

Dental faculty complain of merger problems

By DARRELL CLEM
Senior Staff Writer

Several faculty members from the College of Dentistry met yesterday with the Senate Council to voice concern over perceived problems in the attempts to merge the dental schools at UK and the University of Louisville.

UK dental faculty members are urging the Council to take an active part in studying the impact of the

merger before further action is taken.

Emmett R. Costich, a faculty member in the college, read a statement outlining problems that some faculty members say have resulted from merging parts of the two dental schools — problems which "preclude close coordination of the two institutions unless one or the other modifies dramatically its approach to dental education."

While the statement notes that certain agreements between UK

President Otis A. Singletary and U of L President Donald Swain over a merger report by MGT of America consulting firm were made with the intent "to preserve both colleges of Dentistry," it states that some arrangements were "worked out rapidly, with little study and, unfortunately, with little consultation with University academic bodies like the Senate."

According to the statement, which Costich said reflected the opinions of a majority of College of Dentistry

faculty, three department chairmanships shared by the two dental schools are currently "making a great effort to prop up the Louisville program in preparation for (spring) accreditation but at a very great price in teaching and patient care here at UK."

Costich also said UK's "strong, nationally-known" orthodontics program has been shifted to U of L "without any concurrence by faculty in our college or by the Graduate Faculty or the University Senate."

He said the overall number of post-doctoral dental programs at U of L has increased from three to five while the number at UK has decreased by one — to four post-doctoral programs.

"There does not appear to be any academic basis for these decisions," Costich said.

He also said the combined continuing education program, "formerly an independent, self-supporting" one at UK's dental school, is now "being dragged through red ink...."

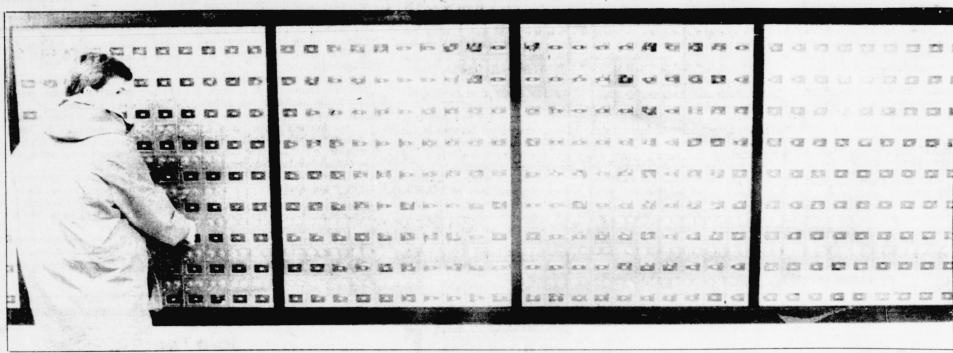
Such changes, Costich said, "have done little to strengthen our college and, in fact, are compromising our nationally recognized, innovative dental curriculum."

"I think the Senate and the Senate Council need to get back into doing what our rules describe as their responsibilities," Costich continued.

On the issue of merger, he said, "I don't think anything is totally irreversible."

Robert Spedding, a UK dental

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Male call

Neil Wise, a consumer studies junior, checks his mail at the campus post office. The post office is located in the basement of the Classroom Building.

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Professor is knighted by Spain

By MELISSA BELL
Staff Writer

If he hadn't been sidetracked, John Keller might have become a zoologist or a botanist instead of a Spanish knight.

Keller wanted to study zoology and botany in South America when he got out of high school. While learning Spanish to speak with the South Americans, he became interested in Spanish literature.

And from there his career has blossomed. He was recently knighted by the king of Spain, Juan Carlos, for his research on medieval literature.

The award, which is about two centuries old, cited Keller's work in furthering the understanding of Spanish culture.

"This is the highest award that any foreigner can get," said Margaret Jones, chairwoman of the Spanish and Italian Languages department. "It's the top, and it's recognized as that."

"It's the result of many years working with Spanish literature and research and publishing books, and all sorts of things that make people across the world realize that literature is important and Spanish has a very fine culture," Keller said.

Keller studies, criticizes, edits and translates medieval manuscripts



JOHN KELLER

into English so they can be read outside of Spain. Since 1946, he has published 30 books and 60 scholarly articles and has lectured at universities in Spain, England, Portugal and the United States.

"It's sort of an all around approach to making people see how good and worthwhile Spanish literature and culture are," Keller said.

He is currently working on a history of medieval Spanish short stories in prose, verse and visualization.

Keller also is on the editorial boards of several Romance languages and Spanish journals including *Kentucky Folklore*, *Hispania* and the *Journal of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese*.

He is editor-in-chief of the *Kentucky Romance Quarterly* and the series, *Studies in Romance Languages*.

Safety task force issues report

Proposals include campus Briteways, emergency call boxes

By ANDREW DAVIS
Senior Staff Writer

The Special Task Force on Campus Safety has completed its report on how to improve campus security and distributed it to top University officials including President Otis A. Singletary.

The task force, which has been in operation since August 1984, was set up in response to growing concern among students about their personal safety following the murder of chemistry graduate student Lin-jung Chen in the Chemistry-Physics building on June 9, 1984.

John Cain, Student Government Association senior vice president and chairman of the committee, said the response to the report has been good. "The initial reaction is that it's a fine report," Cain said.

The 15-page document includes suggestions from the task force on how students, faculty and staff can be better protected at the University. The report is critical of the current lighting systems on campus and suggests implementing "Briteways."

The Briteways are a system of well-lit, designated routes which students would follow around campus. The system, which would be based

on one currently in use at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, would encompass the areas by the Kirwan-Blanding Complex, Sorority Circle, the M.I. King Library, Patterson Office Tower and the Student Center.

Jack Blanton, vice chancellor for administration said he thought the Briteways were a good idea, but the University would probably proceed with lighting darkened areas before the Briteways idea would be put into effect.

The report also includes suggestions on increasing public awareness of the University police department.

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Chill causes problems in buildings

Staff reports

Amidst the ice, snow and below freezing temperatures yesterday, many students ventured to class. For others, it was a good excuse to stay home.

According to several University professors, many of the classrooms showed low attendance yesterday.

Jack Baseheart, a professor of communications, said that only 25 percent of his students attended Communications 382 at 9 a.m. and little more than half attended Communications 551 at 10 a.m. in McVey

Hall. He added that it was very cold in the classroom.

Durand Rigs, a professor of French, said that about 60 percent of his French 102 class attended class at noon. About two-thirds attended French 102 at 8 a.m., said Ulnke Glunk, another professor of French.

But History 109 at 9 a.m. had better attendance yesterday compared to last week, said David Hamilton, a professor of history.

Plumbing problems accompanied the bad weather. A Holmes Hall heating pipe deteriorated, according to Clarence Wilhite, superintendent of plumbing for the Physical Plant Division.

Frozen pipes caused minor problems with the heating systems in about 20 or 30 buildings on campus, according to Jack Applegate, director of the physical plant for the Lexington Campus.

The Tobacco and Health building and the Journalism Building were the scenes of the worst heating problems, Applegate said.

"Most buildings are designed for zero degree temperatures but below that we run into problems," Applegate said. "There will be more problems, as temperatures increase and the frozen pipes melt, but for the time being they're taken care of."

Reunion allows child cancer victims to relive memories of fun at camp

By FRAN STEWART
Senior Staff Writer

Swimming, fishing, archery and horseback riding might not be considered normal activities for cancer victims.

But at Indian Summer Camp, which was founded in 1962, children with the disease can experience these activities and more.

"The camp was founded to provide a vacation from cancer for the families and campers," said Gloria Sams, administrator of the program. "It's something you live with night and day."

"The main purpose is for the kids to get away from home, to have a normal camp experience for some of them who can't get away very much," said Mark Zerof, a camp volunteer.

Many of the campers develop friendships during the week of activities and companionship, but once

the week is over, most do not have the opportunity to see each other until the next summer.

As a way of renewing past friendships, about 100 campers and parents met at the Holiday Inn North Jan. 19 and 20 for the first Indian Summer winter weekend.

"This is the first winter reunion," Sams said. "The kids have begged for it for several years. There's been a great response."

"A lot of kids became friends over the week during the summer, and it was nice to get together and have a reunion over the winter," said Zerof, an undecided sophomore at UK.

"This is almost a family weekend," Sams said. "We hope it will be good for the parents as well as the kids."

According to Sams, the campers attending the reunion represented four states and ranged in ages from 8 to 19. "A good many have been at camp all three years."

Activities planned for the weekend included attending the UK-Florida basketball game, meeting the Kentucky players and touring Spendthrift Farm.

The Spendthrift trip and all other Sunday activities, however, were canceled due to inclement weather.

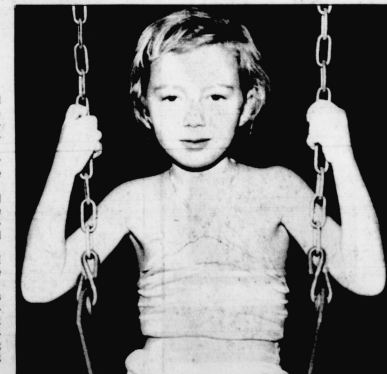
Jane Kirkland, whose 19-year-old daughter, Kay, has attended the camp for the past three years, complimented the weekend reunion and the Indian Summer program.

"I think it's nice," she said. "I just wish the weather would have cooperated."

"It (Indian Summer Camp) is marvelous in that it's such an inspiration, in my opinion," she said. "It kind of makes them more independent, gives them a brighter outlook because they are kind of different from other kids."

The winter weekend and the Indian Summer Camp are nonprofit projects.

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MARALEE CARROLL/Kernel Staff

Christy Karey, 6, swings during the Indian Summer Camp reunion.

Panel looks at sexual orientation GALUS seeks to revise student code

By SCOTT WARD
Senior Staff Writer

A proposed amendment to the Student Rights and Responsibilities handbook to include protection from discrimination against sexual orientation was discussed by a University committee yesterday.

The Gay and Lesbian Union of Students has submitted to the Student Code Revision Committee proposals for two amendments that would add the phrase "sexual orientation" to sections 2.11 and 2.12 of the handbook.

The University will not discriminate in its admissions policy or the granting of scholarships, grants-in-aid and financial aid to students based on their race, color, religion, sex, marital status, national origin, age or beliefs.

The committee discussed the proposal yesterday with a spokesman from GALUS who asked to be identified only as William C.

Luis Wesley, president of Socially Concerned Students; Susan Brothers, president of Young Democrats and Valerie Estes, vice president of Young Democrats also presented the proposal. The two groups, along with the National Organization for Women and *Emergence* are working in concert with GALUS on the proposed amendments.

According to the proposal: "By approving these changes, the University would be taking a positive step toward the attainment of equal rights for all students." It also stated that, "as a leader in the community, the University would set an example by showing that its concerns discrimination of any form."

During the hour-long discussion of the proposal, Scott Wilhoit, a journalism senior and member of the committee, repeatedly questioned the need for the amendments. "Are we creating a situation that doesn't exist?" Wilhoit asked.

William responded that discrimination — more from the University population than administration — is "a valid concern among some of our students." He added that he had felt threatened as an undergraduate.

Joseph Burch, dean of students, asked if the proposal would lead to the perception that UK is condoning homosexuality. William, who became flustered during the committee's questioning, conceded that this might happen among the "religious right."

Tim Freudenberg, Student Government Association president and a member of the committee, said, "I don't view this as a pro-gay proposal." See ORIENTATION, page 5

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How did you feel about the proposal for changing UK's Student Code of Conduct? For details, see page 2.

The latest action on the proposed amendment to the Student Code of Conduct is available in this issue. For a review, see EDITORIAL, page 3.

WEATHER

Tuesday will be mostly sunny and pleasant with high 50s in the upper 20s. Tonight will be clear and cold with the low 30 to 15. Tomorrow will be mostly sunny and warmer with the high around 50.

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UK-U of L merger urged by 1967 committee

By ANDREW OPPMANN
Contributing Writer

Although the question of whether UK and the University of Louisville should merge is a hot topic in discussions about Kentucky's higher education system, the idea is almost 20 years old. According to documents to be distributed for study this afternoon to the Adhoc Advisory Group for UK/U of L Merger, a 1967 special committee recommended that both universities should become coordinate institutions and be united under a new name.

The committee, appointed by former UK President John Oswald and former U of L President Philip Davidson pursuant to a resolution passed by the General Assembly, was charged by the presidents to study "the advisability and feasibility of placing the University of Louisville in the state supported system of public higher education," according to the committee's report.

The recommendations were based upon a March 1967 "confidential draft" by Heald, Hobson and Associates, a New York-based consulting firm hired by the committee. The Kentucky Kernel recently obtained a copy of the draft.

The consultants recommended that "the University of Louisville become a state-supported sister institution to the University of Kentucky, on an equal and parallel basis, in a new Kentucky institution of higher learning which might be called the Commonwealth University of Kentucky" by July 1971.

Under the proposal, the boards of trustees at both UK and U of L would be combined and eventually reduced to a 16-person board, without ex officio and faculty

members. The board would elect a new chairman, vice chairman and executive committee.

The names of both universities would be retained, with the addition to each of a subscript, "a part of the Commonwealth University of Kentucky," helping to preserve the identity of each institution, the draft said.

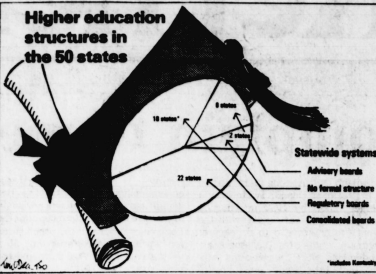
The Commonwealth University of Kentucky would be administered by a single president chosen by the new board. Chancellors would be chosen to run each university and the community college system, the draft said.

The new president and staff — including a vice president for academic planning and a separate vice president for budget and finance — would be headquartered away from either campus, the draft said.

The chancellors running each university would hold substantial administrative power at their institutions, according to the draft. Faculty appointments and departmental chairmen at each university, for example, would be appointed by the chancellor subject to the president's approval. Admissions standards would be left to the chancellors.

But the draft said, "Major administrative appointments, and grants large enough to change educational policy or research emphasis between campuses would require approval of the president."

The consultants concluded that the proposal would protect the legitimate interests of both institutions and provide "maximum educational service to the state of Kentucky at least overall cost" and "a favorable opportunity to develop a unified educational program at the graduate-research



level that in due time could achieve national recognition."

But the plan, although urged by both the consultants and the committee, was never implemented. U of L simply became a member of the state system of higher education in 1970 — an alternative which was strongly renounced.

The committee said in its report that simply bringing U of L into the system would create duplication of programs and unnecessary competition with UK.

"Such an arrangement would, the committee fears, pit the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville against each other for funds and for programs," the report said. "It would also tend to put the two major metropolitan areas of the state against each other politically."

"Such a result would be most unfortunate and would, we fear, set back the whole system of public higher education in Kentucky." The committee and the consul-

tant also rejected four other alternatives, including: "Making U of L a completely private university;" "Making U of L a state-related university, receiving substantial state funds by direct appropriation but retaining quasi-private and quasi-independent status;" "Merging U of L, with full state support, with UK by a single board of trustees and separate presidents at each institution;" and making U of L, with full state support, a part of UK.

The idea for UK to annex U of L was discounted because of the possible negative morale and political effects of the action, the committee's report said.

"This would sacrifice both the pride of the citizens of Jefferson County and also the real values and prestige which the University of Louisville has built up over generations," the report said. "It would, we believe, be politically unacceptable in Louisville and Jefferson County."

State's education situation has changed since mid-'60s, UK trustee, president say

By ANDREW OPPMANN
Contributing Writer

It's a whole different ballgame. Albert Clay, who was a member of the committee that recommended UK and the University of Louisville should become coordinate institutions united by the name "Commonwealth University of Kentucky," said the circumstances are much different from the days of the mid-'60s.

"It's an entirely different situation," he said. "We didn't have a Council on Higher Education, some of the regional universities and all of the community colleges."

Clay, who is a UK trustee and a member of the current merger committee, said the 1966-67 group was formed to suggest the best way to bring U of L into the state system — a drive prompted by the then-private institution's financial difficulties.

Former UK President John Oswald and former U of L President Philip Davidson appointed the committee.

"The committee was an attempt on the part of the two presidents to come to some conclusion to relieve the University of Louisville from their financial straits," Clay said.

The current dilemma has different proportions, Clay said. U of L became an equal member of the state system of higher education in 1970. And the Council, encouraged by last year's efforts to merge the UK and U of L deltal

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Albert Clay,
UK trustee

schools, has charged the boards at both universities to study an overall merger.

Clay said the recommendations of the 1966-67 committee were simply not accepted by the boards of trustees. "There wasn't any politics involved," he said. "It just never came to fruition because it wasn't accepted by either of the boards."

President Otis A. Singletary said the 1967 report is only historical reference now. "All of that is out of the past," he said. "We're not at that stage."

"There's not any point in trying to deal with the problems of merging unless you decide if you are going to do it."

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installing emergency call boxes around the campus and starting a University standing committee on personal safety.

Cain said the report was based on interviews with students, a random phone survey and consultation between committee members, student leaders and administration officials.

"Ours was opinion. That's a lot more effective than three or four people walking around and saying this lock's broken," Cain said.

Cain and SGA president Tim Freudenberg will meet later this week with Dick Barbella, Lexington campus budget director, who headed a faculty committee on campus

safety which recently released a similar report. They will discuss ways to combine the two reports.

Blanton said he hoped some of the suggestions would be implemented this or next semester. "Hopefully, some of the proposals will be in effect soon," he said. He cautioned, however, "nothing's free."

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Charred flesh is main focus of 'Threads'

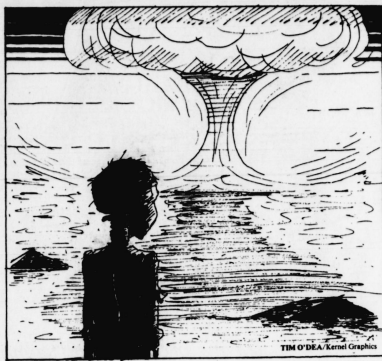
In an attempt to inform the public about the true aftermath of a nuclear holocaust, cable station WTBS elected to broadcast the British anti-war film "Threads," which graphically depicts the events leading up to a nuclear confrontation and then traces the subsequent horror through a number of years.

"Threads" is not a remake of ABC-TV's much-celebrated "The Day After," although it is similar in certain respects. There are few commercials, and those which aired during the first showing of the movie last week were those for WTBS itself. It seems that few advertisers — in this case, none — care to be associated with the "controversial nature" of the programming.

Perhaps to lend further credibility to the movie, WTBS later broadcast a program called "On the Eighth Day," in which a group of scientists discussed the environmental effects of a nuclear holocaust. Somehow, however, the scientific discussion leads one to think that "Threads" does not go far enough.

Undaunted, WTBS will be showing the movie again tomorrow and Sunday, Jan. 23 and 27. And the program will likely begin with editorial comment by Ted Turner as it did the first time, with the cable TV mogul explaining both the nature of the film and the station's reasons for showing it.

And in this case, perhaps more so than in "The Day After," there is good reason for certain introductory



TIM O'DEA/Kernel Graphics

remarks. From the multitudes of charred corpses onscreen to the possible scientific miscalculations, this is a movie which should be taken with a grain of plutonium.

As a documentary, "Threads" is understated. As a movie, it depends far too much on radiation-mottled flesh for shock value.

The megatonnage which is actually used in the "war" is only a very small percentage of the amount of the weaponry available, and therefore could be considered inaccurate. Also, many scientists feel that even the small amount detonated in "Threads" would be enough to render humanity extinct.

It must be said that the movie is informative — particularly when de-

scribing the inability of survivors to deal with the new conditions. "Threads" shows how groups trapped in underground shelters must wait for help that may not come, how masses of people will be denied food because there is not enough to go around and how unburied corpses will pile up.

These are important facts the public may not have gleaned from previous nuclear war films, but they are not enough to make "Threads" accurate or even entertaining. You're welcome to see this movie if you want to be scared, but you can learn more about a nuclear holocaust somewhere else.

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Vincent Price's career boosted by Michael Jackson's hit song

By FRED ROTHENBERG
Associated Press

NEW YORK — At 73, Vincent Price, "The Merchant of Menace," has found a new generation of fans because of his monologue on Michael Jackson's hit song, "Thriller," and the current film festivals and late-night TV broadcasts featuring his old horror flicks.

"You really feel ancient when they start showing retrospectives of your work," said Price. "That, and when you're in a wax museum. It makes you feel as if you've been buried."

Back from the casket, Price's career received a boost from the spooky verse he performed on "Thriller." All it took was one day to tape his rap, and now kids are turning up at his lectures, where he performs a campy version of Jackson's trademark dance, the moonwalk.

"I'm finally famous," he told the newsletter for his alma mater, Yale University.

Price, the suave host of Public Television's "Mystery!" series, is also friendly with other rock stars,

including Alice Cooper and members of the group Kiss.

It was Price's work in Cooper's music video, "Welcome to My Nightmare," that interested Jackson's producer, Quincy Jones. "I think I might be the only one left who is identified with that kind of title," Price said.

About the enigmatic Jackson, Price said, "He couldn't be more adorable. I really don't know him very well. But he did send me a platinum album."

It might surprise some that Price was born and raised in St. Louis. Even as a kid he had a distinctive voice. His deep resonance gained a continental flavor when he was a young art student in England.

Price has appeared in more than 100 films, the bulk of them straight dramatic roles ("Laura," "The Three Musketeers"). He says his career direction took a turn toward the bizarre when actors like "James Dean and Marlon Brando came along and stopped speaking English."

His serious films and musical sojourns aside, Price's legacy will always be his horror movies, including "The Pit and the Pendulum," "The House of Wax" and the spoofy "Frankenstein" and "Dr. Goldfoot and the Sex Machine."

Price says many of today's horror films are repugnant, not scary, substituting sex and gore for the good old-fashioned surprises and shocks.

Price said the public has become desensitized and immune to violence, but it still appreciates a good BOO! now and then.

"Mystery!" is more faithful to the old classics, and that's why Price thinks viewers are so loyal to this clever, well-crafted series.

In April, TV audiences can see Price as Sir Despard Murgatroyd in Gilbert & Sullivan's "Ruddigore." A gourmet chef with two cookbooks to his credit, the veteran actor also pops up in TV commercials.

Arts attendance up; opera trails off

By MARY CAMPBELL
Associated Press

In 1984, a Louis Harris poll found that Americans are spending an increasing amount of their leisure time attending arts events.

A study by the National Endowment for the Arts found a slowdown in the growth of the performing arts in the 1970s and said, "Financial stability is being achieved at the expense of the art form." A study by the 88-company Opera America found expenses higher than income for 45 percent of the companies, up 4 percent from the previous year.

Elsewhere in classical music in 1984, tenor Luciano Pavarotti sang in big arenas, including Madison Square Garden twice, both times televised. When 19,595 tickets sold for the first concert, a second was added and 18,603 tickets sold. Tenor Placido Domingo had a very big year. Soprano Leontyne Price announced her retirement from opera. James McCracken, returning to the Met after storming out six years ago, sang with her in "Aida."

Conductor Lorin Maazel resigned as general manager of the Vienna State Opera saying that because of unfounded charges — the culture minister called him incompetent — his authority was undermined. Claudio Abbado, conductor of the London Symphony, will replace Maazel. Abbado relinquishes his role as principal guest conductor with the Chicago Symphony next season.

Sir Georg Solti, conductor of the controversial Wagner "Ring" cycle at Bayreuth in 1983 — an attempt to return to romantic, realistic staging — bowed out of conducting in 1984. Plans to record his interpretation already had been dropped. Peter Schneider, musical director for Bremen, West Germany, took over. Bayreuth's opening night starred Simon Estes in "The Flying Dutchman."

Conductor-composer John Williams resigned after Boston Pops musicians hissed his music, returned when they pleaded he stay.

The 10-week, \$11 million, 18-country Olympic Arts Festival in Los Angeles was a big success, heavily attended, even the avant-garde and untranslated foreign theater.

The Royal Opera, Covent Garden, making its first visit to the United States, was among troupes that sold out. The English National Opera toured the United States for the first time, brought over by some Texans. The Washington Opera was the only foreign company at the Edinburgh Festival, performing two by Gian Carlo Menotti.

The only opera to have its world premiere in America, in St. Paul, was "The Abduction of Figaro," by P.D.Q. Bach, "discovered" by Peter Schickel. The Philadelphia Orchestra, in Saratoga, N.Y., premiered the one act "Monna Vanna" that Rachmaninoff wrote before giving up on that opera.

The Metropolitan Opera season opened with Domingo in the title role of Wagner's "Lohengrin." Domingo also made his Met conducting debut, with "La Boheme."

and sang Don Jose in the "Carmen" movie opposite Julia Migenes-Johnson. The Met Opera ended fiscal 1984 with a loss of nearly \$6 million and attendance at 88.1 percent.

La Scala opened, amid continuing money and production problems, with a dark, melancholy "Carmen," broadcast live on TV. Shirley Verrett and Domingo starred. Abbado conducted. Members of a chanting crowd outside threw eggs and garbage. Opening night orchestra seats cost \$308. La Scala's budget deficit in 1983 was \$2.8 million.

Video cassettes from La Scala were available in 1984. Arguments in music circles could be raised about digital recordings, compact discs and opera subtitles.

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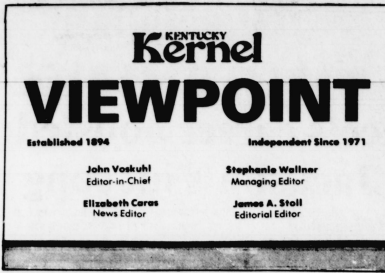
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College's program works to eliminate workers' problems

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The Refer program through the College of Social Work offers assistance to PPD workers with social problems, such as an unhappy marriage or alcoholism. Workers, or supervisors recognizing a possible problem in a worker, can contact Refer and the employee will be referred to an outside agency for help.

The program also offers crisis counseling and immediate help for workers or their families who come in and ask for it.

According to the program's director, Chester Holmquist, Refer can save a lot of jobs. Holmquist said many people in the program are more concerned about losing their jobs because of personal problems.

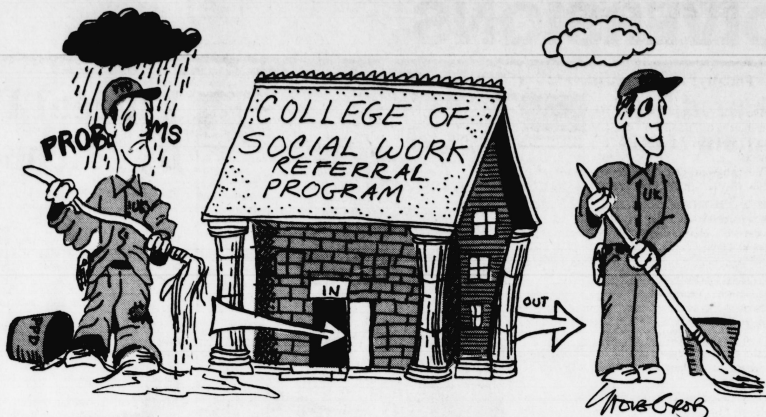
The recognition of employee needs and the acceptance of responsibility in aiding workers is commendable. Programs such as this aid greatly in retaining employees and improving working conditions.

Many large companies provide similar help programs for employees and the formation of such a program at the University can only improve what many feel are less than perfect work situations.

The program offers a helping hand for workers that not only helps them personally, but also helps the work environment as a whole. And according to Holmquist, programs such as Refer also reduce employers' problems because they cut down on the cost of training new employees who would replace those who have been fired.

All around, a good program. In fact, if anything bad could be said about Refer, it would have to be that the program isn't available to enough people. The founders of Refer should investigate the possibility of extending the program to others in the University community. After all, everybody's got problems.

Each year we lose valuable faculty members to universities with better facilities and higher salaries. The extension of a personal help program to the faculty and staff will help minimize the financial crunch and demonstrate that the University takes an interest in the individual, not just the employee.



The Refer program: solving problems and saving jobs

Is now the time for UK, U of L merger?

The Commonwealth University of Kentucky?

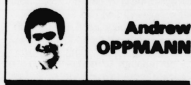
Yep. Although it never saw the light of day, it was at least an idea back in the mid-'60s. A proposal to avert what we are experiencing today — duplication of purpose and programs and competition for money with our neighbor to the west.

Back in 1966, the president of UK and the president of the then-private University of Louisville appointed a committee to study how to bring another four-year comprehensive institution into Kentucky's umbrella of public funding.

U of L, it seems, was fighting an uphill battle against the rising cost of education. Besides a small subsidy from the local and county governments, the university did not have any significant means of gaining revenue, except for raising tuition.

So up the rate went, until U of L's tuition was starting to rival the costs of attending Centre College and Transylvania — private education out of reach of some Jefferson County students. Something had to be done. And they looked toward the state for a solution.

Being the state's major metropolitan area, Louisville-area citizens



Andrew OPPMANN

paid a large chunk of state taxes, yet were getting little local benefits from their dollars. UK was the closest institution, but it wasn't close enough.

The committee hired consultants who gathered together testimony and recommendations. And their recommendation was clear: united we stand, divided we fall.

Their proposal was to make UK and U of L a part of one large university — the Commonwealth University of Kentucky (CUK). One president would run the system, reporting to one board of trustees.

UK would still be called UK. It would still be in Lexington, run by a chancellor instead of a president.

The Wildcats would still wear blue and white and continue to dribble and pass their way into the record books. The university in Louisville would still be known as U of L, with their Cardinals still shedding feathers when they lost and flying high when they won.

But the CUK president and board would run the show; helping to prevent duplication, adding the potential of stable, progressive growth and planning to the system. Not two separate institutions, but one university.

Although the consultant's report swayed the boards of trustees, U of L was brought into the state system in 1970.

And the warning of the 1967 committee about the option eventually chosen became a reality: "Such an arrangement would, the committee fears, pit the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville against each other for funds and for programs. . . . Such a result would be most unfortunate and would, we fear, set back the whole system of public higher education in Kentucky."

Today, both universities, by the directive of the Council on Higher Education, are once again studying the merger. The strong flow of state money to higher education that started in the 60s has turned into a slow-moving stream. Money — the element which pushes universities to better programs and progress — is a limited commodity.

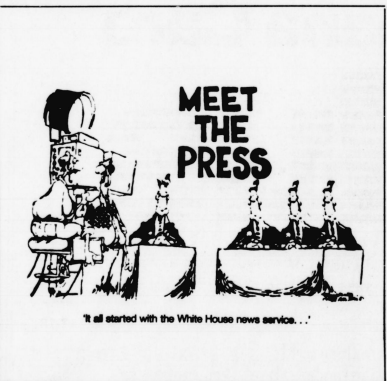
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keeper of the state's pocketbook, wants to study the possibility of program duplication in the very system it created and overextended. Merger, although controversial and complex, now is an option worthy of further exploration.

Times have changed since 1967, but that committee's prediction of simply bringing U of L into the system has begun to hit home in 1985. Perhaps old ideas aren't as unacceptable as they were 20 years ago.

Contributing Writer Andrew Oppmann is a journalism senior and a Kernel columnist.



It all started with the White House news service. . .

KENTUCKY KERNEL STAFF table listing roles and names: Arts Editor, Sports Editor, Photo Editor, Graphics Editor, Senior Staff Writers, Copy Editors, Night Production Managers.

Contributing COLUMNIST

My husband's uncle Jim is a retired railway engineer.

Many readers may be totally underwhelmed by this fact; I, however, am pretty impressed.

I've always considered railway engineers to be legends of a bygone era — kind of like steamboat captains and dirigible pilots.

Uncle Jim, though, is not a legend, even if he looks a little like one. He's a hulk of a man, tall and broad shouldered, with something of Ben Franklin about the face. He dresses in honest jeans and workshirts — nothing fancy, but enough to get the job done.

In a sense, he's a lot like a train: big, bulky, less concerned with packaging than with performance. He even knows all the words to "Casey Jones," a song about a real human being who became a legend because he was a railway engineer.

Maybe railway engineers fascinate me because I live so close to

driving a cross-town bus? It's just too absurd. Show me a cross-town bus (or even a Greyhound traveling from Nome, Alaska, to West Palm Beach), and I'll picture masses of humanity moving relentlessly from one drab location to another; but show me a train, and I'll envision heroic figures exerting their powers over huge hunks of machinery.

There's something basically honest about a train. It doesn't try to get cute with you by painting fancy words or pictures all over its side; it just rolls along with monotonous regularity, moving essential stuff from here to there.

For years we've been hearing about the decline of the railroads. Apparently, they aren't sufficiently cost-efficient to survive in today's economy.

I hope I'm not among when the trains stop running, because I'll probably cry my eyes out. Now, you could round up all the cross-town

bus drivers and ask them if they can envision Casey Jones

LETTERS

'Unsound arguments'

In the Kentucky Kernel editorial column of Jan. 16 regarding the Supreme Court decision to relax the rules for search and seizure in the schools, James A. Stoll's arguments are somewhat unsound and his conclusion illogical.

Although he correctly points out that defining "reasonable" (in regard to student searches) does pose a problem and a potential for abuse, it is not likely that searches will be conducted without good cause, or over trivial matters.

Stoll fears the searches might be used to intimidate students. From

what? From bringing contraband to school? Let us hope so.

Stoll also claims that the rights of the "punks" are being violated. Since when does a student have a right to keep a sawed-off shotgun or a quarter pound of pot in his locker? Certainly the need for discipline and order — as well as the health, safety and welfare of other students — supersedes the right to conceal drugs or weapons.

Moreover, Stoll erroneously concludes that in the long run "we may have drug and violence free schools — at a cost of free expression." First of all, no one has a right to "freely express" themselves by car-

rying or concealing contraband anywhere — including school.

Secondly, in no shape, manner or form does the Court's opinion impinge on a student's free expression or any other First Amendment rights.

As an editor, Stoll should know

that it is the First Amendment which concerns free expression and, among other things, a free press. It is the Fourth Amendment which addresses search and seizure — the real subject of the court's opinion.

Mike Sweeney
First year law student

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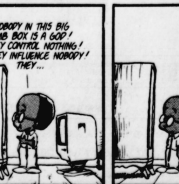
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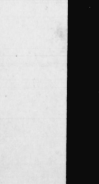
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SPECTRUM

From Staff and AP reports

Faculty, student get awards

Five UK faculty members and a student have received Fulbright Awards to study and lecture overseas for 1984-85, the school announced.

The program promotes international scholarship and is funded by the U.S. Information Agency. Participants receive a stipend to cover travel, research and living expenses.

Kenneth Coleman, associate professor in the political science department and director of the Latin American Studies Program, is teaching and doing research at Simon Bolivar University in Caracas, Venezuela.

David A. Kravitz, assistant professor of psychology, will teach at the University of Freiburg in West Germany.

Education professor Penti Terasilinna plans to return to Finland this year to conduct research.

Gary Shannon, a geography professor, will travel to England and West Germany to collect data on physician office relocation patterns.

Economics assistant professor Michael Webb will conduct research in Costa Rica on commercial policies in regard to imports and exports.

Graduate student Gail Gonzalez of Lexington will travel to Buenos Aires, Argentina in April to conduct doctoral research.

Abortion ruling remembered

Church bells will toll today in Fargo, N.D., to mark the 12th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion, while in 18 states, pro-choice supporters pledged to continue their protests against violence and vandalism at abortion centers.

As anti-abortionist clergy stage a symbolic funeral of a fetus in Portland, Ore., a coalition of religious and women's rights groups plans a prayer breakfast in a downtown Topeka, Kan., church.

But on the eve of the anniversary, activists on both sides said they wanted above all to avoid the violence that has plagued the issue with increasing regularity in recent months.

Inauguration an inside affair

WASHINGTON — From the vaulted ceilings of the Capitol Rotunda, Ronald Reagan embarked yesterday on his second term as president, committing himself to "protect peace among nations" and vowing to forge ahead with his search for a space anti-missile defense.

Brushing off the frustrations of a frozen inaugural day, the president went indoors to repeat his oath of office and delivered an address that restated his conservative goals of limited government and mighty defense.

"There must be no wavering by us, nor any doubts by others," he said, promising that America "will meet her responsibilities to remain free, secure, and at peace."

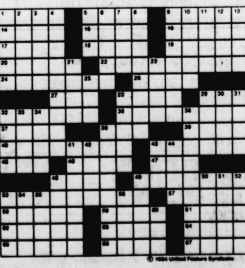
Coinciding with Reagan's inauguration, and paralleling his upbeat mood, the New York stock market closed 34 points higher.

The spirit of inauguration day was muted by cancellation of the traditional Pennsylvania Avenue parade. Reagan addressed thousands of frustrated marching band members and said, "You would have been the greatest show on Earth."

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Merger

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school faculty member, said if complete merger is the "ultimate" goal, he wants "plenty of exposure to it as it goes down."

James Drummond, who heads the academic council in UK's College of Dentistry, said, "We're going down this dark road, speeding into fog, and we don't know where we'll come out at the other end."

But Senate Council member James Kemp said UK's administration has "fought hard to keep the dental school here. I think the faculty and administration should fight together."

In the meantime, a motion was passed that the issue be brought before the full University Senate at its Feb. 11 meeting for discussion.

Camp

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grams, funded through the McDowell Cancer Network and private donations. All camp workers volunteer their services for the week.

Indian Summer was founded as one of only five camps of its type in the United States, but now that number has grown to include about 50 similar organizations.

Sams said cancer camps are becoming more common because cancer in children is becoming more controllable.

"For most kids the prognosis is good," she said. "Several have been in remission for five to seven years. The kids are very

knowledgeable about their illness."

Kay Kirkland, who has suffered from acute lymphoblastic leukemia since she was 6 years old, said the older kids enjoy the camp not only for the activities, but because it allows them the opportunity to better understand their illnesses.

"Us older kids stay up and talk about how our cancers are related," she said. "We just discuss how our treatment and stuff were similar. It just helps you to understand how other people feel about it."

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SPORTS

Andy Dumahort
Sports Editor

UK women's gymnastics team surpasses early expectations

By ANDY DUMAHORT
Sports Editor

The UK women's gymnastics team, which travels to Columbia, Mo., this weekend to compete in the Purina Cat Classic Invitational meet, is surpassing records and early preseason expectations by leaps and bounds.

Kentucky, victorious in two of its first three meets, has already set six team and individual records this year, and according to coach Leah Little, "the team isn't near its peak."

After last year's team broke into the Top 20 teams in the nation for the first time in Kentucky gymnastics history, Little was hesitant to say how much her team had improved earlier in the season. With the loss of two seniors to graduation and an underclassman who was competing as one of the team's top all-arounders, it seemed there was a possible rebuilding year in the making.

Little then added four freshmen to her roster and the preseason practices seemed more pleasing than she had expected. Competing on the college level, however, was a different story, she said, and "sometimes girls who perform well in high school clam up in college."

Freshman Kendall Lucas who had been one of the main sparks on the UK team this year, was a big question mark for the Kentucky squad.

Lucas decided to sit out of competition when she graduated from high school and didn't rejoin a team for over a year. The Florence, Ky., native, who competed with the top elite gymnasts in the nation while at Northern Kentucky School of Gymnastics, said she didn't expect the team to be as good as it has turned out to be.

"I'm sure we could do a lot more better than we are now," she said. "It is incredible that we have already hit a 177 this early in the season."

Against Ohio State, one of the top teams in the nation, the Wildcats scored a 171.75, surpassing last year's school record of 170.85. On Jan. 12, UK broke the school mark again with a 174.60 in a win over West Virginia.

Saturday the team outdistanced Auburn by over 10 points and, for the third consecutive Saturday, broke the team scoring record with a 179.

"I knew we had talent, more so than we ever had before," Little said. "Of course I have felt that in years before we have had plenty of talent, but this team is twice as tall-

ented than any team we have ever had.

"The fact that we have already improved our score by six points this early in the season, is fantastic because we aren't near our peak right now."

Freshman Jocelyn Armstrong, who had an all-around score of 36.40 against Ohio State (the team's top individual performance this year), has not seen action in the past two meets because of an injury.

Little said the team's performances without Armstrong are better than she expected.

"We aren't performing our more difficult stunts right now," she said.

Going into this weekend's meet, senior team captain Tracy Ralph said the Wildcats are looking for recognition and a chance to put a scare into the top teams in the nation.

"I don't think anyone is really aware of how well we're doing and I think a lot of people are going to be aware of how we are doing after this weekend," she said.

Ralph added there is still a lot of room for improvement and for the team to be where they are now, this early in the season, is far better than anyone expected.

Flutie could sign with USFL team

NEW YORK (AP) — Doug Flutie may sign a contract with the New Jersey Generals of the United States Football League by the end of the week, and he said yesterday the failure of the National Football League to make him an offer is making his decision easy.

Flutie, his attorney Bob Woolf

and Boston College teammate Gerard Phelan, had a get-acquainted lunch with Generals' owner Donald Trump in New York yesterday.

"My aim is to bring the negotiations to a head as quickly as possible," said Woolf, who represents both Flutie and Phelan.

Woolf pointed out he was not negotiating a package deal with the Generals for the two players.

"They want Gerard very much," Woolf said. "It's a unique situation where Doug and Gerard are very close and the Generals realize how important it is they play together."

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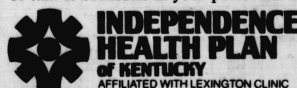
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