	0	0
5	G. Gonderzick	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	28	2	1	0	2
42	M. Mounts	7	10	4	4	1	2	18	18	14	0	0	0	0
55	D. Brittain	0	0	1	2	2	2	1	1	10	1	1	0	1
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)														
TOTALS														
FG %: 1st Half 11-21=52.4 2nd Half 10-35=28.6 Game 21-56=37.5 Deadball Rebounds 2 FT %: 1st Half 5-8=62.5 2nd Half 9-10=90.0 Game 14-18=77.8														

HOME		FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO	BLK	S	
KENTUCKY														
No.	Winston Bennett	1	5	7	2	2	7	4	12	31	2	2	0	1
25	Kenny Walker	1	10	16	1	1	10	1	21	28	0	1	0	1
10	James Blackmon	2	8	5	8	6	2	9	26	3	2	0	1	
15	Ed Davender	9	8	12	0	2	1	3	16	28	0	1	0	0
23	Roger Harden	9	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	24	10	0	0	0
00	Leroy Byrd	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	9	0	0	0	0
14	Paul Andrews	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	6	0	3	0	0	
30	Irving Thomas	0	1	2	2	3	1	2	6	1	0	0	0	
32	Todd Ziegler	1	2	1	3	1	0	3	6	1	0	0	0	
42	Richard Madison	2	5	3	4	5	2	7	19	0	2	0	1	
44	Robert Lock	4	5	4	5	2	1	12	5	0	0	1	0	
55	Cedric Jenkins	2	2	0	0	2	2	4	10	0	1	0	0	
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)														
TOTALS														
FG %: 1st Half 16-32=50.0 2nd Half 19-30=63.3 Game 35-62=56.5 Deadball Rebounds 13 FT %: 1st Half 4-8=50.0 2nd Half 14-19=73.7 Game 18-27=66.7														

OFFICIALS:		SCORE BY PERIODS		1st H.	2nd H.	OT	OT	FINAL
Galvan, Clougherty, Ferguson		PEPPERDINE		27	29			56
Technical Fouls: A. Frederick		KENTUCKY		36	52			88
Attendance: 22,840								

WAVES COLLAPSE AFTER LEADING 22-21

Jon Korfas' eight-foot bank shot lifted Pepperdine in front 22-21 with 6:36 remaining. At the time the biggest lead either team owned was three points. Things, though, gradually got out of hand as far as the Waves were concerned.

Bennett played Mr. Outside as he connected on a pair of outside jumpers, the latter a 14-footer kissing high off the glass and smoothly through the twine. UK now owned a 25-22 lead with more points on the way.

Roger Harden was next to contribute. Though he didn't score a single point, Harden dished out a game-high 10 assists. His rebound/tip to Walker following a missed free throw by Richard Madison gave the Wildcats 28-22 lead.

"I thought these two guys (Harden and Bennett) were very instrumental in our winning the tournament," said Sutton in his meeting with the press afterwards. "I don't know if you can pick five players from the same team for an all-tournament team, but these two guys were certainly as deserving as their teammates who did make it. Sometimes guys don't have to score a lot of points. Both of these guys are winners. Both are competitors and they inspire their teammates to do better."

Pepperdine's Jim Harrick had seen enough after a Walker stuff and a Bennett-to-Harden-to-Madison fast-break basket giving the hosts a 32-23 lead.

"Kentucky's pressing defense and rebounding were the two keys in the first half," said the Waves' mentor. "In the second half we just didn't show up. We just completely quit playing."

SECOND HALF WAS ALL BIG BLUE

Polee's 14-foot baseline jumper at the 0:01 in the first half pulled Pepperdine to within nine (36-27) of the 13th ranked Wildcats. It would be as close as the Waves would get as UK went on a 27-6 run during the first 10:48 of the final period.

Kentucky's offensive and defensive schemes were in fine tune as the Wildcats hit on 63.3 percent (19 of 30) from the field while limiting the Waves to 28.6 percent (10 of 35).

Davender hit his first two attempts (an 18 and eight footer) over the Waves' 2-3 zone pushed the lead to 40-27 with only :57 off the clock. And at the 16:29 mark the Wildcat lead ballooned to 16 (47-31) when Bennet sank a six-foot jumper from the right baseline.

Thus Pepperdine's emotions started to unravel as 6-7 senior forward Anthony Frederick lost his cool and was whistled for a technical. Free throws by Blackmon, one of two, and Walker, one of one, gave UK an insurmountable 49-33 lead with 15:35 left.

Very similar in the win against the Pirates, Eddie Sutton substituted freely in the final 10 minutes. UK's All-American Kenny Walker got another long breather as he set out the final 10:33.

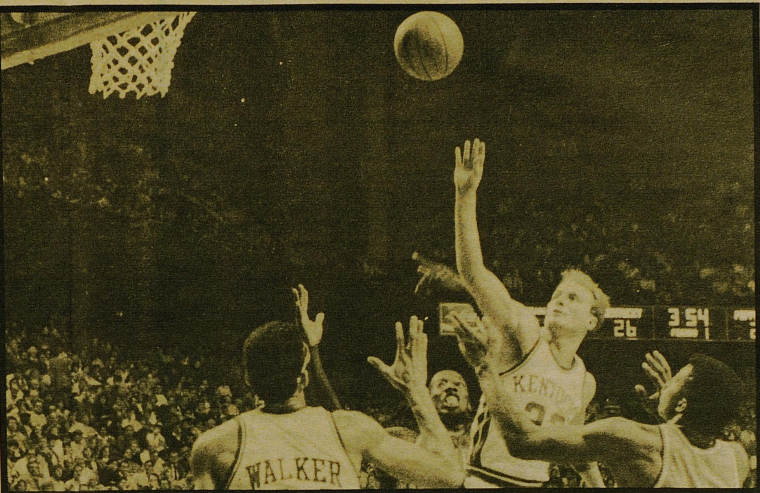
Gonderzick ended up scoring 14 of Pepperdine's final 19 points. The 6-5 reserve came in and played well both outside — scoring from 22, 14 and 10 feet — and inside — three layups — in 28 minutes of action.

Lock gave UK its biggest lead when his three-point play pushed the advantage to 34. Grabbing an offensive board Cedric Jenkins flicked the ball to Lock, who laid it in despite being fouled by Mike Mounts. The 6-10 sophomore, who Sutton said had been practicing well all week, canned the free throw giving UK a 72-38 lead.

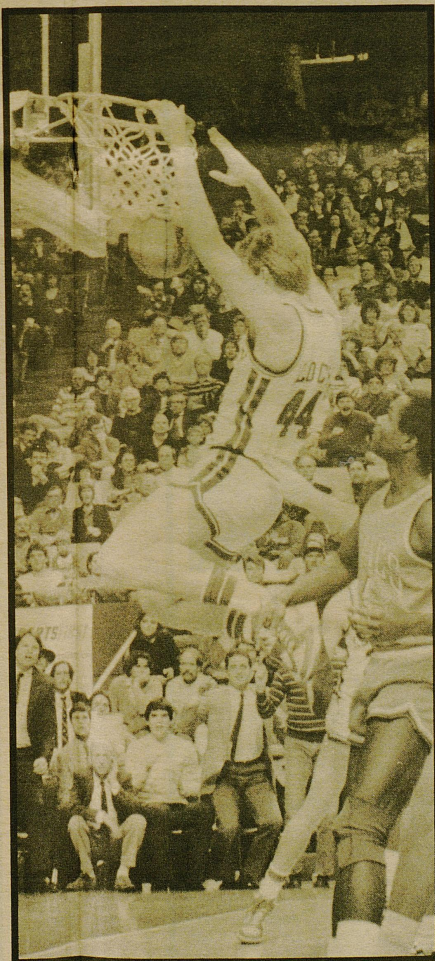


Lock Sh...

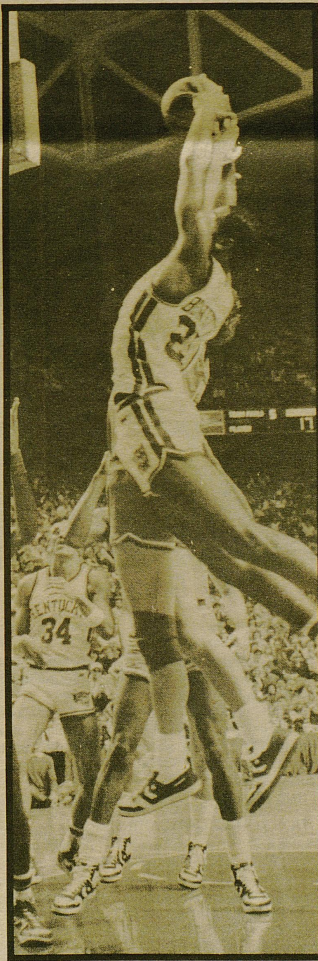
Kentucky Wins Its 24th UKIT By



Harden In Tall Tree Territory



Lock Showing Inside Strength



Winston For Two

THREE-GUARD OFFENSE IS HELPING RESERVES FIND THEIR ROLES

Until Madison, Jenkins or Lock prove themselves to the coaching staff, it looks like the Wildcats will continue starting the three-guard lineup. When you beat a Top Twenty ballclub (Pepperdine ranked No. 20 by UPI) by 32 points you shouldn't change a thing.

The bench is coming around, however, as the three big reserves will be of vital importance in the rough and tough SEC.

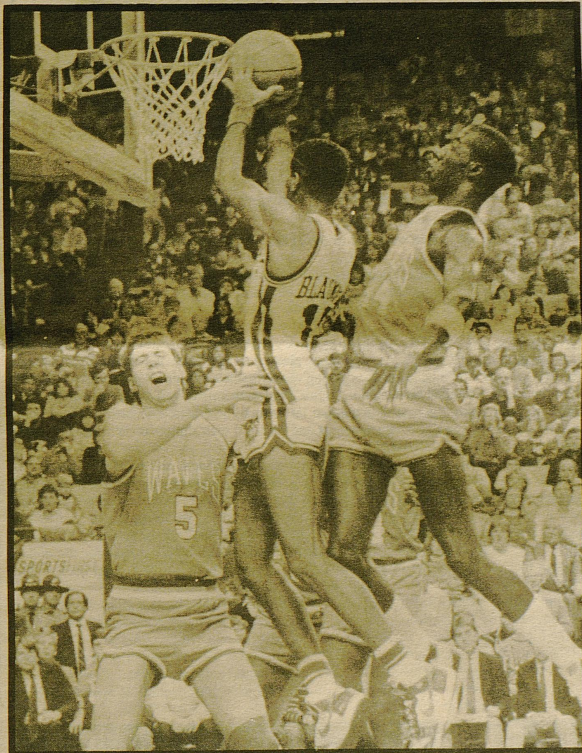
Madison played 19 minutes of consistent and hustling basketball. His persistent play, in which he only made two turnovers, resulted in seven points, five rebounds and two steals.

Squeezing the most out of five minutes, Lock scored a career-high 12 points (four of five from the field) and rejected one Wave attempt.

Wildcat fans attending the two-day tourney saw a determined Cedric Jenkins. Time after time the 6-9 sophomore played with intimidation while taking the ball to the hoop.

Jenkins was two of two from the field (four points on the night) and grabbed two rebounds in 10 minutes. Late in the game he put a move on a Pepperdine defender and drilled in a jumper from the top of the key.

While Harden, Blackmon and Davender continue to start and play well, the Wildcat reserves are improving with each performance.



Waves Were In No Position To Hit Boards

WAVE-WILDCAT TIDBITS

Also making the all-tourney team was SMU's **Terry Williams**, who scored 24 points in the Mustangs' 71-62 victory over **East Carolina** in the consolation game. . . For the tourney **Kenny Walker** scored 40 points and grabbed 17 rebounds in only 54 minutes of action. He's currently **No. 8** on the all-time UK list with 1,521 points. Scoring 21 points against Pepperdine he passed Kentucky greats **Ralph Beard** (1,517) and **Melvin Turpin** (1,509). His next target? No. 7 **Mike Casey** with 1,535 tallies. . . Pepperdine's **Grant Gonderzick** is the brother of former New York Knicks and Nevada Las Vegas star **Glenn Gonderzick**. . . **Dwayne Polee**, 6-5 guard for the Waves, was once a teammate of UK's **Leroy Byrd** on the '82 edition of UNLV's Runnin' Rebels. . . Asked if this was the best team his squad had faced this season, **Jim Harrick** replied, "You would have to put them all on a neutral floor. Surely Kentucky is getting better each week, playing under a new coach. They looked better than they did against Kansas. But they'll probably lose another game along the way." In the first game of the season Pepperdine dropped a six-point decision to **Kansas** in the first round of the NIT. . . Following the game Eddie Sutton gave his troops three days off before returning to practice on Christmas Day to get ready for the December 28 encounter with the **Louisville Cardinals**. . . The **U of L-UK** game has been moved to **4:00 p.m.** instead of the original 12:30 p.m. starting time due to television arrangements. . . After a game at Evansville's Roberts Stadium (Dec. 23 against the **Evansville Aces**), Pepperdine returns home to kickoff a four-game homestand. **Cal-State Fullerton** will be the Waves' opponent on Dec. 28th.

Coaches Realize The Bottom Line Is Winning

Rise In Academic Standards Hurts Vandy

When I told my wife that George MacIntyre had resigned at Vanderbilt, she said, "I guess they want to win, too."

Her reaction didn't mean that MacIntyre hadn't wanted to win and that he didn't do his damndest to win. It merely meant that with all the who-shot-john about academics and standards and principles, a fine decent man had discovered that even at Vanderbilt the bottom line was still winning.

MacIntyre's resignation statement cited "the continuous rise in academic standards" as one of the reasons the Commodores have not been able to put together a winning program. "I certainly don't condemn the University for these standards", he said. "because, in my opinion, there are none better."

Vanderbilt does not stand alone among American Universities recognized for their dedication



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

to brains rather than brawn.

The last time we looked we failed to see Duke, Tulane, Stanford or Northwestern in the Top 20, either.

The fact is that this fine, decent man who played by the rules, was a good influence to the young men under his control and who felt both pride and love for his school, was made to feel that the bottom line, even at Vanderbilt, was win or get out, and George McIntyre got out.

It's easier to understand the dismissal of Emory Bellard at Mississippi State. The Bulldogs have never pretended that they would be as pleased to have their players make Academic All-SEC as they would be to see their young warriors selected to the All-Conference Team.

At the league's football meeting this August, McIntyre quietly told the crowd that his proudest moment came this past spring when last year's 23 seniors, all, each and everyone, walked across the stage at commencement and received their diplomas. What other school could have made that statement?

Ole Miss Coach Billy Brewer said this in a recent interview, and he is so right.

"I've been on every level and played on every level known to man and I've watched something happen that is very disturbing to me. College football", Brewer said, "has gotten out of the education business and gone into the entertainment business. We've made a grave mistake and we are seeing a deterioration, and if we aren't careful, we'll see the ruination of a great game. Television, in my opinion, has made it happen because we compete for the dollar through that media. It's not only at Ole Miss, it's everywhere. I'd like to get back in the education business".

It isn't going to happen, Billy. At least not anytime soon. The big are going to get bigger and the small will drop, drop, drop until the crowds and the interest in their teams will be at the high school level of years gone by.

There will be more and more games on TV yielding the schools less and less money because there are more games. Interest will continue to fragmentize and the pressure to win in order to get in on whatever video dollars are available will grow, not decline. Common sense is not in football's future.



MacIntyre Considers Standards The Best

Look at Brewer's own State of Mississippi.

At the start of the year the Lamar County School Board put in a no pass, no play rule. Everyone applauded their effort toward academic excellence.

Nine weeks later, when the report cards came out, seven players at Purvis High in Lamar County, two of them two way starters, were declared academically ineligible. One of the seven had three F's. Sounds cut and dried, doesn't it?

Well, it was, except Purvis was undeated at the time with visions of a State Championship. So the board met with the parents. They then decided they hadn't given the players and their parents sufficient notice, even though the rule had been well publicized prior to the start of the school year. The board voted 3-2 not to apply the rule for another 9 weeks that is until the next report card and all the ineligible football players were reinstated. It's nice to report Purvis lost its next game.

What are we teaching our kids when we do things like that? We're teaching them that winning is more important than anything, more important than education, than rules, than principle.

We're teaching them that even high schools are in the entertainment business, not the education business.

What makes it worse is that the Texas school system is proving that a no-pass no-play rule works. Instituted this fall, a United Press International survey shows that, apparently, because of the rule, only about 20 percent of junior high and high school athletes have failed one or more courses compared to approximately 40 percent for the general student body. As is always the case, fear of punishment gets peoples' attention.

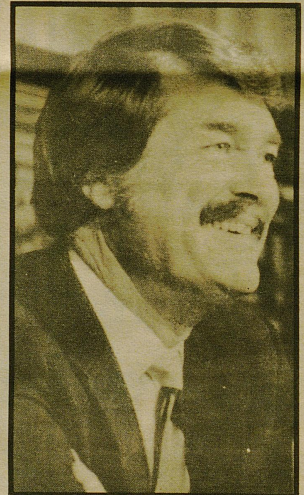
Wait, I'm not done yet. Four years ago Mississippi State's College Board mandated higher standards to take place in 1986 for entrance to the Magnolia State's colleges and universities.

Recently the College Board met again. Gosh, they were told, Mississippi's standards were higher than those in neighboring states. You'll lose all the out of state students and their tuition money. Besides, with higher standards, many home state athletes who could qualify would also be reduced. Mississippi schools wouldn't be able to compete.

Again, as a member of the College Board put it, "those who worship on the altar of inter-



Billy Brewer



Haden Fry

collegiate athletics" prevailed. With the rule made four years before about to go into effect, the College Board voted 7-5 to allow 5 percent of incoming freshman to enter Mississippi schools of higher learning without meeting the newer standards. Guess who will make up a goodly share of that 5 percent? You're right, athletes, and certain members of the board made no bones about it.

When you see a George MacIntyre leave a school such as Vanderbilt only because he didn't win enough, a county school board collapse under parent pressure, a state college board prostitute its own rule because good football and basketball teams are more important than a good academic foundation, then you, too, must wish that we were back in the education business rather than the entertainment business.

But we're not! And unless we reappraise our value system, we won't be. How very, very sad.

NOT FOR BROADCAST: Vanderbilt has a new floor a Memorial Gym. The cost was \$93,000. The original 33 year old floor was cut into 4 by 6 inches long and handed out as souvenirs to fans at the Vandy-Duke game. This new floor should be as lucky as the old. The original maple surface was host to 368 Commodore wins and only 104 losses, a winning percentage of 78.0 percent.....Including its upcoming Liberty Bowl Game against Baylor, LSU will have played seven of its twelve 1985 games after November 1.....Mississippi State's Ron Polk has been named by the American Baseball Coaches Association as Coach of the Year for the South District. The national coach of the year will be named in January.....Iowa Coach, Hayden Fry, had the visitor's dressing room painted pink because that color is supposed to make people more passive.....The last word. Bo Schenbeckler, head coach at Michigan, is upset with his 16 year old son. "The poor kid's got a warped mind". Bo said. "He wants to be a sportswriter."

Just Another Game?

Players Are Ready For UL-UK Matchup

By Nick Nicholas

Louisville against Kentucky — just another game?

"The people and the fans in the state of Kentucky still build it as a big game, which it is," said U of L senior sharpshooter Jeff Hall.

"It's always going to be a good matchup."

We built this state. . . we built this state on bas-ket-ball.

"It's important for us to win for our fans because they want it bad," said fourth-year Wildcat Roger Harden. "It's a great opportunity for me and it's a privilege to represent the University of Kentucky in this ballgame."

We built this state. . . we built this state on bas-ket-ball.

Yes, Louisville versus Kentucky is more than your average ballgame. Some see it as a Hatfield-McCoy type shootout; others see it as a matchup of the nation's best talent, while others see it as even a political conspiracy. Whatever the reason, it's usually a classic showdown between two of the country's most respected programs.

This marks the fifth meeting within the last three seasons between the two Kentucky institutions. Louisville has won the first and last reunion encounters, while two UK wins have been sandwiched between the two Cardinal victories.

For U of L's Jeff Hall and Billy Thompson, and UK's Roger Harden and Kenny Walker it will be the fifth time they have met on the hardwood.

In an interview with TCP, three of the four players — Hall, Harden and Walker — were asked about Saturday afternoon's upcoming battle at Rupp Arena.

From most anyone's standpoint UL-UK is a fun game, but "the fun of that game is winning," Harden said. "I'm not looking at it as a time to go out there and play to lose. Don't get me wrong we want to win this game a little bit more than just any other game because it is Louisville."

It was on one spring afternoon in Knoxville that Louisville and Kentucky were to play for the first time in 26 seasons. State pride, however, was not the only thing at stake as a Midwest regional title and a ticket to the 1983 Final Four was involved.

Louisville earned a hard-fought 80-68 overtime victory in the contest billed as THE Dream Game. Almost every state media outlet geared its attention to the possible matchup. And when both teams earned the right to meet in the regional final, the Commonwealth closely followed every last detail until the final second ticked off the scoreboard.

"The thing I remember most about that was it was my freshman year, it was the Midwest Regionals and having a chance to almost make the Final Four," Walker said recently about his first U of L game. "It was one of the highlights of my career up to that point."

"I think that you've got two good universities going head to head. Each time that you put 'em on the floor against each other you're going to get a real good ballgame. It's going to be a good ballgame for the player and it's going to be a good ballgame for the fans to see. You can rest assured that everytime those two schools step on the floor you're going to see the best in college basketball."

A four-year contract between the two schools was eventually granted. Thus, U of L and UK would open the 1983-84 season in Rupp Arena. With the intense hype of the game plus the return of 7-foot-1 Sam Bowie, the Bluegrass was excited beyond belief. . . at least they were in Lexington. UK ripped the Cards 65-44 before a sell-out crowd and a WTBS-cable TV audience.

In a rematch Kentucky faced a tougher Cardinal team but held on for a 72-67 win in the semis of the '84 Midwest Regionals in Lexington.

And in Dream Game IV Louisville, which shot 35 free throws compared to UK's mere nine, was too much for the Wildcats defeating the visitors 71-64 at Freedom Hall.

Now we arrive to Dream Game V.

"I don't think the game has received as much hype as it did the first couple of years," said Walker about his fifth meeting with the Cards.

Although the contest will be nationally televised by CBS, Walker is probably correct in regards to the hype created when these two play. While the state's getting ready for the showdown, outside the Kentucky borders. . . it's just another game.

Still, the attention inside the Commonwealth's boundaries will be enough for the players to handle.

"You've got to play through all that," said Hall, an Ashland native. "When you're playing the game you've got to put all that aside. You've got to remember (as a player) that we're just two ballclubs trying to win a contest. One team will win and one team will lose. You're just hoping that you're on the team that wins."

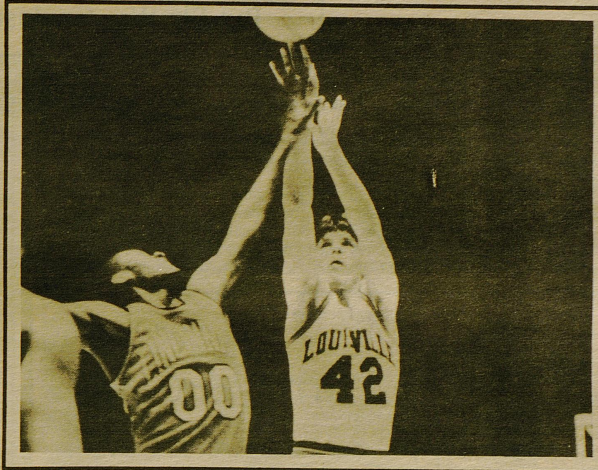
"It gives the fans something to look forward to and that's what we play for — the people. Just like the University of Kentucky would like to win, we would like to win also."

Dream Game V might be the most even matchup compared to the previous four. At presstime Kentucky was ranked 13th (AP) and Louisville 16th.

U of L (6-2) is a younger team which plays more people while UK (7-1) relies on the scoring of Walker and the success of its three-guard offense. It's unique that Louisville features a strong front-line (Thompson, 6-7; Herbert Crook, 6-7 and freshman sensation Pervis Ellison, 6-9), while UK hinges on the success of its three guards.

In the past it's been Kentucky with the bigger lineup taking on the quicker Cardinals.

U of L's bench is loaded as Denny Crum can shuffle a multitude of talent in the lineup. Reserves Tony Kimbro, who U of L color analyst Jock Sutherland says may be the best



Hall

athlete on the squad, Kenny Payne, Mike Abram, Mark McSwain and Kevin Walls could be a dynamite team by itself.

Hall and Milt Wagner keep the Cardinals' offense in sync. With each game Wagner seems to be gaining his confidence of two seasons ago. He may be ready to light up the scoreboard come Saturday afternoon.

Last year Wagner missed the game with a broken foot.

On the other hand, Kentucky is a much smaller unit with its three-guard lineup and may have to start someone else. Eddie Sutton has three good choices in 6-7 Richard Madison, 6-9 Cedric Jenkins or 6-10 Robert Lock.

All three are presently playing their best ball of the season. However, the way Harden, Ed Davender and James Blackmon have been playing it will be tough for Sutton to shuffle his starting lineup.

Whatever the case may be Walker and Winston Bennett will have their hands full on the defensive end of the floor.

"I think Louisville, from top to bottom, has more talent than Kentucky this year," Harden said. "But I've learned since I've been here that talent doesn't win ballgames. The team that plays the best on that particular night is going to win."

"You're always familiar with Louisville. They've got a lot of people back from last year and plus they have a lot of incoming freshmen who are going to be great ballplayers. The best thing about their incoming players is the fact that they are freshmen. . . and freshmen will be freshmen."

"Basically we'll be playing the same team as we did last year with the exception of Milt Wagner."

Louisville may have an edge in overall talent but the Rupp Arena crowd may be the stabilizer. Anything less of a sellout partisan Wildcat crowd would be a shock.

"When you're in Rupp Arena with 23,000-plus fans it's kind of hard to block all them out of your mind," commented Hall. "But you've got to play through that kind of thing."

So when the final tick has clicked the Cardinals and Wildcats will go on their merry ways and look to racking up enough wins for earning postseason berths.

Both teams have respect for the other. Walker mentioned that he had just received a call from two of U of L's players who just wanted to say 'Hello.' Hall used the word "incredible" when talking about 'Sky' Walker while he noted that Harden "is the man that makes Kentucky go."

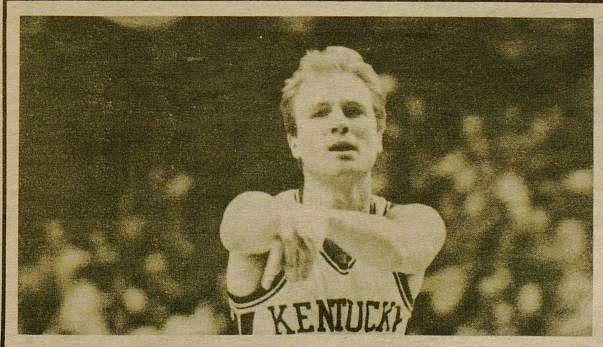
Though the game might not mean as much as it did in Dream Game I, II or III, Kenny Walker hit the nail on the head: "you're going to see the best in college basketball" when these two play.

Saturday should be no different.

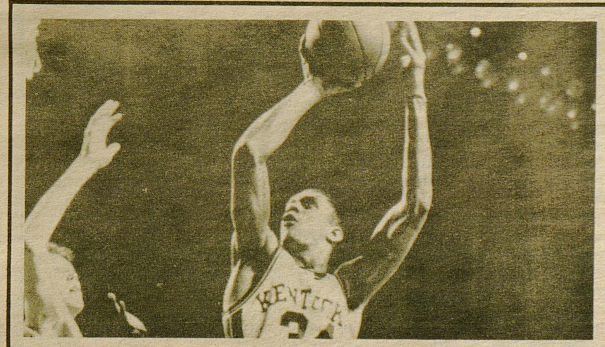
"It's going to be a good ballgame," said Walker. "It's going to be a very evenly matched ballgame."

"It's easy to get motivated for this game," Hall said. "When you go on the floor it's a war, but when you go off the floor you can be friends — it was just a contest and that's how it is."

"I think it (the series) is a positive factor and it should be continued. It's two good schools and two great traditions and the people in the state really like to see the game."



Harden



Walker

Bennett's Toughest Foes Are Nagging Injuries

But Sir Winston Just Keeps On Tickin'

Few opponents would have the nerve to start trouble with rugged Winston Bennett of Kentucky.

But basketball tried to deal him a knockout punch last season. The 6-7 Bennett was struggling to recover from knee surgery and was not performing the way he knew he could.

He didn't feel that he was a major part of the team. He knew he could do more but either his knee stopped him or he wasn't given the opportunity.

"College basketball is a great sport but it's not all roses," says Bennett. "Last year was one of those times when I had to be strong. When things tried to knock me down I just had to stand back up and take the second punch.



Larry Vaught
Cats' Pause Columnist

"It was never to the point where I seriously considered leaving UK. This is one of the greatest places in America and once I chose here I knew I would stay for four years."

Bennett had his choice of schools after a superb career at Louisville Male High School. He was named to almost every prep All-American team after averaging 25.4 points and 11.9 rebounds as a senior. Bennett, a three-time All-State selection, was Kentucky's Mr. Basketball in 1983.

But he turned down a chance to play for Louisville to become the first Louisville player to sign with UK in more than a decade. He made up his mind early to become a Wildcat and never wavered in his decision.

Still, Saturday's game at Rupp Arena against Louisville will be special for Bennett.

"I'll never get to the point that I can just mark this game on a schedule like any other game," says Bennett. "The Louisville game has added incentive for me. It would mean a lot to me to have a good game.

"I grew up and played basketball with a lot of Louisville players. That's why this game is important to me, maybe more so than anyone else on the team."

Basketball, though, is not a life and death matter to Bennett. He knows how to keep wins and losses in perspective. His parents saw to that at an early age.

Often as a youngster he would have to sit at his kitchen table doing his homework while friends from the neighborhood were playing basketball on his goal.

"I had a rule that when he came home from school that his school work had to be done," says his mother, Shirley Bennett. "A lot of nights he would sit and watch the other kids play.

"I remember one incident where I came into the kitchen and he had a very sad look on his face. I said, 'Winston, I know you think I'm being cruel.' He said, 'How did you know.' But I told him one day it would all pay off and that if he ever did get in trouble he wouldn't be able to say it was because his mother and father didn't do what was best for him."

Still, it took time for Bennett to fully comprehend his parents' love. He says, "I didn't like it when my father used to come to the high school to watch us practice. No one else had a father come and I was afraid everybody would think I was something special.

"Now, though, I'm mature enough to value the support my parents gave me. They are two of the greatest people in the world and have meant more to me than I could ever explain."

He repaid his mother last season when he was named to the Academic All-Southeastern Conference team, an honor she treasures more than any other her son has earned.

"Too often black kids are noted in public just because of their athletic ability," says Mrs. Bennett. "Long ago I told him I wanted him known for more than basketball. I wanted people to know he had a brain and could use it."

Bennett learned his lessons well on and off the court. He guards his words as closely as he does the opposing team's top forward. But he also believes in his ability.

He wants to earn All-SEC and All-American honors but his main goal is to be a major contributor to another successful UK team.

"Every intelligent player strives to be a complete player," says Bennett. "I try to be a complete player but I also know there is always room for improvement."

Bennett doesn't mind sitting picks, rebounding or playing defense. That's one reason he is the perfect player to play opposite All-American Kenny Walker. He does the little things that free Walker.

"Winston is a great player in his own right," says UK Coach Eddie Sutton.

"He does compliment Kenny but anyone who underestimates his value to this team doesn't understand basketball."

Walker has always been a Bennett backer. He says, "You won't find a player that plays with more heart than Winston. He's the type of guy you always want on your side."

Bennett has not let a bone chip in his ankle upset his play this season. He could need surgery when the season ends but until then he will play with the pain.

"The only way you can get him off the floor is if he couldn't walk," says Sutton. "He's an intense player who can play with pain."

Bennett's intensity was developed long before he came to UK. His middle school coach had a sign to remind players that you play the way you practice. That's why he will put out in practice the same way he would in the NCAA Tournament.

"A lot is expected of me now and I don't want to let the fans, the coaches or my teammates down," says Bennett. "That's why hard practices carry over to the games. Some people might think I go too hard in practice but that's just the way I am."

But Bennett has another side. Those close to him often see his keen sense of humor. And he enjoys being around children as those who have seen him at two Little League programs here understand.

On the court, though, he's all business and the bottom line is winning.

"Winston sets high goals for himself and hates to lose," says his mother. "That's why he always tries so hard. He always wants to do his best."

And he usually does just that.



Bennett

Sutton

Pietrowiak

CONGRATULATIONS are certainly in order for center Ken Pietrowiak of the UK football team. He has been named to the College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-American team.

Pietrowiak, UK's offensive captain, was a picture of courage during the 1985 season. He often played in pain and more than once he limped off the field in agony only to return a few snaps later.

Pietrowiak is one of the true student-athletes playing college sports today and it is nice to see him recognized for his accomplishments on and off the field.

Two other state players — Teel Bruner of Centre College and Mark Fatkin of Western — also made the select team.

UK FOOTBALL coaches have been busy the past month trying to sell some of the nation's top prep players on becoming Wildcats.

Here's players that made official visits to Kentucky the first two weeks in December:

Mike Bredeson, 6-2, 235, center, Grafton, Wisconsin; Ed Keenan, 6-1, 195, linebacker, Coral Springs, Florida; Greg Lunde, 6-2, 185, defensive back-tight end, Chillicothe, Ohio; Tim Otto, 6-4, 245, lineman, Grafton, Wisconsin; Eric Thomas, 6-1, 205, linebacker, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Richard Mileham, 6-3, 230, center-guard, Terrace Park, Ohio; and Sean Pennington, 6-3, 184, quarterback, Clay County.

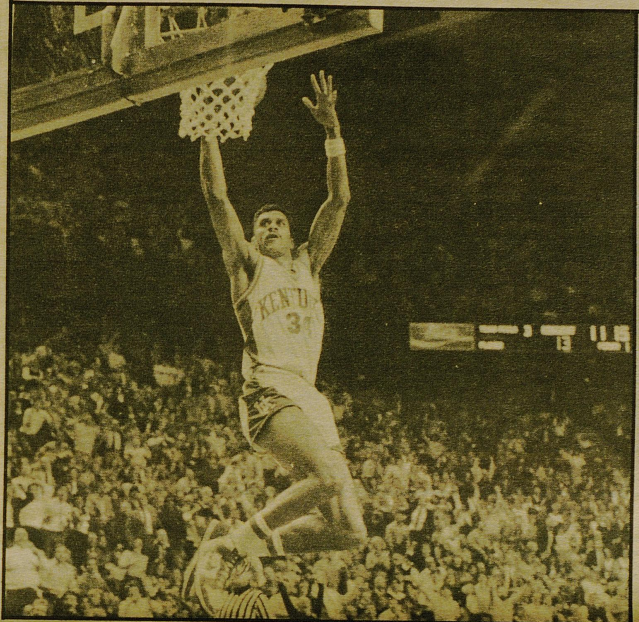
Al Baker, 6-1, 220, running back, Trigg County; Colburn Clark, 6-3, 245, offensive lineman, Daviess County; Reggie Cobb, 6-1, 205, running back, Knoxville, Tennessee; Orion Cox, 6-4, 190, tight end-linebacker, Oak Ridge, Tennessee; Allen Douglas, 6-3, 240, offensive lineman, Calloway County; Dean Green, 6-4, 195, wide receiver, Martinsburg, West Virginia; and George Kidwell, 6-4, 200, defensive lineman, Wellsburg, West Virginia.

Mark Lehman, 6-3, 230, offensive tackle, Cincinnati, Ohio; Paul McDowell, 6-1, 190, linebacker, Louisville; Wilson Neely, 6-3, 223, linebacker, Memphis; Mike Nord, 6-6, 230, offensive lineman, Louisville; Carlos Phillips, 6-2, 225, linebacker, Owensboro; David Szott, 6-3, 235, offensive lineman, Clifton, New Jersey; and Dana Toups, 6-3, 230, offensive lineman, Niceville, Florida.

Clark, Phillips and McDowell have all committed to UK.

The Sky Report

Kenny Walker's Climb Past Kentucky's Elite
Kenny Walker's Climb Past Kentucky's Elite
 Kenny Walker's Climb Past Kentucky's Elite



Rank	Name	Points	Games	Years
1.	Dan Issel	2,138	83	3
2.	Jack Givens	2,038	123	4
3.	Kevin Greavy	1,801	84	3
4.	Cotton Nash	1,770	78	3
5.	Alex Groza	1,744	120	4
6.	Louie Dampier	1,575	80	3
7.	Mike Casey	1,535	92	3
8.	Kenny Walker	1,521	104	3
9.	Ralph Beard	1,517	136	4
10.	Melvin Turpin	1,509	123	4
11.	Cliff Hegan	1,475	77	3
12.	Pat Riley	1,454	80	3
13.	Johnny Cox	1,451	77	3
14.	Kyle Macy	1,411	98	3
15.	Flick Robey	1,395	105	4
16.	Mike Phillips	1,357	120	4
17.	Mike Pratt	1,356	81	3
18.	Frank Ramsey	1,344	91	3
19.	Jim Andrews	1,320	80	3
20.	Sam Bowie	1,285	94	3

618 To Go
For All-Time
UK Record

Hillbrook Classic

(Continued From Page 9)

They even impressed Mills. He called them "the quickest pair of guards I've ever seen." He added, "They are probably the toughest (team) we've seen. They are so well organized, and they got the ball inside. They wore us down."

Romulus coach Al Wilkinson said that Mason did a great job, but added that his team suffered when point guard Stevie Glenn, a three-year starter who has signed with former UK assistant Lake Kelly at Austin Peay, suffered a hip pointer in a fall early in the game. Glenn was on crutches after the game.

He also praised Mason coach Allen Feldhaus. "Al Feldhaus prepares his teams so well."

Feldhaus, who is coaching his third and youngest son this year, said, "I thought our guards — little people — made things happen. We came apart a little in the third quarter, but we called a time out and told them, 'Take it back to them.'"

The Royals, and especially Deron Feldhaus in the middle, did just that.

Some sideline observers thought the young Feldhaus missed some shots over Mills because he shot too hard. But, he was 9-of-20 from the floor on his way to his own 25-point game.

The stars: Mills was the best individual talent on the floor in the four games.

He handled everything well, including the ball on the break and the press in the post-game interviews.

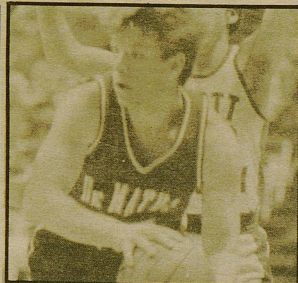
Mills, of course, was the focus of most fans' attention because of UK's long interest in him, and his decision to play at Michigan.

Mills heard some fans' comments from the stands, but still played so magnificently.

He said, "The crowd was on me at first (but not raucously), but I think I had something to prove. I think I did."

He added, "I could hear voices say things like, 'Come to UK — you can still change your mind.' But, at the end, I think I had some respect." Oh, yes. Indeed.

He had been quoted earlier this fall by UK coach Eddie Sutton as telling the coach, "I wish I could play two years at Michigan, two years at Kentucky."



Tony Wise

That won't happen, of course. Mills plans, he says, to spend four years at Michigan, get a degree, and hopefully play professional basketball.

He won't have any problems with either. He will be able to handle it all.

He was so smooth in the post-game interviews. He was composed, calm, and polite. He even said, "I'm glad to be here. I really respect Kentucky for the way I've been treated."

Wilkinson echoed that, saying, "We'd heard rumors (that UK fans would be unhappy) but it was first class all the way."

Wise said that he is wide open to any college choices for now, but that he'd be happy to consider UK in the spring.

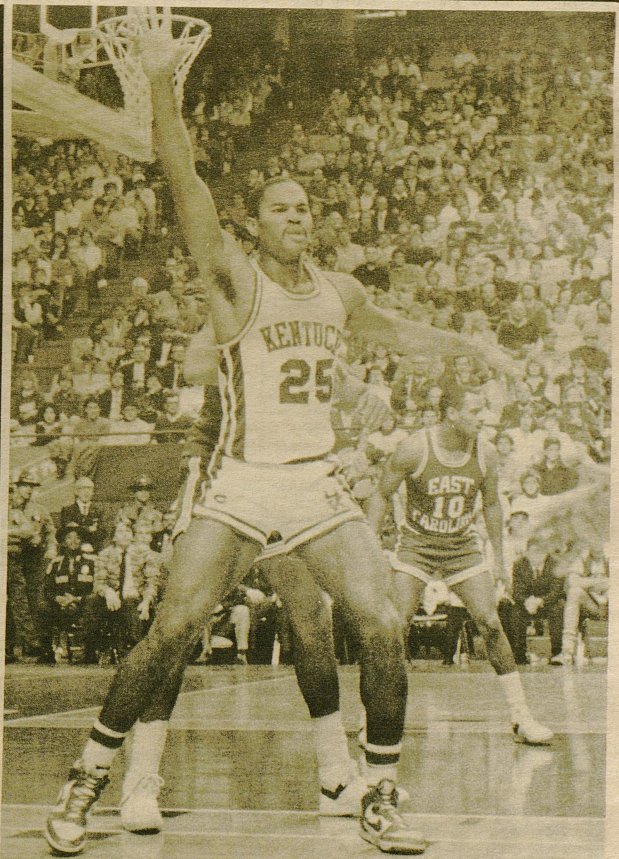
When asked specifically about contacts from UK, he said, "They have been in touch by mail. They would be high on my list, if they need me."

Munlyn said he would like to play 15 to 20 minutes a game next winter at Tech.

Coach Feldhaus said that his son's college decision next year would "be his choice."

But, the coach also said, that if his son chose to follow his dad at UK, Dad would okay the idea.

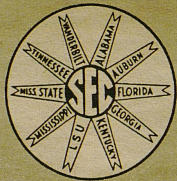
Two other Feldhaus sons, Allen, Jr., (Eastern Kentucky) and Willie (Morehead State) have already followed dad into college ball.



Bennett Awaits Pass

Cats' Pause Board Of Experts

(And Armchair Quarterbacks)



Readers
Choice

Oscar
Combs

Nick
Nicholas

Todd
Hallum

Gary
Cromwell

Don
Coffey

Last Week

20-5

23-2

20-5

20-5

18-7

21-4

Total

88-12

85-15

88-12

85-15

82-18

85-15

LOUISVILLE AT KENTUCKY	KENTUCKY 3	KENTUCKY 7	LOUISVILLE 1	KENTUCKY 4	KENTUCKY 8	KENTUCKY 2
OLD DOMINION AT WESTERN KY	WESTERN 10	WESTERN 10	WESTERN 18	WESTERN 8	WESTERN 10	WESTERN 4
ORAL ROBERTS AT ARKANSAS	ARKANSAS 14	ARKANSAS 10	ARKANSAS 17	ARKANSAS 5	ARKANSAS 6	ARKANSAS 4
NORTH TEXAS STATE AT OLE MISS	OLE MISS 4	OLE MISS 7	OLE MISS 5	OLE MISS 4	OLE MISS 6	OLE MISS 2
VMI VS KENTUCKY (LOUISVILLE)	KENTUCKY 18	KENTUCKY 16	KENTUCKY 27	KENTUCKY 12	KENTUCKY 18	KENTUCKY 8
CREIGHTON AT NOTRE DAME	N. DAME 12	N. DAME 11	N. DAME 15	N. DAME 6	N. DAME 8	N. DAME 6
NORTHWESTERN AT DUKE	DUKE 18	DUKE 20	DUKE 16	DUKE 12	DUKE 18	DUKE 6
ORAL ROBERTS AT LSU	LSU 10	LSU 12	LSU 26	LSU 13	LSU 10	LSU 8
ILLINOIS AT IOWA STATE	ILLINOIS 3	ILLINOIS 3	ILLINOIS 1	ILLINOIS 5	IOWA 2	ILLINOIS 2
WASHINGTON AT LAMAR	LAMAR 1	WASH. 1	LAMAR 7	LAMAR 1	WASH. 6	LAMAR 1
LONG BEACH STATE AT UCLA	UCLA 3	UCLA 9	UCLA 10	UCLA 8	UCLA 8	UCLA 8
FURMAN AT EASTERN KY	FURMAN 1	FURMAN 8	EASTERN 2	EASTERN 2	EASTERN 6	EASTERN 2
MOREHEAD STATE AT MARSHALL	MARSHALL 7	MARSHALL 12	MARSHALL 7	MARSHALL 5	MARSHALL 8	MARSHALL 2
INDIANA CENTRAL AT KENTUCKY STATE	CENTRAL 4	CENTRAL 7	CENTRAL 8	CENTRAL 2	CENTRAL 6	CENTRAL 2
ALABAMA AT MISSISSIPPI STATE	ALABAMA 1	ALABAMA 3	ALABAMA 2	ALABAMA 2	ALABAMA 4	MISS. ST 2
FLORIDA AT TENNESSEE	TENN. 8	TENN. 9	TENN. 9	TENN. 6	TENN. 4	TENN. 6
VANDERBILT AT OLE MISS	OLE MISS 2	VANDY 1	VANDY 1	VANDY 3	OLE MISS 3	OLE MISS 4
GEORGIA AT LSU	LSU 12	LSU 20	LSU 10	LSU 7	LSU 4	LSU 8
SYRACUSE AT BOSTON COLLEGE	SYRACUSE 6	SYRACUSE 3	SYRACUSE 3	SYRACUSE 4	SYRACUSE 2	SYRACUSE 6
GEORGETOWN AT PITTSBURGH	PITT 1	G'TOWN 2	PITT 4	G'TOWN 5	G'TOWN 4	G'TOWN 4
IOWA AT PURDUE	PURDUE 3	PURDUE 1	PURDUE 7	PURDUE 1	PURDUE 3	PURDUE 2
MINNESOTA AT ILLINOIS	ILLINOIS 8	ILLINOIS 5	ILLINOIS 10	ILLINOIS 7	ILLINOIS 6	ILLINOIS 10
MICHIGAN AT INDIANA	INDIANA 1	INDIANA 1	INDIANA 5	INDIANA 2	MICHIGAN 2	INDIANA 1
MARQUETTE AT KANSAS STATE	KANSAS ST. 3	MARQUETTE 3	KANSAS ST. 9	KANSAS ST. 5	MARQUETTE 3	KANSAS ST.1
MICHIGAN STATE AT OHIO STATE	OHIO ST. 6	CHIO ST. 2	OHIO ST. 3	OHIO ST. 3	OHIO ST. 8	OHIO ST. 6

Loss To Kansas Is Not The End For Cats

Defeat To Kansas Shouldn't Dampen Spirits

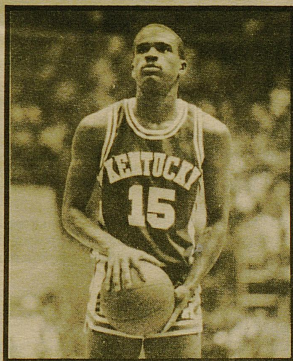
Don't shed a tear for the Wildcats because of the game against Kansas. The Cats played a team that had everything going for them. Kansas had the home court advantage. The Jayhawks had the incentive and strong desire to beat the Cats (1-16 against UK prior to the game), and they had the experience along with the height advantage to go along with being upset about the loss at Freedom Hall last year. Kansas also had the advantage because of its schedule so far this year. The 'Hawks have already played the likes of Louisville, Duke and North Carolina State. They had everything in the book going for them. I believe if Kansas would have lost this game, it would have really put a dent in its season. This loss will not mean that the Cats will throw in the towel for the rest of the season. It did show that Kentucky needs to make certain adjustments when they play different types of teams.



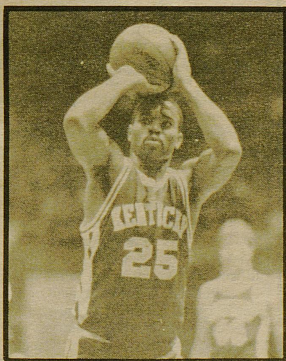
Dicky Beal
Cats' Pause Columnist

The one big adjustment that Eddie Sutton had been stressing all week was ball control. Coach Sutton stressed that Indiana took the Rupp Arena crowd out of the game by being patient. The Cats had to take the Kansas crowd out of the game by being patient also. That didn't happen in this game. Being a former player I know that it is difficult trying to change your style in such a short time. The Cats have been getting a lot of points from their defensive play. Steals, resulting from their tough 'D', have been the reason for a few easy baskets but not as many as the previous games.

UK's full court pressure didn't work as well against Kansas. The reason, their guards (Kansas) are very experienced and they have four good ball handlers on the floor at once. If the Cats would have pressed the whole game they really would have had a difficult time of it. Kansas had already faced Louisville's press and they beat the press convincingly. It looked as if they wanted Louisville to press them so they could get easy baskets. They had experienced (Jayhawks) one of the best presses in the nation so playing against the Cats' full court pressure didn't seem to bother them.



Davender

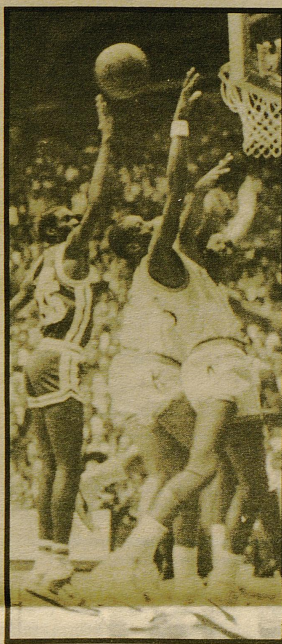


Bennett

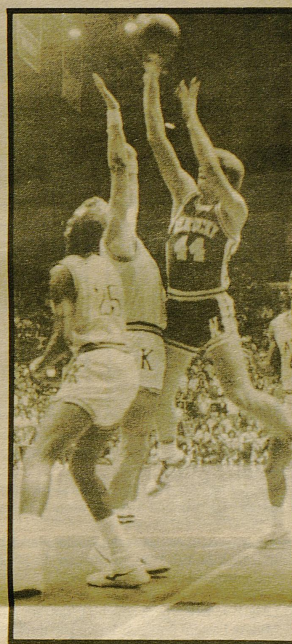
After UK got down so early in the game (14-1), you could see the players were trying to get back in the game as soon as possible. The offensive end for the Wildcats was very sluggish. They (Kansas) were packing the defense on Kenny (Walker) and that really hurt UK's attempt of pulling out a win. Kentucky should of had someone to step up and take the 15-foot jump shot. Ed Davender was hitting the jumper early in the game and that helped alot. With James (Blackmon) and Roger (Harden), the Wildcats have three good outside shooters. If the Cats are going to be successful against the tougher teams they're going to need the outside jumpers from the three players previously mentioned. That will open up the inside game for Kenny and Winston (Bennett).

I can sit here and write about all the things that I thought might have went wrong during the game. It is totally different when you are a spectator rather than a participant. I certainly can identify with the crowd that the Cats had to face (Kansas crowd). I find myself saying why didn't 'such-and-such' take the jump shot or why didn't he pass the ball to the open man? I see why so many people are critics when it comes to being a spectator. When you are out on the court you think instinctively. You do things because you really don't have a lot of time to think about what you are going to do. Think about it, if Greg Drieling (Kansas' seven-foot center) is in your face while driving to the basket do you try to shoot the short jumper or do you pass off to someone else? These type of judgements are made throughout the game. Believe me, I know how difficult it can be to overcome what the Cats had to face at Kansas.

Without sounding critical I think that if Kentucky is going to play with some of the better teams in the nation, they will need help from the big guys on the team. Robert Lock, Cedric



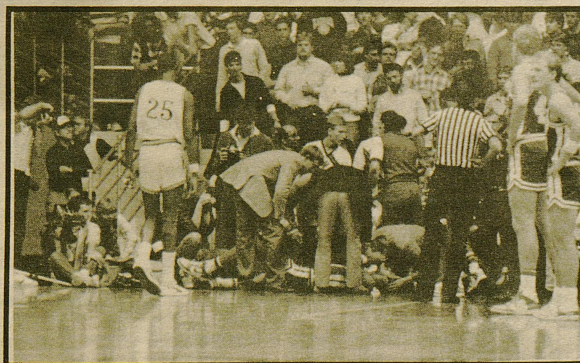
Jenkins



Lock

Jenkins and Richard Madison are going to have to take control when they're in the game. I don't mean to take control completely, but to be contributing factors when they enter the game. In defense of Blackmon it is very difficult to be guarded by someone who is bigger and stronger than you are. It takes its tolls as the game continues. James is a super athlete but when he has those big guys to worry about, it hurts his game a little. He needs to be out on the floor so he can use his athletic ability to help the Cats. I'm sure Coach Sutton realizes what he's doing when he uses three guards in the game. A lot of people question why he uses three guards at once. If you look at the games closely you will notice that the three guards really don't play that much together. There is usually someone bigger coming off the bench when the Cats need help inside.

UK has a couple of games coming up to get its confidence back. They will play a tough Louisville team that has the best freshman center in the country (Pervis Ellison). He doesn't play like a freshman, but like a seasoned veteran. If the Wildcats are going to be able to defeat the Cards or any other top flight team, they will need more help from Madison, Lock, and Jenkins. I believe all of these guys have the potential to be effective, especially Madison and Jenkins, who both have good athletic ability. Everybody's got their opinion on why the big guys are having such a hard time. Who really knows other than the coaches and the players themselves. In time things will work out for the Cats' inside game. The good thing about it, Eddie Sutton and Co. have all season to find the right combination to make them a very strong contender. Getting experience and taking the hard knocks along the way will help UK around tournament time. That's when you want Lock, Jenkins and Madison to really come on strong. Meanwhile, Kentucky will have to make the best of the upcoming season.



Walker Down With Another Eye Injury

None More Loyal As Big Blue Supporters

Herald-Leader Now Writing About Fan's Behavior

The fans. Once again, University of Kentucky athletic fans have come under fire from some media outlet.

Why?

Are UK fans NOT supposed to root for their favorite teams?

Are UK fans the only ones who are over-whelmingly loyal, supportive, or outspoken about their teams?

Are UK fans outrageous in their behavior toward their own school, or an opponent?

Kentucky fans are supposed to root the Wildcats home. UK fans are not any more outlandish about UK teams than any other Division I school.

Kentucky fans are also more generous in their behavior, as a whole group, toward an opponent, than are many other fans, as a group, toward UK teams.



Jim Griesch

Cats' Pause Columnist

Want some examples? Louisville, Tennessee, Louisiana State, Florida, Alabama, now Kansas.

A recent *Lexington Herald-Leader* telephone survey indicates that almost half of 807 people surveyed in and around Fayette County agree that UK sports are overemphasized.

Wow! Just 807 people?

Let's see. Commonwealth Stadium holds between 58,000 and 59,000. Rupp Arena can pick in at least 24,203. Who, or what are the 807 people the pollsters, KPC/Research, of Charlotte, N.C., talked to?

Were they winos promised another drink? Were they graduates of some blue-blooded Ivy League school where athletic teams are almost as well known as school poets? Were they Middle Eastern terrorists looking to throw a little more garbage into the American lifestyle? Who knows.

The important thing to remember about the poll is that it is just one more in a long line of little digs at the average Kentucky sports fan.

The academics side of UK has begun to receive its shots. You know the story...

The schools is zero, academically, while the basketball team gets everything...

The school is an athletic factory for the pros...

Wrong, cloaca brain.

Look at the rosters of professional ball teams. In the National Basketball Association, UK has only six active players. They are: Kevin Grevey, Rick Robey, Kyle Macy, Melvin Turpin, Dirk Minniefield and Sam Bowie.

The National Football League has just six players active at present (mid-December, 1985). They are: Derrick Ramsey, tight end, New England Patriots; Art Still, defensive end, Kansas City Chiefs; Jim Kovach, linebacker, San Francisco 49ers; Jeff Van Note, center, Atlanta Falcons; Jerry Blanton, linebacker, Kansas City Chiefs; Joker Phillips, receiver, Washington Redskins.

Now, if 12 professional athletes from a school with an average enrollment of 22,000 is an "athletic factory," what in the name of Pete Rozelle are the pro teams doing to fill out their rosters.

Actually, UK fans are no different than fans of other institutions of higher learning.

UK fans want their teams to win. They yell for their teams, laugh when they win, and cry when they lose.

Sure. UK basketball fans have had a special relationship with the teams of Adolph Rupp, Joe Hall, and now Eddie Sutton.

Constant winning breeds such relationships. And, this in no way speaks of the current NCAA investigation into boosterism at UK spawned by a newspaper in Lexington.

Because of the special identification of wanting to be associated with winning and winners, UK basketball is the darling of not just graduates of UK, or those who attended UK for at least a trip to the bathroom.

UK basketball is special to many people in Kentucky who have never even been inside Rupp Arena, much less Memorial Coliseum.

Even radio and TV fans from across the nation who have never even been in Kentucky root for UK, because of the media exposure and the need to associate with a "winner."

But, the *Herald-Leader* poll indicates there is unrest among the legions of the loyal. Quoting the copyrighted story of Dec. 15, 1985, the poll "found a strong sentiment for putting more emphasis on academics at the school."

Fine.

In athletics, that might mean having 100 percent graduation rates, instead of 95 percent in basketball. That might mean getting 20 football players on the All-SEC All-Academic team instead of 10.

That might mean doubling the \$23 million planned for upgrading the robotics program, part of the perks the state okayed for getting Toyota to put a plant in near-by Georgetown.

That would also include NOT, repeat NOT, having the Council on Higher Public Education pull the law, medical, dental, and other professional schools, out from under UK control.

That would also include keeping the state's community colleges under UK auspices.

What the *Herald-Leader* poll does is heighten the growing nationwide concern about education in America. The story states this fact.

What the story does not say is that it is just another attempt to jump on a bandwagon.

Make that two bandwagons.

It has become popular in America to put down college athletics as a self-perpetrating, greedy, corrupt, and narcissistic feature of Americana.

It has also become popular to put the knock on UK athletic teams.

In illustrating its poll, the *Herald-Leader's* charts show that more high school grads (or less educated), are less inclined to agree that there is overemphasis on UK sports than are those with a college degree. The poll also shows that those very much interested in UK sports more strongly disagree with that assumption than those who are not interested in UK sports.

How odd!

Of course a poll shows that. Those who follow closely one school's teams would certainly disagree that his (or her) recreational time is spent in following something unpopular. What are the interests of those who don't care for UK sports?

Even the high school-college education breakdown is not that much of a surprise.

Every school has a certain amount of "subway alumni." UK gets a lot of emotional support from a large segment of the state's less affluent. The small farmer around the state is a big UK fan. So are coal miners, stock clerks, youngsters whose parents follow UK, and the like.

No surprises there.

Unfortunately, there are some nagging little areas of doubt about a few fans.

Recently, the *Courier-Journal* in Louisville ran a story that indicated that some students have become disenchanted with their own athletic teams.

There is a little bit of truth here. In recent years, the student sections in Commonwealth Stadium have had some empty areas in the upper reaches of the second deck.

That's unfortunate, in a way, because football coach Jerry Caiborne has put a higher degree of emphasis on his players' academic standing, than have some more recent coaches. Caiborne's attitude ought to get MORE RESPECT from the non-athletic student body.

Last year, during the 1984-85 basketball season, the average attendance figure in Rupp Arena dropped to 22,923. That represents a drop of more than 800 per game from the previous year, and the first time that average attendance dropped below the 23,000 mark for the first time since Rupp Arena's inaugural season, 1976-77, when attendance averaged 22,323.

Of course, Syracuse, playing in a domed football stadium, is the only other school to show such averages. Any other team in the world would like to average 22,923 for a season.

A few years ago, UK outdrew about eight complete conferences. Maybe loss of interest among fans is a relative idea.

But, it is true that attendance did lag in basketball and football.

Last year, *The Cats' Pause* published a letter-to-the-editor from a man, an ex-sports writer from Minnesota, that was very interesting.

He pointed out that UK teams are no better than many others around the country now. The writer pointed out that UK teams seemed to do this or that, but that Kentucky basketball was still special. The reason: the fans.

He said that UK fans have been extremely loyal in their undying support for UK teams, and how they also expect the UK teams to do well.

He said, in short, that it was (is) the UK fans who still make UK special.

That's a nice compliment from an "outsider."

So, why is the *Herald-Leader* writing about overemphasis? Why did the *Courier-Journal* talk about student dissatisfaction?

Why did Jock Sutherland begin his personal brand of garbage attack on UK fans last spring, and continue this fall?

Perhaps there is some line of thinking that goes like this: "If we can break the hold UK sports has on its fans, we can take the programs down to our level."

Why else would someone, or some group, want to persecute UK's fans? Why else would the above mentioned want to try to create a chasm between the school, its teams, and the fans?

There are some ironies involved in all of this.

For years, UK football sold out in Stoll Field (36,000) before moving into Commonwealth Stadium. Those were during years that were not great for football. Even with constant 3-7 to 5-5 years, during years a lack of super highways across Kentucky made travel much more difficult for the fans to get to the games, fans filled the place.

It is ironic, too, that the assault on UK and its fans comes at a time when other schools, even within the borders of Kentucky, are gearing up in drives to recruit, create, and entice fans.

Perhaps UK and its fans are just now beginning to "pay" for years of loyalty.

The price to choice seats in Commonwealth and Rupp is cheap compared with buying a "box" in Freedom Hall, where certain U of L fans get carte blanche to EVERY event at the state-owned and controlled Fairgrounds.

No four seats at UK go for \$25,000, the price of one of those "executive suits," which is a gouging of first order.

Other schools have their own unique arrangements. Oklahoma has a "side of beef" club which grants certain gratuities to the lucky cattleman who donates so much in steaks and rump roasts for Sooner teams. Others in the plains area have similar deals.

The Hilltopper Hundred Club in Bowling Green, an arm of the Western Kentucky athletics scene, is no less loyal, but certainly not as expensive as the "executive suit" plan at U of L.

Over the years, UK fans have been polite to the opposition.

Only in the last few years, when UK fans have received garbage treatment at other schools, have UK fans lost some of that gracious demeanor which set Memorial Coliseum apart from the rest of the college basketball jungle.

At Notre Dame, where the noise and the garbage throwing never stops, the student body is applauded on national TV.

At Duke and some other Atlantic Coast Conference schools, where the unified use of cute obscenities is an art form, the national media does feature stories about the fun and creative atmosphere such "pranks" generate.

Rowdiness is rampant whenever UK shows up at many other SEC sites.

The student body at LSU ought to have to wear plastic garbage bags to gain entrance. Nobody goes to Florida games, unless UK is in town. The memory of seeing one kid, perhaps hopped up on ex-lax, dancing a jig on the sidelines during a win over UK a couple of years ago, is still vivid. He was doing his own thing, and when he noticed the cameras on him, went into a frenzied act, pointing his fingers like guns, shooting at everything.

[Continued On Page 25]

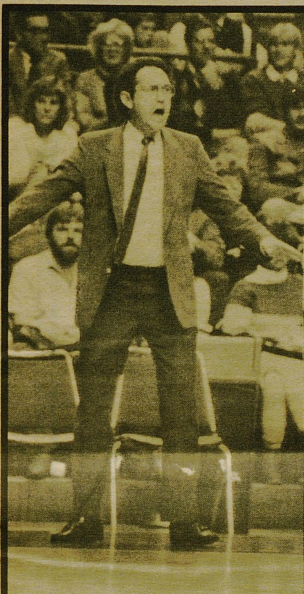
Sutton's Postgame Comments

Following are Coach Eddie Sutton's postgame comments after Kentucky defeated Pepperdine in the championship game of the UKIT:

Question: Your comments on the game?

Sutton: I don't know if you can ever select five players from one ballclub to be on the all-tournament team, but in my opinion these two guys (Roger Harden and Winston Bennett) are just as deserving as their three teammates that made the all-tournament team. Winston scored in double figures both nights and had nine rebounds last night and seven tonight and played great defense. Roger had 10 assists tonight and

also played good defense. I think they were very instrumental in our winning the tournament. During the middle 20 minutes of the game we probably played as well as we can play basketball at this stage of the season. Defensively, we played super; we took them out of their game. They are a fine basketball team; we're not that much better. If we had to play a series with them the games would be much closer than that. We shot the ball much better this evening and we also rebounded better. The biggest key was defensive play. Early, we weren't quite aggressive enough and allowed them to handle the ball with ease. Once we took away their passing lanes that created a lot of problem



Eddie Sutton



Charlie Harrison

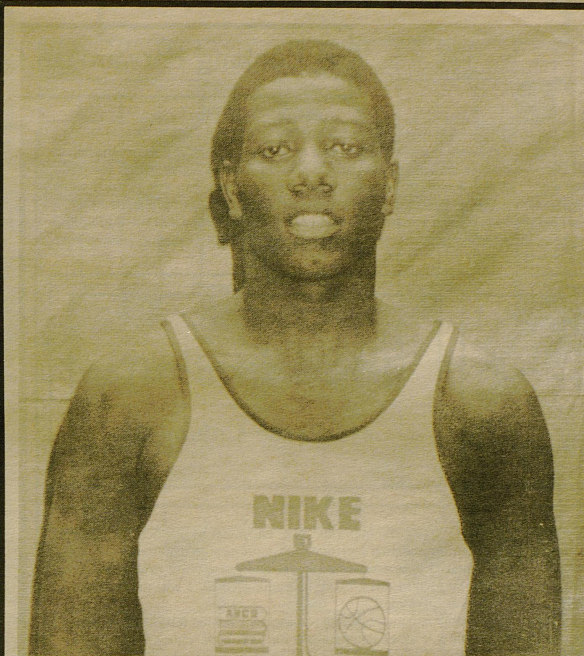


Jim Harrick



Dave Bliss

Meet A Blue-Chipper



Larry Rembert

No Rebounds To Be Had When Rembert Is Around

LARRY REMBERT, 6-8, 215 lbs., SR., 20.5 ppg., 11.6 rpg., 4.0 blpg., Keith H.S./Orrville, AL. The best player in Alabama is a man possessed on the boards. "When Rembert is around, you never have to worry about cleaning the glass (backboards). He keeps the glass so clean he'll put a janitor out of a job," said Stephen Wacaser of the Hoop Scoop ... physically, Rembert is a man right now ... decent shooter who is equipped with excellent quickness ... plays with such intensity that you worry that he could melt right out there on the court ... as a junior, Rembert played on a 21-9 team which lost in the semi-finals of the state tournament ... as a sophomore, Rembert teamed up with former high school All-American and current Alabama-Birmingham player Eddie Collins ... Headed to UAB.



Sky's New Look

Allen Hopes To Build On LSU Encounter

Looking Forward To Off-Season Training

Although he occupied a backup role behind quarterbacks Bill Ransdell and Kevin Dooley, Billy Allen felt his first season served as learning experience. Allen, a redshirt freshman, obviously didn't see much action this past season as a third string signal caller. However, on a rainy night in Baton Rouge, Allen was thrown into the frying pan against LSU when the Wildcats were desperately seeking some, if only a little, offensive production.

"At that time the team needed a spark," remembered Allen recalling UK's frustrating 10-0 shutout loss at the hands of LSU. "I was disappointed with myself because I could have helped us win the game."



Todd Hallum

Cats' Pause Columnist

Nevertheless, despite not winning the important SEC encounter, Allen believed his first game on the road before an intimidating crowd was an unforgettable experience.

"That was one of the greatest experiences that I ever had in my life," said Allen of his first trip to the Tiger Stadium before over 78,000 screaming fans. "I will never forget it. It was truly a great experience for me."

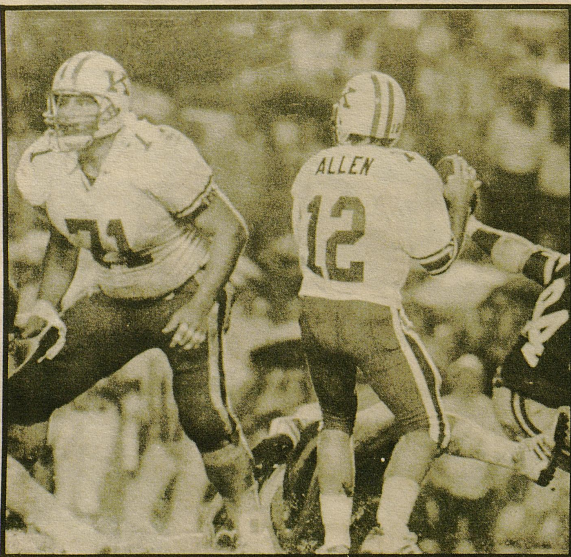
Even though he will probably remain a substitute quarterback behind Ransdell next season, Allen has come to accept his role as a backup despite his lofty high school press clippings. "I have accepted it, I guess," said Allen. Bill will be there and he is a true leader. He helps me and I try to help him if I can. I just try to be prepared to be the starting quarterback in case something happens to Bill or Kevin (Dooley).

When Allen mentions Dooley, he speaks of a close friend who happens to be ahead on the depth chart. However, there is no animosity between the quarterbacks and Allen acknowledges that both of them are competing for the same position.

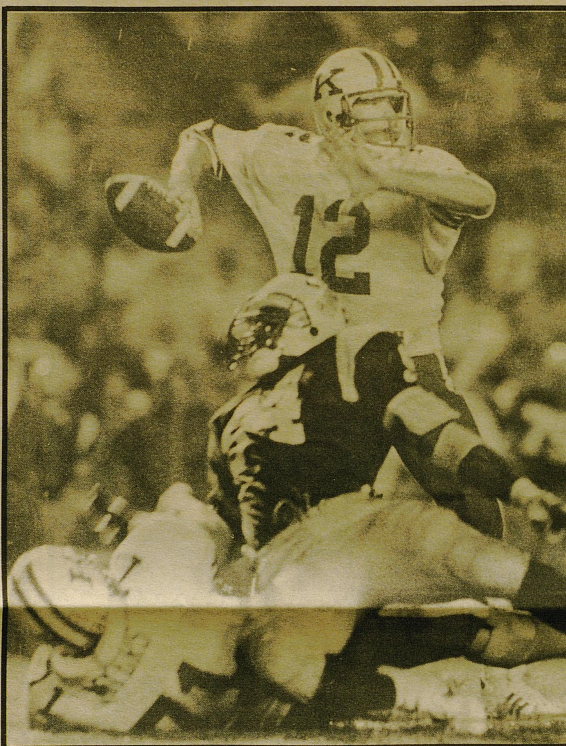
"Kevin and I are close friends," said Allen of his relationship with Dooley. "We both realize there is competition but we still try to help each other out on the practice field as much as possible. We live together; play racquetball together; and do other things together, but that's just part of football."

Coming out of Morgan County High School in West Liberty Ky., Allen was considered by many as one of the premier prep quarterbacks in the south. Allen threw for 6,440 yards setting a state record for career passing yardage as a four-year starter. In addition to breaking the record, he connected on 42 touchdowns passes and was voted to the Coaches' High School All-American team. Needless to say, Allen attracted attention.

However, Allen had no trouble deciding on which college he would attend following his triumphant high school career. Although numerous recruiters from all over the country came to West Liberty to offer Allen a scholarship, he already had his mind made up — Kentucky. "I've always wanted to come to Kentucky ever since I was in the first grade," recalled Allen. "Even though I was recruited by big schools I really only considered Kentucky. It wasn't much of a decision because I have always wanted to come here (UK)."



Allen Battles The Rain In Baton Rouge



Bill Allen

What Allen didn't expect during his second year at UK, was staying home for the holidays and having to watch other teams participate in post-season bowl festivities.

"I don't like sitting around watching other teams playing in bowl games," remarked Allen. "I have never been able to go to a bowl. Hopefully we will work hard during the off-season and get to one next year."

Furthermore, Allen was not too thrilled with the Wildcats 5-6 season. "Everyone was disappointed with the season," said Allen. "I know we will learn from it. We are going to have to work harder in the winter and the summer so that next year at this time we will be preparing for a bowl game instead of a upcoming season."

"Everyone is looking forward to the winter workouts. It's a big part in getting ready for next season because its a time for getting faster and stronger," said the UK finance major.

What Allen is looking to accomplish during these enduring workouts, which begins following the Christmas holidays, is improving his overall speed and quickness. One of the problems Allen experienced during his limited stints at quarterback was moving out of the pocket when he was pressured by oppositions defense.

"I definitely must work on my foot speed," said Allen. "I am very slow for a quarterback." Also, Allen will be looking ahead to more skull sessions with UK quarterback coach Jerry Eisaman, who himself was a signal caller at Kentucky.

"He's helped me tremendously," said Allen referring to Eisaman. "When I came here I really didn't know how to properly read defenses. He has told me so many little things that you wouldn't even think about when I was playing in high school. Coach Eisaman has brought me a long way."

In forseeing the coming '86 season for the Wildcats, Allen hopes the team will refrain from depending on just overall athletic ability and realize games are not won on pure talent alone.

"We might be more talented next season," explains Allen. "But we were more talented this year than the year before. We went 5-6 this year but the year before we were 9-3. Talent might not be as important as what some people are made to believe. You just can't rely on talent to carry you."

UK NOTEBOOK: Wildcat center Ken Pietrowiak was a first team selection to the General Telephone All-Academic All-American team. Pietrowiak, who carries a 3.29 GPA in Business, and was UK's offensive team captain. His gritty performances each Saturday despite numerous ailments will be remembered. No doubt his leadership abilities will be missed for next season.

Senior defensive backs Russell Hairston and Maurice Douglass were chosen to participate in two post-season all star games which will be played during the holidays. Hairston will play in the East-West Shrine game held in Palo Alto, California, while Douglass will be in the Blue-Gray Classic. Former UK wide receiver Joe 'Joker' Phillips was picked up by the Washington Redskins a few weeks ago. Phillips, who was one of the last cuts before the club broke training camp earlier this season, has primarily been used on the specialty teams.

Jim Griesch

[Continued On Page 22]

I hope he made it to the potty in time.
 At Alabama, Auburn, even Mississippi State, the red necks come out of the woodwork like angry termites for UK, but the game before and after, any civic group could rent the auditoriums for a convention. Nobody would know the game's being played.
 Even at Tennessee, the non-crowds late last year were in stark contrast to the wild group of citrus fruit followers who made the UK game in Knoxville.
 Nobody shows up in Oxford, unless it is 1,000 or 2,000 fans from western Kentucky, in to see UK.
 Vandy and Georgia are a little different. Georgians are still in love with Hugh Durham's programs, and Nashvillians are about basketball like UK fans have been about football. They still fill the gym, even in bad years.
 Another irony to the UK situation is that the knocks come at a time when Louisville is trying to gear up its own following.
 And, when U of L won its only national title in 1980, much of the post-game celebrating was aimed more at belittling UK than in exulting in U of L's win.
 UK fans haven't done that.
 When Kyle Macy and U of L's Darrell Griffith were co-marshalls of the 1980 Pegasus Parade during Kentucky Derby Week, Macy rode throughout the parade in quiet dignity, while Griffith rode in a car opposite him with his forefinger pointing straight up, displaying his 1980 NCAA title ring.
 I think Griffith just forgot that Macy already had won his ring.
 Isn't it fun to be a fan?

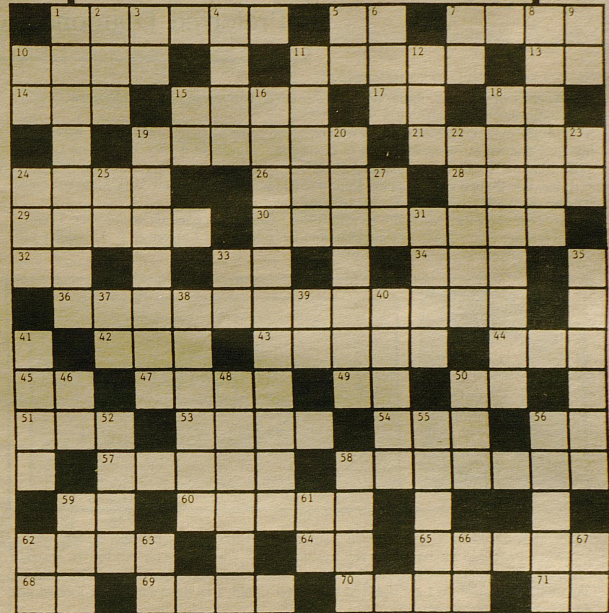
Nick Nicholas

[Continued From Page 7]

the team to win. This year it may be a little different with a new man at the helm.
 "I think that he (Sutton) will keep them more relaxed, just by his demeanor about the ballgame."
 In Coach Denny Crum, Louisville has one of the nation's best. From developing ballplayers to devising game plans which are almost fool proof, Crum can do it all.
 Lexington fans may not agree, however. They act like he's a man trying to take away their UK tradition.
 "I think that Denny Crum would have been an excellent choice to be head coach of the University of Kentucky. His name was never mentioned in any serious vein. That's how much I think of Denny Crum."
 "Eddie Sutton was an excellent choice. I think an equally excellent choice for the job would have been Denny Crum. Like Eddie, he's the kind of person that conducts himself in the best manner professionally and personally.
 With each game between the two schools it appears less and less attention is devoted to THE game. It's only natural. Once you've seen it, it's not as exciting as the first time around.
 Still, there is some excitement within the state to get these two teams together. But is it worth it?
 "If the series goes on next year, each year it will be downplayed a little more and a little more... until it becomes, perhaps, the most important ballgame on the schedule. But it will not be the burning situation.
 "I've always felt that the people in the state legislature who said, 'that it's the way to raise all the money that one needs to run various programs,' were out in left field. They knew less about athletics than they do about running the legislature when they start thinking about that.
 "To the people that said, 'Oh, it's national television material, 'they were out in left field, too. At best, this is a regionalized ballgame."
 When on the road covering the 'Cats, Hacker never hears the fans talk about the U of L-UK series. There's times when an opposing team's coach may briefly chat about it but from other basketball fans it doesn't exist. Even the surrounding states don't seem to care.
 "The interest really is in the state of Kentucky for the ballgame."
 According to Hacker, as far as pertaining to inside the Commonwealth, he feels that only the Lexington and Louisville areas are the only ones that want a home-and-home series.
 The two areas draw the main interest of a home-and-home series, but to fans in eastern and western Kentucky it's not as vital.
 With the biggest amount of Cardinal fans located in Jefferson County, Hacker believes that the UK fan in the Louisville area probably wants the game, too.
 "I think they accept it and there's a great many of them down there who want the series every year. It gives them an opportunity to 'raz' their buddy about playing the University of Louisville, or vice versa.
 "It's a good series for them. I've just never been sold that it's one of the great things to happen."
 If renegotiations call for the two to not continue the series then this may be the last U of L-UK game in Rupp Arena for a long time. Both Sutherland and Hacker agree that Rupp Arena will be a big, big advantage for the Wildcats come Saturday.
 "An edge in talent would have to go to Louisville," Hacker said, "but the difference will be Rupp Arena.
 Hacker's prediction — "Kentucky will win it by four or five points."
 There you have it, from an analyst's point of view — Jock Sutherland — to a 'color' commentator's look at the series — Ralph Hacker. However, either way you look at it, it's still Louisville versus Kentucky.

T C P Crossword Puzzle

By Dan Krueckeberg



A LOOK BACK AT JOE B'S '78 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

- | | |
|---|---|
| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 1 Describes Joe's '77-'78 Cats | 1 _____, play contributed 6.9 ppg |
| 5 Initials of '58 Across | 6 for the '78 Cats |
| 7 12.5 ppg as sophomore in '77-'78 | 2 '78 Cats _____ five average in double figures |
| 10 Applaud | 3 Had '78 Cats #1 |
| 11 Cats' 2nd leading scorer in '77-'78 | 4 Phillips and Robey were an awesome |
| 13 Simpson of football | 5 _____ "He drove _____ the hoop" |
| 14 Wander without purpose | 6 One of the networks |
| 15 First name of the 6-10 workhorse | 7 Abbr. for state in which '78 Cats never lost a game |
| 17 Initials of '78 Cat Courts | 8 Cats had only 2 in '77-'78 season |
| 18 Initials of 19 Down | 9 Initials of '30s Cat All-Amer. Johnson |
| 19 Cats put together a _____ of 14 | 10 Initials of '78 Cat Gettelfinger |
| 21 Pursuit | 11 Relating to the kidneys |
| 24 Cut with acid | 12 Abbr. for conference of Bucknell and Lafayette |
| 26 Reputation | 15 Initials of former Cat Melvin |
| 28 Abbr. for "American" | 16 Two of '78 |
| 29 Joe B's vindication came in St. _____ | 18 The enforcer came off the bench |
| 30 Early season wins over IU and ND gave _____ of the '78 Cats' power | 19 Jay of '78 |
| 32 Abbr. for a masculine title | 20 Center Mike of 43 Across |
| 33 Initials of '78 Cat Aleksinas | 22 Makes waste, they say |
| 34 It is _____ | 23 Comparative suffix |
| 36 Two of '78 | 24 Tree |
| 42 '78 Cats beat the Big _____'s Spartans to go to the Final Four | 25 Abbr. for Ivy League school in New York |
| 43 _____ Blue Devils were beaten by the Cats in the title game | 27 Printer's measure |
| 44 Masculine name | 31 Apple, peach and blueberry |
| 45 Initials of former Cat Smith | 32 Pac-10 state abbr. |
| 47 First name of a 6-10 '78 Cat | 35 41 in title game; need we say more? |
| 49 Cats won Midwest Regional _____ Dayton | 37 Common pronoun |
| 50 Former Cat Dicky Beal was as quick as a _____ | 38 The Big Hoosier |
| 51 Macy was a major _____ in the '78 machine-like Cats | 39 Abbr. for school of 43 Across |
| 53 Come to maturity | 40 Choir voice |
| 54 Oriental sash | 41 Ran the offense in '78 |
| 56 Indefinite article | 46 Thus |
| 57 Former LSU guard Martin | 48 Masculine names |
| 58 Namesakes of a '78 guard | 50 Spanarke! of 43 Across |
| 59 _____ the title game Robey tallied 20 | 52 Standout Banks of 43 Across |
| 60 Only Tide and _____ fans could enjoy a Cat loss in '78 | 55 Robey and Phillips were _____ under the boards |
| 62 '78 Cat Cowan | 56 Pester |
| 64 Initials of former Cat star Dan | 58 _____ the roster |
| 65 Williams of '78 | 59 Government's money collector |
| 68 Initials of '78 Cat Stephens | 61 Initials of a present-day Cat |
| 69 The '78 Cat _____ posted 30 wins | 62 Stat sheet abbr. for shots from line |
| 70 '78 brought the _____ Cat wins of the Joe Hall era | 66 "He was _____ the FT line" |
| 71 Abbr. for a length measurement | 67 Univ. of _____; '78 Cats beat them too |



Last Week

CALVERT SID GJ
 RENE ARGENTO
 A ED DABS BETH
 LS JE I HATTON
 PURSIFULS R S S
 HO ME LOSES LO
 S I MACT HATTON
 BLAYTOR T ASU
 REN HARDEN LS
 BEND KEY LV EG
 CASEY N DEARD O
 T REG HORN HET
 K USA RIA STRUT
 NF ORG TB KEY
 RONNIEYONS D
 JIMS NNS MASTER

Lyons Had Good And Bad Moments At UK

Preferred Diamond Action vs The Hardwood

If he had it to do all over again, Ronnie Lyons would have rather played professional baseball than collegiate basketball.

"If I had to do it all over again, I wouldn't have come up here," said Lyons, who works for International Business Machines in Lexington. "Hindsight is easy, but I think I should have went on to play professional baseball."

Lyons was drafted out of Mason County High School by the New York Mets but opted to play for the University of Kentucky instead.

"My best sport was baseball," he said. "But I didn't even play my senior year. I played in the Dapper Dan Classic in Pittsburgh and the rule was if I played in it, I couldn't participate in any spring sports."



Mel Holbrook

Cats' Pause Columnist

For Mason County, Lyons once hit .748 as a shortstop and pitched two no-hit games. "When I came to the university my freshman year, I wanted to try out for the baseball team," Lyons explained. "But Coach (Dickie) Parsons told me I'd have a tough time making the infield that year. So I got involved with other things, like Keeneland, and decided just to concentrate on basketball."

Lyons, who played at UK from 1971-74, was probably the most popular "little man" at the university until the recent emergence of Leroy Byrd.

"That's what Coach (Adolph) Rupp called me, Little Man," said Lyons. "I played for him my sophomore season in his final year and then for Coach (Joe) Hall's first two years."

At the time of his decision, though, Lyons knew he wanted to play basketball for Kentucky.

"Even though I was recruited by schools from all over, I always wanted to play for Coach Rupp," Lyons stated. "That was the thing to do, I guess. It was my life-long dream. I only lived 60 miles from Lexington. They (UK) didn't have to put too much effort into recruiting me."

The Maysville native said Wildcats' coaches watched him play several times during his prep senior year. Rupp saw him play in a district tournament and Hall and Parsons saw him once at Fleming County. But they shouldn't have bothered, according to Lyons.

"I never visited the campus or anything, never even took a tour of it," Lyons stated. "I went to a lot of the ball games and they introduced me at halftime. All the fans gave me a warm welcome. They (UK) knew I was hooked."

But while he was still working towards a final decision, Lyons, who had narrowed his list to UK, North Carolina and Alabama, got pretty fed up with recruiters.

"There were a lot of pressures," he said. "There was a gentleman in Maysville who was a North Carolina graduate who flew me down there for visits three different times. They promised my high school coach (Jim Mitchell) an assistant's job if I went there."

"One night, I couldn't take it any more," Lyons continued. "I called up Jock Sutherland, who was then an assistant at Alabama, about 1 a.m. in the morning. I told him to come on up and sign me. I liked Jock and C.M. Newton really well. But he told me to go to bed and sleep on it. And, if I still felt the same way in the morning, then to give him a call. Well, I slept on it, and the next morning decided on Kentucky. Years later, when I was Jock's student teacher at (Lexington) Lafayette, he told me he knew all along I really wanted to go to UK. And he said he knew I would go to UK."

In Lyons, the Wildcats had a player who was voted the state's "Mr. Basketball" his senior season at Mason County. He was also a prep All-American, averaging a state-leading 36 points per game his senior season. He was also All-State his final two prep years. He averaged 25 ppg. as a junior. Lyons, who once scored 60 points in a prep contest, started playing on the varsity about six games into his freshman season at Mason County, and averaged 19 ppg as a sophomore.

The fact that he was only 5-10 but could score so many points probably attracted a lot of schools. Lyons was known for his accuracy, as well as his sensational ball handling, his "quick draw" shooting and his all-around hustle.

As a youngster, Lyons says he spent seven or eight hours a day practicing. His father, Ernest, was a player in high school and, even though Lyons' parents were divorced and Lyons lived with his mother, Phyllis, he said his father had a lot to do with his success.

"I must have played six or seven hours a day," Lyons said. "I'd play even after practice. I played on outside goals in the snow. I played on goals nailed to trees. I'd play anywhere there was a goal. I'd even play after baseball games in the summertime."

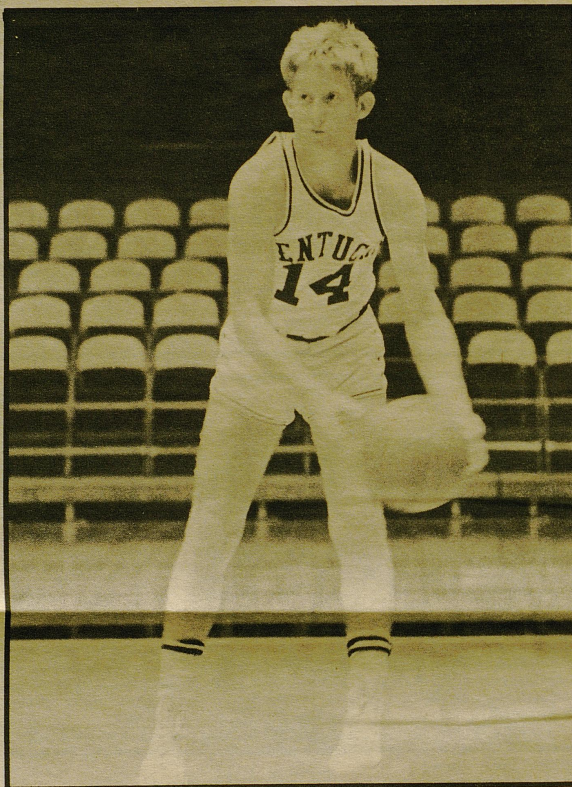
All that work paid off in a scholarship offer to Kentucky. But Lyons' Kentucky experience wasn't what he expected it to be.

"It's easy to look back on it now, but during the time it was pretty hard," Lyons explained.

"My last two years weren't very good. The coaching change (from Rupp to Hall) really hurt me bad. I respect Coach Hall, and I have nothing bad to say about him, but Coach Hall's philosophy on guards was different from Coach Rupp's. Hall's philosophy was to get it into the big man, and if you did shoot you'd better make it or else. Rupp built his whole offense around guards. Everybody that played against Rupp knew that, but nobody could stop him."

Lyons, who had averaged 13 ppg as a sophomore under Rupp, fell off to nine and seven ppg. his final two seasons under Hall.

"I wasn't too popular my last year," Lyons said. "That was the year we went 13-13, of course, and I took most of the criticism for it. I remember one game I got booed at the (Memorial) Coliseum pretty bad. We'd just come off a loss to LSU and I'd gone one for



Known As 'The Little Man'

eight and had a bunch of turnovers. We were being introduced before the game and they (the fans) booed me. That hurt me pretty bad and I'll never forget that."

Lyons added that the team had a "pretty tough time" during Hall's first two years.

"I played for him at the worst possible time," Lyons said. "My last year the pressure on him was terrible. It was a pretty long year. We had a pretty good team. But Jim Andrews was gone and Bob Guyette was too small at center. We were small at the other positions, too."

In Rupp's final year, the Wildcats were 21-7 and won the Southeastern Conference championship. But Rupp's final game was a 73-54 blowout by the Florida State Seminoles. And that loss made the "Baron" want to come back for another season.

"We had beaten Marquette (85-69) University pretty easily in the previous game, which was kind of unexpected," said Lyons. "But Florida State killed us. I was playing regularly. I got a big break when Kent Hollenbeck got hurt. I hated to see Rupp go, but I knew it was coming. I'm just glad I got the opportunity to play for him one year. He tried every way in the world to stay around a little longer. When we got beat so bad by Florida State he didn't have much to say in the locker room."

The Marquette game was one of Lyons' better games in his time at UK. He scored 19 points. And he helped break the Warriors' press with some quick moves. But being booed at the Coliseum earlier in the season didn't leave him with very pleasant memories of his alma-mater.

"I thought a lot about Dean Smith (of North Carolina) during that time," Lyons said. "I haven't been to a home basketball game since our last game there (a 108-69 triumph over Mississippi State University). I was kind of bitter for a while. I had bitter feelings."

But Lyons may change his mind about attending a game at Rupp Arena because of new head coach Eddie Sutton.

"I'd love to play for that man," he said. "I love his three-guard offense. Playing the position Roger Harden plays would be right down my alley. Sutton will do alright, especially when he gets his kind of players in there. I'm considering going back now. I've been watching a lot of games on television and I like Sutton's style of play."

Lyons, who is now 33, says the game has changed a lot in the 12 years he's been out.

"You don't see as many little men anymore," he said. "All the guards these days are 6-0 or 6-1. Leroy Byrd's good but he's still too little for today's game. He excites the crowd. They love the little guy as long as he's winning. You've gotta win. You know how fans are."

Lyons plays in a lot of pickup games these days "just for fun." And he can barely touch the rim now after being able to get over the rim easy during his playing days. He played in an IBM league for a while, with the team winning the plant championship one year. But he's out of that now.

"That's because I'm about 40 pounds overweight," he laughed.

Back Thru The Wildcat Years

Six Years Ago

*Kentucky starting guard Dwight Anderson has quit the Kentucky team for what he calls "personal reasons." Coach Joe Hall refused to dig into the matter, only saying that Anderson told him he was leaving for personal reasons. Hall said Anderson "is an exceptional player with a great future and we wish him well." The sophomore averaged 13.5 points as a freshman at UK and was scoring 10.7 points a game this year. Anderson had been experiencing some academic problems this semester, but apparently would have remained eligible.

*Kentucky coach Joe Hall suspended starters Dirk Minniefield and Sam Bowie for the Notre Dame game. Hall said the two freshman broke training rules.

*UK led almost all the way in stunning Notre Dame 86-80 in Freedom Hall. Coach Joe Hall

said "this has to be the best, an all-time high." Game MVP Kyle Macy was brilliant for the undermanned Cats. Macy scored 21 points, handed out six assists and committed just one turnover in 40 minutes. And when the Irish had cut an 18-point UK lead to 75-69 with four minutes left, Macy glided through the lane for a short flip shot which resulted in a three-point play. There were other heroes, Fred Cowan had 16 points and LaVon Williams 13. Freshman Derrick Hord scored 10 points and grabbed a game-high 11 rebounds while classmate Chrls Hurt scored 10 points. Seldom-used reserves Bo Lanter and Tom Heitz also came off the bench and played well for Kentucky.

Ten Years Ago

*The Kentucky basketball team held on to defeat favored Notre Dame 79-77 in Louisville's

Freedom Hall. The game was close all the way and a thriller down to the end. The win raised UK's record to 5-4 as they enter SEC play. UK freshman guard Truman Claytor and Notre Dame's Adrian Dantley shared MVP honors in the game. Claytor and center Mike Phillips each scored 18 points. Rick Robey and Jack Givens added 16 apiece.

*Mississippi State shocked Kentucky 77-73 in the Cats' SEC season opener played in Starkville. Coach Kermit Davis said "this is the best win I have ever had. We can't play much better." Gary Hooker led Mississippi State with 27 points. Jack Givens had 27 points for the Wildcats while Larry Johnson scored 14 and Rick Robey and Mike Phillips 13 apiece.

*UK tailback Sonny Collins, the all-time SEC rushing leader, led the East team with 46 rushing yards, but his team fell 21-14 the West team. Chuck Muncie led the West team with 106 yards on the ground.

Fifteen Years Ago

*Kentucky blew a 24-point lead but then got clutch play down the stretch from reserve guards Terry Mills and Jim Dinwiddie to down Ole Miss 103-95. Mike Casey led UK with 23 points and Tom Parker scored 21. Tom Payne scored 18 points and grabbed 16 rebounds while Mills scored 14 points, including several late free throws. Ole Miss soph sensation Johnny Neumann scored 47 points hitting 20 of 50 shots.

*Kentucky dropped to eighth in the AP poll. UCLA is first and South Carolina second.

*Kentucky stopped Mississippi State 79-71 for its second SEC win in as many outings. UK trailed by as many 13 points but continued to fight back late in the game, finally securing a 68-66 lead with 3:30 left in the game. UK led the rest of the way. Mike Casey was the difference for UK leading both teams in scoring with 26 points. Tom Payne scored 24 points while Larry Steele and Terry Mills each scored 10 points.

*The Cincinnati freshmen team edged the Kittens 87-85. Because NCAA regulations require a freshmen game to end 30 minutes before the varsity game, UC won when it called two successive timeouts until it was 7:30. Ray Edelman and Ronnie Lyons led UK with 32 points each.

Thirty Years Ago

*Kentucky's Bill Wheeler scored on a 20-yard pass as the East team defeated the West in the Christian Bowl game in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

*Kentucky showed the power everyone had expected of them in preseason as they defeated St. Louis on the road 101-80 behind 40 points by center Bob Burrow. It was UK's finest game of the year as Coach Adolph Rupp installed a double pivot with Burrow and Jerry Bird. Gerry Calvert scored 22 points and Bird 17. Vern Hatton had 12. Jim McLaughlin led the Billikens with 33 points. UK's 58.2 shooting percentage was the best ever by a UK team.

*UK's Howard Schnellenberger and Bob Hardy led the Gray team to a thrilling 20-19 upset of the Blues in the annual Blue-Gray Classic in Montgomery, Alabama. Both players scored one touchdown and Hardy directed the Gray team 56 yards for a score in the last minute. Hardy hit 11 of 22 passes for 128 yards. Bart Starr also quarterbacked for the Grays.

*With a 6-2 record, UK advanced to sixth in UP poll. San Francisco, 10-0, is first.

Wildcat Quiz

1. True or False? UK holds a series advantage against the University of Louisville in basketball.

2. When was the last time UK lost to Louisville in Rupp Arena?

- a) Never
- b) 1984
- c) 1983
- d) 1979

3. How many times has UK faced Louisville in the NCAA Tournament?

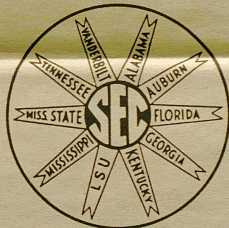
- a) Never
- b) 3
- c) 4
- d) 7

4. Who was the high scorer in last years UK-Louisville game?

- a) Kenny Walker
- b) Billy Thompson
- c) Winston Bennett
- d) Jeff Hall

5. What NBA franchise drafted former Wildcat center Mike Phillips?

- a) New York Knicks
- b) Atlanta Hawks
- c) New Jersey Nets
- d) Chicago Bulls



6. Where is the hometown of former UK All-American Sam Bowie?

- a) Beaver Dam, Ky.
- b) Lebanon, Pa.
- c) Philadelphia, Pa.
- d) Roberta, Ga.

7. During the 1983-84 season only one non-SEC team defeated the Wildcats. Who was it?

- a) North Carolina
- b) Illinois
- c) Georgetown
- d) Louisville

8. What is Todd Ziegler's jersey number for UK?

- a) 22
- b) 28
- c) 30
- d) 32

9. At what Louisville high school did Winston Bennett play basketball?

- a) Eastern
- b) Male
- c) Ballard
- d) Central

10. True or False? Former UK guard Jack Parkinson was not a All-American for UK in 1946.



Bennett



Answers

- 1. True (10)
- 2. Never
- 3. Four times
- 4. Kenny Walker (34 points)
- 5. New Jersey Nets
- 6. Lebanon, Pa.
- 7. Georgetown (NCAA Semi-finals in 1984)
- 8. 32
- 9. Male High School
- 10. False (Parkinson was a All-American for UK in 1946)

Help America's Young Men get the Point about Selective Service Registration

Young men born on or after January 1, 1960 are required to register with Selective Service within a month of their 18th birthday.

The registration process takes less than five minutes at the post office. A young man fills out a simple form asking only for his name, date of birth, address, telephone number and Social Security number.

Registration helps keep our country prepared with a pool of names to draw from in case of a national emergency... without interfering with people's lives. When you think about it... that's not a lot to ask.

It's Quick. It's Easy. And it's the Law.



Printed as a public service.

When You Order: THE CATS' PAUSE You Get

		Opponents Comments	
Game Statistics			Recruiting Updates
Complete Wildcat Coverage			Schedules And TV Times
In Depth Features		\$25⁰⁰ Per Year	Letters To The Editor
	35 Issues A Year	<small>Yes, I am subscribing to The Cats' Pause! My check is enclosed. sales tax included</small> NAME _____ STREET, BOX, OR ROUTE NO. _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR CUSTOMER NUMBER FROM YOUR ADDRESS LABEL IF THIS IS A RENEWAL SUBSCRIPTION. 35 ISSUES - \$22.50 PER SUBSCRIPTION [\$30.00 in Canada] NEW _____ RENEWAL _____	<small>MAIL TO: THE CATS' PAUSE P.O. Box 7297 Lexington, KY 40522</small>

But Most Important You Get

The Bottom Line On UK Basketball