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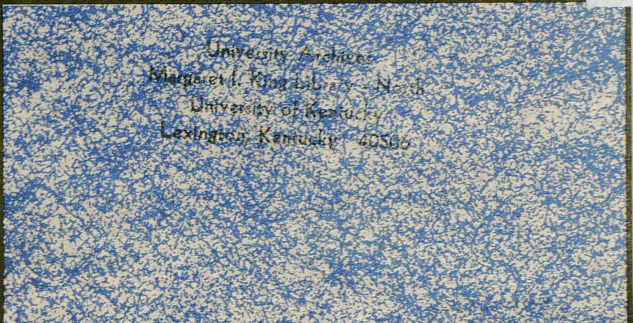
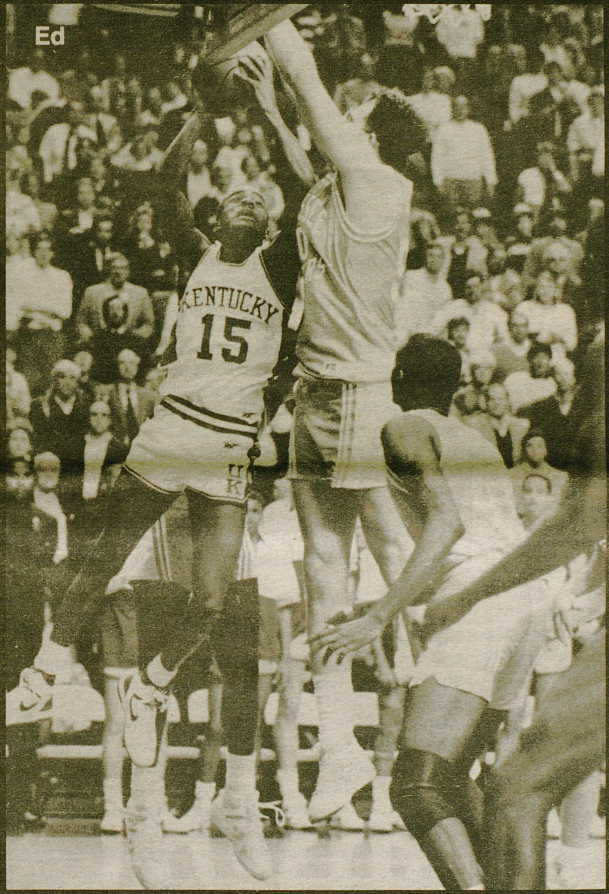


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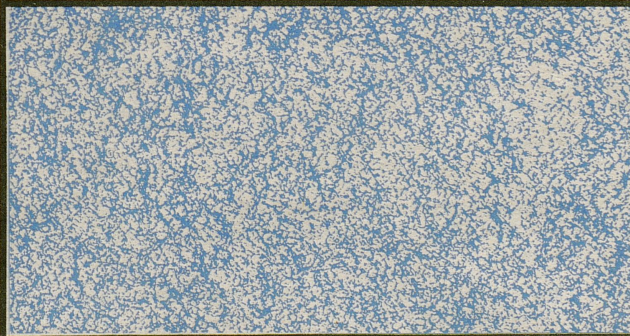
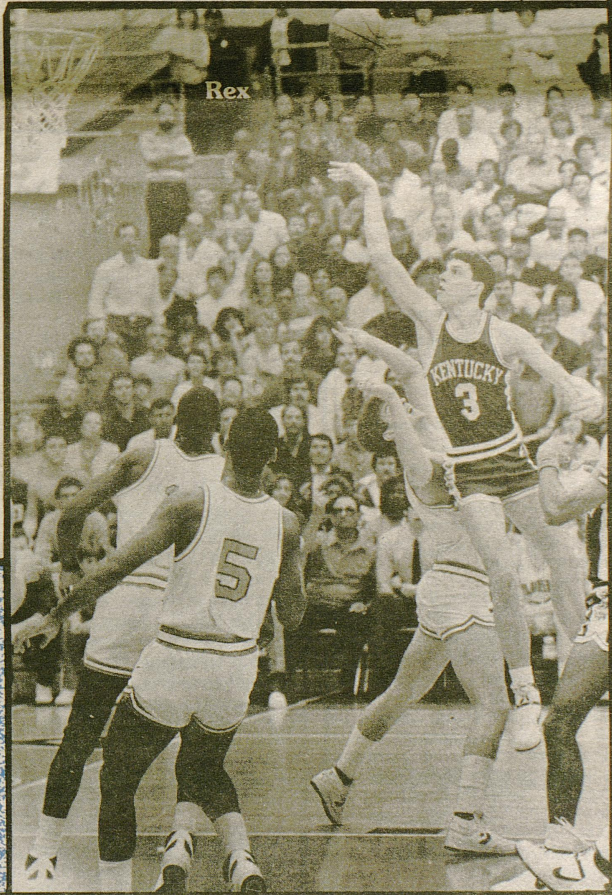
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## Kentucky Basketball: One Of A Kind

Florida Columnist Gives His Views Of UK

This is a special day that comes around once each year.

No, for basketball fans hereabouts, it isn't Valentine's Day. It's the day the Kentucky basketball team performs here.

Kentucky is to college basketball what Notre Dame is to football, what Santa Claus is to Christmas, what bourbon is to a highball.

UCLA and North Carolina? Nice basketball programs but not like Kentucky's. Have UCLA and North Carolina ever won the Olympic Games? Kentucky has. Who has the record for the most career victories and the most consecutive home victories? The late Adolph Rupp of Kentucky. Where does the nation's No. 1 ticket scalper live? Lexington, Ky.



Jack  
Hairston

Sun sports editor

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Just what is Kentucky basketball?

It's the Birmingham hotel that's Southeastern Conference Tournament headquarters, the lobby packed to the rafters with Wildcat fans, each one holding a basketball in one hand and a pen in the other, hoping to get a Kentucky player's autograph if one should appear.

It's Chuck Noe, then the VPI basketball coach, weeping after a last-second Sugar Bowl loss to Kentucky, while Rupp stands a few feet away, telling the media that they should go back to their offices and write editorials condemning Noe's type of slowdown basketball.

### Rupp coached forever

Kentucky basketball is being told by several Wildcat fans during one of Rupp's rare off years that the Old Man is over and done with and will be gone shortly, and then Rupp comes back to win another seven SEC championships, including five in his last five years.

It's Rupp being given a Cadillac for having a great basketball program, and the late Bear Bryant, then Kentucky's football coach, being called to the same podium to be honored for having defeated national champion Oklahoma in the Sugar Bowl, and Bryant is presented with a cigarette lighter.

Kentucky basketball is the late Harry Lancaster, Rupp's longtime assistant and later UK's athletic director, telling how he conducted all the practices for Rupp and provided most of the game strategy (former Kentucky players have confirmed to me that Lancaster did most of the coaching, although Rupp was, for sure, the supreme boss) and how, if Lancaster's bench strategy worked, Rupp would tell the media, "I decided to do that because. . ." and if it didn't work, Rupp would say, "That was *Harry's* damned idea."

It's the aging Rupp, one of the alltime great coaches, in the Mid-East NCAA finals in Columbus, O. against Jacksonville University, sitting quietly on the bench (perhaps affected by medication of some kind), while assistant Joe B. Hall runs the team. (Kentucky was rated No. 1 in the nation going into that game, but Artis Gilmore and JU defeated Dan Issel and Co.)

### Just one NCAA title?

Kentucky basketball is high-powered Wildcat fans constantly plotting to get rid of Hall as their coach because he won only one national championship — and, many suspect, finally succeeding in their mission when Hall "resigned."

It's most SEC teams over the years celebrating when they lose to the Wildcats in a close game.

Kentucky basketball is me looking at my hands in the second half and seeing them drenched — the only time ever — with nervous perspiration. (The occasion was Tulane, the basketball team I was covering on a regular basis at the time, shooting for its only win ever over Kentucky. Down to eight players after academic losses and with no starter over 6-4, Tulane managed to win the game. A year later, 1958, that same Kentucky team won the national championship again. To this day, Tulane's victory total over Kentucky is one, and the Green Wave no longer even fields a team.)

It's Kentucky often having more fans for a UK-Florida game at old Alligator Alley than the Gators had.

It's 10,000 Wildcat fans turning out for UK shooting practice in the morning during the SEC tournament.

It's Harry Lancaster, reminiscing again about Rupp, saying Rupp couldn't sell hail insurance (a sideline of his) to Bourbon County farmers, then rasping on the drive back to Lexington, "Harry, what these people need is one damn, big hail storm!" (Lancaster and Rupp feuded when Lancaster became athletic director, but just before Rupp died, Lancaster visited him at the hospital, and the two old friends made up.)

Kentucky basketball is a 38-year-old Norm Sloan coaching Florida to its first win over the Wildcats in 31 years in early 1965. (It was a televised Saturday afternoon game, and I can recall the Gator starters without looking them up: Gary Keller, Dick Tomlinson, Jeff Ramsey, Brooks Henderson and Tom Baxley.)

It's defending national champion Louisville being heavily favored on its home court and getting blown out by a sensational Wildcat freshman, Rex Chapman (Dec., 1986), and it's Alabama being knocked out of the SEC lead on its own court by Eddie Sutton's Wildcats (one week ago today).

Kentucky basketball is Sutton, Chapman and all the rest being at the O'Connell Center today, this time to play another Sloan-coached Florida team that has a chance to win, this game also on Saturday afternoon and also on TV, like 1965, this time the Gators being led by Vernon Maxwell and Andrew Moten.

This is just another stop out of thousands for Kentucky basketball and its people, soon to be forgotten by them. But it has a *chance* to be one of those rare, precious memories for the Gators and their fans. . . a win over Kentucky.





## Oscar L. Combs

Cats' Pause Publisher



# The Best And Worst. . . Of Many Topics

Kentucky football coach Jerry Claiborne may have achieved a rare first for a Wildcat football coach as he compiled what folks may rate as both his finest and worst recruiting efforts of his era in Big Blue country.

It was his finest crop of signees because Claiborne signed the largest number of Kentucky blue-chippers in recent memory. There is little question he inked more quality players last week than any other class in the past decade or so.

The bad news is he lost more quality blue-chip Kentucky seniors than he has ever failed to sign during his previous five years at Kentucky.

Claiborne landed 15 Kentucky prepsters including such star athletes as Phil Logan, Jerry Bell and Billy Swanson, but lost prep All-Americans Frank Jacobs (to Notre Dame) and Jeff Ellis (to Ohio State).

Kentucky also lost a pair of All-Americans out of Cincinnati—Vinnie Johnson and Carlos Snow—to Ohio State after the two earlier, according to one report, had told UK coaches privately that they were going to attend Kentucky. But that story appears to be a recurring one with players from that part of Ohio. They keep UK hanging until the end and the Wildcats end up being the proverbial bridesmaid.

You can put the recruiting harvest in perspective by saying that Claiborne did, indeed, enjoy his best recruiting season since his return to Kentucky.

But you must temper the enthusiasm with the fact that Kentucky did not have a great recruiting year, one which was certainly within reach because of the rare abundance of top-notch national talent located within the Bluegrass state.

While the cries ring far and wide about this being a basketball state and that the commonwealth does not produce large numbers of prospects, this year was certainly the exception.

And no doubt there were numerous long faces around the UK coaches' offices last week when Jacobs and Ellis decided to leave the state. Had they opted for UK, the Wildcats would have enjoyed practically a clean sweep and most likely a Top 15 ranking in the national recruiting derby. Now, UK earns a mere honorable mention.

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While Kentucky didn't get the "super" recruiting year Wildcat fans were longing for, there might be some consolation in knowing that the 'Cats certainly didn't lose any ground in what some media types around Kentucky predicted last year as an annual battle with Louisville.

More than one writer had predicted that Howard Schnellenberger would start having a big impact on UL's ability to sign Kentucky players outside Jefferson County.

Well, UL signed only two Kentuckians, and surprisingly, none out of Jefferson

County.

Louisville reports last week quoted UL officials as saying they had their "best recruiting year yet" and better than Schnellenberger's first two classes when he was at Miami.

But those recruiting experts around the country say UL's crop, while better than previous seasons, is not considered that good.

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What about Kentucky's comeback last Wednesday against Tennessee after being down 10 points with just 1:13 left in the game?

Several thousand of the 23,000 fans left long before the 'Cats fought back and won the game 91-84 in overtime. Rex Chapman's shot in the final seconds of regulation sent the game into overtime where the 'Cats won going away.

The comeback probably makes that particular win the most memorable victory for Rupp Arena which opened its doors for the first time in 1976, and erases UK's phenomenal comeback against Kansas in 1978-79 as the most exciting comeback.

There may have been greater victories, a couple over Louisville, the one over Houston in 1984, several over LSU, Alabama and Indiana. But the two most memorable are the big comebacks.

The win over Tennessee also kept Kentucky's hopes of a high finish in the SEC race alive.

Kentucky's recent streak came to a halt in Gainesville Saturday when the Gators put a 74-56 loss on the 'Cats and for all practical purposes leaves UK fighting for a third-place finish at best.

Although Kentucky would have preferred a victory in Gatorland, the defeat certainly wasn't the end of the season either, just as it was anything but an 18-point game.

If Kentucky can post homecourt wins against Vanderbilt and Ole Miss while upsetting either LSU or Georgia on the road, it would set the stage for a big regular-season finale against Oklahoma on March 1.

Ironically, a win over Georgia may be more important to Kentucky's final standing in the SEC than a victory over LSU. The way the league race is shaping up, Kentucky and Georgia could be neck-to-neck by the end of next week.

After the weekend games, Alabama led the SEC with a 12-2 mark followed by Florida at 12-3 with Kentucky and Georgia tied for third at 8-6. Auburn and Ole Miss were tied for fifth at 7-7 with LSU seventh at 6-9 followed by Vanderbilt and Tennessee at 5-9 and Mississippi State at 1-13.

Both LSU and Vanderbilt were dealt serious blows in their drives to get NCAA tournament invitations this past weekend when LSU lost at home to Alabama, 60-52 and Vanderbilt was upset by Georgia, 75-59 in Nashville.

LSU is now 16-12 overall while C.M. Newton's Commodores are 14-12 overall. Although Vandy has upset both Indiana and Notre Dame, the Commodores aren't likely to get an invitation unless they win the SEC Tournament in Atlanta. Ditto for LSU.

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Tickets to the Southeastern Conference basketball tournament are still available, but the event is likely to become a sell-out just any day now.

If it does, it will be only the second pre-tourney sell-out since the event was reinstated back in 1979. In 1984, the tourney was a sell-out in Nashville.

The two tourneys staged in Lexington (1982 and 1986) still hold the No. 1 and 2 attendance records.

Four schools—Kentucky, Vanderbilt, Tennessee and Georgia—have already sold their allotments for the tourney.

Three other schools—Auburn, Alabama and Florida—reportedly had less than 100 tickets each remaining early last week.

Only LSU, Mississippi State and Ole Miss are not expected to sell out their allotment.

Ticket books are \$75 each and each book is good for one admission to all games.

More information can be obtained by writing or calling: Southeastern Conference, 900 Central Bank Building, Birmingham, Alabama 35233. The telephone number is (205) 252-7415.

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Kentucky coach Eddie Sutton rarely misses a trick and the Wildcat boss left some Florida fans calling for the return of Joe B. Hall last Saturday in Gainesville.

Gator fans are known nationwide for their verbal attacks on the opposition and rarely does an opposing coach escape the rath of these misfits. Such was the situation with Sutton during his initial visit to O'Connell Center last season, but Mr. Perm was all set for his second tour of combat last week.

As those fans behind the UK bench gathered to launch their verbal assault, Sutton began passing out Valentine cards signed by him, to them, leaving one to say "you're making it awfully tough to hate," and causing another to comment, "we wish Joe B. was back here. He was more fun to hate."

Prior to the game, Sutton had sent a manager to a local store to purchase the Valentines and then he signed them before heading to the arena.

"I kinda got a kick out of it," admitted Sutton.

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**HITS AND MISSES** . . . Kentucky's November recruiting crop of six signees continues to perform very impressively ac-

ording to reports. **LeRon Ellis**, **John Pittman** and **Eric Manuel** are enjoying spectacular final seasons while Kentucky products **Deron Feldhaus** and **Sean Sutton** are having banner years for their respective teams. Both are candidates for Kentucky's famed Mr. Basketball. The balloting should have Feldhaus, Sutton, PRP's **Desmond Porter**, Paintsville's **John Pelphrey** and Washington County's **Kevin Ellery** among the finalists, but don't look for Sutton to win the honor. Being the son of UK coach **Eddie Sutton** will wipe out any possibilities. Some media types around the state have been taking pot shots at the younger Sutton all season long. This isn't to say he should be Mr. Basketball, but obviously he can play the game or how else can you explain **Henry Clay** vaulting to the state No. 1 ranking since Sutton is the only returning starter from a year ago? Sutton had one of his finest stretches of the season over the weekend when he scored 39 and 21 points respectively against Ashland and Boyd County, both on the road. Henry Clay defeated Ashland but lost to Boyd County. Strangely, instead of staying overnight in Ashland on Friday, the Blue Devils returned to Lexington and then drove back on Boyd County on Saturday and suffered an upset as **Brace Stai** led the way for the Lions with 24 points. While Henry Clay was ranked No. 1 prior to the Boyd County loss, district rival Lafayette also is considered one of the top contenders for the state title. However, one of the two won't last beyond the first game of the district. The two clubs will play in the opening round with the loser going to the sidelines. Lafayette, led by star guard **Prince Stewart**, was the preseason favorite to win the 11th Region title. This game, in all probability, will be the top district game in the state. One of the preseason favorites, Hopkinsville's **LaMonte Ware** is out of the running, having missed much of the season because of injuries. . . . Kentucky's fine assistant sports information director, **Brad Davis**, was in College Station, Texas, earlier this week interviewing for the head sports information director's position at **Texas A&M**. Davis made the trip at the request of A&M assistant athletics director **Ralph Carpenter**, who at one time was at Ole Miss. Although Davis made the trip, it's unlikely he'll leave Kentucky where he has a bright future, but you know how Texas is when those Texans decide they want something. . . . The Louisville *Courier-Journal* published an entire page on the recruiting process of Kentucky signee **Phil Logan**, who kept a daily diary of the weeks leading up to his decision. Logan, in his own words, told his side of the story and how his visits went at such places as Kentucky, Tennessee, Michigan, and Tennessee. Logan said he probably would have signed with Alabama had **Ray Perkins** not left the Tuscaloosa school. In his opening comment on UK,

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## Claiborne Signs 24 Future 'Cats

Although Kentucky didn't land three of the state's "Big Four," Jerry Claiborne and staff did sign 15 in-state prospects to go along nine out-of-state commitments. And as of presstime Kentucky's overall count was holding at 24 signees.

"I'm not worrying about the ones that are gone someplace else, Claiborne said in reference to Frank Jacobs (Notre Dame), Jeff Ellis (Ohio State) and Eddie Thomas (Indiana). "We can't do anything about that. We like the ones that bleed blue, and that's what these do."

Louisville Holy Cross' First-team all-State representative **Phil Logan** signed with the Wildcats last week as the national signing date senior prospects kicked off on Feb. 11. Logan, considered one of the commonwealth's top four prep prospects, is a crafty wide receiver. The 6-foot-2, 180-pound Logan started for three seasons at split end and safety. Logan's final two choices came down between Kentucky and Louisville before he decided that Lexington was the best place for him.

"We think we got some football players that can play and win in the Southeastern Conference," said UK's head coach. "Whether they are going to do it this year or next year, but we think they can commence to mature and be good players."

"We were trying to recruit 18 in-state players and we got 15 of them. We think they are going to be 15 good players. Maybe some of them will mature faster than others, but we think some of them have a chance to help us now while some of them will help us in the future."

"We're definitely glad to get all 15 of them."

Before the initial day of this season's gridiron period, Kentucky was considered in the hunt for Jacobs, and Ellis' services, while Thomas had announced earlier that he attend IU. Apparently, Kentucky was Thomas' second choice.

In regards to Division I talent, the prep scene in Kentucky was at a all-time high during last season. And while UK could only lure one of the "Big Four," potentially Claiborne may have signed his best recruiting crop during his previous seasons as a Wildcat coach.

Overall, UK's list breaks down like this: 14 in-state signees; former Lexington Henry Clay standout Jim Graves will join the Wildcats after a season at Tennessee Military Institute; two junior college transfers; six out-of-state commitments; and Greg Hunt of Richmond, Va., coming to the 'Cats from Fork Union Military Academy.

But Logan is not the only talented in-state signee for the 'Cats.

In fact, Kentucky's in-state signees have some interesting prep careers. For instance, defensive end **Jerry Bell** is a two-time all-State performer. Is quick for a man of his stature—6-3, 260 pounds. Bell has not passed, in accordance to Proposition 48, his ACT exam. However, Bell is awaiting his results from his Feb. 7 test. A very strong individual and could contribute as early as the '87 season. **Joey Couch** is a 6-2, 225-pound linebacker from Paintsville. He led his squad in tackles during three of his four seasons as a Tiger gridiron star. Considered Army, Louisville, Navy and Vandy before deciding on the Big Blue. Is also in his fourth season on the Tigers' hoop squad. Captain on both football and basketball teams. All-State honorable mention during all four seasons.

Runningback **William Dishman** rushed for 1,568 yards on 165 carries last season. That's an average of almost 10 yards per attempt. Overall, he racked up almost 3,500 yards during his three years as a Defender. Selected First-team all-State last season. **Derrick Thomas** is another signee from

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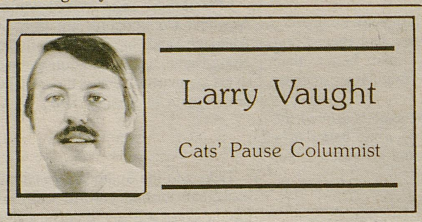
## Deja Vu—Blackmon Making Late Charge

Like Last Year, UK Guard Finishing Strong

Confidence is a must for any shooter. When he has that confidence, no shot looks too tough. When the confidence slips away, even a layup is a difficult task.

Kentucky's James Blackmon has never been more confident of his shot than he is now. And a confident James Blackmon is quite a player.

"When I play intense and confident, I play my best," said Blackmon, who recently had a career-high 27 points against Auburn. "Right now I'm into the flow of things and my shots are falling. My defense has been good and so has my



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passing.

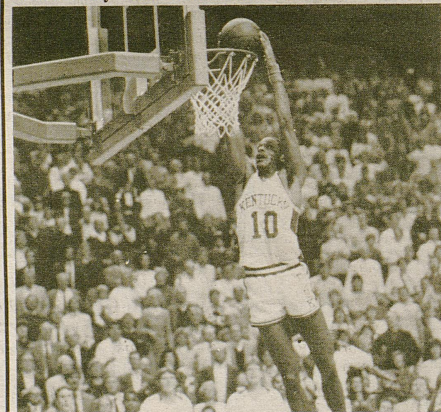
"I've been playing well in practice and that helps. I've always had a great deal of confidence but I just have to keep working for things to go my way."

Things have not always gone Blackmon's way at UK. He came to Kentucky with great credentials after a brilliant career at Marion, Ind. He averaged 32 points per game as a senior and was runnerup to Steve Alford for Mr. Basketball honors.

Alford blossomed into an All-America performer at Indiana. Blackmon didn't do the same at UK. He averaged 3.8 and 5.4 points per game, respectively, his first two years under Coach Joe Hall. Often he thought of leaving.

Last season, though, he averaged 9.4 points and four rebounds for UK's 32-4 squad. His shooting and defense improved as he finally began to fulfill earlier expectations.

"Last year you just didn't notice James as much because we had Kenny Walker and Winston Bennett," said UK guard



### Blackmon Now Playing With Confidence

Ed Davender. "Now James is our senior leader and he's playing the way a senior is supposed to at the end.

"James can do the job. He can do more than shoot, too. He has learned how to shut his man down defensively and he has a great attitude about the game now."

UK Coach Eddie Sutton never doubted Blackmon. His senior had only 14 points in UK's first three games. Sutton didn't consider taking him out of the lineup.

Blackmon didn't score a point against Boston Univ. Again, Sutton stayed behind him. The same thing happened when Blackmon had just two points and two rebounds in a loss to Mississippi. He came back with 18 points against Mississippi State and 27 against Auburn.

"Coach Sutton never lost confidence in James," said UK assistant coach Dwane Casey. "It would have been easy not to stick with a senior when he was struggling. But Coach Sutton kept giving him the green light instead of putting him on the end of the bench.

"Now James has regained his confidence. Shooting is

automatic for him again. When you shoot well, your whole game picks up. It's like taking a sugar pill. You don't know why it helps but it does. It's the same for a shooter when a few shots drop."

Sutton talked privately to every player before the Auburn game. He told Blackmon to drive to the basket more and to keep shooting, especially when he had the hot hand.

"I have been forcing things," said Blackmon. "Now I am letting the ball come to me. Everything is coming naturally."

The Wildcats know Blackmon can play. They see his dazzling moves daily in summer games and practices when the season starts. His quickness and leaping ability often amaze even his own teammates.

"James was just unstoppable when we played during the summer," said UK freshman Rex Chapman. "Other players say he has been like that in the summer since he got here. We see him make great moves all the time. He's a great player."

Now Blackmon needs to sustain a high level of play over a period of games.

Sutton said, "James can play this way. When he does, it really helps us."

Davender knows consistent scoring from Blackmon will give UK more wins. But he also wants to see Blackmon finish his career in a blaze of glory for another reason.

"James has had some rough times here," said Davender. "Me and him are real tight. He's like a brother and I know what he's been through. I'm going to do all I can to help him because I would really like for people to see him do the things I have seen for three years in practice."

### 'Cats Face Two Games In Two Days

**TIPOFF** FOR the UK-Mississippi game Feb. 28 has been changed from 7:30 p.m. to 12:05 p.m.

The change was made because UK will host Oklahoma on CBS-TV the next day at 12:05 p.m. Kentucky had asked Mississippi to change the game to Feb. 27 but the Rebels refused.

"I thought we had a gentleman's agreement in the SEC to move a game to help another league team," said Sutton. "We did that to accommodate Auburn but Mississippi rejected us."

"It's going to be hard on our players to play Mississippi Saturday and then play one of the nation's best teams the next day. I understand why Ole Miss wanted the extra day to prepare but I think conference coaches should try and give relief in a situation like this."

Of course, UK knew it had a game Feb. 28 when it agreed to play Oklahoma. However, the national TV lights and \$300,000 were too tempting to turn down. But the bottom line is that UK made the decision that forces the Wildcats to play games on consecutive days.

Sutton said, "It is not easy to balance what is best for the players versus what is best for the overall program. A national TV game helps recruiting and gives our fans in Los Angeles, New York, Detroit and other places a chance to see us play. It also puts a lot of money in the bank to help non-revenue producing sports here. But it is unfair to our players to play back-to-back days."

### Sharpless Hated To Lose Jacobs

**NO ONE** was more disappointed when Kentucky lost 6-5, 232-pound tight end Frank Jacobs of Newport Central Catholic than UK assistant coach Rod Sharpless.

Sharpless watched Jacobs play 20 games the last two seasons but was always impressed by his athletic ability.

"He is just a superior athlete," said Sharpless. "He's one of those rare great players that you get a chance to watch play. He's mentally tough and aggressive, too. You don't find that in every great athlete."

UK made it clear from the start that it wanted Jacobs as a tight end, the position he prefers.

"Our number one priority this year was tight end and when we talked about positions I always assured him that we were recruiting him strictly as a tight end," said Sharpless. "We were weak at tight end last year because of injuries. That limited how often we could throw to our tight ends."

"But when we had Oliver White here a few years ago he was one of the best tight ends in the Southeastern Conference

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# Making Grade Is Tough Proposition

Barnes Pointing Kids In Right Direction

Mac Barnes is probably Mississippi's most successful high school football coach. His Meridian High Wildcats have won three state championships in the last nine years and he has sent some 55 players on to college scholarships. Here are more of his views on today's problems in athletics from the high school point of view.

**Question: Now, in the second year of Proposition 48 are the kids paying attention to the requirements?**

Barnes: They're paying attention, but I still don't think they realize the full impact of this. I think you're going to find very many high school kids this year that are not meeting Proposition 48. That would



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lead me to believe they didn't realize the strictness of that rule.

**Question: If the rule stays on the books, and it certainly appears that it will, will it have the desired effect? Will it make the student athlete as much of a student as he is an athlete?**

Barnes: I think it will do this. I think it will change the type of athlete being recruited. I have not ever seen as much indecision on the part of college coaches. I've never seen them in the dark as much about whom they're actually going to offer a scholarship or whom they're going to recruit. Usually by this time a coach can sit down and tell me "we've got 15 or 20 solid people right now we're going to sign." Now I say, "What's it look like coach?" and they tell me "I really don't know."

**Question: Coaches tell me, particularly in the last year or so, that the first thing they do when they visit a school is go look at a kid's grades. Is that true?**

Barnes: The first thing they do is come by the office and ask me who we have. Once they get those names they spend more time in the record office and the counselor's office than they do in my office.

**Question: Well, do all colleges basically recruit alike?**

Barnes: The ones who recruit us, that is come in here and really recruit our kids, I would say are almost identical. I'll tell you another situation that I see. Last year a lot of colleges took on five or six guys that didn't meet Proposition 48, then brought them on campus for a year to try to get them eligible. I don't see that taking place this year. I think the majority of those students with whom they tried that did not make it the first year and as a result I don't know of a school right now that comes in recruiting us that's looking at that marginal guy—the one that's not going to make it. They don't say "We're going to take him anyway and try to get him eligible in a year." That's the biggest change from last year to this year.

**Question: Now that Division II also is going to observe Proposition 48, it seems to me the high school athlete is under more pressure than ever to hit the books.**

Barnes: I think he is, Stan, but I think there's a fallacy in the whole idea in that a lot of people assume the athlete is not making the grades because he's not trying. There are a lot of these kids who try hard. They're just not going to make a two-point average in your tough courses—algebra, chemistry, physics, things like this. I have a feeling there are a lot of college graduates who, if you went back and checked their transcripts, they wouldn't have a two-point (average) in those major subjects.

**Question: Is there more intense competition between certain schools for athletes, for example—an Ole Miss versus a Mississippi State or an Alabama against an LSU, compared to the attitude of the Florida recruiter if he came in here to check on a player?**

Barnes: The competition is this. The young man who can play major college football and has a three-point average is premium right now. That means that with the network of the college recruiting system the great athlete who has the grades is going to be nationally recruited. The almost great athlete but with great grades has also become a premium. I have some coaches tell me that some of the schools are recruiting kids based not necessarily alone on what they can do on the football field, but also that they can become eligible and meet Proposition 48. Therefore, a kid that might have stayed in-state because the out-of-state schools three years wouldn't have been interested in him, now sees the out-of-state schools coming in to recruit him.

**Question: From how far away are schools recruiting players in**

**Meridian, Miss.? Are we even getting interest from the California schools, for example?**

Barnes: We've always had that. That's part of the fallacy to me in college recruiting. The network is so broad. UCLA five or six years ago in the Donahue era, went to the national recruiting system. I will be getting a letter from them in February wanting to know who our prospects are for next year. There are four or five of your schools nationally, Pittsburgh, for example, that you get letters from. I personally do not respond to those. I respond to the coaches who come in personally and recruit our area where I can sit down one-on-one and talk to them. If I put a kid's name down on a letter, that is on a prospect list, then he's going to get on an overall list and he's going to start getting letters from everybody. I've got some juniors already getting letters. I've got one junior getting letters from Illinois and I've had no contact with them. I don't know how they got his name. It misleads a kid. He'll get a letter and that school may be sending out 2,500 to 3,000 letters and he thinks he's got a legitimate shot at going somewhere but they don't really know anything about him except his name, height and weight and that's it.

**Question: How much weight does your opinion carry with a recruiter?**

Barnes: That's a difficult situation. I've recommended a lot of kids who weren't signed and we've had some kids signed who I didn't think were great players, but they were big kids and, as a result, the school signed them. I think maybe my opinion goes a certain way but I think that probably the best thing that coaches ever do is come watch our players practice. I think you can tell more in practice. I can always send them a film that he's going to look good in. Out of 10 games if the guy is any kind of a player I can send out a film in which he looks good.

**Question: And do you?**

Barnes: I try to send films that will give them an honest opinion. I've found that our players understand this. If I mislead a college recruiter then they're not going to come back. If our kid has a problem getting to practice on time, if I don't think his work habits are very good, I'll tell the college coach that.

**Question: Well, that was going to be one of my questions. Do you ever warn recruiters about kids with character flaws?**

Barnes: Sure. I find this—the best recruiters always check that out.

**Question: But Mac, isn't it true that there are some schools which make a living more or less recruiting the problem kid, the troubled kid because nobody else really wants him? There are some schools which just overlook the boy's character, don't they, and just concentrate on his physical ability?**

Barnes: I really haven't run into that in this area. I know I watch the teams on TV that I feel that about and I think they're a negative influence and I think they make my job a lot harder. For example, I really think that an athlete with an earring in his ear is a bad example for young people. We don't have that problem here but as our kids look at TV and they see the kids from the big colleges with the earrings, with the really eccentric hairdos, things like that, making totally obnoxious statements in the paper, to me that's a negative effect in athletics. That's not the case here. Every coach

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—Mac Barnes, football coach, Meridian (Miss.) High School

that's come in this year has really questioned the grades and has really questioned the character of the player.

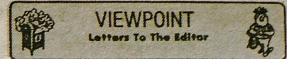
**Question: What you are saying is that the college kids they see on television are, in many cases, role models for the high school players?**

Barnes: I don't think there's any doubt of that. You look at news reports or articles about the number of kids who have gotten their hair cut like (Oklahoma linebacker Brian) Bosworth. Now he's a role model, good or bad. He's a role model and to me that's the reason it's important that our kids go into the good programs.

**Question: Consider the conduct problems of the Miami team at the Fiesta Bowl, for example. As a successful high school coach I gather that dismisses you a little bit. Does it?**

Barnes: Very much so. Some of the proudest moments I've had

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## Them That's Happy. . .

Dear Sir:

I just want to say how much I enjoy the University of Kentucky Wildcats and how thankful I am for Eddie Sutton. I see a very positive coach and a different attitude in the boys. As I watch coach Sutton throughout the games and his excellent coaching as the sweat pours from his face, I wonder if there is a coach anywhere who works harder. But mostly I'm impressed with how he treats the boys.

You know we fans in western Kentucky are true Blue. We love our ball teams. In fact when the 'Cats are playing the streets are void of traffic, the mall is almost empty and everyone is at home watching.

We also fill up lots of busses for those out of town games in order to see our team play. We wish we could see them play in Lexington, but are unable to get tickets. So we make the bus trips and always have a good time. It's also our way of letting them all know what an exciting team they are. Is there a team anywhere so exciting?

My husband respects Joe Hall and I do too, but Eddie Sutton is my kind of coach and the Wildcats are always my team.

Thanks to you also for a fine *Cats' Pause*.

Mrs. Lois Smith  
Paducah, Ky.

## . . . Them That's Not

Dear Sir:

As a longtime Wildcat fan, in a strange land, far from home for the first time in 50 years, I'm ashamed to watch the 'Cats play! Someone has to say it so I will! This year's version is the worst coached group that ever wore a Wildcat uniform. I AGREE WHOLE-HEARTEDLY with Barry E. Shields of Chatsworth, Ga., whose comments appeared in your Feb. 7 edition. The team simply is not ready to play in too many of its outings and definitely not motivated.

When it gets behind, it's like five guys out there on the floor free-lancing with no direction, no poise and with everyone trying to win the game single-handedly. And on defense, where, oh where, is that famous Sutton defense?

Constantly, they give up the baseline to the opponents to make easy drives for the basket and too often you even see the Kentucky player simply fall flat on his butt trying to guard his man while his man goes right by him! Adolph Rupp has had to be turning over in his grave all season.

And if they can't shoot free throws (which they can't), hasn't our famous coach ever heard of the 'Loyola hoop'—the small hoop that fits inside the regulation hoop and clamps on to it? The players should never shoot at anything but this smaller one except in the game. When they practice all the time on the smaller one, when they get in a game—the regulation size seems as big as a barrel. There is simply no reason for high school standouts, which every one of them happens to be, not to be able to shoot free throws. Practice on the small hoop and concentrate!

Come on Eddie, we're not interested in apologies, we're interested in a team that we can be proud of. These guys can't even pass the ball or move it around with some zip on it!

Sincerely yours,

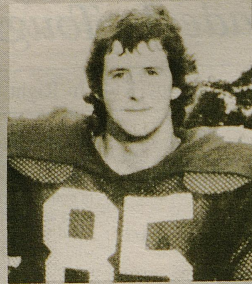
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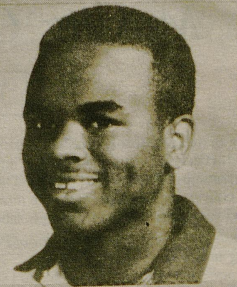
## UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY FOOTBALL SIGNEES

(As of Monday, Feb. 16)

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/School
Jerry Bell	DL	6-3	260	Louisville DeSales
Steve Kelley	LB	6-2	225	Hopkinsville
Larry Jackson	DB	5-11	170	Mayfield
Courtney Longacre	C	6-2	223	Louisville Fairdale
Jim Graves	OL	6-6	240	Lexington Henry Clay
Shawn Evans	TE	6-6	220	Madison Central
David Scott	RB	6-1	195	Jeffersontown
Jeff Houk	QB	6-2	200	Louisville St. Xavier
Freddie Maggard	QB	6-2	180	Cumberland
Todd George	OL	6-5	235	Covington Catholic
Billy Swanson	LB	6-0	220	Paducah Tilghman
William Dishman	RB	6-0	198	Lex. Bryan Station
Derrick Thomas	LB	6-2	215	Lex. Bryan Station
Joey Couch	LB	6-2	225	Paintsville
Phil Logan	RB	6-3	180	Louisville Holy Cross
Glenn Fohr	QB	6-4	206	Hudson Valley (N.Y.) JC
Daniel Lee	TE	6-6	235	Cottdale, Fla.
Chris Tolbert	RB	6-0	193	Pensacola, Fla.
Layne Vargo	DE	6-0	220	Akron, Ohio
Jim Wetta	WR	6-2	170	Hutchinson (Kan.) JC
Gary Willis	DB	6-0	170	Gainesville, Fla.
Greg Hunt	DB	6-0	185	Fork Union Mil. Acad.
Kevin Disotelle	OL	6-3	255	Houston, Texas
Mark Peterson	DL	6-4	245	Virgina Beach, Va.



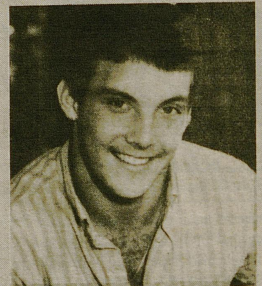
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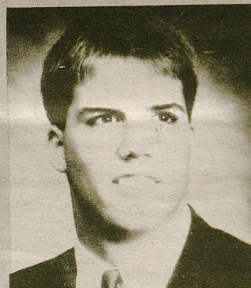
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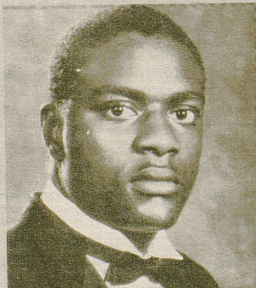
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### Grid Recruits

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Steve Parker's Bryan Station club. Said Parker about his former linebacker, "Derrick has not totally tapped his potential. In a couple of years I feel like he will be playing a lot... if not some next season. That is if he doesn't get redshirted." Thomas has been clocked at 4.6 in the 40-yard dash. . . Paducah's **Billy Swanson** was high on the "Cats" list of "must" catches. The 6-1, 220-pound linebacker was one of four finalists for Kentucky's first-ever Mr. Football award, which was won by Jacobs. Is a hard-nosed performer. Swanson is Mr. Everything. Named as an all-state defensive end following his junior campaign. Also carried the football last season for 870 yards on 110 carries and 10 touchdowns. . . **Freddie Maggard** of Cumberland is like Swanson, as he, too, can burn an opponent on either side of the ball. UK recruited Maggard as a defensive back. During his Redskin career he intercepted 25 passes. And as a quarterback last season he completed 105 of 195 for 1,401 yards. He also rushed for 959 yards in '86. Is a standout on Cumberland's basketball and baseball squads. Carries a 3.5 GPA. . . Madison Central's **Shawn Evans** will be a big target for future Wildcat quarterbacks. The 6-6, 220-pound tight end earned all-State honorable mention status last season. Evans is considered an excellent catch as Notre Dame and Georgia had an eye on him. Academic All-American. Evans considered Eastern and Western before choosing Big Blue. . . **Todd George** of Cov-

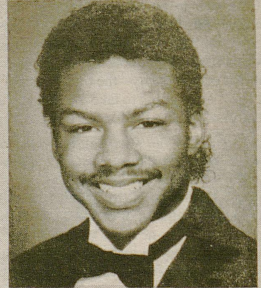
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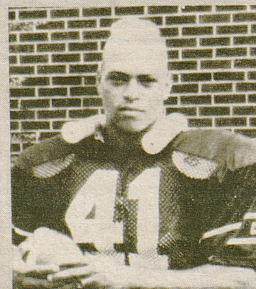
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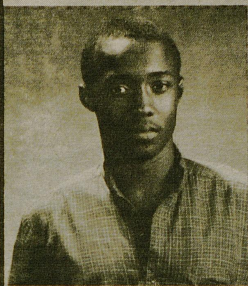


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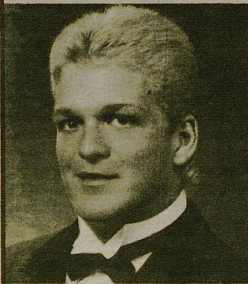


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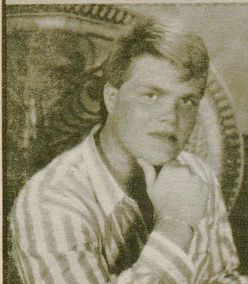
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Greg Hunt

## Philly's Dr. J Going Out In Style

Sutton 'Scolds' Wildcat Fans

**D**r. J and things. Dr. J. played his last NBA all-star game two Sundays ago. Some thoughts... For 16 winters Erving has been to basketball what John Unitas was to professional football, what Henry Aaron was to baseball, what Arnold Palmer has been to golf. Not just a very fine player, but a personality come to his sport when it needed him most.

With the passing of Bill Russell, Wilt Chamberlain, Jerry West and Oscar Robertson in the 1960s, the National Basketball Association needed a Julius Erving.



Bob Watkins

Cats' Pause Columnist

We all know about Dr. J's special gifts that allowed him to defy the laws that pin most of us to the earth. But more than the sweeping double-pump dunks and floating artistry The Doc entertained us with, he emerged as a man of gentle dignity. A man who was no apologist for talking about his children, family values, other "more important" issues in life than basketball.

Almost quietly—much the way he rose up for a dunk—Dr. J climbed to the top of his profession with grace, style. He never gloated when he got there. And The Doc demonstrated countless times along the way that he knew who he was, how he got to the top, and more important, where he is going now that the cheering is about to stop.

After the all-star game, during which he proved that, even at 36, he can still play the game better than most 20-year-olds, The Doc told reporters, "Inability to play is not the reason for announcing my retirement. I decided to leave because I don't want to play any more, not because I can't play any more. There are other things that I want to do."

He added, "I never wanted to stay in pro basketball as long as I possibly could and just try to milk it."

At halftime of his last all-star game, along with many of you who watched, my eyes watered some when CBS Television rendered a touching "Thanks, Doc" tribute to this special man. Watching CBS's film clip tribute to this special man made me think these thoughts.

Jack Nicklaus can stroke it.

Dan Marino can thread it.

Ted Williams could hit it.

Wayne Gretzky can slap it.

Pele could kick it.

And Michael Jordan can fly with it.

But nobody can do it like The Doc.

The Doc will be remembered by most fans for his remarkable skills on a basketball court. But some of us will remember him for the dignity and genuine human quality he allowed us to see in him.

The Doc. There will be only one.

### Sutton 'scolds' fans

Kentucky Coach Eddie Sutton scolded (some) UK fans last week for giving up on the Wildcats.

"I've been disappointed with our fans and some of the mail I've gotten," Sutton said before the Tennessee game. "Some fans have given up on us. They're saying 'well, you have some troops coming next year, so don't worry.' But hey, I believe we can win enough games to get into the NCAA."

Ironically, when Sutton scolded fans for not having enough faith in his team, he had not seen anything yet. Hundreds of ticket holders walked on with a 1:13 to go in the Tennessee game.

Then, Kentucky's miracle finish against the Vols put another 'W' in the left column.

How many wins will it take to get into the NCAAs?

"Nobody has the answer to that," the UK coach said. "It depends on what happens in the Big Eight, in the WAC and some of these other conferences."

Sutton pointed out that the NCAA tournament selection committee "has an easy time picking the first 58 teams. That's pretty easy. But picking the next four (actually six) is the tough part."

"But I think the win at Alabama helped us. Sweeping Auburn helped us. And beating Navy, who you know's going to be in the NCAAs, helped us."

"But we're still looking at the SEC," he added. "We'll have to have some help from other teams, but our players think they can win the thing. I've seen teams get hot this time of year."

### UK insiders maturing

Sutton's team has started to show signs of a maturing inside

attack.

"Richard Madison has been a key for us all season long and now he's started to gain some confidence in his ability to score," the coach said last week. "And I don't think there's any doubt that our inside people have started to take some of the heat off our perimeter players."

And UK's guard corps Rex Chapman, Ed Davender and James Blackmon have grown more confident in Madison, Rob Lock and Cedric Jenkins. "Yes, in the beginning our outside players were leary of throwing the ball in there because some of the inside people had fumble fingers and they never knew what was going to happen. But things are changing now. They're getting more confidence."

### Kevin Ellery update

A couple of interesting items this week on Washington County's 6-5, 225-pound roundball star.

First, a letter from Allen Feldhaus Jr., brother of UK-signee Deron Feldhaus.

"It is very easy to see that you are only familiar with 5th Region Basketball. I'm sure you've seen Kevin Ellery play several times this year. At least I hope you have because you mention him every other week. Now tell me, how many times have you watched Deron Feldhaus play? None, probably, and it's a shame because you're opinions are so sarcastic about Feldhaus and (Sean) Sutton. I feel that you need to be filled in on some interesting information. Deron's stats look like this: 24 points per game, 12 rebounds and four assists. You always mention defense. Just ask any 10th Region coach about Mason County man-to-man defense. It speaks for itself."

"Sure, Ellery is a fine player and he's probably averaging around 30 ppg. But check and see how many times he shoots per game. I've watched Kevin play twice this year. He was 12-30 one game and 11-28 the other. Deron on the other hand only gets about 15 shots per game because his coach wouldn't have it any other way. One man can't be the whole team. Deron is shooting about 57% from the field and most of his points come from 15-25 feet out on the floor."

"Both Kevin and Deron played on the Junior-All-Star Team this past summer in Vegas and L.A. and I had the opportunity to watch both play. In the two tournaments Feldhaus was the leading scorer on team averaging about 16 ppg and he also held Sean Higgins to eight points one game."

"Ellery who played center also played well averaging about 11 a game."

"All I ask Bob, is that you give Deron the benefit of a doubt at least until you watch him play. Then I think you will see for yourself. Every SEC school was after Deron. From what I understand Ellery has not heard much from the big Division I schools. Please try not to let your anti-blue colors show so much. Remember Deron is only 18 years old and he is going to UK. I'd hate to think anyone would downgrade an 18 year basketball player without at least watching him play first."

Comment Thank you for writing.

Second, apparently Ellery is getting to be a hot item. Two weeks ago Western Kentucky University and Eastern Kentucky offered the 6-5 225-pounder a scholarship.

By last Wednesday, Notre Dame coach Digger Phelps had offered Ellery a full ride, saying, "this kid could be the second coming of Adrian (Dantley)."

After viewing a game film Phelps said he couldn't believe, "this kid could get out of Kentucky" without being recruited by UK and Louisville.

Ellery was a guest of Notre Dame at last Saturday's Duke game in South Bend.

Also, Georgia and Auburn have contacted Washington County coach Whitey Simpson to express interest in Ellery.

Stay tuned.

### Readers (write) right

A few weeks ago I write after Western's loss at LSU, that the Hilltoppers are *not ready for prime time (TV)*. Walter and Kathryn Pritchett wrote from Corydon, Ky: "Thank you for your comments. We agree with you 100 percent and we hope your article has come at a time to be beneficial to both the team and coach (Murray) Arnold. This could be a great Western team and we feel coach Arnold is very dedicated to winning, but the team must 'want to' before they can advance in the NCAA."

Steve Kirby of Franklin, Ky. wrote to offer his *Bests* in college basketball this season.

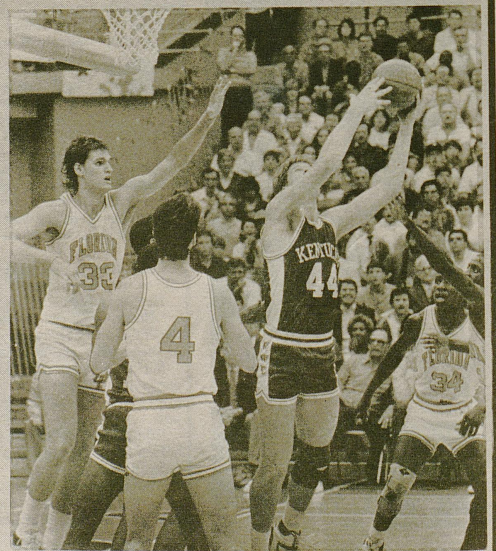
Best freshman: Rex Chapman. Best team: North Carolina. Best upriser: Oklahoma. Best player: David Robinson. Best team in SEC: Alabama.

Steve's Final Four prediction: North Carolina, DePaul, Alabama and Oklahoma.

Steve's *Cinderella Story Teams*: Kentucky, Florida, Vanderbilt and Michigan.

And, E.J. Milton of Dry Ridge, Ky. writes to say he enjoys any comments about his alma mater Western Kentucky, and added: "Was completely amazed by Rex Chapman in the UK-UL game. Had never seen him before. (He) reminds me of the great Joe Fulks of Murray State whom I consider the greatest to ever come out of Kentucky including UofL, UK and WKU transits."







# This Should Be The Year For Gators

MVP? How 'bout Bama's Derrick McKey?

Here's a statistic you might find difficult to believe: basketball began at **Florida** in 1915 and not once have the Gators made it into the NCAA tournament. The best chance came in 1966-67 when Florida posted a 21-4 mark and finished with the eighth-place rating in both wire service polls. But back then only one team per conference was invited to the NCAAs, and obviously, that team was **Kentucky**.

In 1980, **Norm Sloan** left a winning tradition at North Carolina State for a return to Gainesville (he had finished his first stint with the Gators in '66) and a chance to make UF a force in college basket-



Larry Donald  
Cats' Pause Columnist

ball. Six years later his team is on the brink. With 16 wins in its first 21 games, Florida would have to fall completely apart to miss an NCAA ticket this time around. Through the first half of SEC play, Sloan's team found itself in a first-place tie with **Alabama**. If the Gators could hold onto that pace they'd also give the school another first—an SEC title.

Mentioning **Alabama**, I think you could make a very good case for **Derrick McKey** as the nation's best college player. This 6-10 junior can do it all, score inside and out, rebound and pass effectively. I asked Bama coach **Wimp Sanderson** how McKey might be compared with some of the former Tide greats like **Leon Douglas** and **Buck Johnson**.

"He could be the best, ever," said Sanderson, a coach not known to be overly generous with his praise.

Someone at **Southern Illinois University** had a great promotional idea for this basketball season: get the boosters to pledge money for each dunk shot made by the Salukis during the year. And it went well. Fans agreed to donate amounts from 50 cents



## Sloan's Gators Should Get 1st NCAA Invite

on up to \$50. Just one small problem, through its first 20 games, not one Southern Illinois player had put down a slam dunk. That's right, zero.

But there's good news to report from Carbondale—SIU has already won more games this season than last under second-year coach **Rich Herrin**. And in junior guard **Steve Middleton**, the Salukis have one of the better, if unknown, backcourt performers in the country.

Remember I told you **Iowa** was like the first-year pitching phenom who looks unhittable the first time through the league; but that, ah, the next time, given the second chance, batters learn if he's the real thing? Same with the **Hawks**. Their style is unusual and requires a look or two which means the second half of the season could see them getting bumped a couple of times. . . But, **Dr. Tom Davis'** team will be in the NCAA, and given the direction college basketball is going, I think it's possible six other Big Ten teams could also be invited.

My final verdict: After two thirds of a season, I say keep the

**three-point shot** and don't move the line. What this rule has done is given coaches another way to have a good basketball team. **Providence College** is living proof. When defended, it is not a chip shot. Sure, there are celebrity types who can make a high percentage from behind the line, but put some quick defender on top of them and see how it goes. The only reason for the controversy is the rules committee did an atrocious job of selling the rule. They did stick the rule right down the coaching fraternity's throat and also could not possibly have had enough research data to make the change. Mostly, they got lucky. Still, here's one vote for keeping the shot and line in place.

Having watched **ABC's** entry into the world of college basketball television for the first time, my reaction was one of wishing I felt **Keith Jackson** really wanted to be involved in the project.



## 'Bama's McKey — Player of the Year?

Otherwise, the presentation was typically good, especially the halftime features.

Is it happening again? **North Carolina** has lost star guard **Kenny Smith** for a couple of weeks and for those who breathed a sigh of relief that it wouldn't be a longer period, I remind you basketball is a game of delicate chemistry and in each of the last three seasons a key injury down the stretch has disrupted the 'Tar Heels' rhythm. It just seems unfair this program has been so luckless in the regard.

**Mrs. Dean Smith** will be in New Orleans presenting her argument against coaches allowing their players to appear in *Playboy* with the magazine's All-American team. This year, four of the players selected declined to take advantage of the free weekend at *Playboy's* expense to appear in the picture. Mrs. Smith, who is a doctor, says the magazine's attitude toward the use of recreational drugs should be a deep concern to coaches and athletes. I have mixed feelings. On one hand, I've been the victim of attempted basketball blackball schemes and believe very strongly in freedom of the press and freedom of choice. On the other, considering **Len Bias'** cocaine-induced death and the presence of **Chris Washburn** in a drug rehab center (they were the second and third players chosen in last spring's NBA draft) indicates there's a monster on the loose which needs to have everyone's attention.

An offshoot of the NCAA's move to cut basketball scholarships from 15 to 13, will be an increased number of players who won't have their scholarships renewed. When a coach makes a recruiting mistake, the youngster will pay. You'll also see an increased number of "walk-on" players who won't have scholarships. But will their needs be handled by the booster? And is that a violation for an ordinary student to have his costs underwritten or, gasp, be given spending money by a wealthy sponsor? It's an old story with college administrators. Never act. Always react.

I agree that Indiana coach **Bobby Knight** when he recently criticized the Big Ten for spreading its basketball schedule all over the week just to satisfy the needs of television. He pointed out the conference gives a lot of lip service to the academic side of things, then turns right around and creates more missed class time in order to have a more attractive television package. He's right on the money, so to speak.

**Larry Finch** of Memphis State has my vote for Rookie Coach of the Year. . . Finch's old coach, **Gene Bartow**, is wrestling with a tough problem at UAB. Bartow, who is also the school's athletic director, is concerned his basketball program may have peaked and is looking for a conference affiliation which will shed greater light. The Blazers talked with the Metro conference and would like an involvement with **Marquette**, **Dayton** and **DePaul**. But in any case they recognize time is slipping by.

## Grid Recruits

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ington Catholic was considering UK and Pittsburgh before making his final decision. An honorable-mention all-State candidate this past season. Can bench 335 pounds and at his offensive tackle position is considered an excellent pass blocker. . . **Quarterback Jeff Houk**, in his first year as St. Xavier's starting quarterback, led the Louisville team to the 1986 4-A title with a 27-14 win over Boone County. Picked Second-team all-State. Is also an outstanding baseball player and has received several pro tryouts. An excellent student (26 on ACT). . . **Larry Jackson** of traditional Mayfield High School was a member of two 2-A championship teams. A 3.0 student, Jackson has outstanding speed. He captured the '86 state title in both the 400 and 800 meters (Class 2-A). . . Another western Kentucky Wildcat signee is Hopkinsville's **Steve Kelley**. Kelley, a 6-2, 222-pounder considered Louisville, Vanderbilt and Ohio State before signing up with Claiborne's troops. Also played tight end for Hopkinsville HS. . . J-town's **David Scott** scored 17 TDs last season from his runningback slot and rambled for more than 1,500 yards. Was a three-year starter as well as team captain. . . First-team all-State **Courtney Longacre** hails from Louisville Fairdale. The 6-2, 223-pound former tight end picked UK over Indiana and hometown Louisville. Is also a member of the track team (discus). . . **Jim Graves** comes back home after a season at Tennessee Military Institute. At Henry Clay Graves was selected to the all-City squad along with being named all-State honorable mention. As a Blue Devil he not only played defensive end but tight end as well. Now, Graves, 6-6, 240, is listed as an offensive lineman.

In reference to UK's out-of-state signees: **Daniel Lee**, you might say is a "pretty big dude." He's listed at 6-7, 230 pounds. The tight end from Cottondale, Fla., though, played on a team with only 18 members. His services were lost by the seventh game this season when he sustained a pulled ligament (knee). He's 100 percent now. . . **Lane Vargo** comes to Kentucky from Akron, Ohio. A three-year starter for St. Vincent, Vargo plays defensive end. Purdue and Holy Cross were after him. . . **Chris Tolbert** is a 6-foot, 193-pound runningback. Last season he rushed for 883 yards and visted paydirt on 12 different occasions (three scores as a DB). Named all-Northwest Florida. . . **Buchholz'** (Gainesville, Fla.) **Gary Willis** comes out of the same high school which produced current 'Cat Ivy Joe Hunter. A defensive back with excellent speed (4.5/40), Willis' squad went 11-2 last season before being knocked out of competition in Florida's semis. . . **Greg Hunt** comes to Lexington from Fork Union Military Academy, and he brings a reputation as a speed burner with him. According to information provided by UK's sports information office, Hunt has 4.35 speed in the 40. That's no misprint, folks, 4.35. He returned four punts and an interception for touchdowns at Fork Union. The 6-1, 185-pound defensive back/wide receiver was recruited by Virginia Tech, Delaware, Army and Rutgers in addition to UK. Coach Terry Strock says Hunt's speed will be a welcomed addition. "Greg has outstanding speed and the ability to be a fine punt returner and kickoff return man," Strock said. "He could be a factor as either a defensive back or wide receiver/running back." . . . Kentucky assistant coach Chip Garber went down to the Lone Star State on a recruiting trip, and brought **Kevin Disotelle**, a 6-3, 255-pound offensive lineman back with him. Disotelle, who was a two-year starter and a first-team all district selection as an offensive tackle at Houston (Texas) North Shore, runs a 5.0 in the 40 and benches 380 pounds. Disotelle made visits to Houston and Rice in addition to Kentucky, but his high school coach said he liked the Wildcats best. "Chip

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22-3  
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22-3  
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20-5  
206-69

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197-78

20-5  
202-73

23-2  
204-71

KENTUCKY AT LSU	LSU 11	LSU 2	KENTUCKY 3	LSU 2	KENTUCKY 2	KENTUCKY 1
ALABAMA AT AUBURN	AUBURN 3	AUBURN 3	ALABAMA 2	AUBURN 1	ALABAMA 4	AUBURN 2
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TENNESSEE AT MISSISSIPPI STATE	MISS. ST. 1	TENNESSEE 1	TENNESSEE 3	TENNESSEE 2	TENNESSEE 4	TENNESSEE 4
IOWA AT INDIANA	INDIANA 6	INDIANA 3	INDIANA 1	IOWA 1	INDIANA 3	INDIANA 4
MINNESOTA AT OHIO STATE	OHIO ST. 10	OHIO ST. 16	OHIO ST. 7	OHIO ST. 20	OHIO ST. 7	OHIO ST. 3
WISCONSIN AT MICHIGAN STATE	MICH. ST. 6	MICH. ST. 4	MICH. ST. 6	MICH. ST. 12	MICH. ST. 8	MICH. ST. 6
GEORGIA TECH AT DUKE	DUKE 7	DUKE 9	DUKE 8	DUKE 4	DUKE 5	DUKE 8
CLEMSON AT NORTH CAROLINA	CAROLINA 8	CAROLINA 11	CAROLINA 5	CAROLINA 6	CAROLINA 4	CAROLINA 3
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MIDDLE TENNESSEE AT EASTERN	MIDDLE 1	MIDDLE 9	MIDDLE 6	MIDDLE 2	MIDDLE 3	EASTERN 3
TEXAS TECH AT TCU	TCU 7	TCU 6	TCU 4	TEXAS TECH 3	TCU 12	TCU 4
IOWA STATE AT OKLAHOMA STATE	OKLA. ST. 4	IOWA ST. 2	IOWA ST. 1	IOWA ST. 8	OKLA. ST. 5	OKLA. ST. 2
NOTRE DAME AT UTAH	N. DAME 2	N. DAME 2	N. DAME 5	UTAH 4	N. DAME 7	N. DAME 4
GEORGETOWN AT SYRACUSE	SYRACUSE 7	SYRACUSE 5	SYRACUSE 3	SYRACUSE 7	SYRACUSE 1	G'TOWN 5
LOUISVILLE AT MEMPHIS STATE	MEMPHIS ST. 1	LOUISVILLE 1	LOUISVILLE 2	LOUISVILLE 1	LOUISVILLE 3	LOUISVILLE 6
VIRGINIA AT N.C. STATE	N.C. STATE 7	N.C. STATE 6	VIRGINIA 1	N.C. STATE 3	N.C. STATE 5	N.C. STATE 1
PURDUE AT ILLINOIS	ILLINOIS 6	ILLINOIS 2	ILLINOIS 3	PURDUE 2	ILLINOIS 3	ILLINOIS 4
KENTUCKY AT GEORGIA	GEORGIA 1	KENTUCKY 6	KENTUCKY 2	KENTUCKY 5	KENTUCKY 7	KENTUCKY 6
TENNESSEE AT ALABAMA	ALABAMA 10	ALABAMA 11	ALABAMA 7	ALABAMA 9	ALABAMA 12	ALABAMA 8
AUBURN AT OLE MISS	AUBURN 1	OLE MISS 6	AUBURN 5	AUBURN 4	AUBURN 2	OLE MISS 2
MISSISSIPPI STATE AT LSU	LSU 14	LSU 12	LSU 10	LSU 16	LSU 14	LSU 10



# Snake Eyes

## Kentucky's Luck Runs Out In Gainesville; Gators Break 'Cats Four-Game Winning Streak With Help From Tenacious Inside Rebounding Power

Florida rediscovered its rebounding game. Kentucky lost its shooting eye and the Gator roundball fanatics rejoiced as Florida wiggled itself back in the thick of the Southeastern Conference race with a 74-56 victory over UK in Gainesville Saturday.

Just as the Gators quietly moved back into contention with Alabama, the Wildcats just as quietly folded their tent for the league race and now must concentrate on gathering momentum for the SEC tournament next month in Atlanta.

Despite a recent string of victories and good fortune, all the luck abandoned coach Eddie Sutton's squad Saturday.

Florida, which was outrebounded handily earlier in the season at Lexington, went to war with the 'Cats, claiming a 41-27 victory in that department on the road to victory.

And the big man was freshman Dwayne Schintzius who led both clubs with 11 boards. Meanwhile, guards Andrew Moten and Vernon Maxwell kept the Wildcat defense honest and despite a nine-minute stretch during the middle part of the game, the Gators won going away.

Keeping the club in the thick of the SEC race was one thing, but even more important was beating a tradition-rich team like Kentucky. At least Gator coach Norm Sloan thought so.

"To say the least, this was a big day for us, a great game for us," said Sloan. "We did more for our program with today's win than ever before since I have been at Florida. "It was just an unbelievable effort by our kids and everyone contributed."

That they did. Florida sprinted out of the gate, taking command of an 8-0 score before the Wildcats could retaliate with an Ed Davender three-pointer.

Kentucky quickly got itself back in the game but could never overtake the Gators in the first half as defensive mistakes provided the Gator offense with some nice jumpers.

Actually, Florida threatened to break the game open late in the first half as UK went scoreless for more than three minutes but the 'Cats cut a nine-point deficit to 31-27 at intermission with Rex Chapman's three-pointer and a Davender field goal.

When Florida failed to extend its halftime margin, Sloan went to his bench for a mass substitution, replacing all five starters at 16:42 with the Gators in charge, 33-31.

Kentucky tied the score at 35 when Chapman hit a jumper from the right side at 14:59. Clifford Lett put the Gators in front good at 37-35 at 14:35. It was the beginning of a big streak for Florida.

With the Gators still in front by two, Sloan went back to his regulars and Florida quickly took control.

Chris Capers hit a turn-around from the baseline at 13:56 to extend the score to 39-35. Chapman answered with a 3-pointer at 13:04 and then Florida exploded for 10 consecutive points, providing Florida with an 11-point cushion at 9:32 on a Capers' putback.

Capers, who scored 10 points, accumulated eight of those during the second half spurt which carried Florida to its big lead.

With just six minutes left, Florida put the icing on the cake by cashing in on a play when Chapman was all set to take a charge.

Chapman was set to take the charge when Vernon Maxwell lost control of the ball and then crashed head-on with Chapman, sending both players to the floor.

As the two players hit the floor, Andrew Moten picked up the loose ball and scored to give Florida a 58-46 lead.

Maxwell needed a bandage while Chapman was worked on by UK officials for several minutes before he was led to the dressing room where he received three stitches. He returned to action with less than two minutes left in the game.

Kentucky made one last-ditch effort and closed the gap to seven (63-56) on a pair of free throws by Davender at 2:44, but the Gators rattled off the game's last 11 points.

Schintzius' inside play was the big difference from the earlier meeting, but Richard Madison wasn't around long enough in the first half to have the impact he had enjoyed in recent games.

He was whistled to the sidelines at 13:23 in the first half with three personal fouls and saw only 24 minutes of action, scoring just six points. Rob Lock, who also played well in the earlier contest, managed just four points and six rebounds in 24 minutes of play.

Actually, Kentucky's only consistent play came from Davender who scored 22 points, although his shooting was a cool seven of 18.

Chapman experienced a cold night from the field, hitting only five of 18 and James Blackmon hit only one of four shots.

Moten greased the Gator attack with 20 points and Maxwell added 16. Still, it was the battle of the boards where UK suffered most. The inside play of Madison, Lock, Jenkins, Scott and Thomas produced a paltry 13 rebounds, just two more than Schintzius himself.

"I thought Florida played a really great game," said Sutton. "They have a great club. They are certainly the best shooting team in the conference and they have the deepest bench as well."

"I thought their defense was solid and they made us work for all we got," continued Sutton. "It was tough when we got behind because they are great foul shooters."

And the difference?

"Capers really hurt us and Schintzius hurt us, too," said Sutton. "The thing that hurt us more than anything was that they drilled us on the boards. The first game we outrebounded them by a sizeable margin and it was just reversed this time."

The win improved Florida's record to 20-6 overall and 12-3 in the conference. UK slipped to 15-7 overall and 8-6 in conference play.

The victory was the Gators' 20th win in their last 21 outings at O'Connell Center.

In fact, the last loss for the Gators on their home court came against Kentucky last season.

### Wildcat-Gator Tidbits

Florida has been setting all kinds of attendance records this season, thanks to the M&M show of **Vernon Maxwell** and **Andrew Moten** and the Gators' early 20-win season. The all-time attendance record for a home Florida game came last month when 12,087 packed the O'Connell Center for the battle with **Alabama**. In fact, the 12,018 who witnessed Florida's win Saturday put that crowd into the No. 5 position. Seven of Florida's nine SEC games this season now rank among the Gators' top ten crowds. Ironically, the only crowds among Florida's Top Ten not recorded this season are three games with Kentucky in 1984 (12,074), 1986 (11,914) and 1983 (11,149). To put an exclamation mark to this story, consider the fact that two of the well-known ticket scalpers who frequent Rupp Arena were spotted in Gainesville Saturday. And that certainly is a first. . . . It was a homecoming of sorts for sophomore forward **Irv Thomas** who had some fourteen members of his family from Miami up for the game. . . . Freshman **Derrick Miller** also had relatives from Savannah, Ga., down for the game. . . . As always, there was a large group of Kentucky alumni in attendance. The Jacksonville chapter of the UK Alumni Association enjoyed a pregame buffet at a local motel and the Wildcats made a brief appearance before heading to the game. . . . UK coach **Eddie Sutton** was less than enthusiastic about not getting to practice at O'Connell Center either Friday or Saturday. Sutton was told that the facility was not available on Friday evening, then UK was told that Florida would be practicing from 9:30-11 a.m. the morning of the game. Finally, Florida agreed to allow UK a practice session at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, but Sutton said such a time was too late for the 1 p.m. tipoff. The Cats did the next best thing by going to the arena about thirty minutes earlier than normal to get the feel of the floor. . . . Former Wildcat football assistant **Larry Kirksey** stopped by to say hello to several of his former friends with the Kentucky program. Larry is an assistant on **Galen Hall's** staff as is former UK assistant **Dan Coughlin**. . . . UK junior guard **Ed Davender** will have at least one pleasant memory from Saturday's game. With his 22 points against the Gators, the 6-3 Brooklyn, N.Y., native became the 33th player in Kentucky history to join the prestigious 1,000-point club. Following Saturday's game Davender had scored 1,016 points for his career.

OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE															Date Feb. 14/87 Site Gainesville, Fla.														
VISITORS (Last Name, First)																													
No.	Name	PG	MIN	PTS	FG	FTA	REB	AST	BLK	STL	PF	TP	A	BLK	S	MIN													
42	Madison, Richard	f	23	0	0	2	4	2	3	5	3	6	1	1	0	24													
44	Lock, Rob	f	25	0	0	0	2	3	6	2	4	4	0	1	2	24													
3	Chapman, Rex	c	5	16	2	8	0	0	1	1	3	12	5	3	0	33													
10	Blackmon, James	g	1	4	0	1	0	2	1	2	3	2	2	3	0	27													
15	Davender, Ed	g	7	18	2	4	6	6	0	2	2	3	4	2	0	36													
4	Miller, Derrick	g	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5													
14	Andrews, Paul	g	5	0	0	0	3	3	6	2	6	0	0	0	0	19													
30	Thomas, Irving	f	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	2	2	1	0	0	24													
50	Scott, Mike	f	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	3													
55	Jenkins, Cedric	g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5													
TEAM REBOUNDS (included in Totals)															1 1 2 2														
TOTALS															22 58 4 14 8 14 11 16 27 20 55					14 13 2 15 600									
TOTAL FG %: 1st Half 12-31, 38.7%															2nd Half 10-27, 37.0%					Game 22-58, 37.9%					Deadball				
3-Pt. FG %: 1st Half 3-6, 50.0%															2nd Half 1-6, 12.5%					Game 4-14, 28.6%					Rebounds 3				
FT %: 1st Half 0-0, 00.0%															2nd Half 8-14, 57.1%					Game 8-14, 57.1%									
HOME (Last Name, First)																													
No.	Name	PG	MIN	PTS	FG	FTA	REB	AST	BLK	STL	PF	TP	A	BLK	S	MIN													
4	Lawrence, Joe	f	3	7	2	6	0	0	1	2	3	1	8	5	2	0	25												
22	Capers, Chris	f	5	6	0	0	0	0	3	2	5	2	10	2	1	0	28												
33	Schintzius, Dwayne	c	3	10	0	0	2	2	5	6	11	4	8	3	2	1	31												
5	Moten, Andrew	g	6	13	1	3	7	8	3	1	4	2	10	7	1	0	31												
11	Maxwell, Vernon	g	5	8	0	1	6	6	0	5	5	3	16	3	4	1	32												
3	Lawrence, Pat	g	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	2	0	10												
21	McClary, Kenny	f	2	0	0	1	2	1	4	5	1	3	0	0	0	0	9												
23	Lett, Clifford	g	3	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	6	1	0	0	12													
DD	Montgomery, Ronnie	g	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	15												
TEAM REBOUNDS (included in Totals)															0 5 5														
TOTALS															27 53 3 10 17 20 14 27 41 14 75					25 13 2 3 200									
TOTAL FG %: 1st Half 12-26, 46.1%															2nd Half 15-27, 55.5%					Game 27-53, 50.9%					Deadball				
3-Pt. FG %: 1st Half 3-7, 42.8%															2nd Half 0-3, 00.0%					Game 3-10, 30.0%					Rebounds 0				
FT %: 1st Half 4-5, 80.0%															2nd Half 13-15, 86.6%					Game 17-20, 85.0%									
OFFICIALS: John Clougherty, Allie Prescott															SCORE BY PERIODS					1st 2nd OT OT FINAL									
Louis Grillo															KENTUCKY					27 29 XX XX 56									
Technical Fouls: UK-Irv Thomas, grabbing rim															FLORIDA					31 43 XX XX 74									
Attendance 12,018															Copyright 1987 National Collegiate Athletic Association														



# Playing The Game Not Always Fun. . .

. . . Like When You Throw Up An Air Ball

Playing the game of basketball is a lot of fun. You see exciting passes, long jump shots and slam dunks. But sometimes, things don't go the way you expect them to. Every player has some problems on the floor. He may not be a good shooter or he may be a terrible defensive player. Whatever it is, whoever you are, everyone from Bo Lanter to Rex Chapman has had an incident that may have happened in a game. Sometimes things happen that are embarrassing. Let's remember basketball is a team game. You need the support of everyone to make things go. Here are a few things that can, and do, go wrong on the floor:



**Dicky Beal**  
Cats' Pause Columnist

Let's start with the big guys. Every now and then they think that they are Magic Johnson. They like to take the rebound, try to go coast-to-coast and dribble their way to the hoop. Most of the time it ends up being a turnover. Coaches get a head full of gray hairs from their big men who think they are guards and try to do too much.

### Getting Dunked On Is Never Very Fun

Big guys really get upset if they get scored on. Some can't play defense to begin with, but it's a matter of pride. What really destroys a big man's pride is for someone to dunk on him. He won't hear the end of it from his teammates, and it looks even worse when you look at the dunk on film. They always try to blame the guards for not giving good help, or for letting that particular player get good position. True, the guards have some responsibility, but we aren't the one's getting dunked on.

By the same token, guards don't like the task of knowing that you will be guarding a player who has the green light. If that player gets a lot of picks it's even tougher to cover him. Big men seem to have a problem giving help to a player who is being screened. It's a mental letdown that coaches hate for players to have during game situations, and it's a problem that I see every time I watch a ballgame.

When a player drives to the basket uncontested, that means that the defense is not giving weak side help. Coach Eddie Sutton's 'Cats give excellent helpside defense. But every now and then you may see a player sneak in the lane. The defense may try to draw the charge, but by then it's usually too late. It's the type of play where you give a maximum effort, but you don't get the call. It can be very frustrating because the block/charge is a judgment call for the official.

Players who like to press love to double team the ball. An easy way to stop teams from double teaming is to always have the person whose man is double teaming come back to the ball. However, no matter how many times you stress helping your teammate, someone is going to end up getting trapped before the evening is over. It's a combination of having good defense and poor judgement on the offensive end. It really looks bad when doubling up causes turnovers that turn into easy baskets. That can take the wind out of a team that has had a lead throughout the whole game, but somehow manages to blow the game because of lack of communication.

On the offensive end, what's more embarrassing than going in for an uncontested layup and blowing it? Yours truly had the dubious distinction of having this happen. Against Louisville in the Midwest Regional semifinals I had a chance to ice the game. On an inbounds play, one of the Louisville players threw the ball over Milt Wagner's head. Jim Master and I raced for the ball. It was a sure two points, but I showed my coordination by tripping over my feet. To be honest, I was not used to being that wide open. I was going to try and dunk it but that didn't happen.

### Air Balls Aren't Too Pleasant, Either

How about the dreaded air ball? Boy, can that make you feel about three feet tall, especially if you're playing away from home. Of course you will hear the infamous chant of "Air Ball, Air Ball," for the rest of the game. It hurts your confidence when you shoot an air ball. Especially when you know that you might come out of the game after that. I shot many of those throughout my career. You would always get teased by your teammates after the game.

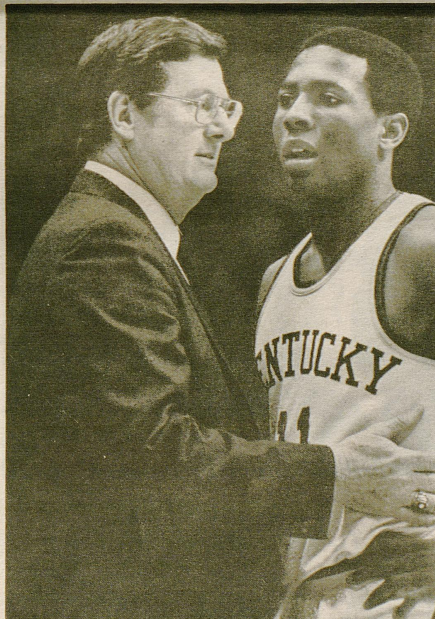
It's another of those things you just love to see on film. If you're the guilty party, you try to sit up front so you won't get in trouble for laughing.

What's worse than shooting an air ball from the floor? You got it, shooting an air ball from the line. I can remember when my knees used to shake when I was at the line as a freshman. I didn't ever want to get fouled. Coach Hall told me that if I wanted to be in the lineup when the game was on the line, I would have to get better at the stripe. It was tough improving on foul shots, but it was worth it to not have to worry about throwing up an air ball.

Winning games is important to any team. Especially when it comes to conference play. Winning on the road will be difficult. Winning at home is a must. Nothing is tougher to stomach than losing a game on your home court. Alabama beat us at Rupp in the 1982 SEC tournament, and let me tell you it was a demoralizing defeat. It was in front of the home folks, so that made the loss a bitter pill to swallow. You don't bounce back from a homecourt loss very easily, but it shows character if you can come back and give a maximum effort the next time out. When Kentucky went to Tuscaloosa and beat Alabama earlier this season, it could have really hurt the Tide. But like the veteran team that it is, Wimp Sanderson's club came back, went on the road and beat Vandy in Nashville. It helps when you're a senior dominated team.

Meanwhile, Kentucky returned to Lexington and had to pull a rabbit out of its hat to beat Tennessee. You would think that after beating Alabama the 'Cats would have blown the Vols right out of Rupp Arena. Thank goodness UK didn't quit until the final buzzer sounded. A good win like that should make the SEC race a little more interesting.

Picture this: the game's a blowout. The coach looks down the bench. All of the stars are coming out of the game to standing ovations. You finally get in the game with a minute and 20 seconds left. The game is totally out of control. You shoot the ball and don't even come close. Meanwhile, though, the crowd is loving it. Believe



Coach Hall: 'Improve From The Stripe'

me, coming in that late in the game isn't as fun as some people would think. It's fun when you've been involved in the game. Then you can sit on the bench and laugh. I've been at both ends of the spectrum.

These have been few things that came to mind. There are many other situations that occur that I can't print. It would really be difficult to write about them in a respectful way. The game of basketball isn't always as fun as it may seem. We all have done something that is embarrassing on the court, things that we don't like to be reminded of. But, like all the outstanding plays, they're part of the game, too.

## NCAA Basketball Conference Standings

Southeastern Conference				
Conference All Games				
Alabama	12	2	857	19 4 826
Florida	12	3	800	20 6 769
Kentucky	8	6	571	15 7 682
Georgia	8	6	571	15 8 652
Auburn	7	7	500	14 9 609
Mississippi	7	7	500	14 9 609
Louisiana St.	6	9	400	16 12 571
Vanderbilt	5	9	357	14 12 538
Tennessee	5	9	357	11 12 478
Mississippi St.	1	13	071	5 18 217

Ohio Valley Conference				
Middle Tenn.	9	2	818	19 4 826
Morehead St.	7	3	700	13 10 565
Akron	7	4	636	18 6 750
E. Kentucky	6	4	600	14 9 609
Austin Peay	5	5	500	13 10 565
Murray St.	4	6	400	11 12 478
Youngstown St.	3	8	273	10 14 417
Tennessee Tch.	1	10	091	6 17 261

Atlantic Coast Conference				
N. Carolina	11	0	1,000	23 2 920
Clemson	8	2	800	23 2 920
Duke	7	3	700	20 5 800
Georgia Tech	6	4	600	15 7 682
Virginia	4	6	400	15 8 652
N. Carolina St.	4	6	400	13 12 520
Wake Forest	1	9	100	12 11 522
Maryland	0	11	000	6 13 316

Atlantic 10 Conference				
Temple	14	0	1,000	25 2 926
West Virginia	12	3	800	18 6 750
Rhode Island	9	6	600	16 8 667
St. Joseph's	8	6	571	14 8 636
Penn St.	7	8	467	13 10 565
Duquesne	7	8	47	11 13 458
Geo. Washington	6	8	429	9 14 391
Massachusetts	4	11	267	8 15 348
Rutgers	3	11	214	6 17 261
St. Bonaventur.	3	12	200	5 19 208

Big East Conference				
Pittsburgh	10	2	833	21 4 840
Syracuse	8	3	727	20 4 833
Georgetown	8	4	667	19 4 826
Providence	7	4	636	17 5 773
St. John's	8	5	613	17 5 773
Villanova	6	6	500	14 10 583
Seton Hall	3	9	250	14 9 609
Connecticut	2	10	167	8 15 348
Boston College	2	11	154	9 14 391

Big Eight Conference						
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Kansas	8	2	800	19	6	760
Oklahoma	7	3	700	19	5	792
Missouri	7	3	700	17	9	654
Kansas St.	6	4	600	16	7	696
Nebraska	5	5	500	15	8	652
Iowa St.	3	7	300	11	12	478
Oklahoma St.	3	7	300	7	16	304
Colorado	1	9	100	7	16	304

Big Sky Conference				
Montana St.	10	1	909	19 5 792
Montana	8	3	727	18 7 720
Boise St.	7	3	700	18 5 783
Idaho	4	6	400	14 10 583
Nevada-Reno	4	6	400	10 13 435
N. Arizona	3	7	300	9 14 391
Idaho St.	3	8	273	10 14 417
Weber St.	3	8	273	5 19 208

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference						
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Howard	9	1	900	19	4	826
N. Caro. A&T	9	1	900	17	4	810
S. Carolina St.	8	3	727	12 11 522		
x-Coppin St.	6	5	545	7 16 304		
Bethune-Cknn	6	8	429	6 17 261		
x-Morgan St.	4	6	400	7 16 304		
Delaware St.	2	9	182	2 20 091		
Md.-East Shor.	0	11	000	1 20 048		
y-Florida A&M	0	11	000	11 11 500		

x-ineligible for conference tournament  
y-ineligible for regular-season title

Pacific-10 Conference				
UCLA	11	3	786	17 5 773
Oregon St.	10	4	714	18 5 783
Arizona	9	4	692	14 9 609
California	9	6	600	16 11 593
Washington	8	6	571	14 11 560
Oregon	7	7	500	13 10 565
Stanford	6	9	400	12 12 500
Washington St.	4	10	286	8 15 348
Arizona St.	3	10	231	7 14 333
Southern Cal.	3	11	214	8 15 348

Missouri Valley Conference				
Tulsa	8	2	800	18 5 783
Bradley	8	2	800	15 10 600
Wichita St.	6	5	545	15 10 600
Illinois St.	6	6	500	14 10 583
Drake	4	7	364	15 12 556
So. Illinois	4	7	364	10 13 435
Indiana St.	4	7	364	9 16 360
Creighton	3	7	300	8 15 348



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## DIARY OF A RECRUIT

# Phil Logan chronicles life before the decision

By BRUCE W. BRANCH  
Staff writer

**F**OR THREE years, Phil Logan was one of the top high school football players in Jefferson County and in all of Kentucky. Twice a Courier-Journal All-State selection, the 6-foot-2, 187-pound wide receiver caught 35 passes for 666 yards and 10 touchdowns in leading Holy Cross to the Jefferson County Class 4A playoffs.

Blessed with size, speed and raw athletic ability, Logan joined hundreds of blue-chip players from across the nation being hotly recruited.

Others in his class drew attention, the adulation and the dream of a lifetime in the form of a college football scholarship finally realized.

For the past six weeks, Logan discovered first-hand what being a highly sought-after recruit meant. He had conversations with celebrities such as Phil Simms of the Super Bowl champion New York Giants and wide receiver Wil-

son, whose opinions varied.

Making a decision, one that his high school coach, Nelson Nunn, and his parents would make for him, caused Logan a great deal of personal turmoil. It also left him feeling torn between his family and friends, whose opinions varied.

### KENTUCKY

The University of Kentucky has been recruiting me since my 10th-grade year. I never really got a feel for the school because of the (UK) basketball team.

Coach (Jerry) Claiborne is a really nice guy. He's down to earth, and he's really up front with everything. He doesn't make you feel uncomfortable. I've grown to like him a lot.



Claiborne

### TENNESSEE

When you think about wide receivers, you almost always think about Tennessee. I liked the place a lot. It is what I'm looking for in a football team.

Coach (Kippy) Brown (the receivers coach) is a great person whom I feel like I could get along with. He has developed, such wide receivers as Tim McCree (Cincinnati Bengals), Joey Clinkscapes (Cleveland Browns) and others. If I don't go to Tennessee, I'll always wonder what it would have been like. I would like to see about 95,000 fans in the Kentucky Coliseum. Tennessee is a state that supports football. Coach (Johnny) Majors is a nice guy, too. If I am serious about playing wide receiver and peaking to my fullest, I believe UT is the place for me.



Majors

### MAJOR VISITS

### LOUISVILLE

Although they had been recruiting me all along, I didn't really consider Louisville because I didn't want to stay at home.

... Initially, I didn't think Coach (Howard) Schnellenberger was going to stay there for four years. I'm not sure now. He might have. Coach Schnellenberger told me it was his style to come in late after everybody else had made their pitch. He also told me he would hold a scholarship open for me as long as it took for



Schnellenberger

most amazing thing you will experience in your life to walk through that tunnel with those people screaming and yelling "Go Big Blue."

... The football players at Michigan get treated like kings. Everything at UM was first class. I really liked that.



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... Before visiting, I got the impression that if something came up, he (Schnellberger) would be gone. Money talks. However, he told me that wasn't the case. He said he wanted to go down in history as the first coach to win national championships at two schools. We went to a party, and... a lot of businessmen were there. They all offered their help in one way or another. Coach Schnellberger... said they were going to try to get it possible at the schedule, and it's very possible that they could I liked their facilities and coach Schnellberger said if John Y. Brown (Jr.) became governor they would have a new football stadium in a year.

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... There is a lot of pressure on me to stay here in Kentucky because everyone keeps saying I'll help in the future when I'm looking for (job) connections. Most of the guys on the (UK) team hate Tennessee, and they told me to go anywhere but there. When I'm making my choice I have to think about what I'm going to be like if I have to play against Kentucky.

... UK has shown the most interest in me and some point they have turned off the recruiting. The players I talked to were very honest. For instance, they told me about what would happen if you skipped class. There's this bicycle you have to ride. They didn't hold anything back.

... The only thing that's stopping me from going to UK is the wide-receiver tradition Tennessee holds over UK. Plus, I want to play on a winning team. Kentucky runs the ball too much, but I know I won't have to redshirt if I go there.

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Logan's appointments' calendar was check full of notes.

NEW YEARS DAY						
Coach Chris... rec. Mich. from Rose- called me from 1 pm r ASH						
THUR						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	SAT			
FRI						
Coach Mild from 4:45 U.S. visited me at school?						
3						
Coach Brown from 9:45 called, spoke about visiting UK						
10						
Flew to Ann Arbor Mich 9:41 for a visit. I also met with Coach Carter 9:30 at home in Ann Arbor						
8						
Brown from me at sc						
not so Schembechler and talked with him about going to Wisconsin I also met with Coach Carter 9:30 at home in Ann Arbor						



**NCAA Basketball  
Conference Standings**

**Metro Atlantic Athletic**

St.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
St. Peter's	9	2	.818	17	5	.773
La Salle	9	3	.750	14	10	.583
Army	6	5	.545	10	12	.455
Iona	6	6	.500	12	12	.500
Holy Cross	6	6	.500	8	16	.333
Fordham	6	8	.429	13	13	.500
Fairfield	4	6	.400	11	12	.478
Manhattan	2	11	.154	6	19	.240

**Metro Athletic Conference**

Louisville	6	2	.750	14	11	.560
Memphis State	5	3	.625	20	7	.741
Southern Miss	4	4	.500	15	7	.682
Virginia Tech	4	4	.500	9	14	.391
Florida State	4	5	.444	14	8	.636
South Carolina	4	5	.444	12	11	.522
Cincinnati	2	6	.250	11	12	.478

**Colonial Athletic Association**

x-Navy	11	1	.917	20	5	.800
James Madison	7	4	.636	17	6	.739
Richmond	7	4	.636	13	11	.542
N.C.-Wilmington	7	5	.583	13	10	.565
George Mason	6	6	.500	13	11	.542
American	4	8	.250	11	11	.500
East Carolina	3	9	.250	11	13	.458
William & Mary	2	10	.167	5	18	.217

x-clinched regular-season title

**Big Ten Conference**

Indiana	11	1	.917	20	2	.909
Purdue	11	2	.846	20	3	.870
Iowa	9	3	.750	22	3	.880
Illinois	9	4	.692	19	6	.760
Ohio St.	8	5	.615	17	8	.680
Michigan	6	6	.500	15	9	.625
Michigan St.	4	8	.333	9	13	.409
Minnesota	2	10	.167	9	13	.409
Wisconsin	1	11	.083	11	14	.440
Northwestern	1	12	.077	6	17	.261

**Mid-American Conference**

Cent. Michigan	11	2	.846	17	6	.739
Kent St.	10	3	.769	16	6	.727
W. Michigan	7	5	.583	12	11	.522
Miami, Ohio	6	6	.500	10	10	.500
Bowling Green	6	6	.500	10	13	.435
Ohio U.	5	7	.417	12	11	.522
E. Michigan	4	8	.333	9	14	.391
Ball St.	4	9	.308	8	15	.348
Toledo	3	10	.231	9	15	.375

**Sun Belt Conference**

W. Kentucky	11	1	.917	23	6	.793
Jacksonville	10	2	.833	16	8	.667
Ala.-Birmingham	8	4	.667	16	10	.615
Va. Commonwealth	7	5	.538	17	11	.607
South Alabam.	5	8	.385	13	13	.500
N.C. Charlotte	4	8	.333	15	13	.536
South Florida	3	9	.250	8	16	.333
Old Dominion	1	11	.083	6	19	.240

**Western Athletic Conference**

Wyoming	10	2	.833	18	6	.750
Texas-El Paso	10	3	.769	20	5	.800
Brigham Young	9	4	.692	17	9	.654
New Mexico	8	5	.615	19	8	.704
Utah	7	6	.538	15	9	.625
Colorado St.	6	8	.429	12	13	.480
Air Force	5	7	.417	12	10	.545
Hawaii	2	10	.167	7	16	.304
San Diego St.	0	12	.000	2	22	.083

**Independents**

St.	W	L	Pct.
DePaul	22	1	.957
New Orleans	20	3	.870
Notre Dame	14	7	.667
Pan American	15	8	.652
Marquette	14	9	.609
Tennessee St.	12	11	.522
Dayton	11	11	.500
Miami, Fla.	11	13	.458
Brooklyn	10	12	.455
Chicago St.	10	13	.435
SW Louisiana	10	13	.435
Utica	10	13	.435
Cent. Florida	9	13	.409
N. Illinois	9	15	.375
Texas-Arlington	9	15	.375
U.S. Internat'l	9	15	.375
Md.-Balt. County	8	14	.364
Cent. Conn.	6	18	.250
E. Washington	4	22	.154

**Pacific Coast Athletic Association**

St.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
x-Nev-Las Vgs.	14	0	1.000	26	1	.963
New Mexic. St.	7	7	.500	13	12	.520
San Jose St.	7	7	.500	11	12	.478
Long Beach St.	7	7	.500	12	14	.462
Cal-Irvine	7	8	.467	12	12	.500
Utah St.	6	7	.462	13	12	.520
Cal-Santa B'rb.	6	7	.462	11	11	.500
Fullerton St.	6	8	.429	13	10	.565
Pacific	6	8	.429	10	13	.435
Fresno St.	3	10	.231	8	16	.333

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# Update—Cedric Jenkins Has Returned

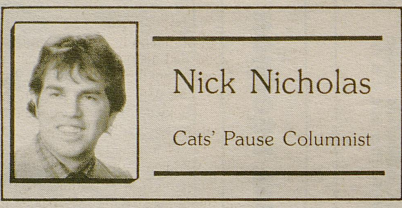
Magic Number For UK Is Probably 18

Are you gettin' ready?  
Ready for what?

The SEC Tournament and the NCAA Tournament, that's what. Well, while we all know that a spot is guaranteed for the Kentucky Wildcats in Atlanta, nothing is for sure as far as the NCAA tourney is concerned.

However, rest assure UK fans. Unless a complete collapse finds its way into the Wildcats' den, Kentucky will be in this year's 64-team pileup.

The Big Blue did itself a favor by upsetting Wimp Sanderson's



Nick Nicholas  
Cats' Pause Columnist

Alabama squad in Tuscaloosa. Less than a week later the 'Cats also did themselves a favor by gallantly tying arch-rival Tennessee just prior to the end of regulation and eventually winning 91-84 in overtime.

Like taking a step forward and then backwards... a loss against the Vols and UK's win at 'Bama would have been for naught.

Prior to the Florida game things look pretty good for UK and its hopes of an eighth straight NCAA appearance.

Wins on the road, especially against favorable opponents, carry a lot of weight with the NCAA selection committee. The Wildcats, 15-6, own impressive wins at Louisville, Auburn and Alabama. Add home victories over Auburn, Navy and Florida and, so far, this team has surpassed preseason expectations.

Beginning the season, with senior Winston Bennett sidelined for the entire campaign along with Cedric Jenkins hobbled for more than a month with a stress fracture, I thought if Kentucky could win at least 18 games (counting the SEC tourney) it might receive an invitation to the NCAAs.

I still believe UK's magic number is 18. The way things are going now 18 wins by March 8 shouldn't be too difficult a task for Eddie Sutton's crew. And the more wins UK compiles between now and possibly March 8th and obviously the better seed Kentucky will get.

But don't get too carried away! The Wildcats' performances in early February are the reason why we're talking about the NCAA Tournament instead of what lies ahead for next year's crew. But who can predict what will happen to UK between now and the end of the SEC tourney?

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If this team is to do well in post-season play Cedric Jenkins has to play well. Huh, make that often and well.

Last Wednesday against Tennessee, Jenkins countered the Vols' inside game with his best outing of the season. Playing 29 of a possible 45-minute session all Jenkins did was: score 11 points, grab seven rebounds and sneak in for a couple of steals. His statistics also were of the eye-catching nature because his evening was free from even a single turnover.

Could it be Jenkins is now ready to go full-speed ahead?

Jenkins played a leading role in the finals of last season's SEC tourney with a 13-point, seven-rebound effort as UK handed Alabama an 83-72 setback. The stage was set. Or was it?

At the beginning of the season everyone in the 'Cats' camp was hoping Jenkins and Rob Lock would break loose and be the rallying point of UK's inside game. Unfortunately at the outset of his junior campaign a different kind of break put Jenkins' career and foot temporarily on ice.

A preseason injury—fractured foot—interrupted his junior year and suddenly he was on the bench next to Winston, both in street clothes. The doctors calculated by late December Jenkins could return. Pondering his possible return in '87, I truly felt he would be lost for the entire season.

His gradual comeback in January made me think, "Sam Bowie, here we go again."

But then came February. Along with a new month came a new Cedric Jenkins... a more aggressive Cedric Jenkins I might add.

Although only scoring two points in Tuscaloosa, Jenkins played 17 minutes against the SEC's finest inside talent, Derrick McKey. Jenkins, UK's long-arm-of-the-law, was assigned to guard McKey with three seconds left and with Kentucky clinging to a one-point advantage. With Jenkins' arms and hands somewhat shielding his

view, McKey's turnaround fell short and bounced astray.

Putting him on McKey, when everyone in the house knew the all-SEC center would take the final shot, had to be a confidence builder not only for Jenkins but the UK players and coaching staff as well.

Another good indicator signaling that the 6-foot-9 center/forward is back to a full-time role was during last week's UT-UK clash. Towards the conclusion of the first half he proceeded to cram home an Ed Davender miss, putting Kentucky ahead by eight at intermission.

"I think I had a pretty good game tonight," Jenkins said after UK's come-from-behind OT victory over Tennessee. "I'm looking forward to having more of them... I'm starting to get in the flow



## UT's Roth Says Cedric Is Back On Track

of things a little more and I feel more comfortable out there.

"Everybody is becoming more and more consistent," Jenkins continued, "individually and as a team. It's only going to help us pull that much closer together."

Tennessee's seven-footer, Doug Roth, who scored 18 points against the 'Cats, praised the play of Jenkins.

"He did a good job," said Roth. "A couple of times he really recognized the situation he had and scored off of it. I know twice I went to help out on somebody else and he would flash down—at halftime he got a dunk."

"I think he's a great ballplayer; I remember playing against him last year. He's coming back off the injury. It's slowed him down a little but I think he's starting to get back to where he was."

If the month of February, when 'Big Valentines' are popular, the Wildcats could become a factor in the SEC Tournament. Watching Kentucky's incredible and successful comebacks against Alabama and Tennessee I know what they mean by the phrase, *Cats have nine lives*.

"It was a close one (against the Volunteers)," Jenkins said, "but everybody really pulled together. It showed we're contenders. Everybody showed that they had a 'big heart' tonight."

And whether as a starter or as a backup to Lock, the guy they call 'Swoop' must continue to contribute if UK fans are to be smiling come March when their team visits Atlanta's Omni.

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While it's still heavy on our minds, let's talk about Kentucky's recent football recruiting crop.

I'm sure the UK coaches had high hopes of Kentucky landing the state's 'Big Four' prospects—Louisville Male's Jeff Ellis, Newport Central Catholic's Frank Jacobs, Fort Knox's Eddie Thomas and Louisville Holy Cross' Phil Logan.

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# Miracle Finish!

## Chapman's Buzzer Beater Rallies 'Cats Back From 10-Point Deficit In Final 1:12 Of Regulation As Kentucky Pins 91-84 OT Loss On Luckless Vols

By Mike Estep

Do you believe in miracles?

Apparently, a good many of the 23,002 on hand at Rupp Arena last Wednesday night for the Kentucky-Tennessee game didn't. With Tennessee operating out of a spread offense late in the game, Vol reserve guard Ron Hausley got the step on Kentucky's Rex Chapman and went in for a driving layup over UK forward Richard Madison. Madison was whistled for a blocking foul on the play, and when Hausley converted the free throw to give UT a 75-65 advantage with just 1:12 remaining in the game, a steady stream of Wildcat fans headed for the exits.

Hey guys, you missed a good game.

For the second time in as many contests, Kentucky went into its two-minute offense to rally for an important SEC victory.

Chapman made a four-foot jumper to cap an improbable 7-0 UK run in the game's final minute to force an overtime period. And after the two teams traded buckets to open the extra stanza, Kentucky reeled off six unanswered points to take a 85-79 lead with :53 to play. The game then turned into a free throw contest, and the 'Cats converted their shots from the line. UK stretched the advantage to 91-81 with :22 left and coasted to the 91-84 win.

Following Hausley's free throw in regulation, Chapman came down and hit a three-pointer from the right hash mark to trim the Tennessee lead to seven with 1:03 to go and start the Wildcat comeback.

After a Kentucky timeout, Hausley took an inbound pass in the backcourt and was fouled by Chapman. The 6-4 junior from Marion, N.C., who had been perfect on nine tries from the line for the year to that point, missed the front end of a one-and-one and Madison controlled the rebound for Kentucky.

On the other end, Chapman missed a long three-pointer, but UT's Elvin Brown was guilty of overguarding the 6-5 freshman. Chapman sank a pair of free throws, and with :50 showing on the clock, Kentucky trailed 75-70.

### Vols Seemingly Had 'Cats In The Bag

Tennessee then appeared to put the game out of reach when Tony White was fouled by Chapman. The SEC scoring leader made the two freebies to give the Vols what looked like an insurmountable 77-70 lead with :44 to go.

But Tennessee would not score for the remainder of regulation play.

Chapman missed a wild, desperation three-pointer on UK's next possession, but forward Irv Thomas got the rebound and scored his only bucket of the night to draw Kentucky to within 77-72 with 35 seconds to play.

One of the most pivotal plays of the night followed yet another UK timeout. White took the ball in the backcourt and was trapped by James Blackmon and Thomas. There was little contact on the play, but White was called for charging to turn the ball back over to the 'Cats. But more importantly, it sent White to the bench with his fifth foul.

Chapman was again off the mark from three-point range. Doug Roth claimed the rebound and was fouled by Thomas. Roth was eight for 10 from the stripe for the game at the time, but misfired on the first shot of a bonus situation and Madison rebounded for Kentucky.

Chapman missed his third three-pointer in a row, but the ball was tapped out to UK guard Ed Davender at the top of the key. Davender set himself and went up with a 20-footer over Russ Spivey to make it a two-point game at 77-75 with :12 to play.

Thomas was called for a blocking foul on the ensuing inbound play, sending Tennessee's Dyron Nix to the line with :11 left. Nix came up short on his first attempt, Tennessee's third miss in four crucial one-and-one tries down the stretch, and Madison again ran down the rebound.

Chapman came and took the handoff from Madison, outraced three Tennessee defenders and hit an off-balance, one-handed four-footer over the 6-11 Roth to send the game into overtime.

"Ed and I were standing on the free throw line right after the timeout, and coach had just told us whichever one of the three—Ed, James or I—got the ball, to go ahead and take it and try to get two points, don't worry about the three-pointer," Chapman said in the postgame press conference, recounting the last play of regulation. "I turned to Ed and I told him I thought he (Nix) was gonna miss. Ed asked me, he said, 'Do you wanna win it tonight?' and I said, 'Yeah, give it to me.' So he said 'Whoever gets it, you go get it from 'em.' He said, 'If they double team you, look for me I'll be open.' I said, 'Alright.'"

"So Richard got it, I went and took it away from him and just went down and scored."

Chapman had missed several shots badly in the last two minutes of regulation, and he said he wasn't sure if he wanted to take the shot to tie the game.

"I took a couple of three-pointers that were wide open and I didn't even draw iron on 'em," Chapman said, "so I didn't know if I wanted to keep pushing. But I'm glad I did." Chapman said when the game-tying shot left his hand, he couldn't tell if it was going in the basket.

"I didn't know if I'd make it at first 'cause I saw (Roth) comin' at me, but then I figured I had to (make it) or it would ruin our story," said Chapman, who's fast becoming the Wildcats' team comedian.

"Did you really buy that?" Kentucky coach Eddie Sutton quipped with a big grin on his face when he was asked to comment on Chapman's story.

But Sutton got serious long enough to compliment his team for the great effort it displayed.

"I can't heap enough praise on our ballclub, the way they came back," Sutton said, "but if you put yourself under those conditions 10 times, it'll be very difficult for you to pull a game out like we did tonight. You have to have some help, because they miss-

ed some free throws to allow us to get the game into overtime. But our players did seize that opportunity, and they do believe. They believe that until that final horn goes off, that we've got a chance to win."

### Early, It Looked Like Kentucky Wouldn't Need Overtime

For the first 25 minutes of the game, it looked as though Kentucky wouldn't need any last-minute heroics to win the game. Tennessee took the early lead when White rebounded his own miss and put in the follow shot, and then Roth hit a pair of free throws to put the Vols ahead 4-0. But UK got on track, and when Madison hit a six-foot bank shot with 10:24 to play in the first half, the 'Cats led 18-17.

Kentucky continued to extend the lead, and went into the lockerroom at the halftime break with a 39-31 lead.

Tennessee trailed at intermission largely because it couldn't get its offense in gear. The Vols had 13 turnovers in the first 20 minutes, which led directly to 13 Kentucky points. Don DeVoe's team was also unable to get All-America candidate White involved in the offense. White, who came into the game leading the SEC in point production with a 23.1 average, hit just two of seven first-half shots for four points.

But White got it cranked up in the second half. "The Wizard" put on a one-on-one show, almost single-handedly bringing Tennessee back into the ballgame. He scored his 2,000th-career point from the foul line to tie the game at 43 with 14:36 left in regulation, and then put UT ahead 44-43 with the second toss.

Tennessee maintained the slim margin until the 3:29 mark. At that point, UT led 68-65. But then the Vols went on a 7-0 run, which was punctuated with Hausley's three-point play that gave them their biggest lead of the contest at 75-65 with 1:12 left.

That set the stage for Kentucky's big comeback.

"We're just happy we won the ballgame, and it continues to give us a little momentum," Sutton said. "And when you can win game like we won tonight, it really does something special for a ballclub. Because once you've experienced that, then they know, regardless of how far you get down, if you get in the last minute or two minutes and you're within 10 points, you got a chance."

### Volunteer-Wildcat Tidbits

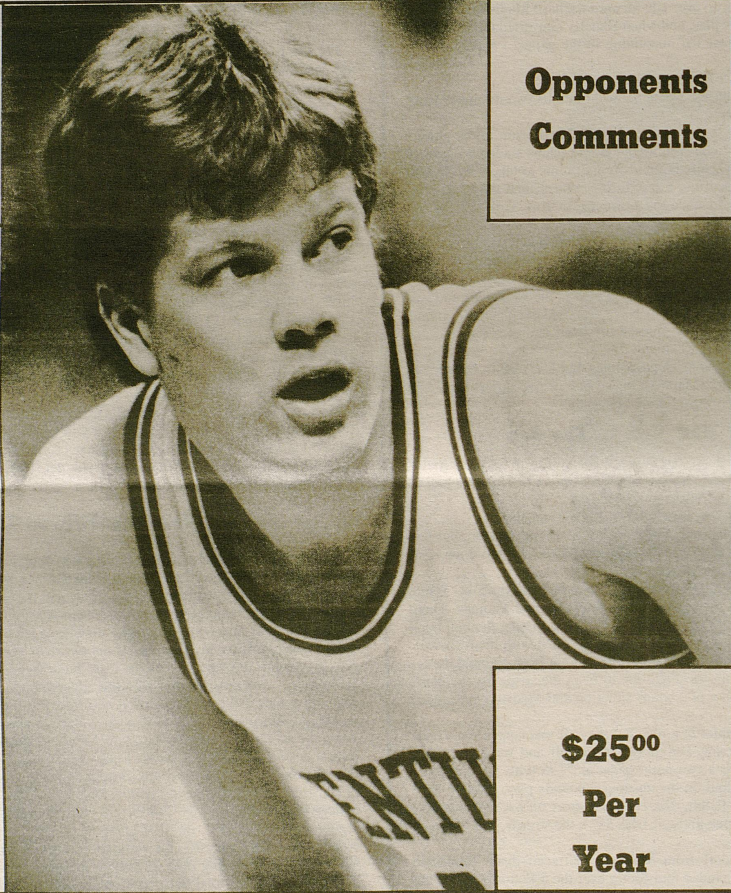
With the big last-minute rally, Kentucky was able to post its second consecutive come-from-behind win. The 'Cats trailed Alabama by six with 1:23 to go, and eventually won the game in regulation, 70-69. . . The win moved Kentucky to 15-6 overall, and 8-5 in the SEC. Tennessee, which has been snakebit in close games all season long, dropped to 10-12 and 4-9. . . Kentucky now leads the long series with Tennessee 107-54.

UK coach **Eddie Sutton** raised his two-year record at Kentucky to 47-10, and is now 3-1 against the Vols. . . With the loss, Tennessee's **Don DeVoe** is now 10-9 against Kentucky. . . For those of you who are superstitious, Kentucky continued its string of winning games in which it has led at halftime. For the season, the 'Cats are 14-0 when leading at intermission. UK is 0-6 when trailing after the first 20 minutes, and is 1-0 when the score has been knotted at the break. . . Speaking of superstition, did you see Sutton during the game? It seems Lucky Eddie had his buckeye in his pocket and get this—he was wearing a brown suit. Shades of Adolph Rupp? . . . Kentucky is now assured of finishing with a non-losing record for the 59th year in a row, the longest streak in college basketball. Now at 15-6 for the year, even if UK was to lose its remaining six regular-season contests, the first game of the SEC tourney and another game in the NIT or the NCAA playoffs, the worst the 'Cats can finish is 15-14. . . **Rex Chapman** led Kentucky in scoring with 26 points, including the big shot to send the game into overtime. His point total equaled a career-high, which he has scored on three other occasions this season. . . **Ed Davender** was close behind, pouring in 25 points in 42 minutes of action. Davender also added a game-high six assists. . . For the sixth time in the last seven games, **Richard Madison** was Kentucky's leading rebounder. Madison, who is becoming Kentucky's Chairman of the Boards, grabbed 10 caroms for the game. Madison is among the SEC leaders in rebounding, averaging more than seven per game.

**Madison** also is on a tear in the scoring department. He finished the Tennessee game in double figures for the fifth time in the last seven games, scoring 14 points. . . Wednesday's game could be the coming out party for UK's **Cedric Jenkins**. After being injured for most of the year, Jenkins scored 11 points and grabbed seven rebounds in 29 minutes of action, all season-highs for the man they call "Swoop." . . After a slow start, Tennessee's **Tony White** scored 16 second-half points to lead the Vols in scoring with 20. He also became the third UT player to join the 2,000-point club. . . **Doug Roth** (18 pts.), **Elvin Brown** (17 pts.) and **Dyron Nix** (14 pts.) also finished in double digits for the Vols. . . **Nix**, who hauled in 17 rebounds in UT's 75-68 win over Kentucky in Knoxville earlier this season, was the game's leader on the boards with 14. . . So much for the stat sheet. Tennessee outshot Kentucky from the field for the game. UT connected on 26 of 47 attempts for 55.3 percent, including a sizzling 15 of 20 for 75 percent in the second half. Kentucky hit 33 of 68 for 48.5 percent. . . UT converted on more free throws (29 of 36 for UT, 22 of 28 for UK) and also won the battle of the boards, 36-30. . . But perhaps the biggest stuns in favor of Kentucky were in turnovers and steals, which allowed the 'Cats to get more possessions, and therefore, more shots at the basket. UK committed just 12 miscues for the game, UT had 25. The 'Cats had 17 steals, Tennessee had just six. . . Former Kentucky All-American **Sam Bowie** was in Lexington last week and was in Rupp Arena for the Tennessee game. Bowie also attended the Wildcats' practice sessions on Monday and Tuesday.



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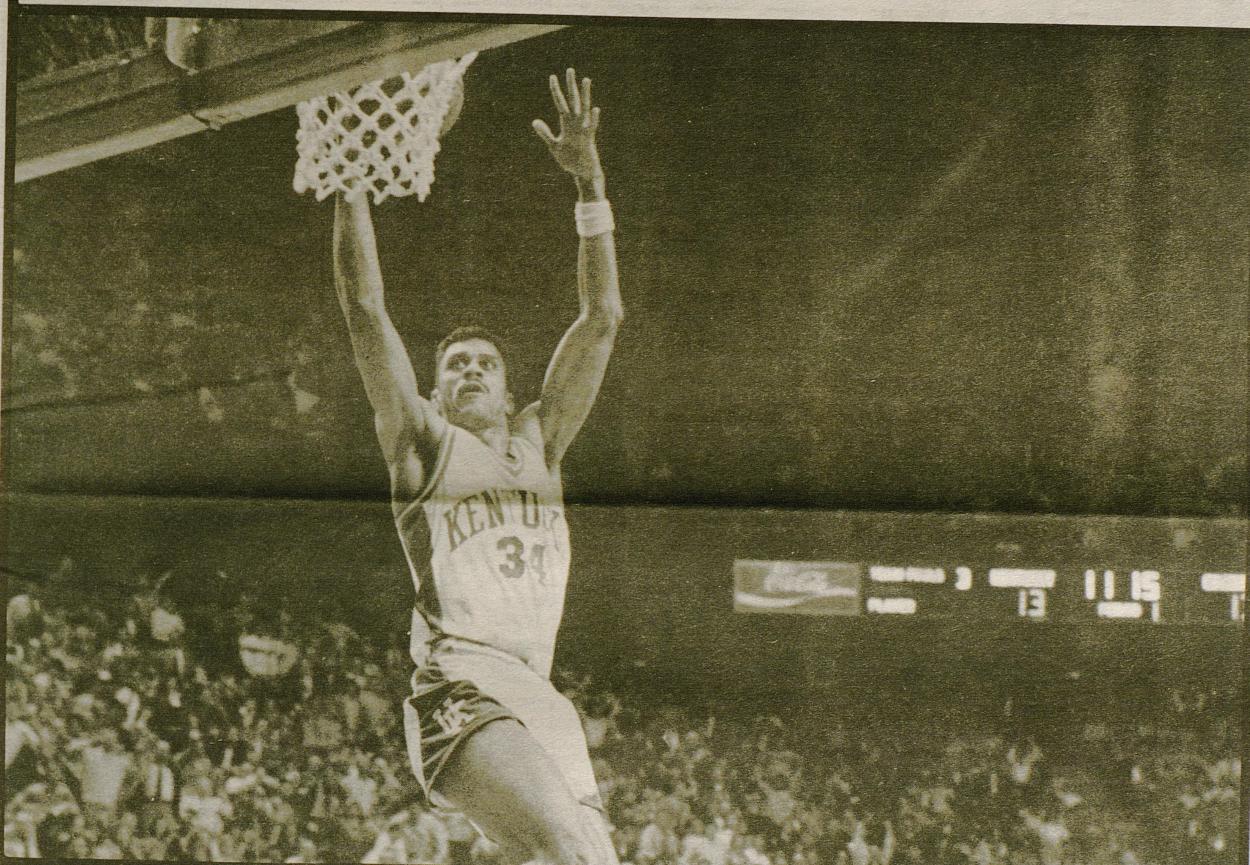
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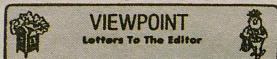
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Prescription Time

Dear Sir:

It's that time again to renew my prescription to the *Cats' Pause* (Yes, I said prescription, *TCP* is good medicine to all 'Cat fans).

I have been wondering where all the Joe Hall second-guessers are? If Joe Hall had lost two games by the scores of the Alabama and LSU games (both at Rupp), he would have been hung in effigy from the center support of Rupp Arena.

Eddie Sutton and this year's 'Cats need all of the support the true UK fans can give them. So better hope those second-guessers stay in hiding and we can enjoy the 'Cats the rest of the year.

Dick Smith  
Paducah, Kentucky

Grid Recruits

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Garber came down and kind of got onto him," said Bill Farrington, Disotelle's coach at North Shore. "Kevin is a super young man." . . . The 'Cats may have come up with a real find in 6-4, 245-pound defensive lineman **Mark Peterson** from Virginia Beach, Va. Despite losing the big toe on his left foot in a childhood accident, Peterson started for three years for Frank Cox High School. He considered North Carolina State, Army, Navy, Appalachian State, William & Mary and Delaware before deciding on Kentucky. "He wanted to play in the SEC," said Peterson's high school coach Al Habit. "We sent some tapes to Kentucky. They asked for some more, then invited Mark for a visit. We play a 60 defense similar to what they play at Kentucky. They think he'll play defensive guard there." In addition to playing football, Peterson is the top-ranked heavyweight wrestler in the Tidewater region of Virginia, and is a member one of the best prep wrestling teams in the nation, having won 55 straight matches. No need to worry about his grades: Habit says Peterson scored an outstanding 1320 on his SAT test. . . JC transfer **Glenn Fohr** is expected to be in contention for a starting job next season at the UK quarterback position. Fohr was a second-team all-state defensive back for Belvidere HS in New Jersey. While playing for Hudson Valley Junior College (Troy, N.Y.) he earned all-conference recognition. He led the Coastal Conference in passing, connecting on 100 of 205 attempts for 1,512 yards and seven touchdowns. Team captain. . . Hutchinson Junior College (Kan.) transfer **Jim Wetta**, 6-2, 198 pounds, had 30 career catches in two seasons for 500 yards. Following his final stanza at the JC institution he was named on the Second-team All-JuCo Conference squad.

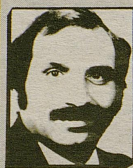
'Cat Gymnasts Fall From Computer's Top 20 Rankings

Kentucky fell out of the Top 20 in the latest published (Feb. 2) computer rankings. The Wildcats were ranked 14th in the last poll. Six Kentucky foes are in this weeks Top 10, including five of the top seven. A total of 10 of the Wildcats' opponents are in this week's Top 20, Kentucky fell to fourth in the Southeast Region rankings behind No. 1 Georgia, No. 2 Florida and No. 3 North Carolina. Kendall Lucas, holder of three of Kentucky's five all-time individual records, is the fourth-ranked individual gymnast in the latest poll behind Florida's Melissa Miller (37.9 raw average), Georgia's Corinne Wright (37.25) and Terri Eckert (36.85), also from Georgia.

Coming Soon: 'Greatest Show On Earth'

Here's Who Should Be At Rupp In March

- REGION 1: **Paducah Tilghman** won the regional title last year and they'll do so again this year. Who'll be able to stop their dynamite senior backcourt duo of **5-9 Donald Tivis** and **6-2 Bobby Gross** (who has signed with Arkansas State)?
- REGION 2: **Hopkinsville** has been to the Sweet 16 the past two seasons, winning it all in 1985, and has four college prospects in seniors: **6-2 LaMonte Ware**, **6-2 Jeff Quarles**, **6-3 Michael**



Rick Bolus  
Cats' Pause Columnist

- Peachers and **6-3 Chris Crutchfield**.
- REGION 3: **Owensboro** has practically no opposition to put the clamps on its three seniors: **6-3 David Hogg**, **6-0 Maurice White** and **6-0 Scott Johnson**.
- REGION 4: **Barren County** has senior leadership in **6-0 Jeff Shirley** and **6-0 Brad Johnson**, which means a lot come tournament time.
- REGION 5: **Washington County** was at Rupp in 1985 and look for them to return once again since the Commanders of **coach Whitey Simpson** have one of the state's premier seniors in **6-4 Kevin Ellery**.
- REGION 6: **Pleasure Ridge Park** has won the LIT the past two years and look for the Panthers of **coach Dale Mabrey** to repeat as regional champs once again. PRP's jumping jack senior, **6-3 Desmond Porter**, will see to that.
- REGION 7: **Ballard** has the talent in **6-4 sophomore Allan Houston** and **6-6 senior Leonard Taylor**, and coaching in **Scotty Davenport**, to beat back challengers Jeffersontown and Seneca.
- REGION 8: **Oldham County** has won the region three times during the past 12 years and this year should make the its fourth trip to Rupp Arena. The Colonels of **coach Bob Hoggard** have a solid senior in **6-4 David Hicks** and an up and coming junior in **6-9 John Hartlage**.
- REGION 9: **Newport Central Catholic** is the guttiest team that I have observed this year thanks to the play of a pair of seniors—**6-1 Terry Sandfoss** and **Gary Gabbard**.
- REGION 10: **Mason County** has the inside punch in **6-7 senior forward Deron Feldhaus** (who's bound for Kentucky), and the backcourt play in 5-9 mini-mite **Jerry Butler**, that will be hard for teams to contend with
- REGION 11: **Henry Clay** has the inside and outside game to not only win the region but take all of the marbles as well. The reasons can be found in a trio of seniors: **6-2 Sean Sutton** (Kentucky

- signed), **6-4 Jerry Tevis** and **6-2 Jeff Walker**.
- REGION 12: **Monticello** has two of the premier seniors in the state in **6-5 Gary Campbell**, who provides the inside game, and **5-9 Shane Blevins**, who provides the outside game. Together, they will be hard for foes to stop.
- REGION 13: **Clay County** has always dominated this region and they'll do so once again thanks to the coaching of **Bobby Keith** and the radar shooting accuracy of **6-0 junior Richie Farmer**, one of the state's premier underclassmen.
- REGION 14: **Hazard** got into the semifinals of the state tournament last year and returned most of its starters, including **6-0 senior Terry North** and **6-0 senior Willie Combs**. Together, they form one of the Bluegrass state's top backcourts and should repel Wolfe County, their main competition.
- REGION 15: **Paintsville** has made the journey to Rupp Arena the past two years and this season the Tigers hope it concludes with a ride to the championship circle. After all, they have their entire



Who'll Succeed Pulaski Co.?

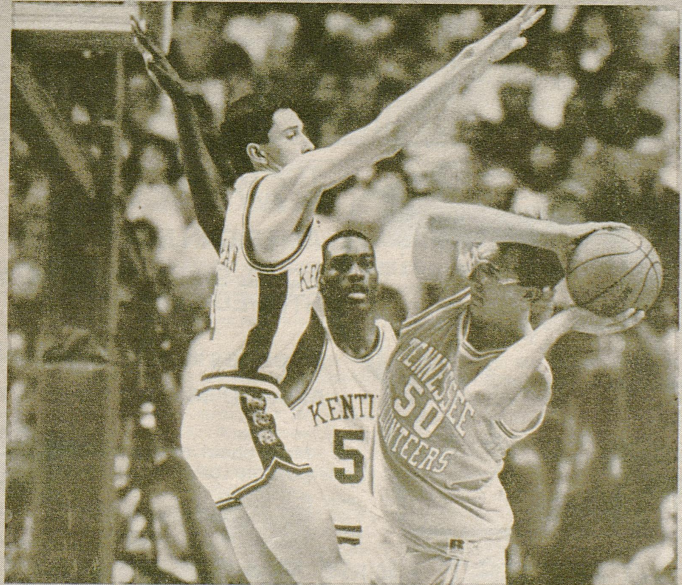
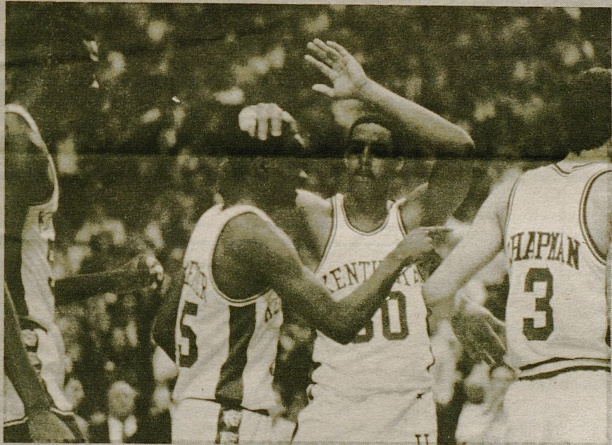
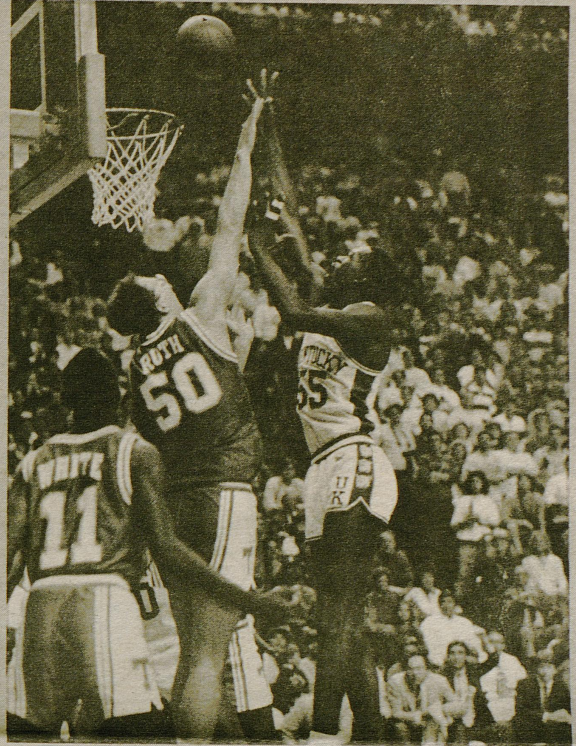
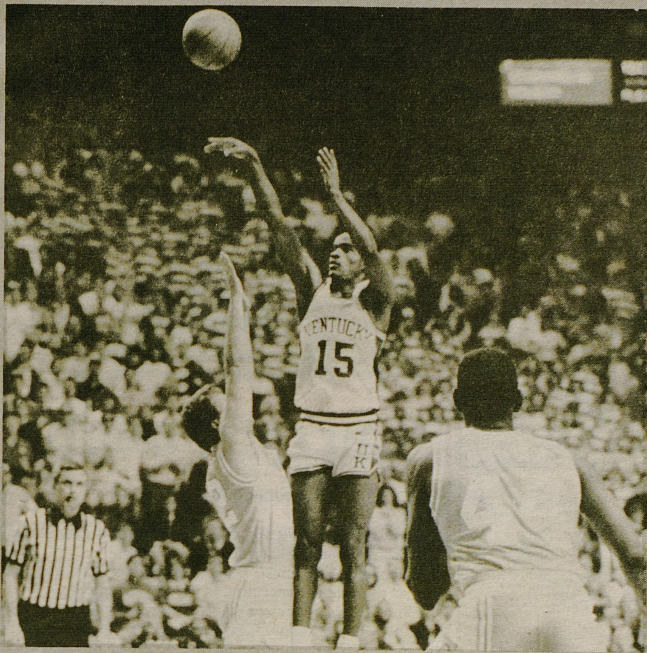
starting lineup back from a year ago that includes seniors **6-7 John Pelphey**, **6-3 Joey Couch**, **6-1 Mike Minix**, and junior **6-1 Keith Adkins**. **Coach Bill Mike Runyon's** team has all the necessary ingredients to win it all this time around.

- REGION 16: **Boyd County** has the senior leadership in **6-4 Brace Stai** and **6-0 Ernest Rakes**, along with the coaching of **Roger Zornes**, to beat back Russell, Ashland Blazer and East Carter, all whose teams' best players are just juniors.

RICK BOLUS' SWEET 16 PREDICTIONS

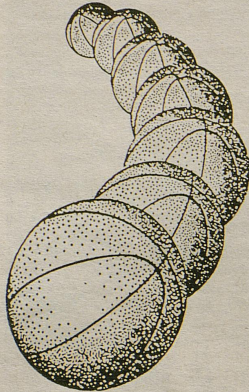
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## Oscar Combs

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Logan was quoted as saying, "The University of Kentucky has been recruiting me since my 10th grade year. I never really got a feel for the school because of my dislike of the (UK) basketball team." He also said he became interested in Louisville at the last minute, and said that Schnellenberger told him that if **John Y. Brown Jr.** became governor, the Cards would have a new stadium in one year. The entire article is reprinted in this week's issue of *TCP*, courtesy of the Louisville newspaper. . . . Two members of Kentucky's basketball staff were in Memphis, Tenn., last week watching the fabulous **Elliott Perry** of Memphis perform his magic. Perry is a 6-0 point guard and is ranked as the No. 5 unsigned prepster in the country by **Bob Gibbons** of *All-Star Sports*. Kentucky is still recruiting 6-4 guard **Jerome Harmon**, so you can see that the 'Cats are still in the recruiting market. Harmon is said to be still considering schools such as Purdue, DePaul, Louisville and Kentucky; while Perry's following includes the likes of North Carolina, Memphis State, Tennessee and Southern Cal. Overall, Harmon is ranked No. 15 and Perry No. 16 in the country among prep seniors.

## Nick Nicholas

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During the initial day of the signing period, however, it became apparent that the Wildcats would ink only Logan.

Even though Kentucky lost out on three of the state's 'Big Four,' according to head coach Jerry Claiborne UK did get commitments from 15 of the 18 in-state players the 'Cats were after. And overall, as of last Thursday Kentucky had 23 signees.

Referring to the in-state crop Claiborne said, "We were trying to recruit 18 in-state players and we got 15 of them. We think they are going to be 15 good players. Maybe some of them will mature faster than others. We think some of them have a chance to help us now and some of them might help us in the future. But we're definitely glad to get all 15 of them."

Obviously, the UK staff along with Wildcat fans were upset when Ellis, Jacobs and Thomas officially committed to out-of-state institutions. But it's happened before, not only in Kentucky but everywhere else, too.

All three players could play for any of the so-called big-time programs. Traditional powers like Ohio State, UCLA, Alabama, Notre Dame, LSU, Michigan, Tennessee and Penn State invaded the Bluegrass to hopefully load up on some prep prospects.

Three got away. Ellis is headed to Ohio State, Jacobs to South Bend to play for Lou Holtz' Fighting Irish and Thomas is Indiana-bound.

Even though Indiana appeared in a minor bowl last season, I can't understand Thomas' decision to go to IU. Some attribute his out-of-state departure to UK putting too much pressure on him to attend school in Lexington. But concerning Ellis and Jacobs' decisions, I think I know why.

Hey, when Ohio State or Notre Dame comes knocking at the door it's only natural to be impressed. When you're talking about the nation's top 10 gridiron programs Ohio State and Notre Dame have to be mentioned. These two programs—the Buckeyes and Irish—are rich in tradition and each lured a prospect that UK wanted.

To its credit Kentucky was in the running for their services until the bitter end. In the end, however, Ohio State and Notre Dame's strong traditions prevailed. And tradition is a big, big drawing card.

Just take Kentucky basketball. For instance, in the last five years UK hoop recruiters have landed some of Georgia's top prospects. Do the names Kenny Walker, Cedric Jenkins, Derrick Miller and Eric Manuel mean anything? I'm sure Georgia coach Hugh Durham was and still is upset that he wasn't able to persuade these guys to remain within the Georgia borders.

Unlike the University of Kentucky, UGA is known for its prominent gridiron status.

Let's not pretend, when the big boys come knockin' it's hard for a 17- or 18-year-old to pass up an opportunity to play football for Notre Dame or Ohio State.

When it concerns recruiting the nation's finest prepsters, Kentucky football always will be fighting an uphill battle, because UK lacks football tradition. On the other hand, Kentucky did land 15 in-state players. And although the Wildcats didn't have a great recruiting campaign, it appears to have had a good one.

"We've got some good prospects coming in," Claiborne noted. "It will be in the years to come to decide if they're going to be better than any other (recruiting) class. I don't want to say one class is better than another, but we think we got some football players that can play and win in the Southeastern Conference."



## Larry Vaught

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and we went to him. We emphasized that a great deal of Frank and he understood that."

Sharpless spent more time with Jacobs than any other player he has ever recruited in his 10-year career.

"You always second guess yourself when you are trying to recruit a great athlete," said Sharpless. "If you lose, you think about what you might have done better just like when a third down and one play fails. If you are successful, you note what you did but the next time you go recruiting it is really a whole new game."

Kentucky still felt it signed all of the state's top players except Jacobs and wide receiver Eddie Thomas of Ft. Knox. Just how good the group is, though, can't be measured now.

"From all indications this is the best crop of in-state players since we have been at Kentucky," said Sharpless. "Really, though, you measure the success of this group three or four years from now based on what contributions they make after they get to college. But we think this is a fine group."

## Stan Torgerson

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is when I get letters from restaurant owners the week after a game saying "Coach, we enjoyed your team. They acted very nicely and we'd like to have you back whenever you're here." That's the educational part of what I do. When they go into a restaurant they're representing themselves, they're representing their family, they're representing their school, and it's the same when they go off to college.

*Question: Can high school football and then college football turn a bad kid into a good one?*

Barnes: I don't know if it can actually do that, but I think it can keep him from turning the wrong direction.



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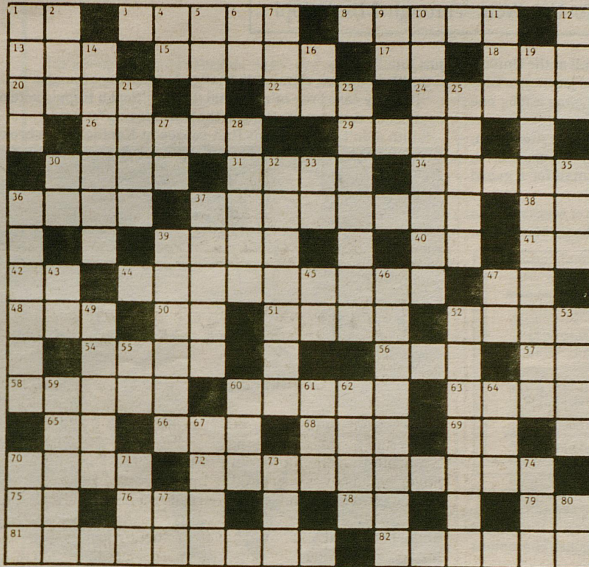
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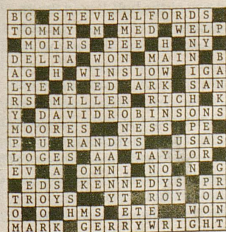
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## Alabama Fan Gives Sutton A Lucky Buckeye; UK Coach Says From Top To Bottom, SEC Is Better Than Big Ten

By Mike Estep

After Kentucky notched two wins in the SEC to put itself back into contention for a first-division finish in the league, and in line for an NCAA bid, UK coach Eddie Sutton had these tidbits to offer up on the eve of the UK-Tennessee game Feb. 11 in Rupp Arena:



**Whatta week!** "Let me begin by saying it was a great week for the Wildcats," Sutton said to tipoff his weekly press conference in Wildcat Lodge. "We defeated two of the top thirty teams in the country—Alabama's in the Top Ten as far as I'm concerned, even though they did drop after we beat them. And Auburn certainly proved their worth last evening by defeating Florida, and that helped our cause."

Just a couple of weeks ago, Sutton all but gave up on his team having any chance to win the SEC regular-season race. But the two big wins the 'Cats pulled off last week, coupled with Auburn's victory over Florida, had Sutton singing a different tune.

"I was happy that (Auburn) won the ballgame, because it did help our cause, from

together a sustained effort for a full 40 minutes.

Sutton said he and Kentucky radio broadcaster Cawood Ledford put their heads together over the weekend, and came up with some strategy that might help Auburn in the future:

"I thought it was a great comment the other day when Rob (Bromley), Cawood and I did our TV show Sunday morning and Cawood said what Sonny ought to do is spot everybody 10 points and just play the second half. Had he done that against Alabama, against LSU, ourselves and Florida, then he'd be in pretty good shape."

**Big Ten? Think again:** While most of the so-called hoop experts from around the country have already given the Big Ten the nod as being college basketball strongest conference this season, Sutton says he disagrees, and he said coach Gene Keady, who just happens to coach the Purdue Boilermakers of the Big Ten, backs him up.

"I talked to Gene Keady at Purdue, and everybody thinks from top to bottom the Big Ten is the toughest—well, I don't believe that, and he doesn't either.

"I think from top to bottom, if you eliminate Mississippi State—because they're



Sutton Says UK's Unselfishness Makes It 'Kinda Special'

the standpoint that our players still believe we're in the race. Until we're mathematically eliminated, we're gonna fight to try to win the regular-season championship."

And although Kentucky is playing what could be its best basketball of the season, Sutton said his team will have to continue to improve, because there are no creampuffs on the schedule for the rest of the year.

"We have seven games remaining, and as I told the squad yesterday, we can win all seven, or we could lose all seven, it's that close.

"So we're out to play 'em one at a time. I do believe we gained a lot of confidence by coming from behind and beating a very fine Alabama ballclub, never losing our poise and always believing that we could win last Saturday in Tuscaloosa.

"We have fought our way back from what coulda been not a very good season, and still may not be, I don't know, but we believe we can win every game that's left on the schedule. But it will depend on how well we execute, how well we shoot. But our players certainly now believe a lot more than they maybe they did three weeks ago."

**See you after halftime show:** Speaking of Auburn, coach Sonny Smith's club has had trouble putting together a complete ballgame this season. It seems the Tigers play well for one half, but can't seem to put

playing with a short stick, they don't have the same talent level that everybody else does—those other nine (SEC teams) are pretty close.

"Now you go to the Big Ten, and maybe their top four are better than our top four, but their bottom four don't even compare to our bottom four.

"I think you see the same thing maybe in the Big East. Maybe the two conferences that are the most balanced from top to bottom are the SEC and the Big East."

**Inside Improvement:** Sutton said that it's no coincidence that the Kentucky's improvement has gone hand-in-hand with the recent emergence of the Wildcats inside attack. And Sutton said that Richard Madison, who is leading UK in rebounding for the season, is finally starting to adapt to his new role as a bruiser.

"I do believe that Richard Madison has been a key for the Wildcats all season long," Sutton said. "We've done a lot of individual counseling, and when I say we, I'm talking about my entire coaching staff because I've got the best in the country. And we've had him in our office, and we've talked to him on the floor every day, and we've tried to program him in a very positive manner.

"He has a wonderful body to be able to rebound in a crowd, which he's done here in



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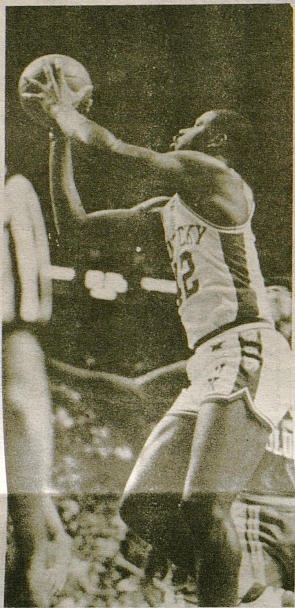
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the two recent ballgames. He's gained confidence in his scoring ability. We've worked at trying to get him open in the paint area where he can shoot those turnaround jumpshots.

"So, there's no doubt our inside game has allowed us to become a better basketball team offensively. It's taken a lot of heat off of the perimeter players. It's hard to win basketball games if you're dependent on a perimeter attack, if you have no inside game.

"So, as our inside game improves, I believe our basketball team will improve."

Sutton said that because the big men are



Richard Madison

getting better, that allows Kentucky's guards to feel more confident about getting them the ball.

"I think in the beginning, some of our outside players were a little leery that some of the inside players, if they through it in there, might fumble the ball, have stone fingers or turn around and miss an easy shot. But there's no doubt that when you talk about the guys that are playing out on the floor at the present time, they all feel much more confident (about) throwing the ball inside."

**Fan mail?:** Before the Kentucky's recent turnaround, a lot of the good folks around the commonwealth didn't give the 'Cats a very good prognosis for the rest of the season. Sutton said he received a lot of mail to that effect.

"I've been disappointed with some of our fans, some of the mail I get," Sutton said. "There for a while it was like, 'Well, boy, we know you got a lot of sound troops coming next year. We're gonna have a great season.'"

"Well, we never gave up, and we still haven't given up. If we can continue to improve day-by-day, that's all you have to do to take it one day at a time and try to get better. And when we get to Atlanta, who's to say we can't win the SEC championship and be the team that represents the SEC? But if not, if we can win enough games we can be in the NCAA tournament, and I believe a month ago, a high percentage of our fans, and some of our great media folks, didn't think that was possible."

**Who knows?:** How many wins will it take for Kentucky to receive an at-large bid

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## Smith Took Long Way To Kentucky

Road To UK Went Through Mississippi

For Adrian Smith, playing collegiate basketball at the University of Kentucky was a dream come true. But his journey to Lexington from his hometown of Farmington, Ky., was a long one indeed.

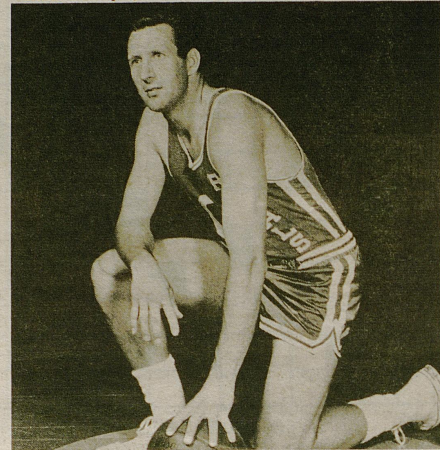
Smith, honorable mention All-State at Farmington High, found very little interest from Kentucky when he graduated, basically because, Smith says, he was pretty small for a guard at 5-10 and 135 pounds.

So Smith had to venture to the magnolia state of Mississippi to find a school interested in his services. At Northeast Mississippi

just fine."

Smith said those comments changed his career around. "It really eased my mind," said Smith. "Coach Rupp's vote of confidence meant everything in the world to me."

Smith didn't play a lot his first season at Kentucky. He broke



Adrian 'Odie' Smith

into the lineup when another starter became ill and played in the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans and against the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

"Tennessee had a good guard that I went up against," said Smith. "I did a pretty good job on him defensively, and Rupp let me play a lot after that."

That summer was the busiest of Smith's life.

"I worked real hard on my game," he said. "I wasn't used to that type of coaching. I also worked on my conditioning. It paid off for me."

### Summer Work Turned Smith Into A Starter

It sure did. Smith was a starter on the 1957-58 national champions, nicknamed the 'Fiddlin' Five' by Rupp after a narrow Southeastern Conference victory.

"Coach Rupp was quoted as saying that we just fiddled around and fiddled around the whole game before deciding that we wanted to win it," said Smith. "We weren't even ranked in the top 20 in the nation before the season. We went 23-6 that season, losing to some teams we shouldn't have. Some people said that was the best coaching job Rupp ever did."

Smith said the 'Fiddlin' Five' was a group of players that played well together.

"It was Vernon Hatton and me at the guards, Johnny Cox and John Crigler at the forwards and Ed Beck at center," said Smith. "Everybody knew what their job was. I handled the ball a lot and averaged 12 points per game. We kept getting better and better as the season went along. Coaches Rupp and (Harry) Lancaster did an excellent job of preparing us."

Kentucky won the SEC that season with a 12-2 record, and entered the 16-team NCAA Tournament field in Lexington off a 77-66 victory over arch-rival Tennessee. UK swept through the Mideast Regional with convincing wins over Miami of Ohio and Notre Dame. Conveniently, the NCAA Finals were held that year in Louisville. And UK didn't waste its homecourt, home state advantage, defeating Temple, 61-60, in the semifinals and Seattle, 84-72, and the great Elgin Baylor, in the championship game.

"Against Seattle, we were down at the half," said Smith. "But Coach Rupp was calm, the calmest I'd ever seen him. He said, 'Boys, we're going to come back and win this game. And we did.'"

Nowadays, Smith gets to as many UK games as he can. But his schedule is clogged because he's an assistant coach with the Cincinnati Slammers of the Continental Basketball Association.

"I'd really missed basketball," said Smith, who still plays five to six days and jogs about about 25-30 miles each week. "Three years ago, the Slammers were brought to Cincinnati and they asked me to help coach. I'd always wanted to do that."

Smith says he is still a little kid at heart, and really relishes his memories of the good ole' days in Lexington.

"That was a magical time for all of us," he said.



Mel Holbrook

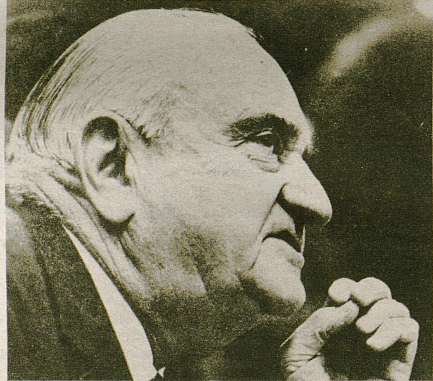
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Junior College, he earned All-American honors his second season, averaging 30 points per game. That earned him an appointment with the venerable Adolph, der Baron, Rupp, and eventually a scholarship with the eventual national champions of 1957-58.

### Smith Had Wanted To Attend Kentucky

"Oh, lord, I had wanted to go to Kentucky when I graduated from high school," said Smith, now a vice-president at Central Trust Bank in Cincinnati. "All my life, that's what I'd wanted. That was the only place to go for basketball."

Smith had accumulated a similar pace in the preps as he did the JUCO circuit, about 30 ppg. But few colleges took notice. Farmington is a little town in between Mayfield and Murray,



### Rupp Gave Smith Vote Of Confidence

and not many newspapers or television stations existed in that area at the time.

The prep institutions of that area have been recently consolidated into Graves County High School, where the Wildcats played an exhibition recently. Coach Eddie Sutton called the Graves County gym outstanding, according to Smith.

"I guess I was kind of overlooked, except by a few small colleges," said Smith. "And I wanted to attend UK. So I thought my chances would be better after two years at a junior college."

After meeting with Rupp, Smith was invited to join the team. By then, Smith, a late bloomer, had grown to six feet and 178 pounds. But Kentucky had seven guards on its roster at the time, and Smith's chances of making the starting five didn't seem too good.

"It was very hard at first," Smith explained. "It was a big program. Everybody wanted to play there. I went through a difficult process with the pre-season drills. I would get disgusted with myself because I didn't measure up to Rupp's standards."

### Meeting With Rupp Changed Smith's Fortunes

"Coach Rupp noticed I was having it rough," said Smith. "He said, 'Smitty, how are you doing?' I said I wasn't doing too well. He said, 'Well, now, Smitty, a lot of those guys don't offer much advice, do they?' I said, no. 'Well,' he answered. 'You're doing



## Moga Looking To Prove Himself

Tucson Product Making Adjustment To WR

It's a long haul from Tucson, Ariz., to Lexington, Ky., but UK wide receiver Chris Moga made the trip last year so that he could begin his collegiate football career at the University of Kentucky.

"I took about three days to get to Kentucky," said Moga, now a redshirt freshman who picked UK ahead of Arizona, LSU and Oklahoma. "It was close to a 2,000-mile drive. We left on a Wednesday and arrived on Saturday morning."

Not only did Moga decide to make the cross country trek from cactus land to Kentucky, he had to adjust to a brand new climate. As he can already attest, it takes time to get accustomed to endur-



Todd Hallum

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ing the cold winter months in the commonwealth.

"I'm not real used to the cold weather," Moga said. "The climate is outrageous compared to what it's like in Arizona. It's been quite a change so far."

But Moga wanted the change of scenery because he believes he can become a valuable asset to the UK offense. But, because he was a running back/defensive back at Sabino High School in Tucson, Moga hasn't had much experience at his wide receiver position.

"I really don't know what my abilities are as a wide receiver," Moga said. "Really, the only time I caught the football was coming out of the backfield for screens and little outs in high school. So, I'm still learning, and I don't know what my abilities are. Hopefully, they are unlimited."

### Speed Makes Moga A Deep Threat

Listed at 5-foot-9 (although he insists he's 5-10) and 175 pounds, Moga will not be the biggest receiver to ever wear a Wildcat uniform. But because of his speed—he's been timed at 10.8 seconds



### Can Moga Follow Path Of Jones, O'Neal?

in the 100 meters, and 21.7 in the 200 meters—Moga envisions himself becoming a deep threat on long pass plays.

"With my size I'm not the biggest player in the world," he said, "so my speed does come in handy, especially when I'm at wide receiver. I think I can run with most receivers around."

"If we want to throw deep, I'm definitely ready for it. That's what I look forward to doing, making the big plays. I think I can run under any long pass."

One major adjustment Moga will have to make is getting used to blocking defensive players who are much bigger than he is, and catching the ball in a crowd across the middle. Nevertheless, Moga expects those duties will be no problem.

"I'm told you're going to get hit anyway," said the Arizona native who ran track in high school to improve his speed and conditioning. "So, you might as well catch the ball. As long as I can get

up after each play, I'll be fine."

As an all-state prepster in Arizona, Moga gave consideration to



Redshirt Freshman WR Chris Moga

staying home and playing for a homestate university. But Kentucky darted into the picture after his high school coach sent UK a film of Moga in action.

"After seeing me after my junior year, UK kept in contact (with me) all during my senior season," Moga said. "Coach (Farrell) Sheridan, along with my parents and everybody else, convinced me that Kentucky was the place for me."

### Picked Kentucky Over LSU

But the two-year interest shown by Kentucky isn't the only reason Moga decided on the Wildcats. He was afraid he wouldn't get enough playing time at LSU, his first choice.

"I wanted to go to LSU, but they were recruiting some heavier running backs," said Moga, who recalls being in awe of Tiger Stadium on the LSU campus. "The position I would be playing here, and the opportunity to play were the other reasons I chose UK. Plus playing in the SEC was very appealing."

With the graduation of starting split end Eric Pitts, Moga forsook the opportunity to get in a lot of playing time in 1987. But he realizes backups Tim Jones and Jimmy O'Neal have an advantage because of previous game experience. But both also made position changes after coming to UK—Jones was a quarterback and O'Neal was a defensive back—and that gives Moga confidence that he can make the switch as well.

"The other receivers all have experience," Moga said. "But most of them had to get adjusted to playing different positions coming out of high school. They have adjusted pretty well. I just need time to make adjustments and then I can compete with anybody."

Moga admits he needs still needs to work on catching the football in practice.

"I wasn't used to catching the ball and running different patterns all the time," he said. "Coach (Doug) Martin has confidence in me and keeps reminding me to look the ball into my hands. But I think everything will fit in the groove for me."

And who will be throwing the ball to Moga? Although Kevin Dooley is the leading candidate going into spring drills, Moga is confident whoever gets the starting nod will get the job done.

"It will depend on who turns out the best in spring practice," he said. "It's just who will be able to lead the team and throw the ball well. Right now, I can't tell who it will be, but we have some quarterbacks with some good arms."

### Says He Can't Wait To Start Spring Practice

Currently, after going through what he terms a "frustrating red-shirt season," Moga is anxiously awaiting the start of spring practice, which is just a few weeks away.

"I wish it was tomorrow, I'm anxious to put the pads on and play in front of the fans for the spring football game," Moga said. "I want the chance to prove myself."

But his most cherished dream is to display his speed and talent in front of the Commonwealth Stadium crowd when it really counts—when football season arrives next fall.

"I plan on getting playing time," Moga said confidently. "Hopefully, I will get the experience of getting something done on the football field and helping the team out. I believe I can make a contribution."

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to the NCAA, should they fail to win the SEC tourney? Sutton says he doesn't know, because that is dependent upon what happens in other leagues around the nation.

"I can't answer that, and I don't believe anyone can," Sutton said, "the reason being, what happens in the Big 8? What happens in the WAC? What happens in the Pac 10? What happens in the Missouri Valley or the Metro or the Big East or the Big Ten or the ACC?"

"The first 58 teams that get into the NCAA are pretty easy (for the selection committee to agree on), the last six are tougher."

"Kentucky, what was it, three years ago, they go 16-12, but they played an extremely difficult schedule. And maybe Florida had beat them twice, two out of three times, but maybe Florida had played some puffedakes along the way. I don't know, I don't even know what their schedule was. But I do know that those people are honest, and they're gonna try to get the top 64 ballclubs."

And Sutton said he believes that the Wildcats have come up with enough big wins this season to merit strong consideration.

"We've had some impressive wins," he said. "The win at Alabama was a good win for us, winning at Auburn was a good win and sweeping that series, beating Navy because Navy's gonna be in the NCAA tournament and if we can beat Oklahoma in the last game..."

**Superstitious, who me?:** But all this talk of at-large bids is premature, Sutton says. He still thinks it's possible for Kentucky to win the SEC tourney, and the regular-season title for that matter.

"We're still playing for the SEC," the coach said. "Like I said, we were happy that Auburn won over Florida, because now



Still Confident

they've got three losses. And they gotta go to Alabama. And we've got a chance down there Saturday to beat 'em. And who's to say we can't win out. If we get hot, I've seen this happen before."

"So we still haven't given up on the regular season. Now we're still gonna have to have some help along the way. That's why I'm gonna be cheering hard for C.M. (Newton of Vandy) to beat the Tide this week, and also

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for my good friend Dale (Brown of LSU) down in Baton Rouge to beat the Tide, and get some more L's on those folks."

But Sutton's not gonna stop there. He's not gonna let his team's fate rest solely in the hands of C.M. Newton, Dale Brown or any other SEC coach. Sutton says he's got an ace-in-the-hole. A sure-fire way to conjure up some wins.

"I'll tell you one thing," Sutton said as he produced a small object from his pocket and grinned from ear to ear. "Here's my buckeye. A guy gave me that buckeye down there the other day, and he says, 'You rub it three times, and put in your pocket just before the game, and you're gonna beat the Tide.' So I did that.

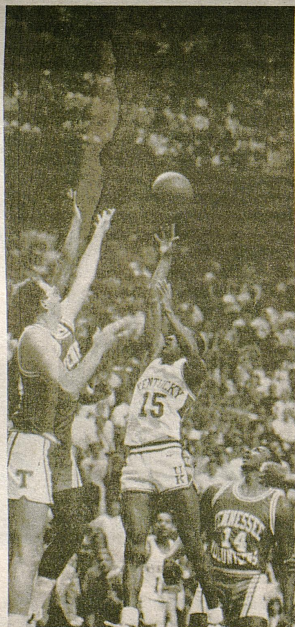
"Cawood told me something Sunday morning. He said 'Mr. Rupp was never without his buckeye.' And he won a lot of ballgames, so believe me, I'm gonna be with that buckeye the rest of my life.

"I'm normally not superstitious," Sutton continued, "(but) now I wore this suit to the LSU game here—I'll never wear it in a basketball game again."

**Something special:** Sutton said the unselfishness of the '87 club and its great attitude makes this Wildcat edition something special to him.

"Well, we beat Auburn and Ed Davender was three out of six (from the field), but I believe he had eight assists and ran the ballclub. And if you were to have Ed Davender seated here next to me, he wouldn't care how many points he scored. All he would care about is, 'Did the Wildcats win?'"

"And I think that's what makes this ballclub kinda special as far as I'm concerned. There's not any of 'em that are selfish. It's like Blackmon gets 27 in the game against



Ed Davender

Auburn, and what'd he get the other day, eight? Eight or nine, something like that, he didn't hit double figures. But he was happy. We won the basketball game. The bottom line is gosh, we won the ballgame. Let's all be excited."

## Kentucky's Comeback — Hard To Believe

'Cats Starting To Develop Team Chemistry

Not long ago, when I was taking inventory of my videocassette collection, I ran across an unmarked tape, on the shelf between a few old Beverly Hillbillies reruns and *Rambo: First Blood Part II*. It turned out to be a year-old episode of *Late Night With David Letterman*. That night Dave happened to be leading a tour through the Museum Of The Hard To Believe.

He picked up a dingy old toilet seat he claimed had been found on a New York City subway. "Hard to believe," he said.

Then he produced some film footage of a squirrel on water skis. "How 'bout that one, Paul?" he snickered, addressing his band



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leader Paul Shaffer. "Hard to believe."

I put the tape back on the shelf and didn't think too much more about it... until last Wednesday night. After I came back from the Kentucky-Tennessee game I went over and picked up the phone.

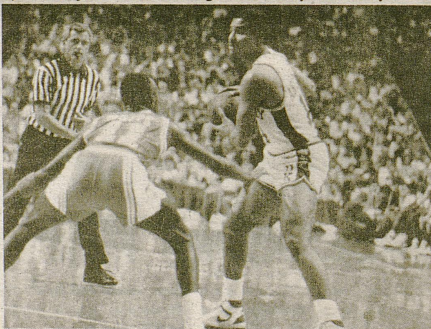
"Operator, give me David Letterman in New York, please," I said. "I've got something he just won't believe."

To tell you the truth, I didn't believe it myself.

Wednesday morning, if you'd have told me the Wildcats would defeat Tennessee 91-84 in overtime, I would have figured that was reasonable enough. Kentucky has had a couple of emotional games lately, I would have thought, and maybe they're due for a letdown. And then I would have remembered that Tennessee has been much better than its 10-11 record, and the Vols have lost a ton of last-second heartbreakers. So I wouldn't have been too shocked that the game went into overtime.

### It's Not That They Did It, But How They Did It

But if you'd have told me *how* Kentucky pulled it off—that it had blown an eight-point halftime lead, that the 'Cats had been behind by 10 with just 1:12 left in the game, that they'd trailed by a score



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of 77-72 with only :35 remaining, and still won—then that's a different story. I wouldn't have believed it.

For that matter, I sat on press row and saw it with my own eyes, and I still don't believe it. I went home and watched the replay, even taped it and watched it again, and I still don't believe it.

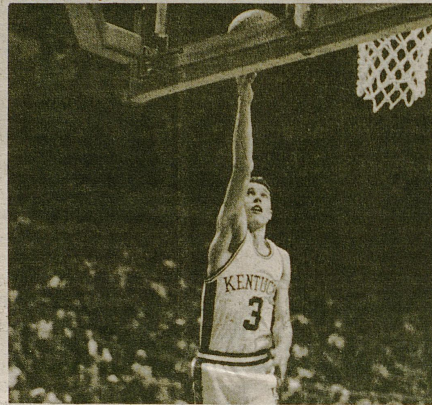
Who would think it? What person in his right mind would have imagined that Kentucky would face such a large deficit so late in the game, and somehow, rally to tie the game and win it in overtime?

Radio play-by-play announcer Cawood Ledford, the man who's been behind the mike as the "voice of the Wildcats" since the 1950s, the man who's seen thousands of Kentucky basketball games, didn't think so. He thought the game was over. That's what he told the legion of UK fans who were huddled around their radios all across the nation.

Milo Hamilton and Rob Bromley, WKYT-TV's broadcasting team who were handling the color and play-by-play for the taped delay, thought the game was over. And that's what they told all the insomniacs who stayed up 'til the wee hours of the morning to follow their Wildcats.

A great number of the 23,002 fans in Rupp Arena, many of them

who probably witnessed the last Great Kentucky Comeback—the Kansas game in 1978-79—didn't think the 'Cats had a prayer either. They thought it was over, too. When Tennessee's reserve guard Ron Hausley drove the lane and hit a layup and a foul shot with 1:12 remaining to put the Vols in front by 10 at 75-65, the first wave of fans started to make their way to the Rupp exits. When Tony White converted a pair of free throws at the :44 mark to make it 77-70, another herd of fans headed for the parking lot. And finally, when Rex Chapman missed a three-pointer and Doug Roth was foul-



Chapman Capped Off Last-Minute Rally

ed on the rebound, sending the 6-11 center to the line for a one-and-one with :32 left and a chance to pad Tennessee's 77-72 advantage, it was dangerous to be standing in the aisles... even the truest, bluest fans hit the road.

Stampede. Mass exodus.

Even Chapman, who would eventually take the outlet pass from Richard Madison in the backcourt with :11 seconds left on the clock, and then sidestep four Vol defenders on his way to the off-balance, one-handed four-foot jumpshot that tied the game with two seconds remaining to force the extra period, thought it was over.

"I think Ed and I might've given up a little bit, but Irv (Thomas) came in and he really kept us pumped up," Chapman said. "Irv can really get motivated. He came in, gave us a big lift and got us all together."

### Balance, Chemistry Make This Team Go

That's what has impressed me about this Kentucky team of late—it has been playing together. Sure it's got its stars—Chapman, the squad's leading scorer for the year who led the charge down the stretch against Tennessee; Ed Davender, Kentucky's newest member of the 1,000-point club who plays defense and can lead a comeback charge of his own on occasion (i.e. last week's Alabama game); James Blackmon, the versatile guard who can shoot from three-point range or mix it up with the big boys under the basket and Madison, who has been quietly coming into his own of late, both on the boards and in the scorebook—but this team plays together.

For instance, Thomas comes off the bench in the second half against Tennessee and promptly grabs the rebound of an errant three-pointer by Chapman and converts it into one of the biggest buckets (and his only bucket) of the game.

Paul Andrews, once thought of as a defensive player only, plays 12 minutes against UT and goes two-for-two from the field and plays a flawless floor game. And although in a losing cause against Florida, Andrews played 19 minutes, made three of his five shots and was Kentucky's co-leader in rebounds from his guard spot with six boards.

And Cedric Jenkins, who was sidelined for much of the season after suffering a stress fracture in his foot, seems to be putting things together. Against the Vols, Jenkins played 29 minutes, scored 11 points and hauled in seven rebounds, all season-highs for the 6-9 junior.

Eddie Sutton's club might not have the firepower to go toe-to-toe with the Alabamas, the UNLVs, the North Carolinas, the Indians or the Iowas of college basketball on a nightly basis this year, but this team is starting to develop that chemistry we all saw last season.

So don't be too surprised if Kentucky makes a good showing in the SEC tournament and then gives a couple of teams all they want in the NCAAs. After all, following last Wednesday night's performance, nothing this team does from here on out can be considered hard to believe.



# Back Thru The Wildcat Years

## Four Years Ago

The Kentucky zone defense, plus the hot hands of Jim Master and Kenny Walker, led the 'Cats to a 73-61 victory over the Florida Gators in the O'Connell Center on the Florida campus. UK's aggressive zone forced the Gators to shoot 20-foot jumpers and did not allow them the inside game which they are strong at. Kentucky held a 33-28 halftime lead and slowly built on it the rest of the game. Four UK players were in double figures, led by Walker and Master with 18 points each. Walker also grabbed eight rebounds to lead UK in that category.

\*Kentucky won its fifth game in a row, handing Vanderbilt an 82-63 white-washing in Rupp Arena before 23,782 fans. Again it was Jim Master and Kenny Walker leading the way as Master hit eight of 10 shots for 22 points and Walker scored 16 points and grabbed a career-high 18 rebounds. Walker

became the first Wildcat to haul in more than 13 rebounds in a game this season. UK started fast and with the score at 15-8 in the 'Cats favor, Kentucky outscored the Commodores 25-7 and took a 44-21 halftime lead. Vandy shot only 19.4 percent in the first half. Vandy got as close as 53-39, but then Master hit from the top of the key and Walker had a stuff and sank two free throws. The win made the Wildcats 10-4 in conference play and 18-5 overall.

\*The Lady Kats bid farewell to seniors Valerie Still, Lea Wise, Patty Jo Hedges and Terri Naiser with a 77-55 blowout of Auburn in front of 8,223 fans at Memorial Coliseum. Still led all scorers with 21 points and had 10 rebounds. Wise had 10 points and nine assists while Hedges added 12 points and dished out seven assists.

## Five Years Ago

\*Kentucky rallied back from a 10-point

deficit to defeat the Vanderbilt Commodores 73-69 in Nashville. From the early moments of the second half, Vanderbilt's lead over Kentucky swayed from between three and seven points. Kentucky needed a basket almost every time downcourt, and mostly because of Derrick Hord, they usually got one. The 'Cats fell behind 40-30 at halftime and things looked dim for the visitors. They kept fighting back but it seemed Vandy scored every time down the floor. Finally UK pulled within four points but the Commodores countered with a stall offense. From there it was Dirk Minniefield to the rescue as he made steals on the next two possessions and became the hero of the Kentucky victory. Hord led Kentucky in scoring with 26 points. Phil Cox, the former Kentucky Mr. Basketball from Dayhoyt, Ky., led Vandy with 18 points.

\*Kentucky jumped out in front by 22 points only 18 minutes into the game and that was just too much for the visiting Florida Gators to overcome as UK coasted to an easy 84-68 win. The 'Cats were never really in serious trouble, but a sloppy second half did take some of the polish off the win. Four Kentucky starters scored in double digits with Derrick Hord once again pacing the UK attack.

## Seven Years Ago

\*The Kentucky Wildcats traveled to Las Vegas, Nev., and turned the tables on the Running Rebels of UNLV with a 74-69 win, UK's seventh in a row and the 24th of the year. Sam Bowie, recruited heavily by Vegas, hit on a variety of dunks and outside shots to lead the 'Cats with 23 points. Kyle Macy added 14 points and Fred Cowan pitched in with 11 as Kentucky hit 14 of 19 second-half shots from the field, after leading by 42-40 at the break. Sidney Green led UNLV with 17 points.

\*Kentucky raced out to a 20-2 lead and then went on to ease by Vanderbilt 91-73 in a game played in Nashville. Kentucky freshman Sam Bowie was awesome in what was perhaps his best performance of the year. Bowie finished with 20 points and nine rebounds and was intimidating from the outset, blocking six shots in the first half alone. Kyle Macy led UK in scoring with 22 points, converting nine of 19 field goals. Fred Cowan had 20 points and Dirk Minniefield 11. Mike Rhodes scored 18 points to lead Vandy.

\*In a game in which UK coach Joe Hall could find few faults, the Wildcats blasted Florida 95-70 after jumping out to an early 43-25 lead at intermission. Nine Wildcats played over 10 minutes and seven played 20 minutes or more as several players contributed coming off the bench. While Sam Bowie led all scorers with 19 points, Derrick Hord came off the bench to put in 18. Fred Cowan, Kyle Macy and Jay Shidler all finished in double figures for Kentucky.

## Eight Years Ago

\*Kentucky survived a late scare from Ole Miss to win 82-77 in the first round of the SEC tournament. Ole Miss cut a 16-point UK lead to 80-77 with under a minute to go before Kyle Macy sank a pair of foul shots with five seconds left. Macy was brilliant, scoring a career-high 32 points.

\*In one of the all-time classic games ever held in the South, Kentucky outraced Alabama in a 101-100 shootout in the second round of the SEC tournament. It was racehorse basketball at its best. UK hit a sizzling 68.3 percent on 43 of 63 from the field while Alabama hit 41 of 71 shots for 57.7 percent. Truman Claytor scored 25 points for Kentucky and backcourt partner Kyle Macy added 22. Reggie King scored 38 points for the Tide and grabbed 11 rebounds.

\*UK dumped highly-ranked and heavily-favored LSU 80-67 behind the guard tandem of Truman Claytor and Kyle Macy. The game was actually not as close as the final score would indicate. UK jumped out in front 15-14 in the opening minutes of the contest and led the rest of the way. With 18 minutes left in the game, Kentucky had stunned everyone by marching to a 51-30 advantage. Macy was outstanding again, hitting 10 of 15 shots and scoring 29 points. Claytor ended the night with 20 points. UK managed the win without the services of freshman sensation Dwight Anderson, who broke his wrist in the game's opening minutes.

## Nine Years Ago

\*Kentucky ended a five-game losing streak to Tennessee with a 90-77 win over the Volunteers. Kentucky coach Joe Hall told reporters that the 'Cats had one of their best practices before the UT game and it showed against the Vols. Rick Robey and James Lee led the 'Cats with 18 and 17 points respectively. UK now is preparing for two big games with Mississippi State and Alabama that will decide the SEC championship.

\*Wildcat fans everywhere could rest a little easier after the 'Cats won the first of two crucial SEC games. UK disposed of pesky Mississippi State 58-56 in an exciting game at Rupp Arena. Kentucky did use that big word, "poise," in this one to secure the win. Trailing by four points and with State in the stall, Kentucky waited until the right moment and took the lead on a three-point play by Jack Givens.

\*Coach Joe Hall got off the players' backs and praised them after their 97-84 win over Alabama. The 'Cats avenged one of their losses with this win and Hall was happy.

"It was a super game tonight. They played great and we got a good game out of everybody that played, and that's contagious."

## Fourteen Years Ago

\*UK sophomore Kevin Grevey exploded for 40 points and the Wildcats stayed alive in the SEC chase with a 99-86 win over Georgia in Athens. Mike Flynn, another sophomore, covered for injured Ronnie Lyons and responded with 22 points. Kentucky trailed the Dawgs 49-44 early in the second half, but six straight points by Grevey pulled the 'Cats to within 51-50. UK finally took the lead 75-74 on a Grevey bucket.

\*Kentucky out-talented a visiting LSU Tiger team in Memorial Coliseum 94-76. Kevin Grevey hit 11 of 13 shots from the floor and scored 26 points. Jim Andrews also scored 26 and grabbed 14 boards. The win, coupled with an Alabama loss to Tennessee, moved the 'Cats into sole possession of second place in the conference, two games back of the Vols. The win improved UK to 16-7 overall and 11-4 in the league.

## Thirty-Two Years Ago

\*The UK reserves got a good workout as UK plastered Auburn 93-59 for UK's 20th win. Billy Evans scored 22 and sophomore John Brewer scored 21. UK fans sighed a relief when it was learned a hand injury to All-American candidate Bob Burrow was a minor one.

Kentucky pulled away in the second half to trounce Vanderbilt 77-59 for its 19th win of the season. Big Bob Burrow scored 31 points and hauled down 27 rebounds.

\*Kentucky, 20-2 on the year, remained in the No. 2 spot in the UPI poll. San Francisco, 21-1, is still No. 1 but the Dons' lead over the Wildcats is slipping.

## Wildcat Quiz

1. True or False? LSU's 76-41 rout of Kentucky set a record for largest margin of defeat in UK history.

2. In that 35-point loss, UK trailed by how many points at halftime?  
a) two  
b) four  
c) eight  
d) nine

3. Who was Kentucky's leading scorer in that game?  
a) Ed Davender  
b) Rex Chapman  
c) Richard Madison  
d) James Blackmon

4. In Kentucky's thrilling 54-52 victory in Assembly Center last season, who hit the game-winner for the 'Cats?  
a) Kenny Walker  
b) Roger Harden  
c) Ed Davender  
d) Winston Bennett

5. In that game last season in Baton Rouge, what Tiger player knotted the score at 52-52 with :06 left in the game?  
a) Don Redden  
b) Anthony Wilson  
c) Derrick Taylor  
d) John Williams

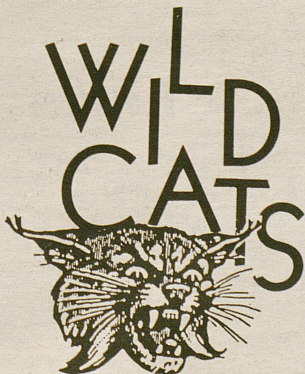
6. True or False? Prior to last season, LSU had not won an NCAA tournament game in the decade of the 80's.

7. What LSU player was an academic all-SEC selection a year ago?  
a) Ricky Blanton  
b) Don Redden  
c) Zoran Jovanovich  
d) Neboisha Bukumirovich

8. In 1974, a panel for the *Knoxville News Sentinel* picked the all-time SEC team. LSU placed two members on the first team. Pete Maravich was one, name the other?

9. Who was named the SEC's Player of the Year in 1970?  
a) Dan Issel  
b) Pete Maravich  
c) Mike Pratt  
d) Johnny Neumann

10. In the all-time SEC standings, Kentucky is No. 1 and Tennessee is No. 2. Which school has the third-best all-time record?  
a) Alabama  
b) Vanderbilt  
c) LSU  
d) Sewanee

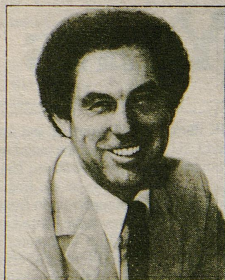


## Answers

1. False. (Worst loss in Rupp Arena)
2. four
3. James Blackmon. (14 pts.)
4. Roger Harden
5. Derrick Taylor
6. False. (LSU won one game in 1980 and 10. Alabama)
7. Zoran Jovanovich
8. Bob Pettit
9. Pete Maravich
10. Alabama

advanced to the Final Four in 1981)





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