



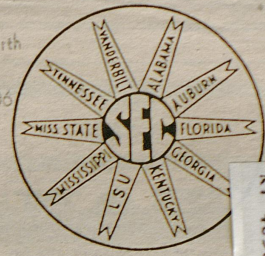
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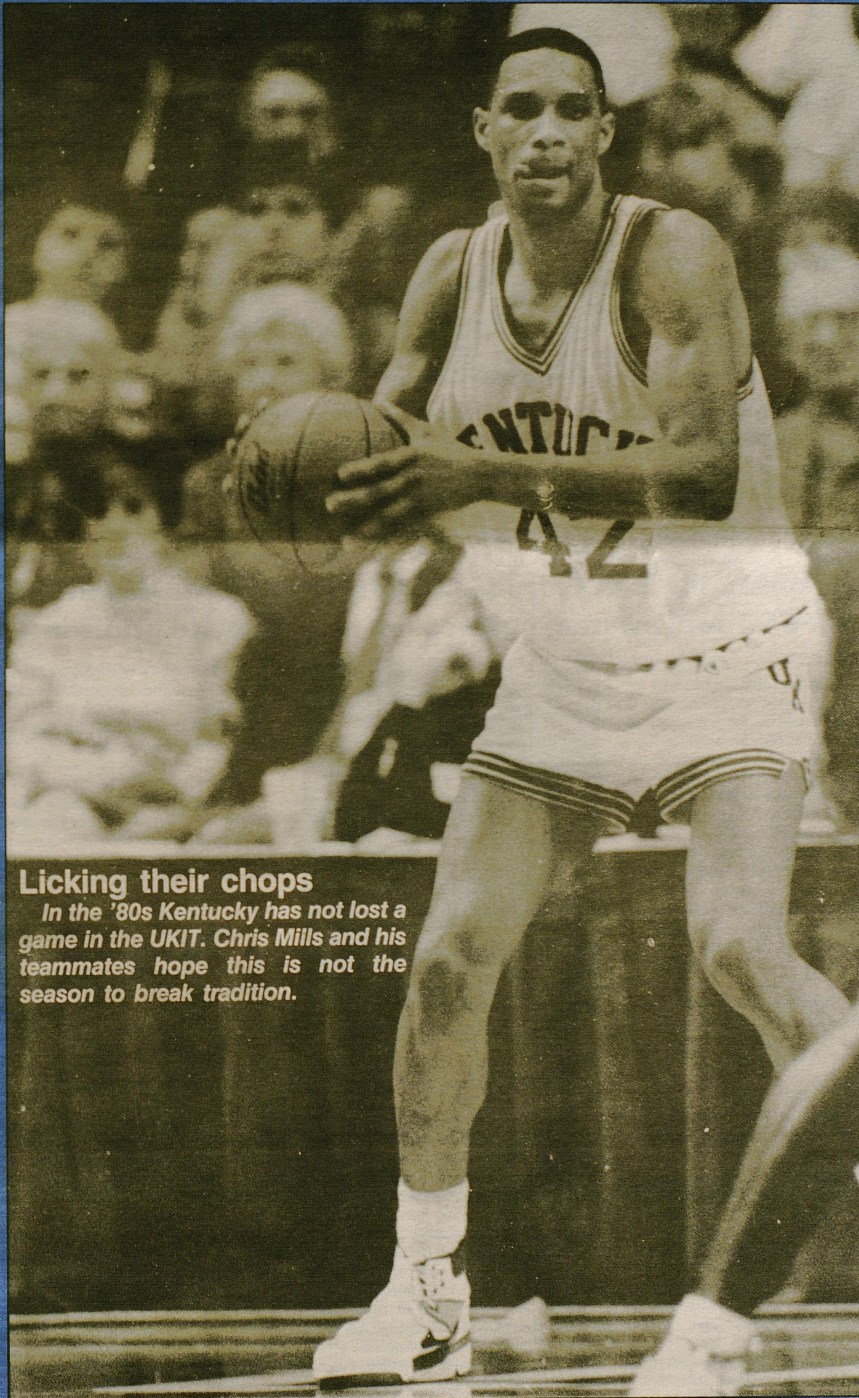


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Licking their chops

In the '80s Kentucky has not lost a game in the UKIT. Chris Mills and his teammates hope this is not the season to break tradition.

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PERMISSION GRANTED: UK president Dr. David Roselle and the University of Kentucky have been granted an extension to respond to the allegations charged by the NCAA. Kentucky now has until Jan. 30 to make a response.

Worth repeating!

Former Kentucky 'Cat Larry Conley interested in UK's athletics director position; awards, postseason play come to gridiron 'Cats

Larry Conley, a former member of Rupp's Runts and currently a color commentator for ESPN and the UK Network, indicated he is very much interested in the University of Kentucky's athletics director position.

Cliff Hagan last month resigned from his post which he held for 13 years. Presently, Joe Burch is UK's interim AD.

"I would talk to them," confirmed Conley last Saturday at a Kentucky *Associated Press* Sports Editors meeting in Lexington.

A six-person screening committee was announced nearly two weeks ago, which is headed by Charles Wethington, chancellor of the institution's community college program and in charge of university relations.

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Senior Bo Smith walked away with five individual honors last Friday (Dec. 9) to highlight the 1988 University of Kentucky football banquet held at the UK Student Center Ballroom.

Smith, a 6-foot-3, 267-pound offensive tackle from Lexington (Henry Clay), earned or shared awards for permanent team captain, most valuable senior, outstanding offensive lineman, senior scholastic award, and the unsung hero. In all, Smith was the only UK player to earn more than one honor at the event.

Before the 1988 season, Smith had not earned a varsity letter primarily due to injuries. Smith did not start his first collegiate contest until All-SEC candidate Mike Pfeifer suffered a season-ending knee injury in the 31-27 loss to Alabama. From that point on, Smith started the remaining six games at right offensive tackle and also added some additional help at left tackle.

Senior linebacker Chris Chenault shared the permanent team captain award with Smith. Another senior, cornerback David



Hard work pays off for Bo Smith

Johnson, also shared honors with Smith as most valuable senior. Both awards were chosen by team members.

Other award winners during the event were place-kicker Ken Willis (Outstanding Kicking Game Award), linebacker Randy Holleran (Outstanding Defensive Back), defensive tackle Oliver Barnett (Outstanding Defensive Lineman), tailback Alfred Rawls (Outstanding Offensive Back), quarterback Brad Smith and linebacker Reggie Smith (Outstanding Scout Team Members), and flanker Bill Shehan (Fellowship of Christian Athletes Award).

Former UK player and assistant coach Leeman Bennett was the guest speaker at the annual banquet. Bennett, of course, served as head football coach of the Atlanta Falcons and Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the National Football League during the last 10 years.

Another highlight of the event was a presentation of \$12,500 by the Lexington Wildcat Club, a football support group, to

UK head coach Jerry Claiborne. The donation will go to the construction of an indoor football practice facility at UK. The check was presented by Wildcat Club members Jim Rocco and Dale Creech.

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Although the 'Cats didn't finish with a winning season, Jerry Claiborne can walk away from the '88 season knowing that three of his players earned spots on the *Associated Press*' honorable mention All-American team.

Senior Chris Chenault (linebacker), junior Oliver Barnett (defensive tackle) and sophomore Randy Holleran (linebacker) were honored for their outstanding play this season. Earlier, Holleran was named to the AP's All-SEC first-team while Chenault and Barnett earned second-team conference status.

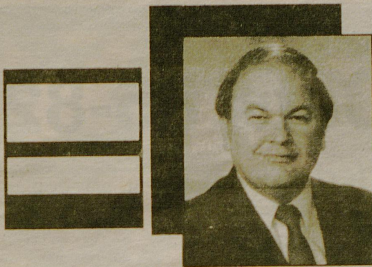
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Seniors Ivy Joe Hunter and David Johnson will play in the 50th annual Blue Gray All-Star Classic in Montgomery, Ala., on Dec. 25. Hunter also will play in the 14th annual Japan Bowl at Yokohama, Japan, on Jan. 14.

Hunter, a native of Gainesville, Fla., finished his career in seventh place on the UK record list for yards rushing with 1,687. In '88, Hunter ended up with 451 yards rushing, led UK in receiving with 17 catches for 160 yards and also led the team in kickoff returns (12-272) and all-purpose yards (883).

Johnson, a native of Louisville, ended the 1988 season with 42 tackles at left cornerback. He had one interception (vs. Alabama) and one fumble recovery.

Last year UK sent three players (Mark Higgs, Dermonti Dawson, Jerry Reese) to the Blue-Gray Classic. The last UK representative in the Japan Bowl was safety/punter Paul Calhoun in 1984.



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UKIT's next, but Indiana will be real test for 'Cats

With three more games remaining at home before Kentucky heads back out of town, coach Eddie Sutton and his Wildcats hope to build some confidence as they approach the annual University of Kentucky Invitational Tournament this weekend.

While this field is anything but a classic, a couple schools could present the 'Cats with far greater opposition than Northwestern State, which upset UK 85-82 last week.

Kentucky opens with Bowling Green of Ohio Friday at approximately 9 p.m. after Arkansas State and Marshall square off in the tourney opener.

Whichever Kentucky meets on Saturday night will be more than token opposition and it doesn't matter whether it's in the consolation game or the championship contest.

Arkansas State is a pretty good team. It defeated Houston Saturday, but State will be even better next week when a couple transfers become eligible.

Marshall is another matter. The Thundering Herd has been the elite of the Southern Conference for the past few years under former LSU assistant Rick Huckabay. It'll take a superb performance for the Wildcats to win a pair this weekend.

After that and before most of you receive next week's TCP, Kentucky will play host to Indiana at Rupp Arena. It'll be the first true test to see if the 'Cats have benefited back-to-back losses to Notre Dame and Northwestern State.

It will also be a barometer on what to expect from the 'Cats during the remainder of the season.

Bobby Knight's Hoosiers are also experiencing an off-season, but you can bet the IU boss will pull out all stops in an effort to beat the 'Cats in Rupp Arena, something the Hoosiers have never succeeded in.

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At this point, many basketball followers figured the Wildcats would be no worse than 4-3 and many believed the 'Cats would be 5-2 going into the UKIT. Things just didn't work out.

The season-opening loss was no shock, just the second-half collapse. And while Kentucky had an opportunity to win the Great Alaska Shootout, it certainly was no disgrace to leave Anchorage with a 2-1 mark and the consolation trophy.

The roughest part of the season was absorbing the stunning loss in the homecourt opener against Northwestern State. It may be some time before the 'Cats, the coaching staff and fans get over that one.

UK did bounce back against Western Carolina and won 78-60, but even the most vocal UK fans have more than just a tad to be worried about.

One of UK's three victories thus far required a sensational shooting exhibition or UK could still be looking for its vic-

tory over California.

The first gunslinger to shoot the 'Cats out of their misery was junior Derrick Miller, who exploded for 36 points against California in the Great Alaska Shootout.

While the offense has been decent thus far, defense and rebounding haven't been strong enough to even nudge the needle on a sound machine.

Kentucky may survive this weekend without superb exhibitions on each end of the floor, but beginning with Indiana next Tuesday, any more performances like those of the past four or five games will have the 'Cats fighting for their lives against the worst of the SEC.

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When you're winning, you like to see the offensive artillery passed around on a team. It's good for morale and team unity. But when you're not piling up victories, you call it inconsistency.

To date, the only consistent weapon in the UK camp has been LeRon Ellis, who seems to score at will inside, especially when Sean Sutton is getting the ball to him.

That was sorely missed against Duke when Sutton sat out because of his cheekbone surgery, but the coach's son has returned and appears to be near 100 percent these days.

Freshman Chris Mills was expected to be the other half of UK's wicked 1-2 punch and he was in the early going, but all freshmen go through slumps and the rookie from southern California is mired in an offensive one right now.

Both Miller and Reggie Hanson, the other two regular starters, have shown flashes of stardom but are yet to put those back-to-back performances together.

Mike Scott struggled much of the early season, then enjoyed an excellent game against Western Carolina, although the UK camp is still very much concerned about the lack of intensity of the senior post man.

Freshman redshirt Deron Feldhaus, at times, shows the physical dominance the coaches expect of him, but he too had been inconsistent.

The newcomer in the contributing department since the 'Cats returned home a week ago has been freshman Richie Farmer, who got the call for 20 minutes of action against Northwestern State and 19 minutes against Western Carolina.

He responded with a game-tying three-pointer in the final two minutes against Northwestern State and had a three-pointer fall just short at the final buzzer.

Against Western Carolina, he rattled off 15 points on six of nine from the field, including three three-pointers along with four rebounds. Even more significant, though, was the fact he didn't commit a single turnover in the two games.

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Former Wildcat star Larry Conley, now a successful color analyst with several networks, including UK's, told a meeting of AP editors Saturday that he would be interested in the UK AD job.

From the when-it-rains-it-seems-to-pour department:

After the Northwestern State game, UK officials complained bitterly, I'm told, to the SEC office about the officiating.

Well, when the ball was tossed to open the next game at Rupp Arena, you had not one Kentuckian calling the game, but three.

As a rule, officials who live in Kentucky and call games in the SEC decline to officiate UK games because of the tremendous interest in the state and to avoid any personal conflicts.

What happened Saturday had nothing to do with UK complaining about several calls three nights earlier.

The reason had to do with Kentucky changing the starting time of the Western Carolina game from 7:30 to 1:30 p.m. after the original schedule was released, and someone at UK reportedly forget to notify the league office, which in turns hires the officials.

The situation was rectified less than an hour before the game as officials frantically summoned Dave Bair, Ken Cox and Jake Bell. Bell and Bair are regular SEC officials and Cox is a KIAC official. Bell is head football coach at Lexington Henry Clay where Bair is his assistant and Cox is principal at Lexington Tates Creek.

And the mixup cost UK a few extra dollars as two of the officials were scheduled to work a game at East Tennessee State University that evening. They agreed to call the game on the condition

that UK could guarantee them transportation to Johnson City, Tenn. The officials were whisked out of Rupp Arena just minutes after the game to meet a chartered plane at Blue Grass Field.

And why was the game moved to the afternoon in the first place? A UK spokesman said the game was moved to afternoon by former UK athletics director Cliff Hagan so fans out in the state would have more time to return home after the game.

Only problem with that explanation is the fact that the Wednesday night game against Northwestern State was originally scheduled for 7:30 p.m. and changed to 8 p.m. by UK. Guess UK officials wanted to give fans less time to get home after the game.

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Count one name in the hat for the permanent title of athletics director at the University of Kentucky.

Larry Conley, the popular television color analyst for several networks, told a meeting of the Associated Press sports editors in Lexington Saturday that he is interested in the job and would like to be considered.

Conley, who was a star on Adolph Rupp's famous Rupp's Runts squad back in 1966, said he believes UK will survive its current problems and can bounce back within a reasonable amount of time.

Conley said the important thing for UK (Continued on page 22)

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- Nov. 11: Volleyball—UK def. Wisconsin 15-12, 15-8, 15-5
- Nov. 12: Football—Florida def. UK 24-19
- Nov. 12: Volleyball—Florida State def. UK 10-15, 14-16, 15-13, 12-15
- Nov. 14: Basketball—UK def. Ostersund, Sweden 66-30
- Nov. 18: Volleyball—UK def. LSU 15-6, 15-8, 15-8
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- Nov. 19: Basketball—Duke def. UK 28-24
- Nov. 20: Volleyball—UK def. Houston 10-15, 15-1, 15-13, 15-10
- Nov. 25: Basketball—UK def. Iona 56-54
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- Nov. 26: Basketball—Seton Hall def. UK 63-60
- Nov. 26: Volleyball—UK def. Tennessee 15-9, 15-12, 15-8
- Nov. 28: Basketball—UK def. California 89-71
- Dec. 3: Basketball—Notre Dame def. UK 81-65
- Dec. 3: Volleyball—UK def. New Mexico 16-14, 15-1, 9-15, 9-15, 15-9
- Dec. 3: Women's Basketball: Ohio U. def. UK 80-77
- Dec. 6: Women's Basketball: UK def. Dayton 72-59
- Dec. 7: Basketball: Northwestern (La.) State def. UK 85-82
- Dec. 9: Volleyball: Texas-Arlington def. UK 15-7, 13-15, 15-13, 15-4
- Dec. 10: Basketball: UK def. Western Carolina 78-60
- Dec. 10: Women's Basketball: Indiana def. UK 83-71



Eddie Sutton



LeRon Ellis

Guests hope to hand host first UKIT defeat in 80s

Not since 1978 when Kentucky lost to Texas A&M in the first round have the Wildcats been on the losing end of the stick in the University of Kentucky Invitational. But Arkansas State (5-1), Bowling Green State (4-2) and Marshall (1-1), like the 'Cats, will have their eyes on the UKIT championship trophy (Note—records of teams heading into Dec. 12).

In Friday's first game Arkansas State and Marshall will start at 6:30 p.m. while Bowling Green and UK will tip off at approximately 9 p.m. (depending on the length of the first game). The losers will play in the consolation game Saturday night at 6:30 followed by the battle for the 36th UKIT championship at 9:00 p.m.

About Arkansas State

Coaching the Indians is fifth-year mentor Nelson Catalina. Catalina owns a 79-53 overall record (59.8 percent). In the past two seasons he's led Arkansas State to 42 wins (21 apiece) along with two consecutive appearances in the postseason National Invitational Tournament.

Catalina's club is led by a balanced attack that features three starters averaging double figures. Guard/forward Ed Loudon in the first six games is averaging 13.0 points and 5.8 rebounds per game. Six-seven senior John Tate is scoring at a 12.2 ppg pace while center Greg Williams, 6-9, is averaging 10.0 ppg. Tate is the team's leading rebounder with a 5.8 average.

Off the bench junior Barry Mayberry is adding spark to the Indians' offense. He, too, is averaging double figures—12.7 ppg. The Indians have more victories so far this season than any of the participants in the UKIT.

About Marshall

The Thundering Herd is coached by former Louisiana State assistant Rick Huckabay. Huckabay worked under "The Preacher Man" Dale Brown from 1979-83.

The former LSU assistant is now in his sixth year as the head man at Marshall. In that time he's compiled an impressive 115-45 overall mark for a 71.9 winning percentage. His winning percentage currently ranks him 10th best among active Division I basketball coaches.

Leading the Southern Conference representative are five starters in double digits.

Sophomore guard John Taft, 6-1, is pouring in 33.0 ppg., while pulling down 6.0 rpg. His backcourt mate, sophomore guard Andy Paul Williamson, 6-3, 175, is averaging 19.5 points a game for the Thundering Herd. In their two games the Herd is scoring 109 points per game.

Other Marshall players to watch are: Gery Strickland, center/forward, 6-6, 180, 17.0 ppg., 7.5 rpg; John Humphrey, guard, 6-6, 180, 16.0 ppg; and last but not least Andre Cunningham, guard/forward, 6-3, 170, 10.5 ppg., 4.0 rpg.

Arkansas State will have a difficult time in shutting down the Herd's offense. In two games the Herd is hitting 56.8 percent from the field, including a remarkable 45.8 percentage from the three-point line.

About Bowling Green

Bringing a 4-2 Falcon team into the UKIT is third-year coach Jim Larranga. In his tenure at Bowling Green State, Larranga has recorded a 31-32 record (49.2 percent).

Larranga's Falcons won their first three games of the season before losing two of their next three (Boston University—81-69, Michigan State—89-72).

Larranga worked for seven seasons as an assistant for Terry Holland at Virginia.

Senior guard Joe Gregory, 5-10, 165, is the team's leading scorer (14.8 points per game). Two other Falcon starters are also averaging in double figures: 6-5 forward Lamon Pippin, 12.7 ppg; and 6-3 guard Billy Johnson, 11.0).

If things aren't in sync with the starting five then Larranga can bring in 5-10 guard Darrell McLane (11.2 ppg) and/or 6-6 forward Tom Hall (10.5 ppg.). Hall is the Falcons' No. 1 man on the boards with a 6.7 rebound per game mark.

UKIT Tidbits

The following are UKIT notes compiled by UK sports information director Chris Cameron:

□ This is the 36th edition of University of Kentucky Invitational Tournament. According to a recent survey, the UKIT ties for third in longevity in a list of college basketball tournaments.

□ The Wildcats have won the tournament 27 times, including nine titles in a row and 20 of the last 23.

□ The 'Cats lost in the opening game only twice in the tournament's history—in 1957 (77-70 to West Virginia) and in 1978 (73-69 to Texas A&M).

□ Bowling Green State is the only team from this year's field to have competed in the UKIT before. UK defeated Bowling Green 77-59 in the first round of the 1976 UKIT.

That was Bowling Green State's only appearance in the tournament.

□ UK lost in the championship game of the tournament in 1955, '59, '60, '64, '70, and '76.

□ Kentucky's all-time record in the UKIT is 62-8.

□ Other than Kentucky, the only teams to win the UKIT are Dayton (1955), Illinois (1964, '78), Purdue (1970), St. Louis (1960), Utah (1976) and West Virginia (1957, '59).

□ The UKIT field has included such teams as North Carolina (1957, '59), Duke (1953, '69), Syracuse (1978), Indiana (1965) and UCLA (1953).

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The following is information compiled by UK sports information director Chris Cameron:

- UK's record when the Wildcats. . .
- Outrebound their opponent is 2-2.
- Out score their opponent's bench is 2-0.
- Lead at halftime is 2-1.
- Trail at halftime is 1-3.
- Tied at halftime is 0-0.
- Shoot better from the field than their opponent is 2-1.
- Shoot worse from the field than their opponent is 1-3.
- Shoot 50 percent or more from the field is 2-2.
- Shoot less than 50 percent from the field is 1-2.
- Opponent shoots 50 percent or more from the field is 1-2.
- Opponent shoots less than 50 percent from the field is 2-2.

Lancaster became UK athletics director in late '60s

Won power struggle with Charlie Bradshaw

The main players in a power struggle for control of the University of Kentucky athletics department after the death of Bernie Shively in December 1967 were UK president Dr. John W. Oswald and his vice president for



Russell Rice

Cats' Pause Columnist

student affairs Robert L. Johnson; aging but still influential basketball coach Adolph Rupp and his long-time assistant Harry Lancaster; and football coach Charlie Bradshaw and his chief ally, the Lexington Quarterback Club.

Wildcat football fans had welcomed Oswald with open arms after he resigned as vice president of administration, University of California at Berkeley, to succeed Dr. Frank G. Dickey as president of UK at the beginning of the 1963-64 school year.

Honored by *Sports Illustrated* as a member of its Silver Anniversary team, Oswald had played guard in football and was team captain his senior year at DePauw University, where he also threw the discus and tried basketball. Contacted at his home in Berkeley immediately after accepting the UK job, he admitted to an interest in athletics but emphasized that the athletics program should be kept in its proper place in the overall plans of the university.

Dr. Dickey, former dean of the UK College of Education, had succeeded the venerable Dr. Herman Lee Donovan in 1956, when the athletics program was showing signs of decay after enjoying what was termed the "Golden Era" of UK sports.

THE DECLINE OF THAT ERA began in October 1951, when three members of the 1947-48 NCAA and corld championship Fabulous Five team were implicated in a nationwide points-shaving scandal. By the time the smoke cleared, two other former Wildcats had admitted guilt while an All-American center lost his senior year of eligibility although a New York jury failed to convict him of any wrongdoing.

During their trial, the former Wildcat players testified to various violations of rules by the university. Their testimony included accusations that football player Gene Donaldson had been employed by a local architect in violation of NCAA rules while Chet Lukawski, another football player, was given \$100 to purchase clothes, and that both football and basketball players violated rules by accepting gift certificates and bonuses from local merchants.

The Executive Committee of the Southeastern Conference in August 1952 ruled the Wildcats out of conference basketball for one year for participating in intercollegiate basketball and in tournaments in violation of conference rules and regulations in the area of subsidizing players during the period between Oct. 1, 1946, and the close of the 1951 basketball season.

Three months later, the NCAA asked its member schools not to play UK in basketball during the 1952-53 season. During that period, Donaldson, a bona fide All-American candidate at guard, and Lukawski were declared ineligible for football competition.

Paul "Bear" Bryant, the most successful football coach in UK history (60-23-5 in eight seasons), was extremely unhappy about the basketball scandals, which were keeping many athletes from attending UK, and he felt that the university was governed by basketball at the expense of football.

"We were too much alike," he said later of his relationship with Rupp, "and he wanted basketball No. 1



Long-time UK assistant coach Harry Lancaster, seated on the Wildcat bench between Adolph Rupp and Joe B. Hall, took over the post of athletics director from Robert L. Johnson, who held the job on an interim basis following the death of Bernie Shively in 1967. To Hall's right is UK statistician Ken Kuhn.

and I wanted football No. 1. In an environment like that one or the other has to go."

DONOVAN REPORTEDLY HAD IGNORED a suggestion that UK's punishment could be lightened by the dismissal of Rupp. Bryant later said he had been assured that Rupp would be released by the university. Donovan's stand was that Rupp was an honorable man whose troubles stemmed from the fact that he was the best basketball coach in the country.

Bryant departed Lexington for Texas A&M in February 1954, leaving what he termed his best team to successor Blanton Collier, a scholarly native of Paris, who had coached successfully in high school and as an assistant to Paul Brown at the Great Lakes Naval Training Base.

Collier was named SEC Coach of the Year after leading the 1954 Wildcats to a 7-3 record; however, the losses mounted as the Bryant-recruited material petered out, and the Gentle Gentleman left UK in 1961 with an eight-year record of 41-36-3.

As the Quarterback Club and other football boosters blamed the UK administration for a floundering program, Rupp's 1954 basketball team was undefeated, but turned down a bid to the NCAA tournament because its three top players—Cliff Hagan, Frank Ramsey and Lou Tsiropoulos—were ruled out because they were classified as graduate students.

Although upsets came more frequently, the Wildcats continued their winning basketball ways, annexing a fourth NCAA title with a 23-6 team in 1958. During the ensuing pre-Oswald years, they were 24-3, 18-7, 19-9, 23-3 and 16-9.

The university's big advantage over the years had been first choice of the many fine players from the high school ranks in the state, but that situation had changed since integration of the KHSAA in 1955. Skilled black players had made their presence felt immediately, but there was no place for them at UK, or in the SEC, which did not allow them to compete.

"**ADOLPH HAD NEVER BEEN** around blacks," Lancaster said years later. "I think he was worried about the unknown."

During Dickey's reign, the university, after querying other members of the SEC, adopted a policy that advocated active recruiting of black athletes, but no progress had been made in that area when Oswald became

the new president.

However, Oswald let it be known immediately that he agreed with the decision to integrate the university's athletic teams, emphasizing that he expected all coaches to recruit black players and that UK could lose a large amount of federal funds if its athletic teams were not integrated.

Two months before Oswald arrived in Lexington, the NCAA began an investigation of the off-season football training program conducted by Bradshaw and placed the football team on probation one year, beginning April 20, 1964, which meant that the university could not participate in a postseason bowl game that year.

Bradshaw's stock with Oswald took another dive when the gung-ho coach, smarting over a 21-7 loss to Georgia at Athens in the middle of the 1964 season, returned home to put the squad through a brutal scrimmage session behind closed doors. The school and local media criticized Bradshaw severely after four players received injuries serious enough to necessitate treatment at the clinic after the scrimmage.

Upon demanding an explanation, Oswald was assured by Shively, Bradshaw and a team doctor that the injuries were not unusual or unduly intense for such a practice. The big question, however, was why such a session was held in the first place.

THE WILDCATS HAD ONE OF THEIR better football teams the following year, winning six of eight games and looking forward to a bowl bid, but the season was down the drain after star quarterback Rick Norton received a knee injury during a loss to Houston in the Astrodome. They finished 6-4 after losing to Tennessee the following weekend.

Bradshaw was given a new contract of indeterminate length on Thanksgiving Day of that year, with the understanding that he was guaranteed a position in some other capacity at the university should he be relieved as football coach. Less than a month later, he broke the UK and SEC color barrier by signing Nat Northington of Louisville to a UK grant. Soon afterward, he signed a second black, Greg Page, of Middlesboro.

During Oswald's first year at UK, the basketball team finished the regular season, 21-4, winning UKIT, Sugar Bowl and SEC crowns, but the Wildcats were humiliated

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Nov. 4: Volleyball—UK def. Florida 13-15, 13-15, 15-11, 15-11, 15-16
 Nov. 5: Football—UK def. Vanderbilt 14-13
 Nov. 11: Volleyball—UK def. Wisconsin 15-12, 15-8, 15-5
 Nov. 12: Football—Florida def. UK 24-19
 Nov. 12: Volleyball—Florida State def. UK 10-15, 14-16, 15-13, 12-15
 Nov. 14: Basketball—UK def. Ostersund, Sweden 66-30
 Nov. 18: Volleyball—UK def. LSU 15-6, 15-8, 15-8
 Nov. 19: Football—Tennessee def. UK 28-24
 Nov. 19: Basketball—Duke def. UK 80-55
 Nov. 20: Volleyball—UK def. Houston 10-15, 15-1, 15-13, 15-10
 Nov. 25: Basketball—UK def. Iona 56-54
 Nov. 25: Volleyball—UK def. LSU 8-15, 15-2, 15-11, 15-12
 Nov. 26: Basketball—Seton Hall def. UK 63-60
 Nov. 26: Volleyball—UK def. Tennessee 15-9, 15-12, 15-8
 Nov. 28: Basketball—UK def. California 89-71
 Dec. 3: Basketball—Notre Dame def. UK 81-65
 Dec. 3: Volleyball—UK def. New Mexico 16-14, 15-1, 9-15, 9-15, 15-9
 Dec. 3: Women's Basketball: Ohio U. def. UK 80-77
 Dec. 6: Women's Basketball: UK def. Dayton 72-59
 Dec. 7: Basketball: Northwestern (La.) State def. UK 85-82
 Dec. 9: Volleyball: Texas-Arlington def. UK 15-7, 13-15, 15-13, 15-4
 Dec. 10: Basketball: UK def. Western Carolina 78-60
 Dec. 10: Women's Basketball: Indiana def. UK 83-71



Eddie Sutton



LeRon Ellis

Guests hope to hand host first UKIT defeat in 80s

Not since 1978 when Kentucky lost to Texas A&M in the first round have the Wildcats been on the losing end of the stick in the University of Kentucky Invitational. But Arkansas State (5-1), Bowling Green State (4-2) and Marshall (1-1), like the 'Cats, will have their eyes on the UKIT championship trophy (Note—records of teams heading into Dec. 12).

In Friday's first game Arkansas State and Marshall will start at 6:30 p.m. while Bowling Green and UK will tip off at approximately 9 p.m. (depending on the length of the first game). The losers will play in the consolation game Saturday night at 6:30 followed by the battle for the 36th UKIT championship at 9:00 p.m.

About Arkansas State

Coaching the Indians is fifth-year mentor Nelson Catalina. Catalina owns a 79-53 overall record (59.8 percent). In the past two seasons he's led Arkansas State to 42 wins (21 apiece) along with two consecutive appearances in the postseason National Invitational Tournament.

Catalina's club is led by a balanced attack that features three starters averaging double figures. Guard/forward Ed Louden in the first six games is averaging 13.0 points and 5.8 rebounds per game. Six-seven senior John Tate is scoring at a 12.2 ppg pace while center Greg Williams, 6-9, is averaging 10.0 ppg. Tate is the team's leading rebounder with a 5.8 average.

Off the bench, junior Barry Mayberry is adding spark to the Indians' offense. He, too, is averaging double figures—12.7 ppg. The Indians have more victories so far this season than any of the participants in the UKIT.

About Marshall

The Thundering Herd is coached by former Louisiana State assistant Rick Huckaby. Huckaby worked under "The Preacher Man" Dale Brown from 1979-83.

The former LSU assistant is now in his sixth year as the head man at Marshall. In that time he's compiled an impressive 115-45 overall mark for a 71.9 winning percentage. His winning percentage currently ranks him 10th best among active Division I basketball coaches.

Leading the Southern Conference representative are five starters in double digits.

Sophomore guard John Taft, 6-1, is pouring in 33.0 ppg., while pulling down 6.0 rpg. His backcourt mate, sophomore guard Andy Paul Williamson, 6-3, 175, is averaging 19.5 points a game for the Thundering Herd. In their two games the Herd is scoring 109 points per game.

Other Marshall players to watch are: Gery Strickland, center/forward, 6-6, 180, 17.0 ppg., 7.5 rpg; John Humphrey, guard, 6-6, 180, 16.0 ppg; and last but not least Andre Cunningham, guard/forward, 6-3, 170, 10.5 ppg., 4.0 rpg.

Arkansas State will have a difficult time in shutting down the Herd's offense. In two games the Herd is hitting 56.8 percent from the field, including a remarkable 45.8 percentage from the three-point line.

About Bowling Green

Bringing a 4-2 Falcon team into the UKIT is third-year coach Jim Larranga. In his tenure at Bowling Green State, Larranga has recorded a 31-32 record (49.2 percent).

Larranga's Falcons won their first three games of the season before losing two of their next three (Boston University—81-69, Michigan State—89-72).

Larranga worked for seven seasons as an assistant for Terry Holland at Virginia.

Senior guard Joe Gregory, 5-10, 165, is the team's leading scorer (14.8 points per game). Two other Falcon starters are also averaging in double figures: 6-5 forward Lamon Pippin, 12.7 ppg; and 6-3 guard Billy Johnson, 11.0).

If things aren't in sync with the starting five then Larranga can bring in 5-10 guard Darrell McLane (11.2 ppg.) and/or 6-6 forward Tom Hall (10.5 ppg.). Hall is the Falcons' No. 1 man on the boards with a 6.7 rebound per game mark.

UKIT Tidbits

The following are UKIT notes compiled by UK sports information director Chris Cameron:

- This is the 36th edition of University of Kentucky Invitational Tournament. According to a recent survey, the UKIT ties for third in longevity in a list of college basketball tournaments.
- The Wildcats have won the tournament 27 times, including nine titles in a row and 20 of the last 23.
- The 'Cats lost in the opening game only twice in the tournament's history—in 1957 (77-70) to West Virginia) and in 1978 (73-69) to Texas A&M).
- Bowling Green State is the only team from this year's field to have competed in the UKIT before. UK defeated Bowling Green 77-59 in the first round of the 1976 UKIT.

That was Bowling Green State's only appearance in the tournament.

UK lost in the championship game of the tournament in 1955, '59, '60, '64, '70, and '76.

Kentucky's all-time record in the UKIT is 62-8.

Other than Kentucky, the only teams to win the UKIT are Dayton (1955), Illinois (1964, '78), Purdue (1970), St. Louis (1960), Utah (1976) and West Virginia (1957, '59).

The UKIT field has included such teams as North Carolina (1957, '59), Duke (1953, '69), Syracuse (1978), Indiana (1965) and UCLA (1953).

Kentucky is . . .

The following is information compiled by UK sports information director Chris Cameron:

- UK's record when the Wildcats . . .
- outrebounced their opponent is 2-2.
- out score their opponent's bench is 2-0.
- lead at halftime is 2-1.
- trail at halftime is 1-3.
- tied at halftime is 0-0.
- shoot better from the field than their opponent is 2-1.
- shoot worse from the field than their opponent is 1-3.
- shoot 50 percent or more from the field is 2-2.
- shoot less than 50 percent from the field is 1-2.
- opponent shoots 50 percent or more from the field is 1-2.
- opponent shoots less than 50 percent from the field is 2-2.

Lancaster became UK athletics director in late '60s

Won power struggle with Charlie Bradshaw

The main players in a power struggle for control of the University of Kentucky athletics department after the death of Bernie Shively in December 1967 were UK president Dr. John W. Oswald and his vice president for



Russell Rice

Cats' Pause Columnist

student affairs Robert L. Johnson; aging but still influential basketball coach Adolph Rupp and his long-time assistant Harry Lancaster; and football coach Charlie Bradshaw and his chief ally, the Lexington Quarterback Club.

Wildcat football fans had welcomed Oswald with open arms after he resigned as vice president of administration, University of California at Berkeley, to succeed Dr. Frank G. Dickey as president of UK at the beginning of the 1963-64 school year.

Honored by *Sports Illustrated* as a member of its Silver Anniversary team, Oswald had played guard in football and was team captain his senior year at DePauw University, where he also threw the discus and tried basketball. Contacted at his home in Berkeley immediately after accepting the UK job, he admitted to an interest in athletics but emphasized that the athletics program should be kept in its proper place in the overall plans of the university.

Dr. Dickey, former dean of the UK College of Education, had succeeded the venerable Dr. Herman Lee Donovan in 1956, when the athletics program was showing signs of decay after enjoying what was termed the "Golden Era" of UK sports.

THE DECLINE OF THAT ERA began in October 1951, when three members of the 1947-48 NCAA and world championship Fabulous Five team were implicated in a nationwide points-shaving scandal. By the time the smoke cleared, two other former Wildcats had admitted guilt while an All-American center lost his senior year of eligibility although a New York jury failed to convict him of any wrongdoing.

During their trial, the former Wildcat players testified to various violations of rules by the university. Their testimony included accusations that football player Gene Donaldson had been employed by a local architect in violation of NCAA rules while Chet Lukawski, another football player, was given \$100 to purchase clothes, and that both football and basketball players violated rules by accepting gift certificates and bonuses from local merchants.

The Executive Committee of the Southeastern Conference in August 1952 ruled the Wildcats out of conference basketball for one year for participating in intercollegiate basketball and in tournaments in violation of conference rules and regulations in the area of subsidizing players during the period between Oct. 1, 1946, and the close of the 1951 basketball season.

Three months later, the NCAA asked its member schools not to play UK in basketball during the 1952-53 season. During that period, Donaldson, a bona fide All-American candidate at guard, and Lukawski were declared ineligible for football competition.

Paul "Bear" Bryant, the most successful football coach in UK history (60-23-5 in eight seasons), was extremely unhappy about the basketball scandals, which were keeping many athletes from attending UK, and he felt that the university was governed by basketball at the expense of football.

"We were too much alike," he said later of his relationship with Rupp. "and he wanted basketball No. 1



Long-time UK assistant coach Harry Lancaster, seated on the Wildcat bench between Adolph Rupp and Joe B. Hall, took over the post of athletics director from Robert L. Johnson, who held the job on an interim basis following the death of Bernie Shively in 1967. To Hall's right is UK statistician Ken Kuhn.

and I wanted football No. 1. In an environment like that one or the other has to go."

DONOVAN REPORTEDLY HAD IGNORED a suggestion that UK's punishment could be lightened by the dismissal of Rupp. Bryant later said he had been assured that Rupp would be released by the university. Donovan's stand was that Rupp was an honorable man whose troubles stemmed from the fact that he was the best basketball coach in the country.

Bryant departed Lexington for Texas A&M in February 1954, leaving what he termed his best team to successor Blanton Collier, a scholarly native of Paris, who had coached successfully in high school and as an assistant to Paul Brown at the Great Lakes Naval Training Base.

Collier was named SEC Coach of the Year after leading the 1954 Wildcats to a 7-3 record; however, the losses mounted as the Bryant-recruited material petered out, and the Gentle Gentleman left UK in 1961 with an eight-year record of 41-36-3.

As the Quarterback Club and other football boosters blamed the UK administration for a floundering program, Rupp's 1954 basketball team was undefeated, but turned down a bid to the NCAA tournament because its three top players—Cliff Hagan, Frank Ramsey and Lou Tsiropoulos—were ruled out because they were classified as graduate students.

Although upsets came more frequently, the Wildcats continued their winning basketball ways, annexing a fourth NCAA title with a 23-6 team in 1958. During the ensuing pre-Oswald years, they were 24-3, 18-7, 19-9, 23-3 and 16-9.

The university's big advantage over the years had been first choice of the many fine players from the high school ranks in the state, but that situation had changed since integration of the KHSAA in 1955. Skilled black players had made their presence felt immediately, but there was no place for them at UK, or in the SEC, which did not allow them to compete.

"ADOLPH HAD NEVER BEEN around blacks," Lancaster said years later. "I think he was worried about the unknown."

During Dickey's reign, the university, after querying other members of the SEC, adopted a policy that advocated active recruiting of black athletes, but no progress had been made in that area when Oswald became

the new president.

However, Oswald let it be known immediately that he agreed with the decision to integrate the university's athletic teams, emphasizing that he expected all coaches to recruit black players and that UK could lose a large amount of federal funds if its athletic teams were not integrated.

Two months before Oswald arrived in Lexington, the NCAA began an investigation of the off-season football training program conducted by Bradshaw and placed the football team on probation one year, beginning April 20, 1964, which meant that the university could not participate in a postseason bowl game that year.

Bradshaw's stock with Oswald took another dive when the gung-ho coach, smarting over a 21-7 loss to Georgia at Athens in the middle of the 1964 season, returned home to put the squad through a brutal scrimmage session behind closed doors. The school and local media criticized Bradshaw severely after four players received injuries serious enough to necessitate treatment at the clinic after the scrimmage.

Upon demanding an explanation, Oswald was assured by Shively, Bradshaw and a team doctor that the injuries were not unusual or unduly intense for such a practice. The big question, however, was why such a session was held in the first place.

THE WILDCATS HAD ONE OF THEIR better football teams the following year, winning six of eight games and looking forward to a bowl bid, but the season was down the drain after star quarterback Rick Norton received a knee injury during a loss to Houston in the Astrodome. They finished 6-4 after losing to Tennessee the following weekend.

Bradshaw was given a new contract of indeterminate length on Thanksgiving Day of that year, with the understanding that he was guaranteed a position in some other capacity at the university should he be relieved as football coach. Less than a month later, he broke the UK and SEC color barrier by signing Nat Northrington of Louisville to a UK grant. Soon afterward, he hired a second black, Greg Page, of Middlesboro.

During Oswald's first year at UK, the basketball team finished the regular season, 21-4, winning UKIT, Sugar Bowl and SEC crowns, but the Wildcats were humiliated

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VIEWPOINT

Letters To The Editor

Mail All Letters To: VIEWPOINT, The Cats' Pause, P.O. Box 7297, Lexington, KY 40522



Hang in there, guys

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for renewal of *TCP*. I first started receiving *TCP* as a X-mas gift from my brother-in-law in Louisville and have certainly enjoyed renewing it each year since. Down here in Bulldog country we don't get to read much about our 'Cats.

That was until this year. Of course, as you could expect, it has all been negative. Having been born and reared in the great Bluegrass state I bleed true blue as do most 'Cat fans. Therefore it sure hurts to read all the bad things that've been said about our basketball program and coaches.

I honestly believe that this all started from a set-up in UCLA country. Maybe some of the NCAA investigators can add two and two and come up with the answer to that puzzle.

To me coach (Dwane) Casey sure hasn't deserved all the bad publicity he's received. It appears to me that you couldn't find a more perfect gentleman. I also appeal to coach (Eddie) Sutton to hang in there tough because there is no better way than that to show your honesty and integrity.

Through all the adversity that's been going around down here in Georgia, we did have one great day! That was the day our football team held off the Dawgs. How 'bout them 'Cats?

If I could have one more appeal it will be to the fans themselves. I can't make it to all those games as those of you in and around Lexington and even Louisville can. Go and fill Rupp Arena to capacity each game. To heck with all the adversity and negatives. On the road this year the team will probably take a lot of verbal abuse and unjustly so. But let's show the SEC and the whole country that we are proud to be Big Blue fans. Get out those shirts and hats and jackets and wear them proudly. I certainly do and with my head held high!

In closing I would like to say that I have nothing but heartfelt thanks for Cliff Hagan. What an asset he was to Kentucky and the university.

The only thing left to say now is, we, here in Dawg country love you and each and every one and GO BIG BLUE!

Gary M. Mullins Sr.
Morrow, Ga.

Mills can play

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is our check for renewing our subscription to *The Cats' Pause*. We look forward to receiving each issue and reading about the 'Cats.

After watching on TV Chris Mills play, we understand all the controversy. He is a premium player and I believe someone used ulterior motives to try and keep him in California.

I think we have another fine basketball team and they are going to be fun to follow. They will win a lot of ballgames in spite of all the controversy.

It is good to see teamwork such as they have shown in their games to date. Go Big Blue!

Blaine and Reba Clark
Fairfield, Ohio

Looks like conspiracy

Dear Sir:

Well, every team wants to play our Wildcats this season. The NCAA has made our program weaker by delaying its allegations for close to eight months. All the newspapers have made their sports sections with headlines of UK basketball team and caused the resignation of Cliff Hagan.

There's the case of Eric Manuel. Why not give the test again and cut out all the doubts that there is about it? I'm in Florida now and I was when the NCAA investigated its program. All you could find were two or three paragraphs at the bottom of the page, but Kentucky rated two columns. It "burns" me up the way the 'Cats are being "dragged over the coals."

The Wildcats have not had a losing season in over 60 years and no other school can equal that. It looks like a conspiracy to put a blot on that record.

I've been Big Blue since the days of Paul McBrayer, "Pisgah" Combs, "Big" McGinnis and others too numerous to mention.

Enclosed find my check for another year of *The Cats' Pause*. You're doing a great job.

Sincerely,

Raymond. B. Weigott
Kissimmee, Fla.

Editor's note: Concerning Eric Manuel and the ongoing saga of his ACT test, it has been reported that he was or soon will be given three choices:

1. Invalidate his score and sit out the required Proposition 48 year.
2. Retake the test.
3. Go before an arbitrator to have his original test score resolved.

As to why the matter is taking so long to be cleared up, your guess is as good as ours.

Hog heaven?

Dear Sir:

I would like to comment on three things: First, coach Eddie Sutton. How can a coach recruit a bunch of thoroughbreds and then train them like a bunch of hogs? Kentucky should be a run-and-gun team instead of a seven-pass, milk-the-clock team which will lead the league in turnovers. Suttons recruits all averaged over 20 points a game as seniors in high school. Now Sutton wants them to hold the scores in the 60s, which is against the nature of the players who have all been gunners. (Cliff) Hagan, inch for inch the best basketball player I ever saw, quit. I think Sutton should go back to hog heaven.

Second, I won't comment on Dwane Casey but would like to comment on the NCAA

hypocrites. With a little initiative I am sure the NCAA could find numerous violations at any big school or university. In the 1950s, I personally saw a recruiter from a northern Indiana university give a Louisville high school player hundreds of dollars in winning tickets on races at Churchill Downs. I doubt the policy has changed at that university.

Thirdly, why hasn't the NCAA been critical of John Thompson of Georgetown for using the Olympic team to give his prize recruit (Alonzo Mourning) a summer of free traveling and training? He not only gave his recruit plenty of attention, but then blew the Olympics. Where's an NCAA representative when you need one? Sure, I know there is a fine line. Especially when your name is Thompson, (John) Wooden, (Barry) Switzer, (Jerry) Tarkanian, etc.

The hypocrisy is that all intelligent people know that athletes are paid money and given perks. The schools know it, the coaches know it, sportswriters know it, announcers know it. The absurdity is that athletes cannot be recruited as athletes. Then the poor guy loaded with ability just might get a chance to do something with his life. Just one poet's opinion.

Sincerely,

Bill Logsdon
Jeffersonville, Ind.

We shall return

Dear Sir:

Thanks for another great year. And I'm ready for more.

Please pass this message on to the NCAA and to anyone else who doubts the University of Kentucky: Enjoy it while you can, we shall return.

Stick 'em 'Cats.

H.R. Bowman
GMCS(SW) U.S.N.
Ibila, Spain

Follow Jerry's example

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the renewal of my father's subscription to *The Cats' Pause*. This publication is my birthday present to him and he would not be able to function without this wonderful newspaper. We constantly discuss the articles that we have read and especially enjoy the "Back Thru the Wildcat Years" section.

I grew up in Hopkinsville and after a few years in Florida I have recently moved to Bowling Green. I am so glad to be out of Gator Country and back in the land of the Big Blue! I now have another orange team to hate along with Tennessee. Keep up the good work and do whatever you can to make sure that another Hopkinsville boy (Jerry Claiborne) gets a contract extension. He has constantly shown his class through many anguishing times and I feel that his example should be followed by some other coaches at

UK.

Sincerely,

Kevin T. Atwood
Bowling Green

Still Blue in Georgia

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my check for my renewal of you fine publication. Being a Blue-Blooded Wildcat fan down here in Georgia, I have a feeling I'm in for a rough winter. Especially after watching UK's first three games. However, I am very proud of these guys so far. For a young team they are doing great. It sure hurts to think of UK having a losing season, but when you play with fire, sooner or later you'll get burned. I urge our coaches and players to "hang in there." By March I expect we'll surprise a few teams. I hope our recruiting gets better. UK doesn't need the "Shawn Kemp type" of players. Let's be sure the guys that are recruited really are "fine young men." I hate to see (Cliff) Hagan take all the blame for this NCAA mess. However, whatever the outcome, I am still a Big Blue fan.

Lanny Asbridge
Lilburn, Ga.

UK will survive

Dear Sir:

The news of Cliff Hagan's resignation was very distressing to everyone that loves Kentucky basketball. However, the realities of the situation required the president to take action to replace the athletics director. (Now, all together—"He hates Kentucky basketball.")

President (David) Roselle had to make this decision based upon reason and not emotion. He did what anyone would do for a failing business. The A.D. was paid to administer the program. He is paid to assume the responsibility for what goes on. Bottom line: Cliff Hagan is responsible for knowing what his troops are up to in every sport, period! In this case, if he didn't then he wasn't doing his job. When you look at the options, Dr. Roselle had very few. He realizes it's white-knuckle time. There is no tomorrow! His largest revenue-producing sport has been accused of operating loose and free and now he is facing a potential death penalty like maybe none we've ever seen. It's high-stakes time. He wants a new manager that reflects his own philosophy and is in control of the top program. Earl Cox says in the current *TCP* that this decision to remove Hagan "was unnecessary, botched and clumsy." Yeah, I agree it was clumsy and maybe botched, but absolutely necessary! Earl goes on to say, "...there is one problem...one coach." Seriously, folks, either he knows something we don't or this is a powerful indictment before anyone has been tried. Everyone is afforded due process. He (Eddie Sutton) swears his innocence. Heck, maybe he is! Maybe he

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Hey, Joe: Coach Rupp and I have an idea or two

Can't you do something with that coach of yours?

Miss Spertsnews, take a memo, please.

Make it to the attention of that fellow who occupies Cliff Hagan's seat at the University of Kentucky. Who? Yeah, right, Mr. Burch, Joseph, but we're infor-



Earl Cox

Cats' Pause Columnist

mal so you can make it Joe.

Ready?

Let's go:

TO: Joe Burch, acting athletics director, UK.

FROM: Earl Cox, giver of free advice.

SUBJECT: UK basketball tickets and other related items.

Joe,

Most of us in Kentucky who are interested in the Wildcats have noticed your big advertisements about tickets being available to Big Blue games. In years past, that would have been a bit of a joke, wouldn't it? Joe, you're not laughing. Oh, believe me I know that we are dealing with a serious subject here, but it's still little boys' games we're talking about. I mean, it isn't the earthquake in Armenia.

I know that it's serious when you start paying for those big ads in *The Courier-Journal*. And I know that you have a serious problem filling up seats when you have to give tickets to radio stations to give away as promotions for your sales campaign.

Pardon me, but I can imagine what Coach Rupp would have to say about what you are doing. He'd be telling his longtime assistant, Harry Lancaster: "Harry, listen to this! Goshawfulest thing you've ever heard. You remember how we used to have to split up the student body when we played in Alumni Gym. Half the student body could come to this game, the other half to the next game.

"And we outgrew that building. That's why they built the Coliseum. What did they call that building? Oh, yes, the House that Rupp built. How could I forget that? But you know something else? We outgrew my building, too. And then came that 23,000-seat magnificent building downtown in Lexington.

"After my boys' record, they named that thing after me. Nice of them.

"But, Harry! I got carried away there and forgot my point. You remember how everybody bothered us to death about tickets? Well, Harry, I know you won't believe this, but damned if they aren't giving tickets away now to promote the sale of tickets! And they are paying good university money to advertise tickets in, of all places, that damned *Curious-Journal*. Hell, if I were coaching, I'd just call up Larry Boeck and we'd have a helluva spread in the C-J tomorrow. For nothing. Harry, it wouldn't cost anything but a phone call to Louisville.

"Harry, that's not all. I had the goshawfulest nightmare the other night. It was so silly that I had to laugh about it after I woke up. I dreamed that some little team from Louisiana - Northwestern something or other - beat our boys recently.

"No, Harry, there's nothing wrong with me. It was

just a bad dream. I know it couldn't really happen."

Sorry, Mr. Burch. But Coach Rupp always had a way of monopolizing conversations. But you know something, he gave me an idea and I'll pass it along to you. It was about free publicity. As you probably know, Kentuckians who follow the Wildcats are always interested in what the coach and the players have to say. It may be hard for your boss to understand because he's not one of us yet, but there are people in all 120 counties of the Commonwealth who



Have a Merry Christmas, Joe Burch!

really believe - and I mean that, they really believe - that the Wildcats belong to them. So it's understandable why they are interested in the coach and players.

So, my idea is this, and remember it's really Coach Rupp's idea. Here it is: Talk to your coach. You could say something like this: "Eddie, I've been thinking. You have seen our ticket ads in *The Courier-Journal*. What? You don't read the papers? Well, anyway, here's my idea: How about you opening up your practices? You and your players could talk to the riffraff from the media before practice. Some of you might have something interesting to say that would get us some free time on tonight's TV news and in tomorrow's papers."

And, Mr. Burch, while talking with your coach, you might mention to him that legal fees related to the NCAA investigation are now climbing toward the quarter of a million dollar mark. He has taken to getting advice from the likes of John Thompson and Coach God at Indiana. Since Coach God donates most of his shoe money to the university, you might tell your coach about that and he might take the hint. After all, because he makes your players wear his brand of shoe, he gets in the neighborhood of \$160,000 yearly. I read it in *Sports Illustrated*. Since your coach and his staff are responsible for this costly mess, don't you think that it's only fair that he help pay for it?

And I have another money-saving idea, too. It's one you'll understand because you're a lawyer. I heard that some lawyers are representing some of your players for nothing. Which ones? Silly, there are so many that I can't keep up. But I read in the paper

that each time that big law firm makes a copy of a sheet of paper, that the university gets a bill. Honest. I wouldn't make that up. But my idea is that since you are a lawyer and can talk that legal talk, maybe you could suggest to that big firm about considering some pro bono work?

You're welcome, Mr. Burch. And you have a nice Christmas, too. But, please, I don't even want to think about what the New Year will bring.

IT'S FAIRDALE - The heartbeat of high school basketball in the nation moves to Fairdale this week. Yes, little Fairdale. For those of you who don't know where Fairdale is, it's a community in southwest Jefferson County. The pride of the community is Fairdale High School. Just get on the Gene Snyder Freeway and go west until you see the Fairdale sign. It's just a few miles west of I-65.

Anyway, Fairdale this week is host to the nation's best tournament, the King of the Bluegrass Holiday Classic. The 16-team tournament features Kentucky's best, including defending state champion Ballard, and four out-of-state teams. And are they ever out of state! The visitors are from New York City, California, Miami and Tennessee.

It all starts Thursday at 4:30 p.m. when Eastern plays Meade County. Central and Fort Knox tangle at 7:30 and will be followed by Bourbon County and Central City at 9. Bourbon County has a freshman who is so good that you'll have to see him to believe him. His name is Corcy Williams. He's 6-6 and is the big reason why the Colonels are the 10th Region favorite.

Both of Fairdale's gyms will be in use Friday. Inglewood, Ca., plays Miami Carol City at 4:30, Christ the King, N.Y., plays Cleveland, Tn., at 6. In other Friday games, it'll be Clark County-Jefferson-town at 6, Fairdale-Hart County at 7:30 and Ballard-Madisonville at 9.

The teams will skip Sunday and finish up with the final at 8:30 Tuesday.

FOOTBALL RECRUITING - Social note: Mr. Howard Schnellenberger called on the Oscar Brohm family last Thursday. This week the Brohms will entertain Mr. Jerry Claiborne.

The object of the coaches' affection, of course, is the Brohms' son, Jeff, who lived a quarterback's dream day (10 for 10 passes and two touchdowns, plus one touchdown running) in the 4-A championship game.

U of L has two legs up on Jeff. 1. His father was a U of L quarterback. 2. U of L had the good sense to recruit his brother, Greg, last year.

But his father assured me that Jeff will make up his own mind and announce his choice probably in January. In the meantime, he'll star for Trinity's basketball team. After that it'll be baseball, which may be his best sport. He's a shortstop and was invited to a special tryout camp by the Cincinnati Reds last fall. And he's about 15th in a class of 290 or so.

UK didn't think his brother was fast enough. He only runs the 40 in 4.5. Hey, I don't make these things up.

CATCHING UP - Good news: Dick Gabriel of Channel 27 called to say that Dave Baker will so do some features on coach Eddie Sutton's show this year. And thanks to those of you called or wrote to tell me that Harry Gilmer played for Alabama, not Georgia. I knew that, but try telling one of these silly computers. Two people called who actually saw the UK-Alabama game at duPont Manual Stadium.

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Big Four may have started a trend in college hoops

Two other similar tourneys have sprung up

When four of basketball's bluebloods decided last year to start an annual December doubleheader, it probably started a new trend in college hoops. Kentucky, Louisville, Indiana and Notre Dame



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started the Bank One Big Four Classic last year. All four teams were ranked in the top 25 and over 43,000 screaming fans paid \$25 each to watch the action in the Hoosier Dome.

The second extravaganza Dec. 3 drew over 45,000 fans even though the four teams had a combined mark of just 6-6 and just one, Louisville, was ranked in the top 20.

"No matter what the records this is one of the classics in college basketball," said Notre Dame Coach Digger Phelps. "You're going to see more places doing this."

"It is very healthy for college basketball. It allows schools to get into national competition before they start conference play. This could be so popular that you might even see some of these things in January or February."

"Strength of schedule does more for you getting into the NCAA than winning 20 games does. That's why these games are so good."

Others have noticed. The weekend the inaugural Tournament of Champions was played in Charlotte, N.C., with Temple, Missouri, North Carolina and Arizona participating. All four were ranked in the top 20.

Another doubleheader made its debut in McNichols Arena in Denver the same weekend. Wyoming played Wake Forest while Purdue met host Colorado.

The Atlantic Coast Conference and Big East are also discussing a December event that would match teams from each league.

"The first and second weekends in December are great dates for college basketball," said Phelps. "The Big Four here is a happening. People want to be here to see two great matchups. That's why these things are good for the game and good for the fans."

The Classic, and that term has to be used lightly after the way Louisville and Notre Dame demolished Indiana and Kentucky this year, should be even better.

The schools, though, apparently have only one priority — making as much money as possible.

Why else wouldn't arrangements be made to open the Friday practice sessions to the fans? Practices before many NCAA Tournament games are open to the public and every time the team has left the court okay. But somebody must be afraid of something crazy happening at the Hoosier Dome.

If the four schools really want this to approach a Final Four setting, the fans should be allowed to watch practices. At least that way the ones paying \$25 to set in the cheap seats could at least see what the players look like.

Even the media has been banned from the practices. Well, almost all the media has been booted out.

If you have an ABC-TV badge, then you are not considered disruptive to the practices. Of course, ABC-TV has a four-year deal to televise the games and no one would expect them to operate under the same rules as all other media members at the Big Four Classic.

It's amazing how college presidents and athletic directors can talk about integrity one day and then sell out to TV the next. When the big bucks talk, the college administrators jump.

These same administrators, though, can't tolerate

giving a potential recruit a T-shirt or loaning a player money for food or clothes. They feel those things ruin college basketball.

Somehow, though, letting a TV network buy its way into practice and dictate game times is okay. The logic escapes me unless making money is all schools are interested in and no one would ever admit that is the goal of their scholar-athletes.

WHEN BASKETBALL analyst Dick Vitale saw the Northwestern State players last week, he told them they could beat Kentucky if they believed they could.

Vitale, who works for ESPN and ABC-TV, had watched the Cats in their 81-65 loss to Notre Dame and knew any team that could run or rebound would give UK problems.

"We saw him at the Cincinnati airport and he told us we could beat Kentucky," said Northwestern guard Patrick Wesley. "We thought he was just joking and trying to be nice."

The joke, though, was on Kentucky because the Demons stunned the Wildcats 85-82.

"We don't need to play Kentucky eight more times," said Northwestern Coach Dan Bell. "If we did, we would get our fannies drilled eight times. We can't beat this team night in and night out. Just this one night was our game."

"This was the best situation we could ever catch Kentucky in," said Northwestern guard Patrick Wesley. "With all the problems they are having this is a good time to play Kentucky. They have too much stuff on the outside to worry about to concentrate totally on basketball."

Both Sutton and LeRon Ellis, who had a sensational 37-point outing against Northwestern, said the current NCAA probe was not the reason UK had played poorly in two straight games.

"Just because we lose one or two games is no reason to blame that," said Sutton. "We're just a young team that doesn't handle adversity on the court very well yet."

"This whole NCAA thing has gone on so long that we have just put it all on the back burner," said Ellis. "We're concentrating on basketball and having good

practices.

"We're frustrated by what's going on on the court, not what's happening off the court."

Ellis just hopes Kentucky fans don't give up on the team too soon.

"It doesn't matter what we say or do because some fans will think what they want," said Ellis. "I just hope they will bear with us. When we get some experience and confidence, we will get on a roll and win some games for them. They just need to give us time."

COUNT SUTTON and Vanderbilt Coach C.M. Newton as two believers in Louisville.

"I am very impressed by Louisville," said the UK mentor. "I still contend they are one of the two or three best teams in the country and they displayed it. Louisville is for real. It has a chance to have a great season."

Vanderbilt Coach C.M. Newton agreed even though his club beat the Cardinals on a desperation last-second shot by Barry Goheen.

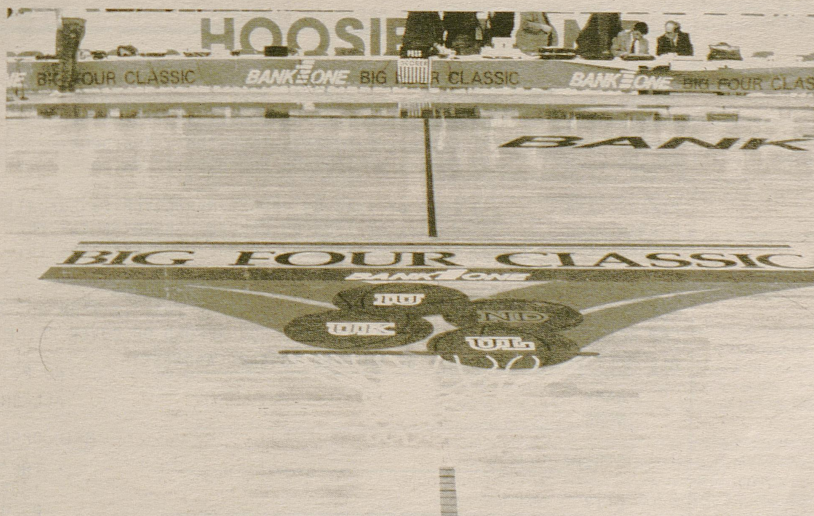
"Louisville is an outstanding team with great talent," said Newton. "We just caught them on a night where they weren't shooting. They didn't get different shots or lack intensity. The shots just went down. They have the potential to be in the Final Four."

TENNESSEE opened league play with a win at Mississippi but Ole Miss newcomer Gerald Glass made a believer of Vol Coach Don DeVoe with his 38-point outing.

"He had as good a game as you could have for his first SEC game and first game in Oxford," said DeVoe. "He did all he could do. He scored inside and outside. He blocked our shots."

"Nobody we had could keep him from scoring and our team couldn't stop him. He's going to be a threat for high scoring honors on a national basis this year."

The 6-7 Glass sat out last season after transferring from Division II Delta State to Ole Miss.



The Big Four has been such a hit that two other cities have copied the format. Last week in Charlotte, four Top Twenty clubs—North Carolina, Missouri, Temple and Arizona did battle in the first annual Tournament of Champions. Meanwhile there was a doubleheader in Denver with Wyoming taking on Wake Forest and Purdue going against host Colorado.

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Got a few gripes to get off my chest this week

C'mon students, get your butts down to Rupp

WHEN I SET about to write this column early last week, I had a few major gripes with the University of Kentucky basketball program. A couple of them were settled in the game last Wednesday.



Dan Brandenburg

Cats' Pause Columnist

day, but others were strengthened by the fact that the Wildcats lost 85-82 to Northwestern State.

Just about everyone — apparently including the UK players — had written this one off as a win. But Thursday morning, people were suddenly asking from which state (Louisiana) did Northwestern hail.

Since the Cats had won every home opener since 1972, it appeared that many people decided to stay home and watch it on TV because there were about 4,000 empty seats.

The majority of that total belonged to students which were few and far between. One entire end of upper arena, which seats 13,000 total at Rupp, was deserted and all of those seats were allocated for student use.

It seems that about half of the student seats belonged to fair-weather fans, who only come out when the Cats are of national championship calibre.

Let's face facts. No one can win national titles or probably even conference crowns with a team as young as Kentucky. The Cats have been starting two freshmen, two sophomores and a junior. Of the five remaining scholarship players, four are freshmen and the other is a senior.

At one point last Wednesday, UK had on the floor two true freshmen, two redshirt freshmen and a sophomore.

Even considering the team's obvious shortcomings, how many schools can field two high school All-Americans (LeRon Ellis and Chris Mills)? Even in the worst of times, of which this season is a prime example, Kentucky is still mediocre instead of just down right bad.

EVEN WITH THE current state of affairs concerning the UK basketball program, there shouldn't an empty seat in Rupp whenever the Cats are in town. If you've always wanted to see Kentucky play but couldn't get a ticket, now is your chance.

Take advantage of it.

Back to my original gripes, which concerned the amount of playing time being doled out to Richie Farmer and Johnathon Davis.

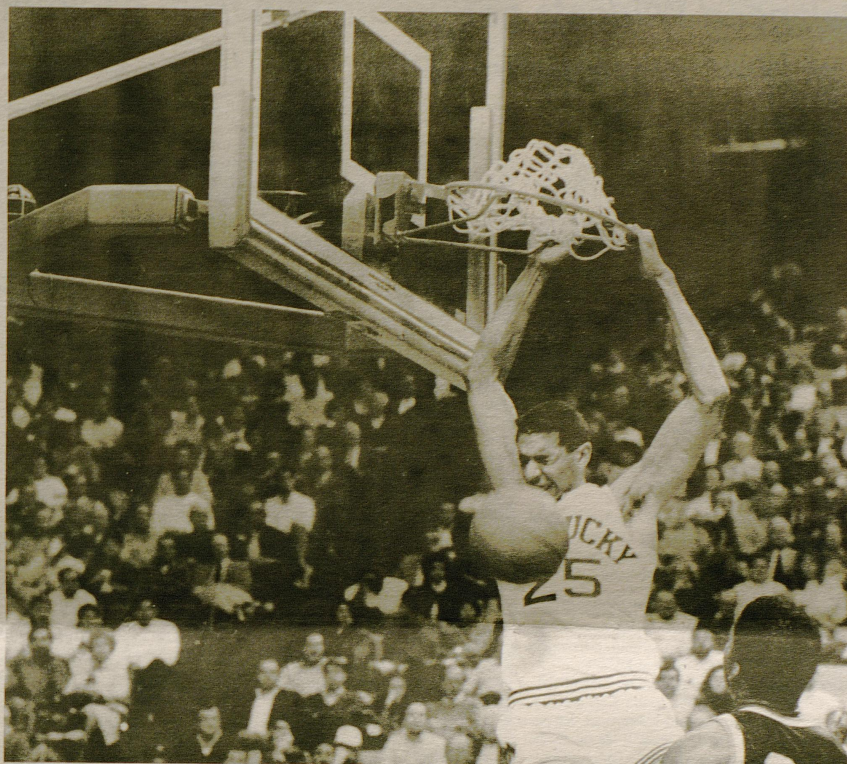
Farmer had seen just 17 minutes in the Cats' first five games, including missing one contest entirely. However, he was on the court for 20 minutes against Northwestern.

It's about time. There's no doubt that Farmer and LeRon Ellis, who carded a career-high 37 points against the Demons, are the crowd favorites and with good reason.

Most Kentucky basketball fans have been following Farmer's career since he made his Sweet Sixteen debut while still in the eighth grade and later led Clay County to the state title.

Sean Sutton is the team's best point guard without a doubt, but he is only average on defense and much less than that as a shooter.

Farmer is even slower on defense, but he is a whale of a shooter, can do some passing and, I'm sure, can dribble the ball upcourt under pressure.



Ellis is a whiz with the ball, but the big guy needs to start hitting the boards, too

Sutton, in his first four games, hit just 20 percent from the field and 50 percent from the line. He was averaging 2.5 points per game and opponents were barely even bothering to guard him once the ball got into front court.

Farmer has got to have his chance. Sure, he's green and got a long way to go, but he can pick up some of the slack left by Sutton's downcomings. However, he can't do it by playing four minutes a game.

HE GOT HIS first real opportunity Wednesday and responded by swishing a three-pointer early in the first half for his first field goal as a Wildcat.

On the night, he hit 2 out of 6 (five of them three-pointers) from the field and 4 of 5 free throws for a total of 10 points in 20 minutes.

His other field goal came late in the contest and tied the game at 80, setting up UK's final chance at a come-from-behind victory. Farmer did, though, miss a couple of other treys under pressure in the closing seconds that could have tied it up.

He also drew an intentional foul call at the end that hurt but, overall, it was a worthy effort. I'll take it over the first five games of the season in which he scored a total of two points.

My other gripe — which was actually more of a question — was quickly answered in the first half last week: Why isn't Davis getting more PT?

The redshirt freshman had played just one minute of one game — the same as the three walk-ons — before Northwestern. Suddenly, I found out why.

Davis entered the game with 6:43 left in the first half and UK leading by 11 points. In his two minutes on the hardwood, he managed a steal and

a rare offensive rebound. However, he also lost a pass out of bounds and walked while trying to put the rebound back up.

Apparently, even after sitting out a season, Davis is just not ready to play college ball. If he was, he would surely be playing because of UK's body shortage.

Rebounding and defense are Kentucky's major problems now. More accurately, a lack of rebounding and defense.

WHILE LERON ELLIS is an offensive whiz, he is average at best at hitting the boards, pulling down only five per contest. That is just unreal considering he is 6-10, has good leaping ability and faces little competition on rebounds from his teammates.

Chris Mills, a freshman guard, is also averaging five per game.

Against Northwestern, whose tallest player measured 6-7, Kentucky was outrebounded 32-31. Ellis had 6, Mills got 4.

Almost every time a Demon shot head toward the hole in the first half, one of the UK coaches would yell "box," apparently meaning box-out and get the rebound dammit. It seemed to work because UK had a 22-18 rebound lead at intermission and led by five points.

The second half, though, was a different story.

The Wildcats have a long way to go defensively, as well. Derrick Miller is one notable liability, especially since he fouled out in just 13 minutes against Northwestern. He is basically an offense-only player.

Hanson, Mills and Ellis aren't much better, they

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Farmer, Sutton catapult

Balanced Wildcats get production from backcourt, put Western Carolina away early in 78-60 victory

By TCP staff writer Jim Easterwood

LEXINGTON — Life on the basketball court hasn't been exactly a bed of bluegrass this year for Kentucky coach Eddie Sutton. Or the son of Sutton, Sean.

The coach's problems have been well-documented. They concern some 18 allegations of wrongdoing in the Wildcat basketball program.

But Sean's misfortunes have been both physical and mental. It began with a fractured cheekbone courtesy of an inadvertent Derrick Miller elbow. This cost the soft-spoken Sean some early playing time.

Lately the problems have been more cerebral of nature.

Already inflamed by the alleged sins of Sutton's program, many fans have let their feelings against the coach spill over onto his son.

UNFAIRLY, IT SEEMS. Criticism that Sutton would play his son over the celebrated Richie Farmer is, at best, misguided.

Saturday, both Sean and Richie did their best to mute this dissent. They went together like Wally Wilkinson and a lottery ticket as Kentucky rolled over Western Carolina 78-60. It was a remarkable showcase of feats of Clay.

Playing with the younger Sutton much of the time, the Clay County native, Farmer, connected for 15 points. Included were three three-pointers that pushed the 'Cats to an early 31-11 lead. For the first time this year Farmer seemed comfortable with himself as a college player.

Meanwhile, the former Henry Clay High School all-stater, Sean, was feeling as comfortable as an old shoe. He sacrificed scoring for a leadership role in the first half as Kentucky led 43-26. He dished off five times for Wildcat buckets.

However, in the second half he hit four of five shots, including his first-ever three-point shot, as the 'Cats roared to an easy victory.

It was, said Sean, like old home week Saturday at Rupp.

Warming up, he was surprised to see his former principal, Ken Cox, show up in a striped shirt. But with him were Blue Devil head football coach Jake Bell and assistant Dave Bair.

The three SEC officials, who normally work out-of-town games, had hurriedly answered a noon call to Rupp. Somebody had screwed up. The officials originally assigned were not notified the game had been rescheduled from a night affair to a matinee performance.

FRIENDLY BLUE DEVIL FACES—not the Duke kind—were just what Sutton needed to erase memories of a disastrous 85-82 loss to Northwestern State Wednesday night.

"I don't know...I just felt good out there," said Sutton. "I think being around the Henry Clay guys kind of relaxed me."

Yes, all the 'Cats needed to beat the Catamounts was a little R&R. Relaxed and ready. Played to the tune of "Let's Get Physical."

"We took Northwestern too lightly," said freshman sensation Chris Mills. "We can't afford to do that. We played Western Carolina like they were North Carolina."

Which they weren't.

The team from Cullowhee—try and find it on your map—was well suited for the 'Cats. Short, slow, and not too talented.

First-year coach Dave Possinger was used to his St. Thomas Aquinas teams beating up on NAIA foes in a little band-box gym in Sparkill, N.Y. Welcome to the big time, Dave.

"I think it was a game Kentucky had to win and they had to win the way they won," said Possinger. "The way they played got their crowd excited and got them back into Kentucky basketball."

Playing together and playing some defense, the 'Cats catapulted by the Catamounts early.

They raced to leads of 12-2, 28-8 and 43-21 (the largest margin) before settling for a 43-26 halftime edge.

Eleven of Farmer's points came in the first half, a far cry from the 12 total he got in the previous six games.

"I FELT COMFORTABLE OUT THERE," said the 6-0 Man from Manchester.

Sean Sutton said it had only been a matter of time.

"Richie had to make a big adjustment coming out of high school," said Sean. "Players are bigger and stronger in college. I don't think he faced the competition that say, Chris (Mills) did in California."

Sutton also has had to make adjustments. Last year, in spot roles, he was content to feed other players. But he realizes he has to punch out a few buckets too. The three-pointer he hit late in the game was a good example.

"I've been working on my outside shooting a lot," said Sutton. "I'm feeling more comfortable lately in shooting the ball."

Kentucky also got better balance in this game. LeRon Ellis led the 'Cats again with 19 points, followed by Farmer's 15. Reggie Hanson had nine, as did Sutton, with Mills and Mike Scott adding eight each.

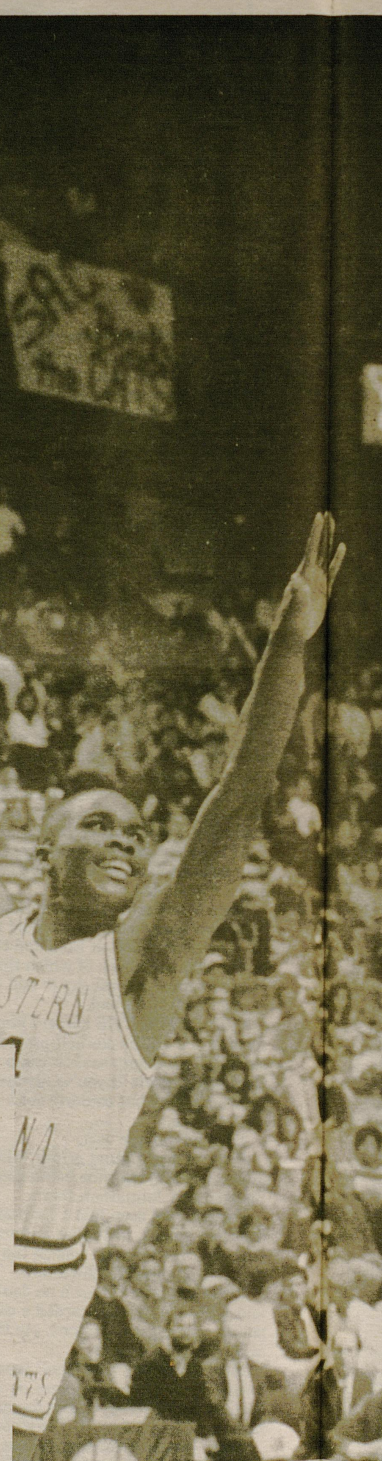
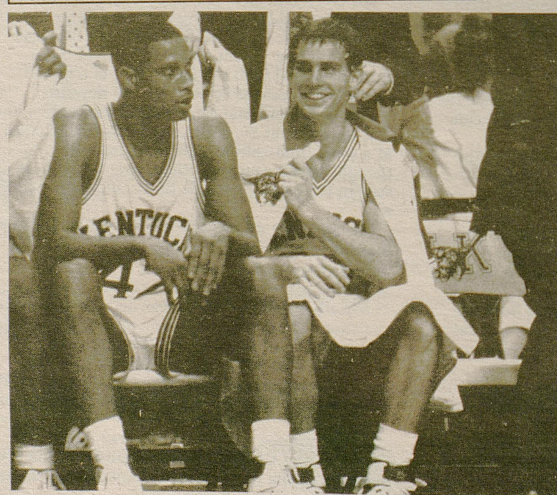
Western Carolina (1-3) had one talent—senior forward Bennie Goettie. He scored 26 points, a lot of them inside on Ellis. He also had nine rebounds.

UK KEPT THE PRESSURE ON for the entire game with fine 57.6 percent shooting, including four of nine from three-point land. Farmer hit three of four.

The rout was so complete even Johnathon Davis, the team's DR (Designated Rebounder) got into the fray along with walk-ons Chris Jones, Anthony Mathis and Jeff Ginnan.

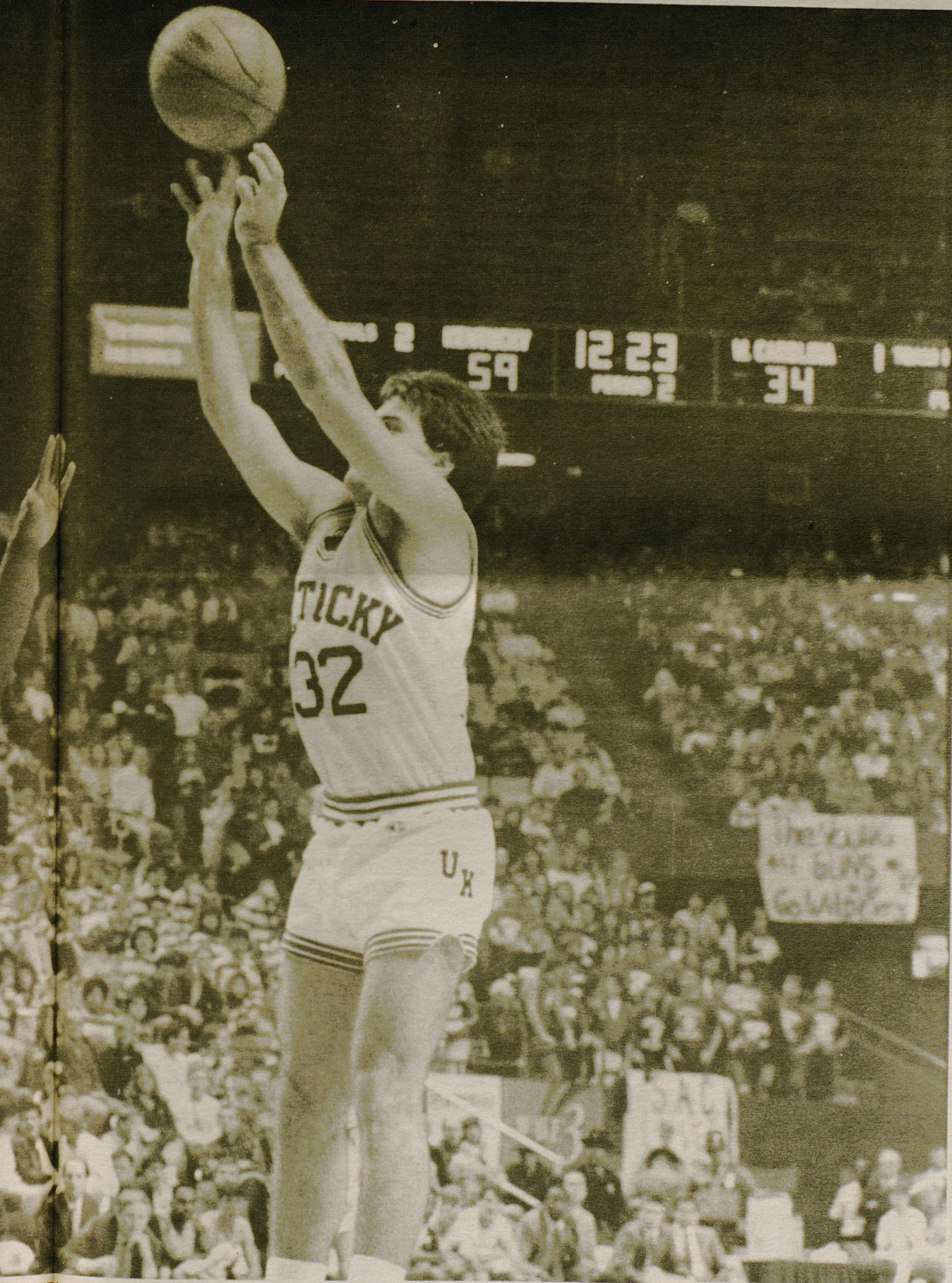
"We didn't let up," said Mills. "Regardless of the opposition, we have to respect them. Northwestern taught us that."

| OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|---|
| Date: Dec. 10/88 Site: RUPP ARENA, LEXINGTON | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| VISITORS (Last Name, First) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| No. | WESTERN CAROLINA | pts | reb | ast | stl | blk | ft | fta | 3pt | 3pt a | pf | tp | A | T | |
| 21 | Gray, Keith | 1 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| 33 | Goettie, Bennie | 1 | 11 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 3 | 26 | 1 | 9 |
| 44 | O'Connor, Greg | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| 13 | Johnson, Maurice | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 24 | Donerison, David | 2 | 3 | 10 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 4 | Battle, Willie | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 0 |
| 11 | Hill, Robert | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 14 | Lewis, Myron | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 32 | Muller, Cornelius | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 42 | Miller, Terry | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 30 | Campbell, Brian | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| TEAM REBOUNDS (included in Totals) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FG %: 1st Half 51-26, 42.3% 2nd Half 16-25, 64.0% Game 27-51, 52.9% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3-PT FG %: 1st Half 3-8, 37.5% 2nd Half 2-3, 66.7% Game 4-9, 44.4% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FT %: 1st Half 1-1, 100% 2nd Half 2-2, 100% Game 3-5, 60.0% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HOME (Last Name, First) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| No. | KENTUCKY | pts | reb | ast | stl | blk | ft | fta | 3pt | 3pt a | pf | tp | A | T | |
| 35 | Hanson, Reggie | 1 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 42 | Mills, Chris | 1 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 25 | Ellis, LeRon | 0 | 8 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 19 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 4 | Miller, Derrick | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 20 | Sutton, Sean | 9 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 16 | 2 |
| 10 | Mathis, Anthony | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 12 | Felthous, Barton | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 21 | Jones, Chris | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 32 | Farmer, Richie | 6 | 9 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 33 | Davis, Johnathon | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 34 | Pelphrey, John | 2 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 44 | Stander, Jeff | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 30 | Scott, Mike | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| TEAM REBOUNDS (included in Totals) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FG %: 1st Half 81-33, 56.3% 2nd Half 16-27, 59.3% Game 34-59, 57.6% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3-PT FG %: 1st Half 3-8, 37.5% 2nd Half 1-3, 33.3% Game 4-9, 44.4% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FT %: 1st Half 4-6, 66.7% 2nd Half 2-2, 100.0% Game 6-8, 75.0% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OFFICIALS: Ken Cox, Dave Bair, Jake Bell | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TECHNICAL FOULS: None | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ATT: 18,252 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SCORE BY PERIOD | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| WEST CAROLINA 26 34 --- -- 60 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| KENTUCKY 43 35 --- -- 78 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



The backcourt combination of Richie Farmer, including four of five from three-point range, in one three-and-a-half minute stretch in the second half to score nine points

'Cats past Catamounts

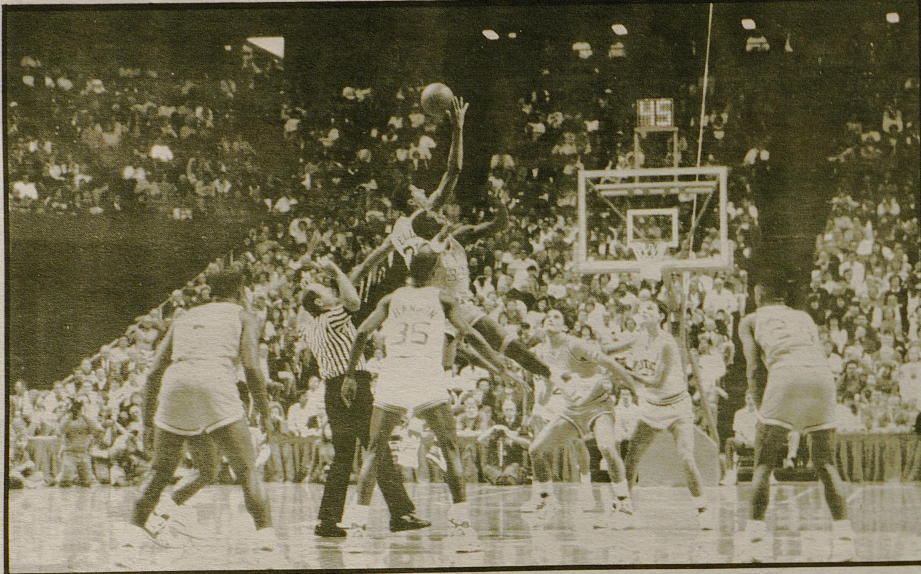


...ion of Richie Farmer and Sean Sutton, who played together much of the time, converted 10 of 14 field goal attempts, three-point range, and scored a total of 24 points. Farmer, above, came off the bench and drilled three three-pointers in a minute stretch in the first half and finished with 15 points. Sutton dished out a team-high six assists and caught fire for nine points before taking a seat next to Chris Mills on the Kentucky bench.

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UK-W. Carolina play-by-play

| Time | Kentucky | Score | Western Carolina |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 19:43 | Miller 4 ft. follow | 2-0 | |
| 19:07 | Hanson layup | 4-0 | |
| 18:27 | Ellis 8 ft. | 6-0 | |
| 17:44 | | 6-2 | Goettie layup |
| 17:25 | Mills 6 ft. | 8-2 | |
| 15:49 | Hanson layup, FT | 11-2 | |
| 14:37 | Ellis FTA, FT | 12-2 | |
| 14:23 | | 12-4 | Lewis layup |
| 13:59 | Mills 18 ft. | 14-4 | |
| 13:29 | Ellis 5 ft. | 16-4 | |
| 12:45 | Farmer 20 ft. | 19-4 | |
| 12:13 | | 19-6 | Campbell layup |
| 11:54 | Farmer 21 ft. | 22-6 | |
| 11:14 | Scott layup | 24-6 | |
| 10:46 | | 24-8 | Gray layup |
| 10:27 | Farmer layup | 26-8 | |
| 9:48 | Scott tip-in | 28-8 | |
| 9:26 | | 28-11 | Donerison 20 ft. |
| 9:13 | Farmer 21 ft. | 31-11 | |
| 7:49 | | 31-13 | O'Conner layup |
| 7:21 | Pelphrey 18 ft. | 33-13 | |
| 7:02 | | 33-15 | Goettie 15 ft. |
| 6:48 | Ellis 12 ft. | 35-15 | |
| 5:42 | | 35-17 | O'Conner 9 ft. |
| 4:50 | | 35-19 | Hill layup |
| 4:26 | Ellis FT, FT | 37-19 | |
| 4:11 | | 37-20 | Goettie FT, FTA |
| 4:05 | Scott 12 ft. | 39-20 | |
| 3:39 | | 39-21 | Goettie FT, FTA |
| 2:38 | Miller 17 ft. | 41-21 | |
| 2:06 | Scott layup | 43-21 | |
| 0:25 | | 43-23 | Goettie tip-in |
| 0:03 | | 43-26 | Battle 20 ft. |
| HALF | | 43-26 | |
| 18:52 | Ellis reverse layup | 45-26 | |
| 18:09 | Ellis layup | 47-26 | |
| 17:30 | | 47-28 | Gray layup |
| 16:38 | Sutton layup | 49-28 | |
| 16:10 | | 49-30 | Goettie 15 ft. |
| 14:59 | Mills FT, FT | 51-30 | |
| 14:30 | Hanson layup | 53-30 | |
| 13:58 | Sutton layup | 55-30 | |
| 13:39 | Ellis layup | 57-30 | |
| 13:35 | | 57-32 | Donerison layup |
| 13:18 | Feldhaus 18 ft. | 59-32 | |
| 12:38 | | 59-34 | Goettie 6 ft. |
| 10:02 | | 59-36 | Hill dunk |
| 9:11 | | 59-38 | Goettie layup |
| 8:55 | Hanson layup | 61-38 | |
| 8:30 | | 61-40 | Goettie 7 ft. |
| 8:12 | Pelphrey layup | 63-40 | |
| 7:51 | | 63-42 | Miller 8 ft. hook |
| 7:36 | Farmer layup | 65-42 | |
| 7:25 | | 65-44 | Miller 8 ft. hook |
| 6:53 | Mills tip-in | 67-44 | |
| 6:15 | Ellis 5 ft. | 69-44 | |
| 5:26 | | 69-46 | Goettie layup |
| 5:09 | Ellis 15 ft. | 71-46 | |
| 4:31 | | 71-48 | Goettie FT, FT |
| 4:11 | Sutton 16 ft. | 73-48 | |
| 3:51 | | 73-50 | Donerison layup |
| 3:36 | Sutton 20 ft. | 76-50 | |
| 3:33 | | 76-52 | Goettie layup |
| 3:00 | | 76-54 | Goettie 12 ft. |
| 2:02 | | 76-56 | Goettie layup |
| 0:45 | | 76-58 | Miller layup |
| 0:13 | | 76-60 | Battle layup, FTA |
| 0:00 | Farmer 16 ft. | 78-60 | |
| FINAL | | 78-60 | |
| | | | —Cats' Pause chart |



'Cats Back on Track

(Top left) Kentucky's LeRon Ellis easily controls the tap.

(Middle left) 'Cat assistant James Dickey is all smiles in an postgame interview with Rob Bromley. Dickey and the Wildcats got back on track with a victory over Western Carolina.

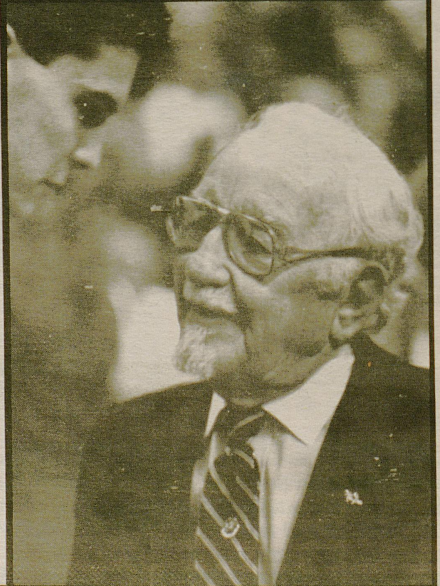
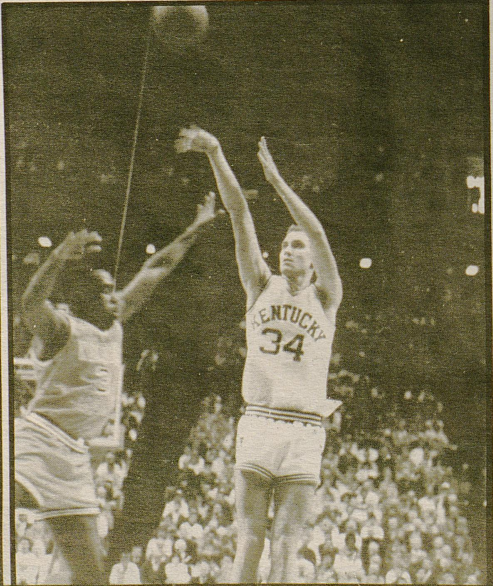
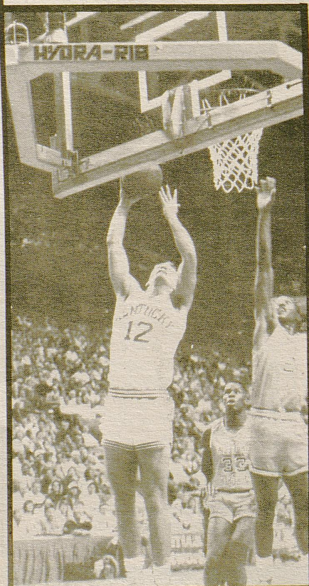
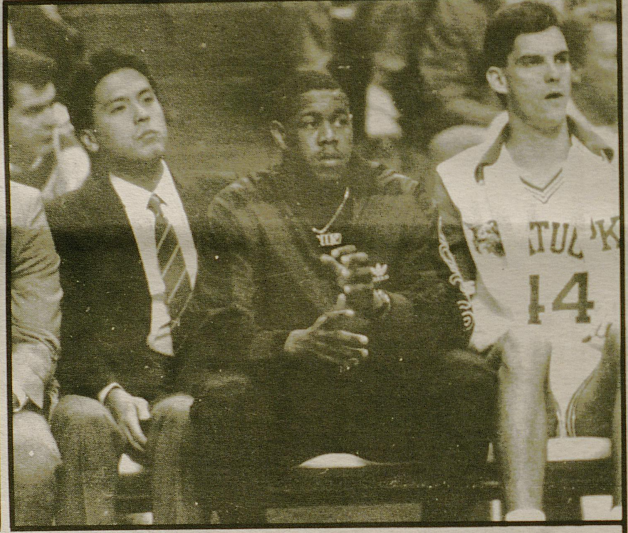
(Middle right) Eric Manuel is still waiting to hear from ACT.

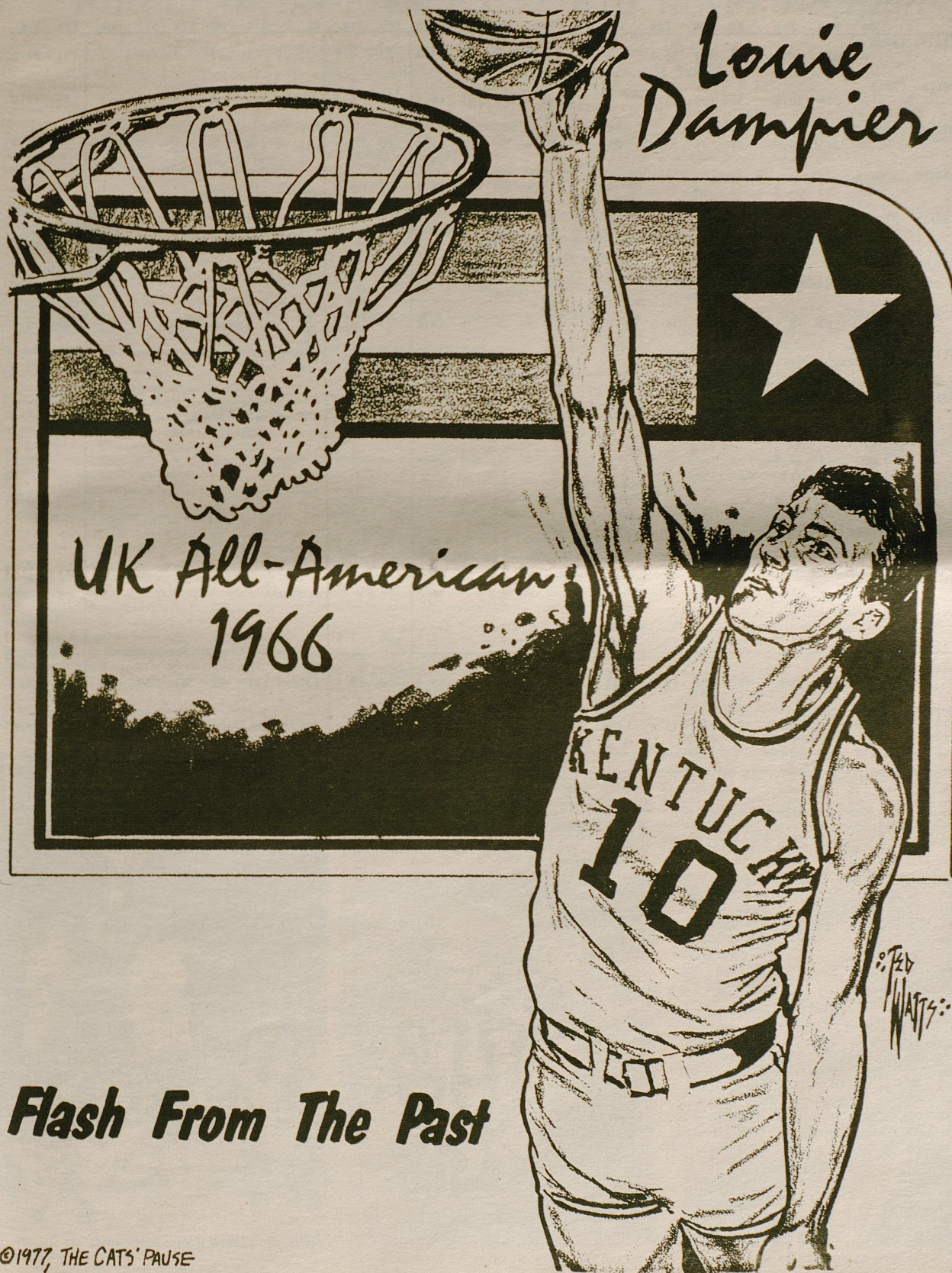
(Bottom left) Off an running, Deron Feldhaus successfully completes this UK fast break.

(Bottom middle) Guard John Pelphrey was 2 of 3 from the field for 4 points.

(Bottom right) 'Super fan' Steve Rardin watched his 606 straight UK game.

photos by Gary Cromwell





Flash From The Past

University of Kentucky Wildcat basketball statistics (After seven games)

| G | GS | Min | Avg | FG | FGA | Pct | 3PT | 3PTA | Pct | FT | FTA | Pct | Reb | Avg | PF | D | Ast | TO | Blk | Stl | Dnk | Pts | Avg | |
|------------------|----|-----|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| ELLIS, LeRON | 7 | 6 | 213 | 30.4 | 60 | 107 | 56.1 | - | - | - | 31 | 42 | 73.8 | 33 | 4.7 | 22 | 1 | 5 | 17 | 7 | 13 | 2 | 151 | 21.6 |
| MILLS, CHRIS | 7 | 7 | 214 | 30.6 | 34 | 69 | 49.3 | 2 | 12 | 16.7 | 14 | 21 | 66.7 | 33 | 4.7 | 21 | - | 16 | 3 | 3 | 8 | - | 84 | 12.0 |
| MILLER, DERRICK | 7 | 4 | 115 | 16.4 | 27 | 49 | 55.1 | 11 | 19 | 57.9 | 4 | 7 | 57.1 | 10 | 1.4 | 12 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 1 | 5 | - | 69 | 9.9 |
| HANSON, REGGIE | 7 | 7 | 243 | 34.7 | 23 | 54 | 42.6 | - | - | - | 20 | 27 | 74.1 | 33 | 4.7 | 24 | 1 | 15 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 1 | 66 | 9.4 |
| FARMER, RICHIE | 6 | - | 56 | 9.3 | 8 | 19 | 42.1 | 5 | 12 | 41.7 | 6 | 7 | 85.7 | 6 | 1.0 | 4 | - | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | 27 | 4.5 |
| SUTTON, SEAN | 6 | 6 | 197 | 32.8 | 9 | 25 | 36.0 | 1 | 3 | 33.3 | 4 | 8 | 50.0 | 11 | 1.8 | 13 | 1 | 42 | 16 | - | 8 | - | 23 | 3.8 |
| SCOTT, MIKE | 7 | 4 | 127 | 18.1 | 11 | 28 | 39.3 | - | - | - | 4 | 6 | 66.7 | 33 | 4.7 | 13 | - | 5 | 6 | 7 | 2 | - | 26 | 3.7 |
| PELPHREY, JOHN | 7 | 1 | 134 | 19.1 | 8 | 14 | 57.1 | 1 | 2 | 50.0 | 4 | 6 | 66.7 | 13 | 1.9 | 14 | - | 15 | 11 | - | 2 | - | 21 | 3.0 |
| FELDHIAUS, DERON | 7 | - | 91 | 13.0 | 7 | 17 | 41.2 | 1 | 1 | 100.0 | - | 1 | - | 16 | 2.3 | 7 | - | 4 | 14 | 2 | 1 | - | 15 | 2.1 |
| JONES, CHRIS | 1 | - | 1 | 1.0 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | 100.0 | 1 | 1.0 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 2.0 |
| GINNAN, JEFF | 1 | - | 1 | 1.0 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 50.0 | 2 | 2.0 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1.0 |
| DAVIS, JONATHAN | 3 | - | 7 | 2.3 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | .7 | 1 | - | - | 3 | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| MATHIS, ANTHONY | 1 | - | 1 | 1.0 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| TEAM | 7 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 20 | 2.9 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - |
| WILDCATS | 7 | - | 1400 | 200. | 187 | 383 | 48.8 | 21 | 49 | 42.9 | 90 | 129 | 69.8 | 213 | 30.4 | 131 | 4 | 113 | 112 | 31 | 50 | 3 | 485 | 69.3 |
| OPPONENTS | 7 | - | 1400 | 200. | 190 | 399 | 47.6 | 20 | 86 | 23.3 | 94 | 138 | 68.1 | 241 | 34.4 | 131 | 2 | 106 | 108 | 9 | 60 | 1 | 494 | 70.6 |

| Date | Record | UK | Opp | Opponent | Margin | Top Scorer | Top Rebounder | Attendance |
|---------|--------|----|-----|--------------------|--------|--------------------|------------------|------------|
| Nov. 19 | 0-1 | 55 | 80 | Duke | -25 | 17 ELLIS, LeRON | 11 MILLS, CHRIS | 8,908 (A) |
| Nov. 25 | 1-1 | 56 | 54 | Iona | 2 | 22 ELLIS, LeRON | 7 SCOTT, MIKE | 3,765 (A) |
| Nov. 26 | 1-2 | 60 | 63 | Seton Hall | -3 | 21 MILLS, CHRIS | 6 HANSON, REGGIE | 3,250 (A) |
| Nov. 28 | 2-2 | 89 | 71 | California | 18 | 36 MILLER, DERRICK | 8 ELLIS, LeRON | 3,652 (A) |
| Dec. 03 | 2-3 | 65 | 81 | Notre Dame | -16 | 22 ELLIS, LeRON | 7 HANSON, REGGIE | 45,214 (A) |
| Dec. 07 | 2-4 | 82 | 85 | NORTHWESTERN STATE | -3 | 37 ELLIS, LeRON | 8 HANSON, REGGIE | 18,932 (H) |
| Dec. 10 | 3-4 | 78 | 60 | WESTERN CAROLINA | 18 | 19 ELLIS, LeRON | 5 SCOTT, MIKE | 18,253 (H) |

REMAINING GAMES

| | | |
|---------|---------------------|-----|
| Dec. 16 | BOWLING GREEN STATE | (H) |
| Dec. 17 | UKIT | (H) |
| Dec. 20 | INDIANA | (H) |
| Dec. 27 | AUSTIN PEAY | (H) |
| Dec. 31 | Louisville | (A) |
| Jan. 04 | GEORGIA | (H) |
| Jan. 07 | VANDERBILT | (H) |
| Jan. 12 | Florida | (A) |
| Jan. 14 | LOUISIANA STATE | (H) |
| Jan. 18 | Alabama | (A) |
| Jan. 21 | Tennessee | (A) |
| Jan. 25 | AUBURN | (H) |
| Jan. 28 | Mississippi | (A) |
| Feb. 01 | MISSISSIPPI STATE | (H) |
| Feb. 05 | Georgia | (A) |
| Feb. 08 | Vanderbilt | (A) |
| Feb. 11 | FLORIDA | (H) |
| Feb. 15 | Louisiana State | (A) |
| Feb. 18 | ALABAMA | (H) |
| Feb. 20 | Auburn | (A) |
| Feb. 22 | TENNESSEE | (H) |
| Feb. 26 | Syracuse | (A) |
| Mar. 01 | MISSISSIPPI | (H) |
| Mar. 04 | Mississippi State | (A) |
| Mar. 09 | SEC Tournament | (N) |



Mills has pulled down 33 boards

Miami in the SEC?!? It will never happen

A certain Louisiana columnist hopes it will

I like Jim Engster, personally. Engster is a columnist for *The Tiger Rag*, the LSU weekly fan newspaper. Engster is a really good guy, other than his thick, curly hair of which I'm jealous, and the fact that he doesn't



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

know what he's talking about.

One of his recent columns proposed the Southeastern Conference run off Ole Miss, Mississippi State and Vanderbilt and take in Miami in their stead. He advocated keeping Kentucky because of basketball.

There are only two problems with Jim's plan.

One, the conference doesn't want to lose the Rebels, the Bulldogs and the Commodores.

Two, Miami doesn't want to join the SEC or any other conference. Why should it?

YOU MAY REMEMBER an interview we did sometime ago with Ole Miss Chancellor Gerald Turner in which we asked him about the possibility of a so-called "Super Conference." That has been talked about for years. This new hypothetical league would include Notre Dame, Nebraska, Auburn, Oklahoma, Alabama, USC, UCLA, Miami and others, the biggest, the most successful teams in the country.

Turner said it would never happen. There was one simple reason. In a conference like that, big and as important as it would be, some teams would have to finish in the second division. Somebody would have to occupy last place.

As it stands today, these schools dominate their leagues. They win eight to 11 games a year, get several TV appearances and always go to a bowl game.

Why would they want to get into a conference with nine other super powers and take a chance on losing six games, even with a strong team?

That's the way it is in the SEC. Why should the six most successful football schools—Auburn, Alabama, LSU, Florida, Tennessee and Georgia—want to lose the schools in their league with big names and not much ability?

Oh, every once in a while an Ole Miss will slip up and beat an Alabama as happened this year, or a Kentucky will upset Georgia, but the fact that in 1988 the SEC's big six, even with Tennessee having an off year, finished 18-2 against the little four.

There is no way the winningest half dozen SEC schools will give up 18 almost sure wins for the "privilege" of playing Miami.

AS FOR THE HURRICANES, why should they want in? You can talk all you wish about the impact the SEC membership would have on the Miami basketball, baseball, track, golf, tennis and other programs but football is the big stick. It's football dollars that pay for all the rest.

The way it stands now, if the Hurricanes are on TV and the payoff is \$500,000, Miami, as an independent, keeps it all. If the 'Canes go to a bowl game that distributes 3 million to each of the participating teams, Miami smiles all the way to the bank. That 3 million is theirs, all theirs.

But if the 'Canes were a member of the SEC, that TV and bowl game money would be wacked up. They'd get only a small piece of what they earned. The rest would be distributed to other league schools in the share and share alike policy used by the SEC.

Ah, you say, they'd get something from what the other schools do?

True, but the per school distribution last year from the

revenue sharing plan of 1987-88 was only 1.4 million each. That's less than half of what Miami will make in this year's Orange Bowl.

THE RICH DO NOT LIKE to help the poor in college athletics. The SEC's present share the wealth plan was instituted many years ago when TV was a novelty. I don't believe you could get it adopted today. Look at the Metro Conference which never has instituted football as a league sport, mainly because Florida State doesn't want to split its TV and bowl money with the likes of Louisville and Southern Mississippi.

There are a lot of "sounds good but won't happen" ideas in college athletics today. Engster's is one of them. Hell, if wishful thinking worked, I'd have hair like Jim's.

NOT FOR BROADCAST

□How bad was Florida's offense the last half of the season? Bad! Very bad! The Gators scored just nine touchdowns in their last eight games and just seven in their final seven contests. But here's the most startling stat of all. Every touchdown came on the ground. Florida did not have a single passing TD the last eight games of the regular season.

□Before Georgia visited Mississippi State this year Coach **Vince Dooley** complained that Scott Field playing surface would give **Rocky Felker's** boys an advantage because it is flat and Georgia was accustomed to playing on fields that slope toward the sidelines. It apparently didn't help State that much. Georgia won.

□Vanderbilt's all-conference wide receiver, **Boo Mitchell**, was told he would never play football again after his leg was broken in four places while in high school.

□Four of the last five SEC National Football Foundation Scholars Athlete Award winners came from Ole Miss. They were **Kent Austin** in 1985, a pre-law major; **Joff Noblin** in 1986, pre-medicine; **Danny Hoskins**, 1987, engineering; **Wesley Walls**, 1988, engineering. Only LSU's **Nacho Albergamo** broke the Rebels' lock. He also was named in 1987. Albergamo was a pre-medicine major. . . Of Auburn's top 30-scholar athletes for 1987-88, only two were football players. To be eligible for the Top 30, a student-athlete must letter in his or her sport and have one of the 30 best academic averages among all Auburn athletes.

□Put Down of the Week: Florida baseball coach **Joe Arnold** commenting on his team's 1989 potential: "There's no way we're going to be satisfied with just the Southeastern Conference championship. Why break your back and just be happy with the SEC. There are two

steps further than that. I don't shoot short." There are nine other league baseball coaches who would be happy to just win the SEC.

□Auburn played seven SEC opponents in 1988 and not one of them was able to gain 100 yards rushing against the Tigers. Kentucky and Georgia got 70, Mississippi State 69, Tennessee 35, LSU 28, Florida 13 and Alabama 12. Further, Auburn now has gone two full years without allowing an opposing back to gain 100 yards rushing. Counting bowls, the streak has reached 24 games. Alabama's **Bobby Humprey** did it last and that was in 1986.

□**Don DeVoe**, Tennessee basketball coach, on starting the 1988-89 season: "Let me be very candid when I say it's nice to be back because there was a time when I didn't know if I would be back."

□Auburn got 12,500 tickets for the Sugar Bowl and all were taken up by their priority donors, students and faculty.

□Georgia led the league in winning the SEC's Offensive Player of the Week honors. Various members of the 'Dogs were named four times. **Tim Worley** won it three of those times and **Rodney Hampton** once. . . SEC teams averaged more than 60,000 per game in attendance. The biggest week was Oct. 8 when four games, Alabama-Ole Miss, Auburn-LSU, Florida-Memphis State and Georgia-Vanderbilt totalled 304,552 for an average of 76,138.

□The five bowl games involving SEC teams are the Sun Bowl (Dec. 24, Alabama-Army); All-American Bowl (Florida-Illinois); Gator Bowl (Jan. 1, Georgia-Michigan State); Hall of Fame Bowl (Jan. 2, LSU-Syracuse); and the Sugar Bowl (Jan. 2, Auburn-Florida State). The all-time bowl record for the Southeastern Conference is 96-85-10.

□From the How's That Again Department: From an Alabama press release. "In his eight years as head coach at Alabama, **Wimp Sanderson** has never lost an opening game of the season. He is a perfect 9-0 in opening games." Wimp is better than I thought. Winning nine opening games in only eight years isn't easy.

□**THE LAST WORD**: SEC Commissioner **Harvey Schiller**:

"I've been mentioned for so many jobs recently my mother called the other night and asked if I had any idea where she should send my Christmas present."



Hey Don DeVoe, glad to have you back



Harvey, please give your mother a call



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Irish may be running now, but just wait 'til March

Maybe SEC detractors are right this year

□ You can rest easy, friends, because despite the incantations of **Dick Vitale** there's no danger that **Notre Dame's** new uptempo look will cause anyone to mistake the Irish for, oh, say, Oklahoma or Nevada-Las Vegas.



Larry Donald

Cats' Pause Columnist

And sure as **Digger Phelps** has this team trying to play at a faster pace in December, come the month of March he'll have that tempo back down to a waltz. Coaches, see, just cannot live outside their personality and Phelps has had a tremendous career by controlling tempo and playing high-percentage offensive basketball. If the change in Notre Dame's pace didn't occur in the **David Rivers** era, I really doubt it will happen now...

□ Each year Dayton resident **Gordon Wise**, a professor of economics at Wright State University, produces a rating of major college schedules for *Basketball Times*. This year I'm going to ask him to take a new twist on the feature and rate the non-conference schedules of major college teams. I predict the results will be very revealing...

□ And along this line, the next time you hear **Michigan's Bill Frieder** defend his absolutely deplorable December schedule on the basis of his team needing time to work on and take final examinations, ask yourself this: Is Michigan the only school in America which forces its basketball players to take final exams? And the same must be true at **Georgetown, North Carolina State and Duke**.

Maybe it's unfair to expect every game to be a major tug-of-war event, but when these powerful programs start trotting out Division II schools and even the woefully over-matched smaller Division I teams it says to me either they have no regard for their season ticket holders or they are being permitted to play too many games...

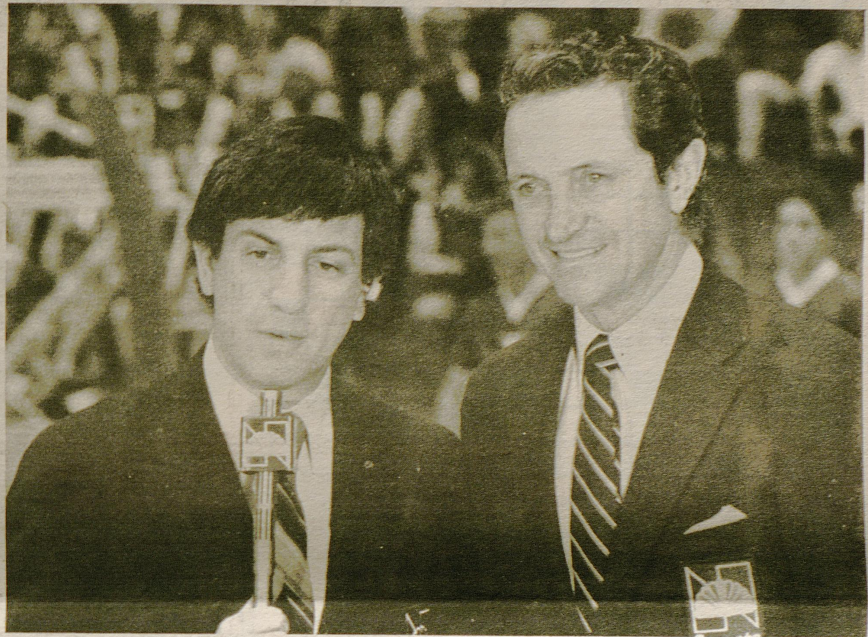
□ On the other side of this argument we can find **Temple and Missouri**, both of whom have taken to the pavement in hopes of developing their teams. The Tigers played in the NIT, visited Charlotte for the Diet Pepsi Tournament of Champions and in addition to the Big Eight schedule will also play at Tulsa, at Virginia Tech, at Maryland and against Illinois in St. Louis. Says coach **Norm Stewart**: "If you didn't know I had a hand in this schedule you'd say it looked like the athletic director was trying to get the coach fired. Scheduling is like refereeing. You can be pleasant about it in July."

Temple's **John Chaney**, who saw the Owls lose their first two games of the year for the first time since 1939, also has some tough road tests. Charlotte. Kansas in Atlantic City, Las Vegas. Notre Dame. Villanova. "It is the best experience we could have," says Chaney. "You want to see how you measure up..."

□ Mentioning Stewart, he had a Charlotte banquet of about 1,000 howling with laughter when he spoke while wearing a women's black wig. The joke stemmed from a *Charlotte Observer* gaffe several weeks ago. The newspaper, doing a story on the Diet Pepsi Tournament of Champions, ran pictures of the four coaches of North Carolina, Temple, Arizona and Missouri. And **Dean Smith, Chaney and Lute Olson** were all very recognizable, but above Stewart's outline was the picture of a woman...

□ Sure, it is still early, but those who fretted about the prospect for having even one outstanding SEC team now see their concern was not unwarranted. None of the 10 teams has yet given its fans much cause to cheer...

□ If you think about it, there's probably never been a



Al McGuire, here with broadcasting partner Marv Albert, feels like he's a voice in the wilderness when it concerns NBA stars playing in the Olympics

program which, despite continuing adversity of all sorts over a five year period, has carried on more successfully than **Memphis State**. Through probations and premature player departures, the Tigers keep on winning. **Larry Finch** has done a tremendous job, I'd say...

□ **Al McGuire** says he feels like a voice in the wilderness with all the discussion about using NBA players in the next Olympic Games. McGuire points out there's no way it can happen because the United States team must go through zone qualification games several months before the Summer Games and the NBA regular-season schedule will still be in progress. How, he asks, can that problem be solved?

For one, I have no idea, although, I can't believe Al's the only guy to recognize the problem. They do have, I presume, calendars at both the ABA/USA offices and in the NBA headquarters.

The best reason to doubt the pros will ever line up and play for their country, though, has to do more with internal politics. I don't foresee the NBA getting involved, even informally, in something over which it has no control (and can't market) and, at the same time, I doubt very much the ABA/USA people are going to surrender their turf. What it means is that business will be conducted as usual and that, on occasion, our teams will be good enough to win while, at other times, the gold medals will go to another nation's team. The important thing to understand is that none of us ought to need a team to win a basketball game to underscore faith that our way of life is unrivaled...

□ I'm pleased to say I've come so far down the road in that regard, I actually found myself getting annoyed with the Russian team in the late going of their win over the United States this fall. The Soviets had outplayed **John Thompson's** team from the opening tip and clearly had superior manpower, but they were gagging it away. I wanted the best team to win because it was, after all, just a game...

□ Prep sleuth **Van Coleman** rates the fall recruiting classes as follows: 1. **Georgia Tech**. 2. **Indiana**. 3. **Duke**. 4. **UCLA**. 5. **Michigan**. 6. **Villanova**.

7. **Oklahoma**. 8. **North Carolina State**. 9. **Ohio State**. 10. **Missouri**.

What that gives you is an evaluation of the quality which these particular schools harvested, but what I'd like to see is someone take a shot at figuring out who did best in terms of matching playing talent with coaching philosophy. Basketball is the ultimate team game, so it follows that the pieces need to fit. Maybe that's too tough an assignment, but it would certainly be interesting...

□ **Cincinnati's Tony Yates** has an unusual contractual situation with his school. If the Bearcats win 18 games this winter the school is obligated to extend his pact by one year. As you might have guessed, UC's schedule this year isn't as demanding as it has been in the past...

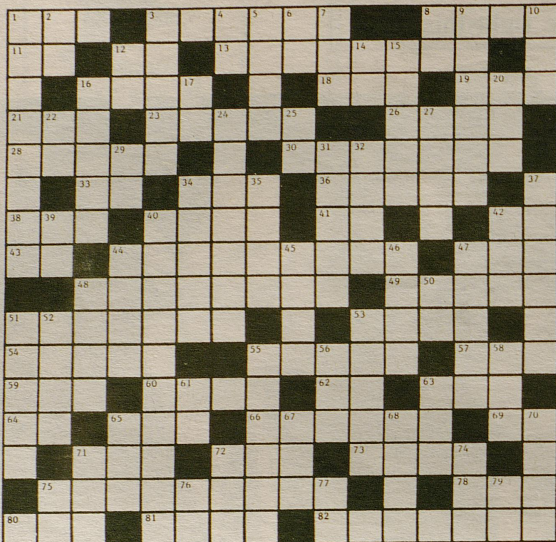
□ **Ralph Miller**, outgoing coach at **Oregon State**, has a philosophy about his business. Change jobs about every eight years, he said, and you can coach as long as you want. Miller has made stops at **Wichita State, Iowa and Oregon State**, largely following his own advice...

□ **Arizona** strikes me as a team which could make a major improvement between now and tournament time. The Wildcats are trying to regroup after some major losses, but coach **Lute Olson** has some nice talent and it is really just a matter of making the pieces fit. All-American **Sean Elliott**, obviously, is a key player here, but if Arizona is to reach its potential Olson needs more consistent guard play from **Kenny Lofton** and an improved reliability from big **Sean Rooks** on the inside...

□ An interesting question being asked about **North Carolina** these days is how much better will the Tar Heels be when **J.R. Reid** gets back after the first of the year? Obviously, a player of Reid's stature has to be missed, but without the 6-10 junior UNC has played very well. **Scott Williams** has more room to operate inside and, frankly, does some of the dirty work which Reid tends to eschew. In addition without Reid, coach **Dean Smith** moves **Jeff Lebo** to a shooting guard and **Kevin Madden** to the small forward slot, both more natural positions. Reid's return certainly can't hurt, but it is fair to ask just how much it will help...

TCP CROSSWORD PUZZLE

By Dan Krueckeberg



THE 308-38 CATS OF THE MEMORIAL COLISEUM ERA

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| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Foxy _____</p> <p>3 _____ assists led Cats in 3 years at Memorial Coliseum</p> <p>8 Cats were _____ Champions in Memorial Coliseum's first year</p> <p>11 Initials of one of "Rupp's Runts"</p> <p>12 Abbr. for "number"</p> <p>13 Larry played in Memorial Coliseum</p> <p>16 Ref's call</p> <p>18 Title of respect</p> <p>19 Fish</p> <p>21 Thousand</p> <p>23 Biggest scorer of Memorial Col. era</p> <p>26 Partly open</p> <p>28 Fine rebounder during '70s at Mem. Col.</p> <p>30 _____ classmate was 61 Down</p> <p>33 Abbr. for state of Rutgers</p> <p>34 Kevin Grevey was the last Cat to _____ All-Amer. honors in Memorial Col. era</p> <p>36 Memorial Col. Cats Casey and Pratt _____ and _____</p> <p>40 Some thought Rupp wore one</p> <p>41 Initials of Memorial Col. Cat Bennie</p> <p>42 Former Buckeyes coach Fred _____</p> <p>43 Initials of Stan of Rupp's 1st year</p> <p>44 Had record 34 rebounds at Memorial Col. on 12/10/55</p> <p>47 Describes shooting at times</p> <p>48 Led Memorial Col. Cats in scoring in '59-'60 and '60-'61</p> <p>49 1st letterman alphabetically in Mem. Col.</p> <p>51 Screen graphics</p> <p>53 Tears</p> <p>54 Former Buckeyes coach Bruce</p> <p>55 Bookkeeper's _____</p> <p>57 Cats SEC titles during last 15 years in Memorial Col.</p> <p>59 Make free _____</p> <p>60 The biggest _____ in Memorial Coliseum history was Adolph Rupp</p> <p>62 Abbr. for "on-line"</p> <p>63 29 Cats earned All-_____ honors 53 times during Memorial Col. era</p> <p>64 Initials of Mem. Col. Cat Roger</p> <p>65 Cable network</p> <p>66 Capt. of 2nd nat'l. champs of Mem. Col.</p> <p>69 Initials of 3-time All-Amer. of Mem. Col. era</p> <p>71 Soph. in Memorial Coliseum's last year</p> <p>72 Theatre sign</p> <p>73 Up and down toy</p> <p>75 _____ Mem. Col. teammates were _____ and _____</p> <p>78 Hoop mate</p> <p>80 Given _____ Cats in scoring in final Memorial Col. year</p> <p>81 One of "Rupp's Runts"</p> <p>82 Cats made more than foes in Mem. Col.</p> | <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 _____ Memorial Coliseum coaches were _____</p> <p>2 Both Rupp and Hall</p> <p>2 Initials of assist leader in Memorial Coliseum's last year</p> <p>3 Big Memorial Col. scorer in '60s</p> <p>4 Initials of '60s Cat Pool</p> <p>5 The golden</p> <p>6 Time abbr.</p> <p>7 Abbr. for a drafting group</p> <p>8 Abbr. for a Big Ten school</p> <p>9 Washes</p> <p>10 Memorial Col. _____ Amer. Cliff Hagan</p> <p>12 Question response</p> <p>14 Roman num. for .500 seasons in Mem. Col. era</p> <p>15 Started as soph. in Mem. Coliseum's 1st year</p> <p>16 On Hall's Memorial Col. Cats</p> <p>17 Initials of assist leader of '70-'71 Cats</p> <p>20 Comparative endings</p> <p>22 Big Ten state abbr.</p> <p>24 _____, 10.4 ppg case in first year of play in Memorial Coliseum</p> <p>25 Abbr. for "leave"</p> <p>27 _____ teams played 4 years in Mem. Col.</p> <p>29 Initials of early-'60s big man Ned</p> <p>31 5-11 Randy played in Memorial Col.</p> <p>32 Puerto</p> <p>34 Actor Clark</p> <p>35 Secration</p> <p>37 Bobby of Memorial Coliseum's first year</p> <p>39 Memorial Col. home</p> <p>40 Kent of Memorial Col. era</p> <p>42 Early-'70s Cat Parker</p> <p>44 1st All-Amer. of Mem. Col. era Spivey</p> <p>45 At many schools Memorial Coliseum would _____ still _____ as a first-class facility</p> <p>46 Don't go!</p> <p>47 Makes waste</p> <p>48 Jerry of '54 undefeated Cats</p> <p>50 Initials of Mem. Col. Cat Dickie</p> <p>51 Early Memorial Col. era guard Galvert</p> <p>52 Weather word</p> <p>53 All-American in 15th year of play at Memorial Coliseum</p> <p>55 Teammate of Mem. Coliseum's Roberts & Mobley</p> <p>56 Had Mem. Col. teammates Ronnie & Jimmy Dan</p> <p>58 Conference of Lehigh and Lafayette</p> <p>61 Initials of one of "The Fiddis' Five"</p> <p>63 It's above us</p> <p>65 1st name of '55 boom</p> <p>67 Mills of Memorial Col. Cats</p> <p>68 _____ 17.9 ppg came for '58-'59 Cats</p> <p>70 Post-season tournaments</p> <p>71 Container top</p> <p>72 Greek letter</p> <p>74 Trs. for Walt Hirsch in Memorial Col.</p> <p>75 Compass abbr.</p> <p>76 Either partner</p> <p>77 Initials of Mem. Col. Cat Scotty</p> <p>79 Popular '60s flick</p> |
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Oscar Combs

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 right now is to get the NCAA investigation over with and sanctions, if any, behind it so the program can move forward.

Conley also serves as color analyst for the UK Television Network along with play-by-play announcer Marty Brennaman.

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The NCAA investigation just won't die. At presstime Monday, ABC-TV was all prepared to devote its Monday night edition of "Nightline" to the UK basketball problems with the NCAA.

The network had requested coach Sutton to appear on the show live, but he declined, saying he had already spoken to the controversy and was/is devoting his time to coaching the team.

A university spokesman said president David Roselle is declining all interviews.

One reporter for WTVQ-TV, Channel 36 and the local affiliate for ABC-TV, said both Notre Dame coach Digger Phelps and Indiana coach Bobby Knight were expected to be extended invitations to appear on the show.

He also said Richard Wilson, a veteran state government and political reporter for the Louisville Courier-Journal had agreed to appear on the show. It was scheduled to air at approximately 12:30 a.m. after "Monday Night Football" and local news.

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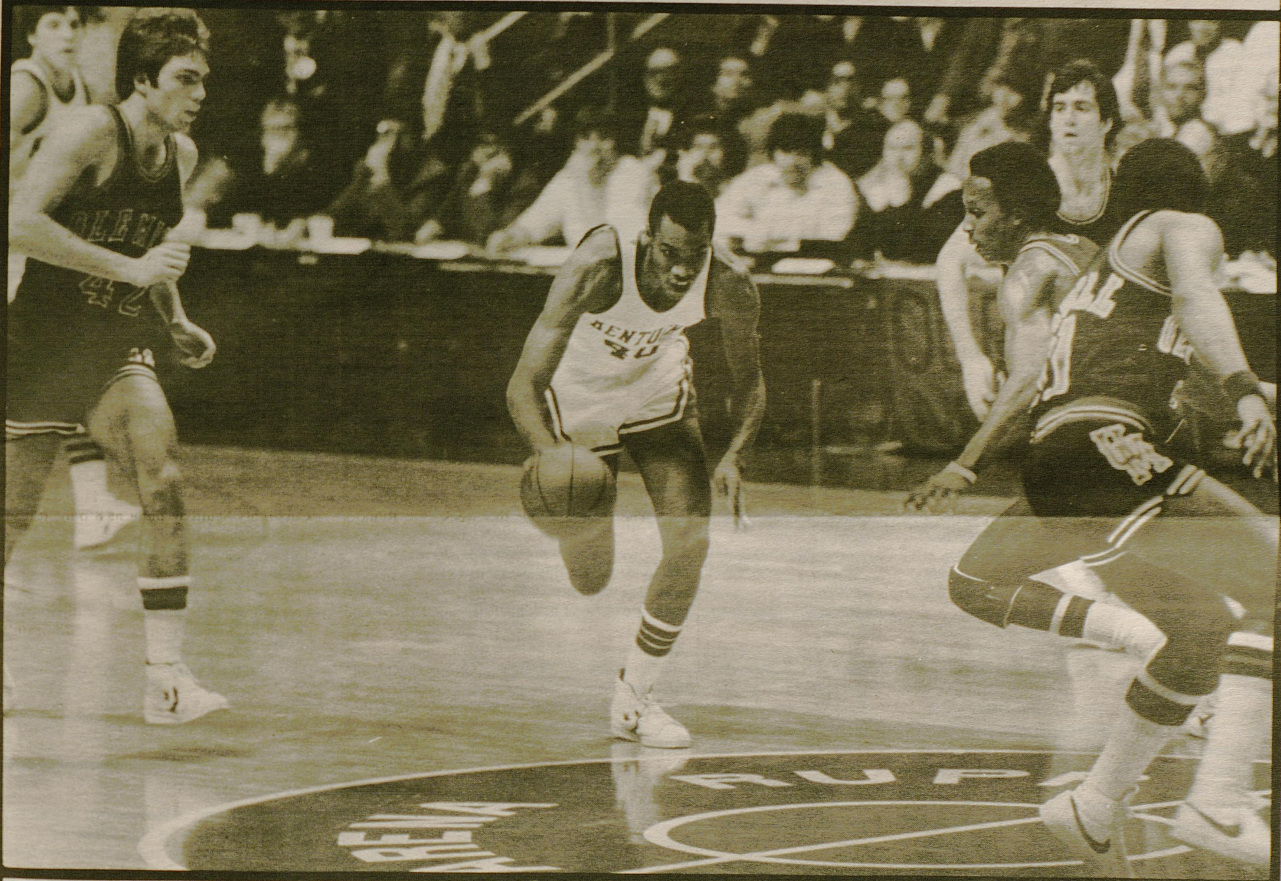
HITS AND MISSES . . . After UK's victory over Western Carolina, Sutton gave his players Sunday off, noting that they had semester finals to prepare for. The semester ends this week . . . Rumors were swirling around Rupp Arena the past two games that sophomore Eric Manuel had retaken his ACT test a week ago Friday, but UK assistant James Dickey said it was news to him if he had. Dickey said neither he nor any of the staff were aware of him retaking the test . . . Plenty of tickets still remain for both the UKIT and the Austin Peay game in Louisville on Dec. 27. And if UK fans out in the state will call UK's ticket office the day before or day of home games, they'll probably be surprised to learn they'll most likely be able to buy tickets for each and every home game this season. The available

tickets will be those not used by students, who are staying away from Rupp Arena in record numbers this winter . . . Jerry Claiborne still doesn't have an extension of his contract which expires after next season. Maybe UK president David Roselle has been too busy with the basketball investigation, or perhaps he's wanting to play Santa Claus next week, but our inside sources say Claiborne will get a pretty nice gift from the prez before it's over with . . . While the SEC is anything but a powerhouse in basketball this winter (seems like the hoop teams are trying to match the output of their football counterparts), it may boast of the nation's finest freshman in LSU's Chris Jackson, a youngster who once was recruited by Kentucky. Jackson terrorized Florida's Gators Saturday in Gainesville with 53 points as the Tigers upset Florida in the first big league matchup of the season. It was the finest individual performance I've seen this season (didn't catch Danny Ferry's 58 points against Miami). Jackson's outburst enabled Dale Brown to earn a coaching milestone, his 300th win . . . With Georgia not playing up to par and with Florida losing its first home game, 1989 is shaping up to be a banner year for coach Don DeVoe and his Tennessee Volunteers. DeVoe returns his entire starting five and has built quite a team around the league's top returning star, Dyron Nix. Consider that the SEC tourney will be staged in Knoxville next March, and the Vols should get well quickly . . . Former UK assistant Leonard Hamilton will be back in the commonwealth this weekend as he brings his Oklahoma State Cowboys to Freedom Hall to take on the Louisville Cardinals Saturday night at 8 p.m. It'll be the first time for former UK recruit Johnny Pittman to play in the state since he left UK in the summer of 1987 following a squabble over his failure to meet Proposition 48 requirements. Pittman passed his test portion of Prop 48 but did not have the necessary core curriculum out of high school. He ended up at Oklahoma State, sat out last season and is now averaging about nine minutes per game. Pittman's only other public performance in Kentucky came in the same Freedom Hall when he starred in the Derby Festival Classic in the spring of last year.



UK president Dr. David Roselle

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confidence by not asserting themselves more in the game.

"They were too tentative," said Wesley, who scored 12 points. "They have to get physical."

Watkins agreed.

"To be honest with you, they just aren't physical at all. Ellis, now, he came at you. But that other guy, (Mike) Scott, he's not, to be honest with you, physical at all. The whole team isn't. In the SEC you have to be physical. Kentucky should have drilled us in the ground."

Northwestern probably won the game with a late rush in the first half. Williams, a senior who saw his team lose by 18 at Rupp when he was a freshman, hit a three-pointer, and Mike Thornton scored over Scott to cut it to 41-36 at halftime. Guard Pernell Smith hit a jumper to open the second half and the Demons were in the game to stay.

Ellis scored the 'Cats' first six points of the second half but the 6-11 center couldn't do it alone.

Freshman guard Chris Mills suffered through a horrible shooting night (three of 13) and picked up three first-half fouls, as did

Miller and Ellis.

"We finally did some things that got us up and down the floor," said Bell of the late first-half explosion. "If we have to run our half-court offense we aren't a very good basketball team. We can't get good shots that way. It was a definite momentum-builder."

RAYFORD AND SMITH LED the Demons with 21 points each and Wesley had 12.

But Mills, the sensational freshman, chipped in with only six points as Hanson and Farmer supported Ellis with 10 each.

"He (Mills) didn't step up and play," said Wesley. "He's a big-time player but big-time players have to realize they have to come to play every night. We're going to come at you."

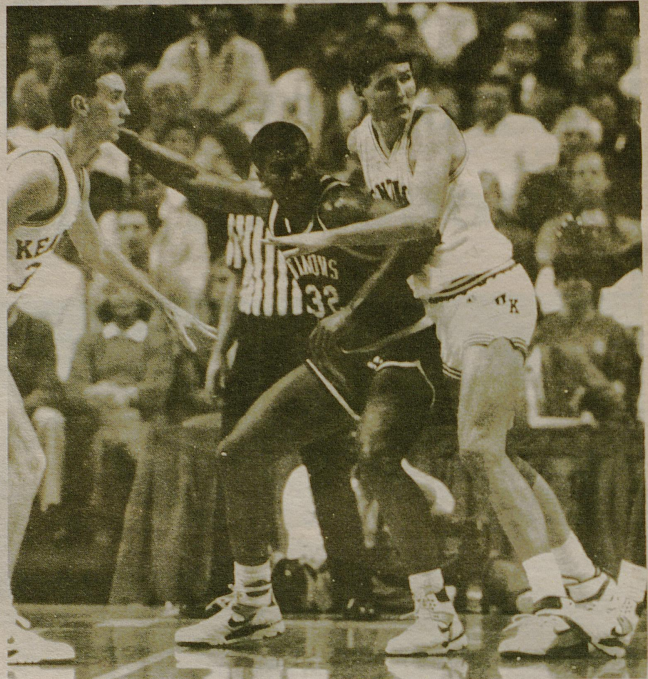
Farmer, who logged 20 minutes of playing time, looked good. Not great, but, with more PT (playing time), his confidence should grow. But he has to rid himself of that habit of glancing over to the Wildcat bench after a shot or drive...as if expecting the worst.

"Farmer, the Mr. Kentucky Basketball," said Watkins. "he's going to be OK. But he had some open shots he didn't take. I think he can help them a lot."

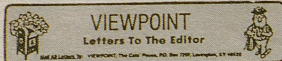
remakes will not help this young team at this stage. We need to let the process work. We'll know in a few months what the answers really are for many questions. There will be no winners, many losers, few survivors—the program will survive.

Louis S. Eaton
Charlottesville, Va.

P.S.—If you are looking for the sophomore player with big-time written all over him, it's Cory Reeves at Corbin.



Northwestern State's Terrence Rayford, posting up on Mike Scott, says Kentucky wasn't physical enough.



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doesn't want to be the "fall guy" for a program that was under fire before he arrived. Sure he screwed up and gave Billy Reed an exclusive interview. The bright side is it could have been Dick Vitale (this guy really loves us).

Premature conjecture and personal

Russell Rice

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in the Mideast Regional by Ohio University 85-69 and Loyola (Chicago) 100-91, both featuring black stars.

When the Wildcats finished 15-12 the following year, fans began to speculate that perhaps Rupp had lost his touch. He answered the critics with Rupp's Runts (1965-66), a team that lost only to Tennessee at Knoxville in regular season and advanced all the way to the NCAA championship game before falling to black-dominated Texas Western.

That successful season put Rupp in the driver's seat once again, but his stock dropped when the 1966-67 Wildcats, featuring holdover All-Americans Pat Riley and Louie Dampier, finished 13-13, worst record ever for a Rupp-coached team.

While the football people wailed that Oswald's academic stance was dooming their program, Rupp and Lancaster also were paranoid about the new president. As Lancaster explained in his book, *Adolph Rupp As I Knew Him*, as told to Cawood Ledford (Lexington Productions, Inc., 1979):

"I CAN'T REMEMBER HOW we came up with the idea, but we both were absolutely sure that Oswald was going to turn the university into a graduate school. We talked about it a lot. We thought we would have the players for about two years then they would be in graduate school. It would have ruined our program. Of course, nothing ever came of it."

Meanwhile, Oswald and Johnson kept the pressure on Rupp to integrate the basketball team. His answer was that he would sign a black player as soon as he could find one that was sure to start. He didn't want him sitting on the bench. Oswald told him the blacks could sit right there on the bench with the white players.

After the death of Shively, Oswald named Johnson interim director of athletics and stepped up the pressure on Rupp. During that six-month interim, the department mostly was under the management of Louise Gilchrist, who for many years had served as administrative assistant to Shively.

As the Bradshaw and Lancaster forces vied for the top position in the department, Oswald and Johnson quietly went about recruiting Dr. William B. McCubbin, a former Wildcat football player who then was head of the physical education department at Virginia Tech.

A native of Louisville, McCubbin had lettered three years (1937, '38, '39) in football and two years (1940, '41) in baseball for the Wildcats. As a bombardier in World War II, he won the Distinguished Flying Cross with two

Oak Leaf Clusters, attaining the rank of lieutenant colonel.

McCubbin earned his master's at UK in 1947 and was awarded a doctorate by Peabody College in 1956. His first coaching experience was assisting Shively in 1945 and later as a part-time freshman assistant and scout for Bryant.

In 1951, he was intramural director at UK as well as freshman football end coach, wrestling instructor and teacher of five physical education classes. He was academic supervisor on Bradshaw's initial staff in 1962, before leaving for Blacksburg. Two years later, UK nominated him for the NCAA Silver Anniversary All-America Award.

WHEN RUPP RECEIVED WORD through the grapevine that Oswald and Johnson not only had hand-picked McCubbin as their choice for his new boss, but also were helping the former football player find a house in Lexington, he was faced with the following choices:

1. Did he want to be bossed by a "football man?"
2. Did he want the position?
3. Did he want to be bossed by his former assistant?

The answer to No. 1 was an emphatic "No!" "What makes Bradshaw think he ought to be AD?" Rupp had asked Lancaster. "How is he qualified? He can't even win any football games."

With that obstacle out of the way, Rupp suddenly was faced with the prospect of another football man in the big seat. He immediately got on the horn, calling up past dues, and was pleased when the Board of Trustees tabled the screening committee's recommendation of McCubbin. In answer to No. 2, Lancaster claims Rupp wanted the job.

After No. 3 became a reality upon the appointment of Lancaster as acting AD in June of 1968, Lancaster went across the hall in Memorial Coliseum to tell his old boss the news.

"What in the hell do you want to be athletics director for?" Rupp asked. "Nobody will know who you are. I don't know any ADs in our conference."
"Adolph," Lancaster replied, "if I had wanted to be well known, I'd not have worked for you all these years."

□**NEXT WEEK:** Harry Lancaster's road to the top spot in UK athletics begins when he scores the first field goal for Georgetown as the Tigers help the University of Kentucky usher in what was to become known as the Rupp Era.



Dan Brandenburg

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just get more playing time. What's even worse is that many of their fouls can be classified as "dumb." There's only so much you can write off to being a freshman.

One example: Against Northwestern, Ellis missed a short jumper and then tried to slap the ball away from the Demon rebounder. The result? His third foul of the first half, which put him on the bench for the final 5:24. UK's lead went from 11 to 5 during that time and set the stage for Northwestern's second-half comeback.

Miller, Hanson and Mills all start and are arguably the team's top three players. UK can ill afford for any of them to be sitting on the bench in foul trouble, but that is something the Cats have had to face almost every game.

Aggressive, hard-working fouls are OK; dumb, impatient fouls are not.

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CONGRATULATIONS CONTINUE TO roll in for the football Wildcats' Randy Holleran, Chris Chenault and Oliver Barnett. All three were recently honored by being named honorable mention Associated Press All-Americans.

Two of the Southeastern Conference's premier linebackers, Keith DeLong of Tennessee and Derrick Thomas of Alabama, also proved they were among the best in the nation by making the AP first team. They knocked Holleran off some All-SEC first teams, but they won't be able to do that next season. Holleran will only be a junior.



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SEC honored in every phase of football Hall of Fame

Two more inducted to foundation's elite group

The Southeastern Conference is a strong, steady contributor, in every phase, to the National Football Foundation's Hall of Fame.

The 31st annual awards banquet was held early this



Scoop Hudgins

Cats' Pause Columnist

month at the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City, and of the three special awards made by the foundation, SEC alumni received two of them.

Sportscaster Lindsey Nelson of Tennessee received the Outstanding Contribution to Amateur Football Award and Joe M. Rodgers of Alabama, now U.S. Ambassador to France, the Distinguished American Award. The Gold Medal Award went to Clint Frank, the 1937 Heisman Trophy winning quarterback from Yale.

NELSON, THE POPULAR, ARTFUL pioneer of college network broadcasting, went to Tennessee from Columbia to study English and work part-time for Gen. Bob Neyland, the legendary UT head coach and athletic director. He tutored athletes in English and spotted for

radio announcers, including NBC's Bill Stern.

Lindsey organized the Tennessee Network and eventually did the play-by-play for all major bowl games. He also advanced to the faculty of Tennessee.

Rodgers was captain of the Sidney Lanier High School football team in Montgomery, Ala., quarterbacked by Bart Starr. He accompanied Starr to Alabama, but sustained an injury which ended his football career. Joe earned a civil engineering degree, entered construction in Birmingham, then in Nashville and on to international projects.

THE 11 PLAYERS inducted were: center Maxie Baughan of Georgia Tech, UCLA quarterback Beban, Nebraska tackle Forrest Behm, Michigan halfback Bob Chappius, TCU center Darrell Lester, Wisconsin tack Jack Riley, Florida State receiver Ron Sellers, Oklahoma tackle Lee Roy Selmon, Michigan State end Bubba Smith, Notre Dame quarterback Bob Williams and Lafayette halfback Mike Wilson.

The foundation awards \$2,000 fellowships to 11 scholar-athletes in Division I football and this year, for the first time, to 11 Division I-AA, Division II and Division III scholars.

Wesley Walls of Ole Miss, a tight end, defensive back, linebacker and occasional passer, an all-SEC player who maintains a 3.39 grade-point average in English minoring in business, responded for the 22 honorees.

The small college group included guard Tim Corbin of Sewanee (a member of the original SEC) and linebacker Bill Edwards III, grandson of Hall of Famer Bill Edwards, a former Vanderbilt head coach. Young Edwards leads the Tigers in tackles, studies pre-law and

tutors English in the Writer's Workshop. He is a Rhodes Scholar nominee.

Joseph McKenney of the Eastern Officials Association was the fifth official to be inducted. George Gardner of the SEC was honored last year.

Vincent DePaul Draddy, of Manhattan College, is chairman of the foundation. Doug Kenna, a native of Jackson, Miss., who played at Ole Miss before transferring to Army where he was All-America in 1944, is vice-chairman.

Fred Russell of Vanderbilt, sports columnist for the *Nashville Banner*, has served as chairman of the Honors Court (selector of nominees) since the foundation's inception in 1951. Jimmie McDowell of Ole Miss is in his 25th year as executive director.

Through the years 62 SEC football players and 31 head coaches have been inducted into the foundation's Hall of Fame. Scholar-athletes now number 29, and there are several in the special honors.

RECIPIENTS OF the Distinguished American Award, other than Rodgers, are SEC alumni Gen. James A. Van Fleet of Florida and Vanderbilt's Fred Russell. Outstanding Contributors to Amateur Football Award winners other than Nelson are Rex Farrior of Florida and these men who have built football in the SEC area: Earnie Seiler, founder of the Orange Bowl; Ambrose (Bud) Dudley, founder of the Liberty Bowl; and Gov. William Winter of Mississippi.

Hundreds of alumni and SEC colleges are working each year to expand the opportunities of the great American game of football. Some 135 have been honored nationally. It's a wholesome, healthy, fun feeling.

Meet the press

Even in defeat Sutton still has a reason to smile; gives lesson to media on proper way to rebound

By associate editor Nick Nicholas

Three days after his team's poor outing—a humbling 81-65 loss to Notre Dame—Eddie Sutton said there was a reason to smile. As he started to answer a question during his weekly press conference at Wildcat Lodge, Sutton, whose team had lost three of its first five, turned to glance over his shoulder. "I'll bounce back because I look out before what a gorgeous day," said Sutton, peering out a window which on this day was a passageway to spring fever. "It's just great to be alive. If you're not happy then, well, there's something wrong with you.

"It's not hard for me to bounce back. You've got to always remember basketball is a very small part of the overall life one lives. There's life after basketball, that's for sure." "Even if you get out-rebounded two to one?" quipped one scribe in reference to Notre Dame embarrassing UK on the boards 53-27.

"That makes it tough," responded Sutton to the jocular inquiry. "You have to give yourself a little pep talk."

Sutton's on-the-court and off-the-court woes of late are enough to drain anyone's spirits. But the 50-year young coach ("I consider myself young," says Sutton), at least on the outside, retains his familiar smile.

With that in mind, it's time to report some of the quotable quotes from the UK coach's

Dec. 6 press conference:

From the We Need Help Department: Sutton took timeout to say that "if there was a team that needed support from a student body, from the general public it's this ballclub."

He went on to add: "I think our players understand that they just have to go out and play basketball. They can't be worried about other things. That's part of our responsibility as coaches is to drive that home.

"When you start worrying about that—channelling your energy into being concerned about that—you're going to fall short of what you're attempting to do, as a coach and as a player."

You don't say, Digger? Notre Dame coach Digger Phelps, before and after his game with Kentucky, believed that the Wildcats would be good enough to receive an NCAA invitation.

What are your thoughts on that, Eddie?

"We're going to have to make a lot of improvement, I think, if we're going to get in the NCAA tournament," answered the Wildcat coach, the day before his team fell to Northwestern State. "Right now, if you were to take the top 64 teams, we're not one of them."

When was the last time Eddie Sutton coached a team that was not of NCAA material?

"I didn't say they weren't," said the coach, correcting a member of the media. "I said

they are (not an NCAA team) right now."

Timeout! Let's talk this over: Obviously, with Kentucky having problems on the boards lately, the No. 1 concern of the coaching staff's was rebounding. Let's get in the huddle and see how the coach diagrams the proper techniques of rebounding, both offensively and defensively.

"I'll give you a little coaching lesson, not that any of you need it," laughed Sutton, the teacher, as he said to his pupils, in this instance the media. "The way you should rebound as an offensive player, if you're the shooter and your team is disciplined, everyone should know when that shot is going up.

"When the shot goes up, the guy shooting the ball has got to say 'I hit it, I hit it, I hit it.' He's got to believe he's going to put it in the hole. The other four guys take just the opposite attitude: 'That sucker missed it again.' You assume every shot that is taken is going to be missed.

"Now, if you're assigned as an offensive rebounder we tell 'em, 'Go early, don't go late; go in there and find a position where you can rebound. If he starts to shoot then you go and if he doesn't shoot it then you come back out.'"

"If you stand there like we did the other day (against Notre Dame) you're not going to get any offensive rebounds. Now, if you're assigned for defensive balance, when the guy shoots it you start back.

"You show me a ballclub where you've got people going to the glass, people going back when the ball is going through the air then I'll show you a very good basketball team.

"A shooter, once the ball is released from his hands, he too must take that same attitude. He's got to say, 'I missed it. I'm either going to follow up or I'm going to get back. I can't stand here and admire my shot.' That's what too many players do.

"From a defensive standpoint, when the ball is shot you assume it's going to be missed. If your man goes to the glass your responsibility is to get your behind on him, check him and react to the basketball. If your man remains on the perimeter then you fall back to 15 feet and play the long rebound. You, too, become active.

"If there's somebody uncovered inside then you've got to go in and screen him off."

Keeping the faith: Senior Mike Scott has gotten off to a slow start, setting off the question: "Is he still going to be able to contribute to the future of this team?"

"I certainly do," said Sutton, keeping the faith. "He did not play well Saturday (against Notre Dame). He got some good shots early in the ballgame that he can hit.

"I don't think he's going to be one of the 'stars' of the team. But I still think he's going to contribute."

Scott, the fourth-year senior from South Shore, had averaged 2.8 ppg., in his first five games, four of which he started.

Back Thru The Wildcat Years

Four Years Ago

Two weeks separate Jerry Claiborne's Wildcats and Wisconsin when the two collide in the Hall of Fame Bowl. Already, speculation has it that the Wildcats will be facing their toughest test of the year.

Dave McClain's Badgers are led by 1984 preseason (*Playboy*) All-American Al Toon, a 6-foot-4, 195-pound split end also was a first-team All-Big Ten selection in 1983. During his three seasons, the senior has recorded 127 pass receptions for 2,055 yards. Toon is a member of the Wisconsin track team, where he earned All-America honors in 1983 and '84.

No doubt about it, the Wildcats will have their hands full when they tangle with the Badgers on Dec. 29 at Legion Field.

Thanks to Butch Moore's clutch field goal, SMU was able to defeat Kentucky 56-54

at Rupp Arena. Not since 1983, when UK lost to Auburn 75-67 had the 'Cats lost a home game. The UK home-court streak, 23 before the game, came to a grinding halt.

Moore's timely basket fell through with four seconds remaining. James Blackmon's attempt from near midcourt went astray.

Junior Kenny Walker scored a game-high 19 points while Paul Andrews hit on a perfect four-of-four from the field for eight points.

Carl Wright and Moore netted 17 and 15 points, respectively, while 7-foot center Jon Koncak added 13 points and 15 rebounds.

Five Years Ago

The Kentucky Wildcats rolled to a convincing 72-50 victory over host Kansas. Melving Turpin and guard Jim Master hooked up for 48 of UK's total and Kenny "Sky" Walker pulled down eight rebounds, tops on the night.

The Wildcats, with Master tossing in jumpers from the perimeter (10 of 13 from the field) and Turpin doing the damage inside, were able to race out to a commanding 35-20 halftime lead.

Kentucky punter Paul Calhoun was selected second-team All-American by *The Sporting News*, thus becoming the first UK All-American since Art Still back in 1977.

Sophomore kicking specialist Chris Caudell was suspended from the UK football team for disciplinary reasons and will not be allowed to participate in the Hall of Fame game later this month in Birmingham. Kentucky and West Virginia hook up at Legion Field.

Kentucky placed three players on the All-SEC Academic football team. Ron Bojalad, Keith Martin and Scott Schroeder were the Wildcats who made the SEC's Honor Roll.

Eight Years Ago

In a game that wasn't even close, Kentucky jumped out to a 19-2 lead and went on to defeat Alaska-Anchorage 91-56 in the first round of the University of Kentucky Invitational. Alabama-Birmingham won the other first-round game (91-81 over Idaho State) and will play Kentucky for the UKIT championship.

Kentucky's defense and some poor shooting by Alaska turned this affair into a laugh. The Seawolves made only three field goals in the first half.

Nine UK players logged between 14 and 27 minutes of action. Eight of those scored between seven and 16 points.

Charles Hurt, starting for the first time in place of injured Fred Cowan, led UK with 16 points. Dirk Minniefield added 15.

Freshmen Melvin Turpin and Bret Bearup were impressive off the bench, with 13 and 12 points, respectively.

Alabama-Birmingham earned a lot of people's respect as the Blazers took Kentucky to the limit before losing 61-53 in the championship game of the UKIT.

UAB led at the half and had the host Wildcats on the ropes for most of the game.

Sam Bowie led Kentucky with 25 points and 12 rebounds, which earned the seven-foot center plenty of praise from the UAB head coach, Gene Bartow. After the game Bartow labeled Bowie as the No. 1 big man in the college game today. Bowie was the only Wildcat in double figures.

Chuck Verderber added nine points and Charles Hurt seven while Oliver Robinson led UAB with 12.

Dicky Beal who only scored two points was still sensational off the bench, adding his electrifying play-making skills to the 'Cats' win.

For his efforts Beal was named to the all-tournament team along with teammates Sam Bowie, the MVP, and Charles Hurt.

Robinson and Idaho State's Dale Wilkinson also were selected to the all-tournament team.

Idaho State defeated Alaska-Anchorage in the consolation game.

Twelve Years Ago

In the first round of the UKIT, Kentucky came to life after a horrible first 20-minutes of play to defeat Bowling Green 77-59. Kentucky played with very little emotion while building a 39-31 lead. The 'Cats were paced by Jack Givens' 28 points (who hit 13 of 23 shots).

Rick Robey scored 19 points and pulled down 14 rebounds while James Lee added 15 in an unfamiliar starting assignment. Kentucky was without the services of Jay Shidler,

Mike Phillips and Truman Claytor, who missed the tournament after breaking curfew.

After opening the season with five impressive wins, Kentucky played poorly in the UKIT and paid for it in the championship game when Utah upset UK 70-68. Utah sophomore Earl Williams hit a last-second shot for the win. The loss was UK's first of year, its first loss ever in Rupp Arena and broke a 16-game winning streak, longest in the country.

Kentucky, playing without suspended members Jay Shidler, Mike Phillips and Truman Claytor, could never get things going in its favor. Utah built an eight-point lead at the half, lost that lead and then was able to come back to pull out the victory.

Rick Robey led UK with 19 points while James Lee added 13 points and the same number of rebounds. Dwane Casey scored 12 but Jack "Goose" Givens scored only eight.

Utah's Jeff Judkins, the tourney's MVP, led Utah with 24 points. He was joined on the all-tourney team by Givens, Robey, Lee and Tony Robertson of West Virginia.

Kentucky football coach Fran Curci announced the signing of six players from the Bluegrass State to a Southeastern Conference letter-of-intent. Those players are: Sam Simpson and Charlie Jackson of Scott County; Chuck Smith and Mark Gillespie of Louisville; Greg Motley of Glasgow and Wendell Dean of Richmond.

University of Kentucky offensive tackle Warren Bryant, an All-American, has been named the recipient of the Jacobs Blocking Trophy, given annually since 1935 to the best blocker in the SEC.

The Kentucky football program has lost assistant football coach John Cooper to Tulsa where he was named head coach. Cooper has been at UK since 1973. He has been on the coaching staff of four bowl teams.

Following a lengthy investigation, the NCAA has turned in its penalty against the University of Kentucky. Its penalty against the program is that the team will not be allowed on national or regional television next year nor will UK be permitted to play in postseason action. The coaching staff has been cut back in its allotment of annual recruits, too. Instead of the usual 30 scholarship the staff can give out, the 'Cats are allowed 25.

After next year, there will be no football sanctions.

As far as for the university's basketball program. Joe B. Hall's Wildcats can only sign three players in the next two seasons, respectively. That was the lone penalty issued to the basketball program.

University of Kentucky's athletics director Cliff Hagan said the penalty against the basketball team was "unfair, based on the findings." Most of the violations pertained to recruiting.

Thirty Two Years Ago

Sophomore Johnny Cox poured in 34 points as Kentucky downed Maryland 76-65 in a game played at Lexington's Memorial Coliseum. Cox outscored the entire Maryland team in the first half by a count of 20-17. He hit on 11 of 21 jumpers and all 12 free tosses. No other Wildcat hit for double figures.

However, in the rebounding category UK's Ed Beck had 11 while Johnny Brewer, in his initial start of the season, grabbed 10.

CORRECTION

In last week's *Back Thru the Wildcat Years* the items listed in "Five Years Ago" should have been dated "Nine Years Ago."

WILDCAT QUIZ

Tracking the '88/'89 'Cats

1. Last week Kentucky lost its home opener to Northwestern State. How many times have the Wildcats' dropped their home debut?

- a) 7 times
- b) 10 times
- c) 13 times
- d) 14 times

2. UK guard Derrick Miller did something nobody else has ever done in the Great Alaska Shootout. What was it?

- a) most points in a game
- b) most three pointers in a game
- c) most steals in one game
- d) most combined minutes (three games) played

3) In the 1988 Alaska Shootout, Sean Sutton was credited as the tournament's No. 1 player in _____?

- a) steals
- b) minutes played
- c) assists
- d) both a and c

4) True or False? Walk-on Jeff Ginnan played for Transylvania's JV team.

5) Besides UK's game with Louisville who else will the Wildcats play in Freedom Hall this season?

- a) Georgia
- b) Austin Peay
- c) Syracuse

d) Indiana

6) True or False? On Dec. 20, Kentucky will host college basketball's "bad boy" Bobby Knight and his Indiana Hoosiers. And ever since '76, when Rupp Arena became UK's new home, the Wildcats have never lost to IU in Lexington.

7) Walkon Anthony Mathis scored his first collegiate point against which of the following teams?

- a) California
- b) Duke
- c) Northwestern State
- d) Notre Dame

8) The other UK walkon, Chris Jones of Russell, Ky., told *The Cats' Pause* that while the Kentucky caravan was driving along in Alaska recently, something peculiar especially caught teammate Richie Farmer's attention. What was it?

- a) an Eskimo
- b) an Eskimo in a bikini
- c) a moose
- d) a moose in a bikini

9. True or False? In the 80s, UK has never lost a game in the UKIT Tournament.

10. True or False? Bowling Green has never been a participant in the UKIT.

Answers

- 1) 14
- 2) most three pointers made (seven)
- 3) assists (22 in three games)
- 4) True
- 5) Austin Peay (Dec. 27)
- 6) True (5-0)
- 7) California
- 8) a moose (and not in a bikini! As many UK hoop fans know, Farmer enjoyed hunting)
- 9) True (the last time UK lost a game in its own tournament was in 1978 in the first round to Texas A&M)
- 10) False (Bowling Green to - both games in the 1976 UKIT)

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