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Ashland Oil chairman says rough times over for company

Associated Press

RUSSELL, Ky. — It's been a tough year to be chairman of Kentucky's largest company — Ashland Oil Inc.

Besides a tank collapse and oil spill near Pittsburgh, Ashland lost a wrongful-discharge lawsuit filed by two former executives — settling a \$69.5 million jury verdict for \$25 million — and battled charges of pollution at its refinery in Catlettsburg, Ky.

But Chairman John R. Hall believes this year's crises are now largely behind him and the corporation.

"It's been a difficult year," Hall said Tuesday. "It's involved some long hours and some disappointments. But that goes with the job."

"I think the employees have done an outstanding job . . . and I don't want them to be distracted from the outstanding job they've done by all the unusual events," he added.

Hall said he considers the problems to be coincidental and not an indication of se-

rious management problems.

Despite Ashland's image problems this year, he said, profits have been good, and the company's stock price has remained near record levels. The stock closed Tuesday at \$34.125, down \$0.75. Analysts also have praised the company's performance.

Hall said an internal report on the first crisis of the year — the oil spill — found that Ashland lacked enough formal procedures for building and inspecting its hundreds of storage tanks.

Generally, that method had proved suc-

cessful over the years, he said, but a couple of people who had been responsible for storage-tank building and operation have left the company over the past decade.

Regardless of whether the procedures were formal, the team overseeing the tank project should have known what to do, Hall said. And the executives overseeing the team should have done a better job.

But Hall doesn't believe higher management personnel are culpable for the collapse.

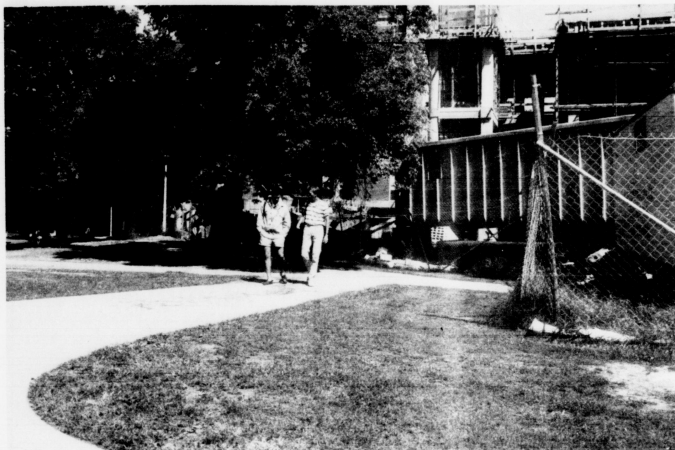
Members of the four-person project team

were reassigned, he said. Two are being re-trained, and two others now work in other departments.

In addition, Hall said, the company has made its tank building and inspection procedures more formal, putting them in writing. And it will complete a review of its more than 1,300 storage tanks and operations by year-end.

To date, he said, the number of problems discovered in the review hasn't been too great.

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Steve Ott, a political science sophomore, and John Spalding, an advertising sophomore, walk around the construction site of the Robotics Center beside Anderson Hall yesterday afternoon.

Building blocks

All the construction at UK causing some students a few problems

By DON BOWMAN
Contributing Writer

With construction projects going up in a lot of spots on campus, some students are finding it a little harder to get to class.

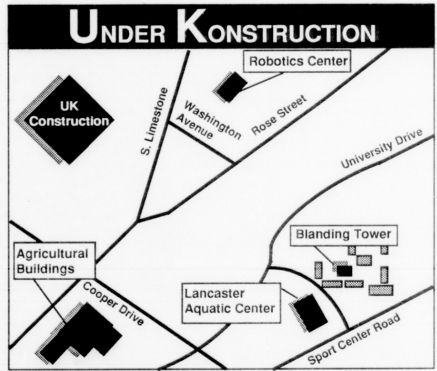
"All the minor, but annoying construction is always saved until classes start," said Greg Rice, an accounting junior and Kirwan Tower resident. "Last year they tarred the dorm roofs here at the complex which made breathing almost impossible, and tore up the sidewalk in front of K-Lair."

"This year, they've dug up the sidewalk here (at Kirwan Tower)," Rice said. "They have to know it's gonna be inconvenient, so why do they wait until thousands of people are here to get things done?"

Most of the current projects are on schedule and will be finished relatively soon.

Here's a list of all current projects with updates on their progress:

- The Lancaster Aquatic Center — Due to a June 4 fire, this \$3.7 million project near the Seaton Center has been rescheduled for completion in late November.
- Extensive fire and smoke damage has cost in excess of half a million dollars," said Ken Clevidence, UK Director of Procurement and Development. "But insurance will cover it. The cause of the fire is still under investigation."
- The Robotics Center — Underway since January, this \$10 million project is "moving along very well," Clevidence said. Completion is expected around July, 1989.
- The Agricultural Engineering Build-



ing — Located on Cooper Drive, this \$9.2 million project is on schedule and completion is expected sometime next summer, Clevidence said.

• The Agricultural Regulatory Services Building — The \$3 million facility across from Commonwealth Stadium is "ahead of schedule and should be finished within the next 60 days," Clevidence said.

• Blanding Tower — The \$1 million brick replacement project on the 23-story dormitory "has been completed and poses no potential hazard," Clevidence said.

There are also several renovation projects under way.

These include a \$50 million expansion and replacement project at the UK hospital, an upcoming \$8 million renovation at the Business & Economics Building and a pavement reconstruction in front of Kirwan Tower to be finished soon.

More funds needed for schools, panel says

By MARK R. CHELLIGREN
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The General Assembly has failed its constitutional obligation to provide minimum educational opportunities for every Kentucky student, a

special judicial committee concluded yesterday.

The long-awaited report contained few specific recommendations on how the state can meet its responsibility, but made some sweeping statements about what is wrong with the current system and offered the

general proposition that more money must be spent to accomplish the task.

The five panel members who held a briefing on the report declined to say where the money should come from or even if higher taxes are needed.

Kern Alexander, the committee's chair-

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SGA closely votes mandatory office hours for Senate

By ELIZABETH WADE
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association narrowly passed a bylaw amendment last night requiring all senators to serve one office hour per week.

"There has been a problem with senator compatibility," said Sean Lohman, senator at large. "When we don't work and we aren't there for the students we don't represent the students and therefore there is no need for us to exist."

"If senators can't give one hour of their week then I don't think they deserve to be a senator," said Chris Essid, Lexington Community College senator.

But while debate lasted 45 minutes, most of the discussion centered on the clarity of the amendment, not the issue itself.

Several senators said that the legislation was worded unclearly, prompting some representatives to urge the Senate to send the bill back to committee for clarification.

However, the Senate finally decided to proceed with a vote on the legislation, after agreeing that it was an important issue that needed quick action before the election of freshmen senators in October.

The amendment was designed so students could have more accessibility to the senators. The legislation calls for senators to serve at least one hour a week in either the SGA office or their respective college.

Senators who abuse their duties and miss four office hours will be purged from the senate. The office hours, which will go into effect next week, will be posted outside the SGA office.

The issue of office hours traditionally has been a controversial and often-used piece of legislation in past SGA senates.

UK professors divided on validity of Dan Quayle issue

By MEREDITH LITTLE
Staff Writer

UK political science and journalism experts are divided on the effects of the controversy surrounding Republican vice-presidential candidate Dan Quayle.

During the first week of the Republican National Convention in August it surfaced that Quayle may have used his family's influence during the Vietnam War to get into the Indiana National Guard — a unit from which very few members went into active service overseas.

Opinions vary on the relevance of the issue, its effects on the campaign and its handling by the media.

Donald Gross, political science professor and specialist on political parties, does not think that the controversy has damaged the Bush-Quayle campaign.

"The polls seem to indicate that it hasn't hurt," he said. "It may make a difference to a small segment of individuals but essentially it's a presidential race."

Gross said that service in the military or in Vietnam is not necessary for a qualified candidate. But if Quayle used undue influence to avoid service "it may undermine some of his legitimacy to use American military power overseas."

"He would be sending other individuals into circumstances in which he wouldn't be willing to go," Gross said. "I personally would be disturbed because of his

The Senate has narrowly defeated office-hours legislation during the last three years.

In other business:

• A bill was passed for the second time, to increase the number of freshmen senators from two to four. The debate lasted for 20 minutes while senators argued about the dedication and compatibility of freshmen. "I don't think freshmen would put out the effort as would two older people like one of us," said Amy Butts, senator.

Although there were some negative comments, most of the response was positive.

"I think freshmen are even more motivated as proven by Sean Lohman and Ashley Boyd," said Education Senator Pat Hart.

• An amendment was passed limiting freshmen campaign spending to \$75 for an individual and \$100 for a ticket.

• An alcohol task force committee was started by senators, Amy Butts, and Mark Butler. With all of the concern on alcoholic issues in the past month, and with the new university alcohol policy due in the next two weeks, senators found it necessary to make a statement.

"We have had several ideas including: setting aside funds in every sorority, fraternity, and dormitory for a designated driver; posting cab numbers in bars; having a Lextran route from campus to all the major bars downtown; having buttons for designated drivers and radio promotions," said Amy Butts, senator.

"We called all of the bars and none of them had cab numbers posted, but most of them gave free cokes to designated drivers," she said. "We would really like to get the Lextran going between midnight and 1:30 a.m. every night to go to all the bars but it would be extremely expensive."

condescending attitude toward people who avoided Vietnam by going to Canada or using other means.

Here one would have a person who is saying that all these other people are wrong, then had a rich daddy to buy him out. He has no place to talk because the only thing different is that he had money."

Gross does think that the issue deserves the attention it has received.

"I think it is a legitimate issue, both in terms of Bush's decision making and of Quayle's qualifications for office," he said.

"He pointed out that the issue of Quayle's credibility is based on whether he actually did use family influence to avoid service in Vietnam."

"More than likely we won't know if he did use influence or not," Gross said. "On the other hand, people in the White House thought that we'd never find out about selling arms to Iran either."

Many people feel that the press has sensationalized the issue. But David Deck, head of the School of Journalism, does not agree.

"I suppose if I were Dan Quayle then I would think the media has overreacted," he said.

"I find it troublesome that people tend to get so impatient with news gatherers who are simply trying to do their job. I think that it was a legitimate story and that it was handled responsibly."

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Stealin Horses rocks the ballroom. For a review, **See Page 2.**

DIVERSIONS

Rob Seng
Arts Editor



TRACY COLEMAN/Kentucky Staff

Lead singer Kiya Heartwood gave the Ballroom crowd a taste of her band last night before they embark on another tour.

Stealin Horses offers diversity in set

By IAN CHRISTY
Contributing Critic

With a voice range that enables her to convey every emotion of a woman left utterly alone, victimized by unfaithful men and the farm's eerie solitude, Kiya Heartwood and her group Stealin Horses gave a crowd-pleasing performance in the Student Center Ballroom last night.

The show started off with "Where the Rivers Run," a fast song with a southern tint. This was followed by "Tangles," a song I really like for its excellent guitar work (it slows and speeds up like the finest sex), and I really think the bassist deserves a medal for his incredible play.

The fourth song in their set, "Walkaway," reveals the true range of Heartwood's voice. Live, this song takes on a whole new attitude. It also included a nice a cappella break.

Trying out several new songs on a sample audience, the band belted through "Try" and "Promised Land," two beauty tunes I would really like to have on tape to listen to again and again.

"Gotta Get a Letter," the eighth song, began to get people to their feet. Its happy, fast tempo makes it a real crowd pleaser. The song, which Kiya claims is fictitious, depicts the right way getting through to someone.



The band abandoned its predetermined set, much to the crowd's approval, and broke into a chilling good relish of Led Zeppelin's "Whole Lotta Love," a song that got even me to my feet, trusty notebook temporarily abandoned. Following up with an awesome fade out/in into "For Your Love," Stealin Horses convinced me that they are a band of true talent. After an okay cover of "Should I Stay or Should I Go?" (by the way, Kiya, the part you forgot is "one

day it's fine, the next it's black," but that doesn't matter, because your originals more than make up for any half remembered covers) the band truly came alive. They kicked through their newest release, "Rain," a nice song with a message, "pretty boys in pretty cars that disappear by morning/ three chord songs on old guitars that sound just like a storm/ but I keep my eyes to the sky/ and the clouds all pull grey/ and I know my own mind/ it's a sign of rain." I, and most adolescents just entering the real world of lies and let downs like myself, can understand and identify with this song all to well.

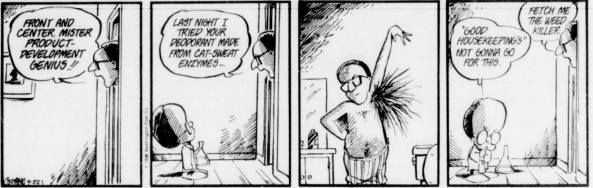
Also worth mentioning is Harriet Tubman (Kiya's idol), a song about a woman overcoming huge odds

and heavy discrimination. How appropriate. Very smooth and moving minor chord shifts. The guitar work here is quick and complex, anything but knappy.

"Turnaround" was a nice jam, spunky and really sharp live. If I ever had any doubt toward Lexington's musical quality, I lost it as soon as Stealin Horses hit the stage. I recommend the self-titled album, which I gave more than a token listen to before hitting the Student Center Ballroom to experience the real thing. If anything, buy it so that the band can buy each member some new hole-free pants. The band's stage act was simple and not very glamorous, but does good music really need hairspray and a multi-million budget?

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



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Iggy Pop pelts out powerful set of prototype punk rock

By ROBSENG
Arts Editor

When describing Iggy Pop in concert, the only adjective that seems appropriate is animalistic.

Pop and his band, The Stooges, can definitely be called the proto-punk band, having begun to spit out thrashin' rock 'n' roll back in 1969.

Twenty years later, Pop has proved that, although he's spawned many imitators, he's still punk's original party animal.

Pop opened Tuesday night's show at Cincinnati's Bogart's nightclub with "Instinct," a track off his new album *Cold Metal*. Although one of the lines reads, "Instinct keeps me running, running like a mouse," a better description would be a spastic, unchained and rabid beast.

At 40, Pop is still never one to stand still for very long and, thanks to a wireless microphone (and a microphone stand that took a substantial amount of abuse), Pop was able to trounce about the stage while belting out his defiant lyrics. Pop's prancing consisted of wildly flailing appendages — with arms, legs and, yes, even that one almost — becoming a part of his quirky dances.

Pop gave songs such as "High On You" and the title track off the new album a harder edge and revived Stooges songs throughout the



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show. The backup band was an adequate replacement for the Stooges and provided a consistent and pounding framework for Pop's antics.

Pop's audience was not to be outdone either as bodies were passed wildly around atop the thrashing crowd and more than a few were subjected to the punishment of overweight and overzealous bouncers (an appropriate name for some of those fatties).

During the finale of "I Wanna Be Your Dog," Pop himself became an active participant in the stage diving, which is exemplary considering the fact that years ago when Pop leapt out into the audience, the



ILLUSTRATION BY STAFF ARTIST IAN CHRISTY

crowd did a Red Sea number and parted.

Jane's Addiction, another "next big thing" band from Los Angeles, opened the show with its brand of psychedelic punk. If you can imagine Led Zeppelin crossed with The Sex Pistols, you get a pretty accurate idea of its sound. Although the band put on a forceful show, they

still have a long way to go before they come up with a truly distinct sound.

If you claim to be an alternative music fan and missed the godfather of punk's show, then be on hand next Monday when Bogart's presents another of punk's forerunners — The Ramones — who seem to be getting louder with age.

Compilation has 'Substance'

By CHARLIE McCUE
Staff Critic



Substance
Joy Division
Warner Brothers Records

Well, it's about time. Finally, you can find a Joy Division tape in any record store. It used to be that they were only available through a lengthy mail order process.

Substance, a Joy Division retrospective, is long overdue. The album features songs recorded by the band from 1977 to 1980. During this brief three-year period, Joy Division made some of the most emotional, tragedy-ridden songs about love and life.

The band started out in Manchester, England in 1977 under the name of Warsaw. Joy Division played an integral role in the development of the punk movement of the late seventies and early

eighties along with the Clash and The Sex Pistols.

The group prematurely disbanded after the suicide of singer Ian Curtis. He hung himself on the eve of their first American tour in May of 1980.

Joy Division was and still is a bit of an enigma. One can get an idea of what they were like from this album. Emotion pours from every song. "Walk in Silence, don't turn away in silence. Your confusion, my illusion was like a mask of self-hate, confronts and then dies."

There are two versions of Substance available in record stores. One has only Joy Division songs, and the other is a double album which contains songs from their Warsaw days. It includes lesser known songs such as "No Love Lost" and "From Safety to Where," as well as "Atmosphere" and "She's Lost Control."

Also on the album is the classic "Love Will Tear Us Apart." The songs "Ceremony" and "Temptation" on New Order's album Substance were originally recorded by Joy Division but are not present on this album.

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FASHIONABLE TIME: Mike Huang escorts Lynn Zarembo in the homecoming fashion show Tuesday night.

High school students score below average

Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — A larger percentage of students taking the ACT pre-college exam could mean good news for Kentucky despite a decline in scores again this year, officials said.

"My guess is that what's happening in Kentucky might even be favorable — in the sense that more children in the state are considering going to college than before," said UK President David Roselle.

The American College Testing Program, which administers the ACT, reported a smaller increase in students tested nationwide.

State Education Department spokesman Jim Parks said 2,000 more students — a total of 25,000 — took the ACT, which Kentucky public colleges demand, during the 1987-88 school year than the previous year. The assumption, he said, is that more marginal students, who might not have planned to attend college in the past, were tested.

Kentucky seniors scored 18.2 on the ACT this year, compared to a national average of 18.8. The Kentucky score was 18.3 last year, when the national average was 18.7.

So, while the national average increased, Kentucky's declined.

On the other major college entrance exam, the SAT, which is

more commonly required by private, out-of-state and Ivy League schools, Kentucky's composite score dropped from 988 to 990. The national average was 904.

Kentucky students consistently score above the national average on the SAT. But several education officials said that is less meaningful than the ACT scores because only about 10 percent of the state's seniors take the SAT.

"Essentially the students who are taking the SAT in Kentucky are taking it to get into out-of-state schools — highly selective schools," Parks said.

Both tests are divided into subject areas. On the ACT, Kentucky students dropped in the math and social portions, while scores rose in English and remained the same in natural sciences, according to the Education Department.

The biggest drop was in social studies — an area not tested on the annual Kentucky Essential Skills Test given elementary and high school students statewide.

Because that test doesn't include social studies, teachers may place less emphasis on the subject, Associate Superintendent of Public Instruction H.M. Snodgrass suggested.

On the SAT, both verbal and math scores declined among Kentucky students.



Controversy about Republican Vice Presidential candidate Dan Quayle, pictured in a recent visit, has professors divided.

Quayle issue debate

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Dick said that "it's the responsibility of journalists to gather facts and then let those who are going to walk into the voting booths decide whether Quayle may have been discredited."

However, UK political science professor Mark Peffley, a specialist in public opinion, holds a different point of view.

"In terms of other issues that the press could be spending time on and scrutinizing other

candidates, to some extent this is a small issue which happened 20 years ago," he said.

"On the other hand, something like this tells people a little about the candidate's character," he said.

"There has been somewhat of a pattern in Quayle's life of family connections enabling him to cross certain barriers in life which other people wouldn't have been able to," he said.

Haitian leader kills more military commanders

By MICHAEL NORTON
Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Soldiers who toppled the regime of Lt. Gen. Henri Namphy mutinied against more commanders yesterday, dumping them handcuffed in front of army headquarters as crowds cheered.

Lt. Gen. Prosper Avril, made president Sunday after a coup led by Namphy's Presidential Guard, tried to quell the revolt Tuesday by naming a new armed forces chief and retiring nine unpopular commanding officers.

"The situation is precarious. After all, we are in the midst of a general mutiny," a Western diplomat said Wednesday.

Coup leaders have demanded

that Avril institute democratic reforms, including free elections that Haiti has not had in 31 years.

This Caribbean capital was calm Wednesday. But civilians have engaged in mob killings this week and workers at government companies struck to unseat state-appointed managers, actions apparently aimed at wiping out the remnants of Namphy's rule.

"The demands of the mutineers have been accepted; it has become a people's army, at least for the moment," the diplomat said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Organizers canceled a demonstration at St. Jean Bosco Roman Catholic Church, which had been planned Wednesday to support the soldiers' rebellion, and rescheduled

it for Thursday. The organizers, members of a leftist political coalition, said they would meet instead with Avril and Sgt. Joseph Heubrey, the leader of Saturday's coup.

"I came to Port-au-Prince from the country to participate in the demonstration," said Andre-Juste Pierre, 32, an unemployed welder from Cabaret, 20 miles north of the capital.

"I don't feel frustrated because the military government is afraid," he added. "We'll demonstrate tomorrow."

About 100 people gathered near the headquarters yesterday afternoon, cheering as they watched soldiers in jeeps drive up with deposed commanders.

Witnesses identified him as "Commander Joubert," an ex-officer of the Tonton Macoutes, the dreaded private army of the Duvalier dictatorship. They said the man took part in the Sept. 11 massacre of 13 parishioners at the church that provoked Saturday's coup.

The government's dismissal of eight generals and a colonel followed the ouster by soldiers of at least 11 commanders nationwide since Monday. Some of the soldiers handcuffed their commanders and deposited them in front of army headquarters.

About 200 people gathered near the headquarters yesterday afternoon, cheering as they watched soldiers in jeeps drive up with deposed commanders.

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Trouble at Ashland

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Roger Schrum, an Ashland spokesman, said the company is spending about \$3 million on improvements to storage yards and is building a number of large tanks at two Pennsylvania terminals, including the site of the collapse.

Hall believes such efforts should avoid further storage-tank problems. And he believes company efforts in another environmental area — complaints about the Caltex refinery — also are resolving its problems.

"I think the refinery is in compliance, and there is no risk to anybody's health," Hall said. "If anybody can show me there is a risk to somebody's health, we'll fix it."

But he said such issues are separate from the legal setbacks Ashland has faced this year.

Hall declined to comment on the accuracy of a \$20 million to \$29 million estimate of company legal expenses in the wrongful-discharge case, a shareholder lawsuit and a Securities and Exchange Commission investigation — all related to allegations that the company bribed foreign officials to obtain oil. The estimate was made by plaintiffs and excluded hundreds of lawyers' hours in the wrongful-discharge case or the \$25 million settlement.

Brown plans to move

By CHARLES WOLFE
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Former Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. said yesterday he would move to California or Florida to be near his several businesses and might sell his Cave Hill estate near Lexington.

But Brown said he would maintain a residence in Lexington or Louisville.

"My home will always be in Kentucky, but we may as well put Cave Hill up for sale and locate in California," Brown said in an impromptu news conference following an appearance at the state Department of Education.

He has "several businesses out west and some in Florida" and needs to be near them for at least a few years, said Brown, who joked that politics forced him back into a full-time business career.

Brown, who was governor 1979-83, tried to regain the office last year, but finished second in the Democratic primary to the eventual winner, Wallace Wilkinson.

In 1984, Brown made a brief, abortive run in a primary against then-U.S. Sen. Walter "Dee" Huddleston, who lost in the general

election to Republican Mitch McConnell.

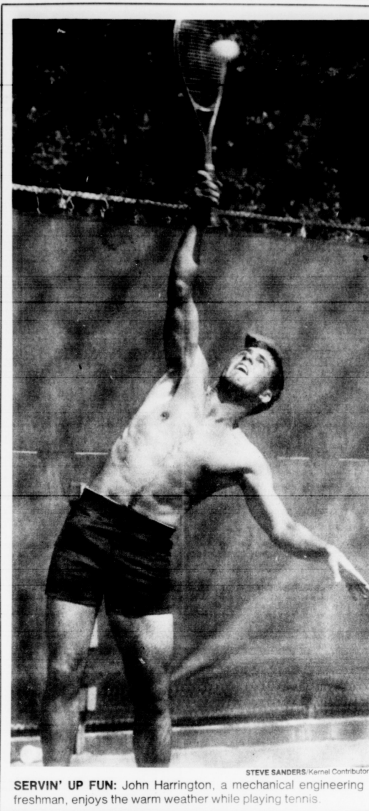
A decision between California and Florida will be made in about 90 days, Brown said, but he talked almost exclusively about California.

Brown said he has bid on a house in Bel Air, Calif., and negotiations are proceeding. Moreover, he sold the vacation home he had owned in Golden Beach, Fla., while he was governor, Brown said.

He indicated that most of his business holdings were in California, including a fast food chain and a San Diego company that makes large specialty balloons. Brown also said he was in the process of buying the food-service rights of the Famous Amos cookie company.

His wife, Phyllis George Brown, will be making television commercials in southern California for Hormel, the food-industry giant that bought her Chicken By George gourmet line. Brown said Hormel planned "a whole 'By George' line," including turkey, catfish and seafood.

As for Cave Hill, the antebellum mansion he and Mrs. Brown bought outside Lexington, the former governor said he had received inquiries about it.



SERVIN' UP FUN: John Harrington, a mechanical engineering freshman, enjoys the warm weather while playing tennis. STEVE SANDERS/Kernal Contrib.

Standards not met

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man and former president of Western Kentucky University, said the most significant conclusion in the report was that the state must bear ultimate responsibility for education.

Historically, Alexander said, there has been a tug-of-war between state and local governments about responsibility for education. That struggle produced the conglomeration of funding for schools now in place that depends heavily on property taxes.

"The method of financing presently used in Kentucky has failed to provide the necessary resources," the report said. The result has been that many students face an educational penalty because they live in a district with little property to tax.

"No community has a right to impose an inferior education on its children," the report said.

Alexander said there is no reason to continue the ties between education and property values.

Within time broad guidelines and 18 more specific recommendations, the report envisions a system under which each student is provided a minimum, equal level of

public support from the state and local district. Committee members said districts should still be free to provide more for education.

"The important thing is to make sure that no district falls below that," said Superintendent John Brock, a member of the committee.

In order to ensure the report is not squandered, the report outlines a system of state curriculum guidelines and standards that each district must maintain.

Once again, though, the report said it is up to the General Assembly to establish specific programs.

The line of demarcation between the legislative and judicial branches is a fuzzy one in the case. The lawsuit was brought by 66 mostly rural school districts that complained the state had not met the constitutional mandate of an "efficient" system of schools.

Franklin Circuit Judge Ray Corns agreed with the districts and appointed the committee to draft recommendations on how best the state could fulfill its obligation.

Legislators, who were among those sued, have complained that the committee has intruded into their prerogatives.

Charges are dropped against KSU students

Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Charges were dropped Tuesday against five Kentucky State University students who were accused of raping a fellow student in a dormitory room.

Franklin District Judge Joyce Albro said she could not find probable cause to believe that sexual acts between the prosecuting wit-

ness and the five students were the result of forcible compulsion.

Albro heard testimony from Frankfort Detective Danny Conway and another resident of Young Hall during a nearly three-hour hearing on Tuesday.

The 20-year-old KSU student who alleged the rape did not appear in court.

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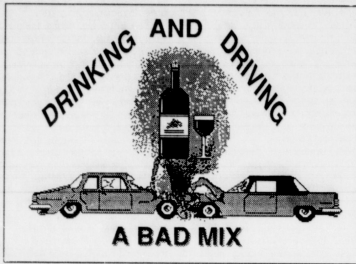
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UK organizations need to promote alcohol awareness

This week, the Kernel ran a series of articles on the problems of drunk driving, underage drinking and fake IDs.

The series was a reaction to two drunk-driving related accidents two weeks ago in which one UK student was killed and two others were seriously injured.

The articles showed that officials need to crack down on drunk driving and underage drinking by implementing more severe penalties.

But sending someone to jail and revoking their driver's license will only solve part of the problem.

Society also must become more responsible about the way it views alcohol.

Two campus organizations — SADD (Students Against Driving Drunk) and BACCHUS (Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students) — have seen somewhat of a renewed interest, which is an encouraging sign.

It will take more groups, however, to change people's attitudes toward alcohol.

Several campus organizations should step up their alcohol education and awareness programs, including the residence halls, the greek system and the Student Government Association.

Many college students drink, and a good deal of it is done in the residence halls. The rest rooms and halls on Sunday morning are a testament to the fact that more goes on in residence halls on the weekends than the discussion of Plato's *Republic* and the theory of relativity.

It would be unwise to try to make dormitories completely dry. After all, students are going to party, and it is better they party on campus than some place where they have to drive.

Hall directors should continue to promote alcohol-education programs that inform residents about the physical consequences of drinking too much.

Residence halls also should continue to sponsor alcohol-free activities so residents can see they can have fun when alcohol is absent.

The greek system probably is best known for its parties. It was not too long ago when beer blasts and alcoholic free-for-alls were a popular tradition on campus.

However, with the problems some fraternities have had with liability insurance, beer blasts have become a thing of the past as the greek system has begun to take a more sober attitude toward alcohol.

If greeks seriously consider themselves to be campus leaders, then they would do well to continue to encourage less rowdiness and concentrate more on philanthropic projects.

Almost 20 percent of the campus is greek, and if the Intrafraternity Council and Panhellenic Council would promote alcohol awareness they could get the message across to many people.

The Student Government Association is supposed to lead the student body and look out for the students' best interests.

By promoting the idea of responsibility and lobbying lawmakers for stiffer penalties for drunk drivers it would do a great service to its constituency.

Attitudes do not change overnight, but if society makes a concerted effort to be a little more responsible with alcohol, hopefully there will be less of a need for more special projects on drunk driving and underage drinking.

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HOW MUCH ALCOHOL EDUCATION WILL BE NECESSARY?

Optimism

What's with all of these positive feelings, Mr. President?

I have discovered the deadliest, most dreaded disease of the decade.

Optimism.

Before you read any further let me say one thing: Optimism is not my strong point. In fact my mom, who is an eternal optimist, would have people believe that I am sort of the anti-optimist, enemy of optimists every where.

Mom, (you too can call her that if you like), also would try to tell you that my reasons for this over-riding cynicism are found somewhere deeply embedded in my psyche — some sort of insecurity bred by Freudian anxiety, bed wetting or... well, you get the picture.

But I am not biased against optimism. You can believe me, I'm a journalist.

If you like, though, you can think of me and optimism in the same manner as Sylvester Stallone views crime.

Optimism is a disease. I am its cure. Meet UK President David Roselle — the optimist's optimist.

In a little more than a year as president of this University, Roselle has faced deficient funds for higher education, athletics scandals, and skewed priorities by a governor who can't spell engineer much less make it through the UK engineering program.

In short, the list of what this man has faced reads like a long litany of death threats to even the strongest of institutions.

But through it all, UK President



Jay BLANTON

David Roselle seems to go at his job like a kid with a new toy.

For example, at his annual address to the University Senate on Monday, Roselle told faculty that despite budget problems and impending allegations against the men's basketball program, Roselle is optimistic that UK can be one of the country's leading universities.

Now don't misunderstand me. I don't want this to read like an introduction the awards banquet. While it's true I think Roselle is an excellent University president, I wouldn't want the Socially Concerned Students to get after me for being a voice, or heaven forbid, friend of the administration.

But there is a serious question that has to be answered amidst all this teasing about optimism.

Is it really conceivable that UK can be the leading academic institution that Roselle wants it to be unless some serious long-term problems are addressed?

Roselle includes the problems the University is facing right now as short-term ones.

The fact is, however, that a serious change in the collective mindset of this state is needed if UK is ever going to realize the potential and promise that its president so readily believes in.



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We live in a state where the short-term is valued over long-term benefits and gains. Sort of like a quickie, although I wouldn't know from experience.

We elect those who tell us that they're against tax increases, when an increased revenue base is precisely what the state needs — to shore up its future economy but also to help higher education, which our leaders have not acknowledged as inextricably linked to the economy.

In addition, UK faces serious questions about the integrity of its athletics program for the second time in two years. One scandal was averted only because the NCAA is not exactly the Eliot Ness of investigations.

Letters

Column lacked taste

In regard to the Sept. 9 column entitled "Sober Up," I feel this article was written in very poor taste.

This fatal accident was quite tragic and all of UK has joined in mourning the death of Lisa Whalen. While it is the Kernel's responsibility to report the news accurately, I feel too many unresearched comments were made in this article.

I support Duane Bonifer in stating that the greek community needs to take special interest in this tragedy because the greek system is a "party-oriented establishment."

While the sororities and fraternities of UK enjoy many social endeavors, they also have many other diverse interests. Each chapter on campus has a philanthropy in which much effort is put into supporting annually. Above all, brotherhood and sisterhood are the most important benefits of greek life.

Furthermore, nothing is going to bring Ms. Whalen back. Insinuating that she should have known better than to get into a car with someone who had been drinking is quite uncalled for.

I agree with Mr. Bonifer's allegation that Brad Shipman will always

have to live with the guilt of being responsible for a friend's death. Isn't that punishment enough?

Right now Brad needs the understanding and compassion of his peers, not a stranger slandering his character. Mr. Bonifer is not qualified to state that Brad Shipman has a "drinking problem" or "leads an irresponsible and immature lifestyle."

I happen to know Brad personally and feel he would trade places with Ms. Whalen if he could. He made a very grave mistake which will always plague his conscience.

I think Mr. Bonifer, in the future, should consider all angles of a story and use more tact in his reporting.

Christy A. Curry is an undecided sophomore.

Give Bush some credit

Foul! I'm not one to write letters to the editor, but Paul Corio's article, "Bush ticket has shown voters can be fooled," was both unfair and insulting.

Mr. Corio insinuated that anyone who has decided to vote for Bush in the upcoming election has been deceived by falsehoods. He then went on to list several mistakes made by the Reagan administration and

Bush's running mate, Dan Quayle. I agree with Mr. Corio that Bush did not choose the most qualified running mate and that the Reagan-Bush years were not error-free (i.e. Iran-contra).

However, to claim that all Bush supporters are "gullible, if not ignorant of fact" without addressing both sides of the story is letting personal bias interfere with fairness.

The deficit has increased dramatically, but so has the economy. In fact, the GNP-to-deficit ratio is greater now than under Franklin Roosevelt.

Also, the days of double-digit inflation and unemployment are gone.

Pride and strength have returned to the U.S. armed forces.

Now that we are in position where we are once again comparable to the Soviets militarily, we are in a more effective position to negotiate arms control, as shown by the INF treaty which eliminated an entire class of nuclear weapons.

No one claims that the Reagan-Bush administration has been perfect. But neither was it the cesspool of corruption accomplishing nothing as the Bush article would have you believe.

The public is not gullible; people who echo the party line without examining all the facts are.

Jeffrey Smith is a management freshman.

Sports editor face facts

While Kentucky has been given the "dubious distinction" of being in the *Penthouse* Worst Top 20, Tom Spalding, the Kernel's sports editor, has given himself the distinction of having a romanticized view of Kentucky football.

In his article, Mr. Spalding is upset that UK is given such a terrible rating. Why so astonished, Tom? We are lucky to be getting any recognition at all. I hardly think that in this season, Jerry Claiborne will perform miracles and change his losing nature.

Tom pointed out in his article, that UK has too much talent to be on such a list. Ridiculous. How can a "talented" team pull off something like not scoring from the 1-yard line with three attempts to beat our rival Tennessee?

Penthouse says UK is going to "fall on its face." Something tells me we will. Is it last year's SEC record of 1-5? Is it that four SEC Teams are in the Top 20 this year?

Face the facts Tom. Don't believe those fairy tales of good seasons gone past. Some say miracles still happen, but in this case, I'll believe it when I see it.

Jeffrey Smith is an advertising sophomore.

SPORTS

Tom Spalding
Sports Editor

Only time will tell if UK deserves rank

By BOB NORMAN
Contributing Writer

UK volleyball coach Kathy DeBoer is not a believer in early season polls.

"That's why she is not taking her team's status lightly, even though it is 7-1 and ranked No. 10 in the country.

"It's too early to tell whether or not we will live up to that (the poll's expectations)," DeBoer said. "Sometimes I wish the pollsters would go away, but, of course, they never will."

Kentucky whipped Miami of Ohio in Oxford 3-1 Tuesday night to solidify its place in the Top 10.

But right now DeBoer is much more concerned with her team rising in ability — not the national polls.

"The most important thing right now is to be patient," she said. "We are far from that well-oiled machine that we want to become. It will take time to grow up as a team, and that's what we are working on."

At this point in the season, UK has solid experience at some positions. But the maturity is mixed with youth and inexperience — and that's been more difficult than DeBoer anticipated.

"It's like feast or famine — a player is either very experienced or not experienced at all," she said.

The core of maturity lies in the hands of Kim Thompson and Lisa Bokovoy, both seniors.

DeBoer said she's been pleased

"Sometimes I wish the pollsters would go away, but, of course, they never will."

Kathy DeBoer,
UK volleyball coach

with their play so far.

"They have both started practically since they have been here," DeBoer said. "The success of our team so far this season has relied on Kim and Lisa. Their leadership is why we are 7-1 right now."

DeBoer said the team has had solid defense and used its good size to its advantage.

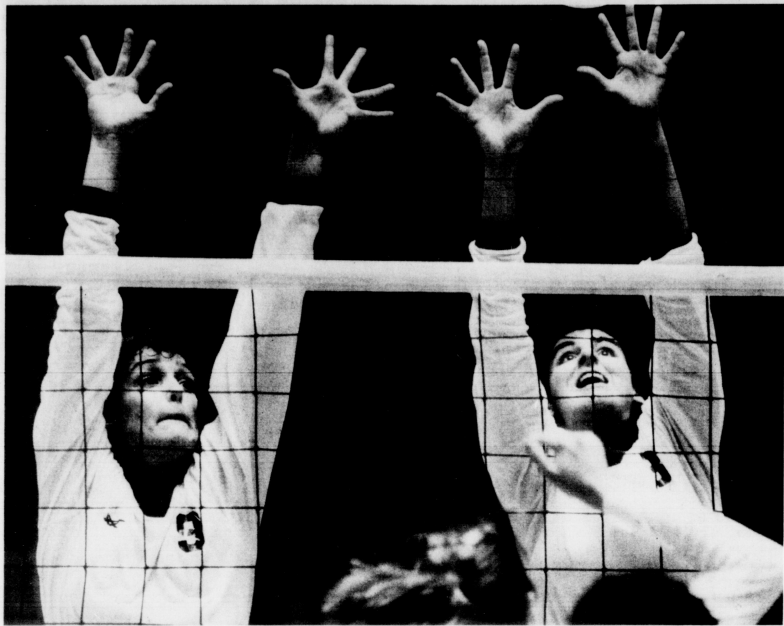
But the offense just hasn't come around yet.

"We need to improve on our offensive consistency," she said. "We should be hitting and blocking more at the net and cutting down on errors. But at times I have been very pleased. There have been moments of excellence."

DeBoer said she is optimistic about the club's chances of proving the poll is right.

UK will leave later this week to play three tough teams — Pepperdine, Texas-Arlington and Texas Tech.

"We'll be facing some frightful competition this weekend," said DeBoer. "It's going to be a real test."



UK volleyball players raise their hands in anticipation of the ball last week against Ohio State in Memorial Coliseum. Kentucky raised its record to 7-1 with a 3-1 victory over Miami of Ohio Tuesday night. The Wildcats are ranked No. 10 the country.

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