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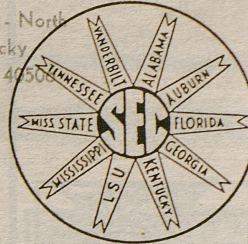
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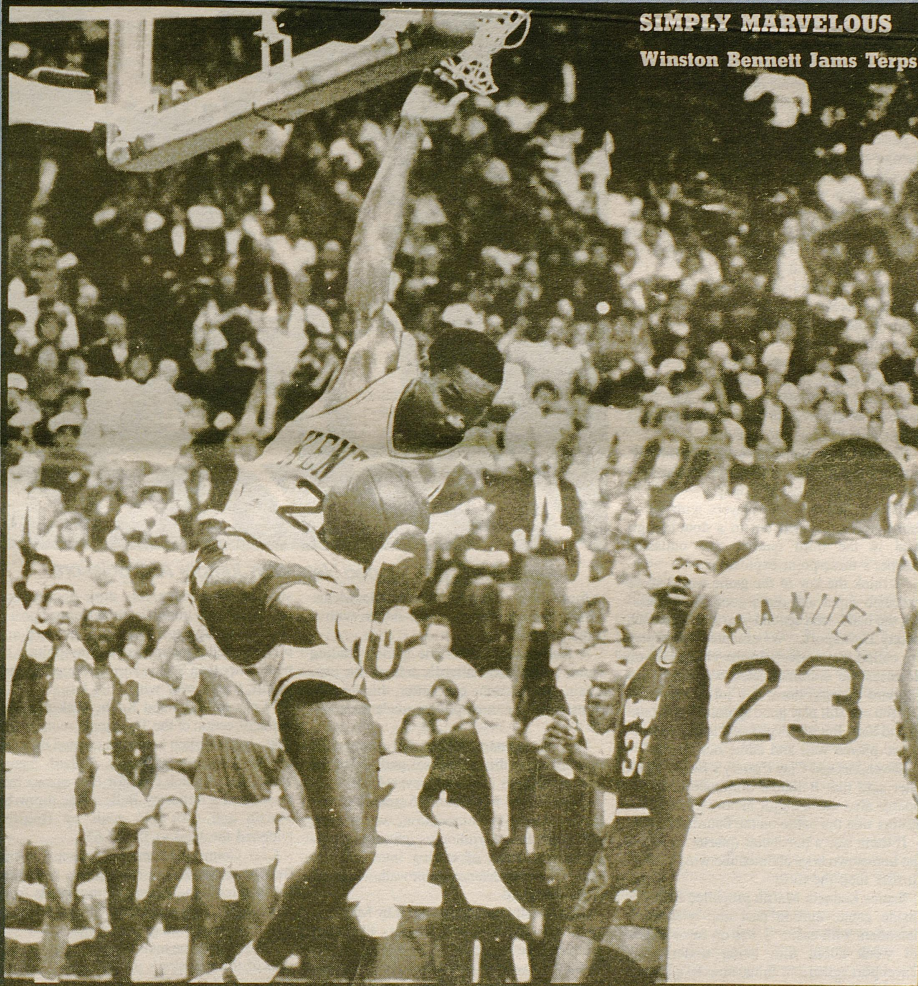


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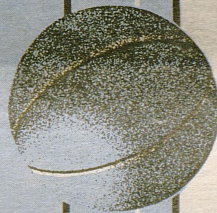
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## Ballard Wins State Title With Win Over Clay County; Farmer Explodes For 51

By Nick Nicholas

LOUISVILLE, KY—A new era. Last Saturday before a shoulder-to-shoulder sellout crowd at Freedom Hall, an era ended in Kentucky high school basketball while another took its place. Louisville Ballard, erased from last year's state high school championship, was crowned No. 1 with an 88-79 revenge of Clay County, the defending champ.

As thrilling as the four-day, 15-game tourney was the individual performance by Richie Farmer, playing his last game in familiar Gold and Black. The tournament's all-time leading scorer blazed the cords for 51 points, including nine of 13 three-pointers.

Never before had anyone witnessed such a performance in a championship game. Farmer's half-a-century-plus-one showcase was seven better than Louisville Central's Ron King's total in 1969. And for the second year in a row Farmer, the all-time leading scorer in Sweet 16 history, was named the Lexington Herald Leader's Most Valuable Player as voted by media and coaches.

Individually, the night belonged to Farmer. Combine his Saturday night special with three other games, Clay County's big gun totaled 137 tourney points.

"I had a great career here at Clay County," said Farmer, interviewed on the sidelines afterwards. "I've played in three state final games. I wish we could have won tonight but it just didn't come out that way."

Yes, he gladly would have traded his MVP trophy for what Ballard had in its hands—the 1988 championship trophy.

Ballard, led by three players with 23 or more points, jumped out to a double-digit lead in the third quarter and outlasted Farmer's three-point explosions.

"I think the key to the game was that we executed super and did a good job of passing the ball," said second-year Ballard coach Scotty Davenport. "We executed every play we called just perfect. In the change up on defenses we communicated well and they (Ballard players) deserve a lot of credit."

"You can still play good against Clay County and lose. But we played well and fortunately we played well and came out on top."

Davenport and Clay County's Bobby Keith later said that Ballard's domination on the boards also was a major factor. Overall, the Bruins won the battle on the boards 41 to 33.

If there was a particular quarter in which the hometown boys claimed the win, look no further than the third.

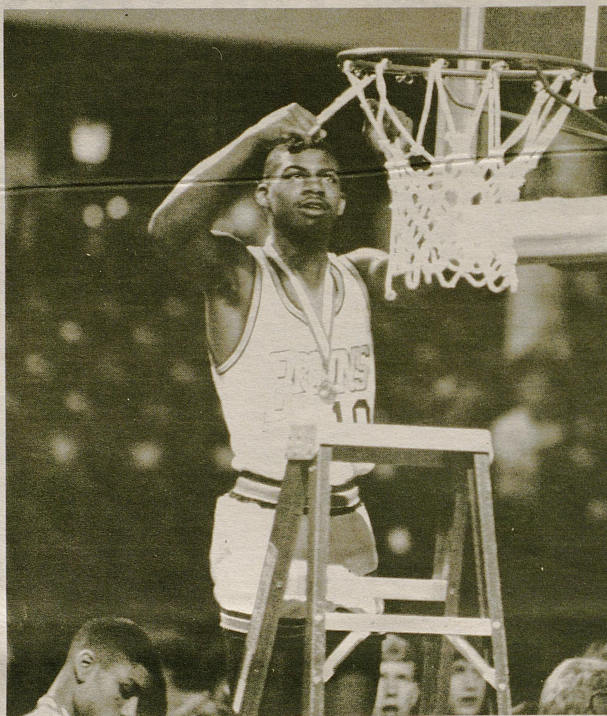
Senior Kenneth Martin propelled Ballard's inside game, cutting past and over Tiger defenders with ease. "I was on my soapbox all week about him being underrated," Davenport noted. "I think now he's proved me right."

Martin ended the evening with 24 points and 14 rebounds while junior teammates Allan Houston and Mark Bell weren't far behind with 23 points apiece.

"We came out and played our hearts out just like Clay County," Martin said. "We wanted to rebound the ball and get it to the outlet man and run. We don't like to take the ball out of the net, walk it up the court and run our set offense."

Six of Ballard's first eight points in the second half were scored by Martin. Still, Clay County stayed close, narrowing the margin to six, 45-39. The Bruins' continuous success on offense, though, started to tire an obvious already-weary Tiger crew.

Late in the third quarter Martin gave Ballard a 53-47 lead when he controlled a Houston misfire and bagged an eight footer. Richie Farmer cut the Bruin advantage back



Junior Mark Bell Ripped Nets With Jumper And Scissors

to four with a nifty pump fake inside. Meanwhile, Bell did Farmer one better with a three-pointer.

A few moments later the game's leading scorer penetrated Ballard's defense for two. Again, he was done one better, this time by Houston whose three-pointer made the count 59-51.

Two Tiger attempts then fell astray. Bell capitalized on the two misses and upped the lead to 10 with a driving seven-footer.

Clay County, winners of 46 straight games against Kentucky competition, was starring a 10-point deficit with only eight minutes remaining. Instead of cutting into Ballard's lead, the Tigers defense underneath was about to be declared.

First, another alley-oop dunk by Martin to open the final period meant 12 points separated the two teams. Clay County climbed back to within 10 (64-54). But two consecutive three-point plays smothered a Richie Farmer basket, lifting Ballard to a 14-point cushion (70-56).

Strangely enough, about 75 percent of the 19,575 on hand were for the out-of-townners. Though down by 14, there was a feeling in the air that a new champ was about to be crowned.

Davenport said later that he didn't feel, home free until the final buzzer went off because, "with Richie Farmer and his three pointers... they never quit and they're a class team."

Hopes and prayers remained on the lips of Tiger faithful. Hope for one last stand... one last comeback attempt. Like champions, they didn't give up.

It started at the 5:56 mark when Richie Farmer cashed in one of two free throw tries, narrowing the gap to 70-57. Following a Bruin miss, Russ Farmer, who missed 11 bonus

shots on the evening, hit a three-pointer head on. The Tigers immediately reclaimed possession when Houston took an ill-advised and off-balanced jumper. And a three-pointer by none other than Richie Farmer forced Ballard to talk things over with 5:08 left.

"Let's go," chanted Keith, shaking a fist in the direction of the Tiger main rooting section. A fever pitch had been created because of Clay County's latest run. Ballard, meanwhile, had a quick cure for that as two free tosses and a rattler by Bell, a free throw by Martin and two field goals by Houston widened the lead to 15, 80-65.

Clay County had made a gallant run but Ballard answered the call with a 10-2 blitz that shattered the dreams of thousands from Manchester. This night Clay County wouldn't win its second straight state title.

"The PRP game took a lot out of us," Keith said of the morning's 92-90 escape. "But I don't want that to sound like any type of alibi because I don't want to take anything away from Ballard's victory or the way they played here tonight."

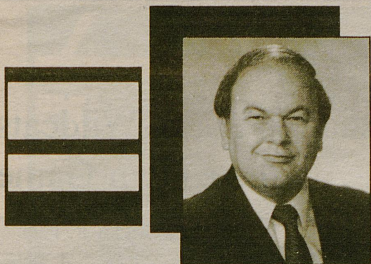
Until the final moments of the first half the championship game was dead even. After the initial eight minutes the two teams were tied at 18-all. Both teams excited the crowd by matching basket for basket... steal for steal.

Clay County bolted out to a four-point lead (29-25) with two straight three pointers from Richie Farmer, the first from NBA range. Martin, though, silenced Tiger supporters with an offensive putback and a nine footer, the latter tying the game at 29-all.

A crier by Houston inside gave Ballard the lead for keeps. And the Seventh Region champs kept the momentum flowing, scoring four of the half's last five points,

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Dream Game VIII: 'Cats Over Cards For Final Four

On to Birmingham! Kentucky, Villanova, Louisville and Oklahoma. What a field!

Come Thursday night only a pair will remain and by Saturday afternoon, only one of those four teams will advance to the Final Four of the 50th NCAA basketball tournament.

Kentucky earned its ticket to the Steel City by turning back Southern University and Maryland at Cincinnati's Riverfront Coliseum over the weekend while Villanova defeated Arkansas and Illinois. Louisville beat up on Oregon State and BYU while the Southeast Region's top seed, Oklahoma, ousted UT-Chattanooga and Auburn.

From here on, it'll be nothing short of warfare. The bunnies are now history in the tournament. Oh, some will say Richmond doesn't deserve to be there or perhaps Kansas State or perhaps Vanderbilt.

Don't be misled. This version of the Sweet Sixteen has a cast of teams capable of beating anyone on a given night. But perhaps most significant in this tournament has been the way play has proven the selection committee to be real experts on the game.

There have been some big upsets, but strong boys Oklahoma and Kentucky (Southeast), Arizona and North Carolina (West), Temple and Duke (East) and Purdue (Midwest) were all first or second regional seeds and they have survived the opening two rounds. Only in the Midwest did second-seeded Pittsburgh get upset (by Vanderbilt). And, of course, that came in what many regard to be the nation's weakest regional this year.

But to the surprises.

How about that Midwest where Kansas State has upset DePaul, and Vanderbilt knocking off Pitt to gain entry into the Sweet Sixteen? Some would say Kansas is a surprise and perhaps the Jayhawks are, but that was made possible when Murray State shocked N.C. State before losing to Kansas. On Friday Purdue meets Kansas State and Kansas takes on Vandy. Look for both Kansas schools to take an early return home and that will leave us with the most quoted phrase of the upcoming weekend: "Will Purdue be able to handle Will Perdue?" The answer is yes and the Boilermakers will make it to the Final Four although we'd love to see C.M. Newton and his Commodores travel to Kansas City.

In the East, there will be more of a challenge. Temple will take on Cinderella Richmond and the Spiders' dream season will come to a sudden halt. Rhode Island and Duke is going to be a great one. It's difficult to pick against URI after the way Atlantic 10 power has performed so far, but it says here Duke will prevail in the end. That would give us Duke and Temple for the regional title. For some reason, I want to pick Duke. "But," that's a tough three-letter word. There are some who claim Temple has been overrated all year long. I'm not one of them. There were fewer non-believers after Temple destroyed Georgetown Sunday. Temple is

the No. 1 team in the country until the Owls go down to defeat. Temple from the East.

The West now has the strongest remaining field in the country. Either of the four—Arizona, Iowa, Michigan or North Carolina—is capable of winning it all. Arizona's claim to fame came back in December when Lute Olson returned to home in Iowa and beat the Hawkeyes in their own back yard. He won't be so lucky this time around. Iowa will get revenge. In the second game, look for this to be a classic between Michigan and North Carolina. The Wolverines have talent equal to anyone in the country and the Tar Heels are no exception. Carolina is away from the friendly confines of the ACC and this won't be a sweet experience for Dean Smith. In the finals, it'll be Iowa and Michigan with Michigan going to the Final Four.

Now for the one you've been waiting for: the Southeast. In the first game, Kentucky will take on Villanova. The experts will say Kentucky and the Wildcats have certainly enjoyed a lucky streak to date. While the opposition has been formidable, it hasn't been unbearable. Ditto with Villanova. Kentucky should emerge the victor, but only if the Wildcats don't take things for granted.

Fortunately for Kentucky, it will be the first game of the Southeast Regional semifinals, which means the 'Cats will play before knowing who will be advancing from the Oklahoma-Louisville battle. Teams have been known to get caught looking ahead. It could still happen, but this veteran team includes five seniors who want to play their final UK game in Kansas City, not Birmingham.

Villanova, meanwhile, is beginning to establish itself as a Cinderella team of sorts. The Wildcats emerged from the Southeast Regional back in 1985 as an underdog on the way to their national championship right at Rupp Arena. Stranger things have happened in the past.

Nevertheless, Kentucky has been playing excellent basketball, even great at times. The 'Cats were superb against LSU, so-so against Georgia in the SEC title game and then better-than-average against Southern and Maryland.

So there is room for some improvement, but the mark of a championship team in the NCAAs is the ability to win a game or two when you're not playing you're very best, enjoying a little luck in the draw and then playing one or two of those great, great games.

Kentucky is in as good a position as anyone at this stage, but it cannot afford any letdown. A real solid effort should enable UK to advance to the regional finals, where it will take one great effort to beat either Oklahoma or Louisville. From there on, a little good luck wouldn't hurt anything.

In the other semifinal, it'll be Oklahoma and Louisville. The experts say Oklahoma, but you and I know better than to count out the Cards. It probably doesn't matter to Oklahoma who wins the first game, although Billy Tubbs might

want to get some revenge back for the loss to UK a year ago.

For Louisville, it's a different situation. There are two reasons why the Cards would rather face UK. The obvious is that most everyone believes Kentucky would be easier to defeat than Oklahoma and the second, which is even more obvious to Bluegrass State fans, is that Louisville would enjoy nothing more than to earn a trip to the Final Four by leaving Kentucky in its path. That could be both an incentive and distraction for the Cards.

By the time the Cards and Sooners hit the floor about 10 p.m. (Central Time) Thursday, the UK version of the 'Cats will be perched atop the Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center waiting for a date with the Cards, or the 'Cats will be headed back to Lexington. It could be tough for the Cards to keep their minds on the game either way.

But a Kentuckian wouldn't be a Kentuckian if he picked anything other than a Kentucky-Louisville final. Louisville in a close one.

So there are your Final Four teams, revised from a week ago. Our next revision? How about trying Sunday night.

What a finish for Clay County's Richie Farmer!

The 6-0 senior gave it his best Saturday night against the Ballard Bruins, but the Louisville club won an 88-79 victory in the championship of the KHSAA, avenging previous overtime losses to Clay County back in the LIIT and last year's KHSAA title game.

It capped a brilliant season for coach Scotty Davenport and eliminated Clay County's hopes of going undefeated in the state and capturing the state title two years in a row.

But you couldn't fault Farmer who pitched in 51 points in the title game on 20 of 32 from the field, including nine of 13 from the three-point line and two of four from the free throw line.

What made the exhibition so unbelievable is that it was Farmer's third game in 23 hours as Clay County played its quarterfinal game Friday night, then the semifinals at noon on Saturday and the championship at 8 p.m. that evening.

Farmer was voted the tournament's MVP for the second year in a row. Earlier in the tourney, he scored 38, 30 and 18 points respectively. In his 18-point game against Louisville PRP, Farmer was double- and triple-team so he dished out 11 assists as the Tigers beat PRP 92-90 in the semis.

The big question around these parts right now is where he will attend college. The decision should come pretty soon. There have been many schools which have indicated they would be interested if UK doesn't sign him. Western Kentucky has been the most consistent Division 1 school offer him since last summer.

But others have come calling lately. Last week, Farmer and Clay County were the subjects of a Dick Schapp

feature on the ABC Evening News with Peter Jennings. Since then, Farmer's phone has been ringing off the hook.

Kentucky coaches have been saying for the past three months they wanted to watch him play more before making a final evaluation. Now that Farmer's season is complete, the case has been sent to the jury.

Speaking of recruiting, Kentucky is still in the hunt for California blue-chipper Don MacLean.

West coast sources say MacLean is now considering a couple schools other than frontrunners Kentucky and Georgia Tech. One source said UNLV has an excellent shot at MacLean while yet another recruiting expert insists that UCLA will eventually win MacLean over to the Bruins.

Of course, several former California players have been linked to UCLA in the past few years, only to migrate East to where all the television and media exposure are.

MacLean reportedly has now indicated he won't sign a national letter of intent until late April, or until after most of the national prep all-star games.

Kentucky is also keeping close tabs on 6-8 Maurice Britton of Hutchinson, Kan., a junior college kid who plays a lot like Wildcat Winston Bennett.

Is WHAS Radio returning to the UK Sports Network?

That's a subject which has been rather quiet the past few months around Lexington, but there's an interesting letter to the editor in this edition of TCP from WHAS programming director Gary Bruce.

In the letter, Bruce responds to a previous viewpoint writer, but of more significance are Bruce's comments about WHAS' future as far as UK is concerned. Bruce says WHAS "is aggressively pursuing the opportunity to carry University of Kentucky sports broadcasts, as we had for the past several decades until last season."

The WHAS executive made note of criticism by UK fans of WHAS, saying some of it was deserved, based on poor judgment by previous station management.

According to local sources, there is a possibility that WHAS will rejoin the UK network next season and will share the broadcasts with WAVG Radio in Louisville.

The Kentucky Network, which holds the radio rights to all UK football and basketball games, has one season remaining on its three-year contract. That contract with UK calls for WAVG (the UK athletics board directed that WAVG be involved in all broadcasts) to be a part of any UK network during the life of the contract. The contract stipulated that

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# Whew!

## Davender and Chapman Combine For 53 Points As Usually-Patient Wildcats Outrun Surprising Southern 99-84 To Beat Jaguars At Their Own Game

By TCP Columnist Mike Estep

CINCINNATI — "Gentlemen, start your engines!" With green flag in hand, that's the way the Riverfront Coliseum public address announcer should have opened the Kentucky-Southern University game last Friday night.

It was 40 minutes of run-and-gun, fastbreak basketball, a game that wasn't decided until Kentucky's superior talent took over in the last stretch to take the checkered flag with a 99-84 win.

The usually-patient Wildcats put five men in double figures, led by Ed Davender and Rex Chapman with 30 and 23 points, respectively, to beat Southern—whose motto is the only bad shot is one that isn't put up fast enough—at its own game.

Kentucky controlled the opening tip and guard Ed Davender rushed down and swished a 20-footer to give the Wildcats a 3-0 lead just 10 seconds into the game. From that point on, it was stand clear and watch out.

"We couldn't gear it back," Sutton said afterwards. "We didn't go back to second, much less first. We were still in third, sometimes fourth and fifth. If you had put it in reverse, you definitely would've lost your transmission. I haven't been involved in a game like that in a long, long time."

Hank Iba, who schooled Sutton in UK's normal deliberate, defensive gameplan designed to keep the score in the 60s or 70s, would have been appalled.

### Shot Clock? You Mean There's A Shot Clock?

Forget the seven-pass rule, instituted by Sutton at various times this season in an attempt to slow his ballclub down. This game, it was more like a seven-second rule: Hold the ball for seven seconds, then jack that sucker up.

Southern assaulted the basket 82 times during the contest, and when it was over, coach Ben Jobe was asked what he would do differently.

"Get more shots," he said. "Definitely get more shots." Kentucky got off only 57 shots, but even that was too many for Sutton.

"They got us out of sync," Sutton said, "they got us in their game. We don't play basketball like that. But it could happen to anybody. You gonna turn down four-footers? We scored a lot of points."

And gave up a lot of points. The 84 scored by the Jaguars represents the highest point total of any UK opponent this season, even in the Wildcats' five losses.

"They're the quickest basketball team we've played all year," Sutton said. "They make you look bad. The quick break, they're quick jumpers. There were two things I said would be the most important things for us to win: That was minimize turnovers and don't give up too many second shots. Well somehow we survived. We had 25 miscues, and we gave up 20 offensive rebounds. Had we not shot the ball 67 percent and done some other things decent, I guess we wouldn't have won."

"But I certainly want to give their ballclub a lot of credit. They play hard. They're quick. Their traps are good, their press is excellent. And they certainly hung with us for a long time."

### Southern Hung In There For 25 Minutes. . .

Kentucky was in control early, taking a nine-point lead eight minutes into the game. The Wildcats led by eight at the break and pushed the advantage to 10, at 62-52, with 14:42 remaining in the ballgame. But Southern put together one last run, outscoring the Cats 8-2 over the next three minutes to cut the margin to four at 64-60, and put a scare into the Southeast Region's second-seeded team.

"The main thing was we had to pull together as a ballclub and try to do the things that we'd done all season," Winston Bennett said the team's feeling was when Southern closed the gap to four. "And that was to play good, hard-nosed defense, which has basically been our offense up to this point. And we weren't doing a good job of that."

Bennett said it was a case of the Wildcats not being mentally ready to play the smaller, unheralded Jaguars.

"On a scale of 10, about a four," Bennett replied when asked to rate the performance. "We're happy we won, we're just not happy with the way we won."

"I think it was basically a matter of us not being mentally prepared to play. Southern's biggest man was something like 6-6 or 6-7, and you have a tendency not to respect a ballclub like that."

The Jaguar gameplan was simple: Let the guards shoot until their arms get sore, and in the meantime, the big men will chase down the rebounds. Guards Deryynn Johnson (two for 12) and Patrick Garner (three for 17) couldn't have hit the nearby Ohio River, as the two combined to convert just five of 32 field goals. But Southern's inside people—6-5 Kevin Florent, 6-6 Daryl Battles and

6-7 Rod Washington—consistently outquicked Kentucky on the boards. Battles had five offensive rebounds and 20 points, Florent three boards and 25 points and Washington three rebounds and 14 points.

### . . . But Wildcat Depth Proved To Be Too Much

But after seeing the margin trimmed to 64-60, the Cats survived, as Bennett Chapman and Davender teamed for 23 points the rest of the way, and the Jaguars, with only seven players seeing significant playing time, tired in the final 10 minutes.

"We have the belief that we're in better condition than most of our opponents, and each year we usually win three or four games because we're in better condition than our opponents," Southern coach Ben Jobe said. "But they've got so much power, and so much depth. Even some of their big kids, they're not very offensive minded, but they're in there, they're in the way. And they can give some of the kids some rest time."

"I don't usually feel bad when we're beaten by a club that good, as long as we can get decent shots and get the score somewhere up in the 90s. We got close to the 90s, but we didn't quite get far enough. They're a very strong club, they've got a lot of power—inside and outside."

It's become customary in the last few weeks for the opposing coach to tout the Wildcats for the national championship following a loss: Dale Brown of LSU and Hugh Durham of Georgia did so during the SEC tournament. Now Jobe is jumping on the Kentucky bandwagon.

"They're just a great club, they're well coached," Jobe said. "There's not reason why they can't make it to the Final Four and possibly win the whole thing. They're very good. They're the best club we've played the two years I've been at Southern."

Jobe said that includes top-ranked Temple, which forced the Jaguars to shoot a horrendous 19.2 percent from the field in a 84-47 Owl victory earlier this year.

"They have more firepower than Temple," he said, "and they're just as physical. They're a lot tougher ballclub. I think they could beat Temple."

"That depth is really fantastic. That's what would hurt a team like Temple. (Temple coach John Chaney) plays about six or seven people, about like we do. These guys look they could play nine, 10 guys, maybe 11. So that would hurt a team like Temple. So if it came down between them and the No. 1 team, I would put my money on Kentucky."

UK-Southern Play-By-Play			
Time	Kentucky	Score	Southern
19:50	Davender 20 ft.	3-0	
19:02	Davender layup	5-0	
18:30		5-2	Florent dunk
17:08	Lock FT, FT	7-2	
16:44		7-5	D. Johnson 22 ft.
16:02	Chapman layup, FT	10-5	
15:27		10-6	Florent FT, FTA
15:19	Davender layup	12-6	
14:53	Bennett 18 ft.	14-6	
14:18		14-8	Florent 6 ft.
13:09	Chapman dunk	16-8	
13:05		16-10	Florent layup
12:55	Ellis alley-ooop dunk	18-10	
12:43		18-13	Garner 20 ft.
12:30	Chapman 12 ft.	20-13	
12:21	Chapman dunk	22-13	
12:00		22-15	Washington FT, FT
11:24		22-18	Florent 21 ft.
11:11	Ellis alley-ooop layup	24-15	
11:02		24-20	Washington FT, FT
10:15	Davender 21 ft.	27-20	
8:28		27-22	Garner 17 ft.
8:14	Davender FT, FT	29-22	
7:18	Bennett FT, FTA	30-22	
6:10		30-24	Battles dunk
6:05	Chapman 18 ft.	32-24	
5:58		32-26	Battles layup
5:46	Manuel FT, FTA	33-26	
5:24		33-28	Battles follow layup
5:15	Chapman dunk	35-28	
4:59		35-30	Battles follow layup
4:47	Manuel FT, FT	37-30	
3:51		37-32	Washington follow
3:00		37-34	Battles FT, FT
2:53	Manuel 12 ft.	39-34	
2:25	Davender 18 ft.	41-34	
2:02	Manuel 17 ft.	43-34	
1:36	Davender 4 ft.	45-34	
1:18		45-36	Washington FT, FT
1:09	Jenkins 4 ft., FT	48-36	
1:01		48-38	Sample 14 ft.
0:07		48-40	A. Johnson layup
<b>HALF</b>			<b>48-40</b>
18:30		48-42	Florent 8 ft.
18:04	Lock FT, FT	50-42	
17:45		50-44	D. Johnson 18 ft.
17:18	Chapman dunk	52-44	
16:49	Bennett 10 ft.	54-44	
16:14		54-46	Battles follow layup
16:11	Davender 4 ft.	56-46	
16:05		56-48	Washington 6 ft.
15:58	Davender 6 ft.	58-48	
15:54		58-50	Battles 8 ft.
15:46	Lock FT, FT	60-50	
14:49		60-52	Samples follow layup
14:42	Chapman 6 ft.	62-52	
14:37		62-54	Battles 8 ft.
14:05		62-56	Samples follow layup
13:40	Bennett 8 ft.	64-56	
12:51		64-58	Samples FT, FT
11:37		64-60	Washington layup
11:30	Lock 5 ft., FT	67-60	
10:57	Ellis follow layup	69-60	
10:31	Davender layup	71-60	
10:09	Bennett 6 ft.	73-60	
9:17	Davender 13 ft.	75-60	
9:01		75-62	Washington 4 ft.
8:46	Chapman 21 ft.	78-62	
8:30	Davender layup	80-62	
8:02		80-64	Florent 15 ft.
7:10	Chapman 21 ft.	83-64	
6:52		83-66	Florent dunk
6:40		83-69	Garner 21 ft.
6:00		83-71	Florent follow layup
5:33	Bennett 4 ft., FT	86-71	
5:15	Davender 4 ft.	88-71	
4:48		88-72	Florent FTA, FT
4:12	Manuel layup	90-72	
4:06		90-74	Battles dunk
3:29	Madison dunk	92-74	
2:41	Davender FT, FT	94-74	
2:33		94-76	Battles follow layup
1:53	Lock 3 ft.	96-76	
1:41		96-79	Florent 23 ft.
1:31		96-82	Florent 21 ft.
0:43		96-84	Phills 14 ft.
0:06	Lock FTA, FT	97-84	
0:00	Manuel dunk	99-84	
<b>FINAL</b>			<b>99-84</b>

—Cats' Pause chart

OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE															
HOME (Last Name, First)		DATE 3/18/88 SITE Cincinnati, Ohio													
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VISITOR (Last Name, First)															
TOTALS															
TEAM REBOUNDS (included in Totals)															
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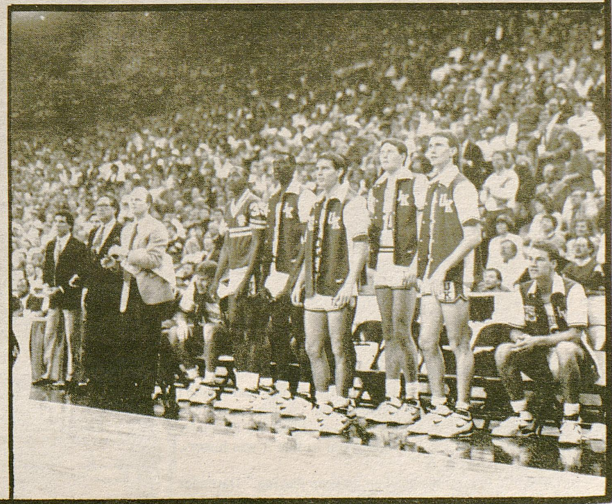
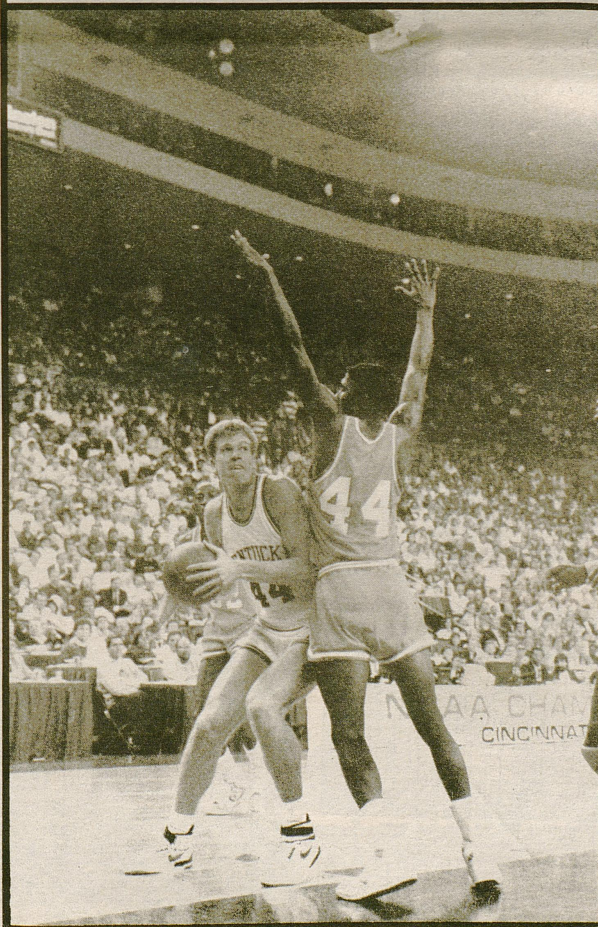




**RUN AND GUN**

(Top Left, Clockwise) In Kentucky's 99-84 Victory Over Southern University, Ed Davender Spots An Open Target; Rob Lock Tries To Defend Rod Washington; Wildcat Bench Watches With Anticipation; And Lock Looks To Put A Move Past Washington

Photos By Gary Cromwell and David Sterling





# Terps Tumble

## 'Cats Borrow A Page From Tide Playbook, Use 10-2 Spurt Late In Game To Down Maryland 90-81 And Advance To NCAA's Round Of Sixteen

By TCP Columnist Mike Estep

CINCINNATI — When Eddie Sutton and his Wildcats arrive in Birmingham later this week for their Southeast Regional semifinal game with Villanova, maybe the UK coach should take a minute to call Wimp Sanderson and relay a message of thanks. Because although the 'Cats took command in the last three minutes to down a stubborn Maryland club 90-81 and advance to the NCAA's Sweet Sixteen, some of the credit should go to Sanderson.

Sanderson, the Alabama coach? Yep. The same guy who guided his team to a woeful 14-17 record this season?

He's the one. After the scrappy Terrapins battled back from a six-point deficit late in the second half to knot the score at 76-all, Sutton gathered his troops on the sideline and set up a "special scoring play"—one borrowed from Sanderson's playbook and appropriately called "Alabama"—designed to get Winston Bennett a crucial bucket inside.

### 'Alabama' Helps Push Kentucky Past Maryland

Bennett lines up at the free throw line, gets a screen from Rex Chapman and posts up down on the low block. After Chapman screens Bennett's man, he receives a screen from Rob Lock and comes open at the top of the key. Ed Davender, on the dribble from the top of the key to the wing, has the option of hitting Bennett inside or Chapman outside.

Davender got the ball to Bennett, who turned and buried a four-footer with 2:52 remaining to give the 'Cats the lead for good at 78-76.

"I thought we were getting a little fatigued," Sutton said, "and I wanted to get regrouped. We set up a special play knowing (Maryland forward Derrick) Lewis had four fouls on him, and we brought the ball back to Winston. We happen to call it 'Alabama' because Alabama runs it. We borrow plays occasionally. It's a special scoring play and we got the ball in to Winston for an easy basket."

After Bennett's big bucket, the five-year senior came down and made the big play—perhaps the defensive play of the game—on Maryland's next possession. The Terps got the ball inside to Lewis, who had lost Bennett on a screen. But Bennett fought his way through the pick, stripped Lewis as he went up for the shot—Terrapin coach Bob Wade disagreed with the officials' no-call—and Davender was there to scoop up the loose ball.

"I think they ran a screen for Lewis, so I was kinda lost in there," Bennett said. "And I knew I was gonna be the one that would be picked out if we went back to the bench after a timeout with, 'You didn't get through the screen.' So I just tried to make up for it with hustle."

But Winston, should there have been a whistle? "Well, I'm not gonna tell you I fouled him," he said with a smile, "but yeah, I think I got it clean."

Seconds later Chapman hit a 19-foot turnaround from the left corner to give UK an 80-76 lead, and the 27-7 Wildcats converted eight straight free throws in the last 1:13 to assure a ticket to Birmingham. But it didn't come easily.

Kentucky frittered away several nine-point leads in the first half, and when Maryland guard Teyon McCoy connected on a 20-footer with :07 left in the half, the Terps had cut the lead to 42-41 and carried momentum into the locker room for the break. To add to UK's woes, Maryland center Brian Williams was scoring almost at will in the first half (14 points), and Chapman (one of six from the field, one of six from the line) and Lock (two points, no rebounds) were mysteriously missing in action.

### UK's Halftime Adjustments Keyed The Win

Although the game went down the wire, it was several key adjustments at halftime—several good ones by Kentucky, one not-so-good one by Maryland—that ultimately decided the outcome.

"We knew that if we didn't come out and set the tempo in the second half, especially after they had tied the game, that there would be no more tomorrows for us," Bennett said.

So when Davender, who has emerged as a spiritual leader for the 'Cats recently, noticed Chapman hanging his head, he consoled the sophomore.

"I just came out the first half and I really didn't feel like I was in the game," Chapman said. "And you can always tell on the little things like free throws, I had missed five free throws and I hadn't missed many more than that the whole season. I was frustrated and kinda got my head down at halftime. I went in and Ed Davender came up to me and told me to forget about it, that it was history, and that's what I tried to do."

"I just told him to keep his head up, to keep playing," Davender said. "I told him the free throws that he missed, the shots that he

missed, that's over with. The first 20 minutes are gone, you've got a fresh new 20 to come out and show people the type player you are."

He did. Chapman was eight of 12 from the field in the final 20 minutes, three of five from three-point range, and finished tied with Davender for game-high honors with 23 points. Chapman was especially deadly down the stretch, scoring eight of 12 to keep the 'Cats in the game before they went on the final 10-2 run to put the game away.

Lock also did an about-face in the second half, but Davender said he couldn't take credit for that one. "I didn't have to say anything," Davender said when he was asked if he gave Lock the same speech he had for Chapman. "Coach said enough to Rob."

Sutton issued a personal challenge to Lock, imploring him to take control of the paint in the second half. "We kinda challenged Rob at halftime," Sutton said. "Sometimes we do that with our players. And he came out and played very well in the last 20 minutes."

"We tried to get him some confidence, and basically said the same thing to him that had been said to Rex. We had not played well in the first half, I didn't think, and especially Rob Lock. And he came out and certainly responded in a positive manner." Lock had four rebounds and was five for five from the field in the second half, four of those buckets coming in the all-important first five minutes as Kentucky slowed Maryland's momentum by racing out to a 58-49 lead.

### Terps Fall Short Relying On Perimeter Attack

While UK's second-half gameplan worked wonders, Maryland's did not. In the first half, the Terps pounded the ball in to Williams, who scored almost everytime he touched it. But in the second half, Wade inserted three guards and went primarily with a perimeter attack. Williams took just four shots in the final 20 minutes—he hit three of them—but simply didn't get the ball enough.

"We did not go to sleep on Brian, we knew he was there," Wade said. "The outside shots were there also. So we told our kids, we knew they were doubling down inside, so we just told them to take the (perimeter) shots."

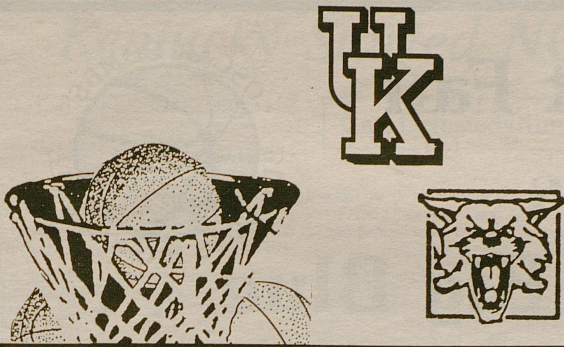
That strategy allowed the Terps to stay close, but they were never able to overtake the 'Cats. Maryland was able to convert six of 15 three-pointers in the second half, but the tactic backfired: It took the Terp big men out of game, and Kentucky was able to control the boards.

"I thought the big difference in the ballgame, and I said this before the contest began, we had to be able to board with Maryland," Sutton said. "And we did that. We limited them to six rebounds (three in each half) on the offensive glass."

UK-Maryland Play-By-Play			
Time	Kentucky	Score	Maryland
19:51	Davender layup	2-0	
19:36		2-2	Massenburg 4 ft.
18:45	Manuel 21 ft.	5-2	
17:50		5-4	Williams FT, FT
17:38	Bennett 18 ft.	7-4	
16:53		7-7	Gatlin 22 ft.
16:38	Bennett 17 ft.	9-7	
16:16	Davender FT, FT	11-7	
15:46		11-9	Williams 4 ft. hook
15:30	Chapman 11 ft.	13-9	
14:30	Davender FT, FTA	14-9	
14:09		14-11	Archer FT, FT
13:23	Bennett 4 ft.	16-11	
12:31	Bennett 16 ft.	18-11	
11:56	Manuel 16 ft.	20-11	
11:41		20-13	Dickerson 14 ft.
11:19	Bennett 4 ft.	22-13	
11:00		24-15	Williams dunk
10:32	Manuel FT, FT	24-15	
10:04		24-17	Archer dunk
9:33		24-19	Archer 16 ft.
9:15	Ellis 7 ft.	26-19	
8:50		26-21	Archer 17 ft.
8:32	Chapman FT, FTA	27-21	
7:41		27-25	Williams dunk
7:00	Bennett FT, FT	29-25	
6:19	Lock dunk	31-25	
5:27		31-27	Williams FT, FT
4:58		31-29	Williams dunk
4:31	Davender FT, FT	33-29	
4:12		33-31	Gatlin FT, FT
3:59	Bennett FTA, FT	34-31	
3:00	Manuel 16 ft	36-31	
2:25	Ellis 6 ft. bank	38-33	
1:46		38-36	McCoy 22 ft.
1:06	Davender tip in	40-36	
:44		40-38	McCoy FT, FT
:30	Davender 4 ft.	42-38	
:07		42-41	McCoy 20 ft.
<b>HALF</b>			
19:37		42-43	Williams dunk
19:18	Lock layup	44-43	
19:01		44-45	Williams 10 ft.
18:47	Chapman 18 ft	46-45	
18:27		46-47	Lewis 6 ft
17:57	Lock putback	48-47	
17:08	Chapman 25 ft	51-47	
16:21	Lock putback	53-47	
15:52		53-49	Williams 8 ft.
14:54	Lock dunk	55-49	
14:27	Chapman 21 ft.	58-49	
13:11		58-51	Lewis 6 ft.
12:44	Chapman 13 ft.	60-51	
11:58		60-54	Gatlin 22 ft.
11:38	Manuel 11 ft.	62-54	
11:21		62-56	Lewis layup
10:17		62-58	Lewis dunk
9:26	Davender 16 ft.	64-58	
9:06		64-60	Massenburg dunk
8:50	Davender FT, FT	66-60	
8:00	Chapman 16 ft.	68-60	
7:40		68-63	Archer 22 ft.
6:59		68-66	Gatlin 21 ft.
5:58	Chapman 22 ft, FT	72-66	
5:44		72-68	Gatlin 13 ft.
5:25	Chapman 11 ft.	74-68	
4:42		74-70	Lewis
3:57	Davender 13 ft.	76-70	
3:36		76-73	McCoy 22 ft.
3:06		76-76	Gatlin 21 ft.
2:52	Bennett 4 ft.	78-76	
2:11	Chapman 18 ft.	80-76	
1:13	Manuel FT, FT	82-76	
1:03		82-78	Gatlin 13 ft.
:54	Bennett dunk	84-78	
:37	Davender FT, FT	86-78	
:27	Davender FT, FT	88-78	
:23		88-81	Archer 26 ft.
:18	Davender FT, FT	90-81	
<b>FINAL</b>			
		<b>90-81</b>	
—Cats' Pause chart			

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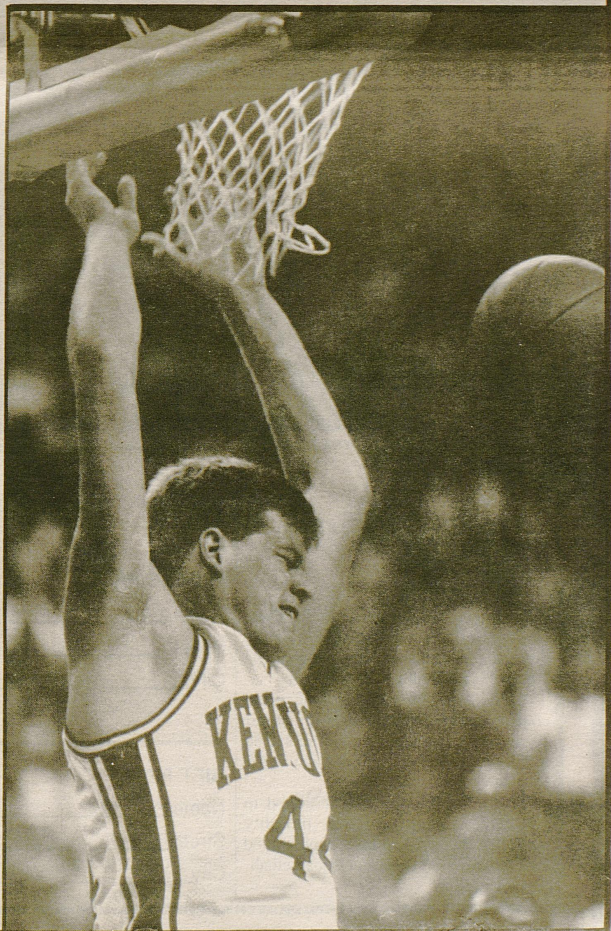
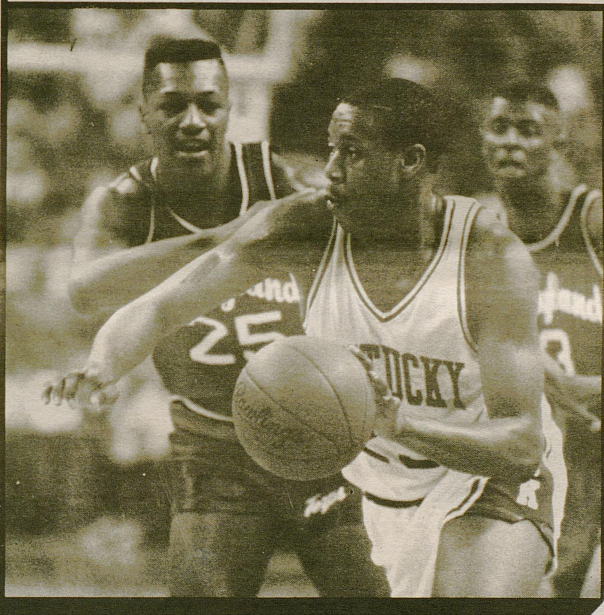
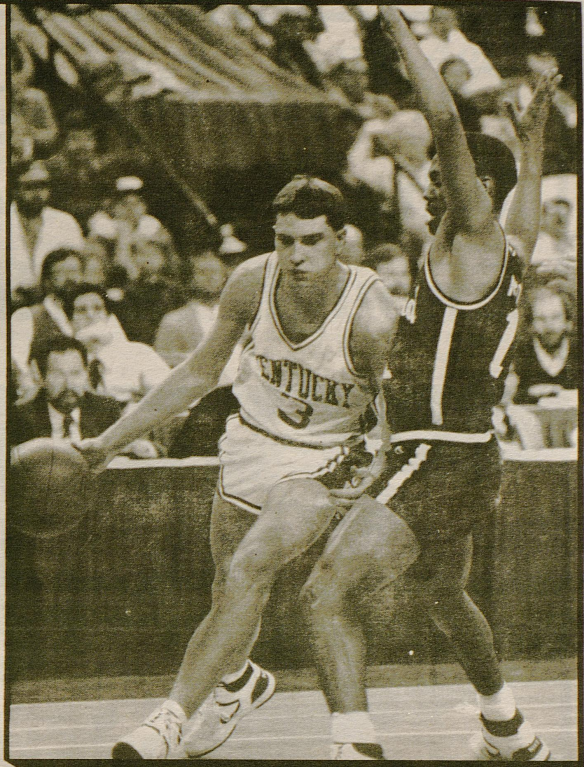




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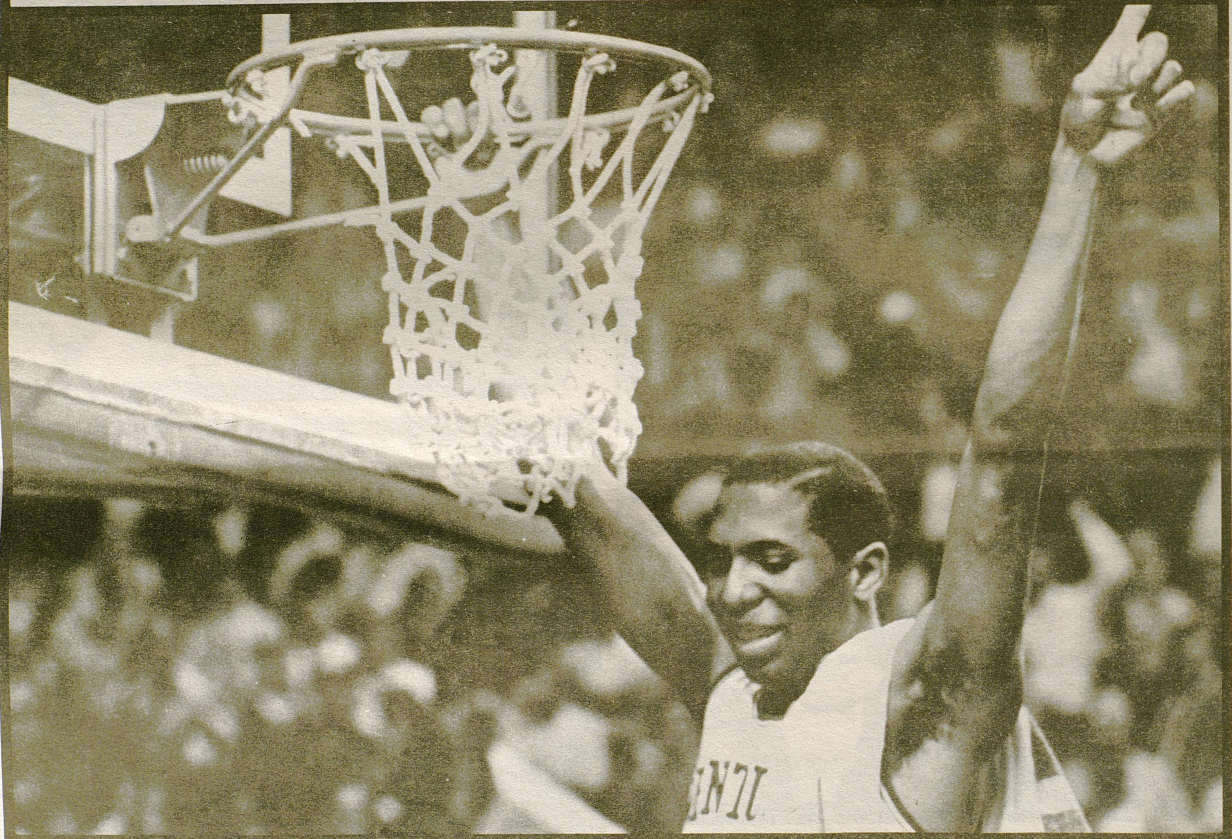
(Top Right, Clockwise) Chapman May Have Struggled In The First Half, But He Helped Propel UK Past Maryland With An Outstanding Second Half; Rob Lock Says 'Take That'; Gatlin, Williams, Wade and Lewis Talk About Loss To 'Cats; and Manuel Provided Steady Play Against Terps

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# Kentucky Started NCAA Play 46 Years Ago

'Cats Defeated Illini, Bowed Out To Dartmouth

The University of Kentucky basketball team that met the "Whiz Kids" of the University of Illinois in the Eastern Regional quarterfinals in New Orleans 46 years ago to begin a record string of Wildcat appearances in NCAA competition was a team-oriented group that had compiled an 18-4 record against some of the best competition available at the time.



Russell Rice

Cats' Pause Columnist



The losses all had come on the road, to Ohio State, Tennessee, Alabama and Notre Dame; meanwhile, the Wildcats had defeated such outsiders as Miami on the eve of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Nebraska, South Carolina, Texas A&M and Xavier (twice) before sweeping the Southeastern Conference tournament.

The 10 players making up UK's first NCAA traveling squad were guards Marvin Akers, Carl Staker, Kenny England and Adrian Back; centers Jim King and Mel Brewer, and forwards Ermal Allen, Waller White, Milt Ticco and Lloyd Ramsey.

In those early days of NCAA tournament play, which had begun in 1939, only eight teams—four each from the Eastern and Western sections of the nation—were invited to participate, with the winner from each region meeting for the national championship, which was scheduled in Kansas City that year.

**BEFORE JOURNEYING TO NEW ORLEANS**, the Wildcats agreed to play the Great Lakes Naval Training Station team in a benefit doubleheader for the Navy Relief Fund, with St. Xavier playing Male for a high school regional championship in the preliminary feature of the program. The Wildcat game drew 9,000 fans, then the largest crowd for a basketball game in the South.

Great Lakes featured an outstanding array of former collegiate stars, including guard Lee Huber, who had earned All-American honors and served as UK captain the preceding year and then played 30 games with Goodyear before joining the Navy; Frank Baumholtz,

an All-American forward who also had earned three letters in baseball at Ohio State; Bill Menke, an Indiana University All-American who once had been considered by Wildcat coach Adolph Rupp as a UK possibility; Ernie Andres, another IU All-American; Dick Klein, high-scoring center from Northwestern, and Bob Calihan, former Detroit star who had played briefly with the Detroit Eagles before entering the Navy, to name a few.

The powerful Middies built up a 21-4 lead before UK scored its first field goal almost midway of the first half, and were ahead 30-17 at the intermission. Led by England and substitutes Brewer and Ticco, who scored 10 points each, the Wildcats outscored the Middies 30-28 in the second half, losing 58-47. Andres led the Navy team with 14 points. Huber scored only five points, but played a fine floor game. St. Xavier defeated Male in the preliminary.

Here is what some of those talented Middies did after the war:

**Bob Calihan** was a member of the league champion Chicago Gears in 1947...coached 21 years at his alma mater, where he compiled a 303-242 record before leaving the coaching ranks to become athletic director at Detroit, where the field house, Calihan Hall, is named in his honor.

**Forrest Anderson** won 32 of 37 games as a temporary assignment became permanent with his first coaching endeavor at Great Lakes...coached collegiately at Drake, Bradley, Michigan and Hiram Scott...Braves participated in two NCAAs and two NITs during his tenure at Bradley...entered insurance business in Oklahoma City.

**Frank Baumholtz** played pro basketball with Youngstown (N.L.) and Cleveland (1946-47), averaging 12.7 points in 71 games. A left-handed hitter, he performed in the National League (1947-57) for Cincinnati, Chicago and Philadelphia, later becoming associated with a food brokerage firm in Chicago.

**Lee Huber**, who also earned three tennis letters at UK, was named to the *Associated Press* All-Time Sugar Bowl team with Bob Cousy, Bob Davies, Paul Arizin and Ed Macauley. He was associated with Thomasville Furniture Industries in North Carolina before retiring to Orlando, Fla., where he still keeps active in tennis and golf.

The Eastern Regional was held that year in the 4,000-seat Tulane gym because Uncle Sam had taken over Municipal Auditorium. The "Whiz Kids," who featured an all-sophomore starting lineup, were 18-4 and Big Ten champions. Their stars were guard Andy Phillip and forwards Jack Smiley and Ken Menke.

Illinois took a 22-20 lead into halftime intermission, but some fine goal shooting by Akers, Staker and Ticco brought the 'Cats into their own not long after the second half

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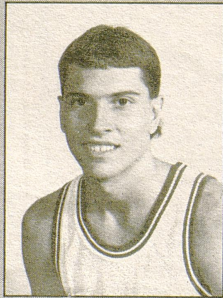
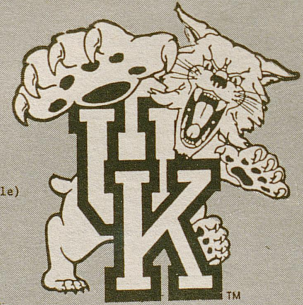
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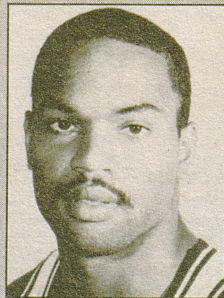
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CHAPMAN, REX	31	30	1069	34.5	220	442	49.8	61	150	40.7	78	99	78.8	92	3.0	58	-	112	84	16	51	579	18.7
DAVENDER, ED	32	32	1105	34.5	171	359	47.6	22	70	31.4	147	169	87.0	69	2.2	65	1	128	76	3	52	511	16.0
BENNETT, WINSTON	32	32	1069	33.4	189	371	50.9	1	2	50.0	109	151	72.2	251	7.8	93	3	52	52	4	40	488	15.3
LOCK, ROB	32	32	847	26.5	118	213	55.4	-	-	-	114	150	76.0	213	6.7	106	5	31	67	32	27	350	10.9
MANUEL, ERIC	31	9	646	20.8	88	168	52.4	3	5	60.0	40	48	83.3	95	3.1	25	-	68	24	3	32	219	7.1
ELLIS, LeRON	27	8	358	13.3	49	104	47.1	-	-	-	20	38	52.6	76	2.8	45	1	12	20	18	13	118	4.4
JENKINS, CEDRIC	31	12	488	15.7	35	79	44.3	-	-	-	35	44	79.5	109	3.5	57	1	21	26	20	8	105	3.4
MADISON, RICHARD	29	5	448	15.4	36	84	42.9	-	1	-	16	29	55.2	94	3.2	28	-	20	25	1	6	88	3.0
SCOTT, MIKE	15	-	73	4.9	11	23	47.8	-	-	-	3	4	75.0	26	1.7	9	-	3	7	5	5	25	1.7
HANSON, REGGIE	16	-	83	5.2	6	17	35.3	-	-	-	9	10	90.0	18	1.1	11	-	1	5	1	2	21	1.3
MILLER, DERRICK	16	-	84	5.3	8	38	21.1	3	24	12.5	2	3	66.7	11	.7	8	-	3	8	-	1	21	1.3
SUTTON, SEAN	23	-	155	6.7	5	14	35.7	-	1	-	19	35	54.3	9	.4	7	-	36	12	1	5	29	1.3
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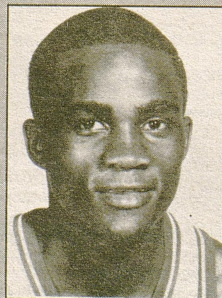
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Dec. 01	2-0	101	77	Cincinnati	24	22	CHAPMAN, REX	13	LOCK, ROB	22,865 (H)
Dec. 05	3-0	82	76	Indiana	6	22	DAVENDER, ED	10	JENKINS, CEDRIC	43,601 (N-Indy)
Dec. 12	4-0	76	75	Louisville	1	21	CHAPMAN, REX	11	JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,489 (H)
Dec. 18	5-0	85	71	Miami (Ohio)	14	28	BENNETT, W.	10	BENNETT, W.	23,995 (H)
Dec. 19	6-0	84	81	North Carolina-Charl	3	24	CHAPMAN, REX	16	MADISON, RICHARD	23,995 (H)
Dec. 28	7-0	100	58	Alaska	42	24	BENNETT, W.	11	JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,169 (H)
Dec. 31	8-0	81	74	Vanderbilt	7	24	DAVENDER, ED	17	BENNETT, W.	23,104 (H)
Jan. 02	9-0	84	77	Georgia	7	26	CHAPMAN, REX	10	BENNETT, W.	13,666 (A)
Jan. 06	10-0	93	52	Mississippi State	41	17	BENNETT, W.	8	JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,047 (H)
Jan. 09	10-1	52	53	Auburn	-1	20	BENNETT, W.	10	BENNETT, W.	23,379 (H)
Jan. 13	11-1	63	55	Alabama	8	17	DAVENDER, ED	5	LOCK, ROB	12,391 (A)
Jan. 16	12-1	83	65	Tennessee	18	23	CHAPMAN, REX	9	BENNETT, W.	23,819 (H)
Jan. 20	12-2	56	58	Florida	-2	20	BENNETT, W.	11	BENNETT, W.	23,433 (H)
Jan. 23	13-2	76	61	LSU	15	21	DAVENDER, ED	10	BENNETT, W.	13,853 (A)
Jan. 27	13-3	66	83	Vanderbilt	-17	18	CHAPMAN, REX	8	BENNETT, W.	15,646 (A)
Jan. 31	14-3	78	69	Notre Dame	9	23	DAVENDER, ED	7	LOCK, ROB	19,502 (H-L'ville)
Feb. 03	15-3	94	65	Ole Miss	29	16	BENNETT, W.	11	BENNETT, W.	23,133 (H)
Feb. 06	16-3	83	59	Mississippi State	24	21	DAVENDER, ED	11	BENNETT, W.	6,863 (A)
Feb. 10	17-3	69	62	Auburn	7	25	CHAPMAN, REX	7	BENNETT, W.	12,599 (A)
Feb. 13	18-3	82	68	Alabama	14	25	BENNETT, W.	9	BENNETT, W.	23,288 (H)
Feb. 17	18-4	70	72	Tennessee	-2	27	DAVENDER, ED	14	LOCK, ROB	24,378 (A)
Feb. 20	18-5	76	83	Florida	-7	24	CHAPMAN, REX	12	BENNETT, W.	11,921 (A)
Feb. 24	19-5	95	69	Louisiana State	26	24	BENNETT, W.	7	MANUEL, ERIC	23,164 (H)
Feb. 28	20-5	62	58	Syracuse	4	15	BENNETT, W.	5	JENKINS, CEDRIC	24,025 (H)
Mar. 02	21-5	80	72	Georgia	8	20	DAVENDER, ED	5	BENNETT, W.	23,269 (H)
Mar. 05	22-5	78	71	Ole Miss	7	29	CHAPMAN, REX	6	BENNETT, W.	8,386 (A)
Mar. 11	23-5	82	64	Ole Miss	18	19	BENNETT, W.	7	BENNETT, W.	14,052 (N-SEC)
Mar. 12	24-5	86	80	Louisiana State	6	24	MANUEL, ERIC	7	MANUEL, ERIC	14,219 (N-SEC)
Mar. 13	25-5	62	57	Georgia	5	23	CHAPMAN, REX	7	LOCK, ROB	14,057 (N-SEC)
Mar. 18	26-5	99	84	Southern	15	30	DAVENDER, ED	10	MANUEL, ERIC	16,562 (N-NCAA)
Mar. 20	27-5	90	81	Maryland	9	23	CHAPMAN, REX	12	BENNETT, WINSTON	16,562 (N-NCAA)



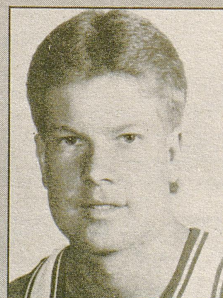
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Rex Chapman—18.7



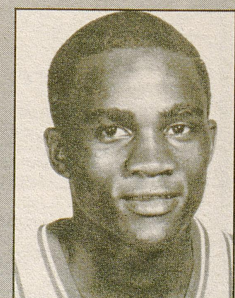
**Leading Rebounder:**  
Winston Bennett—7.8



**Assist Leader:**  
Ed Davender—128



**\*Best FG Percentage:**  
Rob Lock—55.4



**Best FT Percentage:**  
Ed Davender—87.0

\*Minimum of 2 FG attempts per game. Minimum of 2 FT attempts per game.



# Notes, Thoughts Left Over From SEC Tourney

As Usual, Television Still Calls The Shots

There were so many interesting happenings at the SEC tournament in Baton Rouge two weeks ago, that this week we will go exclusively with tournament tidbits. So, here goes: Official timeouts for TV commercials are supposed to come at 16:00, 12:00, 8:00 and 4:00, but the referees cannot stop the action to get them in. There has to be a natural whis-



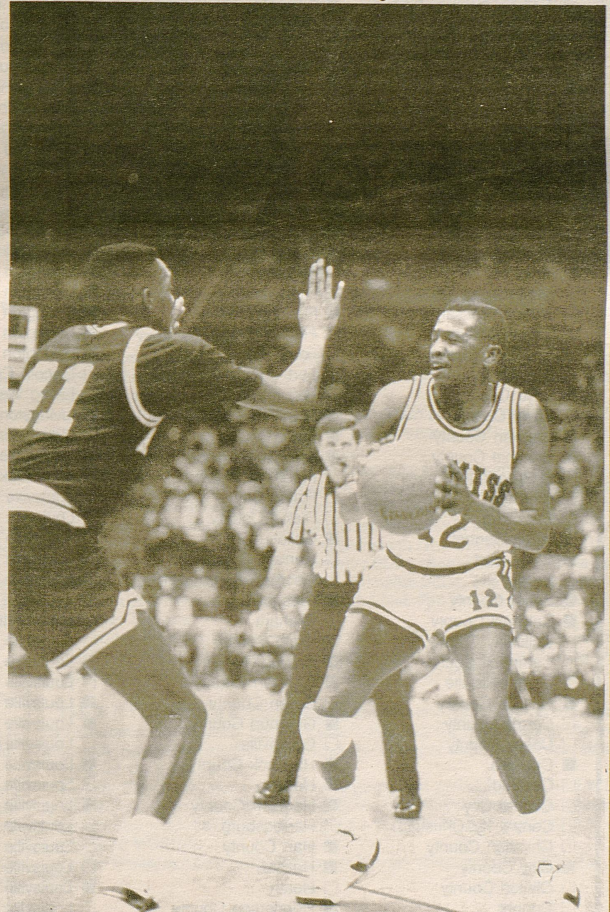
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tle for cause. In the LSU-Vanderbilt game the clock read 12:24 before the officials were able to give the network a commercial break. That's how furious the action was. Because they were behind one break, the next commercial came at 12:05, only 19 seconds later. That should tell you who's running the show these days. . . Each school was allowed to bring up to 12 cheerleaders and 24 members of their pep bands. Georgia had only four cheerleaders for its early games and six the final afternoon. Most of the other schools brought the full compliment. . . The conference sold commercial mentions which were read to the crowd at virtually every timeout. Maxwell House, the official coffee; Spalding, the official sporting goods; Converse, the official shoes and sweats. On and on they went. Each "official" sponsor paid \$15,000 for the privilege. That's really digging around to make a buck. . . LSU forward **Ricky Blanton**, with his old-fashioned flat-top haircut, looks like a character out of an Andy Hardy movie—if you're old enough to remember the Andy Hardy movies. I am, darn it! . . . **Danny Hooker**, who officiated one game, was assistant business manager of athletics at Ole Miss before he went into private business some years ago. Now he's an SEC referee and a darn good one. . . Is this, indeed, a big man's game? When Tennessee's **Doug Roth**, at 6-11, faced Florida's **Dwayne Schintzius**, at 7-2, you wouldn't have any reason to think so. The giants had a total of two points between them at the half and those two belonged to Roth. Schintzius was blanked. . . The famous Bud Lite Daredevils entertained at halftime on two occasions with their tumbling trampoline acrobatics. The leader, **Ty Cobb**, got his start as a cheerleader at Ole Miss a few years ago and developed his tricks and stunts into a pro career. Ty and his three partners will make 90 appearances at American pro and college basketball games this year and 30 more overseas. . . Don't be fooled by the announced crowds of 14,000-plus for every session. Those were tickets sold, not bodies in the seats. Except for the LSU-Kentucky game, there were never more than 8,000-10,000 at any game. . . Easy way to get rich: Have someone pay you \$1 for every time the Tennessee pep band plays "Rocky Top" next season. They do it over and over. . . Neither **Richard Williams** of Mississippi State nor **Hugh Durham** of Georgia needed his chair during their game. They prowled the area in front of their respective benches, playing at least as hard as the kids in the game. . . **Dr. Harvey Schiller** has been criticized by many writers, including this one, as being cold and standoffish with poor instincts for public relations. That may have been true once, but the SEC commissioner really worked at being a good guy during this tournament, and succeeded rather well. Instead of isolating himself in the grandstand as he has done in the past, Schiller mingled with the press and was readily available to answer questions. He turned out to be a pretty nice guy as so many people are once you get to know them. The "new" Schiller could be a great asset to this league. He has the charm. . . When Alabama and Ole Miss met, bot pep band directors were women. . . Something I don't understand: For that same game, Alabama-Ole Miss, eight of the 10 players were black, but 23 of 24 cheerleaders were white. . . **Don Rutledge** is still the best official in the SEC and possibly the best ever. . . Example of how good officials let the kids play and still keeping the games under control: The Tide and the Rebels played the first 11:03 of their game with only one foul being called and there wasn't a problem in the world. . . It was a hard week for LSU coach **Dale Brown**, what with the death of former star **Don Redden** and the pressures of the tournament. But if Dale was troubled, and of course he was, you would have never known it. He was his usual smiling, cheerful self with everyone. . . I'm amused at the Ole Miss situation with its longtime symbol, the Rebel flag. The school administrators have decied the use of the flag and declared it has no official connection with the school. Ole Miss used to pass out small flags at football and basketball games and cover the gridiron with a giant version at halftime. Because of protests that the flag has racial overtones, it is no longer used. Or so school officials pretend. However, the Rebel pep band at the tournament covered the bell openings of their tubas with Rebel flags and displayed a big one on the railing behind where, it, the band, was sitting. Old habits and beliefs die hard. . . Ah, I miss **Wimp Sanderson** when he's not there. Rather, I miss the "colorful" Sanderson with his wild plaid sport coats. Other coaches are positively drab. For the Kentucky-LSU game, Wildcat coach **Eddie Sutton** wore a black sport coat over gray pants, while Brown wore gray over black. Good coaches, conservative dressers. . . You've got to go to a tournament to realize how much more exciting basketball is in person than on television. The crowds, the band, the cheerleaders, the people! It absolutely makes you tingle, a feeling I've never gotten from a TV set. . . Balanced scoring in tournament play. With 12 minutes still to go in the LSU-Kentucky matchup, six players, three on each team, were already in double figures. . . The press badly overplayed the fight between Georgia and Florida. It was a flareup of the moment between highly-tense kids, and those things happen in competition. The benches did not get involved and it was over in a couple of minutes.

Two players (**Alec Kessler** and **Ronnie Montgomery**) were properly thrown out of the game, although four should have been (**Willie Anderson** and **Vernon Maxwell** also got in on the action). These kids made a mistake and lost their tempers. They knew it and everyone else knew it, but to build up that skirmish to equal stature with the game itself was a sever case of overemphasis. Much ado about not that much. . . The two biggest disappointments of the tournament were Schintzius of Florida and Anderson of Georgia. Neither played to anything like their true abilities. Schintzius is a deeply-troubled young man and you have to feel sorry for him. At 7-2, he has the best basketball body I have ever seen, but his attitude indicates he is his own worst enemy. . . Vanderbilt's sports information director, **Lew Harris**, took a moment to straighten me out on the Commodores' football recruiting. I mentioned a week or so ago that Vandy had only signed four linemen, and you don't win without linemen. Lew pointed out that coach **Watson Brown** had signed 10 linemen last year, several in the 300-pound range, and further that Brown had redshirted 27 players, including most of his big studs. That's got to be good news for Vanderbilt fans. . . The games were great to watch but seeing the lovely Kentucky cheerleaders go through their pregame stretching exercises wasn't bad, either. . . The home team for each tournament game is always the highest-seeded team. That's why Kentucky wore white for each game it played. As conference champions, the Wildcats were seeded No. 1. . . It did my heart good to hear the 30-second ovation **Rod Barnes** got when he left the floor for the



Good To See Rod Barnes Finally Get The Credit He Deserves

last time in the Ole Miss-Kentucky game. He doesn't look like a basketball player, but he is a basketball player—a darn good one—and the crowd appreciated both his talent and his hard-working attitude.

**The Last Word:** I mentioned the \$15,000-advertising sponsorships the SEC sold to various firms. One of those plugs was sold to the Catfish Farmers of America, who concluded their pitch with this line:

"Catfish, America's most lovable fish!"  
Says who? For \$15,000, I guess a person will say anything.



We feel that news about the sports programs at the University of Kentucky should be required reading for all of the state's high school students. So, the staff of *The Cats' Pause* is starting a program we call "Big Blue Penetration."

Below, we have listed all the high schools in the state of Kentucky, and it is our aim to give every high school student in the commonwealth the opportunity to read *The Cats' Pause* by making the paper available to every high school library in the state. In order to accomplish this, it will be up to our subscribers to carry out "Big Blue Penetration" during the coming months.

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- Shelby County
- Sheldon Clark
- Silver Grove
- Simon Kenton
- Somerset
- South Hopkins
- Spencer County
- St. Camillus
- St. Henry
- St. Mary
- St. Patrick
- St. Romuald
- Taylor County
- Todd County Central
- Tollesboro
- Trigg County
- Trimble County
- Union County
- University Heights
- Villa-Madonna
- Virgie
- Walton Verona
- Warren Central
- Warren East
- Washington County
- Wayne County
- Webster County
- West Carter
- West Hardin
- West Hopkins
- Western Anderson
- Western Hills
- Wheelwright
- Whitesburg
- Whitesville Trinity
- Whitley County
- Williamsburg
- Williamstown
- Wolfe County
- Woodford County



# Pair Of Wildcats To Meet Up In Final Four

Kentucky From Southeast, Arizona From West

THE 50TH NCAA basketball tournament should be well underway by the time this hits the street and if my hunch is correct, Kentucky should be one of the 16 teams still shooting for a date in Kansas City. Coach Eddie Sutton's Wildcats couldn't have asked for a much better posi-



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tion in the 64-team field, just having to drive an hour up I-75 to Cincinnati to take on Southern University in their opening round game.

In fact, I think the Cats also were placed in the weakest region, overall. Last week's guess of UK being the No. 2 seed in the Southeast behind Oklahoma turned out correct, but I never would have thought that the talent level would take a drastic dip downward after that.

But don't think that I'm complaining.

Everything looks set for Kentucky to win its way into the Final Four, playing along a path with few thorns. How tough can a region be when the No. 4 seed is Brigham Young?

I FIGURED THAT Louisville, Villanova, Maryland and maybe even Auburn and Bradley would be rated above BYU in the region.

I think Kentucky is definitely the cream of the crop in the Southeast. Sure, Oklahoma has posted a great record with some even greater point totals, but the Sooners melt into mediocrity when an opponent takes them out of their break-neck, run-and-gun style of play.

I expect Illinois to be Kentucky's toughest challenge with its well-balanced, solid attack. I'm not even sure that Oklahoma can get by Louisville, which it could meet in the regional semifinals.

Now, it's time to turn to the crystal ball which I consulted last week before the first three-pointer was launched in the tournament.

## FIRST, THE SOUTHEAST:

Kentucky probably had a tough time with Southern in the early going, maybe the entire first half, but then wore them down after intermission to come away with a double-digit win.

Illinois and Oklahoma should have cakewalked past Texas-San Antonio and UT-Chattanooga, respectively, and Maryland and Villanova should have come away with close wins over Cal-Santa Barbara and Arkansas. Louisville shouldn't have had any problem with Oregon State, Bradley probably survived a battle with Auburn and NC-Charlotte is my upset pick over BYU.

Then, Kentucky should have beaten Maryland in what should have been a tougher battle than most expected, and Illinois should have won over Villanova. Louisville and Oklahoma probably beat UNCC and Bradley.

That leaves this week's game with the Sooners taking a wire-to-wire war over the Cardinals and the Wildcats downing the Illini in a surprisingly easy fashion. Move UK on over to the Final Four with a victory over coach Billy Tubbs' slowed-down squad.

## NOW, THE WEST:

The tourney's toughest region should yield few upsets, although something tells me that Florida may not have bowed out as soon as I expected.

Last week, North Carolina, Michigan, Arizona, Iowa and Nevada-Las Vegas should have come away with easy wins over North Texas, Boise State, Cornell, Florida State and Southwest Missouri State.

Florida should not have had much problem with St. John's, but who knows which Gator squad will show up. Wyoming is a better team than Loyola (California), but Loyola's high-scoring Lions may have given them a test. I picked Seton Hall in a close one over Texas-El Paso.

Then, the Tar Heels should have tamed the Cowboys, Michigan probably edged out Florida, Arizona most likely coasted by Seton Hall and Iowa probably pulled a mild upset by eliminating UNLV. Michigan will then knock off N.C. and Arizona will nip Iowa on its way to the Final Four, capturing a narrow win over Michigan in the finals.

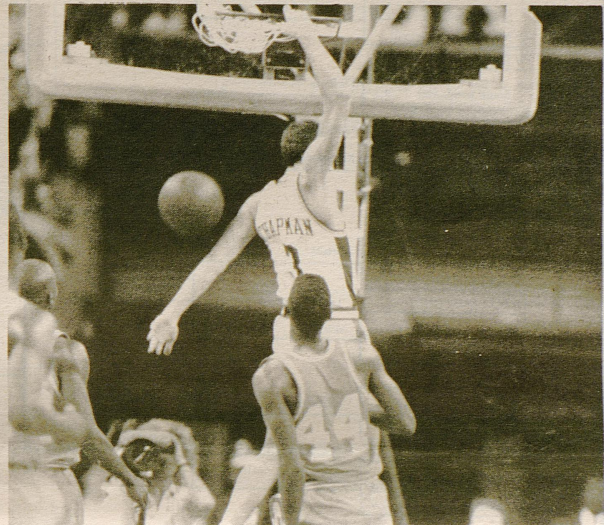
## THEN, THE EAST:

The second-best bracket should have found Duke, Missouri, Syracuse, Temple, Georgia Tech and Indiana notching not-so-tough first-round wins over Boston U., Rhode Island, North Carolina A&T, Lehigh, Iowa State and Richmond.

I also liked Dale Brown and LSU and Digger Phelps' Notre Dame squads to pull off slight upsets over Georgetown and Southern Methodist.

Add Duke, which should have then ripped the Irish, and Syracuse, which probably edged Missouri. Temple should have had a fight until the end before knocking off the Bayou Bengals and Bobby Cremins' Tech team was my pick over Indiana in a shocker.

Then, Temple will edge out Georgia Tech, but Duke will blow by Syracuse and then the Owls on its way to K.C.



Things Looking Good For Rex, Eddie and 'Cats

## FINALLY, THE MIDWEST:

This bracket is only slightly better than the Southeast, thanks to a better selection of medium-class teams. Although I'm not picking many, this region is ripe for upsets.

Only three first-round games should have been bunnies: Purdue over Farleigh Dickinson (my personal favorite school name), DePaul over Wichita State and Pittsburgh over East Michigan.

Kansas and N.C. State should both have won surprisingly tough openers against Xavier (featuring Byron Larkin, younger brother of Reds' shortstop Barry Larkin) and Murray State from the Ohio Valley Conference. Vanderbilt and Kansas State should have pulled out not-so-difficult wins over Utah State and LaSalle (the highly-underrated squad which I drew in the office pool). In a real "Who cares?" kind of game, Memphis State should have edged Baylor.

Purdue should have then rolled past Memphis State. The same for DePaul against Kansas State and Pitt over Vandy. I took Jim Valvano's Wolfpack in a battle over Kansas.

Purdue and Pitt will prove too much to handle in the semifinals, beating DePaul and N.C. State in tightly contested wars, with Purdue heading west toward the Final Four with a double-digit win over Pitt in the finals.

THERE YOU HAVE it: Purdue against Duke and Kentucky versus Arizona in Kansas City April 2. I know I didn't pick any big upsets along the way, although they are inevitable, but then I don't do very well at the track, either.

Now for the tough part.

I'll take Purdue by two over Duke in a game that probably won't be decided until the closing seconds. It will probably be one of those cases where whomever scores last wins. Let's make Kentucky a surprise 10-point winner over the top-ranked Wildcats.

In the finals, my heart says Kentucky but my scorecard reads "Purdue, by five."

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I DIDN'T DO too bad of a job with my All-State picks last week, and Clay County was still holding on in the boys' state tourney. At least I did much better than Oscar Combs, who picked Madisonville to win it all. For those who don't remember, Rex Chapman's old stomping ground, Owensboro Apollo, upset Madisonville in the opening round of the Sweet Sixteen.

The girls' All-State team was to be announced this week, with the tournament starting Wednesday. I'll take Clark County with a three-point win over Marshall County in the finals.



# 1988 NCAA Tourney: The

FIRST ROUND  
March 17-18

SECOND ROUND  
March 19-20

REGIONALS  
March 24-27

FINAL FOUR  
April 2 & 4

## MIDWEST REGIONAL

(1) Purdue 27-3

South Bend, Mar. 17, 12:07  
(16) Fairleigh Dickinson 23-6

(8) Baylor 23-10

South Bend, Mar. 17, 2:37  
(9) Memphis State 19-11

(5) DePaul 21-7

South Bend, Mar. 17, 9:37  
(12) Wichita State 20-9

(4) Kansas State 22-8

South Bend, Mar. 17, 7:07  
(13) La Salle 24-9

(6) Kansas 21-11

Lincoln, Mar. 18, 10:37  
(11) Xavier

(3) N.C. State 24-7

Lincoln, Mar. 18, 8:07  
(14) Murray 21-8

(7) Vanderbilt 18-10

Lincoln, Mar. 18, 3:37  
(10) Utah State 21-9

(2) Pitt 23-6

Lincoln, Mar. 18, 1:07  
(15) Eastern Michigan 22-7

Purdue

South Bend, Saturday Mar. 19

Memphis State

DePaul

South Bend, Saturday Mar. 19

Kansas State

Kansas State

Kansas

Lincoln, Sunday March 20

Murray

Murray

Vanderbilt

Lincoln, Sunday March 20

Vanderbilt

Pitt

Pitt

Purdue

Kansas State

Pontiac, Mich., March 25 & 27

Murray

Vanderbilt

Kemper Arena—Kansas City, Mo.  
April 2

## EAST REGIONAL

(1) Temple 29-1

Hartford, Mar. 18, 7:07  
(16) Lehigh 21-9

(8) Georgetown 19-9

Hartford, Mar. 18, 9:37  
(9) LSU 16-13

(5) Georgia Tech 21-9

Hartford, Mar. 18, 12:07  
(12) Iowa State 20-11

(4) Indiana 19-9

Hartford, Mar. 18, 2:37  
(13) Richmond 24-6

(6) Missouri 19-10

Chapel Hill, Mar. 17, 12:07  
(11) Rhode Island 26-6

(3) Syracuse 25-8

Chapel Hill, Mar. 17, 2:37  
(14) N.C. A&T 26-2

(7) SMU 27-6

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Hartford, Sunday March 20

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Georgia Tech

Hartford, Sunday March 20

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East Rutherford, N.J., March 24 & 26

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April 4, 9:12 p.m.

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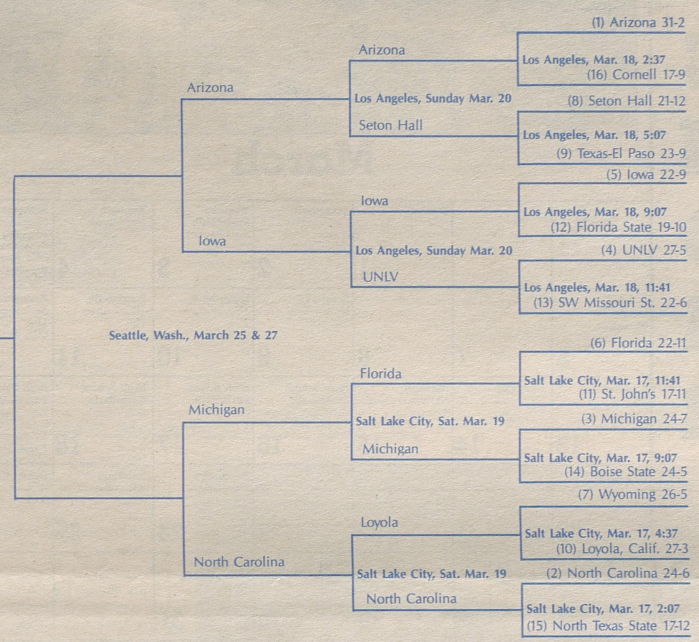
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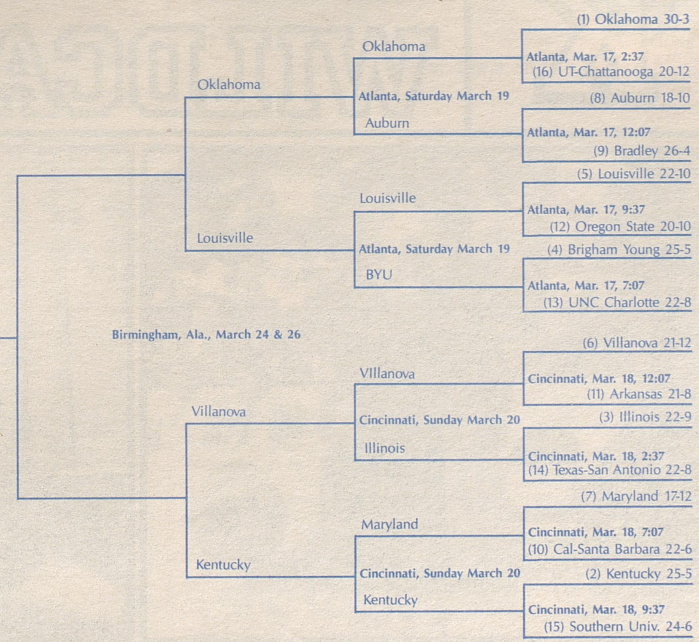
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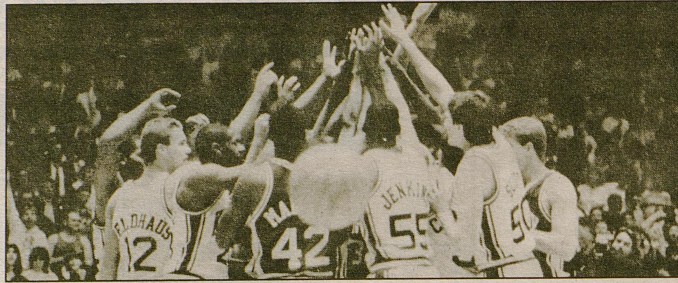
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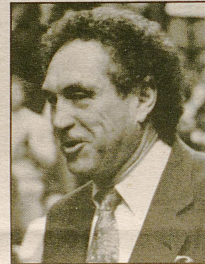


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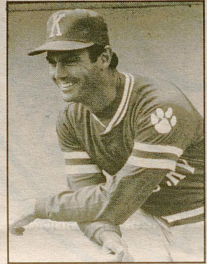
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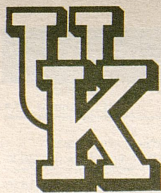
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- March 5: Basketball—UK def. Ole Miss 78-71
- March 5: Baseball—Florida def. UK 3-1
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- March 9: Baseball—UK def. Middle Tennessee 5-1
- March 11: Basketball—UK def. Ole Miss 82-64
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- March 13: Basketball—UK def. Georgia 62-57
- March 13: Baseball—Oral Roberts def. UK 7-5
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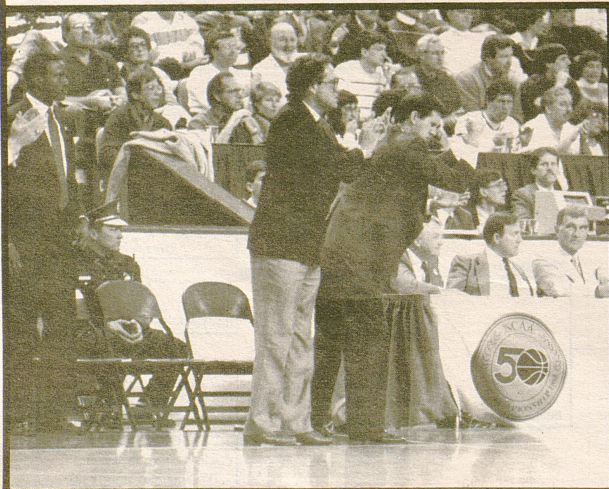
Eddie Sutton



Keith Madison



# KENTUCKY WILDCATS



Wildcat Coaches Get Into Last Sunday's Action



UK Warriors—Chapman, Sutton And Bennett



# State Tournament In Louisville Is Nice. . .

. . .But Having It In Lexington Is Sweet

**P**eople and things. Boys Sweet 16. Is Louisville or Lexington best for the Boys State Tournament? Considering the lighting and proximity of fans to the playing floor, Louisville's



Bob Watkins

Cats' Pause Columnist



Freedom Hall is a nice place for the Boys Sweet 16. But that's where Louisville's advantages end it seems to me.

The State Tournament has always been a coming out party for fans in the state's 16 geographic regions, a grand reunion for fans, coaches, former players, friends and families. And there is this incredible extended family bond among them.

So, just the way a site is chosen for a family reunion with the convenience of all the members' in mind, Lexington is the logical choice.

But there are two more critical reasons the Sweet 16 should be held in central Kentucky and both focus on the real issue here, *money*.

✓ Things to do. When fans are not watching basketball games, Rupp Arena's downtown location offers shopping malls and novelty shops galore. In Louisville, Freedom Hall is west of I-65, south of Cardinal Stadium, north of Executive Inn East and West, the airport and the Watterson Expressway. But it isn't close to anything.

✓ And finally, the numbers. Freedom Hall seats 18,000 fans. Rupp Arena seats 23,000 plus.

**Sweet 16 footnote**

Allen Houston, Louisville Ballard's smoothie is the finest high school player since Rex Chapman (1985). The skinny 6-foot-5 guard is remarkably poised, has wonderful offensive skills and court vision. And, with another season ahead of him before college, he could be the *new* best Kentucky high school player ever.

**The ideo of March**

Is it barely possible the soothsayer who told Julius Ceasar "beware of the Ides of March (Madness)" knew something about basketball in Kentucky and what it does to fans this time of year?

I suppose not, but...

**Readers (right) write**

■ **John Colson of Louisville:** "There is something I would like to remind you and your readers about. And that is that Mr. Watkins' opinions are just that, opinions and not facts. With that thought in mind I would like to give my opinion of Rob Lock."

"While I agree it is very commendable how far Lock has progressed since coming to Kentucky, I totally disagree with your thoughts regarding his intensity level prior to recent play. I have studied video of last year up to this season and in my opinion if there were a Pete Rose Award for hustle it would definitely go to Lock."

"By no stretch of the imagination could I call a player who reminded me of Wendell Ladner (played for the ABA Kentucky Colonels), who crashed into chairs and score tables, anything but Charlie Hustle."

"Perhaps you were also in error regarding your allegation that he whines to referees too much. I suggest sometime you review films of the greatest player to wear Kentucky blue and white and his whining to the referees, Mr. Dan Issel."

**Comment I.** Lock played very well down the stretch. It is barely possible that he, like most people do, learned from experience, grew and improved. Besides, he made the All-Ricky Blanton team.

■ **Laurence R. Crowder of Clinton, Miss.** wrote to say he appreciated an item featured in this space two weeks ago, the *Roderick Barnes All-American Team*.

**Comment** With respect to Barnes, how about a Ricky Blanton (LSU) *I Ain't Great, But I Will Out-hustle Anybody You Got* honor team?

- Forward — Steve Eyl, Indiana
- Forward — Pete Chilcutt, North Carolina
- Center — Bill Sherwood, Oregon State
- Guard — Craig Neal, Georgia Tech
- Guard — Eddie Bird, Indiana State
- Sixth man — yep, Rob Lock, Kentucky.
- Coach Mario Cuomo, Gov. of New York.

■ **Jake Forsythe of Tampa, Fla.** writes: "In the last eight years North Carolina has won 225 games, Kentucky has won 193. Carolina has 32 more wins. So they must be almost even by now. And Carolina coach Dean Smith, at age 57 has over 600 wins, do you think he'll catch Rupp in his win record if he coaches 10 more years? I think he will. Please check for us."

**Answers** Kentucky, in 85 seasons and including its wins through this year's SEC Tournament, has won 1,451 games, lost 456 and tied one, a success rate of 76 percent. The University of North Carolina, in 78 seasons, also including records through this year's ACC Tournament, has won 1,427 games and lost 527 for a 73.3 percent success rate.

Kentucky has lost ground to the Tar Heels in recent years, but is still the winningest college basketball program in NCAA history.

In reply to whether or not Dean Smith will stay around long enough to challenge Adolph Rupp's record? Not if he keeps smoking cigarettes.

■ **Mike Lee of Hodgenville, Ky.** writes: "Basketball, sportswriters and things. Now that the end of the season is here I just thought I would write to ask how and if you like the taste of humble pie?"

"Point No. 1. Even though I realize you have slowly crept back onto the Kentucky band wagon after your mid-season lack of faith in the 'Cats, those of us who have always known of the team and coach's ability would like to say we told you so."

Next, "I have always believed in giving credit where credit is due. In regards to your March 11 column where your friend (you think), John Luckett gives you a drumming about the potential you cited for the Louisville Cards, you hit the proverbial nail on the head. As their performance in the Metro tourney this past weekend proves, you can't turn your back on the Cards either."

"Only one other item you can help me with. Sort of Basketball trivia. Yesterday, my barber and I were discussing the big tourney and we were wondering, how many times has the No. 1 (rated) team in the nation; at the end of regular season; made it to the Final Four or even won the championship? Thanks if you can help."

**Comment** Humble pie is no problem.

**Comment II.** I believe the last team to go into the NCAA Tournament ranked No. 1 in the country who won the title was Kentucky in 1978.

■ **Charlie McGibony of Radcliff, Ky.** wrote to point out a little Final Four irony. "Watch out for North Carolina if you believe in patterns. Looking at past NCAA winners it looks like this might be UNC's turn."

1980 and 1986 — Louisville.

1981 and 1987 — Indiana.

1982 and ? — North Carolina.

"Stranger things have happened. And so it goes," Charlie concludes.

**Comment** Thank you for writing.



All-Star Travis Ford

**Kentucky all-stars**

Allen Houston of Louisville Ballard tops the list of 10 high school all-stars selected by team director/coach Eddie Ford for this summer's European tour.

KENTUCKY ALL-STARS		
Name	Height	School
Troy Smith	6-7	Fort Knox
Michael Burd	6-2	Hart County
Allen Houston	6-5	Lou. Ballard
Scott Sifton	6-3	Lex. Henry Clay
Travis Ford	5-11	Madisonville
Jerry Hurt	6-8	Butler Co.
Dan Hall	6-7	Marshall Co.
Travis Ziegler	6-7	Jacksontown
Mike Allen	5-11	Lex. Bryan Station
Alan Tolley	6-3	Lou. Eastern

**People**

■ Head coaching vacancies at two of Kentucky's premier high school football programs opened up last week when Charlie Lynch resigned at North Hardin High to apply for an administrative position in that school system. And, Tom Duffy resigned at Danville High to take the head coaching post at Fort Thomas Highlands.

✓ Duffy coached North Hardin to seven straight winning seasons after a 5-6 mark in his first year, 1980, finished up with a 57-27 record, 67.9 win percentage.

✓ Duffy guided Danville to the playoffs six years in a row, and the Admirals won state titles in 1984 and 1987. His eight teams compiled a 75-22 record.

I will wager a long line of applicants will form for both jobs, since North Hardin and Danville are among the very best coaching positions in Kentucky in terms of potential, prestige, tradition.

■ Clay County's Richie Farmer, will the University of Kentucky (finally) offer him a basketball scholarship? Yes. And Mr. Basketball Farmer will accept it.

■ UK signees Chris Mills of Los Angeles and Shawn Kemp of Elkhart, Ind. have agreed to play in the McDonald's All-American East-West game April 17 in Albuquerque, N.M.

■ When the experts make out the list of which schools had the best recruiting seasons this year, here's a prediction that Kentucky, Louisville and Syracuse will be among the top five.

And so it goes. ■





# VIEWPOINT

## Letters To The Editor

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



### UK Back On WHAS?

Dear Sir:

A recent letter from the Crestview, Fla., reader suggested that 84WHAS programming was in some way controlled by the University of Louisville athletic department. While the station does air U of L basketball and football broadcasts, its programming is (in) no way supervised, edited or produced by the university. It should also be noted that the university has never suggested otherwise. All callers to our talk shows are not pre-screened for editorial content and each caller is free to express his or her opinion whether or not it agrees with our listeners or the host. Apparently such was the case in the situation noted by the writer. The writer must also realize that praise, criticisms, rantings and ravings from callers are all part of a good call in our "Sportstalk" program.

As an aside, 84WHAS is the regular target of criticism by UK fans. Much of it is deserved, based on poor judgement by previous station management. However, today under new management, 84WHAS is aggressively pursuing the opportunity to carry University of Kentucky sports broadcasts, as we had for the past several decades until last season. It's our hope that soon the 50,000-watt signal of 84WHAS will again be booming out the exciting action of University of Kentucky football and basketball to 40 states.

Sincerely,

Gary Bruce  
Director of Programming and Operations  
84WHAS Radio  
Louisville, Kentucky

### Oh, Say Can You See?

Dear Sir:

As a devout reader of your publication, I have a pressing question that has been in the deep recesses of my mind for the last month.

Those dark glasses that your columnist (and I use that word in loose terms) Larry Donald wears, can he actually see out of them? Or are those glasses used for the same purpose that Ray Charles uses his?

I simply cannot understand why Mr. (and I use that word in loose terms) Donald calls Derrick Chevious of Missouri one of the "busts" of the year in college basketball.

Tell me Larry, is averaging 23 points a game a bust?

Larry, is having 12 consecutive games of more than 20 points a bust?

Larry, is scoring a total of 61 points in victories over UNLV and Oklahoma a bust?

And Larry, Chevious also averages eight rebounds a game which is fourth in the Big Eight Conference.

So I suggest in the future sir (and I use that word in loose terms), that before you criticize a 22-year old college student, who just so happens to be Missouri's all-time leading scorer and rebounder, that you check the facts.

Sincerely,

Frank Cusumano  
Weekend sports anchor, WLEX-TV  
Lexington, Kentucky

### Thanks, Winston

Dear Sir:

In my opinion Winston Bennett is one of the greatest players to ever attend the University of Kentucky. Not only is Winston a good player but a wonderful person as well.

I'm sure all of the Big Blue fans will miss him. We all love him and will always remember him.

I'd like to thank Winston for what he does on the court, as well as off. Winston is a very special person and will greatly be missed.

Sincerely,

Erin Heaver  
Carlisle, Kentucky

*P.S.—We'll be praying for him in the future.*

### Reviewing Viewpoint

Dear Sir:

I'm reading the Feb. 27th issue and here's what I've observed:

Mr. Marples ("True Fans?"), yes, Rob Lock leads the team in field goal percentage, but I don't think he leads the entire league in free throw percentage. He doesn't even lead the team. According to this issue's statistics, Rob Lock has a free throw percentage of 77 percent. I recall Ed Davender leads the team in free throws—83.9 percent—with Chapman's 83.8 percent breathing down his neck.

So that means that if any Wildcat leads the league in free throw percentage it's going to have to be Ed Davender. Could I also add that Davender has shot more free throws than Lock. Remember, these stats mean a minimum of two free throw attempts per game. If we weren't counting that then Eric Manuel leads the team in free throws with 86.1 percent (25 of 29).

Mr. Timothy Bertram ("C'mon Earl!"), if you were a true Blue fan why wouldn't your blood get boiling if Vandy fans ribbed you? If you're a true Blue fan, you want them to win all of the time. If you're a true Blue fan, your comments aren't always going to be a "bowl of cherries." If you don't gripe when UK loses you're not a true Blue fan.

Again, this is my own personal opinion. Coming from a boy of 15 you probably won't listen to me and I could understand that. The question is: Why can't you criticize your favorite team? If you don't agree with Mr. Bell ("Vandy's Not That Good"—Feb. 13) on not scheduling open practices before a game, you don't know UK basketball.

Sure, it's a multi-dollar program but when you're trying to put the "game face" on the night before the Vandy game and people are climbing in your face, you're just simply not going to win. And as all know, Vandy put the 'Cats in their place, Mr. Bertram.

I mean they just simply showed them where the "buck-wheat patch" was. Mr. Bertram, at the end of the letter you said you did not bleed Blue. Well, all of the other Blue-blooded (including me) already knew that!

Sincerely,

Kyle Back  
North Judson, Indiana

(Editor's note: Kyle, at the time that Mr. Marples wrote his letter to the editor, it is very possible, even probable, that Rob Lock was leading the SEC in free throw percentage. At various times earlier in the season, Lock, Rex Chapman and Ed Davender were 1-2-3 in the league (and, of course, on the UK team) in accuracy on free shots. Something else you might want to consider: Often, statistics change dramatically by the time letters to the editor come out in print. Suppose someone writes us a letter pertaining to stats published in this edition of TCP (March 26). Because most people receive the paper no earlier than Thursday or Friday, the letter would not reach us until Monday or Tuesday; therefore the earliest it would reach print is in the April 9 issue—two full weeks after it was written. A good example would be the stats you quote on Eric Manuel. At this writing he has dropped nearly four percentage points behind Davender.)

### Let's Trade Places

Dear Sir:

I am one of many thousand Big Blue fans and I am sure that my opinions, concerns and elations differ from other fans.

When I read how the sportswriters blame and scorn UK fans I wonder which ones of us they are talking about?

I have cheered the 'Cats (football and basketball) from New York City to Hawaii and from Cleveland to Oxford, Miss., and from the late '30s to the present time.

I have always paid the commercial rate. No free parking, press passes, hospitality rooms or space on the official plane. In light of the coverage the 'Cats have received over the past several years, I suggest credentials be taken from the media experts and given by lottery to UK fans.

I am sure these fans would gladly provide enjoyable writeups and you might even find a UK supporter who could take over for the Lexington Herald-Leader.

Speaking of the H-L, where do we go from here now that the NCAA has dismissed the charges they published? Prudence tells me it should be quietly dismissed but I am sure bruised egos will require rehash. I hope not.

So what. The 'Cats are 21-5 (before SEC tournament), they have won the SEC again. Go Big Blue!!!

UKAA fanatic

Samuel A. Ruark  
Huber Heights, Ohio

*P.S.—Why the stupid article of (Rob) Lock faking the charge (which appeared under Jerry Tipton's byline in the Herald-Leader)? He got hit pretty hard several times. No, he could be run over by a Mack Truck and no official will call it.*

(Editor's note: Samuel, most of the questions you raise concern the Herald-Leader's editorial content, and we at TCP have no control over that. As for media people receiving "free rides," we can assure you that hotel accommodations, meals

and transportation—on the official plane or otherwise—definitely do not come cheaply.)

### Good Priorities

Dear Sir:

A few lines from a Big Blue fan for some 40 years, a misplaced briar from Louisa:

I love the program and *The Cats' Pause*, but as a Christian I love the Lord first and the Kentucky Wildcats third (I'm married). I wish to put my vote in for changing games from Wednesday (church night) to any other night, and not Sunday. I guess my vote doesn't count being as I'm outnumbered thousands to one.

Warren Edwards  
Franklin, Ohio

*P.S.—Sorry (Rex) Chapman got hurt, he deserves all the "roses" and good things that have been said.*

### Shape Up Or Ship Out

Dear Sir:

I am a true Blue Wildcat fan who is getting sick of hearing and reading the words of people two bricks short of a full load.

Mr. Clayton Brown of Portage, Ind.—you are NOT a Wildcat fan. What does coach (Eddie) Sutton have to do to suit people like you?

These people who have been putting Rob Lock down are in the same boat. This young man has been playing his heart out. He is NOT Dan Issel, so don't expect him to be. Look at his stats.

Mr. Brown is not the only one, there are lots more. If you don't like our 'Cats, move on.

On more thing: You so-called fans taking up seating in Rupp Arena, why don't you let the true fans have the seats? And you go watch Bobby Knight or anyone, please.

Sincerely,

Dale Garner  
Russell Springs, Kentucky

*P.S.—Thanks, Mr. Combs, for The Cats' Pause.*

### On Second Thought...

Dear Sir:

First, I'd like to apologize for my letter to the editor which was printed in the March 5 TCP—("Get Real, Wildcats!").

I wrote that letter after Kentucky had lost to Tennessee and Florida. When I got my Feb. 27 TCP, my ideas of a TRUE fan changed due to Steve Marples of Tennessee. His letter about a true fan really changed my mind. Thanks, Steve.

I used to get mad at the players because they didn't play the best they could. Now that I've thought about it, I'd like to see me or

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# Joe B. Hall Enjoying Life Without Coaching?

You Can Bank On It

Former Kentucky Coach Joe Hall insists he is missing coaching less and less every day. He retired after the 1984-85 season and now works for a Lexington bank. He also owns a farm, does work for ABC and conducts basketball clinics for Converse.



Larry Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist



"I'm enjoying everything about my life so much right now," said Hall. "I've really enjoyed the new experiences I have had the last three years. I have learned a lot and done some different things."

"I have really adjusted to the banking business and like it even more than I expected. I'm really into it now."

Working for ABC-TV has satisfied any urge Hall has had to stay connected with college basketball.

"Broadcasting has given me a chance to hold onto part of the college game I love so much," said Hall. "Broadcasting has been a natural for me. I have not had to do a lot of studying or homework. It's been easy and a lot of fun."

Hall has not missed the criticism any Kentucky coach receives. He sympathized with UK Coach Eddie Sutton last month when Sutton was feeling the heat from fans when UK struggled.

"I knew what he was going through," said Hall. "It's no fun and can be very frustrating. Eddie is tough, though, and will always survive."

"It won't ever matter who is the Kentucky coach. The program is so big and important to so many people that there will always be criticism. It was that way under Adolph (Rupp), stayed that way under me and now Eddie is experiencing the same thing. It's no fun."

Hall still is as loyal to ever at Kentucky, though. The five seniors are his last official ties to the UK program but he says not to write him off just yet.

"People keep trying to graduate me," said Hall. "It won't happen. I'll always be concerned about UK basketball no matter who is wearing the blue and white. I grew up loyal to Kentucky and that is one thing that won't ever change no matter what I am doing."

Hall also knows what it takes to win a NCAA championship because he guided UK to the national title in 1978. Entering this year's tourney he liked Kentucky's chances to make a bid for another title.

"Kentucky has as good a chance as any of the top 15 teams," said Hall, who took UK to the Final Four three times. "You need to get some help along the way. You need a team that is pretty good to get upset so you don't have to face them."

"It takes some luck for any team to win the championship. You have to win that one game when you don't play well or the opponent really plays well. But Kentucky looks capable of doing that along with some other teams."

Hall likes the blend of experience and youth the Wildcats have. He feels seniors Winston Bennett, Ed Davender, Rob Lock, Cedric Jenkins and Richard Madison give UK the same type nucleus he had in 1975 and 1978.

The former UK mentor, though, thinks the recent emergence of freshman Eric Manuel could be the key to UK's chances along with the play of 6-11 freshman LeRon Ellis.

"Manuel has really picked Kentucky up," said Hall. "He has made the team play a notch higher than it was before. That was predictable, though. UK was able to bring him along and let him play his way into the lineup."

"You need the wisdom of seniors and enthusiasm of freshmen to do well in a tournament. It's a nice blend and Kentucky has it. That could mean a lot in the tournament."

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KENTUCKY sophomore guard Derrick Miller still insists he will remain at UK unless the coaching staff asks him to leave.

Miller had played only 84 minutes all season entering the NCAA Tournament. He had scored just 21 points and taken only 36 shots in the 15 games he had played. Miller has been unhappy most of the season and thought of transferring in December. Since then his playing time has not increased but if Sutton has tried to send him a message, it has not reached Miller.

"As long as the coaches want me and think I can play, I will stay," said Miller. "I definitely will talk to the coaches when the season ends but I am not a quitter."

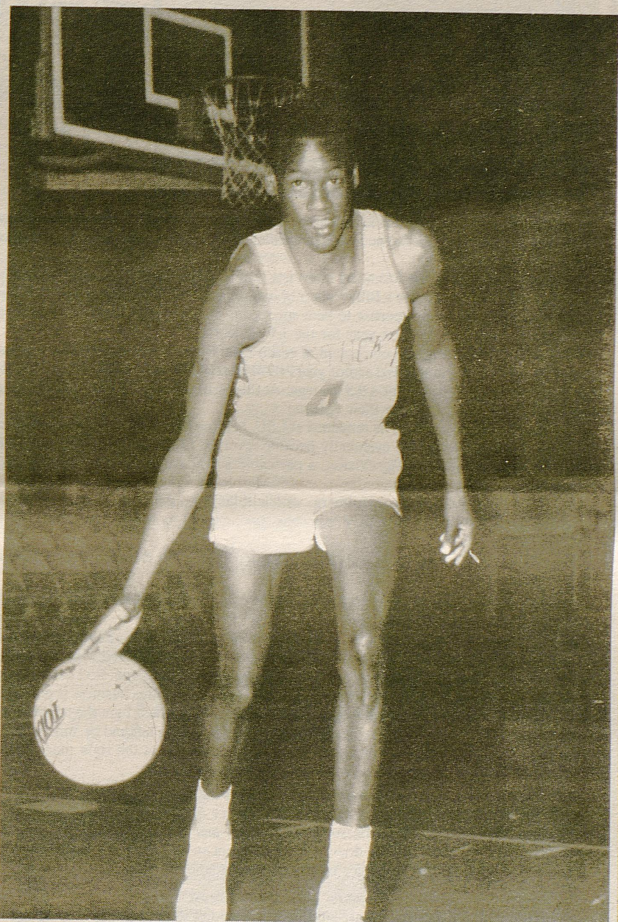
"I want my degree and this is a good place for me. If I transfer, I would have to sit out a year and start all over. I don't want to do that unless I just have to."

Miller's grandmother, who died earlier this season, wanted to see him stay at Kentucky. So did his grandfather, who died last week.

"My grandma always wanted me to stay and so did he," said Miller. "My granddad always told me that I should be thankful to be alive and to keep a positive at-

titude because my grandma is still watching me.

"I've tried to keep a smile on my face and stay positive. I like the players and, who knows, I might still get a chance to hit a big shot and win a game for us."



Derrick Miller

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FOR THE third straight year UK Coach Eddie Sutton had to explain his appreciation of Kentucky basketball to SEC media members at this year's tourney. But this year he made sure he heaped praise on former UK Coach Joe Hall.

"Very few days go by that I don't learn something new about this job," said Sutton. "I certainly gained great respect for Joe Hall and the job he did for 13 years here."

Even LSU Coach Dale Brown, one of Hall's biggest rivals, managed to compliment the former UK boss.

"In the years ahead more and more people are going to appreciate the job Joe Hall did," said Brown. "Kentucky has to be the toughest place in the country to coach and Joe did an outstanding job."

"He never was appreciated, though, by some fans and media members. That's too bad but as the years go by he will be appreciated more and more."

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THE BEST quote of the SEC tourney belonged to LSU assistant coach Ron Abernathy, a former coach at Louisville Shawnee High School.

Abernathy was talking about his relationship with Brown and the competitive nature of the LSU mentor.

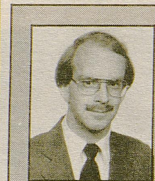
"Dale is the kind of guy that if you cut his head off, you better make sure you know what happened to the body or he will be back to get you," said Abernathy.



## Better Look Out Packer, McGuire, Vitale. . .

. . . Here Comes Jordy Hultberg

Every SEC basketball fan knows Jordy Hultberg, since he is the guy who replaced popular Joe "String Music" Dean as the television commentator for the Jefferson-Pilot SEC network. And Kentucky fans may remember the 6-3 Hultberg as the "Blond Bomber" who helped LSU, then a rising national power, beat Kentucky several times in the late 1970s.



Jamie Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist



At that time, you will recall his LSU teammates included All-SEC standouts like Kenny Higgs, Durand Macklin, DeWayne Scales and Ethan Martin. They sure gave the Wildcats plenty of good battles.

Hultberg—who said in the following interview that he takes his TV job very seriously and hopes some day to become a Billy Packer of college basketball—certainly has the hoop background and television expertise to be a successful TV analyst in the SEC. Hultberg has recently completed his first year for the J-P network.

While at LSU, Hultberg was co-captain of coach Dale Brown's first two NCAA tournament teams during his junior and senior years (1978-79 and 1979-80). He finished his college career with 1,067 points for a 9.3 average. At this writing, only 22 LSU players have topped the 1,000-point mark in their careers.

After his playing days ended, he remained at LSU, helping Brown by serving as an assistant coach for three years. He eventually became involved in the field of television. He worked as an announcer for TigerVision, a pay-cable TV network covering LSU sports, for four years.

A native of New Orleans, La., Hultberg, who will be 31 on April 10, is married to the former Lauren Pierson and they have two sons (two, and 10 months). The family lives in Baton Rouge.

Here's the taped interview with Hultberg, which took place in Lexington shortly before the SEC tournament:

**The Cats' Pause: How did you get the job as the color commentator for SEC games? Who was most responsible for it?**

Jordy Hultberg: I would hope that I was most responsible for getting the job because a lot of people applied for it. They looked at the tapes very seriously and very diligently. They liked my excitement and emotion, and my knowledge of the game. So I would hope to think that I was the one who was most responsible, but certainly this business is political, also. Joe Dean gave me a very high recommendation and that helped. I got the job basically because Joe left. It was Joe's job forever if he wanted to. But he left and became athletic director (at LSU). That opened things up and I happened to be at the right place at the right time. I love doing this. It's been a great opportunity for me.

**TCP: How would you describe your first year as SEC commentator?**

Jordy Hultberg: I feel very good about it. It is a very aggressive league. I work with a very professional group—the Jefferson-Pilot people—and Tom Hammond, my play-by-play man, is just top shelf and top drawer. He's excellent so he's made me better and I've learned a lot. And, so I'm ready for the second go-around.

**TCP: So you are planning to come back next season?**

Jordy Hultberg: I'll tell you what, wild horses wouldn't drag me away. I'm trying to convince. . . and hopefully my performance has spoken well enough for itself that Jefferson-Pilot will hire me back. I certainly hope so.

**TCP: What are some of the mistakes you have made on TV, if any?**

Jordy Hultberg: There are a lot of technical things that you have to learn. Maybe talking too much at a certain time. Maybe not being quiet enough sometimes. There is a fine line between things. You just have to get into the flow and you have to get to know your play-by-play man. Tom is very professional, very straight down the middle. It has taken us awhile, but I think we have developed a good rapport. I think our telecasts have been showing that lately.

**TCP: What is the toughest part about the job?**

Jordy Hultberg: There's really nothing tough about it. If you really enjoy something and have a love for it, it's really not difficult. I take this job very seriously. I try to prepare more than anyone else prepares. It's a lot of fun, so I love it. It's not a job to me. It's not a job to me. It's something I love to do. I look forward to the next game.

**TCP: What do you do besides TV?**

Jordy Hultberg: I'm in the real estate business. I work for Skill in Baton Rouge. It's a commercial real estate company. But I'll be very honest with you: I've got the bug. I've got the fever with this broadcasting and I really would like to get into this thing full-time in any way, shape or form that I can. I'm listening and open for any comers.

**TCP: So, this job right now might be a stepping stone for a network job?**

Jordy Hultberg: I would hope so. You know Billy Packer, Al McGuire and Dick Vitale can only last so long. I think I'm starting at a young enough age where I can learn things. I'm certainly with a great group that really knows the business in and out and taught me a lot of things. We look at tape religiously and analyze things and see where I can do

things better. So, they've been very good to me. They've opened their minds and their intelligence to me. I can only get better.

I take this very seriously and it's not a fly-by-night thing. It's not a hobby. It's something I love doing and I want to become the best I can. Hopefully, I can last the test of time like Joe Dean did with his 18 years. But I have higher goals and higher aspirations. To Joe, it was just a hobby because he had the shoe company (Dean was an executive with Converse). That was his way of life and this was a hobby. To me, this is a life. Everybody wants to do something in life that they can be happy with and provide for the family. Nothing would make me happier than to be able to do this for the rest of my life.

**TCP: What are your feelings about the three-point field goal? Should the three-point line be moved back further from the basket?**

Jordy Hultberg: I like it as it is. I only wish they would have had it back in 1976-80 when I was playing, because I would have been dangerous. Blond Bomber is what they called me. I think if you move it out further—I'm really kind of torn about this—the teams can zone you because it's such a difficult shot. I think where it is now, it really puts the advantage to the offense and that's what the goal is supposed to be all about. It makes you come out and have to play man-to-man. So, I think they ought to keep it where it is.

**TCP: Do you think the SEC will reduce its conference schedule to 14 games?**

Jordy Hultberg: I don't think so. I'm one of those who believes in tradition. I think the conference has been so good. Even though we beat up on each other, we still get five or six teams in the NCAA tournament and that speaks for itself. I don't think they should change that, either. It adds to the excitement. It is the fans' game before the coaches and the players. The fans are the ones that come out. They are the ones that pay the money. I think you ought to give them a show—at home-and-home. It is what it's all about.

I think the coaches' main concern is to try to get as many wins as they can. They want to schedule some patbies where they get 18 or 19 wins and go from there. I don't believe in that. I think if you're good enough, you'll make it (to the NCAA tourney) anyway. So, let's play each other twice and let it go.



Hultberg Says Wild Horses Wouldn't Drag Him Away From TV Job

**TCP: Finally, tell us about your former coach, Dale Brown.**

Jordy Hultberg: Coach Brown is just like in anything else—if you do something long enough, you improve (he laughed). He's become a much better coach. He's much more disciplined now. When I played ball for coach Brown in the late '70s, he was very emotional. He wore his emotions on his shirt sleeve and now he's more calm. He's more subdued. He realized that you can only push players so far. You've got to really kind of stroke them a little bit, depending upon your talent level. Lately, he hasn't had the greatest talent level, but he's manipulated them to the point where he's got them believing in themselves and they've worked wonders. So, it's still a game of putting the ball in the basket. If you can convince a team that they're good enough, miracles can happen. He's much more improved now and he doesn't fly off the cuff like he used to. He's a much better coach today.





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# Ballard 88, Clay County 79

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highlighted by a picture-perfect Houston-to-Martin alley-oop stuff.

With the victory, Ballard revenged last year's 76-73 overtime loss. Davenport's club can now look ahead knowing it has settled the score with Clay County.

Houston, a prime Mr. Basketball candidate next season, and Bell will be back with a cast of others. The only starter departing is Martin, who's signed with Kentucky Wesleyan, and Eric McDuffie.

Ballard will enter next season loaded and will carry the label "defending state champs." It was this time last year when Clay County started to dream of becoming the first school since Male to repeat as state champs. The Tigers gave it a hearty effort but fell 10 points shy of their lofty aspirations.

"I've got to compliment my boys," praised Keith. "I've got a great bunch of kids and I think they're about as good a basketball team as I've ever been around."

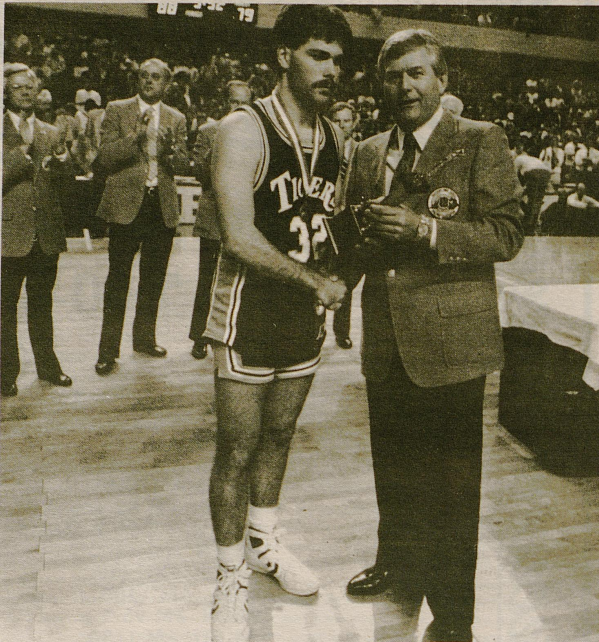
Now Ballard can look ahead. . . look ahead to the same dream Clay County once had. But according to Davenport, the Bruins deserve to celebrate this title before turning its attention to next year.

"That's way too far away," said Davenport, wanting to savor the moment at hand. "Let's enjoy this one a little bit right now because we've worked too hard."

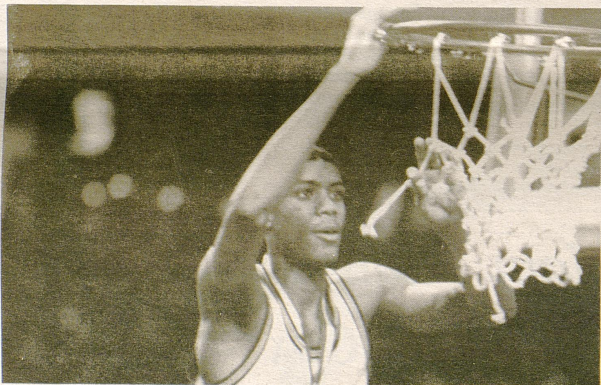
Notes: Here's a rundown of the all-tournament team: Ballard's **Allan Houston**, **Mark Bell**, **Kenneth Martin**; Clay County's **Richie Farmer** (MVP), **Russ Chadwell**, **Russ Farmer**; Apollo's **Eric Williams**, Pleasure Ridge Park's **Andy Pinick**, Covington Holmes' **Jack Jennings**; LaRue County's **Scott Boley**; Henry Clay's **Garry**

Hill; and Marshall County's **Mitch Cothran**.

The 1988 Dawahares Sweet Sixteen academic scholarships were awarded to **Richie Farmer** and Warren East's **Jeff Whitney**. The award is given to the student-athletes who produces excellence on and off the court. . . The 1988 Ted Sanford award went to LaRue County's **Scott Boley**. The 6-9 senior earned this award because of his: basketball ability, sportsmanship, academic accomplishments and citizenship. . . Saturday evening's attendance of 19,575 brought the total mark to 141,341. The city of Louisville can be congratulated on a job well done. . . Of Clay County's 79 points, 70 came from **Richie Farmer** and **Russ Chadwell**. . . The inability of **Russ Farmer** to hit beyond the three-point line proved costly to Clay's chances. He was two of 13 on the night. The junior had hit on 10 of 23 three-pointers in the three games prior to the title bout. . . On the eve of their NCAA battle with Maryland, University of Kentucky assistants **Dwane Casey** and **James Dickey** were on hand for the championship matchup. One has to wonder if **Richie Farmer** figures in UK's future. Or should we say, if the Wildcats are to be included in Farmer's college choice. That long-awaited answer should come in a week or two. . . Asked if Kentucky was hot on his trail, **Allan Houston** said "No." Of course, Louisville, where his pop Wade Houston is an assistant, is the school most mentioned when talking of the junior's college future. His plans this summer? "I'm going try to get stronger this summer," said Houston. "I still have another season left and I hope it'll be a season like this one."



Though On The Losing End, Farmer Wins MVP



Louisville Ballard's Allan Houston

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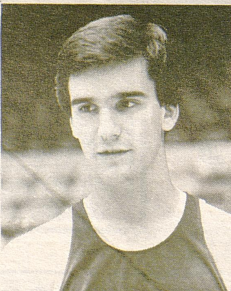
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## Russell Rice

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got underway. A field goal by King gave UK a 28-27 lead and the 'Cats were never headed after that as King followed with another fine shot and Allen hit a goal for a six-point lead. After King crashed into a goal support and was knocked out cold, the Illini rallied, with Smiley hitting a long shot to cut the lead to 46-44 in the closing minute. Illinois was charging down the court with the ball when time ran out.

**Andy Phillip** made All-America that year and the following year, then returned after the war for more honors in 1947. During 11 years in the pros, he scored 6,384 points for Chicago, Philadelphia, Ft. Wayne and Boston. He led the pro league in assists with 414 in 1951 and 539 in 1952, setting one-game assist records at Philadelphia (17) and Ft. Wayne (19). He played in five all-star games. . . named to the *Associated Press* All-Time All-American team. . . later supervised parole officers in Indio, Calif.

**Jack Smiley** played with Ft. Wayne and Waterloo (1947-50), **Ellis Vance** with Chicago, Tri-Cities and Milwaukee (1947-52), while **Ken Menke** played for Waterloo (149-50).

Dartmouth, winner of five straight Eastern Intercollegiate League titles, easily defeated Penn State to advance to the regional final with UK. George Monroe, smallest player on the court, scored 20 points as the Indians utilized court speed and fitness to rattle the Wildcats, who became reckless and started taking almost hopeless chances.

Down 23-13 at halftime, the Wildcats tried to close ranks after a blistering lecture by Rupp, but lost 47-28. Akers played well the entire game, but King still suffered from the effects of his accident in the Illinois game and England was slowed by a leg injury. After complimenting the Dartmouth, Rupp said, "We went native. It's as simple as that."

## Oscar Combs

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more than one station in Louisville could carry the games.

WHAS came close to carrying UK games this past season, but a financial arrangement broke down at the last minute between WAVG, Kentucky Network and WHAS.

According to one report, WAVG Radio agreed to share UK games with WHAS only if WHAS agreed to share UL games with WAVG.

More on this in the near future.

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HITS AND MISSES . . . SEC Commissioner **Harvey Schiller** flew into Cincinnati Sunday for Kentucky's showdown with Maryland . . . Sold-out Riverfront Coliseum produced at least 12,000 or so

Big Blue fans of the 16,000-plus. Unfortunately for many of them, they had to pay anywhere from \$50 to \$150 for a \$20 ticket. Several would-be ticket scalpers were charged by Cincinnati police for ticket scalping and those people were confused, to say the least. Ticket scalping is legal in Cincinnati, but only if you have a \$150 vendor's license. Several fans didn't know that. Over 150 people were cited last Friday before the opening round . . . Our prayers go out to **Derrick Miller** and his family. Derrick's grandfather passed away recently and he missed both the Cincinnati games to be with his family. His grandmother passed away just a few weeks ago . . . Kentucky's game with Villanova Thursday night from Birmingham will tip off at 8:05 p.m. Eastern Time and will be carried live by the CBS-TV.



# Dollar Signs Tempting ACC Tournament

## How About Four More Teams In NCAAs?

CHAPEL HILL — A day at the opening round of the NCAA Tournament. . .  
 •Only someone who's never held a golf club in his/her hand would have to ask why I chose to watch four games here when other sites were available.  
 •Regulars here are well aware of my disdain for postseason conference tournaments,



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but I've always given the ACC a free pass because theirs was the original article. Now a strong possibility looms the tournament will never again be played in Greensboro because the Coliseum is too small. League officials are committed to holding the tournament in North Carolina two of the next three years, and the suspicion is they'll opt for Charlotte and Chapel Hill with the roomier buildings. That puts them squarely in the same greedbag category as all the other conferences because the best part about the ACC tournament was the storied tradition of playing in Greensboro. Move it around, yes. But keep this city in the rotation.

- In an appropriate front row seat is **Frank McGuire**, the man who coached North Carolina to a national championship in 1957. It was his era at UNC which began the path which led all of us to the magnificent, 22,000-seat Dean E. Smith Center today. Despite a tragic fire which destroyed his home in Columbia, S.C. this winter, McGuire looks terrific.
- Halftime score, first game: Missouri 40, Rhode Island 38. The echoes of last year's opening round loss to Xavier still won't allow for much confidence in the Tigers despite the obvious fact they've got more athletes than the Rams.
- Final score: Rhode Island 87, Missouri 80.  
 Well, I told you.
- The Rams are living proof that strength of schedule, the major ingredient in the Tournament Committee's seeding process, still doesn't tell anyone about a team's playing capabilities. In the eyes of some this might seem like something of an upset, but I suspect URI would win a seven-game series.
- Missouri has now lost four straight opening round NCAA games and the culprit this time, according to coach **Norm Stewart**, was the team's defense, a facet of the game which went AWOL two weeks ago and never returned.

For star forward **Derrick Chievous**, his final performance in a Tiger uniform was outstanding. He knocked down 35 points and was unstoppable off the dribble. It was the sort of effort of which Chievous always seemed capable, but didn't always deliver during his four years in Columbia. I mean, now that his numbers are forever engraved in the books he'll certainly be remembered fondly. In truth, though, Stewart was forced to use him off the bench during part of this season and at points along the way he was no factor at all.  
 Good.

Not great.  
 •If I asked you to name me the school from North Carolina which has been to the most consecutive NCAA tournaments, you'd know it was **UNC**. But if I asked you which team from this state was second in that category would you be able to finger **North Carolina A&T**? And would you know this 5,500-student school was located in Greensboro?

The Aggies of **Don Corbett** are making their seventh consecutive appearance today representing the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, and if Missouri's had some trouble with opening round NCAA games what about A&T? Six straight times they've posted and that many times they've lost.

Today's foe is Syracuse, and loss number seven seems inevitable.  
 •Just a bit over 12 minutes remain in the first half and the Dean Dome is rocking. North Carolina A&T 15, Syracuse 13.

•Rhode Island coach **Tom Penders** has been saying all year that his backcourt of **Tom Garrick** and **Carlton Owens** is the equal of any in the nation.  
 "After today maybe we'll get a little more attention, more ink for these two," he said. Garrick, who lit up Missouri for 29 (Owens had 25) said he didn't see this victory as an upset.

"We didn't feel we were that far away from the seventh seeded team so this isn't a big upset or surprise to us," he said.  
 Asked if URI would prefer to face Syracuse or A&T, Garrick said it didn't really matter. I'm not entirely certain that's the full truth.  
 •Final score: Syracuse 69, North Carolina A&T 55.

Now it's seven straight opening round losses and a continuation as the focal point in the argument that good teams are being left out of the tournament while teams which simply cannot compete are being invited.

In this one A&T had it deadlocked, 50-50 with 6:45 remaining before the obvious athletic superiority of the Orangemen finally kicked in.

"What we proved," said Corbett, "is that for 30 to 34 minutes we can play with Syracuse."  
 The problem there is fairly obvious.

But the lingering question is whether the A&T's of college basketball really belong here. And the answer is probably.

What the tournament committee needs is a four-team expansion creating a prelim in

which eight teams from the lower-rated conferences play for four places in the field of 64. That solves the automatic conference qualifying problem and includes four more teams which probably deserve to be aboard.

- Prediction: Syracuse will not get close to Kansas City. This is a team without harmony, one which doesn't seem to get much enjoyment out of playing. After winning the Big East tournament, no one even bothered to cut the nets down.
- Wonder how the American South schools are feeling now about their decision to depart a conference which had an automatic berth in the NCAA for one which didn't?
- Final score: SMU 83, Notre Dame 75.

Well, the **David Rivers** era at Notre Dame has come and gone. When he was a freshman I suggested Rivers would be the player which brought Notre Dame basketball, stylewise, in the 1980's. Now, I'm not sure we can say that happened.

His gifts for the game are, obviously, enormous. He's as exciting in the open court with the basketball as anyone since North Carolina's **Phil Ford**. But were those skills fully exploited at South Bend or is **Digger Phelps'** rigidly-controlled approach to the game still in vogue?

I suspect there've been some change by Phelps, but it is interesting to think what kind of performer Rivers would have been in an uptempo program.

And maybe we'll get a better insight come this time next year when he's completed a season of play in the NBA.

- The first major coaching opening was announced today. **Bob Weltlich** is out at Texas. Speculation centers around Wichita State coach **Eddie Fogler**, but the ex-**Dean Smith** assistant would be wise to get a good feel as to whether or not Texas is really serious about being big time in the sport played between fall football and spring football.

There's a great facility in Austin and some good talent in the state, but where do the administration and athletic department stand in terms of commitment to basketball?

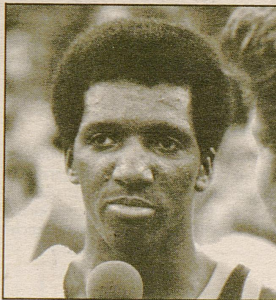
That's the question.  
 •SMU's win here is a nice showcase for a team which has quietly enjoyed an excellent season. Cast into sporting disgrace by its football program, the basketball team was the only game in town this academic year.

"It was a team which just came together perfectly," says coach **Dave Bliss**. "We were awfully scratchy early in the year and I didn't know what to expect, but we just came together."

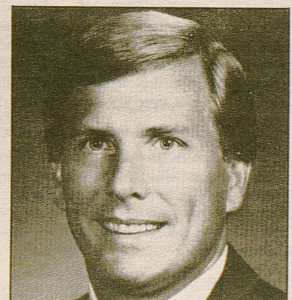
It will be interesting to follow Bliss this spring. He's been here, had some good times and bad, but sustaining may be very difficult because of the mandated academic standards by the new administration at SMU.

We talked about that subject last fall and he admitted: "I do seem to be in competition with Rice for a lot more players now."

He might be not only more attractive to a school searching for a coach, but more interested this time around.



Notre Dame's David Rivers



SMU's Dave Bliss

- Duke wearing home white uniforms in the Dean Dome? Hard to imagine.
- Clear evidence that we've not made quite as much social progress as the optimists tell us is the fact North Carolina A&T's Corbett has had his team into the NCAA tournament seven straight years and yet his name is never mentioned when big time coaching jobs become vacant. Would the same be true of a white coach? I think not.
- What makes Duke's **Danny Ferry** such an outstanding player is his fundamental soundness. His play is a constant reminder that basketball is really a very simple game.
- Final score: Duke 85, Boston University 69.

My suspicion is that while this Duke team is about one brick shy of being good enough to reach Kansas City, nonetheless **Mike Krzyzewski** has established this program as one of the nation's perennial powers.

Krzyzewski has survived and prospered in an area some thought had been rendered untillable by the long shadow of Dean Smith and North Carolina. He's done an admirable job creating his own identity and not being intimidated by the fact everything in the triangle area is compared to what Smith does at UNC.

He's got an excellent eye for talent, can be favorably compared as a bench coach with his former Army mentor, **Bobby Knight**, and has a low key personality which seems to wear nicely in this frenzied basketball area.

•Damage was done today to Duke's reputation as a great academic institution in a barroom scene involving two students from the Durham school.

Said one: "I think Boston U's pretty good. They won 23 games."

Said the other: "Yeh, but one of their losses was to Maine."

Said the first: "Oh, where's Maine?"



## The Best, And The Worst, From The SEC

Highlights (And Lowlights) From 1987-88

While almost everyone else is getting geared up for the Final Four in Kansas City, this week I'd like to step back and look at what happened in the SEC this season.

There were hardly any surprises during the 1987-88 SEC season. Most preseason predictions held to form as Kentucky won its 37th league crown, while Auburn and Florida



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finished second and third, respectively, which is where most experts expected them to finish. Individually, the SEC once again is producing some of the best athletes in the country. The most prolific position is at center, where at least three pivot players appear to be high-round draft choices in the NBA ranks. This season, Florida sophomore Dwayne Schintzius progressed nicely, LSU's Jose Vargas made great strides in improvement and Will Perdue simply earned himself a first-round pick by sheer hard work. In addition, just think about the additions of Cedric Henderson, Tito Horford and Derrick McKey, had they not left their respective SEC schools during the last two seasons. Henderson and McKey left to join the play-for-pay guys, while Horford transferred to Miami (Fla.). It's hard to imagine the tremendous amount of clout the conference would have received if these three players had stayed around.

With that out of the way, it's time to reflect on some of the highlights (and/or lowlights) of the past SEC season. . . Envelope please:

### Player of the Year:

**Dyron Nix, Tennessee.** Good cases could be made for Kentucky superstar Rex Chapman, Vandy center Will Perdue and Auburn's Chris Morris, but based on the entire season, Nix is the choice as the Player of the Year. The main reason for Nix's case reverts back to his remarkable consistency. For most of the season, Nix led the league in scoring and was among the leaders in rebounding, despite playing for a middle-of-the-rung Tennessee team.

### Coach of the Year:

**C.M. Newton, Vanderbilt.** Although the Commodores could have finished a little stronger at the end of the regular season, Newton earns this award by the way Vanderbilt performed during the non-conference portion of its schedule. Vandy played one of its toughest schedules in years, and upset then-No. 1 North Carolina, barely missed edging Indiana in Bloomington and whipped Notre Dame in South Bend. Vandy simply has had its best season in years—it's not over yet—and Newton deserves the honor.

### Coach of the Year (who didn't receive a vote):

**Ned Fowler, Auburn assistant.** What Fowler and Sonny Smith did at Auburn definitely gets some accolades from this corner. Playing without the team's best two players (Jeff Moore and Mike Jones) for the biggest part of the season, Smith and Fowler did an outstanding job of somehow earning the No. 2 seed in the SEC tournament. Also give Sonny, who usually gets overlooked as one of the top-flight coaches in the SEC, some much-deserved credit.

### Freshman of the Year:

**Tim Jumper, Ole Miss.** Certainly Eric Manuel and Livingston Chatman deserve some notice, but Jumper had the best year statistically. Granted he logged more minutes, but Jumper started for the Rebels most of the season and averaged over 13 points per game. However, if this award were based on the last half of the season, then Manuel would get the nod. Manuel's continued development into Kentucky's system has made the Wildcats an instant contender for a Final Four bid.

### All-SEC Team:

**Dyron Nix, F. Tennessee. Ricky Blanton, F. LSU. Will Perdue, C. Vanderbilt. Vernon Maxwell, G. Florida. Rex Chapman, G. Kentucky.** With these five players on the floor, this squad would be one of the finest teams in the country getting out on the break. Nobody is better than Chapman and Maxwell in the open floor. And who else better than Nix and Blanton to fill the lanes? Perdue, of course, would be the primary rebounder to start the break.

### Best Officiating Crew:

**Don Rutledge, John Clougherty, Mac Chauvin.** Rutledge is always one of the most consistent officials in the country, with a reputation of being a non-homer. Clougherty is recognized nationally, calling many big games on national television. And I can't remember Chauvin, who does a good job, making any horrible calls this year.

### Worst Officiating Crew:

**Allie Prescott, Jim McDaniel, Don Shea.** Let me back up and say there are no atrocious officials in the league, but if I were an SEC coach, these three would be at the top of my list of officials I wouldn't want calling my games.

### Most-Liked Players:

**Rex Chapman, Jose Vargas.** It's a tie. Chapman's well-documented adulation from UK faithful speaks for itself, while LSU fans really love Vargas.

### Most-Disliked Player:

**Dwayne Schintzius, Florida.** Could anyone else even be in the running for this one?

### Best P.A. Announcer:

I couldn't find his name in the LSU media guide, but the Tiger public address announcer does a good job of inspiring the fans in the Death Dome.

### Biggest Upsets:

Auburn over Kentucky in Lexington, Mississippi State over LSU in Baton Rouge.

### Most Underrated Player:

**Ricky Blanton, LSU.** Only basketball coaches around the league understand Blanton's value to Dale Brown's club. Nobody is any better at being in the right place at the right time for rebounds and putbacks. In addition, he's one of the league's better players on fast breaks.

### Best 'Crunch Time' Coach:

**Eddie Sutton, Kentucky.** Sutton is simply outstanding when the game gets down to crunch time—the last two minutes. Rarely does UK ever blow a second-half lead, and his teams, even at Arkansas, were excellent free throw shooters down the stretch of ballgames. SEC coaches simply have to earn their victories against the coach with the perm.

### Most Inspirational Player:

**Rod Barnes, Ole Miss.** His outstanding performance this season despite a childhood handicap is an inspiration to us all. Barnes often times goes unnoticed, but look at the boxscore at the end of the game and you usually see close to 20 points next to his name. Beyond that, he always gives you excellent play at both ends of the floor.

### Best Recovery From Injury:

**Jeff Moore, Auburn.** His gutsy performance coming off a crushed shooting hand was amazing. Although he never regained his pre-injury form, he was one of the chief reasons Auburn was able to advance to the second round of NCAA play.

### Best-Dressed Coaching Staff:

**Kentucky.** The 'Cat coaches won this one hands down. Sutton, along with assistants James



### Wildcat Coaches By Far The Best-Dressed In The Conference

Dickey, Dwane Casey, Jimmy Dykes and Roger Harden, rank right up there with any coaches in the country when it comes to looking sharp on the sidelines. As Ralph Hacker says, Dawahares should take some of the credit.

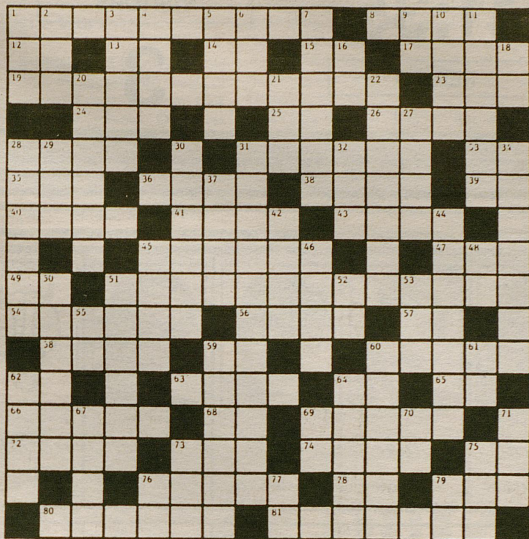
### Best Actor:

**Rob Lock, Kentucky.** Now if he can only convince officials in the NCAA tournament that he is actually taking a charge. Yes, Lock fulfills his role in taking charges, but he should be doing some of his pratfalls closer to his native land: Hollywood is always looking for a new face.



T C P C R O S S W O R D P U Z Z L E

By Dan Krueckeberg



SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW BLUEGRASS BASKETBALL? (No. 1)

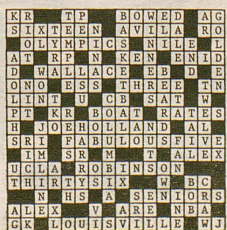
ACROSS

- 1 #21 in the Bluegrass
- 8 1st 3-time All-SEC Cat of the '60s
- 12 Type of card
- 13 Abbr. for a Big Ten state
- 14 Scoreboard sight
- 15 Initials of winningest ECU coach
- 17 Clem Haskins was the \_\_\_\_\_ of Taylor Co. H.S. in early-'60s
- 19 Owsley, Norwell, Varnay and Reavis
- 23 Consumed
- 24 Born
- 25 Initials of '70s Card Alexander
- 26 Football action
- 28 Wic
- 31 #10 of the Colonels
- 33 Symbol for "osmium"
- 35 Cat letters for Bob Burrow
- 36 ECU coach Rankin
- 38 Preserve from loss
- 39 Compass abbr.
- 40 Namesakes of "Mr. Basketball" of '69
- 41 Sense of what to say/do
- 43 Namesakes of big Cat Jennings
- 45 ECU's high scorer of the '60s
- 47 Fried or scrambled
- 49 Initials of '40s Cat Buis
- 51 Once beat Centre by 68 points
- 54 Kentucky Colonel coach of WKU
- 56 Doctrines
- 57 Initials of Cat foe with most points in a UK NCAA title game
- 58 Overlay with gold
- 59 Initials of Creamer of Ludlow H.S.
- 60 Blame
- 62 Initials of Bluegrass great who entered hoop Hall of Fame in '69
- 63 "He put a great \_\_\_\_\_ on the defender"
- 64 Initials of '77 "Mr. Basketball" Jeff
- 65 Initials of '70s Shackelford of Louisville Male
- 66 ECU's first draft choice Fred
- 68 Initials of Moreman of '50s UL
- 69 2-year Hilltopper coach
- 72 Biblical garden
- 73 \_\_\_\_\_ carte
- 74 \_\_\_\_\_ co riches
- 75 Pac-10 state abbr.
- 76 E. A. Diddle
- 78 See 39 Across
- 79 Conference of a Bluegrass school
- 80 Hit 61.42 from field for '72-'73 Racers
- 81 \_\_\_\_\_ # vas 20

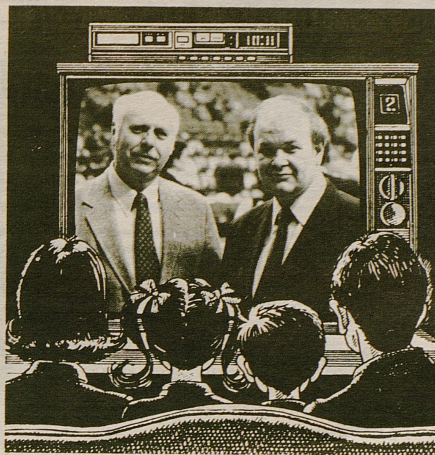
DOWN

- 1 ECU player/coach Baechtold
- 2 Fuss
- 3 Hall of Famer/Pittsburgh slugger Ralph
- 4 Attendance
- 5 Basketball maker
- 6 Very-long time
- 7 WKU star/teammate with Hagan on St. Louis Hawks
- 9 Initials of All-American Art of WKU
- 10 Cat Key
- 11 Leading scorer of '58 National Champs
- 16 Initials of '70s Russell of Morehead
- 18 Initials of 5-11 Cat Randy
- 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Bulldogs are in the KIAC
- 21 Epoch
- 22 \_\_\_\_\_ 1213 points came in only two years at UK
- 27 Employed
- 28 Coached Washington, Woods, Mitchell, etal
- 29 Uniform # of ECU's DeCamillis minus uniform # of WKU's Gordon
- 30 Engines
- 31 Coached stars with retired uniforms 8 and 31
- 32 "He \_\_\_\_\_ the offense"
- 34 A Morehead State 3-time scoring leader
- 37 Constructed
- 42 Require Ots
- 44 \_\_\_\_\_ Oys: home of 19 Across
- 45 A Cardinal/Academic All-American
- 46 Title
- 48 Initials of former Cat Townes
- 50 Hilltopper mascot
- 51 #54
- 52 Initials of UL's leading scorer in year Hord led UK in scoring
- 53 British drink
- 55 Roman numeral for uniform # of UL's Wagner minus uniform # of UK's Baesler
- 59 Napier, Clay, Coulter and Day
- 60 Kelly, Finnegan and King played here
- 61 Initials of Larry of Rupp's last season
- 62 1st name of only 2-time All-NCAA tourney team Cat
- 64 Popular '80s apparel
- 67 Early-'80s Louisville Manual star
- 69 Initials of only senior starter on first national champions from the Bluegrass
- 70 Initials of '50s Morehead star Swartz
- 71 Centre's conference
- 73 Biblical vessel
- 75 1st name of "Mr. Basketball" of '64
- 76 Initials of a top Bluegrass coach
- 77 Initials of former Hilltopper Mosley
- 79 Abbr. for a collegiate class

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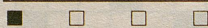
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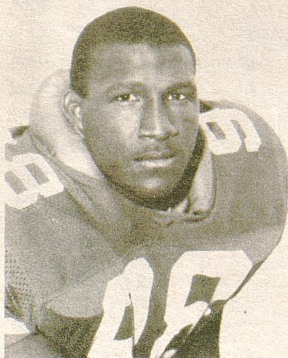
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Last Week	26-6 (.813)	25-7 (.781)	28-4 (.875)	25-7 (.781)	25-7 (.781)	23-9 (.719)
Season Total	318-114 (.736)	312-120 (.722)	311-121 (.720)	310-122 (.718)	325-107 (.752)	312-120 (.722)

KENTUCKY vs. VILLANOVA	KENTUCKY 6	KENTUCKY 9	KENTUCKY 7	KENTUCKY 9	KENTUCKY 5	KENTUCKY 3
OKLAHOMA vs. LOUISVILLE	LOUISVILLE 2	LOUISVILLE 2	OKLAHOMA 10	OKLAHOMA 5	OKLAHOMA 3	LOUISVILLE 2
PURDUE vs. KANSAS STATE	PURDUE 16	PURDUE 11	PURDUE 9	PURDUE 6	PURDUE 7	PURDUE 6
KANSAS vs. VANDERBILT	VANDERBILT 1	VANDERBILT 3	VANDERBILT 6	VANDERBILT 2	VANDERBILT 1	VANDERBILT 3
TEMPLE vs. RICHMOND	TEMPLE 16	TEMPLE 8	TEMPLE 9	TEMPLE 4	TEMPLE 3	TEMPLE 14
RHODE ISLAND vs. DUKE	DUKE 6	DUKE 7	DUKE 2	DUKE 7	DUKE 5	DUKE 6
ARIZONA vs. IOWA	IOWA 6	IOWA 3	ARIZONA 4	ARIZONA 4	ARIZONA 3	IOWA 1
MICHIGAN vs. NORTH CAROLINA	MICHIGAN 7	CAROLINA 2	MICHIGAN 7	MICHIGAN 2	MICHIGAN 1	CAROLINA 3
SOUTHEAST REGIONAL WINNER	KENTUCKY	KENTUCKY	KENTUCKY	KENTUCKY	KENTUCKY	KENTUCKY
EAST REGIONAL WINNER	TEMPLE	TEMPLE	DUKE	TEMPLE	TEMPLE	DUKE
MIDWEST REGIONAL WINNER	PURDUE	PURDUE	PURDUE	PURDUE	PURDUE	PURDUE
WEST REGIONAL WINNER	MICHIGAN	IOWA	MICHIGAN	ARIZONA	ARIZONA	CAROLINA



Carwell Gardner

### Carwell Gardner Leaves Squad; Punter Jay Tesar Has Knee Surgery

Defensive end Carwell Gardner has left the University of Kentucky football team, Jerry Claiborne announced Monday.

"Carwell has left the team because of personal reasons," Claiborne said. "He will remain in school and work toward his degree."

Gardner, a senior to be from Louisville, played eight games during the 1987 season. Gardner finished the year with 44 tackles and two quarterback sacks.

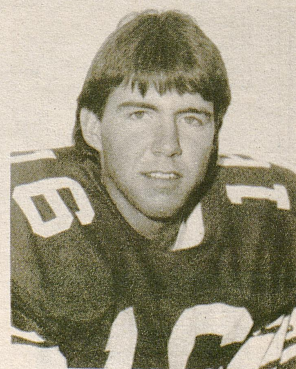


In another football matter, punter Jay Tesar has undergone surgery to repair ligament damage in his left knee. Tesar also a senior-

to-be from Vine Grove, Ky., injured his knee during some conditioning drills in the UK off-season program.

Team physician Mary Ireland performed the surgery.

Tesar, who averaged 39.9 yards per punt in 1987, will miss all of spring practice, but is expected back 100 percent when the squad reports in August.



Jay Tesar



# Back Thru The Wildcat Years

## Eight Years Ago

\*Kentucky football coach Fran Curci sent his team through its second full week of spring drills last week, after the team took a 10-day layoff for spring break. Observers are keeping a keen eye on developments at the quarterback spot, where Kentucky has four highly regarded candidates—Randy Jenkins, Terry Henry, Larry McCrimmon and Rick Buehner—battling for the No. 1 spot.

\*The Kentucky baseball team suffered three heart-breaking Eastern Division losses to the Florida Gators in Gainesville. In Saturday's twinbill, Florida scored four runs in the first-inning on three walks and a grand slam homer. Although they never scored again, Florida held on for a 4-2 win. In the second game UK jumped on top 3-1 before the Gators came back in the final inning to win 5-4. In the series finale on Sunday, UK

jumped on top 6-0, fell behind 9-7 and went back up 10-7 before losing the lead again. Also during the past week, the 'Cats beat Austin Peay, lost to Stetson and split with Jacksonville.

\*DePaul sophomore star Mark Aguirre is the 1980 winner of the prestigious Rupp Award. Members of the Associated Press voted on the honor. Kentucky guard Kyle Macy finished second in the voting. Ray Meyer of DePaul was named Coach of the Year by the Associated Press. Kentucky's Joe Hall placed fourth in the balloting.

## Twelve Years Ago

\*Guard Larry Johnson drove the entire distance of the court for a last second layup to give Kentucky a 79-78 NIT win over Providence in the tourney's semifinals. Providence coached by Dave Gavitt, had taken only its second lead of the game with seven seconds left. The scrappy Kentucky team was

led by Jack Givens, who scored 28 points. Mike Phillips had 19 points and 14 rebounds while James Lee scored 10 points and grabbed 12 rebounds. Johnson finished with 12 points, hitting five of seven shots. The game was close much of the way as UK led 39-37 at the half. The win puts the 'Cats in the NIT finals against North Carolina-Charlotte.

\*The Kentucky basketball team captured their first NIT championship since 1946, defeating North Carolina-Charlotte 71-67 in the finals at Madison Square Garden. Charlotte led 54-47 with 10:11 left in the game when coach Lee Rose ordered his team in a slowdown despite Kentucky's entire frontline being on the bench with four fouls. Kentucky slowly came back in the game. Neither team led by more than seven points in the second half. Kentucky finally took the lead for good when guard Reggie Warford, who scored 10 second-half points, fired in a bomb with 1:07 left to give UK a 64-61 lead. Mike Phillips and Larry Johnson led the 'Cats with 16 points apiece, while Warford added 14. Cornbread Maxwell led Charlotte with 24 points.

\*More than 1,000 cheering fans crammed into the terminal at Bluegrass Field airport to greet the University of Kentucky basketball team after the Wildcats captured the National Invitational Tournament. UK was 10-10 at one point in the season but finished strong by winning their last 10 games, despite injuries which sidelined Rick Robey for much of the year. Also, Truman Claytor was hampered with an injury throughout much of the season.

Kentucky forward Jack Givens and center Mike Phillips were named to the first team All-Tournament squad for the NIT. Guard Larry Johnson and forward James Lee were named to the second team.

## Thirteen Years Ago

\*Kentucky defeated Central Michigan 90-73 in the Midwest Regional semifinals in Dayton, Ohio. Central Michigan had trailed 55-44 but came back to take a 70-66 advantage with around 15 minutes left. The UK man-to-man defense then forced three straight turnovers. Kevin Grevey had 12 points and Mike Flynn and Rick Robey 11 apiece. Flynn also had 11 rebounds.

\*In one of the most intense college basketball games ever played, before 13,450 fans in Dayton, Ohio, Kentucky upset previously undefeated and No. 1 ranked Indiana 92-90. The win enables Kentucky to advance to the NCAA Final Four next week in San Diego. Kentucky's aggressive defense forced 20 Indiana turnovers. UK outscored the Hoosiers 14-7 in a three-minute span to take an 85-75 lead with 4:02. Indiana battled back with courageous comeback but couldn't catch the 'Cats. UK was led by Hoosier native Mike Flynn, who hit nine of 13 shots for 22 points and guard Jimmy Dan Connor poured in 17 points to give the guard combo 39 points for the night. Kevin Grevey also scored 17 and Rick Robey and Mike Phillips added 10 apiece. The 'Cats avenged an earlier 24-point setback to Indiana.

## Seventeen Years Ago

\*Kentucky coach Adolph Rupp announced that his No. 1 recruiting choice was Anderson County's all-stater Jimmy Dan Conner.

\*Kentucky's Mike Casey, Larry Steele, Terry Mills and Clint Wheeler were named to the Southeastern All-Star team. The team will play in the National AAU championships. The AAU will pick seven players to go to the Pan American trials from this

tournament.

\*Carey Eaves has quit the Kentucky football team to concentrate on studies.

\*California, Missouri and Princeton were announced as participants in the 1970 UKIT field.

Junior forward Tom Parker, with a 17.6 average, was the top scorer for the UK basketball team the past season. Tom Payne paced the team in rebounds with a 10.1 average. Kent Hollenbeck led the team with a 53.3 field goal percentage and 88.2 free throw percentage. Larry Steele led the team with 93 assists.

The UK baseball team swept Cincinnati 4-1, 6-3 in its home debut. Kentucky's Roger Webb had key hits in the opener while Dave Bair's three-run homer broke open the second game.

## Eighteen Years Ago

\*The Kentucky Colonels have signed Kentucky basketball star Dan Issel for approximately \$1.4 million in salary bonuses and deferred payments. The ABA team also signed Issel's teammate at UK, Mike Pratt, for an estimated \$400,000. The deal rivals the \$1,400,000 paid Lew Alcindor by the Milwaukee Bucks as the largest amount ever paid an athlete.

\*Five Kentucky players were named to the all-time SEC team, selected by 14 veteran observers and conducted by the Lexington Herald. Dan Issel, Cliff Hagan, Ralph Beard, Frank Ramsey and Alex Groza were all named from UK. Adolph Rupp of UK was named the coach. Other players selected to the team were Bob Pettit, Pete Maravich, Bailey Howell, Clyde Lee, Bernie Nehen and Jerry Harper.

\*Mike Fanuzzi, a 6-foot-1, 175-pound quarterback from New Jersey, signed a football letter-of-intent with UK. Fanuzzi was honored as the outstanding athlete in New Jersey.

\*The Kentucky tennis team ended a successful southern road trip by posting four wins in five matches.

\*Ray Edelman is the first prospect to sign a UK basketball grant this year. The 6-2, 180-pound guard from Pennsylvania scored 23.4 points a game as a senior.

## Thirty-Two Years Ago

\*Coach Adolph Rupp called Wayland crackerjack star King Kelly Coleman "the greatest high school player who ever lived." Kentucky is actively recruiting Coleman.

\*Kentucky will send three track standouts to the Knights of Columbus meet in Cleveland. They are Dave Franta, UK's first track recipient of a scholarship, Ray Blas-ingame and Jack Brown.

## Thirty-Three Years Ago

\*Quarterback Bob Hardy led the Blues to a 28-7 triumph over the Whites before approximately 10,000 fans at Stoll field for the annual spring intra-squad game. The triumph gave backfield coach Erman Allen sweet revenge over line coach Buckshot Underwood, who had won the last two outings. Hardy ran for two scores and passed for another.

\*Packed by the clutch stickwork of sophomores Jack Harston and Billiard, coach Harry Lascaster's baseball team opened the year with a 15-3 clubbing of Georgetown College. Southpaw Ken Lehkamp, one of four Wildcat pitchers, earned the win.

# WILDCAT QUIZ

1. In the last five years, how many times has Kentucky made it to the NCAA's Sweet 16?  
a) one  
b) two  
c) three  
d) four

2. When was the last time Kentucky and Villanova played?  
a) 1986-87  
b) 1985-86  
c) 1982-83  
d) never

3. Up to date, how many games do you think Kentucky has played in the NCAA tournament?  
a) 50 or less  
b) 75 or less  
c) 80 or less  
d) 100 or less

4. When was the last time Kentucky didn't play in the NCAA tournament?  
a) 1979  
b) 1977  
c) 1970  
d) 1965

5. What is Villanova's nickname?  
a) Bobcats  
b) Tomcats  
c) Wildcats  
d) Bearcats

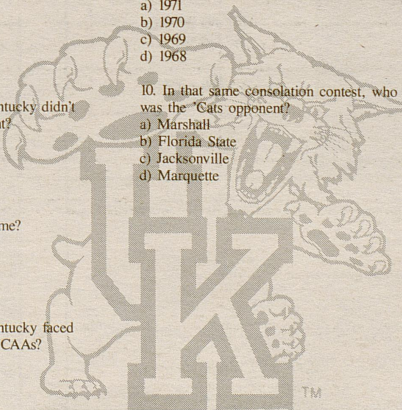
6. When was the last time Kentucky faced a Big East opponent in the NCAAAs?  
a) 1985  
b) 1984  
c) 1983  
d) never

7. When did Villanova win the national championship?  
a) 1986  
b) 1985  
c) 1984  
d) 1983

8. Who did the legendary Adolph Rupp take over for in 1931?  
a) J.J. Tigert  
b) John Mauer  
c) Alpha Brumage  
d) Andrew Gill

9. When is the last time Kentucky played in a NCAA consolation game?  
a) 1971  
b) 1970  
c) 1969  
d) 1968

10. In that same consolation contest, who was the 'Cats opponent?  
a) Marshall  
b) Florida State  
c) Jacksonville  
d) Marquette



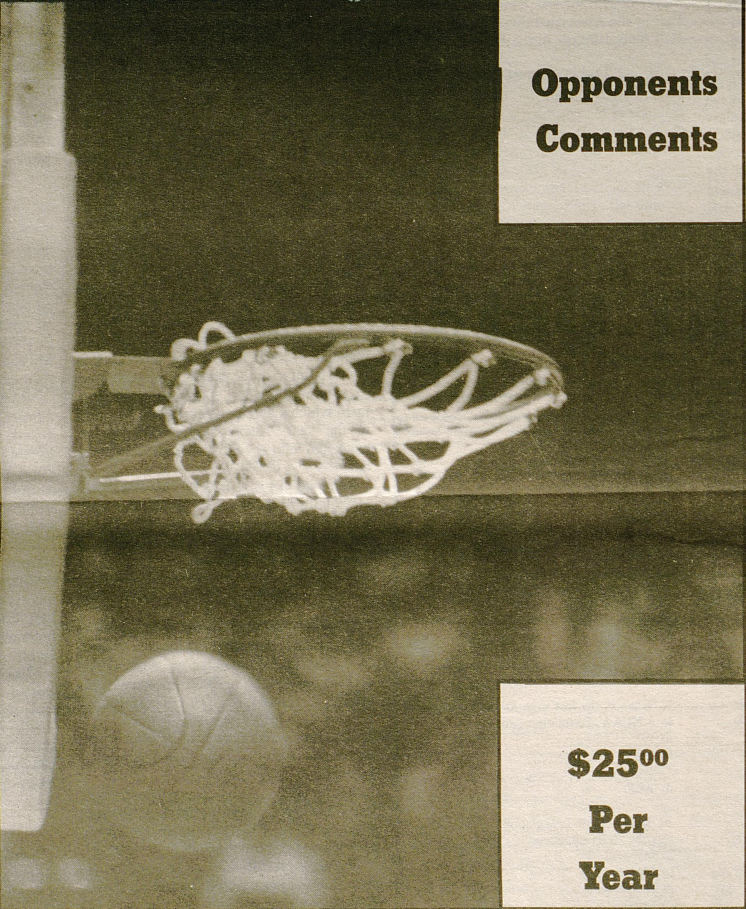
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- 6 1984 (Georgetown in Final Four)
- 7 1984
- 8 John Mauer
- 9 1971
- 10 Marquette (UK lost 94-71)

- 1 Four
- 2 1982-83
- 3 84
- 4 1979
- 5 Wildcats



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