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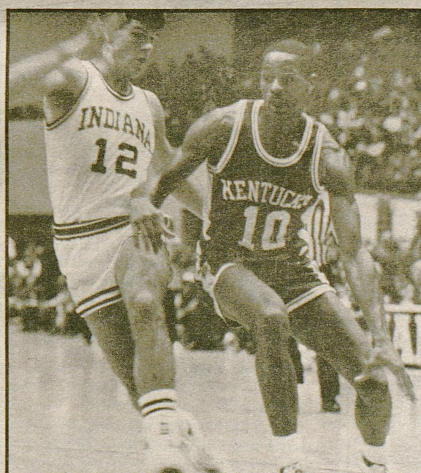
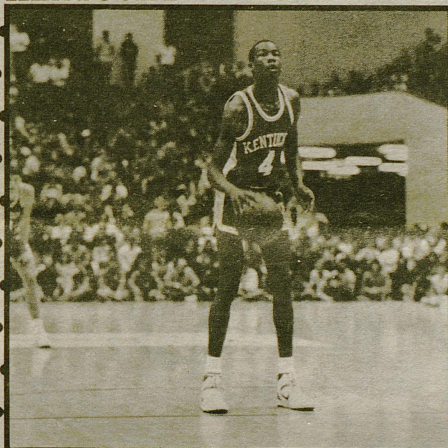
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## Now Happy In Pacer Land

# Macy Plays Big Role In Upset Of Hawks Then Revisits 'Cats

Kyle Macy, former Kentucky All-American and one of the most popular Wildcat players to ever wear the Blue and White, witnessed his first UK basketball game in person since he graduated from Kentucky back in 1980.

"It felt good," said Macy of his return to watch the Cats Saturday afternoon in Bloomington. "I've always wanted to come back and watch some games, but this is the first time my schedule has permitted."

"Until last season, I was always out west (playing for Phoenix) from October to April, and then I didn't have the chance last year in Chicago either," said the young man who probably would have enjoyed another five or six points on his career scoring average if he were playing with the current 3-point college shot.

Macy drove to the UK-IU game from Indianapolis where he now lives and plays for the NBA Pacers.

Macy scored 9 points and play a vital role in the Pacers' 199-113 upset Friday of the Atlanta Hawks, currently the NBA's hottest team.

After his playing days, Macy plans to return to the Lexington area and go into business. Over the years, Kyle has kept his contacts in the Lexington area and spends most of his summers in the region.

Much of his summer workouts include pick-ups games with former and current Wildcats.

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After arriving in Bloomington Friday evening with the official team party, several Kentucky reporters and friends of Macy drove to Indianapolis to watch the Pacers-Hawks game.

What they saw was Macy at his best, quarterbacking the Pacer offense and getting the ball low to the power players inside. And he used his long-range weapon when the defense backed off.

Macy bruised his knee in the fourth period and had to leave the contest, but wasn't expected to miss his next game.

Kyle came to the Pacers this summer after one year with the Chicago Bulls. It was like a homecoming for the Peru, Indiana product. The reunion, however, wore off as quickly as any honeymoon and his playing time dipped to an all-time low.

He went to management, explained his concern about not playing and noted that he (Macy) didn't believe the Pacers signed him to ride the pines. And he certainly didn't go to Indy to seat at the end of the bench.

His playing time picked back up and Macy says he's happy once again.

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One of the Pacers' civic projects is a classroom series with a *Back To School* theme which has the Indy players making regular visits to local city schools, ranging from first grade to high school.

On Monday, each of the players were on the road by 8 a.m. with each player assigned to a different school.

Former Georgia guard Vern Fleming was at the Heather Hills Elementary, speaking to fifth graders on "What It Takes To Be A True Professional."

Another former SEC star, Auburn's Chuck Person spoke to the entire school at Glenns

Valley Elementary on "Things I Wish I Had Known."

And Macy went to the New Palestine High School and spoke to 100 physical education students on the "Elements Of Success."

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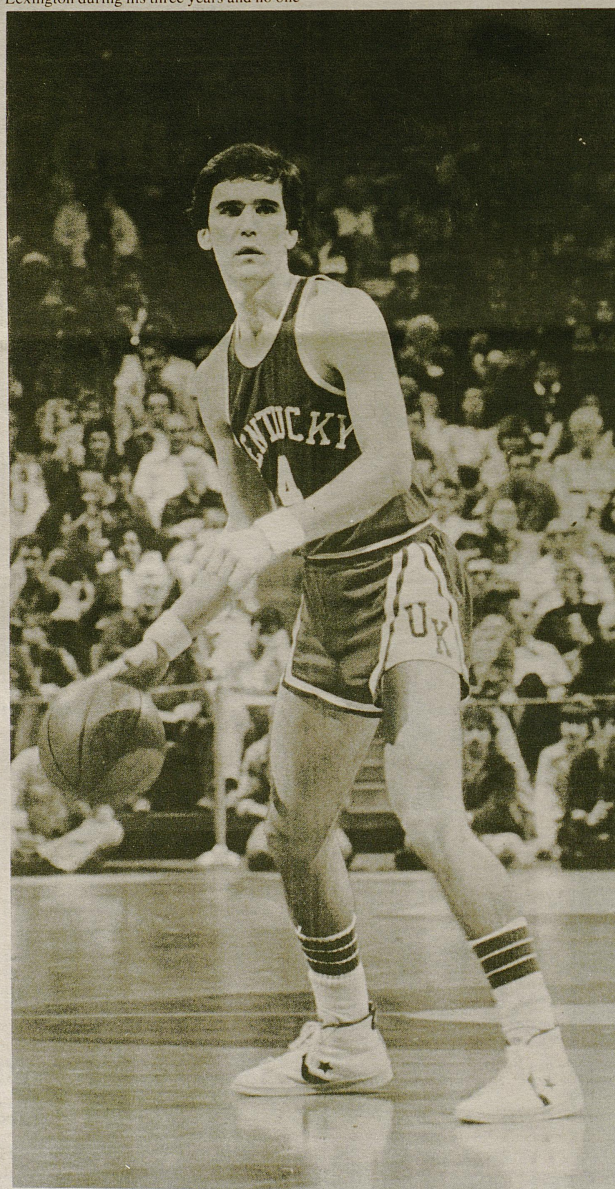
In the Market Square Arena audience of 13,490 Friday night were Macy's parents, Bob and Evelyn, just as always.

His mother rarely missed a home game in Lexington during his three years and no one

was happier when the announcement came this summer that Kyle would be a Pacer.

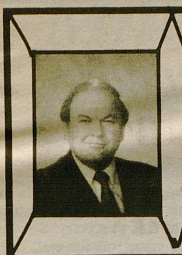
The elder Macys live in Peru, just a hour's drive from Indianapolis. Bob, who was one of the great high school coaches on the Indiana prep scene, retired from those ranks two years ago.

While young Macy says he wants to enter private business after his playing days, those close to the father say nothing would please Bob more than to see his son someday have a chance to coach the Kentucky Wildcats.



Former Wildcat Kyle Macy





Oscar L. Combs

Cats' Pause Publisher



## A Bright, Bright Future For UK Freshmen

Point one.

If there are two finer freshman guards than Rex Chapman and Derrick Miller, I'd like to meet them.

Point two.

I wonder if Bobby Knight is prepared to challenge this pair of phenoms for the next four years.

Despite risking the possibility of speaking far too early after such a short period of judging, these two youngsters figure to play mighty big roles at the University of Kentucky for the next four years.

And that's only the beginning.

Chapman and Miller alone could win a few games, practically single-handed. But they won't be without tremendous help.

And this is not discounting this current season. To the contrary. By season's end, this Kentucky team could develop into something special if, if Cedric Jenkins should return healthy and if Mike Scott decides to cast his lot with the Big Blue.

Kentucky is no pushover right now. Bobby Knight and the Indiana Hoosiers can attest to that. Ranked No. 1 in the nation last week by *The Sporting News*, Indiana had to fight for its life at home in Bloomington just to eke out a 71-66 victory in a game in which Kentucky had an opportunity to tie with less than 40 seconds remaining in the contest.

Several good omens surfaced for Kentucky Saturday.

Irving Thomas blossomed like never before. The sophomore from Miami, Fla., hauled down a career-high 10 rebounds and pumped home 10 points against an aggressive man-to-man defense as UK will ever face.

As a team, Kentucky won a critical rebounding battle (33-29) on the road and forced the home-standing Hoosiers into 15 turnovers while committing only seven on the UK end of the floor.

UK's youngest talent, rookies Chapman and Miller and sophomore Thomas, combined for a torrid 19 of 31 from the field.

In many people's book, a loss is a loss, but the Cats' valiant effort in Hoosierland certainly made several basketball experts take notice Saturday afternoon.

Practically no one gave the younger Wildcats a shot of keeping the margin under double digits, let alone taking the game down to the wire.

While Eddie Sutton would have preferred a victory, it wasn't too hard to understand why the second-year Kentucky coach could squeeze a smile or two when he was asked time and time again about his freshman guards.

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The shootout between Rex Chapman and Steve Alford was something else. Each finished the game with 26 points. Each scored ten field goals although Alford needed one more attempt.

Thomas, UK's leading rebounder with 10, logged his number in 28 minutes of action. Rob Lock grabbed five missed shots in just 14 minutes of action and Indiana's Dean Garrett was the game's top rebounder with 12 in 39 minutes.

The one glaring statistic which turned the

tide in the game was the free throw department where IU canned 18 of 23 attempts while the Wildcats were good on only five of 15. Kentucky actually outscored IU six points from the field.

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Kentucky Coach Eddie Sutton will be coaching the South squad in the U.S. Sports Festival this summer in Chapel Hill, N.C.

Among the other coaches will be Andy Russo of Washington who will coach the West team and former Maryland coach Lefty Driesell who will coach the East squad. Sutton will coach the South stars.

The basketball games will be held at the Dean Dome on the campus of the University of North Carolina.

Sutton, who has been very active in the National Association of Basketball Coaches, will become president of the group at next March's Final Four.

As his career continues to blossom, you can bet Sutton will be one of the top candidates to become the U. S. Olympic coach in 1992. Next summer could be the first step toward that goal.

In four statistical coaching categories rated by the Southeastern Conference in its annual media guide, Sutton leads his colleagues in three of them and only years in action keeps him from leading in the fourth category.

Sutton has the best winning percentage against SEC opposition. In his only season within the SEC, his team posted a .913 percentage on a record of 21-2. His closest competitor is Alabama's Wimp Sanderson who stands at .590.

His overall record while at an SEC school is tops, that being an .889 clip on 32-4. Sanderson is second at .676 in six seasons.

Career-wise, Sutton is tops again with a .744 clip in 17 years. His overall mark is 374-129. Second is Sanderson again at .676 on a record of 127-61.

In the all-time victory category, Sutton is fourth with 374. Ahead of him is Florida's Norm Sloan with 560 in 34 years, Vanderbilt's C. M. Newton with 452 in 29 years and Georgia's Hugh Durham with 376 in 20 years.

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Eddie Sutton once said he couldn't remember the last time that son Sean hadn't sat on his bench at home.

The comment was made this past summer when the recruiting season was just heating up and the Sutton son was preparing to select the college he would attend and play college ball.

Well, he picked Kentucky and he's been at every home game, sitting right there at the end of his father's bench just like he did last season and the years before at Arkansas and Creighton.

He won't be there Saturday night when the Cats host Lamar. He'll be on the same bench when the basketball is tipped off the first time next season, but between now and then, well, he'll be somewhere in the seats reserved for the paying customers.

The NCAA has ruled that son Sean can no longer occupy a place on the Kentucky bench, his father said last week.

Any comment, coach?

"No, not at all."

Sutton knows when to speak and when to listen. When the NCAA speaks, the elder Sutton is smart enough to keep the lips tight and ears wide open.

Some other time Sutton might have fought such a ridiculous directive, but with all the cry babies moaning this and that about Kentucky, Sutton is well aware he will get little sympathy from the outside.

The NCAA decision is about as absurd as the one which prevents coaches from attending all-star games during non-recruiting periods, even if they have a son or daughter playing.

Such was the situation when Clem Haskins' daughter played in the Kentucky-Indiana All-Star games back a few years ago. Both the boys and girls played in the doubleheader.

Haskins, then coach at Western Kentucky, was spotted at Market Square Arena by a *Lexington Herald-Leader* who asked him if he knew he had violated a recruiting rule.

Haskins replied that the NCAA was crazy if it thought he wasn't going to watch his daughter play in one of the biggest games of her life.

Three cheers for Clem Haskins.

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### HITS AND MISSES

The Southeastern Conference sent its best official, **Paul Galvan**, to Bloomington as its one-third of the officiating crew for the Kentucky-Indiana game Saturday, but Eddie Sutton was a little miffed that Galvan worked a late night game in Memphis, Tenn., the night before.

Galvan also called the **Memphis State-UNLV** game which was televised over ESPN.

It started at 10 p.m. which meant Galvan was blowing a whistle right at midnight, got a few hours sleep, caught a very early morning flight to Indianapolis and then hurried over to Bloomington for the 2 p.m. tip-off. There has been a great deal of concern of officials working games two nights in a row and doing a day game after a regular night game. And when the night games begin at 10 p.m., well... Fatigue can hit anyone when they're trying to keep up with 20-year-old racehorses...

Before you get the wrong impression, Galvan worked his usual game, which is the best any coach can expect. There is none better than Galvan. By the way, this figures to be Paul's final season of officiating according to his friends. He is now supervisor of officials in the **Southwest Conference** and he has already cut his schedule back this season. College basketball and the SEC in particular will miss this one... With all the ink devoted to **Bobby Knight** and his new book about the alleged abuse in the Kentucky program, it was interesting to note how much time Knight took to "sweet talk" Sutton during Kentucky's workout Friday evening at Assembly Hall. Knight spent about 45 minutes with Sutton, trying to explain what he didn't do a good job of explaining in the book. At one point, he grabbed Richard Madison and proceeded to put on a coaching clinic for Sutton. The UK coach said Knight told him nothing was directed at him...

**Lamar University**, Kentucky's opponent Saturday, announced last week that it is leav-

ing the Southland Conference to form a new conference with Arkansas State, New Orleans, Southwestern Louisiana, Pan American and Louisiana Tech. The teams will not compete as a football conference. The new basketball league will be known as the American South Athletic Conference...

In a recent poll of sports publications around the Southeastern Conference, **Alabama** was voted the preseason favorite, but by a narrow 94-84 margin over Kentucky. Auburn was third and Florida fourth with LSU fifth followed by Georgia, Tennessee, Vanderbilt, Mississippi and Mississippi State. Alabama's **Derrick McKey** and LSU's **Nikita Wilson** were voted preseason co-MVPs with 10 votes each. UK's **Ed Davender** received six votes to finish on the second five while **Winston Bennett** got three votes which had been cast before his injury. **James Blackmon** got the nod from two vote casters. UK's **Rex Chapman** was the runaway choice for top newcomer with seven votes with Florida **Dwane Schintzius** getting two votes and LSU's **Fess Irvin** receiving one vote. Which will be the big games this winter? Voters believe the big rivalry to watch will be the **Kentucky-Alabama** series...

Thanks to a pair of upsets, Florida State is probably the surprise team in the nation at this early stage and the victims of the surprise are a pair of SEC clubs which expected to contend for high national rankings. State first thumped arch-rival **Florida** 80-76 as a state-record crowd of 13,303 looked on as new coach **Pat Kennedy** won his coaching debut. The second victim was **Alabama** which was upset by the same State team one week later in Tallahassee by a score of 72-71...

Officials of the preseason National Invitation Tournament are considering a proposal to take the Final Four away from New York's Madison Square Garden because of poor attendance. If the NIT put the **Final Four** on a college campus, it certainly will attract a huge crowd, but then again, some schools may not want to participate. Right now, schools know they will have a chance to perform on a neutral court in the final two games, rather than playing on someone's home court... Rumors are running rampant that the *Lexington Herald-Leader* will hire **Louisville Courier-Journal** sports editor **Billy Reed** as a part-time sports columnist within days. Reed is at odds with his bosses at the Louisville newspaper and he has reported been on paid leave since early last week. Reed's problems began several weeks ago when the newspapers changed sports editors and it became apparent that Reed would no have total freedom, answering only to the managing editor as he had done for several years. Then last week, the newspaper reportedly did not run a column Reed had written praising **Bobby Knight**. At the same time, Reed was told that another columnist, **Rick Bozich**, was being assigned to the Kentucky-Indiana game instead of Reed. A couple days later, Reed was quoted by several news sources as saying that the newspaper had suffered badly since the **Gannett Corporation** took over from the **Barry Bingham** family. He also accused the newspaper management of naming a sports

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## LSU Slapped With 1-Year Probation, Loses 2 Basketball Scholarships For '88

The NCAA has placed the LSU basketball program on probation for one year and has stripped the school of two basketball scholarships after finding nine violations of NCAA regulations.

LSU will still be eligible for the postseason playoffs and television coverage, and Chancellor James Wharton said last Wednesday (Dec. 3) that the university will not appeal the NCAA's decision.

"Overall we're pleased with the outcome of the NCAA investigation," Wharton said. "However, we regret that the NCAA took away two basketball scholarships. This seems a stern penalty for the violations cited."

LSU attorney Mike Pharis said that he will ask for a better explanation concerning next year's scholarships. The Tigers now have 14 athletes on scholarship, including three high school seniors who have already signed to play next year. With 15 scholarship players allowed by the NCAA and LSU losing two of those, one of the 14 may have to go, Pharis said.

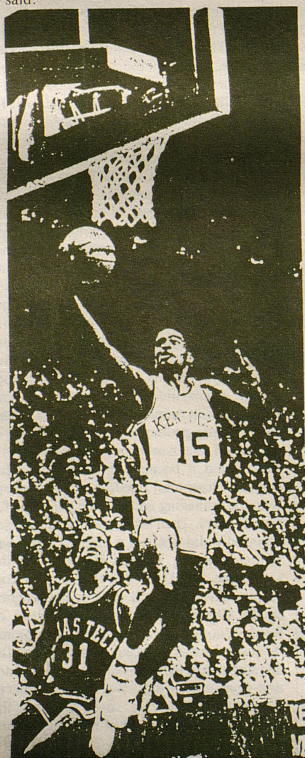
"We plan to talk with the NCAA about that," Pharis said. "We're just not sure."

After an investigation that lasted for more than three years, last month the NCAA cited LSU for 16 violations, 13 of which were disputed by the university.

The NCAA found LSU guilty of nine violations, ranging from athletic director Bob Brodhead's attempt to eavesdrop on NCAA investigators to irregularities between boosters and players.

LSU may issue only two new basketball scholarships next year instead of the six normally allowed, the NCAA said. But the total number of scholarships was reduced by only two, from 15 to 13.

Further penalties may be handed out unless LSU bars the booster activities of at least one Baton Rouge businessman, the NCAA report said.



## Lanter Paid Price To Play At Kentucky

Versailles Native Gave Up Glory Elsewhere

A lot of athletes have paid a heavy price to play basketball at the University of Kentucky.

Many have surrendered fame and glory elsewhere for the honor of wearing a Kentucky uniform.

That's particularly true of Bo Lanter, probably one of the most unheralded, yet one of the most talented, players ever to suit up in a Wildcats' uniform.

Everywhere you go, when you hear people talking about Lanter, it's always in wonder of what kind of college basketball career he could have had elsewhere, or what would have happened if he had



Mel Holbrook

Cats' Pause Columnist

seen more playing time at UK.

A native of Versailles, the Woodford County setting famous for A.B. "Happy" Chandler, Gov. Martha Layne Collins and current home of former National Basketball Association star Dan Issel and UK head coach Eddie Sutton, Lanter made the UK team as a walk-on in 1979, earning a scholarship in the process. He played three varsity seasons.

"It was the most unbelievable feeling in the world," said Lanter of playing at UK. "I was honored, very thankful. Fans from across the country have made Kentucky basketball what it is. It's unbelievable."

### Lanter Took Detour On Road To UK

Lanter starred at Woodford County, where he earned All-State honors in 1977 before choosing to play at one of nation's top NAIA schools, Midwestern State of Wichita Falls, Texas. He averaged 21 points per game at Woodford County, once scoring 39 points in a game, and earned All-American honors at Midwestern State, averaging 23 ppg.

But Lanter always wanted to play at Kentucky and, after one season in football country, decided he would try to make the UK squad as a walk-on. But he impressed then-head coach Joe Hall so much Hall offered Lanter a scholarship after Bo sat out the required one season under NCAA guidelines.

"They laughed at me at Midwestern State when I left to try to make it at UK," said Lanter. "They said I was good, but not good enough to play for them. I guessed you could say I proved them wrong."

The odds were against Lanter when he returned home. UK had a strong unit of guards that included All-American Kyle Macy, Truman Claytor, Dwight Anderson and Jay Shidler in 1978-79. The next season, Macy was back for his senior year and Shidler came on strong, leaving little room for Lanter or freshman sensation Dirk Minniefield. The next season, sharpshooting star Jim Master began making a name for himself. All were prep All-Americans. All were looked to ahead of Lanter.

"I was the star at Midwestern, and we were ranked number-one in the nation," said Lanter. "But I always gave 100 percent, like my dad always told me to do. My dad said when the ball hit the floor, it's mine. When I got to Kentucky, it was the same way. I always gave 100 percent. Except this time I was at the bottom looking up. People said here's Lanter. He doesn't get to play that much. But I was still giving 100 percent."

Lanter had good success at Kentucky, when he got to play. That was the problem, playing time. At UK, All-Americans sometimes ride the bench.

"I was always the type that when I got into situations when I was needed, I helped them," said Lanter. "I didn't want to go in when we were up by 30 points with two minutes to go. I wanted to be the one they relied upon in clutch situations. I went to coach Hall and told him that. The next game, we were up by 28 points at Florida with four seconds left, and he put me in."

### Lanter Liked Clutch Situations

But Lanter usually got into games in clutch situations. "I'll never forget the first game I played," he said. "It was in 1980 against Notre Dame at Louisville. Dwight (Anderson) was no longer on the team. Dirk and Sam (Bowie) were on suspension. At the time, we were ranked either number one or number two and Notre Dame was about the same. The game was on national television. Coach Hall put

me in and told me not to force anything. My first time down the floor, I passed it to Kyle. He was double-teamed and passed it back to me. I shot it and the ball went in. The fans went crazy. We won, 86-80. That whole game was a dream come true for me."

Lanter got congratulatory phone calls from all over the country, including from his ex-teammates in Texas.

"That was exciting," said Lanter. "But the biggest thrill for me, emotion-wise, was the last home game of my senior year. I felt like the weight of the whole world was on my shoulders. But I ended up scoring 14 points and never missed a shot. It was incredible. With seven seconds left in the game, I wanted to take the last shot. But the in-bounds pass sailed over my head, and Mississippi State got the ball. They missed a shot, and I beat everyone else for the rebound. As I picked up the ball, I was at the top of the key and somebody grabbed my leg. I heard a whistle blow and thought, 'What the heck' and threw the ball the length of the court towards our goal. It didn't hit anything but the bottom of the net about 70 feet away. I remember Sam Bowie and Chuck Verderber throwing their heads back and laughing. I was almost embarrassed it went in. It was funny. It didn't count, of course, because the whistle had blown."

Lanter found the season-ending losses tough to take, though. In 1979-80, UK went 29-6, losing to Duke University 55-54 at Rupp Arena in the NCAA Midwest Regional. "Kyle got fouled on that last shot he missed," said Lanter. The next season, Kentucky went 22-6, losing to Alabama-Birmingham 69-62 in the Midwest Regional



### Bo Lanter Beat Odds To Play For UK

at UAB. "They were better than people thought," Lanter said.

But the most heartbreaking loss was in Lanter's senior season, when Kentucky went 22-8 and lost to Middle Tennessee 50-44 in the Midwest Regional at Nashville. Lanter didn't get to play in that game, and it broke his heart.

"Nobody was playing well," he said. "I should have gotten a chance. I'm not saying I would have performed better than anybody else. But sometimes a coach needs to make a change to try to fix a situation. I was never so angry as I was after that game. We should never have lost to Middle Tennessee."

But Lanter has enough pleasant memories. And he's got more than his share of well-wishers. Even though he didn't play as much as others, Lanter is more popular than most of the former UK stars. His 6-2, 180-pound frame is easily recognizable by many fans, and it doesn't hurt his popularity any now that Lanter lifts weights on

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# Miller Time

## Freshman Guard's Three-Pointers Help 'Cats Shut Down Texas Tech 66-60

By Nick Nicholas

Draw for your guns, mister!

Shut out against Austin Peay, Derrick Miller reloaded and pulled his trigger finger four times against Texas Tech, a scrappy bunch of cow pokes from Southwest Conference territory. The results? A perfect night for this Wildcat wrangler whose play was greatly appreciated by the crowd on hand at Rupp Arena.

Kentucky notched its second win of the season by defeating the Red Raiders 66-60 last Tuesday evening (Dec. 2) at Rupp Arena.

Miller scored 10 points on four field goals, including two three-pointers in the second half. The 6-foot-6 freshman's first connection from three-point land was a big, big play.

The hometown boys held a four-point cushion (47-43). But quicker than you could say *Get out of town before sundown*, Miller connected beyond 19' 9", pushing UK's lead to 50-43 with 7:23 remaining.

His second three-point pop came from Main Street range, nearly a 25-footer. Hey Derrick, move in a little. There isn't a four-pointer in this league. Not yet anyway. UK now led 56-47 with 5:31 left.

Miller's bonus buckets rekindled some of the fire which fueled the Wildcats to a 15-4 lead early in the first half.

"That was a big basket right there," said Gerald Myers in reference to Miller's first bomb. "We had a freshman in there at the time on him. He was sitting back inside and they (Kentucky) set him up for a little pick and he (Miller) got open on the shot.

It was a big shot."

During his postgame press conference, Eddie Sutton, when told of the latter statement by his longtime friend, smiled and said, "I thought it was the turning point. If Gerald said it I'll agree."

Following Miller's three-pointer, the closest Texas Tech got was three points (63-60) with 15 seconds left.

"When you're out there you're not conscious, at least I'm not, of the (three-point) line," Miller said. "I had the shot so I took it. It felt good."

"I told the squad yesterday (Monday) that we were going to make darn sure that whoever has the hot hand would be getting the ball," Sutton said.

While Miller contributed his fair share, guard Ed Davender carried a big load of UK's offensive production. For the second straight game Davender was the game's leading scorer. He tallied 23 points in 31 minutes of action (seven of ten from the field and nine of 10 free throws). Davender's average after two games is 21.5 ppg (43 points).

A more-relaxed Irv Thomas also added offensive punch, compiling 11 points in a winning effort.

Texas Tech, shut down for the initial time this season, was led by sophomore Sean Gay's 18 points.

### Kentucky's Inside Improved But Still Needs Help

Sutton has been sending smoke signals for inside help ever since Winston Bennett and Cedric Jenkins suffered leg injuries. It's apparent Kentucky needs Cedric Jenkins and Mike Scott to come to the rescue if this season is to be continued past SEC Tournament time.

One thing is for sure. . . Thomas, Richard Madison and Rob Lock are getting experience around the paint area. Against Texas Tech, UK's inside game was effective at times. The three combined for 23 points and 12 rebounds. All three Wildcats shot 50 percent or better from the field.

On the defensive end of the court, UK's inside game held its own, too. Against a much taller unit which included 7-footer Kent Wojcieszowski, UK's big men, especially Madison, didn't run away and hide. Both Wojcieszowski and Dwayne Chism (6-7 forward) received early exits. On the other hand, Lock fouled out with 1:47 remaining while Thomas finished the night with four infractions.

Overall, Tech outrebounded Kentucky 25 to 21.

Thomas' short banker initiated the scoring for second half play, giving the Wildcats a 34-22 at the 19:17 mark. However, some nifty defense by Texas Tech and not-so-nifty offense by the 'Cats plugged the cylinder at UK's end of the court. Not until 15:24 did UK score its 35th point of the evening. Two charity tosses by Davender widened the lead, 36-26. And not until 12:33 did the Wildcats score a field goal, a la Davender's 15-footer.

Kentucky was fortunate as the Red Raiders failed to take advantage of the opportunity. During the first 7:27 of the second stanza Tech could only muster 11 points of its own.

Like a tedious game of chess, neither Kentucky nor Texas Tech wanted to make a move. After Davender's basket gave UK a 39-33 lead midway through the half, Gay decided to make a few moves on his own. His eight- and 14-footers, sandwiched around a one-and-one front end miss by Davender, pulled Tech within two points, 39-37. An 8-4 run by the Wildcats, meanwhile, kept the Red Raiders in check. An assist from freshman Rex Chapman sparked the rally as his fast-break connection hit a trailing Davender. The layup off a two-on-one advantage gave UK a 41-37 lead with 10:18 to play.

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Date: Dec. 2, 1986 Site: Lexington, Ky.

**VISITORS (Last Name First)**

No.	Name	PTS	FG	FT	REB	AST	BLK	STL	TO	PF	TP
11	Sean Gay	18	7-12	2-2	4	1	0	0	1	1	0
12	Wendell Owens	15	6-10	3-4	3	2	0	0	2	1	0
13	Mike Nelson	10	4-8	2-2	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
14	James Blackmon	6	3-6	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	Rex Chapman	4	2-4	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Derrick Miller	10	4-7	2-2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
17	Paul Andrew	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Rob Lock	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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20	Richard Madison	4	2-4	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Don Ferguson	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Mike Tanco	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Don Ferguson	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	Mike Tanco	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Don Ferguson	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Mike Tanco	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	Don Ferguson	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Mike Tanco	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	Don Ferguson	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Mike Tanco	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**HOME (Last Name First)**

No.	Name	PTS	FG	FT	REB	AST	BLK	STL	TO	PF	TP
10	James Blackmon	4	2-4	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Richard Madison	4	2-4	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Irv Thomas	11	5-8	0-0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0
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**TOTALS**

**1st Half** 21-25, 50-34  
2nd Half 22-25, 51-33  
Game 43-38, 51-33

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Game 43-38, 51-33

**OFFICIALS:** Don Ferguson, Don Ferguson, Mike Tanco

**Technical Fouls:** None

**Attendance:** 21,402



## LSU Slapped With 1-Year Probation, Loses 2 Basketball Scholarships For '88

The NCAA has placed the LSU basketball program on probation for one year and has stripped the school of two basketball scholarships after finding nine violations of NCAA regulations.

LSU will still be eligible for the postseason playoffs and television coverage, and Chancellor James Wharton said last Wednesday (Dec. 3) that the university will not appeal the NCAA's decision.

"Overall we're pleased with the outcome of the NCAA investigation," Wharton said. "However, we regret that the NCAA took away two basketball scholarships. This seems a stern penalty for the violations cited."

LSU attorney Mike Pharis said that he will ask for a better explanation concerning next year's scholarships. The Tigers now have 14 athletes on scholarship, including three high school seniors who have already signed to play next year. With 15 scholarship players allowed by the NCAA and LSU losing two of those, one of the 14 may have to go, Pharis said.

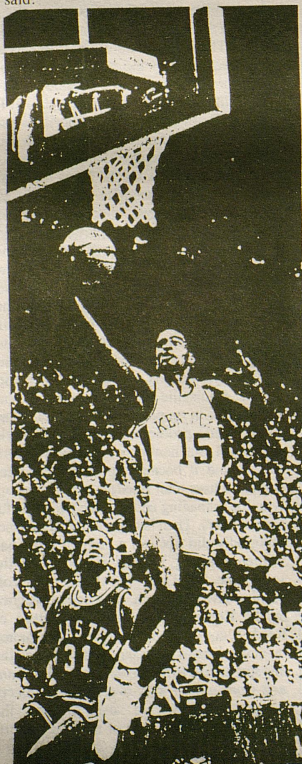
"We plan to talk with the NCAA about that," Pharis said. "We're just not sure."

After an investigation that lasted for more than three years, last month the NCAA cited LSU for 16 violations, 13 of which were disputed by the university.

The NCAA found LSU guilty of nine violations, ranging from athletic director Bob Brodhead's attempt to eavesdrop on NCAA investigators to irregularities between boosters and players.

LSU may issue only two new basketball scholarships next year instead of the six normally allowed, the NCAA said. But the total number of scholarships was reduced by only two, from 15 to 13.

Further penalties may be handed out unless LSU bars the booster activities of at least one Baton Rouge businessman, the NCAA report said.



## Lanter Paid Price To Play At Kentucky

Versailles Native Gave Up Glory Elsewhere

A lot of athletes have paid a heavy price to play basketball at the University of Kentucky.

Many have surrendered fame and glory elsewhere for the honor of wearing a Kentucky uniform.

That's particularly true of Bo Lanter, probably one of the most unheralded, yet one of the most talented, players ever to suit up in a Wildcats' uniform.

Everywhere you go, when you hear people talking about Lanter, it's always in wonder of what kind of college basketball career he could have had elsewhere, or what would have happened if he had



Mel Holbrook

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seen more playing time at UK.

A native of Versailles, the Woodford County setting famous for A.B. "Happy" Chandler, Gov. Martha Layne Collins and current home of former National Basketball Association star Dan Issel and UK head coach Eddie Sutton, Lanter made the UK team as a walk-on in 1979, earning a scholarship in the process. He played three varsity seasons.

"It was the most unbelievable feeling in the world," said Lanter of playing at UK. "I was honored, very thankful. Fans from across the country have made Kentucky basketball what it is. It's unbelievable."

### Lanter Took Detour On Road To UK

Lanter starred at Woodford County, where he earned All-State honors in 1977 before choosing to play at one of nation's top NAIA schools, Midwestern State of Wichita Falls, Texas. He averaged 21 points per game at Woodford County, once scoring 39 points in a game, and earned All-American honors at Midwestern State, averaging 23 ppg.

But Lanter always wanted to play at Kentucky and, after one season in football country, decided he would try to make the UK squad as a walk-on. But he impressed then-head coach Joe Hall so much Hall offered Lanter a scholarship after Bo sat out the required one season under NCAA guidelines.

"They laughed at me at Midwestern State when I left to try to make it at UK," said Lanter. "They said I was good, but not good enough to play for them. I guessed you could say I proved them wrong."

The odds were against Lanter when he returned home. UK had a strong unit of guards that included All-American Kyle Macy, Truman Claytor, Dwight Anderson and Jay Shidler in 1978-79. The next season, Macy was back for his senior year and Shidler came on strong, leaving little room for Lanter or freshman sensation Dirk Minniefield. The next season, sharpshooting star Jim Master began making a name for himself. All were prep All-Americans. All were looked to ahead of Lanter.

"I was the star at Midwestern, and we were ranked number-one in the nation," said Lanter. "But I always gave 100 percent, like my dad always told me to do. My dad said when the ball hit the floor, it's mine. When I got to Kentucky, it was the same way. I always gave 100 percent. Except this time I was at the bottom looking up. People said here's Lanter. He doesn't get to play that much. But I was still giving 100 percent."

Lanter had good success at Kentucky, when he got to play. That was the problem, playing time. At UK, All-Americans sometimes ride the bench.

"I was always the type that when I got into situations when I was needed, I helped them," said Lanter. "I didn't want to go in when we were up by 30 points with two minutes to go. I wanted to be the one they relied upon in clutch situations. I went to coach Hall and told him that. The next game, we were up by 28 points at Florida with four seconds left, and he put me in."

### Lanter Liked Clutch Situations

But Lanter usually got into games in clutch situations. "I'll never forget the first game I played," he said. "It was in 1980 against Notre Dame at Louisville. Dwight (Anderson) was no longer on the team. Dirk and Sam (Bowie) were on suspension. At the time, we were ranked either number one or number two and Notre Dame was about the same. The game was on national television. Coach Hall put

me in and told me not to force anything. My first time down the floor, I passed it to Kyle. He was double-teamed and passed it back to me. I shot it and the ball went in. The fans went crazy. We won, 86-80. That whole game was a dream come true for me."

Lanter got congratulatory phone calls from all over the country, including from his ex-teams in Texas.

"That was exciting," said Lanter. "But the biggest thrill for me, emotion-wise, was the last home game of my senior year. I felt like the weight of the whole world was on my shoulders. But I ended up scoring 14 points and never missed a shot. It was incredible. With seven seconds left in the game, I wanted to take the last shot. But the in-bounds pass sailed over my head, and Mississippi State got the ball. They missed a shot, and I beat everyone else for the rebound. As I picked up the ball, I was at the top of the key and somebody grabbed my leg. I heard a whistle blow and thought, 'What the heck' and threw the ball the length of the court towards our goal. It didn't hit anything but the bottom of the net about 70 feet away. I remember Sam Bowie and Chuck Verderber throwing their heads back and laughing. I was almost embarrassed it went in. It was funny. It didn't count, of course, because the whistle had blown."

Lanter found the season-ending losses tough to take, though. In 1979-80, UK went 29-6, losing to Duke University 55-54 at Rupp Arena in the NCAA Midwest Regional. "Kyle got fouled on that last shot he missed," said Lanter. The next season, Kentucky went 22-6, losing to Alabama-Birmingham 69-62 in the Midwest Regional



### Bo Lanter Beat Odds To Play For UK

at UAB. "They were better than people thought," Lanter said.

But the most heartbreaking loss was in Lanter's senior season, when Kentucky went 22-8 and lost to Middle Tennessee 50-44 in the Midwest Regional at Nashville. Lanter didn't get to play in that game, and it broke his heart.

"Nobody was playing well," he said. "I should have gotten a chance. I'm not saying I would have performed better than anybody else. But sometimes a coach needs to make a change to try to fix a situation. I was never so angry as I was after that game. We should never have lost to Middle Tennessee."

But Lanter has enough pleasant memories. And he's got more than his share of well-wishers. Even though he didn't play as much as others, Lanter is more popular than most of the former UK stars. His 6-2, 180-pound frame is easily recognizable by many fans, and it doesn't hurt his popularity any now that Lanter lifts weights on

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# Miller Time

## Freshman Guard's Three-Pointers Help 'Cats Shut Down Texas Tech 66-60

By Nick Nicholas

Draw for your guns, mister!

Shut out against Austin Peay, Derrick Miller reloaded and pulled his trigger four times against Texas Tech, a scrappy bunch of cow pokes from Southwest Conference territory. The results? A perfect night for this Wildcat wrangler whose play was greatly appreciated by the crowd on hand at Rupp Arena.

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Miller scored 10 points on four field goals, including two three-pointers in the second half. The 6-foot-6 freshman's first connection from three-point land was a big, big play.

The hometown boys held a four-point cushion (47-43). But quicker than you could say *Get out of town before sundown*, Miller connected beyond 19' 9", pushing UK's lead to 50-43 with 7:23 remaining.

His second three-point pop came from Main Street range, nearly a 25-footer. Hey Derrick, move in a little. There isn't a four-pointer in this league. Not yet anyway. UK now led 56-47 with 5:31 left.

Miller's bonus buckets rekindled some of the fire which fueled the Wildcats to a 15-4 lead early in the first half.

"That was a big basket right there," said Gerald Myers in reference to Miller's first bomb. "We had a freshman in there at the time on him. He was sitting back inside and they (Kentucky) set him up for a little pick and he (Miller) got open on the shot."

It was a big shot."

During his postgame press conference, Eddie Sutton, when told of the latter statement by his longtime friend, smiled and said, "I thought it was the turning point. If Gerald said it I'll agree."

Following Miller's three-pointer, the closest Texas Tech got was three points (63-60) with 15 seconds left.

"When you're out there you're not conscious, at least I'm not, of the (three-point) line," Miller said. "I had the shot so I took it. It felt good."

"I told the squad yesterday (Monday) that we were going to make darn sure that whoever has the hot hand would be getting the ball," Sutton said.

While Miller contributed his fair share, guard Ed Davender carried a big load of UK's offensive production. For the second straight game Davender was the game's leading scorer. He tallied 23 points in 31 minutes of action (seven of ten from the field and nine of 10 free throws). Davender's average after two games is 21.5 ppg (43 points).

A more-relaxed Irv Thomas also added offensive punch, compiling 11 points in a winning effort.

Texas Tech, shot down for the initial time this season, was led by sophomore Sean Gay's 18 points.

## Kentucky's Inside Improved But Still Needs Help

Sutton has been sending smoke signals for inside help ever since Winston Bennett and Cedric Jenkins suffered leg injuries. It's apparent Kentucky needs Cedric Jenkins and Mike Scott to come to the rescue if this season is to be continued past SEC Tournament time.

One thing is for sure. . . Thomas, Richard Madison and Rob Lock are getting experience around the paint area. Against Texas Tech, UK's inside game was effective at times. The three combined for 23 points and 12 rebounds. All three Wildcats shot 50 percent or better from the field.

On the defensive end of the court, UK's inside game held its own, too. Against a much taller unit which included 7-footer Kent Wojcieszoski, UK's big men, especially Madison, didn't run away and hide. Both Wojcieszoski and Dewayne Chism (6-7 forward) received early exits. On the other hand, Lock fouled out with 1:47 remaining while Thomas finished the night with four infractions.

Overall, Tech outbounded Kentucky 25 to 21.

Thomas' short banner initiated the scoring for second half play, giving the Wildcats a 34-22 at the 19:17 mark. However, some nifty defense by Texas Tech and not-so-nifty offense by the 'Cats plugged the cylinder at UK's end of the court. Not until 15:24 did UK score its 35th point of the evening. Two charity tosses by Davender widened the lead, 36-26. And not until 12:33 did the Wildcats score a field goal, a la Davender's 15-footer.

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## VISITORS (Last Name First)

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1	5	0	2	2	10		
1	3	0	2	4	11		
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0	0	0	0	3			

## TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)

TOTALS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd	23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th	30th
TOTAL FG % 1st Half	30.3	50.3																												
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## HOME (Last Name First)

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Technical Fouls: None  
Attendance: 21,895

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SCORE BY PERIODS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Final
TEXAS TECH	22	18	33	28	60	60
KENTUCKY	32	34	33	22	66	66

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## How Top 20 fared

How the top twenty teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll fared last week:

1. North Carolina (4-1) lost to UCLA 89-84; beat Stetson 100-64; beat Miami, Fla. 122-77.
2. Nevada-Las Vegas (5-0) beat Memphis State 80-77.
3. Indiana (3-0) beat Notre Dame 67-62; beat No. 13 Kentucky 71-66.
4. Purdue (3-0) beat Illinois State 96-54; beat Connecticut 88-70.
5. Iowa (6-0) beat Missouri-St. Louis 89-64; beat Delaware 95-47; beat Loyola, Calif. 103-80.
6. Kansas (3-1) beat Southern U. 87-69; beat Washington 82-68; lost to Arkansas 103-86.
7. Auburn (2-0) beat Armstrong State 94-54.
8. Alabama (2-1) beat Furman 96-69; lost to Florida State 72-71.
9. Illinois (4-0) beat Chicago State 92-78; beat No. 12 Pittsburgh 99-97.
10. Navy (3-1) beat Yale 93-62.
11. Oklahoma (3-1) beat Texas A&M 93-79; beat Texas-Arlington 101-76.
12. Pittsburgh (2-1) beat St. Francis, Pa. 109-59; lost to No. 9 Illinois 99-97.
13. Kentucky (2-1) beat Texas Tech 66-60; lost to No. 3 Indiana 71-66.
14. W. Kentucky (6-1) beat Kentucky State 90-58; beat Mercer 98-67; beat Southern California 82-52.
15. Georgia Tech (3-1) beat Pennsylvania 84-57; beat Georgia 72-66.
16. Georgetown (4-0) beat Grambling 96-52; beat St. Leo 126-51.
17. Syracuse (4-0) beat George Washington 82-69; beat Oklahoma State 73-62; beat No. 19 Northeastern 94-74.
18. North Carolina State (5-1) beat East Tennessee State 104-85; beat Western Carolina 96-75.
19. Northeastern (4-2) beat St. Joseph's, Maine 81-54; beat Jacksonville 76-70; lost to No. 17 Syracuse 94-74.
20. Arizona (1-2) beat San Diego State 110-78; lost to Utah 68-67.



## Thomas Making Doubters Into Believers

Has Been 'Cats' Most Impressive Big Man

When Kentucky's Irv Thomas came out of Carol City High School in Miami, Fla., his legend arrived on the Kentucky campus long before he played his first minute as a Wildcat.

At 6-foot-9 (he has since shrunk to 6-7) and 220 pounds, his high school coach Ernie Bell was comparing him favorably to NBA great Dr. J.

"Irving is simply a great player, a complete one," Bell said at the time. "He does everything well and has the moves of a very talented player. I've never coached a better player in my life."

His statistics seemed to back up his coach's statement: Thomas



Mike Estep

Cats' Pause Columnist

averaged in double figures in each of his four years in which he started at Carol City. He averaged 17 ppg and 10.2 rpg as a sophomore, 18 ppg, 15.4 rpg and had 95 blocked shots as a junior and finished his career with 18.6 ppg, 14.5 rpg and 5.3 blocked shots as a senior. In the summer before he came to Kentucky, Thomas also tore up the all-star game circuit, scoring 15 points and grabbing 10 boards in the McDonald's All-Star Classic and erupting for 40 points in an AAU contest.

All the prep scouts were searching for adjectives to describe Thomas:

"Irving is the kind of a player who needs no refinement," said one recruiter. "He has all the tools to step right in and become the centerpiece of any offense. Irving is a player who can't miss, not matter what the so-called experts say."

"If there are five better forwards in the country, I would like to see them," one college assistant coach said following his junior season. "If there are, they should be in the National Basketball Association, because that's where Thomas will wind up in four years, or even sooner. He's that good."

Leonard Hamilton and Joe B. Hall apparently took the scouts at their word. Thomas was UK's only recruit that year, and he signed with Kentucky without ever setting foot in Lexington on an official visit.

"Kentucky is a big school desperate for a big forward," Thomas said then. "That suited my needs completely."

Kentucky and Irv Thomas. It looked like a marriage made in heaven.

## Failed To Live Up To Expectations Last Year

Two years later, the good folks around Lexington were wondering whether or not there should have been a quickie divorce. It was doubtful whether Thomas would be able to stick it out at Kentucky for four years, let alone make it in the NBA.

Playing behind Kenny Walker and Winston Bennett, Irv had a rough time adjusting to the college game. In an average of 4.3 minutes in 19 games, Thomas failed to produce the numbers many thought he would—1.3 ppg and .9 rpg.

"Irv Thomas, I know, was frustrated last year as a freshman, but he is an outstanding athlete," said Eddie Sutton, who took over for Hall after Thomas had already committed to play for the 'Cats. "When we opened practice Oct. 15 a year ago, I felt like he would be in our top seven or eight. Perhaps our coaching staff didn't do a good job with him. I do believe he lost confidence, as many freshmen do when you start playing against some quality players."

You could afford to overlook his statistics last season. Not all freshmen, no matter what kind of reputations they bring with them, can come in and be impact players on a 32-4 ballclub. He was talented, after all. You could go down to practice every day and verify that. What was alarming, however, was the way Thomas reacted when he was placed in front of 23,000 screaming fans at Rupp Arena. He seemed to be lost. He committed 20 turnovers. Once, he even attempted to in-bounds the ball after a made free throw by one of his own teammates.

If this was the second coming of Dr. J., many fans around the state were ready to sue him for malpractice.

Even Irv became somewhat of a doubting Thomas (pun intended). The rumor mills reported that Thomas was unhappy with his playing time at Kentucky. A published report in a Miami newspaper quoted Thomas as saying he was planning to leave the university

and transfer to the University of Miami.

## Hard Work In Off-Season Has Made Difference

But Thomas stuck it out. He worked hard in the off-season. He played well on the team's tour of the Orient this past summer. Sutton hinted Thomas had regained some of his lost confidence, and suggested he may even be penciled into the starting lineup. And remember, this was before Bennett and Cedric Jenkins went down with injuries.

"Irv has come back with a tremendous attitude," Sutton said prior to the season. "We feel like the experience he gained in Japan should certainly help him. He's got the chance to break into the starting lineup."

When Bennett and Jenkins were lost in preseason drills, the matter was settled. Thomas, ready or not, would have to begin the season as a starter.

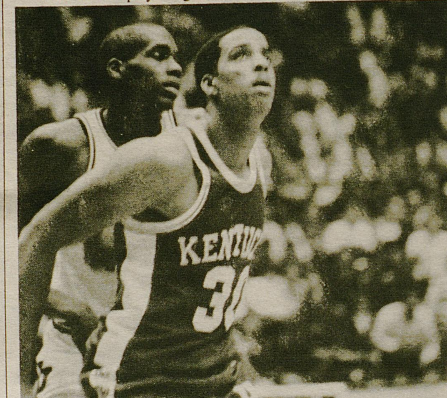
He's been making believers out of everyone since.

Against Austin Peay in the season opener, Thomas was three for five from the field, five for seven from the line and led Kentucky's inside attack in scoring with 11 points, including the game winner on a 10-foot jumper with 18 seconds left in the game.

Against Texas Tech, Thomas was once again the 'Cats most productive player in the paint, again scoring 11 points, and this time claiming seven boards.

The critics still weren't ready to concede that they had been wrong.

"Who has he played against?" they wanted to know.



Thomas In Action Against IU's Garrett

"Anyone could put up numbers like that against Austin Peay and Texas Tech," they said.

"He'll get his real test in Bloomington, against Bob Knight's team," they said with a smile. "We'll see how tough Irv Thomas is then."

He did. And they did.

In Assembly Hall Saturday, Thomas scored 10 points and grabbed a team-high 10 rebounds despite being limited to only 28 minutes of action before fouling out (on a phantom charging call after he had claimed an important offensive rebound on a missed free throw). And all this was accomplished against two of the premier big men in the Big Ten this season—6-11 Dean Garrett, a junior transfer who was an All-American in junior college last season and 6-7 forward Daryl Thomas, who was IU's main man inside last season.

"In high school I played a lot of center and played against bigger guys. When that happens, and there's a mismatch on the inside, I try to use my quickness more than anything. I feel it's to my advantage, being able to maneuver more on the inside against a slower guy," Thomas said, explaining why his best performance of his career came in the 71-66 loss to IU.

You can look at Thomas this season, see the change in his mannerisms, in his court savvy, and the difference from last season is like night and day.

Why the dramatic turnaround in Thomas' fortunes this season? Confidence.

"I had a tendency to get down last year," Thomas said, "and with the playing time I've had this year I've been able to bounce back and use some of the experiences I had last year to my advantage."

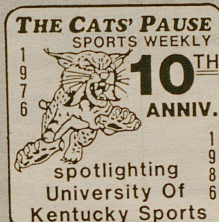
"Confidence is the most important aspect of the game. You have to believe in yourself before others can believe in you."

Three games into the '87 season, the list of believers is growing by leaps and bounds.



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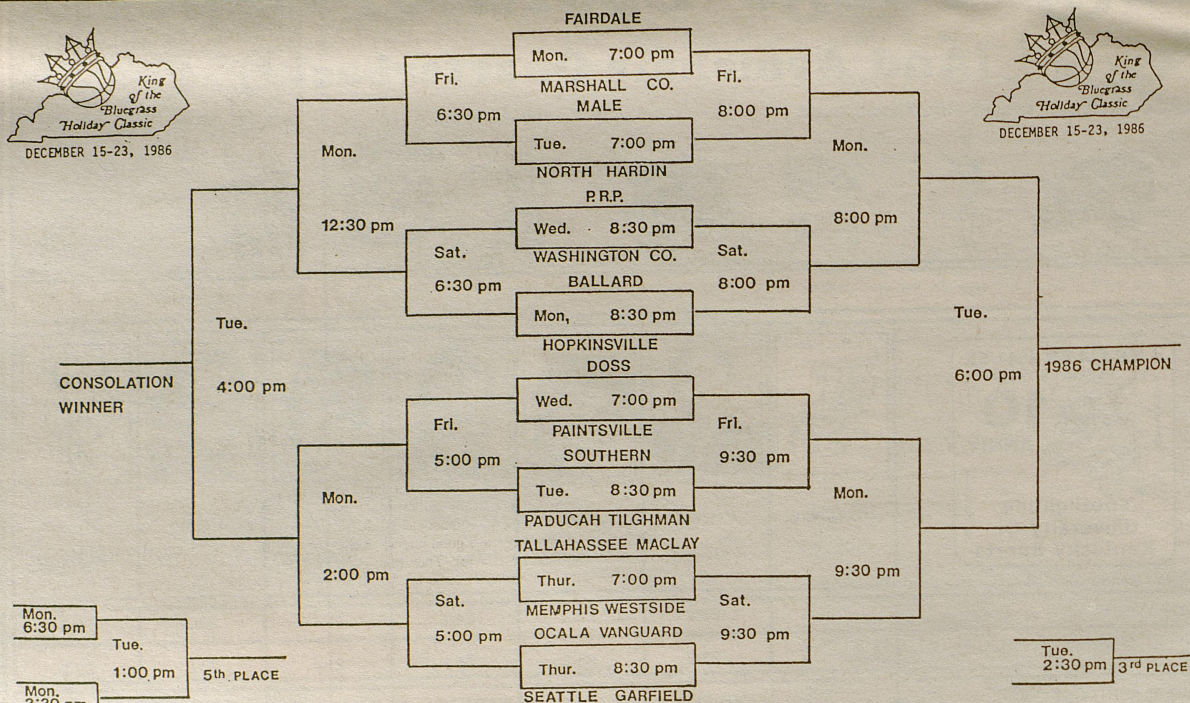


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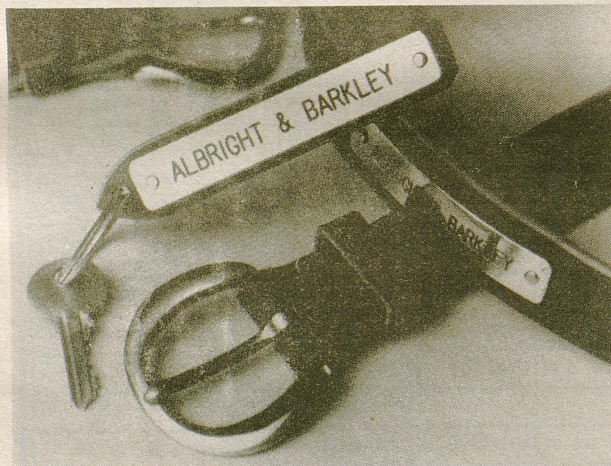
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IOWA STATE AT MICHIGAN STATE		MICH. ST. 4	IOWA ST. 2	MICH. ST. 7	MICH. ST. 3	IOWA ST. 1	MICH. ST. 6
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## Time Will Tell For Young Wildcats

Can You Say Patience? Sure You Can

Have you ever heard of the sayings:

Have car, will travel?

Or...

Have boat, will travel?

What about...

Have patience, will travel?

Well, this latter and somewhat new adage might go hand-in-hand with this season's Kentucky Wildcats basketball unit.

Yes, boys and girls the magic word today in Mr. Sutton's neighborhood is patience.



Nick Nicholas

Cats' Pause Columnist

Can you say *patience* boys and girls?

All together now, *P-A-T-I-E-N-C-E*.

Good, I knew you could.

Despite Kentucky's outstanding performance in Bloomington, this ballclub will climb more peaks and fall into more valleys than thought possible. Currently, with only eight scholarship athletes it's difficult to imagine the Wildcats consistently playing like they did against Indiana.

UK played like a Top Ten... make that Top Five ballclub during its 71-66 loss to then-No. 3 Indiana.

Don't count on this type of performance every night. Why?

This year Eddie Sutton doesn't have one of college basketball's top and experienced players in his lineup. What a Rolls Royce is to the automotive world, Kenny Walker was to Sutton last season. Priceless.

Winston Bennett was suppose to help fill Walker's giant NIKES. Meanwhile, his flat tire (injured knee) will keep him off the hardwood road until next campaign.

In Al McGuire lingo, the Kentucky coach also doesn't have a PT Boat familiar with unfriendly waters. Remember Roger Harden and his crucial baskets against LSU (at Baton Rouge and the SEC Tournament) and at Alabama?

During UK's initial two games Ed Davender has shown he can handle the point guard position. He has a 21.5 ppg mark to prove it. Davender, however, needs more experience at the No. 1 guard slot. Perhaps Davender had his toughest assignment of the season against the Hoosiers. Not only was the game at roudy Assembly Hall but the junior had to guard sharpshooter Steve Alford.

Now awaits journeys to Louisville, Tennessee, Florida and LSU. They can cause even cool customers to cringe under pressure.

Thus, patience is best advised for UK's coaches, players and fans. A good dose of patience should be distributed to the student body section which booed classmate Rob Lock last week against Texas Tech. We'll talk about that later in this column.

"Kentucky is going to be a fine team," said former Wildcat assistant Lake Kelly after his Austin Peay club lost to Kentucky, 71-69. "They're going to beat some good teams."

"When they hit the tournament (UKIT) they'll be ready."

Prior to a meeting with Bobby Knight's Hoosiers, Kentucky sported a 2-0 mark and was rated 13th in the nation.

### Not No. 1 In The Land

Kentucky earned the 2-0 mark despite playing in spurts against both Austin Peay and Texas Tech. However, the 'Cats are not the No. 1 team in the country. You're probably saying, "Sure, I knew that." Somebody didn't as Kentucky received a first-place vote in last week's Associated Press poll.

Maybe this ballclub isn't the 13th best team in the country, either. At least that's the way it appears.

Patience boys and girls. Patience.

Patience must come from all around. From within the club to the outer circles patience is the key to this year's ballclub.

Can you say *patience*?

All together now, *P-A-T-I-E-N-C-E*

Amazing. Very good!

Saying patience is one thing but demonstrating it is another matter.

Each adventure will bring new experiences to Sutton's Wildcats. Except for James Blackmon and Ed Davender this club is inexperienced. For starters, Rex Chapman, Irv Thomas and Richard Madison never were until the Austin Peay contest. Off the bench:

Paul Andrews is a veteran but must shoot more often; 6-foot-10 giant Rob Lock needs to gain more confidence; Derrick Miller is a pure shooter but only has a few games under his belt; and last and not least in playing time are walk-ons Terry Shigg and Steve Bruce.

Before reinforcements come in January, Shigg and Bruce's services may be needed in a game or two. Against Texas Tech, Lock fouled out while Thomas and Blackmon committed four fouls, respectively. Last Saturday three UK players fouled out. Hey, wilder things have happened. With only eight scholarship players available you have to wonder if these two players can hold their own in game situations.

During one particular stretch against Texas Tech, UK's lineup included Chapman (6-5), Blackmon (6-3), Madison (6-7), Davender (6-3) and Andrews (6-3). "I looked out there once and I thought it was a high school basketball team," said Sutton after UK's win over APSU. "We were running a five-man passing game which means we didn't have a post man."

If Kentucky takes its share of lumps and falls out of AP's Top 20, so be it. If they don't lose to Louisville and someone else this month then I'll be one surprised sports writer.

Sutton's club by February should be a far cry different than the one which recorded narrow victories in its first two games. Maturity will play a definite role as these Kittens try to become Wildcats.

"They are very well-coached and they have good talent," Kelly said. "Before the year is out they'll be a factor. They play good defense. When their inside defense improves a little bit they'll be

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—Kentucky Coach Eddie Sutton

tough. Coach Sutton has done a great job.

"I don't think they're great but they are going to be tough. They'll be a factor in the conference once it (SEC schedule) rolls around."

### Winter Experiences Will Be Beneficial

Eddie Sutton and his cohorts will get as many wins as possible out of this group. Looking at the schedule, right now it appears 16 or 17 wins might be in Kentucky's future. More than 17 marks in the regular season victory column and this team will have climbed higher than most local experts thought possible.

Have patience Wildcat fans.

One more for the record. Can you say *patience* boys and girls?

All together, *P-A-T-I-E-N-C-E*

Oh, I'm so proud of you.

*B-O-O*.

What was that? Did that come from (pause) I thought so. The student body.

Can you say *shame on the student body*.

Prior to the Texas Tech showdown Kentucky owned a perfect 1-0 slate. The boo-birds, however, decided they had reasons to jeer.

If this team was considered to be in the Final Four come late March, I, too, would be upset with close encounters against Austin Peay and Texas Tech. People, it's going to take time.

Throughout the season no matter if this team struggles or consistently produces Ws, 'Cat fans always expect the best. Said Kelly, "I think they'll react like most Kentucky fans have for a 1,000 or is it 1,001 years. They're not satisfied. They'll go away mumbling and grumbling, but they (Wildcats) will be alright."

The innocent victim was Rob Lock.

As for booing Lock... I don't care for it one iota. It's one thing to boo the home team's pro athlete whose recent production shows minimum wage value. But if it concerns a collegiate athlete, scholarship or non-scholarship, I think you're going a bit overboard. Criticism is one thing. Mutiny is another.

Sutton says Lock is coming along fine, and like the rest of the team, needs more time to get comfortable. My book is still open on Rob Lock. At Arkansas, Sutton worked wonders with Notre Dame transfer Joe Kleine. Maybe he can work a little magic with Lock as well.

"I hope the fans understand that we need them," noted Sutton. "If there has ever been a need at Kentucky for the Sixth person it's this season. We've got help on the way, but we need the fans this year."



Jack Givens

## SEC TV Announcers Will Have Kentucky Flavor This Winter

With doubleheaders returning to the Southeastern Conference basketball television schedule this season, there will be more of a Kentucky flavor.

Once again the lead TV crew will be the popular team of play-by-play announcer Tom Hammond (former sports director of Lexington's WLEX-TV) and color analyst Joe Dean.

The backup team will be an all-Kentucky pair of Ralph Hacker handling the play-by-play and former UK All-American Jack Givens doing the color.

Jefferson-Pilot, the television syndicator for the SEC games, will be airing regular Wednesday and Saturday telecasts during the conference race.

There will be three regular season doubleheaders involving SEC television in which Hacker and Givens will be working plus additional games during the SEC Tournament in Atlanta.

They are expected to handle the Mississippi State at Ole Miss game on Feb. 14 since Kentucky at Florida will be the other television game. Hacker probably won't be involved in any UK games because he is Kentucky's regular color analyst on radio.

### Shaw Will Fill In

When Hacker is away from the Kentucky Radio Network working television games, his replacement on color with Cawood Ledford is expected to be Rick Shaw.

Shaw, who is one of Hacker's top people are WVLK Radio, has considerable experience in sports broadcasting and has been filling in for Hacker in recent weeks when Hacker was away handling play-by-play chores for CBS-TV in the National Football League.

### CBS Gets New Deal

When CBS-TV was awarded an exclusive, three-year contract for the NCAA Basketball Tournament for a reported \$150 to \$180 million, Hacker was not one of those shocked at the decision.

The day before the decision was announced, Hacker predicted CBS-TV would retain exclusive control of the event.

Both NBC-TV and ABC-TV were trying to snatch a piece of the pie away from CBS-TV and some thought CBS would be forced to share the lucrative package because of its tie-up with the Big East Conference a couple years ago. That deal gave the Big East a lion's share of dollars and television exposure, much to the displeasure of other leagues around the country.



## Hamilton Happy With Early Progress At Oklahoma State

Former Kentucky hoop assistant Leonard Hamilton wasted little time in using the three-point shot to earn his first victory as a college head coach at Oklahoma State.

Hamilton, in his rookie season at Stillwater, watched his Cowboys overcome a 12-point first half deficit before senior Nolan Richardson hit a 3-point shot in the final seconds of regulation to send the game into overtime.

State then went to 6-10 transfer Sylvester Kincheon for an old-fashioned 3-pointer (field goal and free throw) in overtime to insure Hamilton's first victory by an 86-79 count.

Hamilton decided to give Kincheon a second chance in overtime after having benched him for the final thirty minutes of regulation play.

"We are having difficulty motivating Sly," said Hamilton after the game. "I've been nice, yelled at him, patted him and pushed him. I don't know what to do. He's going to have to do it now."

And he finally delivered.

Irony twists between State and Kentucky were numerous. Hamilton was an assistant under Sutton last season after the Razorback boss left Arkansas.

Richardson, the senior guard who hit the tying shot in regulation, is the son of Arkansas' Nolan Richardson who replaced Sutton in Fayetteville.

And, of course, Kincheon is a former Ole Miss Rebel who enjoyed his finest day as a Rebel in a game against Kentucky when he was a freshman at the Oxford school.

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Hamilton, who lost his coaching debut during a road trip to Pepperdine, told *The Cats' Pause* he's excited and couldn't be happier with his situation at State.

"The people here are great. They've made a total commitment to the basketball program and I'm very pleased with the progress we're making," said Hamilton.

State will be making major renovations at Gallagher Hall, the Cowboys' home arena, at the end of this season. Fans will enjoy total theatre-type seating next season.

"We'll struggle this winter," admitted Hamilton. "My point guard came from an intramural team on campus, but we'll fight and scrap."

State gave highly regarded Syracuse a scare in the Syracuse's Carrier Invitational before bowing to Jacksonville in the consolation game last weekend.

Those two games are just a part of a non-conference schedule which includes such teams as Tulsa, Memphis State, New Mexico and New Orleans.

It's not exactly the type schedule one want want to build on, but Hamilton insists he needs the impressive opposition to show prospective recruits of the school's commitment to big-time basketball.

"You can't recruit the best if you don't play the best," said Hamilton via telephone from Stillwater. "We're going to build this program and make a winner here."

If the early November signing harvest is any indication, Hamilton may just be on his way.

Oklahoma State signed two of the nation's top sixty players in 6-7 forward Richard Dumas of Tulsa and 6-9 center/forward Thomas Jordan of Baltimore.

## SEC Football's Best And Worst Of 1986

LSU Takes Home Most Of The Hardware

As advertised before the season started, it was another down to the wire finish for the Southeastern Conference football crown.

With Auburn upsetting Alabama the last week of the regular season, LSU won the title outright, and deservedly so. It wouldn't have been right to have the Sugar Bowl committee select the Crimson Tide instead of LSU if both teams would have tied for the league lead. After all, why should the Tigers be penalized for not only knocking off Bama in head-to-head competition, but also being located in the state of Louisiana. With LSU now heading for New Orleans for a New Year's Day battle with Nebraska, it's actually

because the Shreveport, La., native was just a junior this season.

**BEST DEFENSE:** Alabama. Although it appeared this defense wore down somewhat as the season progressed because of a grueling schedule, Bama's defensive unit was dominating all season. It would have been even stronger if All-American Cornelius Bennett had not been bothered with a pulled hamstring for most of the season. Bennett, tackle Curt Jarvis, defensive back Freddie Robinson and linebacker Wayne Davis should be high round draft choices in the NFL draft this summer.

**FROM FLOP TO FORTUNE:** Tennessee. Coming off the threshold of the SEC championship last year, the Vols got off to a dismal 2-5 start. In fact, one national sports magazine dubbed the Volunteers the "Flop of the Year" at midseason. But as some of the starting players filtered back into action late in the year, UT won its last four games in impressive fashion and earned a spot in the Liberty Bowl. This can be attributed to cutting down the turnover ratio and getting the ball more to powerful fullback William Howard and wide receiver Joey Clinkscales.

**FROM FORTUNE TO FLOP:** Mississippi State. After a surprising 6-1 beginning out of the blocks, the Bulldogs ended their season on a sour note with the loss to in-state rival Ole Miss. During the last four games of the season, Rocky Felker's club was outscored 144-15.

**HARDLUCK AWARD:** Michael Brooks, LSU. In LSU's victory over Florida earlier in the year, Brooks was lost for the season because of a knee injury. Brooks, a senior, is recognized as one of the best linebackers ever produced by the Southeastern Con-



Todd Hallum

Cats' Pause Columnist

the fifth different team to represent the SEC in the Sugar Bowl since 1982. In fact, if Florida wasn't put on NCAA probation in 1984, the SEC representatives would be as follows: 1982—Georgia; 1983—Auburn; 1984—Florida; 1985—Tennessee and of course LSU this season. The word parity has been the case during the decade of the 80s.

Now, let's look back to remember some of the best and worst of the just now completed 1986 SEC season.

**BEST TEAM:** Who else but the conference champs themselves—the LSU Bayou Bengals. LSU came on strong towards the end of the season and did what it had to in claiming its first SEC championship since 1970. Nobody in the conference can match the talented trio of quarterback Tommy Hodson, running back Harvey Williams and wide receiver Wendell Davis on offense. Defensively, playing without the services of All-American linebacker Michael Brooks for eight games was a monumental loss. However, Brooks' linebacker mate Toby Caston caused havoc on opposing offenses all season and some LSU insiders feel he might be better than Brooks, even when he's healthy. LSU has certainly earned its right to represent the SEC in the Sugar Bowl.

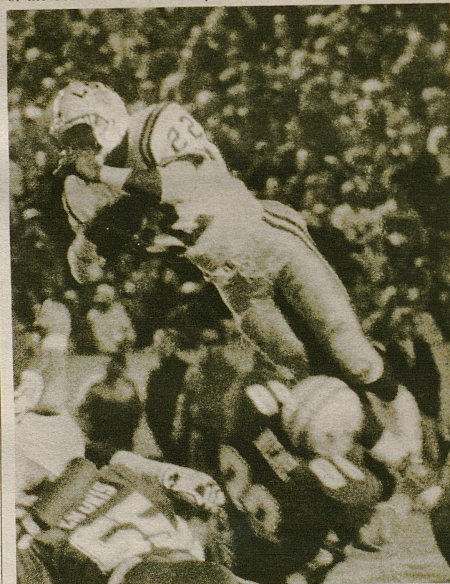
**BEST COACH:** If you would have voted for this award during the middle of the season, Mississippi State coach Rocky Felker would have won it hands down. The Felker-coached Bulldogs burst onto the scene with a blazing 6-1 record. But during the last half of the season, when facing the SEC's elite, the Bulldogs simply got pounded. Thus, LSU's resigning Bill Arnsparger gets the award. The 59-year old Arnsparger led his team to the SEC championship despite the adversity of a shocking home field loss to Miami, Ohio, and numerous injuries to key personnel throughout the season. What better way to end a college coaching career than to coach your last collegiate game on New Year's Day. Arnsparger's impressive 26-7-2 coaching mark over the last three seasons will be terribly difficult to match by his predecessor.

**BEST BACK:** Brent Fullwood, Auburn. Fullwood this season made Auburn fans quickly forget Bo Jackson this season. Fullwood led the league in rushing this year piling up 1391 yards while scoring 10 touchdowns. He was truly magnificent during the Bama game despite going to the bench because of injuries. Bo who?

**BEST QUARTERBACK:** Tommy Hodson, LSU. The way Hodson developed as a redshirt freshman signal caller, LSU fans are ecstatic that he has three more years of eligibility left in the Tiger program. Hodson displayed great poise as a passer all season long and helped spearhead the Bengals' drive to the SEC crown. Hodson has an outstanding arm and will rank up with the great LSU quarterback of the past that include Alan Risher, Jeff Wickersham and Bert Jones.

**BEST OFFENSE:** Again, no one in the league has three more talented players than Hodson, Williams and Davis at the skill positions. About the only weakness the LSU offense had to deal with this season was an atrocious kicking game. For the last two seasons LSU has yet to find a competent field goal kicker. This key area cost them in the 21-19 loss to Ole Miss.

**BEST RECEIVER:** Wendell Davis, LSU. Davis was the leading receiver in the SEC this season, catching 80 passes for an eye-popping 1,244 yards and 11 touchdowns. Davis has incredible hands and breakaway speed which have made LSU followers forget all about Eric Martin. When the NFL draft arrives this summer, Davis would certainly merit first-round status as one of the premier pass catchers in the country. However, the pros will have to wait a year



Williams Helped Put LSU Over The Top

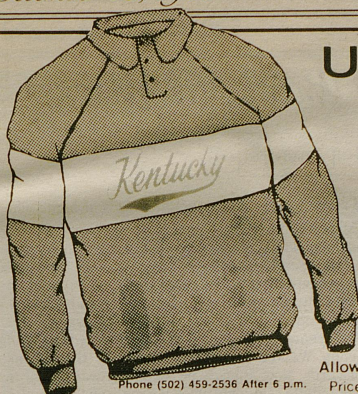
ference. But because he played in only three games (including the Florida game) the outstanding player should be eligible for a medical redshirt. However, you never know how a player will come back off of a knee injury. Runner-up: Bill Ransdell, Kentucky.

**BEST ATHLETE:** Don Smith, Mississippi State. Smith's career at State simply speaks for itself. His combination of both rushing and throwing the football have made him the SEC's all-time individual leader in total offense.

**BEST GAME:** Alabama vs. LSU. This game on Nov. 8 at Legion Field decided the SEC race. Although Bama dominated most of the statistical categories, the Tide couldn't put the ball into the end zone when it counted against a fired up LSU defense. Runner-up: Alabama vs. Auburn.

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## Wildcats Will Head To Great Alaska Shootout In 1988

When Great Alaska Shootout officials announced last week the field for the 1987 tournament and it didn't include Kentucky, several Wildcat followers were surprised because those same officials said a year ago the Wildcats would be playing in 1987.

Now comes word that Kentucky, will indeed, play in the Great Alaska Shootout, but in 1988 instead of 1987.

A source in Anchorage said Kentucky requested to delay its participation to 1988 so UK could have the opportunity to play in the 1987 Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame Classic in Springfield.

One source close to the UK scene said a decision by the Hall of Fame Classic selection committee is expected just any day.

Kentucky, reportedly, has been asked if the Wildcats would be interested in playing the North Carolina Tar Heels to open the 1987-88 season in Springfield.

Can you imagine the interest in Carolina, with J.R. Reed, Jeff Lebo & Company with newcomers Rick Fox and King Rice against Kentucky and Winston Bennett, Ed Davender, Rex Chapman, Derrick Miller along with newcomers LeRon Ellis, Eric Manuel, John Pittman, and others?

In a related matter, UK coach Eddie Sutton said last week he'd like to take future Wildcat teams to Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

Speculation has it that several proposals will be made at the next NCAA convention to limit the number of games a basketball team may play outside the country and the number of games in preseason tournaments like the NIT, Hawaii, Great Alaska Shootout and etc.

Should new legislation be passed, UK didn't want to get caught out in the cold and not be able to accept an invitation to the Hall of Fame according to one source.

Supposedly, that's why UK wanted to wait until 1988 for the Great Alaska Shootout, so an open spot would be available for the Hall of Fame Classic, should an invitation be issued.

## UK's Rogerson Representing USA

When University of Kentucky's Kate Rogerson finished fifth at the 1986 NCAA women's golf championship last semester, she was excited because she had represented the team and the university so well.

Now Rogerson will not only represent the University of Kentucky, but she will also get a chance to represent the United States. Because of her excellent play at the NCAA Championship, Kate was chosen to be a part of the women's squad at the 1986 NCAA USA vs. Japan Championship.

"I was really excited to receive such an honor as representing the United States," Rogerson said. "Playing for your country makes you think of Olympics."

The 20-year-old Rogerson, along with New Mexico's Caroline Keggi and Florida's Pace Dunlap, were selected because they were the top underclassmen in individual standings at the NCAA Championships.

"I am very excited to be playing with such talented golfers as Keggi and Dunlap who was the NCAA Medalist," Rogerson said.

The three-member women's squad will be led by Dr. Barbara Smith, who has been the women's golf coach at Longwood College for 20 years. The U.S. squad met in Los Angeles Dec. 5 and arrived in Tokyo Dec. 7. After two days of practice the team is scheduled to compete for three days and return to the United States Dec. 14.

## Jenkins Anxious To Get Back To Work

Sutton Says Madison Showing Improvement

Cedric Jenkins thought he would be playing regularly his sophomore season when he decided to attend the University of Kentucky.

The 6-9, 205-pound Jenkins did play in all 36 of Kentucky's games during the 1985-86 basketball season but he averaged only 11 minutes, 3.3 points and 2.3 rebounds per contest.

Those weren't exactly the numbers Jenkins had in mind for his sophomore year at UK after being named Class AA Player of the Year in Georgia in 1984.

"I thought by last year that I would be playing a lot more,"



Larry Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist

said Jenkins, who averaged 25 points, 16 rebounds and five blocked shots per game his final year in high school. "But I just didn't make the progress I expected."

This year Jenkins figured to battle for a starting berth, especially after a knee injury knocked Winston Bennett out for the season. But that all changed last month when a stress fracture in his left foot sidelined Jenkins for six weeks.

"My goals for this year are still the same," said Jenkins.

"They have just been delayed a little bit. It has been hard at



## Jenkins Hopes To Be Ready By January

times just to watch, especially during the games. But all I can do is just wait until I am ready.

"When I do get back the main thing I'm going to try to do is just relax and keep my confidence up. The trip to Japan last summer helped me and I've also worked hard in the weight room to improve my strength. It gets pretty physical down low near the basket but now I feel like I can use my finesse or power to hold my own."

Jenkins played some of his best basketball late last season. He had 13 points and seven rebounds in the Southeastern Conference Tournament title game when UK beat Alabama and matured into a solid front-line player.

Some feel a red-shirt season would have benefitted Jenkins. But the Georgia native doesn't buy that theory.

"I didn't want to be red-shirted," said Jenkins. "I didn't want to sit out a whole season and just have to watch the team play. I learned more by playing than I would have by watching."

Jenkins, who hopes to earn academic All-American honors at UK, proved last year that he could play defense when he held Auburn star Chuck Person to just four points in the second half of a game at Auburn.

Unlike some players, Jenkins learned the value of solid defense at an early age. "I went to basketball camp for five or six years at Valdosta State and the coaches really emphasized defense," said Jenkins. "That's where I learned all my fundamentals."

He got a chance to use those fundamentals at home when he played basketball with his younger sister.

"She was the most valuable player in her division last year in Georgia and is really rated high," said Jenkins. "We grew up playing basketball together. She could never beat me because I was always tall. But I had to work to beat her. I couldn't just go out and do what I wanted against her."

The last two years he spent most of his practice time going against Kenny Walker and Bennett, two of the nation's premier forwards. Now, though, he is eagerly waiting for his chance to contribute regularly when it counts on the won-loss record.

"I know I can help the team with my defense," said Jenkins. "I also think my offense and rebounding will both be better this year, too."

"I'm just going to try to keep improving and I hope I can take up where I left off last year when I am 100 percent again. I just want to help us win again."

## Madison Starting To Come Around

EDDIE SUTTON feels Richard Madison is playing more consistent basketball despite having to play a new position this season.

"Madison is starting to play a lot better," said the UK coach. "He is not as comfortable inside with his back to the basket but he understands that he has to play there this season. He is becoming much more consistent and that is what we have to have."

"I feel good about the way I have been playing," said Madison. "I think I can do a lot of things to help this team and I still think we are going to be better than a lot of people think."

## Scott's Services Would Help Immediately

KENTUCKY hopes 6-11 Mike Scott, who left Wake Forest last December, will become a Wildcat after completing junior college work later this month. If he does, he could play in mid-January.

"We are still recruiting him hard," said Sutton. "If we can convince him this is the right place for him there is a strong chance he could play the second semester. I hope he comes because he is a fine player. He probably should have been here first because this is where his heart is."

"He could help us late in the conference race and hopefully in the NCAA. But first he has to make the decision to come and then decide if he wants to play this year or sit out until next season."

Scott enrolled at Lexington Community College after transferring from Wake Forest last January. He'll complete academic requirements on Dec. 19.

The Greenup County native will be eligible to play Jan. 17, one calendar year after leaving Wake Forest. He averaged 8.9 points and 5.8 rebounds a game in 16 games with the Demon Deacons.

## Lincoln Co. Raises Over \$1,000 For Baldwin

LINCOLN County cheerleaders collected \$1,025 before UK's final intrasquad scrimmage in Stanford to help offset medical expenses for injured Kentucky cheerleader Dale Baldwin.

The UK cheerleader had served as a volunteer coach for the Lincoln squad for about six weeks prior to being injured in a fall before a Kentucky scrimmage in Louisville earlier this month.

"All our girls had a lot of respect for Dale," said Kyle Wall, one of Lincoln's cheerleading coaches. "He had worked on gymnastics and different routines with our squad."

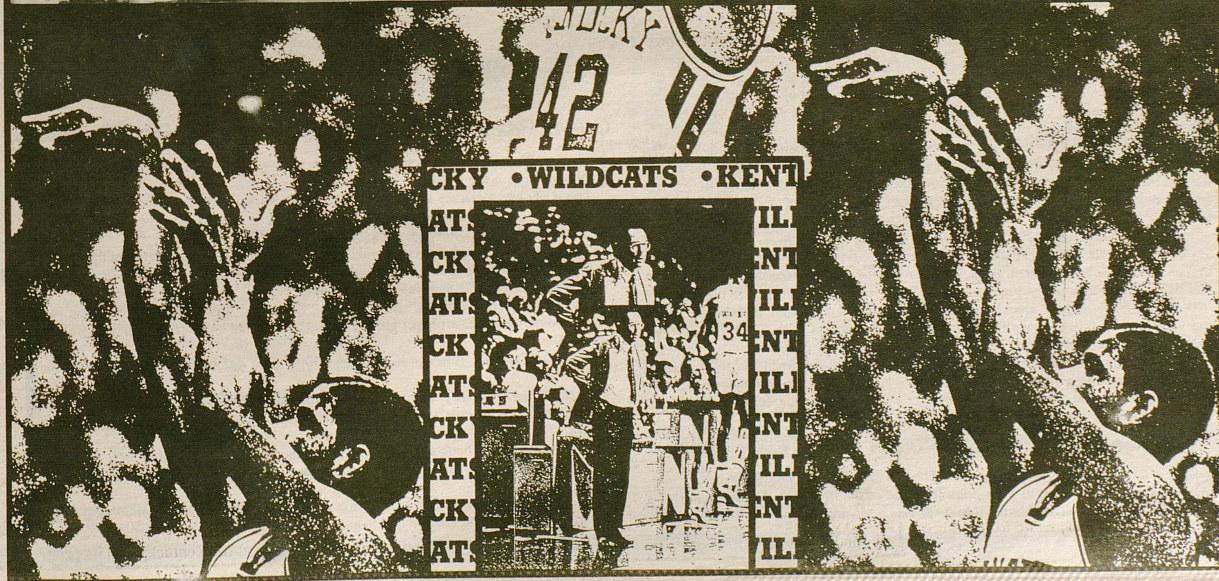
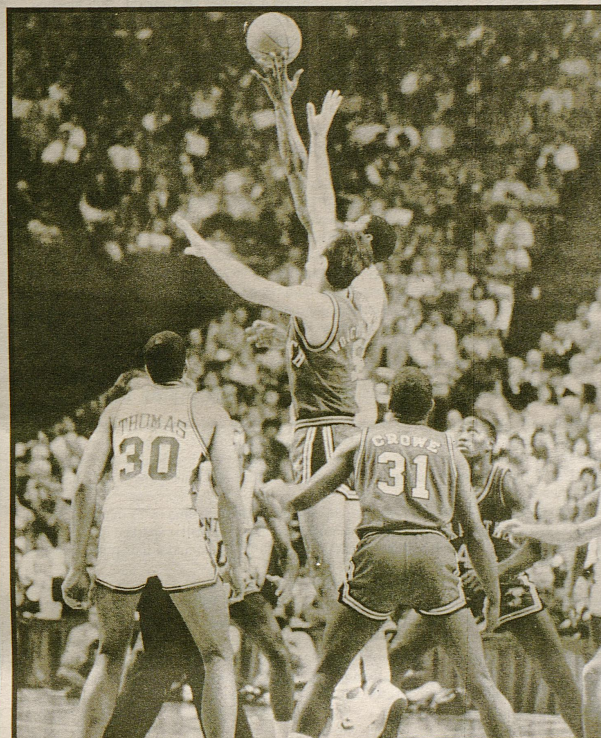
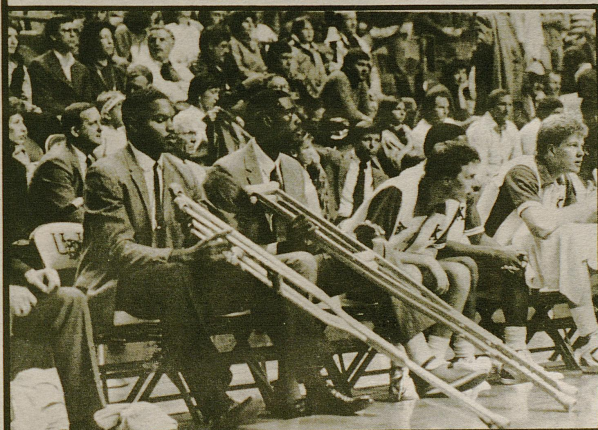
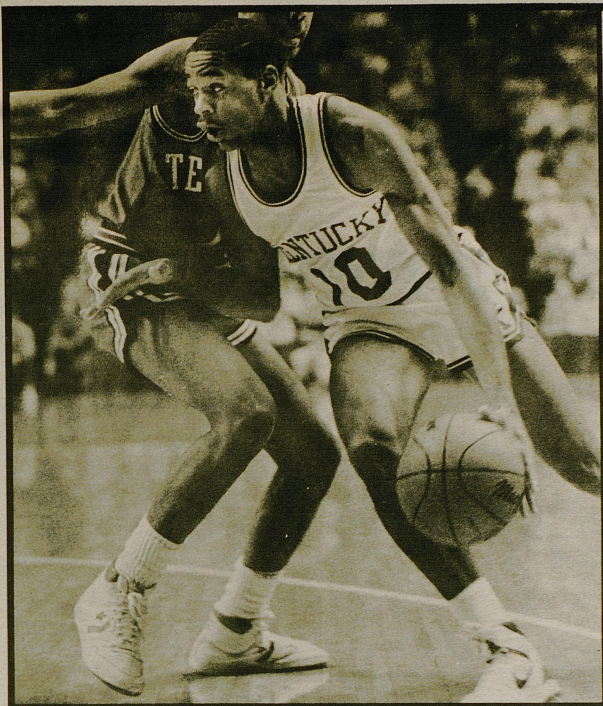
The money collected was sent to UK to be placed in a trust fund to help Baldwin.

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EASTERN Kentucky Coach Max Good, like other state coaches, would like a chance to play Kentucky. But, unlike some, Good understands Kentucky's position of not scheduling state schools other than Louisville.

In a recent interview with Mike Embry of The Associated Press, Good said, "I don't think anybody should legislate what Kentucky does. I don't think they should answer to anyone. I'd like the opportunity to play them, but I understand. I have a lot of respect for Kentucky and its program."







## Thomas, Freshmen Impressive

# Free Throws Help Hoosiers Turn

By Mike Estep

With such accomplished long range bombers as Steve Alford, Derrick Miller and Rex Chapman in the ballgame, you would have figured it might have come down to a three-point shooting contest. And if you saw IU's adolescent, half-pint ballboy making a mockery of the NCAA's newest rule before the game, it did nothing to change your mind.

Think again.

When Kentucky and Indiana met in a frenzied Assembly Hall for the 30th meeting in the rivalry that is fast becoming one of college basketball's best, it was the old one-pointer, the free throw, that decided the outcome.

Although Kentucky outgunned IU from the floor (28 field goals to 25), committed eight less turnovers (7 for UK, 15 for IU) and even outrebounded the taller Hoosiers 33-29, it was free throw shooting that kept the underdog Wildcats from claiming victory on their first road trip of the season, instead dropping a tough 71-66 decision.

While Kentucky could convert just five of 15 tosses from the charity stripe, Indiana made good on 18 of 23 attempts from the line, including a perfect eight for eight in the game's final two minutes.

In a five-point ballgame, that was the difference.

"Our defense was good enough to win," UK coach Eddie Sutton said. "If we would have hit our free throws, we would have won. I believe they hit 18 out of 23 free throws, and that was really the big difference in the ballgame."

Even with the dreadful free throw shooting, Kentucky was very much in the ballgame until the end. The same bunch that looked adequate at best in the first two games of the season against Austin Peay and Texas Tech, both played in the friendly confines of Rupp Arena, actually outplayed the homestanding Hoosiers for much of the game.

"Our kids played like hell last year and didn't win and their kids played like hell this year and didn't win," said Indiana coach Bob Knight. "And that is really what the whole thing should be about."

### Underdog Wildcats Nearly Pull Off Major Upset

Behind the improved play of sophomore Irv Thomas and freshmen Chapman and Miller, Kentucky was in a position to upset the third ranked team in the country heading into the last minute of the game. Had the visitors gotten a few breaks down the stretch, the 17,232 that packed Bloomington's Assembly Hall might have gone home shaking their heads.

After leading by six late in the first half, and then falling behind by as many as eight points on two occasions in the second stanza, Chapman and Miller sparked a Kentucky rally that put the Wildcats within one at 65-64 with a minute and a half remaining in the game.

After Chapman drove the right side and hit a spectacular double-pump 14-foot jumper while being closely guarded by Indiana's Steve Ehl with 1:33 left to play, the Hoosiers got the benefit of one of several questionable calls that were made down the stretch.

IU's Daryl Thomas grabbed an offensive rebound after a wild exchange which saw Knight's team miss four layups amid pushing and shoving in the lane by both teams. UK's Rob Lock was singled out for the foul by SEC official Paul Galvan.

"It was like all of the sudden, the whistle blew," Richard Madison said. "Even Indiana's guys were surprised."

IU's Thomas agreed.

"I was surprised because they were letting so much go," he said. "I felt pushing and banging and I was pushing and banging, too."

Thomas stepped to the line with :42 remaining and converted both ends of the one-and-one to give Indiana a 67-64 lead. Then on Kentucky's next possession, Chapman was whistled for a suspect walking call with :33 left to play. Chapman received the ball on a sloppy exchenge from James Blackmon right in front of the Kentucky bench. Chapman never gained control of the ball, but Big Ten official Tom Rucker whistled Chapman for the walking violation that all but assured the win for Indiana.

"I just batted the ball to the floor to keep from walking," Chapman said. "We were trying to get set up where we could run a play and get a three-pointer for Derrick. James handed the ball off to me and I didn't have control of it so I batted it to the floor. And when I did it kinda looked awkward, but I didn't think I walked. Of course it looked awkward, and we're on the road so we're not gonna get that call."

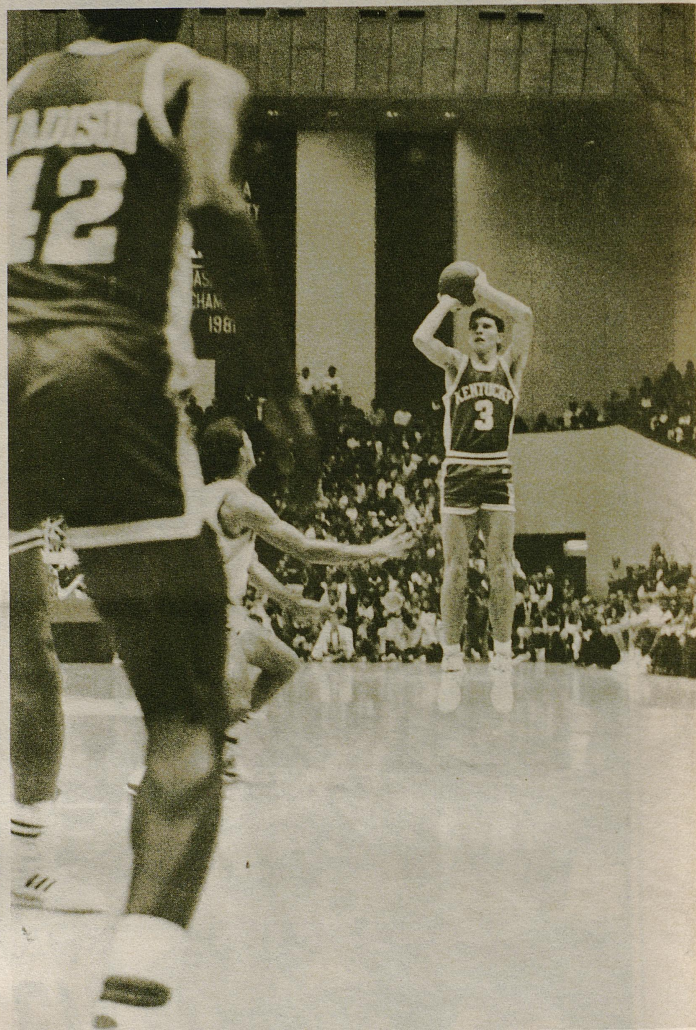
The play unfolded right in front of Sutton and the UK bench. "All I know is the rule says that when you don't have control of the ball, it's not traveling," Sutton said. "(But) the officials didn't cost us the game. Sometimes officials have bad days. When they do, you've got to play a little smarter and a little harder."

With the 45-second shot clock turned off, Indiana came down and held the ball, forcing Chapman to foul IU guard Joe Hillman in desperation with just :19 left in the ballgame. Hillman hit the two free throws and Indiana led 69-64.

After a Chapman three-pointer went awry on the next trip down the floor, Alford sank two free throws with less than 10 seconds to go to give Indiana an unsurmountable 71-64 lead. Chapman got an uncontested dunk as the last seconds ticked off the clock to account for the final score.

### Kentucky Controlled The Game In The Early Going

Behind the inspired inside play by UK's Thomas and the perimeter shooting of Chapman, Kentucky moved out to a six-point lead late in the first half. Thomas had six of his 10 points and seven of his team-high 10 rebounds and Chapman had nine of his



Guard Rex Chapman Demonstrates His Fine Downtown Range

game-high 26 points in the first period of play to give Kentucky a 30-24 advantage with 2:28 showing on the clock.

The 'Cats had a chance to build the lead when Miller picked off an errant pass and went in for a layup at the other end. But the freshman missed the shot, and Lock was unable to execute a follow-up dunk on the rebound.

"I just lost concentration," Lock said. "It turned out to be the easiest shot of the night."

Going with a lineup sprinkled with substitutes, Indiana then reeled off 10 unanswered points to take a 34-30 lead into intermission.

"When we were up 30-24," Sutton said, "the crowd was very quiet. But (the two missed shots on the fast break) got the crowd back. That's one reason they outscored us 10-0."

For one of the few times in recent memory, Knight agreed with the view from the UK camp.

"I think the whole key, from our standpoint, was the kids that played at the end of the first half," the IU coach said. "We were down 30-24 and apparently scored 10 straight points."

"Those kids came back at a point where we had gotten a little bit lethargic and Kentucky had really taken play away from us, and we got back into the ballgame with those five."

After the two teams traded baskets for much of the second half, Indiana put a run together to stretch the lead to eight on two occasions (56-48 and 58-50).

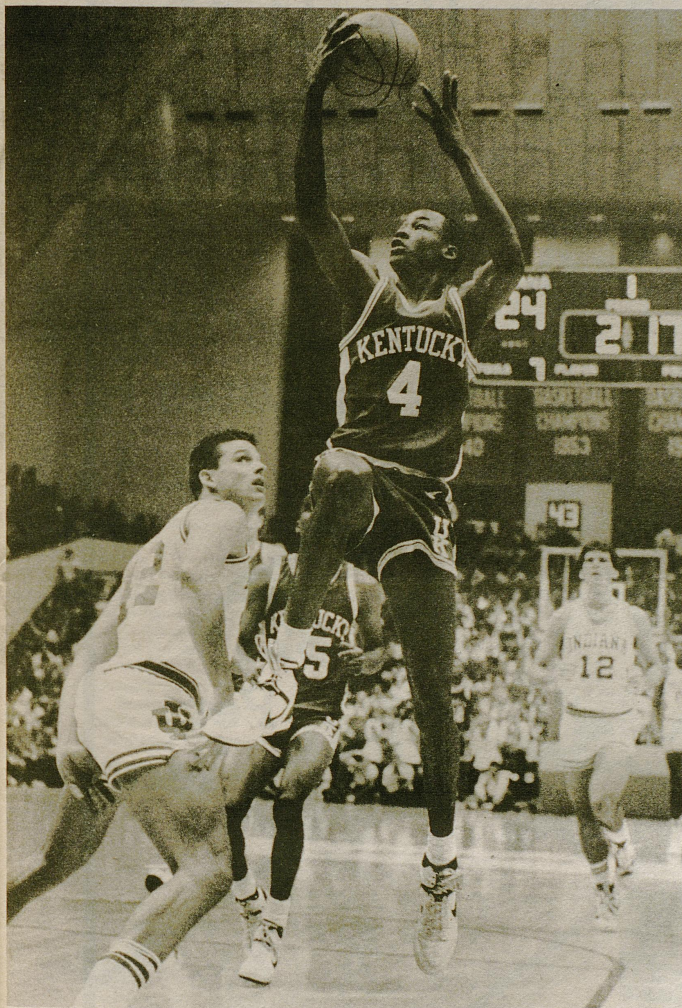
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# Turn Back Improved 'Cats 71-66



in Range Derrick Miller Goes Up For First-Half Layup. . . But Misses

Miller hit a 15-footer to close Kentucky to within 48-46 at the 9:30 mark. But then Alford and IU center Dean Garrett combined for five buckets to account for a 10-4 streak to stretch the lead to 58-50.

## Chapman Took Control For Kentucky Late In Second Half

But Chapman, who took over the point guard duties when junior Ed Davender fouled out with just over five minutes left to play, put on an amazing exhibition to get Kentucky back in the ballgame.

Sutton gave the sensational freshman from Owensboro the green light on the offensive end, and he responded by scoring 13 of his team's next 16 points, including two bombs from three-point range, a conventional three-point play on an acrobatic 15-footer and a free throw, and the shot over Eyl.

"He's very impressive and he's just going to get better," Alford said of Chapman after the game. They gave him the green light to shoot and you don't see too many freshmen getting the green light at that stage. To play in a foreign place with 17,000 people and play that well. . . he's tough mentally, too."

## Wildcat-Hoosier Tidbits

Kentucky outpointed Indiana from the field (28 of 56 for UK, 25 of 48 for IU), but the Hoosiers clinched the game from the free throw line. Indiana converted 18 of 23

freebies while Kentucky made just 5 of 15 from the line. . . That's a horrible 33 percent. . . Although Kentucky had been beaten 64-48 on the boards in their first two outings, the 'Cats outrebounded a much larger Hoosier squad 33-29. . . You might call **Richard Madison** a first-half player. Madison has 20 points through three games this season, but has been shut out of the scorebooks in the second half of play in each contest. . . Entering the IU game, senior guard **Paul Andrews** had attempted just one shot in 40 minutes of play this year. During one second-half stretch Saturday, Andrews put the ball up on three straight possessions, hitting one of them. Kentucky needs Andrews' outside shooting. . . UK point guard **Ed Davender** was held in check for the first time this season. Averaging 21.5 points coming into the game, the junior from Brooklyn hit just two of nine attempts from the field and fouled out with six points. . . Sophomore forward **Irv Thomas** had his best day in a Kentucky uniform before he was forced to make an early exit because of fouls. Thomas converted five of seven field goal attempts for 10 points and had 10 a team-high 10 rebounds in 28 minutes. . . Freshman sharpshooter **Derrick Miller** continued to make the most of his playing time, scoring 10 points on four for six shooting from the floor (two for two from three-point range) in 14 minutes of action. . . Super frosh **Rex Chapman** lived up to his advanced billing, scoring 13 of Kentucky's final 16 points. His 26-point outburst is the best of his brief three-game career. Chapman also rejected two Hoosier attempts. . . As usual, All-American guard **Steve Alford** led the Hoosiers with 26 points. With his first basket against Kentucky, the senior from New Castle, Ind., moved ahead of **Kent Benson** on the all-time Indiana scoring list. Alford is now third in the IU scorebooks behind **Don Schlundt** and **Mike Woodson**. . . Alford was also credited with a game-high six assists. . . IU center **Dean Garrett** chipped in with 13 points and a game-high 12 boards. . . Each team had a former All-American in attendance. Former Kentucky guard **Kyle Macy** and ex-Indiana forward **Randy Wittman** watched from the stands. . . With the loss, **Eddie Sutton** is now 1-1 against Indiana after taking over at Kentucky. IU coach **Bob Knight** raises his record against Kentucky above the .500 mark. Knight is now 10-9 against the Wildcats. . . Indiana holds a 16-14 advantage in the series and is 8-3 in games played in **Bloomington**.

## OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE

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### VISITORS (Last Name, First)

No.	KENTUCKY	FG		3-pt		FT	FTA	Rebounds		PF	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN		
		M	A	M	A			Off	Def									
30	Irving Thomas	f	5	7	0	0	0	4		10	5	10	1	3	1	28		
10	James Blackmon	f	2	3	0	0	0	1			4	5	4	2	0	0	1	33
42	Richard Madison	c	2	6	0	0	0	0			5	2	4	1	1	0	0	36
15	Ed Davender	g	2	9	0	0	2	2			3	5	6	4	0	0	1	29
3	Rex Chapman	g	10	18	3	5	3	6			3	2	26	0	2	1	1	36
14	Paul Andrews		1	3	0	0	0	0			0	1	2	0	0	0	0	10
44	Rob Lock		2	4	0	0	0	0			5	2	4	0	1	0	0	14
4	Derrick Miller		4	6	2	2	0	2			2	0	10	0	0	0	1	14

TOTAL FG %: 1st Half 12-27, 44% 2nd Half 16-29, 55.2% Game 28-56, 50%  
3-PT FG %: 1st Half 2-4, 50% 2nd Half 3-3, 100% Game 5-7, 71.4%  
FT %: 1st Half 4-4, 100% 2nd Half 1-6, 16.7% Game 5-15, 33.3%

### HOME (Last Name, First)

No.	INDIANA	PG	FGA	FG	FTA	FT	FTA	Rebounds	Off	Def	Tr	PF	TP	A	T	B	L	S	MIN
24	Daryl Thomas	f	4	7	0	0	4	4				7	4	12	1	1	0	0	20
23	Keith Smart	f	2	6	1	1	0	0				1	1	5	1	4	0	2	23
22	Dean Garrett	c	6	11	0	0	1	4				12	3	13	1	1	2	0	39
12	Steve Alford	g	10	19	2	2	4	5				2	2	26	6	3	0	2	38
44	Joe Hillman	g	1	2	0	0	3	4				0	4	5	4	2	0	0	27
32	Steve Eyl		0	0	0	0	2	2				2	1	2	1	1	0	0	23
42	Kreigh Smith		1	1	0	0	4	4				2	2	6	1	1	0	0	18
31	Dave Minor		1	2	0	0	0	0				2	0	2	1	2	0	0	10
30	Todd Meier		0	0	0	0	0	0				0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
TEAM REBOUNDS (included in Totals)														1					
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TOTAL FG %: 1st Half 12-25, 48% 2nd Half 16-23, 56.5% Game 28-48, 58.3%  
3-PT FG %: 1st Half 1-3, 33.3% 2nd Half 0-0, 0.0% Game 3-3, 100%  
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INDIANA		34	37	XX	XX	71

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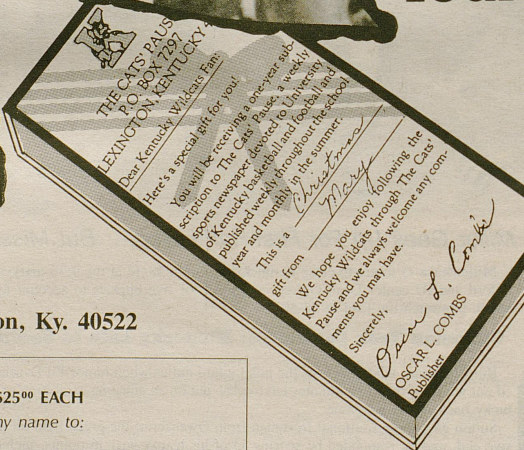
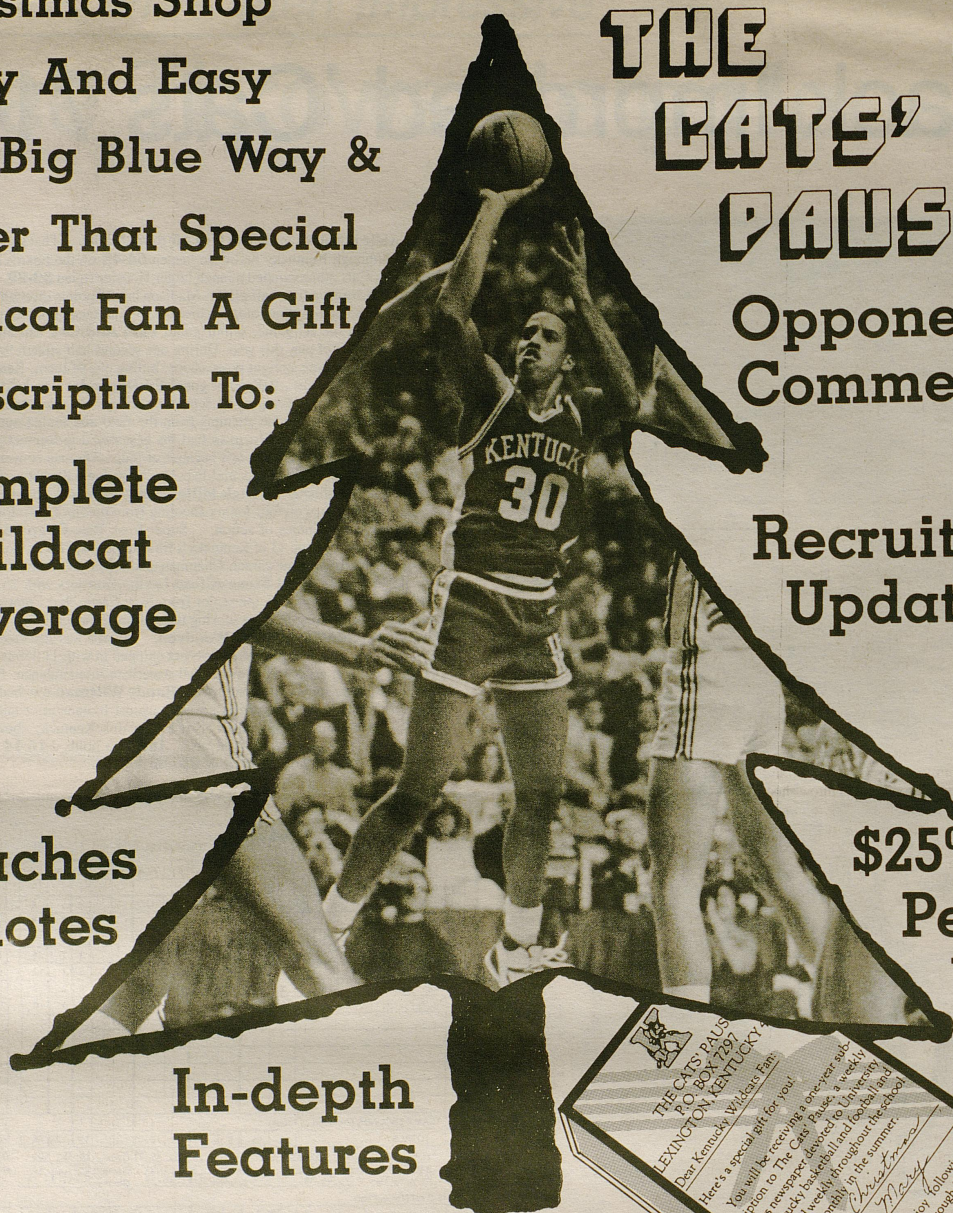
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## Look For UT's White To Be SEC's Best

SEC's New Commissioner Speaks Out

Now that Kentucky's injured Winston Bennett is out for the entire season, who would most likely be named the SEC's Player of the Year when tournament time rolls around in March?

Well, for beginners, how about Tennessee's Tony White? If that's the case, he would become the first guard to capture the *Associated Press* SEC Player of the Year honors since Kyle Macy of Kentucky won it in 1980.

White is a preseason choice by the media and the coaches to repeat the All-SEC team honors he has captured for the last two years. And many hoop publications—including *The Cats' Pause Basket-*



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ball Yearbook, *The Sporting News* and *Sport*—have listed White among the top All-American candidates.

Of course, there are other conference standouts who are worthy of MVP consideration. Players like Alabama's Derrick McKey, Florida's Vernon Maxwell and Andrew Moten, to pick a few. Among them, McKey is probably the strongest challenger as the 6-9 junior center is considered the most dominating returning player in the SEC on the inside.

But White, the 6-2 senior from Charlotte, N.C., is the frontrunner for the MVP race, in my opinion, as of right now. Many things can happen between now and then.

Nicknamed "The Wizard" because of his explosive, crafty style of play, White led all league scorers last winter with a 22.2-point average, while ranking second in free throw shooting at 87.3 percent.

During the 1985-86 season, the Vol standout had plenty of words of wisdom spoken about him because of his superb play on the court.

TV commentator Dick Vitale, for one, said White is "the best guard I've seen this season at making the shot off the dribble."

Norm Sloan, Florida's head coach, said, "That White drives me bananas. He's a marvelous player."

Georgia mentor Hugh Durham commented, "We're going to see a lot of Tony White. Tony White is usually around the ball. For us, finding him won't be a problem. Stopping him will be."

### White Hopes To 'See' Improvement This Year

And this year will be no exception as the announcers and the coaches alike will continue to heap praise on White.

But there's no telling how great a player White could become. That's after he recently admitted to sometimes "throwing the ball up blindly" during his first three seasons at UT. His vision wasn't exactly 20-20.

White, who is the school's seventh all-time leading scorer with 1,508 points entering this season, now wears contact lenses.

"I'm seeing a lot better. Last year I was just shooting in the direction of the nets," White said in an article in the *Chattanooga Times*.

So, you can't help but wonder if White's corrected vision will be enough to keep UT from repeating its 12-16 mark of last season, which ended with a 17-point setback to lowly Ole Miss in the SEC Tournament.

Recently, *Sport* magazine named White a first-team All-American guard along with Mark Jackson of St. John's. The UT star was obviously pleased with that honor.

"That makes me feel very good, knowing I came from nowhere out of high school," White said. "I wasn't even listed on the top 400 player list. That means coach (Don) DeVoe and his staff have taught me things which made me a better player. That's helped me get that kind of honor."

DeVoe said before the season that he was planning to employ White as the second guard this winter, rather than at the point. The coach wants to take advantage of White's sometimes explosive offensive weapons.

"It would be pretty tough to keep Tony White out of the lineup," DeVoe commented. "If we have some people to beat Tony White out, we're going to be in mighty fine shape."

### SEC's New Boss Gives His Thoughts

The SEC's new commissioner, Dr. Harvey Schiller—who is rumored to be one of the leading candidates to become the executive director of the NCAA—revealed this thoughts on various topics in his first interview on the job several weeks ago. The interview was conducted by Jimmy Bryan of the *Birmingham News*.

Dr. Schiller was asked if he's interested in running the NCAA and replacing Walter Byers, who is retiring in 1987. He replied, "I'm flattered that my name would be mentioned. But it would be a little foolish on my part, in my first interview as SEC commissioner, to talk about another job."

Following are some of Dr. Schiller's quotes on other subjects:

**Question: Do you favor a national playoff for college football?**

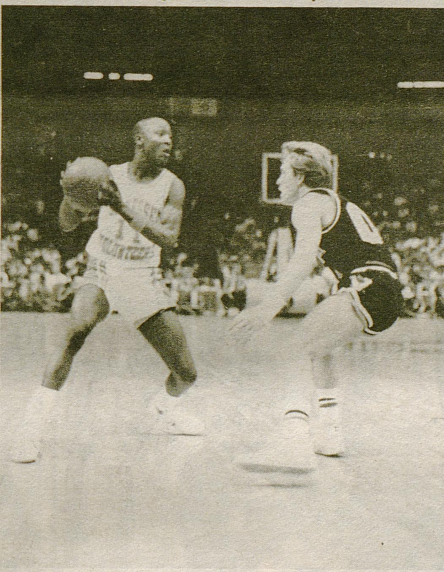
Schiller: I get asked that question everywhere I go. I really haven't had a lot of time to think about it. I think the bowl concept is great. It presents championship opportunities for the players, coaches and fans. Football is very different from basketball and baseball where you play the same teams several times. Even the Super Bowl is different. Pro teams get repeat opportunities to beat team in their conference, or division, to establish superiority. In college football, you play teams once and it's more a matter of who's best that day. I have no format for a playoff.

**Question: What are your feelings on Proposition 48?**

Schiller: I feel it's good. The most important part is the effect it will have on secondary schools. It is sending a strong message to high schools about preparing students for college. Not just athletes, but all students. The core curriculum shows we need a balance between home ec and English and math for all students. Did you know that the graduation rate for athletes exceeds that for all students entering the same class?

**Question: Do you think there is too much football on TV?**

Schiller: I don't get to watch a lot of football on TV. One of my dreams is to sit down one Saturday and watch it for hours. But, yeah, there's too much. I've said before we're turning into a clicking society. People sit on the couch and click those remote controls and watch several games at once. Nobody wants to watch the



Tennessee All-American Guard Tony White

commercial anymore. We want everybody to click on our games and stay there. No, let me say it this way. Our first goal is to bring fans into the stadium, and then get them to buy popcorn and hot dogs. Once we've sold out, then watch our games on TV."

**Question: With perks such as shoe contracts, lucrative TV and radio shows, free automobiles, etc., are coaches' salaries getting out of hand?**

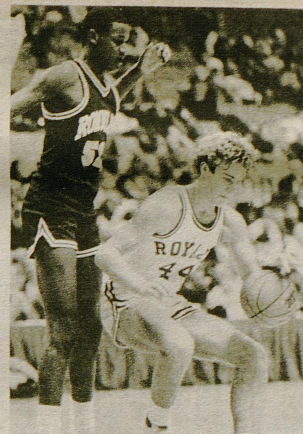
Schiller: That's pretty much up to the coaches and universities. It seems the coaches and universities are comfortable with it. The real problem is when compensation would be hidden, or under the table. But the university signs the contract with the coach and they make the decisions.

**Question: Can a big-time college football program be run successfully without bending the rules?**

Schiller: It's being done every day in the SEC. The teams in our conference are successful and they don't break the rules.

**Question: Is cheating a widespread problem?**

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Deron Feldhaus

### Stars Will Shine

### At Coca Cola's

### Thoroughbred Classic

Eric Manuel - Deron Feldhaus - Sean Sutton - Jay Edwards - Lyndon Jones.

Do these names mean anything to you? If you're a student of their UK-IU basketball series, they should mean everything.

The five should play a vital role in this heated basketball rivalry over the next four years.

Fans around the Commonwealth will have an opportunity to watch all five showcase their talents one time on December 20 at Lexington's Rupp Arena.

All five have already signed to play their collegiate basketball at UK and IU, the first three at Kentucky and the last two with Bob Knight's Hoosiers.

The fabulous five and their teams will be competing in an all-day affair from sunrise to sunset.

The event will be the first annual Coca Cola Thoroughbred Classic, a day-long buffet of blue-chip basketball in between sessions of the annual UK Invitational Tourney.

The sun-riser will begin at 9 a.m. with Lexington's Bates Creek, headed by the talented Jerome Coles, taking on highly regarded Baylor Prep of Chattanooga, Tennessee.

In the second game at 10:45 a.m., Feldhaus and Mason County will collide with Lexington's Bryan Station.

Then, the USA's top teams take over.

Marion High of Indiana, currently ranked the nation's No. 1 team by almost all prep recruiting services will meet Lexington's Lafayette and Prince Stewart at 12:30 p.m.

The day's final game will be a fitting climax as prep All-American Eric Manuel lead his Macon (Georgia) Southwest team against Lexington's Henry Clay at 2:15 p.m.

This one could be a real gem. Macon is ranked No. 4 nationally and may send as many as four of its starting five to major colleges some day.

Henry Clay, which was very impressive in last week's Hillbrook Classic, finished second only to Paintsville in the 12-team tournament.

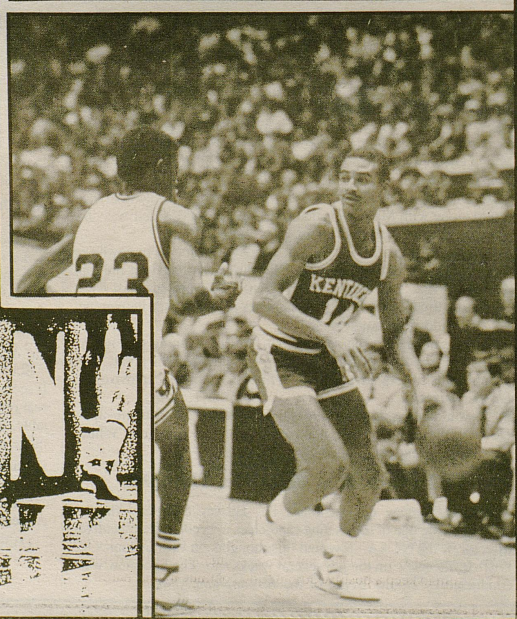
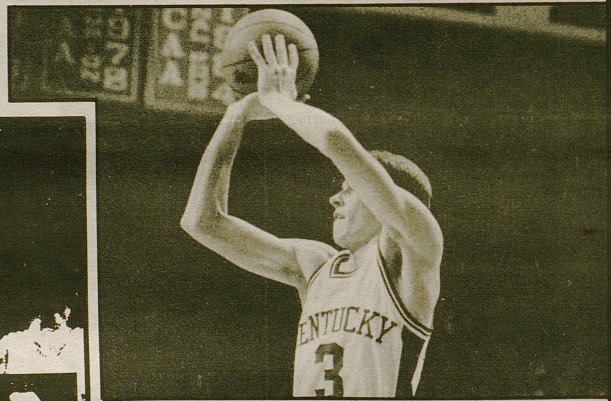
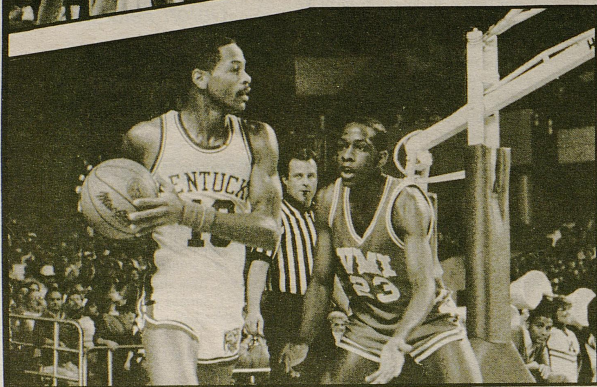
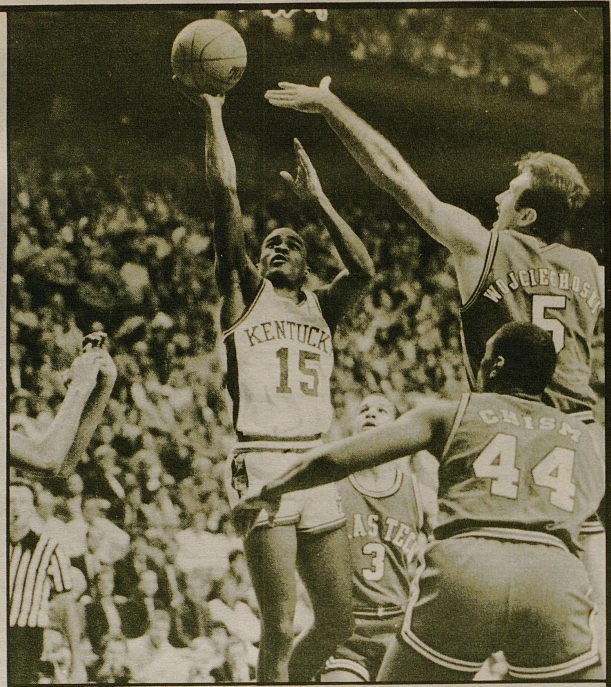
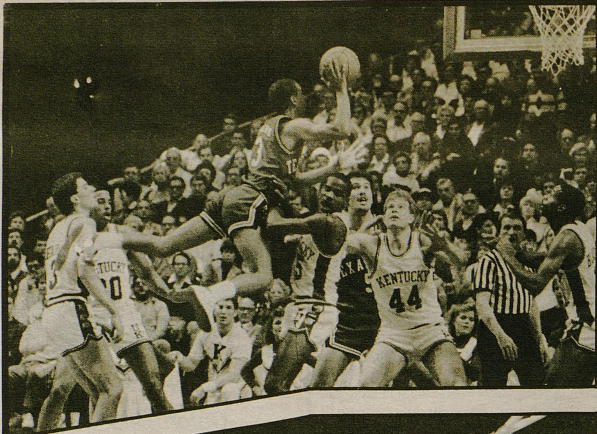
Manuel, who has played both forward and guard at Macon, reportedly is concentrating on his guard play this year so fans could be witnessing a Manuel-Sutton showdown.

Tickets to the big event are on sale at the Rupp Arena ticket office or at any Ticketron office around the nation.

Tickets can be ordered by either phone or mail and MasterCard or Visa could be used in the purchases.

The Rupp Arena ticket office telephone number is (606) 233-4567.







## Good Attitude Keeps Teams In Line

Blackmon And Lock Are Hard Workers

Being in a good frame of mind usually results in positive production. The UK Wildcats have key members of their team injured, yet they are winning games through sheer hard work and determination.

I would much rather play ball with a bunch of guys who are willing to listen and play hard versus guys who have all the talent in the world but don't think of the team first or have bad attitudes.

I think that by not having a positive attitude during my playing days I hurt myself more than anybody. I felt like I should have played more, but if I would have looked at the situation realistically, I



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Cats' Pause Columnist

should have been happy to be on the team. When you have guys like Dirk Minniefield, Jim Master, Derrick Hord, James Blackmon and Roger Harden on your team, there's not too much room for error.

However, like all high school players who are supposed to be "stars," I couldn't understand why I wasn't playing more. I felt like I proved it during practice, but I wasn't getting that much playing time.

It's awfully tough to go back home and face your friends. The first thing they want to know is, "Why aren't you playing? Why aren't you shooting the ball?" Questions that I really couldn't answer.

I think about how each individual copes with the ups and downs of being in college. It's a very big step. I was not mentally prepared for college. Even when I was in college, most of my experiences were new to me. It takes a lot of hard work in the classroom, as well as on the court, to maintain a positive attitude.

If you're having trouble in the classroom, it usually affects your game, and vice versa. It's a tough mental game that will be very shaky to this year's recruiting crop. I'm sure the recruits are happy, but they will soon realize the rigorous schedule that lies ahead of them.

A lot of people say that some of the athletes who are affected by Proposition 48 are being treated unfairly. I really don't feel that way. That extra year can mean so much to a person. Winston Bennett's injury will probably be a blessing in disguise. That extra year will benefit those individuals in the classroom. In Bennett's case, not only can he concentrate on his class work, but he will benefit from watching the game tips that may be helpful.

Mentally, Bennett will put himself in each situation that he sees from the bench. Once he's thought about it, he may have a solution to a particular type of defense to play. Being mentally prepared can be as important as anything you do, before or during a game.

That's why I really like coach Eddie Sutton and his assistants. They keep the players in a positive frame of mind. It's tough to keep everyone on the team happy, but as a coach I feel that is just as important as winning. That's why I probably won't be a coach. Anyway, each guy must feel like he is a part of the team. It takes a combination of having good kids and good coaches. The UK Wildcats have that combination.

### Blackmon And Lock Will Work Things Out

James Blackmon isn't playing anywhere near his capabilities right now. People have almost given up on him. The same goes for Rob Lock. It's terrible when your own student body boos you. These two guys are not only having to deal with their slow starts, but they have the media saying things that may not be very nice.

If you keep hearing negative things, it naturally takes a toll on you. This is something I had to deal with.

Once I got injured I kept reading negative things which were written about me. I thought I was being picked on. If people don't know what's going, it's kind of difficult for them to pass judgement. In Blackmon and Lock's situations, I think they are two guys who aren't playing to their potential. But they will. James may not be scoring but he's playing good solid defense.

He's giving the Wildcats a ball handler plus the threat of having an explosive offensive performance on any given night. I feel that James is going to explode real soon. He must realize that this is his last go-around. He must not worry about past performances.

James is too good of a player not to be producing. My best advice is for him to keep a positive attitude and continue to play hard.

The rest will fall in place. For James it's all mental. If he can shake all the negative thoughts away from his talents, then look out.

What upsets me most about some of UK's students is... why don't they harass the opposing team? What sense does it make to boo your own players? Maybe Rob Lock will come out fighting and perform better.

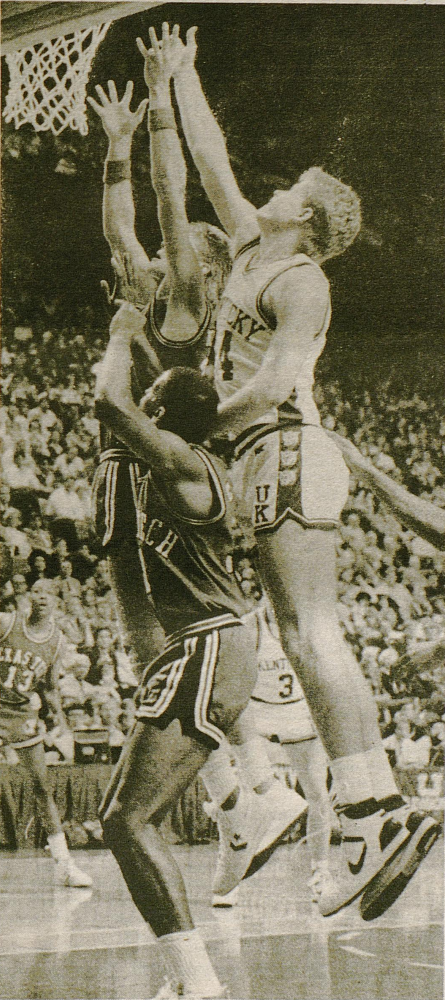
### UK Band Needs To Strike Up A Different Tune

It's not only the student body but some of the band members who also give players a hard time. I think that's a bit ridiculous, but that's something that Rob must overlook.

The season is young and there will be times when Lock will play a vital role. It has to be on Lock's mind that Mike Scott may be around by mid-January. Cedric Jenkins also may be back by the time 1987 hits the present day calendar.

Right now it's Lock's chance to shine. I sure hope he takes advantage of the situation.

Yes, having talent is a big help. There are many talented players



Rob Lock

today. However, a lot of these talented performers aren't prepared mentally. For instance, Ed Davender, Kenny Walker, Kyle Macy are some of the ones you might be familiar with who have this mental toughness.

Why are they so successful?

It's because they have the talent plus are prepared every time they step on the court. Mentally these guys are always thinking what they want to achieve. They then go out and do their stuff. Some pretty talented stuff if I do say so myself.

## UK's Sutton Likes Idea Of Big Four In Hoosier Dome

The "Big Four."

Kentucky - Notre Dame - Louisville - Indiana. You've often heard of such a event and UK coach Eddie Sutton admits he would be in favor of such a show, perhaps annually in Indianapolis.

The idea would be to bring in the four big schools to the Hoosier Dome, divide the 60,000-plus tickets equally among the four schools and play two doubleheaders the first weekend of the season.

Sutton said the only problem with the event would be an already crowded schedule. Such an event would probably mean eliminating regular season games among the schools.

According to reliable reports, Notre Dame is in total favor of a big four as is Louisville. The chances of the event becoming reality are improving each day according to one source close to the UK situation.

Sutton is believed to be a strong supporter for the idea because of the season-opening affair would draw national attention, allowed 60,000 fans to watch all four teams and it would open up at least one game on his schedule.

"We'd like to be able to play a couple games on the road to some big cities like Chicago and New York for recruiting purposes and we wouldn't be able to do that with the big four and then regular season games with both Indiana and Louisville, but we certainly want to play both of them," Sutton said recently.

## Gators Reportedly Interested In Eastern's Roy Kidd

Any time a big-time football power stumbled on the way to an expected post season bowl, changes will surely follow.

A good example might be the Florida Gators which had come off a string of spectacular years and three years of probation in 1986 only to swallow a bitter pill of six victories and five defeats.

Obviously, the Gators are staying home for the holidays for a third straight year.

Last week rumors were circulating that Eastern Kentucky University head coach Roy Kidd might be joining the Gator staff as Galen Hall's assistant head coach.

Kidd, who has the Eastern Kentucky Colonels in the thick of the NCAA Division IAA play-offs, has won a pair of national championships at the Richmond school.

One report has Kidd making a decision when his current season ends, either this Saturday or after the championship game which will be played later this month.

Meanwhile, Florida's inside linebacker coach Jim Dickey is reportedly seeking the head coaching job at the University of Houston.

Dickey, who was head coach at Kansas State for eight years, played at Houston and once was an assistant coach there.

Rumors in Florida persist that Hall wants an experienced coach who can handle practice chores at least twice a week while Hall is whirling around the state on the recruiting trails.

One source said the recruiting is so intense in the state with rival powers like Miami and Florida State, not to mention Auburn, Georgia and Alabama, that Hall feels he has to be on the road at least two days a week, protecting his territory.



## Croley Free Throws Allow Lady Kats To Halt Hoosiers In OT

Kentucky's Bebe Croley connected on two free throws with 16 seconds remaining in overtime enabling the Lady Kats to defeat Indiana 63-61 last Wednesday. UK led 62-59 following Croley's free throws. After a basket by IU's Cindy Bumgarner, Kentucky's Sandy Harding cashed in on one charity toss with five seconds left. The win officially belonged to UK when the hosts failed to get a shot off as time expired.

Harding paced the Kats' attack with 18 points. Croley, who earlier this season earned MVP of the Lady Kat Tourney, scored 14 points against the Lady Hoosiers. She also grabbed a game-high 14 rebounds to boot. Guard Jodie Whitaker, former Miss Indiana Basketball (1985), also chipped in 14 points and dished out a game-high six assists.

With the win UK's record is now 3-0 while Indiana stumbled for the first time this season in three outings.

IU had a chance to win the ballgame in regulation. With one second remaining, however, Karna Abram missed the front end of a one-and-one situation. Thus, the game had to be decided in the extra period.

Abram scored a game-high 22 points for the Lady Hoosiers.

KENTUCKY (63)									
Name	min	fg-a	ft-a	rb	a	pf	tp		
Pam Shrum	25	1-2	0-0	3	0	2	2		
Bebe Croley	45	6-18	2-3	14	0	1	14		
Debbie Miller	39	3-8	1-2	5	1	3	7		
Sandy Harding	45	8-17	2-4	1	5	3	18		
Jodie Whitaker	45	6-15	2-4	2	6	0	14		
Lora Spencer	7	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	0		
Melanie Warren	6	1-2	0-0	2	2	0	2		
Shannon Freeman	13	3-4	0-0	3	1	5	6		
Team									
Totals	225	28-67	7-13	36	15	15	63		
INDIANA (61)									
Name	min	fg-a	ft-a	rb	a	pf	tp		
Karna Abram	39	11-20	0-1	8	4	1	22		
Cindy Bumgarner	38	6-14	6-6	7	4	2	18		
Noel Young	31	1-3	0-0	8	2	1	2		
Skeeter Lounsbury	36	2-4	0-0	3	6	3	4		
Angie Mooney	35	3-5	0-1	0	2	6			
Rose Carlton	14	3-6	3-4	5	0	2	9		
Diane Small	9	0-1	0-0	2	0	1	0		
Nancy Cowan	2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0		
Trish Knick	20	0-2	0-0	1	2	3	0		
Team									
Totals	225	26-57	9-12	39	23	15	61		
Kentucky								28-28	63
Indiana								22-34	61
Field-goal shooting: Kentucky, 41.7; Indiana, 45.6. Free-throw shooting: Kentucky, 53.8; Indiana, 75.0. Technicals none. Turnovers: Kentucky, 14; Indiana, 23. Attendance: 428.									



## UK's Performance At IU Earned Respect

Three-Pointer Is 'New Coat Of Paint'

**A** natural high and things. Remember the last time your kid did something really special? Maybe wowed you a bit with how smart she has become, or how skilled he is ... with a ball in his hands?

Remember that gush of "pride" that quelled up inside? One of those special, exhilarating moments all of us want more of in our lives, right? A feeling you would like to hang onto for a while.

A natural high. It can be goose bumps when "Happy" Chandler sings "My Old Kentucky Home."



Bob Watkins

Cats' Pause Columnist

Or a hard-to-swallow feeling when Lou Rawls bellows the national anthem while somebody runs the flag up the pole.

Or, (in sports) when a team of underdogs plays better than it is supposed to. A bunch of ballplayers do things they're not able to do yet. But they're doing them anyway.

The kind of things that make a person's heart pound, throat dry out, hands wring.

A natural high. And sometimes a moment like that can make a person go misty-eyed too.

"No, I don't have anything in my eye," a man said last Saturday when IU Coach Bob Knight stepped out to center court in Assembly Hall, patted Rex Chapman on the rear and stopped to talk with James Blackmon.

General Bob was drooling over Kentucky's man-to-man defense. However improbable, the moody Blackmon has become its heart.

Last Saturday afternoon was one of those "proud to be a Kentuckian" times, wasn't it?

The kids in blue shirts and shorts had played the bejeepers out of Knight's Hoosiers and he knew it. You and I did too.

The Wildcats outplayed Knight's team—had more field goals (28 to 25), more rebounds (32 to 28) and fewer turnovers (seven to 10). Indiana had to work like the dickens and get a break at the end to win by five points when the home floor is supposed to be an eight-point advantage before the opening tip. It is especially so against an inexperienced, outmanned bunch of guys from a border state.

Mind games? Sutton had outflanked the master there too and, therefore, outcoached him. Knight's bluster and allegations of misdeeds by UK players had not distracted or intimidated Sutton's players. They were well-prepared, determined, toughened for Assembly Hall and the Stormy One.

Too bad the game came down to an official's call. Did Rex Chapman double-dribble or not? Doesn't matter, does it? What matters now is the wonderful pride UK's players gave folks back on this side of the Ohio River. The feeling, that flood of emotion. A natural high.

Yep, this is what sports is all about. Good feelings inside.

For most diehard Kentucky fans it is as close as you will get to the players. But it is close enough since heroes have to have a little distance to remain so. And the kids in blue were certainly heroes in Bloomington Saturday.

So, when Kentucky's basketball team got back on the bus and headed out of Bloomington for the ride home, there had to be a good feeling inside. And one waiting on the other end too.

IU won Saturday's game, but when the disappointment of that wears off, and it soon will, a glow of promise remains on, because inside Kentucky's basketball team a kind of chemistry began to surface yesterday. Maturity maybe.

Ed Davender was wound up a bit too tight, but Irv Thomas was nourished by the frenzy and tumult instead of being intimidated by it.

Derrick Miller had his mind locked onto one thing, locating a line on the floor at his toe tips and a crack of daylight.

Richard Madison and Rob Lock slowed Daryl Thomas (12 points, seven rebounds), and countered with eight points and 10 rebounds of their own.

And, finally there was "the kid," Rex Chapman. When the going got toughest, the crowd loudest, the moment most excruciating, the 18-year-old rose up like, well, Roy Hobbs. He wanted the ball. And the kid was brilliant.

"I just hope Kentucky fans don't get down on us," Chapman said before leaving Assembly Hall.

Down? What down?

If you are a Kentuckian, it was a natural high.

### Hot topics

*A Season On The Brink*, a book by John Feinstein (Washington Post) about a season with the Indiana Hoosiers and Bob Knight is bound to cause quite a stir around these parts. Check your local book store.

Bits and pieces in an excerpt version of the book published in *Sports Illustrated* last month will be enough to anger many UK fans.

Examples...

■ About Steve Alford's suspension before last year's UK-IU game, Feinstein writes: "The irony was obvious. Kentucky was one of the most penalized schools in NCAA history. It was one of two schools that has had an entire schedule canceled."

■ The *Lexington Herald-Leader* reported "a pattern of alleged payoffs to former Kentucky players during the 13-year tenure of former coach Joe B. Hall. Already, the NCAA is dragging its feet in following up on the newspaper's revelations."

Comment Interesting symantics in one sentence Feinstein chooses *alleged payoffs* and in the next *newspaper revelations*.

Feinstein has pretty much made up his mind about some things.

■ "What a scenario: Kentucky, bastion of cheating, facing Indiana, bastion of honesty, and whom had the NCAA chosen to suspend? Indiana's best player."

■ Knight is quoted thus: "There are kids on that (UK) team right now who have gotten more crap from alumni than any players in the country. I suppose Kenny Walker's never gotten anything. Anyone who believes that is either stupid or blind."

### Sutton's reaction

Two days before the UK-Indiana game, UK's coach was asked what he thought of the book since Knight had accused Kentucky of cheating. What about *A Season On The Brink*?

"What's that?" Sutton replied. "I've never heard of it."

"Some people have told me about it, but I haven't read it and I don't care to read it," he added. "I'm not going to read it because I like Bobby Knight. He's my friend."

Comment Sort of a classy response, don't you think?

### Steitz on 3-pointers

Will college basketball's 3-point basket be abolished before the new year? Or, perhaps moved out from 19 feet, nine inches to 20 feet, five inches (international distance)?

Probably not.

Dr. Edward Steitz is director of athletics at Springfield College, Mass. and a member of the NCAA Basketball Rules Committee. "I think it's far to early to make a fair judgement on the 3-point basket," Steitz said last week. "The jury's still out as far as I'm concerned. We want to wait for the overall impact on all the Division I teams."

"Besides, I haven't had anybody tell me it's harmed the game. I haven't heard one player say they're opposed to it."

Doesn't the shot, largely because of its short distance, distort the game, particularly in the last few minutes of a close game?

"If you asked Dean Smith he'd probably say the distance isn't far enough," Steitz said. "I think the spectators love it, it gets them into the game. You can be down by 16 points and, bingo!"

Most coaches, so far at least, have been critical.

"Well, that's another factor that's still to come — when the coaches learn how to defense the thing, it's going to make a big difference too."

And what about those who say "if it ain't broke, don't fix it"?

"You don't want to wait until it needs fixing, do you?" Steitz countered. "There's nothing wrong with putting a new coat of paint on."

"For example, look at Villanova (1985 NCAA champion). Without the 45-second clock do you think they'd have won the NCAA? Of course not."

Steitz pointed out that there is always opposition to change. His points about waiting till the end of this season to correctly measure the impact of the 3-point hoop are well taken.

### UK bush leaguers

UK students, and apparently some season ticket holders, booed last week when Eddie Sutton — intent upon giving his starters a rest — put Robert Lock into the Texas Tech game at Rupp Arena. The booing was first class bush league tactics, demonstrated how ignorant some fans can be.

"That kind of thing could ruin what confidence Lock has," one longtime UK fan said after the game. "We've got some of the dumbest fans in the world."

Those UK fans who booed Lock ought to check the record books, research the name Ed Beck. He was a 6-7, 210-pound center from Valley Station, Ga. who shot bricks for Adolph Rupp almost three decades ago.

The Wildcats' starting center, Beck averaged little more than two points a game his senior year, but he was a tough customer who showed up every night wearing his "game face" and it paid off. In 1958 Beck was the captain of the Wildcat team that won the NCAA championship.

Nobody ever booed Ed Beck.





# VIEWPOINT

## Letters To The Editor

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### Who's Sorry Now?

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my subscription renewal and a gift subscription for a friend of mine who is a fan of the Arkansas Razorbacks.

Right after Eddie Sutton was hired at Kentucky's coach, he said some people in Arkansas were glad he left.

Me, I'm an Eddie Sutton man. And I want my friend and all his buddies in Arkansas to find out every week just what kind of a job Eddie is doing and how much we Kentucky fans appreciate him.

Arkansas' loss is certainly Kentucky's gain.

Thanks for a great paper,

Richard Congleton  
Houston, Texas

### Boo To Students

Dear Sir:

I'd like to address this to the UK student section:

You obviously do not realize how lucky you are to have the chance to watch Kentucky. I cannot believe you would boo a player, regardless of their performance.

For a fan in Tennessee who strains to hear the broadcast of each game over the radio, this had to be my biggest disappointment in UK basketball ever. What about pride and tradition?

Are you not supposed to be the sixth man? I would rather the student section be empty than to have one of its own players booed.

Next time, if you are going to boo, just stay home and study. Better yet, find another university. I don't want you at UK.

True Blue Always,

Mike Murphy  
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

P.S. If you disagree with me, please let me know!

**Editor's note: Reader Murphy is referring to the student section booing center Rob Lock twice during a recent home game. Reader Murphy will also read Coach Sutton's comments elsewhere in this edition on the students' action.)**

### Ford Has Better Idea

Dear Sir:

Being a resident of Louisville, being a fan of the University of Kentucky and being a reader of *The Courier-Journal*, I believe you can understand how many Big Blue followers feel about certain things in Louisville.

You might say I feel pretty good for a change. Kentucky is off to a pretty good start, Louisville lost its first three games and now the greatest news of all, Billy Reed appears to be on his way out.

Many of my friends have worked for years at Ford Motor Company here in Louisville

and they always insisted their trucks are better than anyone's.

I don't know about trucks because I've never driven one, let alone own one.

But I've got to agree that "Ford has a better idea." - pun intended.

Sincerely yours,

Shelby Owens  
Louisville, Kentucky

**(Editor's note: Reader Owens apparently is referring to the newspaper situation where there has been a difference of opinion between sports editor Reed and the new executive sports editor Steve Ford over Reed's role as a columnist at the newspaper.)**

### The Mystery Kid

Dear Sir:

Who's the mystery kid?

He was in Rupp Arena on Senior Day last March. When the NBC camera picked him out of the crowd, Dick Enberg—in one of his less brilliant moments as a sportscaster—called him Sean Sutton. No way! He wasn't even wearing a diamond-patterned sweater.

Now I open my November 29 issue of *The Cats' Pause* and find the same kid on page 17, sitting next to Sean Sutton. Who is he?

Next question: What's Rex Chapman's real birthday? The TCP yearbook says October 5, 1964, which would make him about seven weeks younger than Kenny Walker. If Rex is 22, he's going to end up succeeding Dick Clark as the World's Oldest Living Teen-Ager.

Sincerely,

Angela Stockton  
Gulfport, Mississippi

**(Editor's note: Reader Stockton is a very avid follower to say the least. To answer question number one, Enberg was half right. The kid's name is Sutton, but not Sean. He's Sean's kid brother, Scott, who is very big for his age and could develop into quite a basketball player. As for Chapman's age, you're quite correct in challenging this piece of information. Rex is actually 19. He was born in 1967.)**

### Thinks Of Joe B.

Dear Sir:

My check is enclosed for subscription plus a few thoughts from yours truly Kentucky Lake slab fisherman.

Our Brooks Wildcat special west of Kentucky Lake will make trips to UKIT, Georgia at Freedom Hall, Alabama and Ole Miss as always.

I enjoyed your comments on my friend Steve Rardin, especially his comments on his tour of duty in World War II. I was there and I took a 39-day cruise from E.T.O. to Manila. Maybe we can have a chat about that. I have a souvenir for him.

On October 14, I took in Cats' Nite Out. It was a five-hour drive and it was worth it.

I got news for Mr. (Denny) Crum. All that hoopla was fine with me. Eddie Sutton made my day for lots of reasons, mainly by shaking my hand and chit-chatting.

I look forward to watching and listening to our team. I worked in Illinois for Allied Chemical last season and took a lot of lip about Louisville winning NCAA. My standard answer has always been that I don't care if one of the "B" teams in Kentucky wins if Kentucky doesn't because UK will still be the "A" team.

One thought about the 3-point field goal. It's fun to watch unless we lose the game. It appears to me that if a player is fouled and misses the three-point shot, he should be given three free throws. What's the difference?

What if shoot's front foot is one-quarter inch back of line and the zebra's not in position to see it. And so it goes.

The sun is shining and I gotta get to the lake. I think of Joe B. each time I catch a slab of croppie.

Sincerely yours,

Strawberry Cope  
Benton, Kentucky

### Astonished At Fans

Dear Sir:

I was astonished at the UK so-called fans' actions during the Kentucky-Texas Tech game when they booed Robert Lock entering the game but then cheered for him when he made a rebound basket and pulled down a rebound.

He did foul out but he got out there and worked hard trying to make something happen.

Those people didn't have much UK spirit to boo a player trying his best for them and the Wildcats.

I would like to thank Robert Lock for getting out there on the court and representing UK. You've made a lot of progress, Robert. There are a lot of television viewers who have faith in you and your ability. These fans cheer for you even if they can't be in the stands to do it. So keep up the work and you'll get there.

I admire the way Eddie Sutton sticks up for his players with the refs. Keep it up, Eddie.

A devoted UK fan,

Lori Dunn  
Owensboro, Kentucky

### It's WLW-700 In North

Dear Sir:

I would like to know where I can tune in the UK basketball games. As you can see, I live in Michigan. This is the first year I have been unable to listen to games on radio.

The only way I have to follow the Big Blue is through your *Cats' Pause*, and in past through the eyes of Cawood and Ralph. I think they are the best two people in radio.

This is Big Ten Country. Most of the time, the Big Blue are on national television, the local stations will not carry the games. I use

to be able to get some games on ESPN, but I also see that they are not carrying any SEC games this year.

I guess by the season end I will have enough of Big Ten and Big East basketball. But one good thing, I will be able to get to Lexington to see a couple of games this year.

I for one think UK made a wise choice in Mr. Sutton for basketball coach. I also know the Big Blue will again be at the top when the season's over. We still have quality players at the University of Kentucky.

As the season's end, the Big Blue will prevail. Go Big Blue!

Yours truly,

Robert Falls  
Grand Blanc, Michigan

**(Editor's note: You should be able to pick up the 50,000-watt, clear-channel WLW Radio in Cincinnati at 700 on your radio dial without any trouble at all. Although ESPN won't be carrying any games this season, you will be able to pick up several games on the USA Cable Network.)**

### Bobby Jealous Of UK?

Dear Sir:

I just got through reading *Sports Illustrated's* article about Bobby Knight and the new book out about him.

Seems like Bobby is a bit jealous of the Kentucky program for some reason.

For the life of me, I can't understand why people think Knight is so great. Is it because he uses all that filthy language and people are scared of him?

From what I hear, he has problem handling his own family, let alone trying to tell everyone else how to run their lives.

Bobby deserves the people he associates with and if my son is ever good enough to play college basketball, you can rest assured Mr. Knight will never have the opportunity to even enter my home, let alone sign him.

Knight is a disgrace to college basketball and everything it stands for.

Knight only likes programs and coaches that he can beat every year. When Michigan and Illinois starting beating him, he starts disliking them.

His ego is so big that he thinks no one can beat the all mighty unless they cheat.

Bobby may have some grey hair, but he still hasn't matured very much.

Sincerely yours,

Ted Sumner  
Chicago, Illinois

### The Crap Of '75

Dear Sir:

I read where Bobby Knight talks about all the crap that has gone on at Kentucky under Joe B. Hall.

It's amazing how Joe B. was his best friend when he was winning those close games in the early 1970s and then how bad Joe B.

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## Mel Holbrook

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a regular basis at the Lexington Athletic Club.

"The only way I put it into perspective is that people always pull for the underdog," Lanter explained. "It helps me keep my sanity when I think of what if I had played major college ball somewhere else. I could have played twice as much somewhere else and had half the fans, because the fans here have treated me great, and I didn't play that much. I wouldn't have been as popular somewhere else, even if I had been the star."

### Lanter Says Stories Are Blatant

It is for this reason, and more, that Lanter is extremely loyal to UK basketball. He makes speeches around the state on UK's behalf. He is extremely angry about stories that have appeared in a local newspaper the past year about Kentucky, stories that accuse the university's boosters of illegal cash payments to players, as well as other allegations.

"I don't understand the stories," said Lanter. "The information gathered for the stories was under false pretenses. Being on the inside, I know the type of stories they told me and they told the other players they were going to write had nothing to do with what appeared in the papers. It was totally neglected. The stories last year, and last month, as in the follow-up, were timed right before the national recruiting date to sign high school players. There's no excuse for that. Doing that once was bad enough. Doing it twice is blatant."

Lanter also has something to say about Bobby Knight's charges in the recent *Sports Illustrated* college basketball issue, where the Indiana University head coach blasts Kentucky as "those cheating SOB's."

"I don't believe that," he said. "In fact, I think just the opposite. Kentucky is in the limelight so much, it's impossible that it could get away with what some people say goes on. It's much easier to cheat at a smaller school, where nobody cares what you do."

Lanter, now 27, was a business major at UK and currently is involved in many ventures.

"I was lucky enough to have a very successful operation in the satellite disc business," said Lanter. "The business, due to hard work by myself and my two partners, Gerald Belcher and Roy Helm, grew into a \$3 million a month in sales when, unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control, the industry dropped off unbelievably quick. I am currently looking into other business opportunities."

If Lanter doesn't land something soon, he could always go into the body-building, boxing or the modeling professions. The man draws stares from people, especially the ladies, everywhere he goes.

Lanter credits his parents, Tod and Glenna Lanter, with much of his basketball success, and Woodford County head coach Gene Kirk, who led the Kentucky All-Stars to a rare sweep of their annual series against Indiana this year.

### Praises His Father For His Success

"The person that helped me the most was my dad," said Lanter. "He always told me to work hard. Whatever I did in basketball wasn't because I was all that talented, but because I worked hard. My dad helped me the most with the fundamentals of the game. But of all my coaches, coach Kirk was the best. His fundamentals are fantastic."

Lanter's little brother, Tim, 16, is currently a junior at Woodford County, and plays on the basketball and tennis teams. His two sisters, one older and one younger, are both married. Sharon is married to Rusty Atchison. The couple has a four-month old son, Hall. Tracey is married to Bill Byster. His father works for state government and his parents also run The Trophy House, selling athletic trophies, in the area.

## Jamie Vaught

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Schiller: No, cheating is not that widespread. That's a public perception which is incorrect.

Speaking of the SEC's new boss, Schiller was head of the chemistry department and faculty chairman of athletics at the Air Force Academy when the SEC came calling. Also, he's the one who was responsible for all the corporate sponsorships, media advertising and general operations for the recent Live Aid Concert in Philadelphia—an effort which raised over \$80 million in support for African famine relief.

### Dis 'n Data

UT's **Don DeVoe** says the team's real surprise player in the preseason practices and scrimmages was 6-7, 209-pound freshman **Ian Lockhart**, who is from Nassau, in the Bahamas. "He'll help immensely with our rebounding," DeVoe said. "He has really impressed me." During his senior year at Nassau Christian Academy, Lockhart averaged 41 points and 32 rebounds. . . . On Florida's basketball team, which is ranked 15th in *Sports Illustrated's* preseason Top 40, CBS sportscaster **Billy Packer** said: "Coach (Norm) Sloan has not been blessed with size (in the past). With **Dwayne Schintzius**, he now has that missing piece. He (Schintzius) has excellent hands and plays tall. It will be interesting to see if the explosive guard play and height come together." . . . Ole Miss senior forward **Eric Smith**, who was the team's top scorer last season with a 17.5-point average, lists his hometown as Champaign-Urbana, Ill. That's because his front yard is in Champaign and his back yard is in Urbana. . . . Did you know that last June 21 was **Sonny Smith Day** in the Tiger hoop coach's home town of Roan Mountain, Tenn.? The celebration, held in conjunction with the annual Rhododendron Festival, attracted more than 1,000 people, including Smith's former teammates at Milligan College. . . . On the growth of interest in SEC basketball, Florida's **Norm Sloan** said, "I think it has to do with our success in the NCAA tournament. Auburn vs. St. John's, for instance, that opened up some eyes. We all knew in this league how good Auburn was and how good **Chuck Person** was. But going up against the Big East team got some attention. I think SEC basketball is ready to explode. For the first time there is a lot of interest from the national media." . . . After Notre Dame had scored on a fourth-quarter touchdown pass which was thrown over LSU linebacker **Toby Caston** in a recent 21-19 Tiger victory, Caston felt awful. It marked the first time this season that an opponent had scored a TD on LSU in the fourth quarter. Caston said, "I have to be frank with you. I felt like a man who came home and found his wife in bed making love with another man." . . . Former LSU head football coach **Jerry Stovall** recently denied rumors that he was interested in the head coaching job at Louisiana Tech. He says he is enjoying his life as a private citizen. Stovall currently serves as the Vice-President of Business Development for Louisiana National Bank. "For the first time in years, I'm actually getting to spend time with my family," Stovall was quoted as saying in *Tiger Rag* magazine. "The other day my son and I got to go hunting together. Do you realize what a thrill that was for me? I absolutely love what I'm doing. I've got a job I love and am working with the greatest people in the world. The only way I can see that I would leave Louisiana National Bank is if they ran me off." . . . On Vanderbilt's struggle to gain respectability in hoop circles, head coach **C.M. Newton** said, "I hate to lose. I don't plan on letting it happen this year. Any magazine you pick up has us picked eighth or ninth in the league. That hurts. I'm starting my sixth season at Vanderbilt and we've been competitive for the championship in only one. It's been a tough, slow thing."

## Oscar Combs

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editor who knew nothing about sports. Knight got into the action after the UK-IU game Saturday by saying that the Louisville newspaper had a chance to nail the Kentucky basketball program on cheating but that the managing editor (**David Hawpe**) refused to take action because he was a Kentucky fan. Hawpe denied Knight's accusations. . . . While the Reed controversy is catching all the headlines, popular sports columnist **Earl Cox** has said he is taking early retirement from the newspaper and will be leaving the newspaper sometime in the near future. . . . Just a week ago, Reed told me about some of the problems at the newspaper and said he might even quit, but if he did it would be because he wasn't having fun anymore. "I've always said that when writing quit being fun. I'd quit," Reed told me at UK's basketball season opener. He then proceeded to say the newspaper was getting in bad shape, that no one really cared about Kentucky sports, meaning sports throughout the state. Then he added, "I'm the only one left down there who cares about UK, the rest of them hate UK. All they care about is Louisville and Indiana. Practically all of them live in Indiana."

Stay tuned.

## Viewpoint

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became in the late seventies and eighties when Joe B. owned Bobby like a play toy. Should we remind Mr. Knight that the 1975 UK team which beat the unbeatable Indiana in Dayton was the very same team which lost to Indiana by 24 points less than four months earlier.

There were no new recruits in the UK lineup. The only difference was about three and half months coaching involving Joe B. at Kentucky and Bobby K. at Indiana.

The same thing happened against during the 1982-83 season when UK upset Indiana in Knoxville. Remember?

Shame, shame Bobby. Case closed.

Sincerely yours,

James Wiggington  
Dayton, Ohio

### Eddie Ball Taking Over

Dear Sir:

Psst. Don't tell anyone but Eddie Sutton appears to be on the verge of taking firm control of college basketball.

And that's gotta mean bad news to some folks around who believe Kentucky's glory days are days gone by.

The Cats are back.

Sincerely yours,

Brent Wayland  
Dearborn, Michigan

## 'Cats Reel Off Second Straight As Davender, Miller Star

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points with Miller adding the final touches. Showing off his outstanding athletic credentials, he soared above the crowd to tip in Thomas' miss. The spread was now 10 (24-14) with 4:54 remaining until intermission.

### Red Raider-Wildcat Tidbits

On **Derrick Miller**, Eddie Sutton said afterwards: "This guy right here can shoot the ball about as well as anybody in the country." Kidding around with the freshman, Sutton added, "But he won't play me in a game of HORSE because he knows I can outshoot him." . . . Sutton also commented on his other freshman, 6-5 guard **Rex Chapman**: "Rex had a bad shooting night. I thought. He got good shots but was one out of eight. The ball just wouldn't go down for him. That's typical of a freshman. Derrick will have a night when he'll go one for eight." Sutton added later, "Rex is not the salvation, but he's going to be a great player." . . . The loss drops **Gerald Myers'** coaching record to 308-213 while Sutton's overall mark stands at 376-129. Sutton leads 17-8 in head-to-head battles between the two. . . . With the win Kentucky has a 3-0 advantage over the Red Raiders. The last time the two met was in 1965 in **Lubbock** when UK defeated Tech 89-73. In the first meeting UK won in **Lexington**

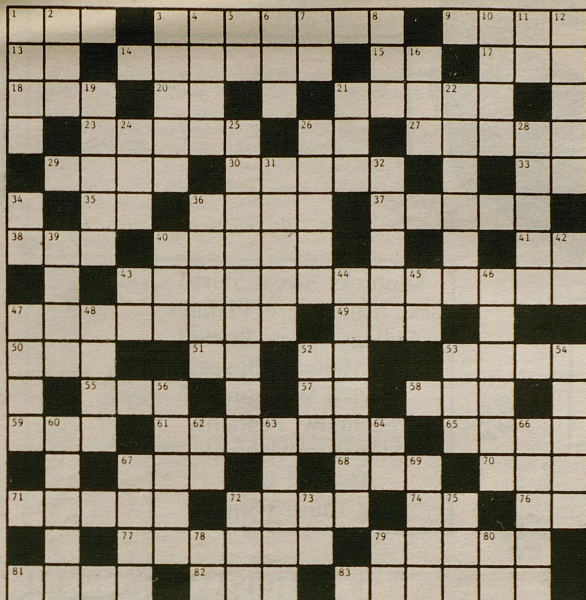
107-91. . . . Last season Texas Tech won the SWC tourney, only to lose to **Georgetown** 70-64 in the first round of the NCAAs. . . . The Southeastern Conference owns a 18-12 mark against Texas Tech. . . . When asked what Sutton told him prior to Tuesday night's game, **James Blackmon** quipped, "He said the bench is a great motivator." . . .

Twice prior to checking in during second-half action, Kentucky center **Rob Lock** was booed by the student section. The second time, Sutton turned to the UK student body and motioned them to quit. Lock quickly answered his critics with a tip-in late in the second half. Afterwards, Sutton said he was upset with the students' reaction. . . . For the second straight night, **Richard Madison** was held scoreless in the second half. Against **Austin Peay** and Texas Tech he's scored eight points respectively in the first 20 minutes. . . . Senior guard **Paul Andrews** has taken only one shot (and one) while playing a total of 40 minutes in UK's first two games. He's considered one of the best shooters on the team. Wonder why he isn't shooting more? . . . Tech's starting center, 7-footer **Kent Wojcieszoski** picked up his third foul with 15:04 left in the first half. Eventually he fouled out in the second half. Wojcieszoski scored four points. However, the lumbering giant didn't pull down a single rebound. He played only 11 minutes.



# TCP Crossword Puzzle

By Dan Krueckeberg



## '86-'87 CAT OPPONENTS & THEIR STARS

## ACROSS

- 1 Cats face the Raiders of Texas Tech on 12/2
- 3 Ricky of Cat foe LSU
- 9 Calloway of 45 Down
- 13 Initials of a former Cat coach
- 14 The squad comes to Rupp for the last regular season game
- 15 Follows regulation
- 17 Poem
- 18 The mark was 17-1 in SEC last year
- 20 Initials of former Cat star Spivey
- 21 Coach of 49 Across
- 23 The squad will be the last SEC foe to come to Rupp this season
- 26 Baseball's Young Award
- 27 Florida city
- 29 Coach Brokaw of 10 Down
- 30 "Check out" the opposition
- 33 Verb suffix
- 35 Abbr. for "district attorney"
- 36 Twofold
- 37 Lamar looks to the Cats on 12/13
- 38 79 Down is the Hoosiers' scoring Atlantic: conference of 10 Down
- 40 Initials of 9 Across
- 43 Big man for Cat foe, Navy
- 47 Cats foe with new coach R. Williams
- 49 SEC foe in Final Four in '86
- 50 Abbr. for a medical group
- 51 Double vowel
- 52 Initials of super-soph of 31 Down
- 53 30-win seasons appear to be the for Sutton-coached teams
- 55 Distress signal
- 57 Initials of coach Murphy of 23 Across
- 58 Cats win at Nashville on 1/10?
- 59 Play part
- 61 Rough-and-tough Mark of 31 Down
- 65 Will the Cats 'Bama as often as they did last year?
- 67 Standout McCalister of 14 Across
- 68 Abbr. for "supersonic transport"
- 70 Grass type
- 71 Shooting star
- 72 Namesakes of Farmer of Cat foe 'Bama
- 74 See 15 Across
- 76 Verb suffix
- 77 Cats foe the ball
- 79 Curl the lip
- 81 Set for December 19 & 20
- 82 Insect
- 83 This is Kenny, sophomore year for the Cardinals

## DOWN

- 1 Cats begin their title drive in SEC vs. Georgia on 12/30
- 2 The Wimp Sanderson at Cat foe 'Bama is in its 7th year
- 3 Coach Knight of Cat foe, IU
- 4 What we hope all Cat foes do
- 5 Indefinite article
- 6 The season opened on 11/29
- 7 Abbr. for "translation"
- 8 Neither partner
- 10 The Gaels got a UKIT invite
- 11 Initials of Dudley of Cat foe 'Bama
- 12 Walls of 31 Down
- 16 Former Cat Heitz
- 19 Deal
- 21 Cougar school in Utah
- 22 Fine LSU Tiger guard Anthony
- 24 Age
- 25 An SEC foe
- 26 Hue
- 28 Conference of 31 Down
- 31 Host Cats in annual battle on 12/27
- 32 Coach Billy of 14 Across
- 34 Initials of Willie of Cat foe Georgia
- 36 An SEC coach, Don
- 39 Coach of 31 Down
- 40 Angry
- 42 Initials of former Cat great Cotton
- 43 Initials of former Cat footballer Lyons
- 44 A Cat foe twice in the regular season
- 45 Abbr. for school Cats venture to for annual war on 12/6
- 46 Kennedy, Johnson, King or Grant
- 47 Comes to Rupp on Jan. 7th
- 48 This is 79 Down's year at IU
- 52 Pod vegetable
- 53 Arrest
- 54 Super Gator Andrew
- 56 Coach Sonny of Auburn
- 60 Louisville's talented Herbert
- 62 Coach Newton of SEC foe, Vandy
- 63 Big-scoring Vol Tony
- 64 Initials of Gator coach Sloan
- 66 Returning starter for 44 Down
- 67 The Hoosiers should be the Cats' first big
- 69 Super Talented Kimbro of 31 Down
- 72 First name of 66 Down
- 73 SEC state abbr.
- 75 SEC teams
- 78 Initials of Oliver of Cat foe, LSU
- 79 Initials of big gun at 45 Down
- 80 See 51 Across

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## Meet The Press

Junior Guard Ed Davender Knows What Pressure Is;  
6-10 Junior Center Rob Lock Taking Things In Stride

By Nick Nicholas

Here are some gourmet goodies (not including the 101st serving of Hawaiian Ham) left over from last Thursday's Eddie Sutton press conference at Wildcat Lodge prior to the Kentucky-Indiana matchup in Bloomington:



**Turnabout Is Fair Play:** Sutton noted that while Blackmon played poorly against Austin Peay, the 6-foot-3 senior had an outstanding overall game three nights later. "James did not play very well in our opening game with Austin Peay," said Sutton. "But the other night I thought he played the best defense that I've ever seen him play. He's probably the second best athlete on our ballclub. I like James Blackmon. I think he will be a very, very fine player by the end of the year. He played great basketball for us last season."

**Be Prepared:** With the three-point rule now in effect, it's only a matter of time before sharp-shooting Steve Alford breaks loose for a bundle of buckets. A first-team All-America selection last season, Alford is considered one of the nation's finest shooters. "Steve Alford is going to hit somebody for 50," Sutton said two days prior to the game in Bloomington. "I just hope it doesn't happen Saturday afternoon."

**Clearing Out The Paint:** "Right now everybody is experimenting with the three-point rule," said the UK coach. "We talk about it everyday. There's no doubt that it will open up the paint area. A lot of us are concerned that the three-point shot is too close. I'm not sure that they'll ever take it out of college basketball. And I'm not sure that it's not good for the game, but I do believe it's a little too close. It has opened up the inside area. The way we plays basketball, defensively, I don't think it has really affected us. But offensively it probably has helped us because a lot of teams that have packed it in the past can't do that now."

**Season On The Brink?:** A reporter from Indiana asked Sutton, through a phone hookup, if he had read the book *Season On The Brink* by John Feinstein. The story is about the 1985-86 season with Indiana basketball coach Bobby Knight. "What's that?" Sutton asked. The writer replied, "It's a book that has been circulating up here." "No, I've never even heard of it," responded Sutton. An excerpt of the book was reprinted in *Sports Illustrated's* special pre-season basketball outlook. Within the excerpt are comments from Bobby Knight about last year's Alford-less battle against Kentucky. He referred to Kentucky as "those cheating SOB's." Earlier a state reporter showed Sutton the article from *Sports Illustrated*. Sutton, in fact, did say he had seen the story.

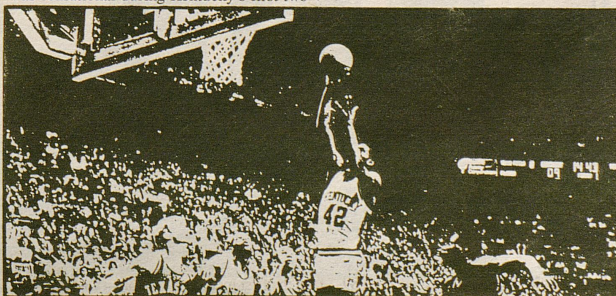
**Uptown Ed:** Wildcat guard Ed Davender was sensational during Kentucky's first two

wins. The junior averaged 21.5 points in UK's victories over Austin Peay and Texas Tech. Here's what Sutton had to say about his starting point guard. "I believe he is one of the top guards in the country. Last year I made the comment and I'll make it again this season—he's one of the best defensive guards for sure. But he's (also) scoring very well. In our first two games he's just played at both ends of the floor." Sutton reflected on a story written by the *Lexington Herald-Leader's* Jerry Tipton on Davender in which the UK hoopster had a gun pulled on him while growing up in Brooklyn. "He (Davender) said playing in Rupp Arena or playing for the Wildcats doesn't compare with that," remarked Sutton.

**They Call It Like They See It:** In regards to SEC officials, Sutton was quick to note the league has referees second to none. "In my opinion the SEC has the best officiating in the country," Sutton said. "We have more qualified officials than any other officials. Now, some nights they don't call as well, just like I don't coach as well and players don't play as well. Basketball being the game that it is, one can sometimes get a little too excited. Too emotional. . . I got a little too excited the other night (Austin Peay)."

**Rebounding Blues:** With the loss of Cedric Jenkins and Winston Bennett Kentucky's inside strength is drastically affected. With the return of Jenkins sometime into January plus the possibility of Mike Scott joining the program, UK will be armed for its upcoming wars in the SEC. Before they can be available for duty Kentucky must improve if its to be ready for a tough December slate. Against Austin Peay the Cats were outrebounded 38 to 27. The results were better three night later as Texas Tech grabbed only four more boards than the Wildcats (25 to 21). UK's corp of big men now only feature 6-10 Rob Lock, 6-7 Irv Thomas and 6-7 Richard Madison. Meanwhile, Sutton believes this group can still be competitive. "Rebounding is a problem with us right now," muttered Sutton. "We don't have anybody that can just take the game over. . . That was one thing Blackmon did well for us last year (rebounding). He hasn't done it as well this year. I made him very much aware of that. I had a talk with him and told him how important that was. Offensively go to the glass and defensively you make darn sure that you block your man and don't leak out. So, we're going to get better in that area of the game."

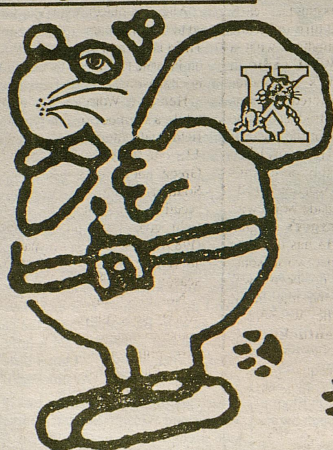
**Lock Keeping The Faith:** As he did following Kentucky's win over Texas Tech, Sutton mentioned he was "very disappointed" with the students booing Lock. However, Lock still has confidence in his game according to the UK coach. Sutton mentioned his 6-10 center was playing down the incident. Lock joked to the players and coaches after the Tech ballgame that even his girlfriend booed him after he kissed her good night.





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## 'Bama-Auburn Pregame Nothing Special

But Game Day Makes 'Iron Bowl' Worth It

It was something like discovering there really isn't a Santa Claus. Or that the Easter Bunny doesn't lay multi-colored eggs. Or that Raquel Welch stuffs tissue paper in her bra.

The annual Auburn-Alabama "Iron Bowl," a game that Tide coach Ray Perkins calls "the biggest football game in the world," the game Perkins says "affects more lives than the Super Bowl," is preceded by an atmosphere which affects almost no lives at all.

The day before the Iron Bowl there were no colorful flags or streamers hanging from downtown Birmingham's light poles, no signs proclaiming "Yea Bama" or "Go Auburn." There wasn't one



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

suggestion, oral or written, that either team "Go To Hell."

It was my first in-person Alabama-Auburn game and frankly, I expected more. When I called Alabama's capable Sports Information Director, Wayne Atcheson, for press credentials, he snorted upon discovering I was staying at the Birmingham Hilton Hotel. "You're with those Auburn people," he said.

I almost apologized for having a roof over my head. Auburn's SID, David Housel, had given me the room from his hotel allotment. Obviously I should have told Wayne I was at the Holiday Inn.

There aren't two better SIDs in the Southeastern Conference than Wayne and David. There may be some as good, but there aren't any that are better. They are also not the least bit impartial when it comes to the Iron Bowl.

Wayne should know, however, that the atmosphere at the hotel had all the color and excitement of a plumbers' convention.

The large number of Auburn students staying at the Hilton walked the halls calmly. They didn't run. There were no open doors to the rooms, no apparent wild parties, no singing and no cheerleading.

I didn't hear a single "War Eagle!"

The small piano bar in the lobby matched the rest of the hotel. It was half full but the only singing was from some middle-aged, frustrated baritone doing a medley from "Oklahoma." Not a single fight song from any SEC school was heard. The music makers at Pat O'Brien's in New Orleans would have been shocked. They would also have been bored. A football Friday night without musical salutes to the participants and their SEC brothers? Unheard of!

The pianist closed her keyboard at 11:15 p.m. There were only five or six people left for whom she could have played. Sin City, thy name is not Birmingham, Ala.

The Saturday morning drive to the stadium had more action than the entire town the previous night. Getting to Legion Field through football traffic is a trip in more ways than one.

But it's at Legion Field itself, where you find out what the Auburn-Alabama rivalry is all about.

No wonder fans of the two schools don't party on Friday. They save all that energy and enthusiasm and spirit for the game itself.

No telecast can possibly do justice to the Iron Bowl. You have to be there.

I have broadcasted nearly 200 Southeastern Conference games and attended perhaps 100 more. I'm not sure I have ever seen an intensity level on either the field or in the stands to match the 1986 Alabama-Auburn game.

The players were magnificent. The student bodies were great. The bands were superb. The fans unbelievable.

And the game was absolutely memorable, one of the best I have ever seen.

Next year it's Auburn's turn to be the Iron Bowl host. Save me a ticket, David. I wouldn't miss it for the world.

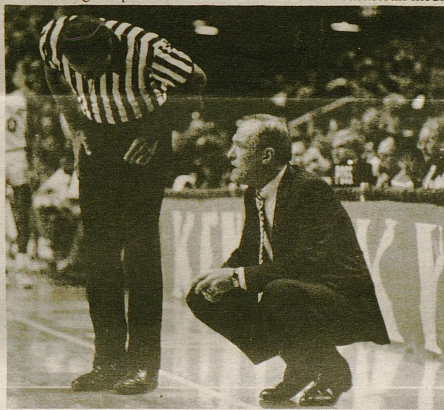
But next year I'll just drive over on Saturday.

### Not For Broadcast

A short time ago we asked how Ole Miss sophomore quarterback **Chris Osgood** could afford the services of the two lawyers who represented him before the NCAA committee in Kansas City, investigating alleged Rebel recruiting violations. We have since been informed by Ole Miss recruiting director **Wayne Stiles** that the NCAA permits a school to pay for legal assistance to a player when there is a question of his eligibility involved. Apparently Ole Miss picked up the bill for Osgood's defense. That certainly sounds fair.

I'm fascinated by the signs posted on the sidelines at SEC foot-

ball games. Two of the best were seen at the Alabama-Auburn game. One, behind the Auburn bench said, "LSU says GEAUX Tigers." Obviously LSU wanted Auburn to win because of the Sugar Bowl invitation. The other, located behind the Alabama bench said, "Harvard—the Alabama of the East." On the other hand, is there a more inane yell than Alabama's chant, "We don't want no peanut butter, jam Bama jam". Coaching security has never been worse. There were 68 Division I colleges that entered the 1986-87 basketball season with new coaches. That's a record surpassing last year's previous high of 55. Now it's the football coaches turn to hit the unemployment line. Driving back from Birmingham what a pleasure it was to hear the Tulane-LSU game on **WWL radio** in New Orleans. The station picked up the Green Wave's games after former LSU Athletic Director **Bob Brodhead** severed relations with this New Orleans powerhouse a few years ago. Brodhead made a number of mistakes, but dropping WLW was one of the biggest. The station covers a large part of the country and Tiger fans loved the opportunity to hear their games. We'll probably be told it's none of our business, and it's not, but you have to wonder if LSU people fully realize how their school looks to the outside world with the Brodhead controversy followed by **Bill Arnsparger's** resignation at the height of his team's success. Georgia has been the SEC's top scoring basketball team in each of the past two seasons. In fact, in the past five seasons the Bulldogs have not been lower than third in the conference in scoring offense. On the other hand, while Georgia ranked No. 1 in offense last year, they were No. 9 in defense. It's mind boggling to think about **Kentucky** drawing 12,000 for their annual midnight basketball practice on the first day practice was permitted, and 19,000 for an intrasquad game in Louisville a short time later. Kentucky has elevated college basketball to its highest possible level. Florida's new basketball media



Dale Brown: 'We Played Like Garbage'

guide is the best we have ever seen. It is hard cover, brilliantly laid out, colorful and very informative. The typeface and printing is of the highest possible quality. **Mike McCall** and **Chris Cameron** are listed as the editors. In the annual judging of such things, the only question remaining is which school's brochure will be chosen for second place? This year's **Georgia-Georgia Tech** ballgame, which went 31-24 in favor of the Bulldogs, was the 33rd time in the series that the winning margin has been by seven points or less. By the way, Georgia and Georgia Tech are the only two schools in the country that have been victorious in the six oldest bowl game—Rose, Orange, Cotton, Sugar, Sun and Gator. We continue to hear rumors that the SEC's tieup with the **Sugar Bowl** is in jeopardy. From the school's point of view, it keeps an SEC team from ever challenging a Big Eight or Southwest Conference team for national honors. From the Sugar Bowl's point of view, the intense rivalries in the league mean that they are almost certain, year in and year out, to get a team with one or two losses and it takes them out of ever setting up a classic involving independents such as this year's Fiesta Bowl meeting between Miami and Penn State. **Kentucky** had the most Academic All-SEC football honorees with nine. Tennessee was second with eight. Tennessee's new basketball recruiter, **Coleman Crawford**, joined **Don DeVoe's** staff June 23. Of the first 95 days he could legally be out, he was in the field 75 of them. The **Last Word**: LSU basketball coach **Dale Brown**, after his team was beaten by TCU in the first game of the new season: "I'd love to give everyone their money back because we played like garbage. We stunk. And that's the last time we'll stink this season. We may not win them all this season but we won't stink again."

## UK's Worley Earns All-SEC 2nd Team

Kentucky placekicker Joe Worley has been named second-team All-Southeastern Conference by the Associated Press.

The junior specialist from Oakwood, Va., was Kentucky's leading scorer this season, punching 70 points through the uprights. During UK's 5-5-1 campaign he hit 17 of 25 field goal attempts and a perfect 19 of 19 extra points. Three times this season Worley booted 49-yards, against LSU and twice in Knoxville.

He was the only Wildcat to be mentioned on either the first or second team.

Alabama placekicker Van Tiffin was named to the first-team All-SEC squad. However, Tiffin is a senior and Worley will be the odds-on-favorite to replace him as the league's best next season.

Here are Worley's record setting marks while a member of the Kentucky Wildcats: field goals attempted, 64; field goals made, 43; four field goals in one outing (Bowling Green and Clemson in 1985 and against Southern Mississippi in '86); most consecutive extra points without a miss, 49; most field goals attempted in one season, 28 (1985); most field goals made in one season, 16 (1985); and most points scored in one season, 72 (1985).

Not too many UK records are left for Worley to achieve. The one that quickly comes to mind is John Pierce's mark of career extra points attempted (65) and PATs made (58). Pierce was a member of Kentucky's 1974, '75 and '76 squads.

Here are your 1986 All-Southeastern Conference first- and second-team selections as voted by the Associated Press:

### OFFENSE

**WR** — Wendell Davis, Louisiana State, 6-0, 189, junior, Shreveport, La.; Rocky Nattiel, Florida, 5-10, 179, senior, Archer, Fla.  
**TE** — Carl Parker, Vanderbilt, 6-2, 205, junior, Valdosta, Ga.  
**T** — Stacy Searels, Auburn, 6-5, 267, junior, Trion, Ga.; Wilbur Strozier, Georgia, 6-4, 255, senior, LaGrange, Ga.  
**Q** — Eric Andolsek, Louisiana State, 6-2, 270, junior, Thibodaux, La.; Bill Condon, Alabama, 6-2, 251, junior, Mobile, Ala.  
**C** — Ben Tamborello, Auburn, 6-3, 268, senior, Birmingham, Ala.  
**QB** — Tom Hodson, Louisiana State, 6-3, 181, freshman, Matthews, La.; Don Smith, Mississippi State, 6-1, 195, senior, Hamilton, Miss.  
**RB** — Brent Fullwood, Auburn, 5-11, 209, senior, St. Cloud, Fla.; Bobby Humphrey, Alabama, 6-1, 185, sophomore, Birmingham, Ala.

**Kicker** — Van Tiffin, Alabama, 5-10, 163, senior, Red Bay, Ala.

### DEFENSE

**E** — Karl Wilson, Louisiana State, 6-4, 263, senior, Baton Rouge, La.; Audray Bruce, Auburn, 6-6, 228, junior, Montgomery, Ala.  
**T** — Tracy Rucker, Auburn, 6-3, 250, sophomore, Atlanta, Ga.; Keith Williams, Florida, 6-4, 250, senior, Milton, Fla.  
**MG** — Henry Thomas, Louisiana State, 6-2, 266, senior, Houston, Texas.  
**LB** — Cornelius Bennett, Alabama, 6-4, 235, senior, Birmingham, Ala.; Kurt Crain, Auburn, 6-2, 210, junior, Birmingham, Ala.; Clifford Chertoff, Florida, 6-3, 200, junior, Tallahassee, Fla.  
**B** — John Little, Georgia, 6-2, 197, senior, Lynn Haven, Fla.; Freddie Robinson, Alabama, 6-1, 175, senior, Mobile, Ala.; Adrian White, Florida, 6-0, 203, senior, Orange Park, Fla.  
**Punter** — Bill Smith, Mississippi, 6-3, 217, senior, Little Rock, Ark.  
**Coach of Year** — Bill Arnsparger, Louisiana State.

### Second Team Offense

**WR** — J. R. Ambrose, Mississippi, Al. Bell, Alabama.  
**TE** — Brian Kinchen, LSU.  
**T** — Bruce Wilkerson, Tennessee; Jeff Zimmerman, Florida.  
**Q** — Harry Galbreath, Tennessee; John Hazzard, Louisiana State.  
**C** — Wes Neighbors, Alabama.  
**QB** — Kerwin Bell, Florida.  
**RB** — Lars Tate, Georgia; William Howard, Tennessee.

### Kicker — Joe Worley, Kentucky

### Second Team Defense

**E** — Roland Barbay, Louisiana State, Dale Jones, Tennessee.  
**T** — Mike Fitzsimmons, Mississippi; Henry Harris, Georgia.  
**MG** — Curt Jarvis, Alabama.  
**LB** — Toby Caston, Louisiana State; John Brantley, Georgia; Jeff Herrod, Mississippi.  
**B** — Kevin Porter, Auburn; Jarvis Williams, Florida; Jeff Nolin, Mississippi.  
**Punter** — Chris Carpenter, Georgia.



## Ole Miss Will Meet Financial Obligation To UK Says Alford

Ole Miss athletics director Warner Alford said last week the University of Mississippi will meet its financial obligation to the University of Kentucky for its SEC football game in Jackson this past season.

In the wake of an NCAA investigation which has placed the Ole Miss football program on probation and stripped the university of almost \$1 million in bowl money and television revenue, the *Memphis (Tenn.) Commercial Appeal* recently said Ole Miss had been unable to meet financial commitments to both Memphis State and Kentucky.

The story, in part, painted a bleak picture of Ole Miss' financial stability which has been strained in recent years, and indicated the NCAA ruling could have a heavy impact on the future of Ole Miss' athletics program.

Some say it could lead to the financial death of Rebel sports and a big loss this year.

"Wrong," said Alford. "There simply is no way to tell how we're going to finish up our year financially in November when our fiscal year doesn't end until July 1, 1987."

"That article in the Memphis paper made no sense to me at all," he told an Oxford newspaper. "We have to split the gate with Memphis State 50-50 anyway. We are going to pay our guarantees in the other games (Kentucky) as well, so the implication in the article that we would not be able to pay the guarantees to visiting teams is just not true."

Part of Ole Miss' problems arose in over estimating 1986 ticket sales last spring.

Ole Miss compiled a glowing 8-3 record under fifth year coach Billy Brewer and will participate in the Independence Bowl. Ole Miss officials hope the paycheck there will help pick up the balance sheet.

But another blow is just around the corner when the school goes on probation. SEC rules prohibit a member from receiving any league bowl or television money through its sharing plan when that particular school is on probation.

Part of the probation calls for no television and no bowl participation next season as well as a cutback of 20 scholarships.

Some Ole Miss officials pointed to SuperStation WTBS as one of the reasons why ticket sales did not live up to preseason estimates because WTBS games are moved two hours earlier and fans often sit at home and watch the games.

## In "The Spirit"

You might say the *Ole Miss Spirit* is in the spirit of things as the Ole Miss football program faces a tough road ahead in money matters.

*The Spirit* is a weekly sports publication which specializes in covering University of Mississippi sports. Last week, the newspaper urged all 3,000 of its subscribers to help come to the aid of Ole Miss sports by mailing in a tax-deductible contribution of \$25 to help right a sinking financial ship.

The Ole Miss program was hit with NCAA probation recently and part of the penalty will strip almost \$1 million from the athletic fund over the next year.

Said the newspaper, "while it may be too early yet to determine exactly how the Rebel budget will fare this year, it will likely be a question of how big the loss is, not whether there will be one."

Continued the newspaper plea, "there is something we all could do to try to offset the potential loss. Contribute money."

The newspaper printed a coupon and the columnist (tabbed Colonel Rebel) concluded by saying he was sending in his check that very day.

## Three-Point Basket Is Here To Stay

NIT Now Nation's Best Preseason Tourney

Easily the most discussed subject of the new college basketball season is the **three-point play**. A majority of the coaches still seem opposed to the rule, but even the staunchest proponents acknowledge the line may be too close. As I suggested previously, no rule change has ever been more impactive, save the decision to cut the bottom out of the peach basket.

One common misconception, however, is the notion that the unusually high scores to date are a product of the shot itself. In truth, the additional point totals via the shot have been eight to 10 per game, but what's happening is the defense has been more spread



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out leading to greater scoring efficiency from every area of the floor.

Today's player is definitely more sophisticated on the offensive end and what the new rule does is take away the cheating, gimmicking defenses used so cleverly by coaches in the past. It's my prediction the rule is here to stay, but you can anticipate it being moved back another foot or so.

And, take this to the bank: No team will make it to **New Orleans** (for the Final Four) without one or two effective three-point shooters.

Evidence seems to be mounting that the toughest of the preseason tournaments is the **Coca-Cola NIT Classic**. This year's winner, **Nevada-Las Vegas**, had to beat **Arizona**, **Oklahoma**, **Temple** and **Western Kentucky** to win the title and if the Rebels make it to the Final Four they won't face a more difficult task. This group looms as one of coach **Jerry Tarkanian's** deepest and most flexible teams. I also have to wonder how those who chose the All-Bomb squad (three-point shooters) could have omitted **Fredie Banks**?

Mentioning the NIT, look for a dramatic announcement soon that all of the preseason tournament will be played on the road at the home sites of the highest seeded (and best drawing) teams. Despite two nights of outstanding basketball this year, **Madison Square Garden** never threatened 50 percent of capacity. The M.I.B.A., a committee of athletic directors from five New York schools, will reach that conclusion, voting for the potential of additional revenues plus the probable interest from network television over the tradition of playing in New York. This year's finale would have filled **Vegas' Thomas & Mack Arena** and would have been a nice showcase game for television.

Legislation will be introduced at the January NCAA Convention to limit appearances in these preseason events to one every four years. That won't hurt the NIT much since teams can only be invited here once every three years anyway. It's a bad suggestion since tournaments are wrapped around the holidays and a minimum of missed class time results. If the NCAA cared about streamlining the schedules they'd throw out the postseason conference tournaments.

Indiana coach **Bob Knight** has now skipped the last three Big Ten preseason media days, apparently in protest of the way things are run in his conference. It is an embarrassment to the league, his university and Big Ten commissioner **Wayne Duke**. Even worse, there are no repercussions as officials meekly cave in to Knight, enabling him to live with one set of rules while everyone else abides by another. In my view they are far more to blame than Knight for this situation.

I might be wrong, but I don't think **Western Kentucky's** guards are strong enough to carry the Hilltoppers into the Final Four. Memphis State freshman **Sylvester Gray** is certainly one of the nation's 10 best newcomers. **Al McGuire** tells me if he were still coaching and had shooters like he did at Marquette (**Allie McGuire**, **Earl Tatum**, et. al) his first play every time down would be the three-point shot. "Every time," he says, "every time."

Did you know that Chicago Bear coach **Mike Ditka** was a reserve for two seasons for the Pitt Panther basketball team? A power forward, I presume. OK, maybe the three foreign players at Marist did deserve to be declared ineligible, but why did the NCAA Committee on Eligibility wait until the season's eve to make the announcement when months have passed since we put the basketballs away in the spring? I always come away with suspicions about this organization's integrity because they make so many grandstand plays.

Mark this one down: The **No. 1 draft choice** next spring will be Navy's **David Robinson**. I am convince a deal was cut with Robinson and his family last year to waive the five-year service requirement following his graduation from the academy. And after looking at the bigger, stronger version of Robinson, I think his potential is greater than ever.

Losing the recruiting battle for Texas prep star **LaBradford Smith** was a bad blow for the **University of Texas** and coach **Bob Wetlich**. He's weathered some stormy times and needed Smith to move the Horns' program up a notch or so. An interesting sidelight to the story of Smith's recruitment is that one of Louisville's early contacts with the youngster came through his sisters, both players on Texas' national championship women's team. The Lady Horns were at the White House to visit **Ronald Reagan** at the same time as the Cardinals. Reports say U of L coaches spent a lot of time visiting with the Smith sisters. Brother.

One pro scout came away rather underwhelmed with **Oklahoma's** team. "If they're No. 10, then I'm No. 2," he said. And yes, **Dickie V.** Sooner coach **Billy Tubbs** knows his team has to play defense, but they also better be an exciting offensive team to keep those football conscious folks in Norman filling up the arena.

An early score which interested me was **Florida State's** win over **Florida**. FSU coach **Pat Kennedy** has some pretty good talent left over from the **Joe Williams** era and he's recruited well.



Robinson—Top Pick Of '87 Class

This is program which could move up in years ahead. **Gary Grant** is running up some big numbers at Michigan, but he'll be more valuable to the Wolverines when he starts playing within a team concept.

A report out of the Providence basketball camp says that Indiana transfer **Delray Brooks** is the Friars' best defensive player. Now remember, at IU he wasn't effective in the man-to-man, but PC plays a pressure zone and with his long arms he's an effective performer. Right player, right school. It's important.

All the insiders tell me that **Kentucky** and **North Carolina State** had the best recruiting harvests this fall. We'll look deeper in the next issue, but understand this: I'm one who believes recruiting classes can only be correctly rated after two or three years have passed.



# Back Thru The Wildcat Years

## Three Years Ago

\*Kentucky rolled to a convincing 72-50 win over Kansas in Lawrence, as Melvin Turpin and Jim Master combined for 48 points and Kenny Walker hauled down a game-high eight rebounds.

Kentucky, with Master red hot from the outside on 10 of 13 shooting, and Turpin scoring at will inside, raced out to a 35-20 intermission lead and never looked back.

## Seven Years Ago

\*The basketball Wildcats raced off with an 80-46 win over outmanned Baylor and Kyle Macy paved the way with 17 points. Derrick Hord and Jay Shidler chipped in with 11 and 10 points, in that order. UK led 40-17 at the half.

\*Kentucky routed South Carolina 126-81, breaking the Rupp Arena scoring mark of 121 set against West Virginia a year earlier. Ken-

tucky built up a 61-39 halftime advantage and was never in danger as five Wildcats scored in double figures. Macy, Sam Bowie, Dwight Anderson and Derrick Hord scored 24, 23, 19 and 18 points respectively.

## Eight Years Ago

\*For only the second time in the 26-year history of the University of Kentucky Invitational Tournament, Kentucky lost its opening round game of the tourney, dropping a 73-69 decision to red-hot Texas A&M. It was the ninth consecutive win for the Aggies, who stand at 9-1 after losing their season opener. UK had a chance to tie the score with 16 seconds left in the game, but failed and A&M scored again. The score was tied nine times and their were 15 lead changes. No team ever led by more than four. Kyle Macy led Kentucky with 15 points, Chuck Aleksinas had 13.

\*UK held on to a 94-87 win over Syracuse

in the consolation game of the UKIT. The 'Cats ended their shooting slump by hitting 55 percent from the field. UK led 51-36 at the half. Chuck Aleksinas led UK with 20 points and Dwight Anderson had 17.

\*High school All-Americans Derrick Hord, Sam Bowie, Dirk Minniefield and Charles Hurt all played in the Stewart's Basketball Classic at Louisville last week. Freedom Hall was also filled with college recruiters.

## Twelve Years Ago

\*Indiana center Kent Benson scored 26 points and hauled in 12 rebounds as he dominated UK freshmen centers Rick Robey and Mike Phillips. Indiana blasted UK 98-74.

handing the 'Cats their first loss of the season. The Hoosiers led 54-38 at the half and Kentucky never got close. The intense game had a bitter ending in the closing minutes when IU coach Bobby Knight "tapped" Kentucky coach Joe B. Hall on the head as he walked away. Although UK assistant Lynne Nance was in a fighting stance ready to challenge Knight, the Hoosier coach said the tap was meant affectionately and that he had been doing the same thing to his players for years. Scott May had 25 points for Indiana and Kevin Grevey led UK with 22.

\*Senior guard Jimmy Dan Conner exploded for 35 points as a rejuvenated Kentucky basketball team whipped ninth-ranked North Carolina 90-78 at Freedom Hall.

## Wildcat Quiz

1. Yes or No? Has Kentucky ever played Lamar in basketball?

2. What is Lamar's nickname?

- a) Pioneers
- b) Wildcats
- c) Cardinals
- d) Gaels

3. What conference does Lamar belong to?

- a) Trans America
- b) Southwest
- c) Southland
- d) Independent

4. Lamar University is located in what state?

- a) Oklahoma
- b) Kansas
- c) Wyoming
- d) Texas

5. True or False? UK has never won the Sugar Bowl basketball tournament.

6. What former UK guard holds the Wildcat record for the most consecutive free throws?

- a) Kyle Macy
- b) Ronnie Lyons
- c) Jim Master
- d) Ralph Beard

7. Against which team did UK set a school record for most points scored in one game?

- a) Vanderbilt
- b) Northwestern
- c) Northwestern St.
- d) Arkansas St.

8. Who eliminated Lamar from last year's National Invitational Tournament?

- a) Oral Roberts
- b) George Mason
- c) James Madison
- d) Robert Morris

9. How many consecutive winning seasons did UK have between 1928 and 1966?

- a) less than 30
- b) 37
- c) 38
- d) 49

10. True or False? Former UK forward Derrick Hord missed becoming a member of the 1,000 point club by just 13 points.



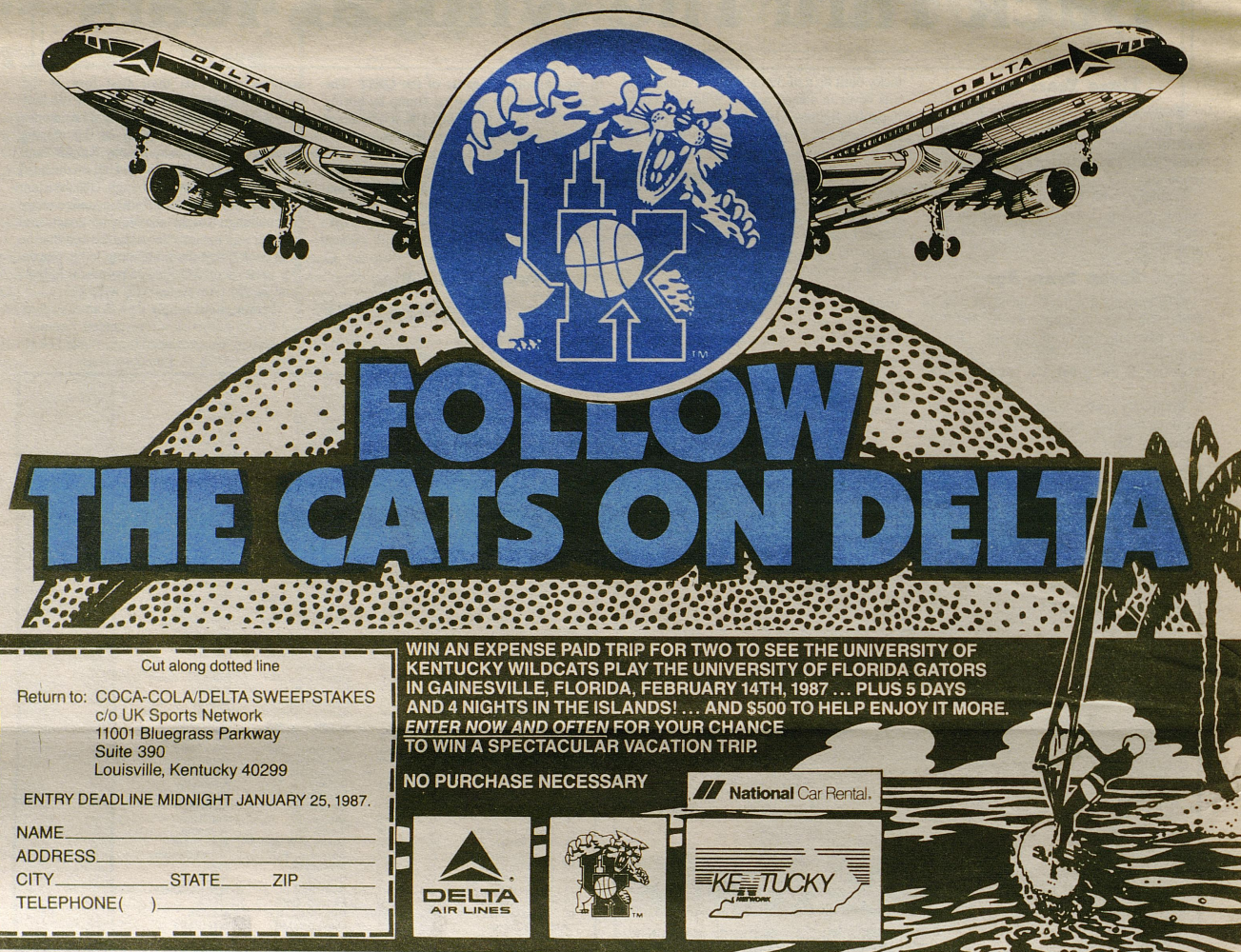
## Answers

- 1. False. (Hord scored 1,220 pts. at UK)
- 2. 37
- 3. Southland
- 4. Texas
- 5. False. (UK has won the event twice)
- 6. Ronnie Lyons
- 7. Northwestern (40 free throws in a row)
- 8. James Madison
- 9. 38
- 10. True

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	College
1. Marcus Liberty	F	6-8	Chicago, Ill.	undecided
2. Dennis Scott	F	6-7	Oakton, Va.	undecided
3. Eric Manue	G/F	6-6	Macon, Ga.	Kentucky
4. LaBradford Smith	G	6-4	Bay City, Tex.	Louisville
5. Larry Johnson	F	6-6 1/2	Dallas, Texas	SMU
6. Sean Higgins	F	6-8	Los Angeles, Calif.	UCLA
7. Anthony Tucker	F	6-8	Washington, D.C.	undecided
8. Rick Fox	F	6-6	Warsaw, Ind.	North Carolina
9. Treg Lee	F	6-8	Cleveland, Ohio	Ohio State
10. Brian Shorter	F	6-7	Mouth of Wilson, Va.	Pitt
11. Brian Williams	C	6-10	Santa Monica, Calif.	undecided
12. Perry Carter	F	6-7	Pittsfield, Maine	undecided
13. Jay Edwards	F	6-4	Marion, Ind.	Indiana
14. Rodney Monroe	G	6-2	Hagerstown, Md.	N.C. State
15. Jerome Harmon	G	6-4	Gary, Ind.	undecided
16. Elliott Perry	G	5-11	Memphis, Tenn.	undecided
17. LeRon Ellis	C	6-10	Santa Ana, Calif.	Kentucky
18. King Rice	G	6-0	Binghamton, N.Y.	North Carolina
19. Bobby Martin	C/F	6-9	Atlantic City, N.J.	undecided
20. Doug Smith	C/F	6-9	Detroit, Mich.	Missouri
21. David Whitmore	G	6-4	Playa del Rey, Calif.	Georgia Tech
22. Bill Heppner	C	6-8 1/2	Crystal Lake, Ill.	DePaul
23. Michael Maddox	F	6-8	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Kansas
24. Greg Koubek	G	6-6	Clifton Park, N.Y.	Duke
25. John Crotty	G	6-1	Lincroft, N.J.	Virginia
26. Matt Muehlebach	G	6-3	Kansas City, Mo.	Arizona
27. Mark Macon	G	6-4	Saginaw, Mich.	Temple
28. Barry Young	F	6-7	Ellicott City, Md.	undecided
29. David White	F	6-6	St. Petersburg, Fla.	Florida State
30. El Brewster	G	6-3	Columbus, Ohio	Ohio State
31. Anthony Avent	C/F	6-9	Newark, N.J.	Seton Hall
32. Richard Dumas	F	6-7 1/2	Tulsa, Okla.	Oklahoma St.
33. John Pittman	C	6-11	Rosenburg, Tex.	Kentucky
34. Livingston Chatman	F	6-7	Lakeland, Fla.	Florida
35. Lyndon Jones	G	6-2	Marion, Ind.	Indiana
36. Aubrey Boyd	G	6-5	Macon, Ga.	Fla. State
37. Bryant Lancaster	F	6-4	Valley, Ala.	Alabama
38. Sean Green	F	6-6	Mouth of Wilson, Va.	N.C. State
39. Bennett Jackson	F	6-7	Blenheim, S.C.	South Carolina
40. Brian Garner	G	6-2	Milwaukee, Wis.	Iowa
41. Delino DeShields	G	6-0	Seaford, Del.	Villanova
42. Tim Singleton	G	6-1	New Orleans, La.	Notre Dame
43. Gerald Madkins	G	6-3	Merced, Calif.	UCLA
44. Mike Masucci	F	6-10	Grandview, Mo.	Kansas
45. Byron Tucker	F	6-9	Oxon Hill, Md.	N.C. State
46. Curtis Cuthbert	C/F	6-9	Flint, Mich.	Iowa
47. Mike Polite	F	6-7	Daytona Beach, Fla.	Florida State
48. Barry Manning	G	6-7	Columbia, S.C.	undecided
49. Chris Corchiani	G	6-0	Hialeah, Fla.	N.C. State
50. Elmore Spencer	C	6-11	Atlanta, Ga.	Georgia
51. Damon Patterson	F	6-7	Kalamazoo, Mich.	Oklahoma
52. Thomas Jordan	C/F	6-9	Baltimore, Md.	Oklahoma St.
53. Ronald Coleman	F	6-6	Compton, Calif.	Southern Cal
54. Rodell Davis	G	6-4	Harvey, Ill.	Iowa
55. Ken Turner	F	6-6	Indianapolis, Ind.	Virginia
56. Steve Galloway	G	6-3	Jackson, Miss.	undecided
57. Kurt Smith	G	6-0	Rochester, N.Y.	undecided
58. Darrin Terry	F	6-5	Hughes Springs, Tex.	undecided
59. Neville Austin	C	6-10	Auburn, Ala.	Georgia
60. Darelle Porter	G	6-4	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Pitt
61. Michael Harden	G	6-0	Baton Rouge, La.	undecided
62. Mark Georgeson	C	6-10	Huntington Bch., Cal.	Arizona
63. Jesse Hall	G	6-4	Venice, Ill.	Michigan St.
64. Cedric Lewis	C	6-9	Washington, D.C.	undecided
65. Sean Hooks	C	6-10	Fontana, Calif.	Arizona
66. Brent Price	G	6-0	Enid, Okla.	South Carolina
67. Chris Seter	F	6-8	Brookfield, Wis.	Michigan
68. Craig Upchurch	F	6-7 1/2	St. Louis, Mo.	undecided
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70. Glenison Stiney	F	6-5 1/2	Beltsville, Md.	undecided
71. Keith Galles	G/F	6-4	Michigan City, Ind.	Loyola (Ill.)
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77. Bobby Holkan	C	6-11	Houston, Texas	SMU
78. Ryan Drew	G	6-3	Seattle, Wash.	California
79. Dale Davis	C/F	6-9	Toccoa, Ga.	Clemson
80. Kurt Miller	G	6-4	Ogden, Utah	undecided
81. Jason Matthews	G	6-3 1/2	Santa Monica, Calif.	Pitt
82. Darrell Johnson	F	6-6	Houston, Texas	undecided
83. Norman Brown	F	6-5 1/2	Park Forest, Ill.	undecided
84. David Williams	G	6-5	Washington, D.C.	undecided
85. Johnathan Davis	F	6-5	Pensacola, Fla.	Kentucky
86. Johnny Woodson	G/F	6-5	Detroit, Mich.	Drake
87. Larry Gorman	F	6-7	Oak Forest, Ill.	Northwestern
88. Bobby Russell	G/F	6-5	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	undecided
89. Kevin Howard	G	6-4	Atlanta, Ga.	undecided
90. Duane Cooper	G	6-2	Lakewood, Calif.	Southern Cal
91. Marshall Wilson	F	6-8	Carnesville, Ga.	Georgia
92. Antonio Lewis	G	6-0	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Kansas
93. Sean Miller	C	6-0	Beaver Falls, Pa.	Pitt
94. John Carly	C/F	6-9	Corvallis, Ore.	California
95. Ricky Clark	F	6-6	Lithonia, Ga.	Tennessee
96. Arnold Bernard	G	5-7	Bronx, N.Y.	undecided
97. Anthony Haynes	F	6-2	Macon, Ga.	undecided
98. Deron Feldhaus	G	6-7	Maysville, Ky.	Kentucky
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