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Soviet, U.S. officials to plan second summit

By GEORGE GEDDA
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze will visit Washington in mid-May to discuss arrangements for a second summit meeting between President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, Secretary of State George Shultz said yesterday.

Shultz made the announcement shortly before the Energy Department postponed a planned under-

ground nuclear explosion in the Nevada desert, but the State Department said the delay was not linked to summit politics.

Deputy spokesman Charles Redman said: "Our testing program is established and conducted according to technical considerations. Tests may be delayed due to weather conditions or to a variety of technical problems."

White House spokesman Larry Speakes also said the postponement was unrelated to U.S.-Soviet rela-

tions or to planning for a summit. But neither Redman nor Speakes explained why the test was postponed.

Rep. Harry Reid, D-Ne., who represents the Las Vegas area, said, "My office has been told it was canceled because of the weather, because of technical difficulties and that it was never scheduled in the first place."

He said the information came from "various people" at the Department of Energy. Reid said he had been told the postponement was

for 24 hours, and said he did not know the nature of the weather problems.

Moscow declared a unilateral moratorium on such testing last fall but has said it would end the ban once the United States carries out another test.

The Reagan administration has said the Kremlin announced the moratorium only after completing an ambitious testing program. Reagan invited the Soviets to send monitors to verify that the test would be

within agreed limits, but the administration said Moscow did not respond to the offer.

Agreement on Shevardnadze's visit came during a morning meeting between Reagan and departing Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin at the White House. Shultz described the session as "very substantive and constructive."

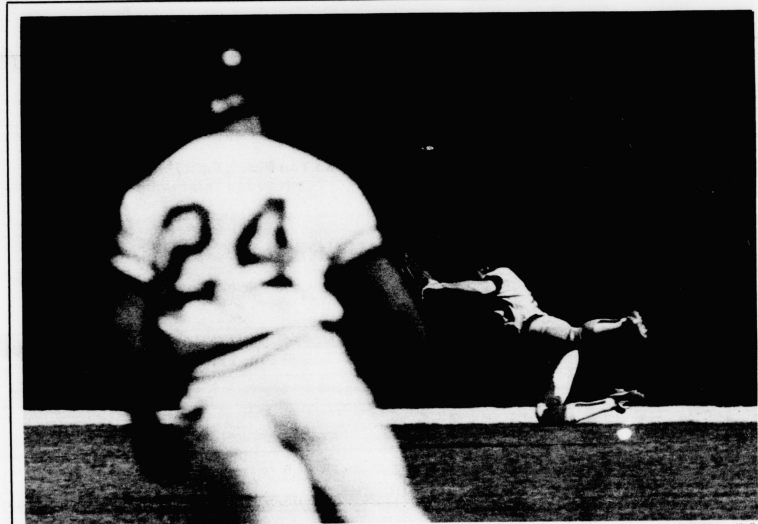
Reagan has said he wants the summit held before August, but Shultz did not say whether he believed there would be enough time

after the Shevardnadze visit to permit the president's timetable to be met.

"I wouldn't rule anything in or out," Shultz said.

Reagan and Gorbachev met in Geneva last November and the next meeting is to be in the United States.

Shultz said Dobrynin set no pre-conditions for going ahead with the summit but added that "both sides want substantive results."



Near miss

Cincinnati left fielder Kerry Byrne makes a diving stab at Terry Schumpert's drive yesterday. The double scored Chris Estep

(24) and Scott Weekley as UK won 19-1. For the game story, see SPORTS, Page 6.

UK couple wins National Debate Championship

Staff reports

A UK student has become the first woman in 24 years to be recognized as one of the nation's top debaters.

Quita Papka, a political science senior, and teammate David Brown-

nell, a business sophomore, defeated a team from Georgetown University Monday night to win the National Debate Championship, which was held at Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H.

The UK team argued the negative

side of a question about whether the nation should increase academic requirements in public elementary and secondary schools.

The Papka-Brownell team defeated debaters from Eastern Illinois

University, North Texas State and Northwestern University to reach Monday night's final rounds.

Sixty-two teams were entered in the national tournament, which began last Friday.

Students exchange views on Nicaragua situation

By BETH LAWSON
Staff Writer

Those at the Nicaraguan discussion last night reached no consensus, but that wasn't on the agenda for the presentation titled "Nicaragua, What's Really Happening."

More than 70 people attended the free exchange of ideas sponsored by Students for America, a conservative interest group, titled "Nicaragua, What's Really Happening."

"In a free exchange of ideas, as we had tonight, (deciding who to support) is not an easy question to answer... but a very strong case can be made for the contras," said Joe Paul, president of the organization.

"The Sandinistas are not the nice people that the left have been telling us that they are," Paul said.

The discussion began with a 40-minute documentary, "The Truth About Nicaragua," which was based on training of contra forces and those fleeing to refugee camps in Honduras.

After the showing, the audience's comments about the film ranged from political, military and religious aspects to actions that should be taken as well as long-term solutions.

A member of the contra forces, who is in the United States for medical reasons, had been fighting for four years to gain freedom for his country. He shared his views on Central America with the audience.

Another similar view came from a 21-year-old Managua who was drafted by the Sandinistas and forced to quit school. He said the majority of the people were against the Sandinistas but couldn't declare this opposition for fear of dying.

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"I wouldn't like to live there again," he said. He is now seeking political asylum in the United States.

The speakers asked not to be identified because they were afraid of repercussions from the government.

Paul said the presentation was informative and gave a good cross-section of views from both sides for those "seeking an informed decision."

Sanskrit 101

Course to revive oldest documented Indo-European language next fall; will be yearlong sequence

By ALEXANDER S. CROUCH
Editorial Editor

When you try to explain to your mother why you're taking Sanskrit next semester, call her *matr* instead.

The deep down closeness of the two languages — English and the classical tongue of India — is one good reason.

Gregory Stump, a linguistics professor who will teach the course, said his "official" interest is because Sanskrit is one of the oldest,

certainly the oldest documented, Indo-European languages, which spread from Western Europe to Iran and India.

Stump said he "expects a nice pluralism" from students, however. He taught a similar two-semester sequence as a graduate student at Ohio State University and got a "very interesting response."

Linguists, classicists, art historians, drama students and a person interested in transcendental meditation made up the class, he said.

He hoped to offer such a course

when he first came to UK in 1982 and hopes to continue offering it every other year.

The class in the fall will cover elementary grammar, the writing system, the "complicated phonology," "equally complicated morphology," and some simple texts.

In the spring, Stump said, students will begin to read the "box-office works," including the Rig Veda, the Bhagavadgita and Upanishads.

The Rig Veda contains hymns to the original Indo-Aryan gods, dating

Star Wars topic of workshop for scientists, UK professors

By BRAD GEMEINHART
Contributing Writer

The latest data and information on the United States' development of the Strategic Defense Initiative, often referred to as Star Wars, will be on the minds of several University professors tonight.

The national organization of the Union of Concerned Scientists is sponsoring a workshop about "The Myths of the Star Wars Program" at 7:30 p.m.

"The event is being held for professors in the hard sciences — science, engineering and math," said Dr. Richard Mitchell, associate professor of dentistry and campus coordinator for the event.

Howard C. Ris, executive director of the scientists' union, will conduct a lecture on the direction in which the Star Wars program is traveling.

Ris has been with the organization for five years and has served as executive director since 1984. Prior to his current position, he headed the organization's Nuclear Arms Program.

The Union of Concerned Scientists, which is headquartered in Washington, D.C., aims to inform the nation's scientific community on the progress that the U.S. government is making in the field of science, Mitchell said.

According to the organization, numerous former Pentagon officials are opposed to Star Wars. The thrust of the organization's claims, however, came as a result of the opposition of four former secretaries of defense to the Star Wars program.

The 100,000 scientists, science professors and concerned citizens who make up the organization, attempt

to direct the national decisions that directly affect the science world.

"The group chose central Kentucky because of Congressman (Larry) Hopkins," Mitchell said. "He is perceived as a moderate Republican. We hope to inform the people of this area on the Strategic Defense Initiative issue, and in turn, we hope that they express their views and opinions to Congressman Hopkins."

The workshop, which is invitation only because of the lack of meeting space, will be held in 205 Student Center Addition.

INSIDE

Hood ornaments will be the subject of a UK art museum exhibit. For the story, see DIVERSIONS, Page 5.

Melo confusion has finally come to a head. For a columnist's view, see VIEWPOINT, Page 4.

WEATHER

Today will be mostly sunny with a high near 60 and a low tonight in the mid 30s. Tomorrow will be sunny with a high from 55 to 60.

Council addresses faculty complaints about insurance loss

By CYNTHIA A. PALORMO
Assistant News Editor

Last week's announcement that thousands of UK employees are without professional liability coverage has resulted in one resignation in addition to faculty outcry.

Mark Wallace and Andy Grimes, management professors in the College of Business and Economics, yesterday expressed their views before the senate council.

"Nobody in their right mind should be teaching without liability insurance," Wallace said. "Homes, lives and personal assets are involved."

Wallace said James R. Lang, chairman of the management department, resigned from that position Monday because of this issue.

Lang, contacted last night, declined comment.

Wallace said the general feeling among faculty is that it's "foolhardy to do anything more than teach the remaining classes and get the final exams out of the way."

Grimes, chairman of B&E's graduate committee, said this issue has cast a "chill on normal academic functions."

"I suggest this is a critical issue that cuts across all of the University," he said.

Jack Blanton, vice chancellor for administration, said he agrees this is a serious issue. "But in perspective, it's not just this institution or University with this problem," he said. "In effect, this is a national crisis."

UK first acquired faculty insurance in 1977. The current policy expired Feb. 5 and the company insuring UK for professional liability

announced it would no longer offer such a policy.

"There's not any rhyme or reason," said Bruce Miller, director of employee benefits and risk management, "but a capacity problem. As premiums increased, capacity decreased."

Miller said UK has 10 applications being considered right now because few companies have this kind of coverage.

Blanton is not optimistic UK will get liability insurance. Instead, he said UK may join with 40 other colleges and universities to create a self-insurance coverage with a company that only offers liability coverage. He said such coverage wouldn't be available before the fall semester.

Miller said the University hasn't said it can't afford any coverage; it's just that "we haven't been given any price."

Wallace said he doesn't doubt that the administration is doing all it can, but "Faculty should assess what we should and shouldn't be doing in terms of protecting assets."

Council members agreed with the importance of the issue.

"I think it is every bit as much a crisis as they said," said Edn Edm. Clark, a communications professor.

"Once again there was no talk (between administration and faculty)," said Richard Angelo, an education professor. Angelo was referring to the fact that faculty members were not made aware of the situation until it was too late.

"Unless people talk comprehensively, nothing will happen."

The council agreed to write a resolution on behalf of the entire faculty.

DIVERSIONS

Gary Fleming
Arts Editor
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Unusual auto show highly ornamental

By LYN CARLISLE
Assistant Arts Editor

The little lady spreads her wings and glides through the air atop the sleek Rolls-Royce. Time was when almost every automobile had a sparkling ornament gracing its hood.

The UK Art Museum will feature a hood ornament exhibition as part of UK's "Celebration of the Automobile," marking the invention's 100th anniversary. The exhibit opens this Saturday and will run through June 1.

Originally hood ornaments were formed to make unattractive but necessary radiator caps more attractive. Hood ornaments "began in rudimentary form in the '20s," said William Hennessey, UK Art Museum director.

During the 1930s the ornaments became more of an art form, Hennessey explained. Certain styles identified the car, he said, such as the Jaguar, the Dodge Ram or the

Pontiac Indian. "Most of them were done at the factories by the company design staff," he said.

The ornaments are from two collections, one owned by Winfrey and Wanda Adkins of Versailles, and the other by Mike Kleba of Toronto, Canada. Kleba's collection is noted as the world's largest collection, said Harriet Fowler, curator of the museum.

Why have the polished figures faded? "Anyone who owns a Rolls is always worried someone will come along and snap (the ornament) off," Hennessey said. "It's not real practical," he said, plus cars are now designed for speed rather than craftsmanship.

The ornaments "really added quite an elegant touch," Adkins said. "It was a status symbol."

"A lot of people take cars for granted, but when you stop and think about it, a hundred years isn't a lot of time."



MIL POWELL/Kennel Graphics

Some other highlights from the "Celebration of the Automobile" are as follows:

➤ Tomorrow at 2 p.m.: Jerry Palmer, chief of the Corvette Design Studio will give a lecture titled "The Aesthetic Design of the Corvette" in the Recital Hall of the Center for the Arts.

➤ Friday at 2 p.m.: "Speed and Sex: Automobile Ornamentation," a lecture by William Hennessey, director of the UK Art Museum.

➤ Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Antique and Customized Car Exhibit, parking lot of Euclid Avenue.

➤ Saturday from noon to 3 p.m.: Solo Event Time Rally, Blue Grass Sports Car Club, Commonwealth Stadium parking lot.

➤ Sunday, 8 p.m.: Theater production of "Oh! Henry!" an original musical by James Rodgers, chairman of department of theater, Recital Hall of the Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$4 for students. For more information call 257-4929.

Plenty of free concerts at Center for the Arts

Staff reports

Flashy automobilia isn't all the Center for the Arts has in store for you this week. There also is a varied lineup of free music.

Tonight at 8 in the Recital Hall of the Center for the Arts, the UK Percussion Ensemble will perform a wide-ranging program featuring traditional, ethnic and contemporary percussive instruments.

The program will include works by John Beck, Warren Benson and Malloy Miller, in addition to some traditional Guatemalan folk music and a jazz piece titled "Really Spring" which was inspired by Igor Stravinsky's ballet, "The Rite of Spring."

The Ensemble will also perform "Aviary," a new percussion piece by James Campbell, the Percussion Ensemble's director.

The performance is free.

Friday at 8 p.m., The UK Choral, under the direction of Sara Holroyd of the School of Music, will present a selection of vocal works by Ravel.

Benjamin Britten and Brahms. The Choral will be accompanied by pianist Stephen Penn.

You say that kind of singing sounds stuffy? Consider the story line of Ravel's "Nicolette," in which the young lady of the title fends off the advances of a wolf and a handsome young man before finally flying into the arms of an ugly old guy with lots of gold.

The concert will be in the Recital Hall, and admission is free.

The Center Sundays Series continues this week with a performance by flutist Gordon Cole, accompanied by Suzanne McIntosh on cello and Patricia Montgomery on piano.

School of Music faculty members will perform "Sentience," a 1985 work by graduate student Dona Gilliam (now in the College of Law), as well as "Sonatine" by Pierre Sancan, "Assobio a Jato" (The Jet Whistle) by Villa-Lobos and Weber's "Trio for Flute, Cello and Piano."

The free performance begins at 3 p.m. in the Recital Hall.

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SPORTS

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UK whips bad news Bearcats

By BRETT HAIT
Staff Writer

Winning seven straight baseball games takes a little luck as well as good play. But there was nothing lucky about UK's win over Cincinnati yesterday.

The Wildcats pounded out 23 hits, scored five runs in the first inning and went on to crush the Bearcats 19-1 at Shively Field. It was UK's seventh straight victory since its loss to Florida 10 days ago.

The loss to the Gators came when Florida scored four runs in the ninth inning on a grand slam home run to win 7-6. But since then, UK has regrouped and played outstanding baseball.

"It gives me a good feeling to know this team has the character it has," UK coach Keith Madison said. "It would have been easy for the team to throw in the towel right then. But they came right back and have played well ever since then."

UK shortstop Russ Schueler led the offensive attack yesterday,

going 5 for 6 at the plate including four singles and a third-inning, two-run homer. Schueler was named UK's Key Oil Player of the Game.

Second baseman Terry Shumpert and right fielder Clint Arnold also had a big day for UK. Shumpert, last week's Southeastern Conference player of the week, rapped out three hits, including two doubles. Arnold capped off his day with a three-run home run in the eighth inning.

The game was over after three innings when UK held an 11-0 lead. Cincinnati starter Dennis Fehr lasted only two-thirds of an inning. All eight Bearcat pitchers who made the trip saw action.

Equally impressive was UK's pitching, which was split up between starter Matt Coleman and David Voit. Coleman evened his record to 2-2 by pitching six innings and allowing only three hits and two base on balls.

"We got an outstanding performance out of Matt Coleman," Madison said. Coleman, a freshman, is considered UK's No. 4 starter, but

Madison said "he improves his status on the staff every time he puts together a performance like this."

Voit pitched the last three innings, striking out six Cincinnati batters, including the last three of the game.

"He showed me something," Madison said of Voit. "He threw good curve balls and competed very well."

Cincinnati recently swept Louisville in a three-game series and beat South Carolina, one of the nation's Top 20 teams. But Madison said winning a game 19-1 over what he calls "a pretty good team" only proves that UK is hitting its stride.

"These guys are realizing they can play with anybody now," Madison said.

UK's Terry Shumpert looks to score in the Wildcats' 19-1 win over Cincinnati yesterday. UK has won eight straight games.



RODNEY FORD/Kentucky State

Men's tennis team beats Ohio 5-4

Staff reports

The UK men's tennis team shrugged off Sunday's loss to Harvard to down Ohio University 5-4 on the outdoor courts at Seaton Center yesterday.

The match upheld UK's record to 16-8 on the season.

In singles, Scott Langs defeated Andrew Varga (UK) 6-2, 6-1. Lloyd Adams downed John Miller (UK) 6-1, 6-2. Steve Denney (UK) defeated Kevin Donase 6-1, 6-3. Keith Cook (UK) defeated Tim Bruen 7-6, 6-3. Kenny Rylee (UK) downed Barry Morton 6-6, 6-3, 6-3. Sam Walsh defeated Dan Birch (UK) 6-1, 6-1.

In doubles, the team of Langs and Bruen defeated Miller and Birch 6-0, 6-1. Rylee and Varga downed Adams and Donase 7-6, 6-1. Cook and Denney defeated Walsh and Jim Knezevich 6-2, 6-4.

UK's next match is against Florida at 2 p.m. Saturday in Gainesville, Fla.

NOTICE:

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will be held on Saturday, May 10th at 4:00 o'clock

A handbook containing information about Commencement activities was recently mailed to degree candidates for whom correct addresses were available. Students who did not receive this handbook may pick up a copy at Patterson Office Tower, or at any college dean's office. For specific details regarding individual college ceremonies, please contact your college dean's office.



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Week of amnesty allows delinquents to sweep up tickets

Parking tickets seem to have a way of accumulating like dust on bookshelves, and if there was ever a good time to do a little spring cleaning, it's this week.

With a little prodding from the Student Government Association, the parking department has declared this Parking Amnesty Week. Through Friday, people with outstanding parking tickets can clear them by paying the usual fine of \$4. Ordinarily, if a ticket is not paid within five working days of the date it is issued, the fine is \$7.

Besides just getting the pesky things out of the way, there are several good reasons to have parking tickets cleared. People with outstanding tickets can't get their parking stickers renewed, and anyone with more than \$20 in unpaid fines might not be able to get a transcript or degree. Furthermore, people with three or more outstanding tickets are subject to having their car towed at any time.

As SGA Executive Vice President Donna Greenwell said, "I know that several people are waiting for this opportunity, and I encourage all students to take advantage of this program while they can."

That extra \$3 may not seem like a lot, but it can add up quickly. So, if you have a few parking tickets laying around, it might be worth your while to go to the UK police station this week and do a little dusting.



LETTERS

Comic pages

God help the *Kentucky Kernel*; it's not a newspaper. At least that's the opinion of Flo Hackman. In her April 2 letter to the editor, Hackman accused the *Kernel* of "playing newspaper." If all they're doing is "playing" they're fooling an enormous amount of people.

I'm sure Hackman, a journalism senior, is aware that the *Kernel* boasts the fourth largest circulation among morning papers in Kentucky. It is a subscriber to the Associated Press wire service and employs its own staff of almost 100 writers, editors, photographers, etc.

Numerous restaurants, hotels, businesses and organizations use the *Kernel* for advertising. More than 20,000 students look to the publication every day for news, sports and entertainment. Of course all these people realize they are only "playing."

An episode of "Leave it to Beaver" comes to mind. Beaver Cleaver and Larry Mondello had this idea one day to put out a newspaper. All day long they walked around the neighborhood gathering news. They reported items of local interest such as a cat being saved from a tree or a neighbor mowing his lawn. They typed up their paper on a typewriter and sold the copies for something like a penny a piece. They were "playing newspaper." Of course the *Kernel's* publication process is almost identical.

Hackman also went on to observe that a piece of artwork which appeared on April 2 was "in exceptionally poor taste and unnecessarily insulting." She was referring to an editorial cartoon depicting the two candidates for Student Government Association president, Donna Greenwell and Kathy Ashcraft. Hackman went on to accuse the *Kernel* of being unethical for publishing this piece of artwork.

I hate to inform Ms. Hackman but as stated in the *Associated Press Stylebook and Label Manual*, "When a person becomes involved in a news event, voluntarily or involuntarily, he forfeits the right to privacy." The SGA election is a "news event" and both Greenwell and Ashcraft were involved.

You may not like the opinion of the cartoon but that gives you no right to pontificate without substantial evidence to back your accusations. That's not very ethical journalism.

Thomas J. Sullivan,
journalism sophomore

Callousness on tape

The attitude of some of the people who attended the taping Friday for the opening of "Good Morning America" was appalling. A sign held by myself and another student, which spoke against the Reagan administration's war on Nicaragua, was countered by another sign which read "Nuke Nicaragua."

This impromptu response reflects the writer's stupidity and his ignorance. Does he know about the criminal acts committed by the contras in America's name and against the people of Nicaragua? Does he know that contra warfare committed against the people of Nicaragua include acts of rape, torture, kidnapping and murder? Is he aware that while the Reagan administration condemns terrorism, it practices terrorism here in our hemisphere, on our very doorstep, as they say.

Reagan has made us a nation of hypocrites. The main reason I want to display the sign was to show Americans that some UK students are concerned with political issues and not mere social chatter. As for the student with the "Nuke Nicaragua" sign, I hope he becomes something more than just another apathetic American.

Alan Creech,
undecided freshman

Taking advantage

Do you know how much we are being taken advantage of by the UK community college system? The tuition at Lexington Community College is over twice the amount a student would have to pay at any other community college in the state. To list a few examples: Hopkinsville and Elizabethtown community colleges both have tuition rates of \$270 for the 1986 fall semester, while Jef-

erson Community College South West has a fall tuition rate of \$276.

Students who will be attending UK and LCC will be paying \$66 for the upcoming semester. It is not fair that we, the LCC students should be penalized in excess of \$30 per semester simply because we are located three blocks from UK's central campus.

In my opinion, LCC's higher tuition rate is defeating the purpose of the community college system. I feel that their purpose should be to provide a lower cost education to people who might otherwise not be able to afford it.

If you feel that you should not have to be paying this inflated community college tuition rate, please write in protest to:

Charles Wethington, chancellor
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106 Breckinridge Hall
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104 Administration Building
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Stephanie Ritzche,
undecided sophomore

Police show

Do you remember Alice's Restaurant? Alice's Anti-Massacre Movement? You know that wonderful, subtle sarcasm about "American blind justice"?

Where is Arlo Guthrie when you need him?

I am a student at this University. I pay tuition, attend class regularly, even study regularly.

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I am constantly under surveillance by the campus police lurking in the shadows, waiting for me to commit a crime.

Am I a drug dealer? No.
Am I abusing the faculty of this institution by stealing and selling tests? No.
I own a car. And with this power, I can park in the motorcycle space in front of my apartment.

However, I do not go unpunished.

Male confusion finally out in the open

I always knew men were the more confused sex, or at least they have been since the early '70s or so. But this is getting ridiculous.

Yesterday's *Lexington Herald-Leader* outlined the problem in all its twisted glory. On the front page of the Lifestyle section, no less, so it's gotta be true.

The lead story examined the new trend back to flattop haircuts for men. For some of us, close-cropped hairstyles dredge up memories of being dragged kicking and screaming into the barber shop by our fathers, who would watch the barber's every gleeful move as he clipped another long-haired teen-ager back into good ol' fashioned American respectability.

Not so for the high school kids interviewed in this story. "It's a whole lot easier to take care of," said one 17-year-old. "If I get up late, I don't have to worry about my hair."

Which only makes good sense. While one of the more unexpected side-effects of the women's rights movement was to make men feel comfortable about caring for their appearance, there's no need to be downright fussy about it. Just shake it dry and forget about it. Like our fathers did during all those years when their shaggy sons were learning to appreciate why women have always taken so long to get themselves ready to go out.



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Solidarity of father and son is a good thing, I figure, and hairstyles are as good a place to start as any.

Besides, just talking about short hair seems to be an exercise in much for these guys. According to one local barber, "The trickiest part is having steady nerves. It's cut freehand. You have to be able to hold your hand off the head and cut it flat (the hair, one assumes, not the head) without using any attachment."

But what would a Lifestyle section be without contrast? Right next to the flattop story, we get an examination of how working wives are making their husbands uneasy. It seems that a recent study published in the *Journal of Applied Psychology* found that men in dual-career marriages were less content with their jobs and personal lives and even suffered more mental health problems than men whose wives stay home.

For some reason, this came as a surprise to the researchers. "It makes sense that women who stay home would feel worse about their lives than women who are out in the labor force," said Kathleen Potluck, an assistant professor at Rutgers

University who co-wrote the study, "but the fact that the husbands of these working women had lower life and job satisfaction and worse mental health... yes, that was a surprise."

Well, it shouldn't have been. Once again, psychology has discovered what common sense should have told us all along. For all their smug talk about how great it is to have some extra income around the house, men are bound to get a little uneasy when women begin gnawing away at the long-running role of man-as-breadwinner.

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Funny, but when liberated ladies first rushed into the working world in droves, all the talk was about how great this would be for women. Nobody sounded any serious alarm about what might happen to men.

Well, not only did a lot of men suddenly find themselves on the short end of a hiring-quota system, but they also suffered some serious identity crises when the definition of "ladies' man" switched from Clint Eastwood's strong silence to Alan

take whatever punishment these role-changes dished out. Women turned to the solace of self-improvement groups and a variety of months, weeks and general celebrations dedicated to honoring the achievements of their newly ambitious gender.

Meanwhile, men were expected to hang tough and take it like -- well, like men. What with women clamoring for years for men to loosen up emotionally, why should it come as a surprise that when it finally happened, part of the result was the same sort of anxiety-ridden role-shuffling women had already gone through? And didn't it just stand to reason that men would finally get sick of it?

Which seems to be exactly what's happening now, in spades. In a ground swell of sexist backlash, Clint Eastwood ran a strong campaign for political office largely on the strength of his macho image, and those new hairstyles are nothing if not a strong statement that good grooming doesn't have to be a sign of weakness.

Who knows? Maybe it's time for women to rethink their roles again. After all, it seems to be their turn.

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