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Frank Walker, director of the Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center, said several events are planned for African-American Month.

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Longer than a month

Blacks say heritage should be celebrated all year

By GENE DOBSON
Contributing Writer

National African-American Month begins tomorrow, but many of the campus's black student leaders say that that people shouldn't think about issues affecting minorities only once a year.

"I hate February," said Thomas Aaron, Black Student Union vice president and director of fiscal affairs for Message Theatre. "It has its good and bad aspects. It is bad because it makes people think our story only happened in February, and that is a grave injustice.

"The good aspects are that it designates a time period to recognize a few people of color's accomplishments. Hopefully it will be expanded to include other people such as native Africans who have contributed to this country," BSU President Ricardo Nazario-

Colon said that while his organization does not have any special events planned for National African-American Month, four events are scheduled for February.

The first BSU-sponsored event is "Beyond the Dream Part II: A celebration of Black History," a teleconference of distinguished guests addressing contemporary issues facing African-Americans. The teleconference will be tomorrow at 1 p.m. in the Old Student Center Theatre.

A "Get Busy Party" is scheduled for Friday from 9 p.m.-12:30 a.m. in the Student Center Grand Ballroom.

On Feb. 28 Concert Levert, Artist 7 with a surprise guest are still being negotiated, Black Men Week, a celebration of the black man, scheduled for Feb. 20-22, also is planned by the BSU.

Message Theatre, Lexington's first African-American theater,

will perform Brer Rabbit and an additional children's play at the North Side branch of Lexington Public Library on Feb. 21.

The company doesn't have any other performances scheduled because it is under re-organization, Aaron said.

The King Cultural Center has two dozen events planned that are designed to appeal to all ages, according to Frank Walker, King Cultural Center program coordinator.

Events include a lecture from a world-renowned writer, a play performed by a professional theater group and a series of animated children's films.

Nguzo Saba children's films, a series of seven films designed to strengthen the family, the school and the community, will be shown at 10 a.m. on Feb 17 in the Old Student Center Theatre.

"The Meeting," a play by Legacy Productions of Chicago about a fictional meeting between Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr., is the major event the Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center will present this month.

Unlike the other events which are free, admission to "The Meeting" is \$9 for the general public and \$7 for students, seniors and children. "The Meeting" will be performed on Feb. 10 at 4 and 8 p.m. in the Otis A. Singletary Center for the Arts.

Haki Madhubuti, editor of the *Third World Press* and director of the Institute of Positive Education, will be the center's featured speaker.

For more information and a complete list of events, contact the Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center at 257-4130.

Rumors about Gorbachev prompt Baker to reschedule talks

By BARRY SCHWEID
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State James A. Baker III is rescheduling talks in Moscow with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze to avoid interfering with a meeting of the Communist Party Central Committee, Baker's spokeswoman said yesterday.

The postponement coincided

with a report by the Cable News Network that Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev had spent the past eight days at his country home, considering his resignation as head of the Soviet Communist Party.

Bush administration officials and intelligence sources told The Associated Press that there has been speculation for weeks that Gorbachev would yield his party post — while retaining the presidency —

but that they had no information he would take the step.

"All I can tell you ... is that it's a rumor, and therefore it's not something that I think that we should respond to or react to," Baker told reporters.

"We're following the story, as I know you are, and we'll have a comment if we ever determine it's something more than just a rumor."

Baker said that American diplo-

mats in Moscow "know just about the same thing that all the rest of us know right now — that there's a rumor out there to this effect, and that's all we know."

He said his talks in Moscow were "still very much on."

Asked about the CNN report, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said: "I have no idea. We've never heard of it before. I have no information."

Baker and Shevardnadze will meet Feb. 8-9 in the Soviet capital, a day delay at the suggestion of the U.S. government, said Margaret D. Tutwiler, the State Department spokeswoman.

Issues to be discussed include arms control and the war in Afghanistan between the Soviet-backed government and U.S.-armed rebels.

"It simply makes more sense to have the Soviets complete their pe-

num before beginning this important ministerial," Tutwiler said.

Baker also is expected to make a brief visit to Czechoslovakia, although there has been no announcement on that.

CNN, quoting a "well-informed and usually reliable" party source, said from Moscow that the re-emergence of Gorbachev on televi-

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Flu epidemic slows down U.S.

Kentucky Kernel Wire Services

A particularly nasty flu is sweeping the country, keeping millions of Americans home from work and school and threatening the lives of thousands.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control declared a nationwide flu epidemic last Thursday based on surveys of 121 cities.

Through last week, 11.1 percent of patients of 125 CDC doctors nationwide network were complaining of flu-like illness, which is just short of an 11.8 percent peak last February.

"We don't know whether this means we're going to peak early and then disappear early, or whether it's just going to be a worse than usual flu season," said CDC epidemiologist Walter Gunn.

At least eleven people have died in Kentucky from an outbreak of the flu so far this season, according

to the CDC.

In Kentucky, counties representing 43 percent of the state's population are experiencing outbreaks of influenza-like illnesses, according to state health officials who survey physicians, schools and nursing homes in 21 counties.

Flu-like illnesses are those characterized by an abrupt onset of fever exceeding 102 degrees and two of the following symptoms: headache, muscle pain, cough, sore throat or stuffy nose.

Physicians in 12 of 21 counties reported outbreaks last week, said Dr. Andrew Pelletier, a CDC epidemiologist assigned to the Kentucky Department for Human Services.

The counties were Calloway, Christian, Clay, Fayette, Fulton, Hardin, Kenton, Madison, Mason, Menifee, Pike and Pulaski.

The outbreak had been mostly confined to the eastern portion of

the state until last week, Pelletier said.

He said more counties probably are experiencing outbreaks as well but were not surveyed.

Most flu patients said that the virus kept them in bed for several days.

David Coleman, 28, of Cincinnati, said the dose he got recently left him "disoriented for about two days."

"I had a bad cough, a temperature of 103 degrees and the shakes," Coleman said.

The flu hit Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., who said he got a bad dose while home in south Mississippi. The illness even made him "glad to get back" to Washington for the start of the second session of the 101st Congress.

About 10 percent of the population gets the flu during most flu

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Campus has not been infected by flu ... yet

By AYSER SALMAN
Contributing Writer

UK has been largely immune to the flu virus that has infected most of the state, according to UK Student Health Services.

Only about 5 percent of the patients from Student Health Services who were admitted to the Albert B. Chandler Medical Center last week had the flu, according to Lance Churchill, clinical service coordinator for Student Health Services.

"We saw 1,168 patients, of which 37 were influenza cases and 13 were flu-like," he said. "We have not seen an epidemic yet on campus, but it's hard to tell. Next week could be different."

The next week will decide how hard UK will be hit by the flu virus,

according to Dr. Allen Sklar, a physician in Student Health Services.

"The first week of February is when most of the cases show up, being the halfway point in the season," Sklar said.

"By the end of February no one is getting the flu anymore."

Even if students have not contracted the virus yet, they still should take measures to minimize their chances of catching it, medical experts say.

"A person who is healthy and active has a lesser chance of getting the virus," Sklar said.

"On the other hand, smoking, drinking and lack of sleep increase the risk."

Flu symptoms are similar to

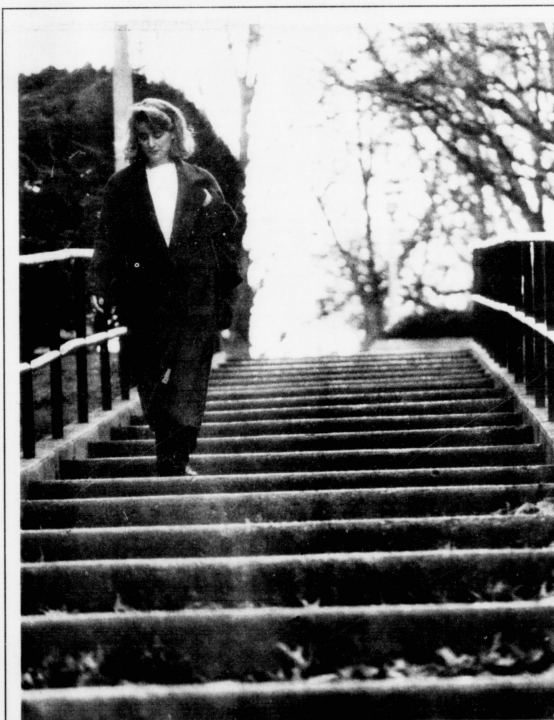
those of the common cold, Sklar said. Symptoms include a headache, fever, sore throat and cough.

"You really can't tell the difference between the two, except that the flu goes into muscle weakness and gastrointestinal problems such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea that you don't get with the common cold," he said.

Students who suspects that they have flu symptoms should go to Student Health Services, Sklar said.

"If you happen to get the flu, you might as well resign yourself to staying in bed, drinking plenty of fluids and taking medicine," Sklar said.

"The best treatment is simply to let it run its course."

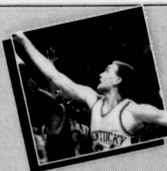


WATCHING YOUR STEP: Elizabeth Hagerly, an Arts & Sciences junior, walks down the steps near the Student Center yesterday afternoon following her classes.

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Diversions

Lange stars
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Barry Reeves
Sports Editor

Auburn game haunts Pitino, UK squad

By TOM SPALDING
Executive Editor

Rick Pitino looks at the standings and grimaces. Had his UK team held on to defeat Auburn University last week, the Wildcats would be sitting atop the Southeastern Conference. Instead, the Cats are looking up at five others.

"For a team that doesn't have too much to hang their hat on as far as postseason play is concerned, it would have been a tremendous feat for (our guys) not only to be in first place, but to have a shot at that," Pitino said yesterday at his weekly news conference.

But the first-year coach doesn't like to play iffin' games, even though his Wildcats are only a half game out of first place (at 5-4) at the mid-point of the season.

He'll turn his attention, instead, on Starkville, Miss., and the Mississippi State Bulldogs, the team UK hopes will help end its 0-for-the-road problems tonight.

UK could have ended their road woes at Auburn, but the Wildcats let a 17-point lead get-away as the Tigers prevailed 74-70.

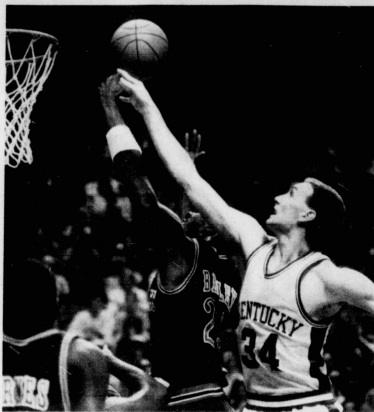
UK-Miss. St.

Records: UK 9-9 (5-4), Miss. St. 10-7 (3-6).
When: 8:30 tonight.
Where: Humphrey Coliseum, Starkville, Miss.
Radio: Live on WVUK-AM/FM with Cawood Ledford and Ralph Hacker.
Television: None.

"We did have it in our hands," Pitino said. "When you see something slip from your grips, it hurts. But I told them, 'You're not out of it. You've got to go down to Mississippi State and beat them.'"

"And if we win tomorrow night, then we are on top of the SEC, which nobody thought we'd be. But nobody thought we'd be this close either."

"That's why the Auburn game hurts so much," UK guard Derrick Miller said. "If we win that game,



KAREN BALLARD/Kernal Staff

UK forward John Pelpheys tips the ball away from an Ole Miss player during Saturday's game. The Cats play at Mississippi State tonight.

And it will take a big effort to win the SEC.

The Wildcats, who trail Louisiana State, Alabama, Georgia, Vanderbilt and Tennessee, have to play five of their final nine games away from Rupp Arena. The Cats (5-4 in SEC) trail the five teams, who all have 5-3 league records.

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Lady Kats host Eastern in non-conference game

By JONATHAN MILLER
Staff Writer

The UK Lady Kats will take a break from their tough Southeastern Conference schedule when they play intrastate rival Eastern Kentucky University tonight at Memorial Coliseum.

Both squads will try to get back on the winning track after losing their last game, both to conference foes.

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CUSHENBERRY

The Lady Colonels' offense revolves around the 3-point arch. ECU is connecting on 35 percent of its 3-point attempts this season.

"They are the best 3-point shooting team that we will face," Fanning said. "... They've got five or six players who can score at any time for them."

EKU coach Larry Inman, who's in his second year as head of the Lady Colonel program, downplayed the significance of the intrastate rivalry.

"We certainly enjoy playing outside the (OVC) against a team like UK," Inman said. "But to us, it's just another game."

The Lady Kats defeated ECU 83-77 in overtime last year in Richmond.

"We plan on playing (UK) straight up," Inman said. "We're going to come right at them and show them what we're got."

The Lady Kats recent ills on the court has followed some players home. Senior Malinka Sahli and sophomore Jamie Hobbogood are suffering from the flu. Both players are expected to see limited action tonight.

Kristi Cushenberry, UK's third leading scorer, has been having trouble with her mental game since UK's loss to Tennessee 10 days ago.

"I haven't been able to get into the flow of the game," Cushenberry said. "I'm going to start putting up more shots."

Cushenberry did not attempt a shot in UK's loss to Ole Miss Saturday. Since the Lady Kats began SEC play, Cushenberry dropped from first to third in scoring average, mainly because opponents have been keying on her.

"The only person who can stop Kristi from scoring is Kristi," Fanning said. "Once she gets things worked out with herself, she'll be back."

Fanning may give senior Kris Miller the starting nod at point guard in Sahli's absence. Miller is averaging 8.7 minutes and 5.2 points per game.

"I know that I can come in and contribute to the team," Miller said. "I wish I could be playing more, but then who doesn't. I just hope we can come out of here tomorrow with a win in regulation. I don't think I can take anymore overtime games."

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Lange, Mueller-Stahl give stellar performance in 'Box'

By HUNTER HAYES
Assistant Arts Editor

"Music Box," a Costa-Gravas film starring Jessica Lange and Armin Mueller-Stahl, is a film that attempts to make the audience wonder exactly how well they know the people they love.

This is what happens to Ann Talbot (Lange) when her father (Mueller-Stahl) is threatened with deportation to his native country of Hungary for war crimes he allegedly committed during World War II.

Mike Laszlo is a hard-working Hungarian immigrant who not only takes extreme pride in his adopted country but also has raised two all-American kids.

His daughter, Ann, is a successful criminal lawyer who is raising a son in an upscale suburb of Chicago. Karchy Laszlo (Michael Rooker) works in the steel mills where his father worked and is a veteran of the Vietnam War.

Talbot's world is thrown into a spin when she learns that her father may be deported for lying on his immigration application. More importantly, he will have to stand trial for alleged heinous crimes against Jewish Hungarians during WW II.

Frederick Forrest portrays the prosecutor who is convinced that this respectable family man also is the man known as "Miska" who tortured and murdered countless Jews.

Talbot, against the advice of her ex-husband and her own instinct, defends her father against the accusations.

As the trial proceeds, Talbot begins to doubt that her father is entirely innocent. She questions her father about why they never had any Jewish friends. He tells her that



Frederick Forrest plays the attorney who prosecutes a suspected WW II criminal in "Music Box."

he had friends that were Jews, but then she asks why they were never invited for dinner. "Because they never invited me," he weakly counters.

Costa-Gravas does an excellent job of pacing the film. Coupled with screenplay by Joe Eszterhas, the film's action unfolds in a way that keeps you guessing whether or not Laszlo will be convicted. The audience feels secure of his innocence but then evidence appears that he indeed may be Miska.

The action occurs primarily in the courtroom. This is a great relief from the senseless car chase and shoot-'em up formula that so many films rely on.

Few recent movies have been able to match the drama in the courtroom scenes of this film. When survivors of the Hungarian

holocaust testify against Laszlo, and then when Lange poses her defense of their testimonies, it makes for some of the most emotional scenes recently filmed.

One particularly riveting scene is when a Jewish woman tells how Miska and other soldiers stole her virginity by gang-raping her for hours. When Laszlo tells her that it wasn't him, she replies by spitting in his face.

As more and more evidence is brought into the case it becomes hard to determine whether Laszlo is Miska.

"Music Box" is more than a tale of vengeance — it is a story of remembering crimes against many innocent victims.

It can be read metaphorically on many levels. It can be read as a statement against the cruelty of humanity, or it could be interpreted as representing an entire nation's fears about the war.

The film also is loaded with irony. A country, who only a few years ago persecuted communists, now attempts to prosecute a devout anti-communist.

The film is aesthetically pleasing. The cinematography by Patrick Blossier creates a great sense of tension and release.

Whenever something seems to be going well for Laszlo the colors are lighter. Then when something disturbing happens, the film takes on a dark quality.

One scene in which Costa-Gravas and Blossier combined talents exceptionally well was at the graveside of Talbot's mother. The actors portray the cold so well that you know that it is real. The camera captures not only their frozen breath and flushed faces, but the experience of the harsh weather.

The movie was filmed on location in Chicago and Budapest, which adds to the reality. The film contrasts the beautiful architecture of Budapest with the atrocities, now

planted firmly in our minds, committed there nearly 50 years ago.

"Music Box" succeeds where many lesser movies fail by being a work of art instead of thousands of feet of wasted celluloid.

All performances in the movie are first-rate.

Lange, to no surprise, plays her role with great believability. But it is Mueller-Stahl who nearly steals the film with his portrayal of Lasz-

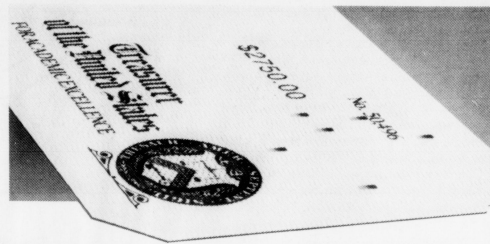
lo. Forrest turns in his finest performance since his role as the chef in Francis Ford Coppola's "Apocalypse Now."

The only problem I had with the film is the ending, which doesn't do justice to the rest of the movie. The last five minutes become a little sensational and hard to believe. The film should have ended when Talbot has her moment of epiphany.

Instead, Costa-Gravas tries to tie up too many loose ends. Unfortunately, life doesn't always work that way. This is a minor point, but the film is diminished from being excellent to simply very good.

"Music Box," rated PG-13, is showing at Man O' War Movies 8 and Southpark Cinemas.

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Campus needs minority agenda to deal with race

After six years of service at UK, William Parker is retiring from vice chancellor of minority affairs at the end of the year. Throughout his tenure at UK, Parker has worked hard improving minority recruitment, establishing African-American programs on campus and making the Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center a successful embodiment of King's ideals and African-American culture.

We hope that Parker's replacement is at least half a successful leader. Whoever does replace Parker will face the problem of how to assimilate African-American students into the mainstream of campus life.

The major obstacle African-American students face is motivating students to take the initiative to lead.

There is one African-American senator in the Student Government Association Senate — Keith Clark from Lexington Community College — but there are very few African-American leaders in other student organizations.

More students need to take the example he has set and get more involved with campus life.

The first task of the new vice chancellor should be to set an agenda for the campus. Rather than dealing in general terms and saying that things are not right for blacks, Hispanics or international students, he should give specific examples of problems.

And once they have decided where the problems lie, an agenda can be formulated to address the problems.

The next vice chancellor should be able to tell us where we are now, and where we should be in the next 10 years.

We also urge African-American students get more involved with campus life. There is no use complaining about what is wrong if you are not going to try and do anything about it. Remember that Malcolm X once said, "Revolution is never based on begging somebody for an integrated cup of coffee."

Cigarette worst addiction in U.S.

The American Lung Association says that smoking cigarettes "prematurely claims more lives than illicit drugs, alcohol abuse, homicide, suicide and automobile accidents combined."

Yet according to Dr. Richard Clayton of the Center for Prevention Research in UK's department of sociology, about 30 percent of America's adult population continues to smoke.

Perhaps the reason lies in their addiction to nicotine, the drug extracted from the tobacco plant. When smoked, nicotine reaches the brain in about four seconds, stimulating nerve cells and increasing arousal. The delivery causes strong effects, even in small amounts.

Once addicted, smokers are susceptible to serious health problems, the first of which is cancer.

There are seven types of cancer related to smoking. These are cancer of the larynx, esophagus, oral cavity, lung, kidney, pancreas and urinary bladder.

Smoking cigarettes also increases coronary heart disease. About 25 percent of all deaths from heart attacks and strokes are connected with smoking.

Emphysema and chronic bronchitis are two serious lung diseases associated with cigarette smoking that can cause disability and death.

According to Clayton: "Probably the most painful way to die is by emphysema. The lungs collapse on themselves, and you essentially die of suffocation."

Smoking not only is unhealthy, but many people consider it unattractive. Smoking causes unpleasant breath odor, smoky clothes and yellow teeth and fingernails. As two UK bachelors describe it, "Smoking is a big turnoff."

Smoking also endangers the health of others. The U.S. Surgeon General has reported that inhaling secondhand smoke may cause diseases, such as lung cancer, in healthy nonsmokers.

There also is substantial agreement by the American Lung Association that secondhand smoke is "annoying and irritates eyes and upper airways."

Passive smoking means that "you are accepting the drug and the 2,000 other gases that are in the

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smoke, including carbon monoxide," Clayton said.

If you don't smoke, don't start. If you do, now is the time to quit. There are many programs designed to help smokers break their habit.

The health benefits of quitting include the decrease or disappearance of coughing, easier breathing, more energy, better circulation, improved sense of taste and smell and a decrease in further deterioration of lung functions.

Clayton offers a comprehensive program, including educational support groups as well as the use of gum, called Nicorette. The program has a chemically verified success rate of 36 percent, Clayton said.

For more information call 233-5281.

Other programs available are:
 ✓ Dr. Heilig, Stop Smoking Clinic, 233-3827
 ✓ Lung Association, "Freedom From Smoking Clinic," 233-3401
 ✓ Marilyn Marx, Hypnosis Therapy, 266-8064

✓ American Cancer Society, "Fresh Start," 253-2822

Experts disagree on the best method to help smokers quit. Check with your doctor before entering a program.

If you want to try quitting yourself, here are some tips:

✓ Set a quit date and stick to it.
 ✓ Know why you want to quit. Remind yourself of the reasons often.

✓ Avoid places and activities that entice you to smoke.

✓ Keep busy. Carry a pen in your hand in place of a cigarette.

✓ Drink plenty of water. Snack on healthy foods. Chew sugarless gum.

✓ Ask a friend to stop smoking with you. Tell friends and family not to offer you a cigarette or smoke around you.

✓ Save the money you would spend on cigarettes and buy yourself a treat.

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Colorization

Someone must have taken away Turner's crayons

I own these films, and I can do anything I want with them.

—Ted Turner

TV czar Ted Turner, whom I have quoted above, is one of the leading advocates of colorization — an amazing scientific advancement that allows your favorite stars of the silver screen to appear different shades of purple.

Many observers feel that we TV viewers will only watch a movie if it is in color. They think that we're not old-fashioned enough to appreciate a black-and-white film.

Many money-hungry industry insiders appreciate color, especially the popular dollar-bill green. Hence, they've used their computerized Crayolas to maul many classic movies.

That's why every film you see on cable today looks like it was drawn by a drunken Walt Disney.

That was most apparent during the holidays.

I watched a favorite film of mine, "It's a Wonderful Life," a few times during the break. It was a pleasure to see Jimmy Stewart's head turning various shades of green as the movie progressed.

Between that and the parade of plaid suits, neon dresses, and mismatched backgrounds, it didn't take me long before I turned the color down on my set.

No offense, Ted, but I prefer old-fashioned black-and-white. Thanks to you, "White Christmas" is now blue. In "Yankee Doodle

Ockerman made bad decision on search

Decisions are made every day by everyone in the world. These decisions may only affect the individual who makes them or it may result in an overall affect on a group of people.

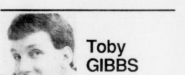
But the majority of the decisions I make only affect myself and a handful of others. Now, if I were asked to make a decision that would definitely have an effect on more than 20,000 people, then I trust that I would try to make the most educated choice possible in order to create a positive reaction.

Then you can imagine what I thought of Foster Ockerman's decision to not appoint Student Government Association President Sean Lohman as the student representative on the presidential search committee.

If Ockerman's decision to appoint medical student Ted Bruner was "to ensure a voice for the Medical Center and the student body," I believe that our student government president could accept that responsibility much better than Bruner.

I do not know Bruner and I'm sure he doesn't know me, but I believe that I could correctly say that we all are familiar with Sean Lohman.

Lohman makes decisions that af-



Toby GIBBS

Dandy," the red, white and blue is now maroon, off-white and aquamarine.

Millions hate what you've done. But, as you say, the films do belong to you. And as long as that is the case, why stop at colorizing black-and-white films?

Fortunately, Teddy is one step ahead of my thinking. Here's a twoplate:

Recently, one of Turner's ex-wife TV outfits showed "Gone With The Wind." Since the film was in color to start with, they were forced to convert the film to black-and-white and then had to colorize that.

It worked like a charm, too. Scarlett O'Hara is now a blonde. Mamma is now white and the two opposing armies are no longer known as the blue and the gray; they're more like the indigo and the silver.

For science fiction fans, who may not have enjoyed the film before, you'll get a big kick out of it from now on. The invading Union soldiers have a slight greenish tint to their flesh, giving them an eerie extra-terrestrial feel. It's the perfect way to enjoy the Oscar-winning 1939 classic all over again.

New technological advances allow TV stations to do more than just colorize classic films. Fans of

old silent movies will enjoy hearing a new computer-generated machine that allows Charlie Chaplin to talk!

If you're tired of tap-dancing, another special-effects apparatus makes it possible for Fred Astaire to breakdance! Another new breakthrough turns Mickey Mouse into a dog. (Hence greater profit potential!)

As long as Mr. Turner owns the films, and can do anything he wants to them, he might want to consider adding new, modern-day actors to old film footage.

"Citizen Kane" would be much funnier if Bill Cosby could be visible in the background, possibly making funny faces or sucking on a pudding pop.

You could add entirely new scenes to old films. "The Grapes of Wrath" could use a car chase or food fight to jazz things up. I've always felt that "Casablanca" needed to drop the romance angle and add a pair of mismatched yet zany private investigators who team up to fight crime.

You own these flicks, Ted. Feel free to do anything you want.

And why not restore the old films while you're at it, Teddy. The problem with most 1930s musicals? Not enough rap.

Ted Turner also needs to chop up the films. After all, when I sit down to see a film, I want less music and more commercials.

Chopping up classic TV sitcoms is already a Ted Turner staple — anyone who watches the Super Station knows that.

So enjoy the new and improved world of the movies, courtesy of the man who masterminds the Atlanta Braves.

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Guest OPINION

fect Bruner, myself and all the other students on campus. So who assumed that the selection of a new president for UK could be better decided by Bruner than Lohman? Who deals with the thoughts, requests and ideas of the student every day? None other than Foster Ockerman.

Ockerman is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and he is making decisions like these! Bad decisions like this will affect every student

on campus.

Why was the decision made? What special abilities does this Bruner fellow have? Can he see the future? I don't think that he should be taking the place which obviously should be reserved for someone who represents the student body as a whole.

Bruner spent his undergraduate years at Centre College, compared to a fellow student, Lohman, who was elected to the position of SGA president by the student body. Bruner has no place on this committee.

Ockerman's decision was unjustified, made, and I feel that he is letting down the students of this University and something should be done about it.

We were unfortunate enough to lose President Roselle last semester. If the students of this University feel the same way, then we can not allow foolish decisions such as this to be made.

If the opinions of the student body are not taken seriously, then that means that Ockerman is not taking this presidential search seriously.

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Smoke bomb clears out Kirwan

Staff reports

A smoke bomb set off in Kirwan Tower Monday night caused the residence hall to be evacuated for almost two hours.

The 23-story South Campus residence was evacuated until early Tuesday morning.

The smoke bomb caused no damage, according to Major Terry Chrisman of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Fire Department.

UK Police investigating Monday night incident

Chrisman said the smoke bomb was found on the fifth floor. About seven units of the Lexington Fire Department responded to the incident, Chrisman said.

UK Police are investigating the incident, and Chrisman said that he will report the incident to Lexington arson investigators.

Residents going down the stairwell in which the bomb was set off said that the smoke was so thick that they could not see down to the next landing.

Alarms on the 15th, 20th, 21st and 22nd floors in the tower reacted. The alarms sounded at 11:24 p.m. Residents were allowed to return at about 1:30 a.m., according to Director of Residence Life Bob Clay.

Flu epidemic slows down workforce

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Sufferers "have been pouring in these last few weeks," according to Dr. Vincent Wroblewski, an emergency room resident at the University of Maryland Hospital in Baltimore. "It's leaving patients feeling aching, really dragged."

New York psychoanalyst Dr. Susan Thompson, 47, got the flu two weeks ago.

"For three days, I had a 103 (degree) fever and just laid around," she said. "I'm not over it. What happens to everybody in New York is you think you're over it and then you have a relapse."

"Everybody I know has either had it or is sick right now," said Dan Thompson, manager of a Dallas truck-exporting company.

Thompson said that about 30 of his 100 employees are out sick, most with the flu.

Influenza is caused by a virus that comes in different strains named after places where they were identified.

The predominant flu this year is A-Shanghai, which belongs to a class of flu strains that are linked to a higher death rate than most strains, Gunn said.

That class is called H3N2. For example, 57,000 flu-related deaths occurred in the United States in the 1984-85 winter, when another H3N2 strain struck.

In 1987-88, when the dominant flu was from a less deadly strain, only 22,000 deaths occurred.

But because the flu is so unpredictable, "No year is an average

year," Monto said. "So this year, we might see more than 10 percent."

The flu is not generally life-threatening, but it can kill by weakening a victim enough so that bacteria causing pneumonia take hold.

Those at highest risk for such complications include people over 65 and anyone with serious chronic health problems, such as heart or lung diseases or diabetes, children with asthma, and anyone in contact with high-risk people.

Gunn recommends flu vaccine shots for such people.

While vaccines are only 30 percent to 40 percent effective in preventing the disease in older people, they are 85 percent effective in preventing flu-related death, he said.

The best time to get the shots is autumn, but they are recommended through the winter. It takes two weeks for a flu shot to take effect.

But a shot also can reduce the severity of symptoms during those two weeks, Gunn said.

A prescription drug called amantadine is effective in treating and preventing type A flu, Gunn said.

But in general "there's not much you can do" except get plenty of rest and drink lots of clear fluids, he said.

Gunn said that children and teenagers should not be given aspirin because of the risk of fatal complications called Reye's syndrome, which can cause death by disturbing the body chemistry.

B & E College offers five scholarships for its summer study program in Vienna

By ALETHA WEBB

Contributing Writer

The College of Business & Economics is offering five scholarships for students to study in Vienna this July.

The Summer Study program is open to all undergraduate and graduate students. "If you can get the money, it is well worth it," said Curtis Harvey, the program's director.

The classes are taught at the Economics University in Vienna, and the American professors live with students in the dormitories.

"Living with the professor and the students who attend the same

classes means easy access to notes and your teacher," Harvey said.

Three scholarships were offered last year based on need and Fayette County residence. The scholarships were funded by the Sweet 16 Academic Showcase.

The two additional scholarships offered this year are funded from money left over from last year's program. The two additional scholarships are awarded based on merit, and are available to non-Fayette County residents, Harvey said.

Laura Babbage, who participated in last year's session, said the program broadened her hori-

zons.

"Whether we were discussing arbitrage or conducting negative arbitrage, every experience was a learning one," Babbage said.

"From the boat ride on the Danube in Budapest to the Hourigans in Vienna ... the Vienna Summer Study program is the place to learn."

The scholarships are worth about \$2,500, and students who participate in the program can earn three credit hours, Harvey said.

Students with questions about the program should contact Harvey, 227 B&E Building before April 15.

Gorbachev

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sion yesterday did not rule out a dramatic resignation when the policy-setting Central Committee meets next Monday and Tuesday.

Before the TV appearance yesterday, Gorbachev was last seen in public Jan. 20 explaining why Soviet troops had been sent to the Azerbaijan republic.

According to the unnamed source, Gorbachev had resisted sending troops into Baku, the capital of the republic, and was suffering severe depression over the ac-

tion, CNN said.

One U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there have been reports that Gorbachev was frustrated over efforts to reform the Communist Party.


He said the speculation was that Gorbachev would remain in charge of the government as president, a post he has strengthened.

However, he stressed there was no information to the effect that Gorbachev would take the step.

Another administration official said Jack Matlock Jr., the U.S. ambassador to Moscow, was asked about the CNN report and replied he was unaware of any such development.

Meanwhile, the report caused turmoil on Wall Street and a negative reaction on Capitol Hill. Stock prices were so volatile after the CNN report aired that one investment brokerage stopped trading temporarily.


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