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'Down Between The Hedges'

Kentucky Faces Must Win If It's To Remain In SEC Contention

When Kentucky and Georgia meet on the field this Saturday at Sanford Stadium it will mark the 41st 'Cat and 'Dog matchup. The Bulldogs lead the series 31-7-2, including a 31-9 victory last season at Lexington. The series began in 1939 as Kentucky won 13-6 in a contest played at Louisville. Georgia has won the last nine games in the series. Kentucky's last win against Georgia was during the 1977 season as the Wildcats blanked the Bulldogs 33-0 at Athens.

In games played at Athens, the Wildcats are 3-14-2. In games at Lexington, the Wildcats are 3-16 versus Georgia and in games at Louisville, the series is knotted at 1-1.

BULLDOG SCOUTING REPORT

Record: 5-2-0 overall; 2-1-0 SEC; 3-1-0 home; 2-1-0 away; 0-0-0 neutral

Offensive Formation: "I"

Defensive Formation: Split 60

Head Coach: Vince Dooley (188-73-10 at Georgia, 188-73-10 overall)

Dooley is in his 24th season as a collegiate head football coach with all 24 years coming at the University of Georgia. His 188-73-10 record is the best won-lost-tie ratio of any Georgia football coach and his 23-plus years at Georgia is the longest current tenure of any major-college head football coach. Dooley, a 1954 graduate of Auburn University, has led the Bulldogs to one national championship (1980), six SEC titles (1966-68-76-80-81-82), taken teams to 18 bowl games, been chosen NCAA National Coach of the Year in 1980 and SEC Coach of the Year seven times.

In 1985, Dooley served as president of the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA).

1987 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Rushing: Lars Tate (129 attempts, 716 yards, 5.6 average, eight touchdowns)

Passing: James Jackson (46-92-3, 764 yards, .500 percent., 6 touchdowns)

Receiving: John Thomas (15 receptions, 230 yards, 15.3 per catch average, one touchdown)

Punting: Joey Hester (21 punts, 767 yards, 36.5 average, 52 long)

Field Goals/PATs: Steve Crumley (10-12 field goals, 18-20 PATs)

Kickoff Returns: Cassius Osborn (12 returns, 303 yards, 25.3 average, no touchdowns)

Punt Returns: Nate Lewis (six returns, 138 yards, 23.0 average, one touchdown)

At this writing, Jackson's status for the Kentucky game was up in the air.

A LOOK AHEAD

The Georgia Bulldogs get their first break of the 1987 season with an open date next Saturday, Oct. 31. The Bulldogs return to action Nov. 7 in their annual affair with the Florida Gators in Jacksonville's Gator Bowl.

KENTUCKY-GEORGIA NOTES

*Kentucky head coach Jerry Claiborne is 0-6 versus Georgia during his career. Claiborne is 0-5 at Kentucky versus the Bulldogs. At Maryland, Claiborne faced Georgia in the 1973 Peach Bowl as the Terps were edged 17-16.

*Kentucky has one player on its roster from the state of Georgia. Tight end Charlie Darrington, a junior college transfer from Northeast Oklahoma A&M, lists his hometown as Tifton, Ga.

*Kentucky has only faced Georgia once when the Wildcats were 4-2 entering the contest against the Bulldogs. That came in 1985 as Georgia prevailed in Athens, 26-6.

*This is the 32nd straight season Kentucky has faced LSU and Georgia, back-to-back, on consecutive weekends. The Wildcats are 4-26-1 versus Georgia since 1956, the year Kentucky began playing LSU and Georgia on consecutive weekends.

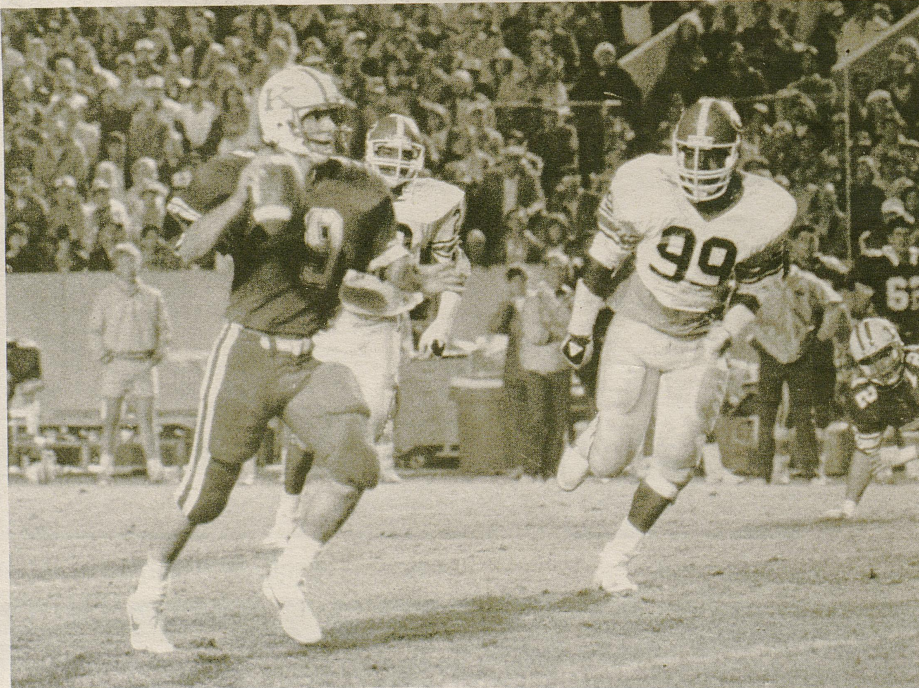
*Kentucky has registered one of only three shutouts of a Georgia squad in the last 11 seasons. Kentucky blanked Georgia 33-0 in 1977. Virginia won 31-0 versus the 'Dogs in '79, and Florida beat Georgia 27-0 in 1984.

GEORGIA'S LAST GAME

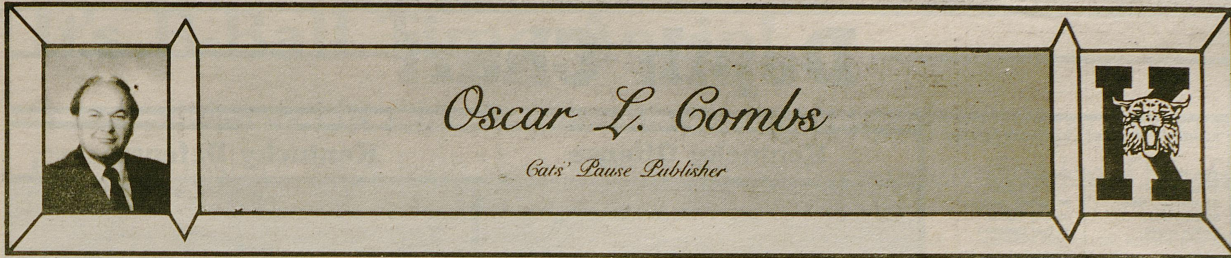
Georgia 52, Vanderbilt 24—Oct. 17 in Nashville.

The Georgia Bulldogs rolled up 618 yards and scored 33 second-half points to turn back the stubborn Vanderbilt Commodores 52-24 at Vanderbilt Stadium. Georgia trailed early, 14-0 in the first quarter and later 21-7 in the second period, but rallied to cut the deficit to 21-19 at halftime. In the second half, reserve quarterback Wayne Johnson entered because of an ankle injury to James Jackson and promptly scored three touchdowns on runs of 11, three and six yards. In fact, Johnson's 11-yard touchdown run with 5:11 left in the third stanza gave the Bulldogs the lead for good at 30-24.

Statistically, Georgia had two rushers reach the 100-yard plateau as Hampton got 153 yards on 15 carries and Tate had 102 yards on 20 attempts. For the game, the Bulldogs rushed for 454 yards and passed for another 164



Same Ole Thing—Bulldog Defense Expected To Give 'Cats Fits



SOS—Same Ole Stuff For Kentucky?

SOS. Same ole stuff? That's what some Kentucky fans are saying these days after LSU tore open the game in the final half to win going away by a 34-9 count after leading by only 14-9 at the half. To diehards, it was just a case of numerous crucial mistakes and blown opportunities which prevented Kentucky from pulling a major upset in Bayou Country last Saturday. To old-time pessimists, it was strictly a case of "SOS," just different names with a new date.

For either group to declare their theory as proof-positive, we'll probably have to wait a few more weeks, at least this Saturday for sure.

That's when Jerry Claiborne's 'Cats journey to Athens, Ga., for a duel with Vince Dooley's Bulldogs. The 'Dogs are coming off a 52-24 victory over Vanderbilt, but there is no question that this Bulldog team is certainly a notch or two below the usual great Georgia teams.

This should provide some hope for the 'Cats. And it comes at a time when Kentucky desperately needs a big victory over someone like Georgia to prove that this isn't another "SOS"-type team.

Going into the LSU game, Wildcats fans and officials pointed to the fact that Kentucky always has played LSU tough in the past. Perhaps, but the record books almost always found a way to ink in a loss next to the Kentucky column.

After last Saturday's game, Kentucky owns a dismal 1-9 mark against the Tigers during the past 10 years. Only a 21-13 victory in 1983 (Claiborne's second year at UK) has prevented LSU a clean sweep in the last decade. Perhaps it should also be pointed out that 1983 was the second worst season LSU suffered through since 1956. In fact, LSU finished dead last in the SEC in 1983 with an 0-6 mark.

Kentucky now tests another traditional SEC power in Georgia. The 'Cats have not defeated a Vince Dooley-coached team since that fabulous 1977 season. So the losing streak against the 'Dogs is nine and counting.

There have been times UK has played close, but there hasn't been even a tie to boast of. And they haven't been that close recently. Oh, there was that game down in Athens back in 1983 when UK was leading at the half, but the Bulldogs roared out of the gate in the third period and scored like they were playing a junior high team to coast to a 47-21 victory.

These two schools—LSU and Georgia—have been the big reasons why most postseason bowl scouts have quickly written off Kentucky, even when the 'Cats get off to fast 5-1 or 4-2 non-conference starts.

A couple scouts who frequent Commonwealth Stadium each season say most bowls totally ignore UK's early season success until they line up against LSU and Georgia.

That's also a reason why Kentucky needs to be impressive, even in losing, against the LSUs and Georgias if the 'Cats want to entertain any post season hopes.

For the past three weeks, some fans have been dreaming about something like the

Peach Bowl. Right now, unless the 'Cats can pull a big one out of the hat, it'll be home for the holidays.

This is not to write the 'Cats off. It's simply being realistic in light of past performances with SEC opponents on the road. With the exception of the 1983 win over LSU, Kentucky has been less than impressive on the road. UK did beat Mississippi State and Tennessee on the road in 1984, but the rest of the time, it's been mostly losses.

Over the past nine years, Kentucky has enjoyed a winning mark against only one of UK's natural SEC opponents on the road—Vanderbilt—and that is 3-1. The margins have been 19, nine and seven.

With Georgia, Vanderbilt, Florida and Tennessee remaining on the SEC slate, the future

Since Claiborne's arrival in 1982, the 'Cats are 1-4 with the victory being the dramatic 17-12 win in Knoxville back in 1983 on their way to a Hall of Fame Bowl win over Wisconsin.

Kentucky battled the Vols toe-to-toe even during that infamous 0-10-1 season under Claiborne, but the 'Cats quit two years ago in a 42-0 shutout. It was the one, and only, game which most observers point to that a UK team has actually quit on Claiborne.

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When LSU tacked on two late field goals, there were some who suggested that the Tigers were running the score up on the 'Cats. And there was more than one claim among

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It might be absurd to talk about postseason bowl action at this point and you're probably right, it's down right ridiculous.

For one thing, this Kentucky team will not get an invitation with anything less than a 7-4 record. For UK to go 7-4 it must defeat both Virginia Tech and Vanderbilt (which it will probably do) and then upset one of their other three remaining SEC foes—Georgia, Florida or Tennessee. If they accomplish that mission, the 'Cats certainly deserve a bid.

Looking at the future through this set of glasses, the best bet (albeit a slim one) is in Athens this Saturday.

This isn't the first time UK has been in Athens at a time which appeared to be ripe for the picking. And each time, the Bulldogs have managed some way to send the 'Cats back home, licking their wounds.

It would be nice to predict a turnaround this Saturday. It's difficult to see anything but another strong effort, one which will give UK hope for much of the game, but not a victory.

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Unless you've been off to Siberia the past year or so, you're well aware this is the most important year in the Jerry Claiborne era as well as the future of University of Kentucky football.

Regardless of the outcome of the current season, the Wildcats are in line for a losing campaign next year when Auburn and Alabama replace Ole Miss and Rutgers.

The 'Cats have Central Michigan, Kent State, Alabama, Georgia, Southern Illinois, Vanderbilt and Florida at home with road games to Auburn, Indiana, LSU and Tennessee.

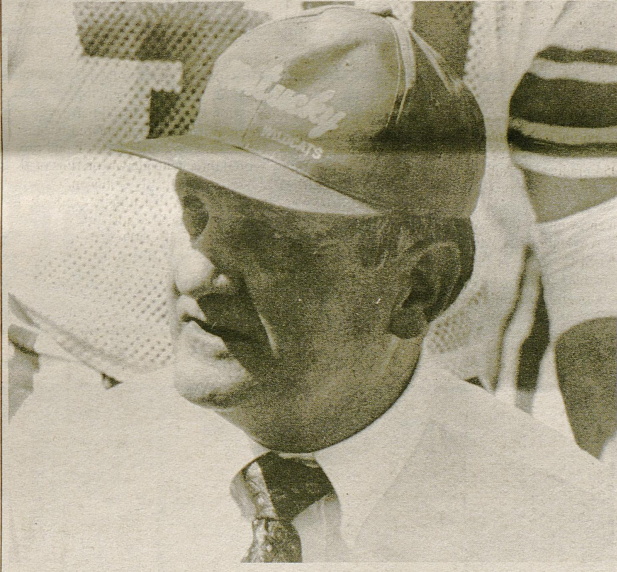
One person's guess has victories over Central Michigan, Kent State, Southern Illinois and Vanderbilt at home and none, zero on the road.

It will take nothing short of a miracle to post a winning mark in 1988. In fact, a 5-6 mark next fall would be as big an accomplishment as a 7-4 mark this season.

So if UK hopes to keep its head above the water long enough to meet the challenge of a 1989 schedule (which is even tougher), it must make big noise in the upcoming weeks or face the prospects of going five straight seasons without a winning record.

For those who want to take a peak at the offering in 1989, here goes:

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Claiborne Yet To Defeat A Vince Dooley Club

isn't much brighter than the past. The 'Cats should defeat Vanderbilt, but that game is in Nashville and the victory margin in Music City has been documented above.

Playing Florida in Gainesville has been about as productive as the other big clashes. UK is 1-3 in its last four meetings. To be positive, you move back one more game and include 1977 and the 'Cats are 2-3 there since 1975. To be fair to the Gators, you go back another five games in Gainesville, and UK was winless in all five games.

UK's last two victories in Gainesville didn't even come in this decade. The last time the 'Cats left Gainesville a victor, John Y. Brown Jr. had just been elected governor of Kentucky.

The past nine years have produced a 2-7 record against the Big Orange.

Kentucky, which won back-to-back victories over the Vols in 1976 and 1977, then lost two straight before Fran Curci bowed out as UK's coach with a sound 21-10 win over the Vols in 1981.

LSU players who contended some Cats play "dirty" and talk too much.

On his weekly television show, Jerry Claiborne was visibly upset with the remarks that were printed from the LSU players in Kentucky newspapers.

Claiborne said he invites the media to observe films and decide if the Wildcats played dirty. He said he was tired of hearing those remarks, just as he had a year ago.

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It could very well be that some bad blood is beginning to brew between these two schools. Obviously, Claiborne isn't happy with the remarks of the LSU players and the late field goals added insult to injury.

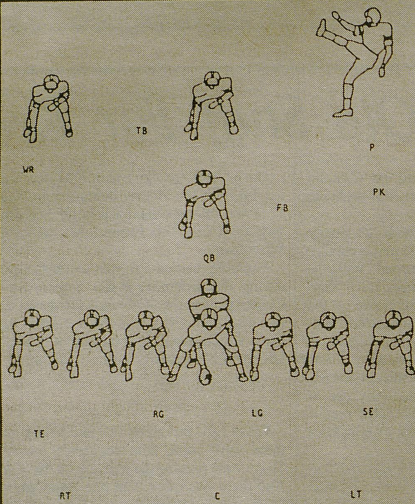
WTBS broadcasters noted that LSU would be subjecting itself to criticism if it ran fourth down plays, making it appear LSU wanted to score a touchdown. They also remarked that kicking a field goal would also give the

Depth Chart

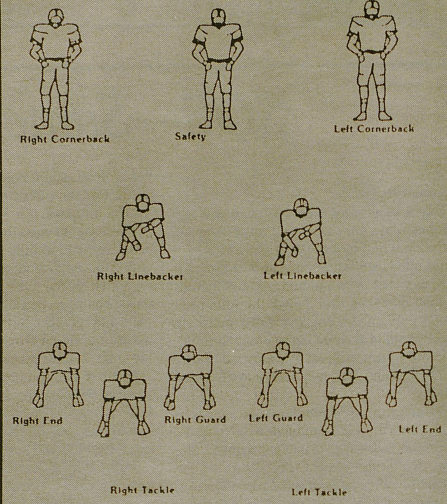
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- Split End**
17 Tim Jones
21 Jimmie O'Neal
31 Jim Wetta
80 Phil Logan
- Left Tackle**
75 Mike Pfeifer
76 Mike Nord
77 Mike Jones
- Left Guard**
73 Butch Wilburn
68 Tony Mills
66 Brian Denham
- Center**
71 Brad Myers
56 Jim Hill
67 Brian Cralle
- Right Guard**
57 Dermontti Dawson
61 Bill Hulette
74 Dean Wilks
- Right Tackle**
60 Greg Kunkel
78 Tony Nash
69 Tom Crumrine
- Tight End**
88 Charlie Darrington
87 Martin Pennington
48 Joe Curry
86 Bryan McKenzie
83 Mike Meece
- Quarterback**
4 Glenn Fohr
12 Bill Allen
14 Chuck Broughton
- Fullback**
35 Andy Murray
29 Darren Bilberry
31 David Scott
- Tailback**
22 Mark Higgs
32 Ivy Joe Hunter
5 Al Baker
- Flanker**
19 Dee Smith
28 Ray Gover
82 John Bolden
- Kicker**
15 Joe Worley
9 Ken Willis
- Left End**
6 Tony Massey
98 Carwell Gardner
30 Tony Zigman
84 Billy Swanson
- Left Tackle**
79 Oliver Barnett
96 Donnie Gardner
70 Tom Howard
- Left Guard**
91 John Shannon
97 Scott Stubbs
99 Doug Houser
- Right Guard**
92 Vic Adams
55 Scott Endris
95 Mike Meiners
- Right Tackle**
54 Jerry Reese
93 Gary Raiston
- Right End**
36 Jay Dortch
30 Tony Zigman
42 Paul McDowell
31 Mike Robinson
- Left Linebacker**
45 Chris Chenault
46 Steve Kelley
94 Carlos Phillips
- Right Linebacker**
53 Jeff Kremer
40 Randy Holleran
47 Jay Amshoff
39 Jeff Brady
- Left Cornerback**
24 David Johnson
25 Jay Chabrak
23 Anthony Gardner
34 Todd Meyer
- Right Cornerback**
8 Ron Mack
44 Chris Tolbert
37 Todd Algeier
- Free Safety**
26 Ron Robinson
11 Mark Sellers
27 Gary Willis
- Punter**
16 Jay Tesar
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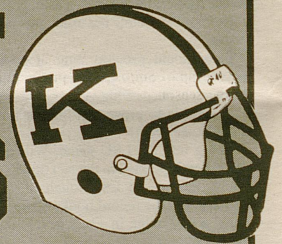
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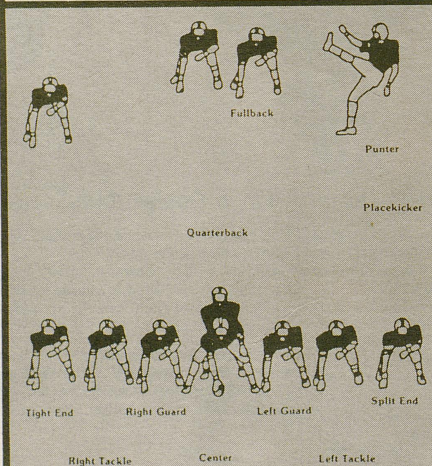
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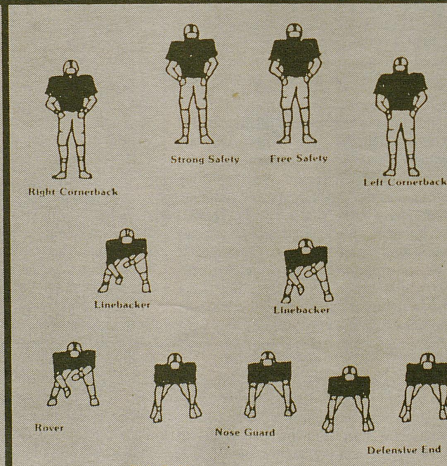
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- Split End**
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6 Sean Hummings
- Left Tackle**
75 Scott Adams
61 Shelly Anderson
- Left Guard**
69 Mack Burroughs
74 Rudolph Henderson
- Center**
63 Todd Wheeler
58 George Mivos
- Right Guard**
68 Kim Stephens
64 Ron Wainwright
- Right Tackle**
50 Curt Mull
77 LeMonte Tellis
- Tight End**
87 Troy Sadowski
83 Kirk Warner
- Quarterback**
14 James Jackson
18 Wayne Johnson
- Tailback**
32 Lars Tate
7 Rodney Hampton
- Fullback**
33 Alphonso Ellis
43 Hiawatha Berry
- Flanker**
24 Cassius Osborn
8 Nate Lewis
- Kicker**
5 Steve Crumley
- Strong Linebacker**
54 Vinca Guthrie
59 Norman Cowins
- Defensive Tackle**
99 Tyrone McClendon
90 Jim Hickey
- Left Guard**
95 Bill Goldberg
97 Paul Giles
- Right Guard**
72 Larry Brown
89 Will Colley
- Right End**
28 Aaron Chubb
84 Mike Guthrie
- Middle Linebacker**
42 John Brantley
93 Brent Collins
- Weak Linebacker**
60 Terrie Webster
53 Demetrius Douglas
- Rover**
29 Will Jones
49 Mike Brown
- Left Cornerback**
26 Ben Smith
23 Greg Williams
- Safety**
20 Rusty Beasley
2 Miles Smith
- Right Cornerback**
15 Mark Vincent
25 David Hargett
- Punter**
1 Joey Hester

Georgia Offense



Georgia Defense



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It's B-Ball Time Again!

Sutton Believes His Club Is One Of 20 Capable Of Winning National Championship; Says Fifth-Year Senior Winston Bennett Will Be The Key

By Nick Nicholas

Last Thursday at 12:01 a.m., Eddie Sutton revealed his 1987-88 Kentucky Wildcats to the public before an overflowing crowd at Memorial Coliseum. Two hours before the strike of midnight, UK officials turned away many fans due to the fire marshal's request.

All this hoopla for just a 20-minute scrimmage.

The reason for the big turnout is obvious—expectations. Expectations of an outstanding season are so high that Kentucky fans probably will be disappointed if their beloved club falls short of 'Destination Kansas City.'

So with this in mind, Eddie Sutton has taken upon himself to set the tone as early as possible. In his first day of practice (some 14 hours later after the opening scrimmage) Sutton stressed: discipline, hard work and non-stop hustle. Some may have been startled at first, but the UK coach let it be known that he means business.

Lately he's been quoted as saying his club is one of 20 teams capable of winning the '88 national title. A total team effort is not only what he expects, but what he demands from this talented group. According to Sutton, no single player will be expected to average 35 to 40 minutes a contest, a dilemma much like the starters faced last season.

Following the first practice session, Sutton discussed basketball with a state-wide media contingent at Wildcat Lodge. Here's a recap of Sutton's first press conference of the season.

Let's Start With Rex. Who Else? The Kentucky coach opened the floor for questions. The first one pertained to Rex Chapman.

"Last year he probably played as well as a freshman as any player I've ever had," said Sutton. "There's a lot of pressure put on him because he is from Kentucky. He got great press, and he deserved that, as a high school senior.

"He became the first freshman to ever lead the University of Kentucky in scoring. I thought he handled himself quite well. This summer he had the great opportunity to play on the Pan American team.

"He played super as a freshman.

"A lot of publications I've seen have him as a preseason All-American. That's pretty strong for a sophomore. But he's a very talented player. If he doesn't get hurt, continues to improve, and continues to have a wonderful attitude that he does, then he has a chance to be maybe the best guard I've ever had."

That compliment includes NBA all-stars Sidney Moncrief and Alvin Robertson.

Sutton predicts Chapman's points per game average to drop a bit, because of the overall talent on Kentucky's side. And if there are any weak aspects in his game, the UK coach pointed to Chapman's defense and rebounding skills.

But the sky's the limit for the former high school All-American, according to the third-year UK coach.

"I don't know where there is a better guard than Rex," Sutton added.

Almost 100 Percent Approved: UK team doctors have told Sutton that Winston Bennett has reached full speed. Prior to the start of last season Bennett injured his knee, which sent the 6-foot-7 team leader to the sidelines for the entire campaign.

After an extensive off-season conditioning program, the fifth-year senior from Louisville is back in tip-top shape.

"Winston told us, before we started practice, that he feels good," said Sutton. "He

feels like he can go full speed.

"The question is that when you go out there and have 'gut' practices for three hours a day for six weeks—Can it hold up? I think it's more mental than anything else. If he just plays with reckless abandon, then he'll be OK.

"If the doctors say it'll be OK, then it'll be OK."

Sutton warned against a "soft" return. Because Bennett is at his best as a hard-nosed player underneath, the word "soft" can't enter his play.

"He certainly would be the difference in our ballclub perhaps being good and maybe being great," Sutton said. "He had and outstanding junior year when we were 32-4. It would have been a little easier to coach last year if we would have had him."

New Kids On The Block: Six "true" freshmen along with one redshirt freshman were officially introduced to Kentucky basketball at 12:01 a.m., on Oct. 15th. Although the decision won't be made for some time, the Kentucky staff will redshirt one, two or possibly three "true" freshmen.

LeRon Ellis, an agile 6-11 center, will push Rob Lock, Cedric Jenkins and Mike Scott for

pointing to what the recruiting experts say. "From what I've seen in two (workouts), I would have to agree with that. They've got great talent and I think they'll push some of our veterans."

Assistants Dwane Casey and James Dickey have convinced Sutton that his son, Sean, will be needed to backup senior Ed Davender. "I had planned on redshirting him," Sutton noted. "I think if I had he might have started four years for the 'Cats."

The 6-1 Sutton is not an outstanding shooter. His main forte, though, is his passing and his ability to lead a team from the No. 1 guard slot.

Newcomer Reggie Hanson, held out last season due to Proposition 48, may be the biggest surprise of this edition of The New Kids On The Block.

"Last night (Midnight practice) I thought Reggie Hanson played very well," said Sutton of his 6-7 freshman forward. "He's got a chance to play. He's a quick jumper and he's going to be a great defensive player. I think he shocked a lot of people (fans) with the way he played."

Overall, Sutton said the freshmen "will battle the veterans, but it will take time. My

somewhat unexpected serious practice. To help them learn the Kentucky system, the coaching staff will hold special freshman sessions throughout the season.

SEC Prediction: Sutton said that either his club or Florida will be the preseason No. 1 selection. But he said don't look past LSU or Auburn.

"Auburn's got the best front line in college basketball," said Sutton. "They've got three guys (Mike Jones, 6-7; Chris Morris, 6-8; and Jeff Moore, 6-7) that can play in the pros right now."

The League's Darkhorse? Hoping to put its bite on SEC opponents this season, Hugh Durham's Georgia team will be led this season by Pan American representative Willie Anderson. And returning to the 'Dogs after a semester's absence will be hot-shot Toney Mack and 6-2 guard Patrick Hamilton. Add a much-improved Alec Kessler and you can label the Georgia Bulldogs as D-A-N-G-E-R-O-U-S.

Like Kentucky, if Georgia can get quality time out of its freshman class, then look for the 'Dogs to ambush many opponents this season.

"The surprise team (in the conference) might be Georgia," warned Sutton. "I like Georgia."

So do a lot of people, coach.

A Day To Remember: The freshmen were in for a rude awakening... make that the entire Kentucky squad after its initial practice of the season.

"We had the best practice since I've been at Kentucky today," Sutton commented, with a serious tone in his voice. "I coached the team like I did at Arkansas. I think the freshmen wondered, after practice was over, if I was crazy.

"That's the way all our practices will be; that's the way I did 'em at Arkansas."

UK's first practice could be described as physically draining or as coaches have been known to say: It's gut-check time.

"The first two years here I couldn't do it because I didn't have depth," said Sutton. "I was afraid to get people hurt or I was afraid one of those guys might quit, then we'd really be hurting. Now, with the talent we have, if somebody wants to leave, they leave."

But the UK coach added, "None of them are going to leave.

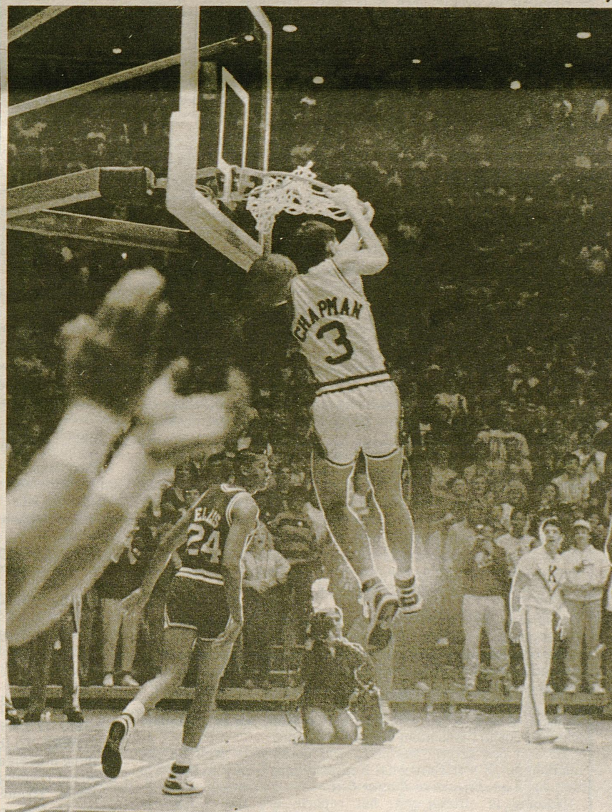
"This is a very healthy situation because all of those players are very good. Some of them aren't ready to play right now, but the daily competition will make them all better. Last year I knew we were in trouble when we had to suit up Casey and one of the managers. We got to the point, coaching-wise, that we were afraid to have hard practices.

"(This year) we're going to have some real 'gut' practices. I've never chased a player since I've been at Kentucky. But there will be some of them going to the showers before practice is over. The first time a guy pouts, or doesn't play hard we're going to say, 'Hey, you go to the dorm. We don't need you.'

"I used to chase (Sidney) Moncrief, (Darrell) Walker, (Alvin) Robertson. One day they realized what I was doing—I loved them, I was demanding, and they're great players today.

"We've got a chance to go a long ways. And it's my responsibility to get the best out of all of them. I told them this afternoon that when I get after you, it's nothing personal.

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Phi Slamma Rex—UK guard Rex Chapman

playing time underneath. Beginning the day they signed, with the Wildcat fans Ellis and 6-6 swingman Eric Manuel have been looked upon as the two signees who could contribute a lion's share in their first year.

"Eric Manuel and LeRon Ellis are considered to be two of the 10 best players coming into college basketball," said Sutton.

philosophy is that you always give the starting positions to the upperclassmen and let the rookies beat them out.

"But they will have an impact on our basketball team."

Learning the ropes will be their toughest adjustment. More or less, Big Blue Basketball 101 opened Thursday afternoon with a

UK-Georgia Game To Be Televised On WTBS

For the second straight week Jerry Claiborne's Kentucky Wildcats will be featured on national cable channel WTBS, when they travel to Athens, to take on the Georgia Bulldogs.

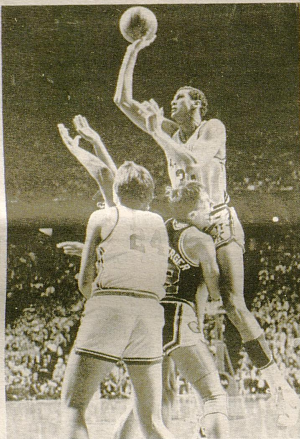
Game time at Sanford Stadium is scheduled for 12:40 p.m. (EST). Losers at Baton Rouge last Saturday, Kentucky will bring in a 4-2 mark (1-1 in the SEC). Georgia sports records of 5-2 and 2-1, after turning back Vandy 52-26 last Saturday in Nashville.

Georgia leads the series 31-7-2. You have to go back to 1977 to find the Wildcats' last victory over the Bulldog nemesis. That season Derrick Ramsey and Art Still led the 'Cats to an impressive 33-0 win at Sanford Stadium.

Last year, Georgia upped its winning streak to nine over Kentucky with a 31-9 conquest at Commonwealth Stadium.

Sam Bowie Suffers Yet Another Setback

Last Saturday former Kentucky Wildcat Sam Bowie suffered a partial refracture to the same leg he broke in November of 1986. While taking shooting practice prior to



Bowie: Here We Go Again

Portland's first exhibition game of the season, he felt a jolt in his right leg which signaled to Bowie that something was wrong.

"He turned to shoot and then he looked at me and said, 'Did a ball hit me in the leg?'" said Trailblazer teammate Jerome Kersey. "I wanted to tell him yes, but nothing hit his leg.

"He said, 'My leg doesn't feel right.' I think he knew right then it was broken."

The setback marked Bowie's fifth injury in seven years.

On Sunday, Bowie was listed in good condition, according to a spokesperson at Willamette Falls Hospital in Oregon City. At this writing it wasn't known what procedures would be taken.

"My initial reaction is that we would not have to do surgery again, but that's just a hip shot," said team doctor Dr. Robert Cook. "I want to get the opinions of the other people familiar with his case."

At Kentucky, Bowie missed two seasons because of a fracture in his left shin. In Bowie's first season with the Trailblazers he earned a spot on the 1984-85 NBA all-rookie squad. However, he reinjured his left leg and was forced to miss more than half of the 1985-86 season, his second in the big leagues.

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Sutton Beaming During Midnight Practice

UK Coach Optimistic As Workouts Begin

Midnight Madness is a whole lot of crazy. But then a Kentucky basketball fan who will drive four hours, or even four blocks, to watch a preseason workout at midnight in the middle of football season, and on a night when



Bob Watkins

Cats' Pause Columnist

baseball's National League pennant was being decided, well... it is madness.

It is a wonderful kind of wacko, however, that only folks in Kentucky can fully comprehend.

It was 9:47 p.m. last Wednesday night when emcee Dave Baker stepped out to midcourt at Memorial Coliseum in Lexington and said into a microphone, "is anybody ready for basketball season?"

He might just as well have asked yon teeny bopper if she would like Rex Chapman for Christmas.

The crowd of 12,000-plus cheered madly at Baker's words. And exactly seven minutes later the front doors were closed and locked. It was standing room only as some 2,000 more fans milled around outside.

"I travel all around the country trying to explain Kentucky basketball to people, how it is here," Wildcat coach Eddie Sutton would say two hours later just before putting his troops through a 30-minute workout. "but you just really have to come here and see it to believe it."

The maddies cheered once more.

And UK fans did not go away disappointed either. Their already high expectations for 1987-88 were buoyed by what they saw and what Sutton told them about the 1988 Final Four in Kansas City.

"You've all seen the rankings and we're picked anywhere from first to 13th," he said. "I think this ballclub has a chance to be very good. I had some T-shirts made up for our players before we came in this year and we had *Kansas City* put across the front of them. We're going to wear them at practice all season long to remind our players of that goal."

The fans roared their approval.

Then the 15 players were introduced to adoring cheers. No decible levels were kept, but the cheers for Chapman lasted 30 seconds. It was neither the loudest or longest however because that reception was reserved for Winston Bennett, back from knee surgery. The crowd thundered, Bennett waved.

"It's great to have Winston back," Sutton said. "But the best thing is that he didn't show any signs of favoring his knee."

Chapman: "The thing about Winston is the good feeling it gives you when you get the ball and start up court, and there he is out on the break. Winston beats his man upcourt about 85 percent of the time."

Overall, the Wildcats were sharp and looked to be in excellent condition. All of which pleased Sutton and left Wildcat fans delirious.

"The one thing that concerns me about this basketball team," Sutton said later. "Is that there are 200 minutes playing time in a game and there's only one basketball. Everyone on this team is going to want playing time and there's going to be some real competition. But this year it's going to take some real coaching and some counselling in the office with our players too."

Chapman says it won't be a problem, said the players have already had a meeting among themselves and discussed it. "We've talked about that and whether I play five minutes or 20 a game it doesn't matter as long as we're progressing toward a championship."

Of the newcomers, UK fans are going to be immensely pleased (it says here) with 6-10 LeRon Ellis, 6-5 Eric Manuel and 6-8 redshirt freshman Reggie Hanson.

Hanson has grown, matured, and could very well be the linchpin in UK's drive to what Kentucky fans hope will be a trip next April on the road to Kansas City.

Nothing is official yet, but reports are that Sutton is considering redshirting John Pelphrey, Jonathon Davis and Deron Feldhaus.

Feldhaus? A year of seasoning became a real possibility with the emergence of Hanson at small forward. It is a luxury that seems affordable enough.

The playing-time dilemma aside, Sutton is optimistic. "I bounced out of bed this morning because I knew tonight was coming up and it's an absolute happening here. That's the thing about the job, every day I wake up and there's something different going to happen. But this Midnight Madness is unbelievable."

Yes. It's like one UK fan said last Wednesday night. "Thing is, this event, the way people take it so seriously every year represents everything that's wrong with sports. And yet it represents everything that's right with them too. Kentucky fans need their team. It's important in their lives to have this to love."

Reflecting how it is to be a first year player at Kentucky, freshman John Pelphrey, Kentucky's Mr. Basketball, had dreamed about and knew what a thrill it would be the first time he raced onto a basketball floor with K-E-N-T-U-C-K-Y across the front of his shirt.

And yet the Paintsville native seemed taken aback.

"This was something," he said. "Everybody said it was going to be exciting, but this experience is unbelievable, just unbelievable."

Midnight madness. At UK it's a whole lot of crazy.

More UK basketball

Wildcat fans are in for a treat this winter. Coach Eddie Sutton has so much talent he is considering a redshirt for one freshman many of us thought would earn some playing time this season. Deron Feldhaus.

Why? Reggie Hanson who will vie for playing time at small forward.

The 6-7 sophomore has four years of basketball eligibility, because he attended UK on his own last season after failing to qualify for a scholarship under Proposition 48. His development has come as a pleasant surprise.

"Reggie hasn't surprised any of the players, because we've watched him develop," Rex Chapman said. "He's going to be a player for us."

Hanson says "sitting out last season helped me a lot, because I was able to put on a few pounds, work with weights and work on my books too."

"Prop 48 is a good thing. It's sure helped me."

UK recruiting

Already talent-rich Kentucky may complete its (recruiting) Christmas list during the early signing period this year. "The players we're recruiting this year have indicated they want to sign early," assistant coach James Dickey said last week.

Sean Woods from Indianapolis has already verbally committed and will sign during the early period Nov. 11-18. Two others who may do likewise are 6-10 Don McLean of Los Angeles and 6-8 Craig Riley of Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Mr. Football candidates

Kentucky high school football is nearing its second season, the playoffs, and a few candidates are starting to surface as possible successors to Frank Jacobs as Kentucky Mr. Football.

Here's one to start your list with — Bill Price, a 6-0, 175 pound halfback at Union County. A Dee Smith type player, Price had 18 touchdowns, 700 yards rushing and 700 in pass receptions in eight games for Coach Charlie Bob Paris' Braves.

Price is also a good student.

Anyone else?

Fiddlin' Five

It was a rare treat, seeing the 1957-58 NCAA champion Kentucky Wildcats basketball team back in Memorial Coliseum last week.

Adolph Rupp's last NCAA championship club was introduced at Midnight Madness to the delight of another SRO.

Their appearance brought back a flood of what I call "Claude Sullivan memories."

Sullivan was the radio Voice of the Wildcats in the 1950s before television came along. And he had no peer when it came to telling us...

✓ What Johnny Cox's baseline hook looked like.

✓ What an excellent free throw shooter Adrian 'Odie' Smith was.

✓ What a heart pounding competitor John Crigler was.

✓ How Earl 'Brother' Adkins made himself into the finest sixth man in basketball.

✓ And, for those who heard it, will you ever forget Sullivan's description of Vernon Hutton's 47-footer that tied Temple that season?

It was a grand season. Thanks for the memories, gentlemen.

Cheers 'n Jeers

CHEERS. To the 37 college basketball magazine hawkers for heaping a deluge of preseason special editions onto the market allowing roundball fans to pick and choose.

JEERS. To the way preseason rankings by the same magazines. Spotty consistency on who the top teams are shows that most of the hawkers were more interested in profits than in doing research to find out and report who the top teams will be.

✓ For example, Dick Vitale's magazine experts rate Kentucky No. 2, Indiana No. 3 and Louisville No. 13.

✓ Street & Smith says Indiana is 6th, Louisville 7th and Kentucky 14th.









✓ Plowing the middle ground was The Cats Pause: Indiana is No. 5, Kentucky 8th and Louisville 10th.

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

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Strictly Players

Sellers Says Team Work Makes Secondary Tough

Prior to the Louisiana State contest Kentucky ranked second in the nation in scoring defense (8.0 points per game). While up front the Wildcats have made life miserable for opposing quarterbacks, the secondary has more than held its own.

Junior safety Mark Sellers says that there is a strong unity within the Wildcat secondary.

"David Johnson, Ronnie Rob (Robinson), Ron Mack and myself really compliment each other," said Sellers. "We're like a real close-knit group—we play for each other and with each other. If one of us gets beat, the others will help him up, pat him on the back and say 'Hey, it's alright. Next time you'll get him.'"

"That takes away all the pressure because we're such a tight-knit group."

In the spring of '86, Sellers was switched over to the defense after being a member of the UK receiving corps. With Robinson sidelined because of an injury, Sellers, a Louisville Eastern High product, started against Utah State in Kentucky's home opener. He also was a starter against Indiana and Rutgers.

Robinson, who was a full-time first-stringer last season, now owns the No. 1 spot at the lone safety position. Sellers, meanwhile, has proven to be a valuable reserve. In five games this season, the 6-foot-3, 197-pound junior has been in on 16 tackles, including nine unassisted. His biggest thrill to date had to be his first collegiate interception, when he picked off a pass during UK's 35-6 victory against

"They (UK staff) are pleased with the way we're playing," Sellers said. "We just look at each game, week-by-week and he (Chip Garber, secondary coach) tells us what we have to do. We do what we have to do to shut the opponents down or just keep them to the least amount of passes they can get."

Confidence Spurs Mark Higgs' Wheels

Confidence can make or break an athlete. In the case of senior running back Mark Higgs, possessing the confidence that he can have a 'big game' on any given night has helped him get over the hump, so to speak.

Throughout his sophomore and junior campaigns, Higgs played as though his knee injury lingered in the back of his mind. In those two years he compiled 1,138 yards. Already, in five games the mighty mite from Owensboro had racked up 682 yards.

"Last year I didn't have my confidence," noted Higgs. "Once I would break in the secondary I really didn't do like I should have done. Like against Virginia Tech last year, about three times I really didn't know what to do because I had lost my confidence early in the season."

"This year my confidence is up. There's no telling what I can do." If he had it to do all over, Higgs said he would change one thing.

Following major surgery on his right knee, Higgs said he should have taken a redshirt season. "My best 40-time was 4.7 and I couldn't cut like I could (before). I was just like a straight runner."

"They (UK coaches) told me I was good enough to play. But I really didn't want to redshirt because I thought I would lose interest. So, I struggled through that year."

"My junior year I thought I was back, which I was. I got my speed back down to a 4.4 and I could cut pretty good. So I thought that my junior year I would be back to where I was as a freshman."

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Kentucky's 'Centers Of Attention'

Gene Myers May Be Best Of Them All

University of Kentucky center Brad Myers not only occupies the same position, but has the same surname as Gene Myers (no kin), the Harlan native who was one of the finest in a long line of excellent Wildcat centers that began with the late R.S. "Dick" Webb



Russell Rice

Cats' Pause Columnist

Jr. during the decade after the turn of the century and includes such fine all-stars and/or team captains as:

Jay Rhodemyre, All-SEC, third-team All-American, '47; Harry Uliniski, All-SEC, captain, '49; Doug Moseley, All-American, captain, '51; John Griggs, captain, '52; Irv Goode, All-American, captain, '61; Dan Neal, captain, '71, '72; Rick Nuzum, All-American, '74; Ken Roark, All-SEC, captain, '80; John Maddox, captain, '82, and Ken Pietrowiak, Academic All-American, captain, '85.

A stalwart on UK teams that were 4-3 in '08, 9-1 in '09 and 7-2 in '10, outscoring their opponents 490-138, Webb was named center on an All-Kentucky State University team that a group of football experts-in-residence selected many years ago from the years 1892 through 1915.

Captain of that mythical team was Dick Barbee, a halfback who was a standout on three state championship teams (1907, '08, '09) and star of the famous UK victory over Illinois in 1909. When not centering the ball to Barbee and some other fine UK backs, Webb was a terror on defense, described by one expert as "the most active big man at KSU, on occasions jumping flat-footed over the line and into the backfield, scattering men like crows."

Several years later, Webb was chosen as Kentucky's greatest center for the all-time, all-star Wildcat eleven determined by a poll conducted by *The Lexington Leader* staff.

THEN ALONG CAME GENE MYERS, whose performance during three years (1934, '35, alt. capt. '36) in the center of the Wildcat line was so outstanding that Brownie Leach, sports editor of *The Leader*, noted that even the most rabid old-time fans of Webb were beginning to weaken after having watched Myers perform for the Blue and White.

On the Sunday before the Wildcats met Tennessee for the annual Thanksgiving Day game at Knoxville in 1936, Leach wrote, "To date the Wildcats have never placed a player on the All-American first team. (Ralph Kercheval, (Shipwreck) Kelly and others have all but cracked the select eleven."

"Yet, good as those boys were this corner believes they were bush-leaguers when compared with the way Myers has performed his assignment. If Myers isn't All-America talent, then there ought to be a law. . ."

In the middle of that first sports page was a five-column montage of Myers in three poses: soldier in ROTC uniform, football player centering the ball, and student with books; also featured was a recently-issued "Card of Merit," which certified for Myers an "All-American Rating" ("For Exceptional Playing during the Season of 1936") from "The All America Board of Football."

"Despite the fact that he is the center," Leach wrote, "Myers is repeatedly the first player down when Kentucky punts. Offhand, your correspondent would place a small wager that he has intercepted as many of the enemy passes as the rest of Kentucky's secondary put together."

Due to the lack of extensive stat-keeping in those days, it is impossible to list Myers' interceptions; however, there is documented proof of at least five—two against Maryville, one against Clemson and two against Alabama—during his senior season. After his team defeated the Wildcats 14-0 in Lexington that season, Tide coach Frank Thomas said, "Myers is the greatest center any Alabama team I have ever coached has played against. And that is taking in a lot. My players told me after the game that they would have scored at least one touchdown in the (scoreless) first half had it not been for Myers. . . Coming down on the bus, my boys couldn't talk about anything but Myers and how tough he was. I'd sure love to have him on my team."

MYERS NEVER HAD BEEN REPLACED in the UK lineup when the Wildcats were playing a major opponent, until the third quarter of that Alabama game, when he received a broken nose. In addition to being an aggressive defensive player with an uncanny ability to diagnose plays, he also was credited with never having made a bad snap in three years of varsity play.

"It was kinda rough centering the ball in those days," Myers recalled recently while relaxing at his home on South Ridge Drive in Lexington. "You were bent over with your head down and some guy in front of you ready to clobber you. We had to lead the ballcarrier in those days (of winged formations, etc.), so you couldn't look up, which made blocking a little rough. Then they changed the size and shape of the football between my freshman and sophomore years, made it smaller and more pointed, and as a center I noticed it right away."

Myers was an assistant coach at UK one year before his old coach Chet Wynne was replaced by "Ab" Kirwan. He remained with the Wildcats until going on active duty with the Army (infantry) in 1942. Two members of the post championship team that he coached at Ft. Benning, Ga., were former Wildcats Phil Cutchin and Bert Johnson.

After being discharged in 1946, Johnson operated a sporting goods store in Lexington. He was called back into service during the Korean War (1951), retiring in 1965 as a colonel in charge of the Sports Branch for the Department of The Army. He spent many years as a salesman and regional manager for the Balfour Co., and still calls on some old customers.

Myers is married to the former Frances Stewart of Harlan. Their son, Dr. William Duke Myers, set up practice in Lubbock, Texas



Myers Interception Against 'Bama In '36

after Pre-Med at UK, M.D. at the University of Louisville and an internship at Walter Reed. Gene's "three lovely granddaughters" are Debra, a sophomore at Texas Tech; Laura, a sophomore at South Plains Junior College in Levelland, Texas, and 11-year-old Tiffany.

Where They Are Now. . .

Sam Potter, football guard (1934, '35), basketball (1934), retired after 30 years in education; head coach at Lynch 10 years, principal and superintendent 13 years; superintendent Shelby County Schools 1966-74; married former Peggy Simpson of Ashland, 50 years ago come May 6. . . His son Sammy owns own insurance company in Kingsport, Tenn., and has four sons; William "Dub" is with Sun Electronic Equipment Co., Lexington; daughter Robin Ann has a M.S. in guidance counseling. Potter's brother **Lexie**, football guard (1935, '36), an insurance executive living on Lake Cumberland near Somerset, died of a heart attack at opening UK football game eight years ago.

Stan Nevers, tackle (1934, '35, capt. '36), retired at home in New Britain, Conn., career in home-improvement sales (cable TV on side). Coached one year at Olive Hill before moving to Con necticut. Active politically.

Joe Huddleston, guard (1934, '35, '36), retired Air Force colonel residing in Montgomery, Ala. Taught P.E. and helped scout for coach "Ab" Kirwan before active duty in 1941, retired in 1967. Came to UK from Winnamac, Ind., as walk-on basketball player.

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A Playoff System Or Not? That's The Question

Fiesta Bowl Official Backs Current Format

Nothing did more to increase sentiment for a playoff system to determine a true national college football champion than last year's Sunkist Fiesta Bowl.

Fiesta Bowl officials lured unbeaten powers Penn State



Larry Vaught
Cats' Pause Columnist

and Miami to Phoenix, Ariz., for a showdown on NBC-TV to determine the national champion. Penn State upset the Hurricanes to claim the championship and ever since many players, coaches and fans have spoken out in favor of a playoff system that would enable the nation's best teams to meet for the title just as Penn State and Miami did.

However, not even Fiesta Bowl officials favor a playoff system because of what it may do to the current lucrative bowl setup.

"We just don't like the idea of a system where you end the season with only one winner," said Rich Ripley, the associate director in charge of operations at the Fiesta Bowl, during a recent visit to Kentucky. "The way things are now, a lot of teams end the season with a win.

"If you had a playoff system, the money for the teams involved might go up but you would lose the festive atmosphere of the bowl games that attracts so many fans. Plus, you would have to extend the season and most college presidents are not in favor of that.

"Our game last year caught the public eye. We had a lot of hype over changing the date (from Jan. 1 to Jan. 2) and everything about the game just worked out. But it was done within the bowl structure and most years you have a national championship game within the bowl structure."

Here are some of Ripley's answers to some other questions:

• What can the Fiesta Bowl do for an encore after last year's showdown?

"I don't think we can top the game we had last year but we did plan to bring in two more top 10 teams," said Ripley. "We want a game that will again attract a big national television audience but that is also something every bowl wants."

• Would Miami be invited back again after last year's controversial off the field behavior?

Ripley said Fiesta Bowl officials would welcome Miami, which has played UCLA in the 1986 Fiesta Bowl, back.

"Miami got a lot of bad press last year but they were not quite as bad as the national press made them out," said Ripley. "They have a lot of quality people, too."

• Why has a Southeastern Conference team never played in the Fiesta Bowl?

"The SEC has a lot of good teams but they always beat up on each other," said Ripley. "SEC teams plays such tough schedules and drop in the rankings because they beat each other. Plus, the top SEC team goes to the Sugar Bowl. But we always carefully watch what goes on in the SEC because it is such a powerful conference."

• Is the Fiesta Bowl on par with the Cotton, Rose, Sugar and Orange Bowls?

"We have felt since 1982 that we are one of the big boys of the bowl games," said Ripley. "We went from paying \$1 million per team to \$2 million because of Sunkist. But last year's game probably made everybody else across the country accept us as one of the major bowls."

The Fiesta Bowl now pays each team over \$2 million. The Rose Bowl will pay each team about \$5.6 million this year while the Sugar Bowl pays \$2.6 million. After that the Orange, Cotton and Fiesta Bowls are all over \$2 million.

• Do TV ratings and fan support influence bowl selections?

"Any bowl that says it doesn't discuss fans and ratings is not telling the truth," said Ripley. "We always look for an east-west or east-midwest matchup. We may not always take the teams NBC wants but we work with them. We don't battle TV.

"We also look at fan support because the time of our game

is a slow time for tourism in Phoenix. We feel a responsibility to bring teams that will bring a lot of fans if at all possible. But we took Miami and UCLA two years ago knowing they wouldn't bring a lot of fans because they were the best teams available.

"It's just a crap shoot when you pick teams. Besides, it is not a first come, first served situation. Bowls cooperate to make sure all deserving teams get bids. The first bowl takes who it wants and the rest fall in line. That way the best teams are rewarded for their play."

• Are bowl games good for college football or have their huge payoffs contributed to the academic and improper gift scandals of recent years?

"Bowls have not played a role in the problems college football may have had," said Ripley. "We have the support of most college presidents. The bowls don't take away from school time and the bowls do generate a lot of money for the universities. Plus, the prestige from going to a bowl game usually benefits the whole university."

BACK MARK HIGGS has put the big play back in the UK offense this year. In UK's first five games he ran the ball 78 times and gained 10 or more yards on 20 of those attempts.

Higgs had four runs over 40 yards in those games, including an 85-yard scamper against Utah State in UK's opener. He also went over the 100-yard mark three times, something he had done only three times in three previous years.

Don't look for UK Coach Jerry Claiborne to overwork his star. Only three times in 35 games has Higgs carried 20 or



Claiborne: Must Keep Higgs Fresh

more times. This season he averages only 15.6 carries per game.

"If he ran the ball more, he wouldn't be as fresh and might not be as effective," said Claiborne. "It's important to keep him fresh. He's not a big, physical back. Plus, we have another good tailback in Ivy Joe Hunter and one in Al Baker that just needs more work. That's why we can afford to try and make sure we have Mark Higgs fresh for the fourth quarter."

INDEPENDENCE Bowl scout Tracy Jackson wouldn't be surprised to see seven Southeastern Conference teams among the 38 squads playing in bowl games this year.

"I think the SEC is strong enough to send seven teams to bowls," said Jackson, who certainly left Lexington impress-

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Rogerson, Lady Kats Win Own Invitational

Kate Rogerson fired a three-day, three-under-par 219 (73-73-73) to capture individual honors in last week's Lady Kat Invitational played at Spring Lake Country club. Overall, UK was 25 shots better than its closest competitor, compiling a 903 team total.

Kentucky's 15-over-par team total was the second best in the Invitational's history. In 1984 the Lady Kats broke 900 by one shot.

Second to Rogerson in individual honors was teammate Noelle Daghe. Daghe finished the tournament with a 1-under, 220 total (74-71-75). Other Lady Kat finishers included: Debbie Blank, 76-77-78—231; Margie Muzik, 76-81-79—236; and Cindy Mueller, 82-78-80—240.

UK Men Linksters Capture Kentucky Intercollegiate Title

Kentucky's Steve Flesch birdied the first hole of a playoff against Louisville, enabling him and the Wildcats to capture both individual and team honors in last week's Kentucky Intercollegiate Tournament at Harmony Landing Country Club.

Flesch, a lefty, fired a two-over-par three-day total of 215 (71-72-73), which tied U of L's Billy Lewis (73-73-70). However, Flesch made a birdie-four on the first hole to win the title.

Meanwhile, Kentucky won a five-man playoff against the Cardinals on the first playoff hole to give the Wildcats the No. 1 trophy. UK and U of L finished with identical 888 totals over the par-71, 6,648-yard course.

Other Wildcat scores are as follows: Bill Lundeen (73-76-75—224); David Bledsoe (78-72-75—225); Olen Grant (75-76-76—227); Pat Gavey (76-81-78—234).

Cross Country Team To Redshirt Three

UK coach Don Weber has announced that Lisa Breiding, Sherry Hoover and Patricia Padorno, all juniors, will be redshirted for the



1987 cross country season. Their absence due to injury has left the women's team without much depth, the coach said.

"We don't have a fifth runner," Weber said. "Our top four ran well (at the Indiana Invitational, Oct. 10) but we need some help."

Kentucky's men and women's teams placed fifth and third respectively in the Indiana Invitational at Bloomington, Oct. 10.

Kevin Banks of Western Kentucky won the individual title and Illinois captured titles in the men's 8,000-meter individual and team competitions.

Kentucky's men were led by Richard Ede who finished third in his first race after recovering from the flu.

"The men didn't have a particularly good race," said Weber. "Benny (McIntosh) didn't feel well and Richard (Ede) and Jim Kaiser ran well, but we didn't get good races out of our runners."

Denise Bushallow's fourth-place finished for the Lady Kats, who placed four runners among the top 20 finishers. Deanne Horne finished 12th, Lynne Segretti finished 14th and Valerie McGovern finished 17th.

Bob Watkins

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TCP's looks about right.

CHEERS. The Kentucky High School Athletics Association for offering a referendum to its members to see if high school officials would like to implement a coach's box this season on an experimental basis.

Some of us were in favor of the seat belt rule two years ago, but now seems to be a good time to compromise, experiment with a coach's box. Certainly, at the college level the box has proven to be just restrictive enough. As much as anything it has become a reminder to the coach.

Certainly part of the game's color is linked to the (reasonable) antics of coaches on the sidelines.

On an experimental basis, the coach's box looks like a good idea.

A two-thirds majority of the 291 Kentucky high schools is required for passage. That would be 194 "yes" votes.

The deadline for ballots to be sent to the KHSAA is Oct. 27. If the tally up favors the change then high school basketball 1987-88 could have two dramatic (and exciting) changes this season, a coach's box and the three-point shot.

Stay tuned.

CHEERS. To NBC-Television for its "E.T.-styled" lead-ins to the Major League baseball playoffs.

A young boy sits on his bed playing toss-catch with a baseball and hears the radio announcer say it's time for the National League or American League playoffs. He drops the ball onto the floor and it rolls under the bed. A brilliant light beams out, just the way it did into Elliot's face in the movie E.T.

"W-o-w-w-w!" he says as the camera sweeps through a stunning collection of baseball memorabilia—old gloves, baseballs, uniforms to the strummings of "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" in the background.

A fascinating and moving commercial. Thanks, NBC.

JEERS. To St. Louis Cardinal fans who fell victim to Jeffrey "Don't Call Me Jeff" Leonard's mean spirit. The Giants' outfielder drew the ire of Cardinal players and fans with his silly criticisms of the city (he called St. Louis a cow town). One would have thought he was watching New York Mets fans as they threw trash, a small metal bell and finally beer onto the Giants' leftfielder. Bush league all the way.

Parting shot

Ralph Sampson signed with the NBA Houston Rockets this week, a six-year contract for a reported \$12 million last week.

If you're interested, Ralph's pay breaks down to \$392.16 per minute played, \$23,529.41 per game, \$38,461.54 per week, or \$166,666.67 a month.

Sampson's reaction after he signed the new pact?

"I don't think I have anything to prove to anybody but myself, and the only thing I have to prove to myself is to go out and play basketball."

And so it goes.

UK Cross Country Action

The UK women's team finished fourth in a field of 21 teams in last Saturday's Virginia Invitational, while the men finished 17th in a field of 21 NCAA hopefuls in the 10,000-meter race. Benny McIntosh, the UK's No. 1 runner in meets at Kentucky and Vanderbilt this year, missed the race.

Kentucky's Richard Ede captured fourth-place in the men's race.

The Lady Kat runners were led by freshman Denise Bushallow's 20th-place finish and time of 17:19 in the 5,000-meter race. UK's Lynne Segreti, Valerie McGovern and Deanne Horne also finished in the top 35. Donna Combs participated in her first meet of the year for the Lady Kats and finished 52nd.

It's Not Just A Game, It's An Adventure

"Sarge" Putting Troops Through Boot Camp

Nowhere in his biographical information will you find any mention of service in the armed forces (although he did have a tour of duty under Hank Iba at Oklahoma State), and yet, with preseason basketball drills barely a week old, Eddie Sutton is beginning to



Mike Estep

Cats' Pause Columnist

look more and more like a career military man.

It all started nearly a year ago, when Sutton and his assistants began a recruiting drive that has had few equals since President Woodrow Wilson urged Congress to pass the Selective Service Act in June of 1917.

And now that the new troops have been inducted into the UK camp, along with holdovers Winston Bennett and Reggie Hanson, Sutton, who admits he was forced to conduct "soft" practices the last two years in fear of reducing his already thin numbers, has presided over the first week of workouts like a boot camp drill instructor.

Vince Carter, eat your heart out.

"I'll throw something out at you," Sutton said, addressing a surprised group of sportswriters at the recent basketball media day at Wildcat Lodge. "We had the best practice since I've been here at Kentucky today. I coached the team like I did at Arkansas. I think the freshmen, after the practice was over, were thinking, 'This guy must be crazy.' I think those freshmen were shocked."

THEY CERTAINLY HAD REASON TO BE. Eddie Sutton, the 51-year-old, demonstrating, in full-speed drills mind you, the proper way to take a charge. Eddie Sutton, president of the National Association of Basketball Coaches, hurling his body head-over-heels onto the Memorial Coliseum floor after loose balls. And Eddie Sutton, three times the National Coach of the Year, sincerely promising to eject players from practice if he detects any lapse in intensity during the course of the season.

"That's the way all our practices will be," Sgt. Sutton said. "That's the way we did it at Arkansas. The first two years (at UK) we couldn't do it, we didn't have depth. We were afraid we'd get people hurt or some of those guys might quit and then we'd really be hurting. With the talent we have now, if somebody wants to leave, they leave."

"We got to the point (last year), coaching-wise, that we were afraid to have hard practices. The last two years we had to play soft, we had to coach soft. We're going to have some real gut practices (this year)."

And apparently, if that means giving somebody the thumb, so be it.

"I've never chased a player since I've been at Kentucky, but there'll be some of 'em going to the showers before practice is over," Sutton said. "First time a guy pouts, first time he doesn't play hard, we'll say, 'Hey. You go through the door, we don't need you.' I used to chase (Sidney) Moncrief, (Darrell) Walker, (Alvin) Robertson, and they didn't realize what I was doing. I loved 'em, I was demanding and they're great players today."

ALL THIS SAID, YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE that Sutton will occasionally ease up on his players somewhat as the season progresses. To loosen them up last year, Sutton often allowed outsiders to participate in practices. To keep things from becoming too serious, Lexington police chief John McFadden, television analyst Bucky Waters and *Herald-Leader* columnist John McGill were all involved in free-throw shooting contests with players at various times. TCP's own Nick Nicholas even got in on the act down in Tuscaloosa.

But for now, during the all-important preseason drills that set the tone for the entire year, Sutton wants to make sure his players understand he means business.

"We've got a chance to go a long ways. And it's my responsibility to get the best out of all of 'em," he said. "And we're in a position with all the depth that we have, that all of our daily practices will be good. I told 'em this afternoon, 'When I get after you, it's nothing personal. I just want you to become the best basketball player that God gave you talent for you to be.'"

"And I've never had as much talent as I'll have this year. Our team, some of our players are a little soft, but we're gonna be a hardnosed basketball team. And with the schedule we have, we've got to be.

"Boy, it's gonna be fun coaching this year. It wasn't much fun

last year."

Sarge says it will be fun to coach this season. I say it will be fun to watch.

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IN ADDITION TO HIS NEW GET-TOUGH policy, Sutton says the Wildcats will employ a new game plan this year. In contrast to last season, when UK's fortunes rested on the ability of guards Rex Chapman, Ed Davender and Derrick Miller to fire in jumpers from as far away as the Jefferson Street parking lot, look for the 'Cats to dust off a facet of the game that has been absent from these parts for awhile—the inside power attack.

"Rex Chapman won't score as many points this season I don't think," Sutton said. "because we'll have better balance, we'll get the ball inside and we'll have some inside players who can score. (Rob) Lock has gotten better, (Cedric) Jenkins has gotten better and LeRon Ellis has got a chance to be a great player."

"Last year we lived and died with that three-point shot. That's not the way you play basketball. You throw the ball inside, make the defense react to it and if a guy's got a chance to score we want him to score. If the defense collapses, you pitch it outside and that's



Sgt. Sutton Vows To Get Tough In '88

when the outside shot should be taken. Last year we sat around in staff meetings and tried to figure out tricky plays where we could get three-point shots."

But that doesn't mean that Kentucky will put the bonus baby into cold storage altogether.

"Yeah, we're gonna shoot three-point shots," Sutton said. "But we're gonna try to play a power game inside. And then when the defense collapses back, we'll kick it back and the guy can shoot it."

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SPEAKING OF SENIOR CENTER ROB LOCK, whose dedicated work and dieting during the offseason resulted in a weight loss of nearly 20 pounds, putting the big guy in the best physical condition since he's been at Kentucky, if you would have seen him last Thursday, you would have sworn he had fallen off the wagon.

Following the media day dinner, in which Lock neatly put away seconds, I saw him heading to his room with a plate loaded down with inch-thick pork chops and sausage patties.

"Not hungry are you?" I asked. "Not now," he answered, "but I will be later. I get hungry late at night, and I just didn't feel like running out to McDonald's."

Not to worry "Cat fans. No, Lock hasn't broken training, and no, he hasn't decided to put himself on the Melvin Turpin Diet Plan.

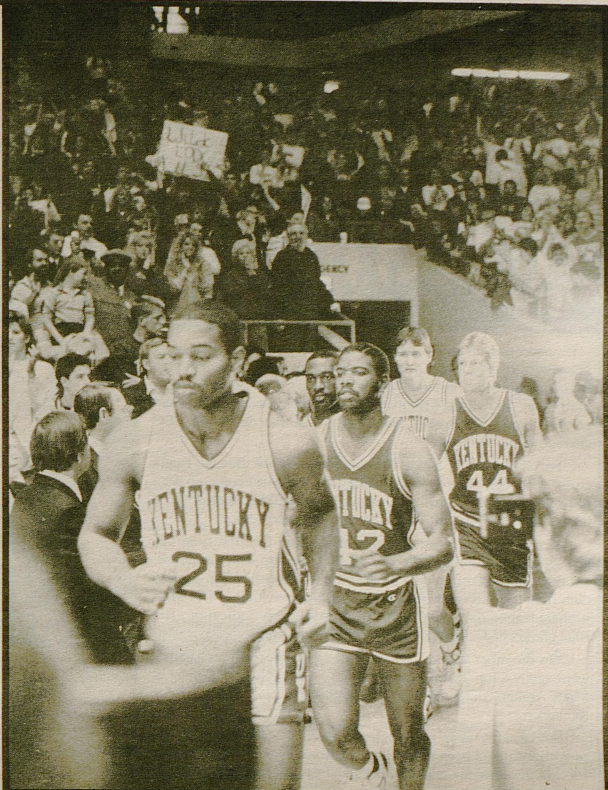
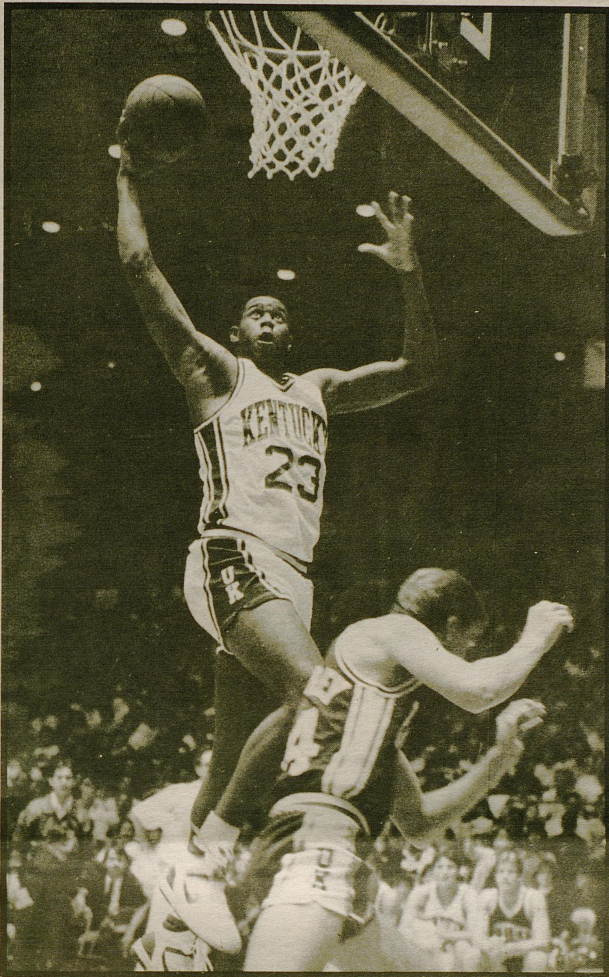
It could be that although his heart is in the Bluegrass, his stomach is still living in the Western Time Zone. Lock says he prefers to skip breakfast, start in with lunch and finish off with a midnight snack.

Oh, yes. He's also got another motive.

"I've got to take care of my roomie, too," he said.

Amen to that. Lock's roommate is freshman John Pelphrey, the 6-7 Paintsville native who is kindly listed in the media guide at 180 pounds, but probably couldn't tip the scales at more than 165 with his pockets full of rocks.

Pass the pork chops, Rob.



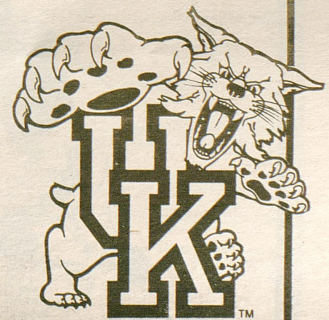
KENTUCKY WILDCATS



Top Left: Manuel Soars For 2

Top Right: Here Come The 'Cats

Bottom Left: The New Kids On The Block



Photos By Gary Cromwell

What Jinx? Tigers Wake Half; Hand 'Cats First S

By Mike Estep

It's never easy to tackle the No. 6 team in the country, especially in enemy territory, and expect to come out on top. But even though the oddsmakers had installed Jerry Claiborne's Wildcats as 12-point underdogs, the reasons were many why Kentucky had to feel it could go into Baton Rouge and knock off LSU, the defending SEC champions:

□For starters, UK had a history of playing the Bengal Tigers close. Although prior to last Saturday the 'Cats had come up with just one win in their last nine meetings with LSU, most of those times, Kentucky was in the game until the very end.

□Kentucky was on a roll. Sure, this wasn't the first time UK had sported an impressive record when it lined up with the Tigers, but this year was different. The 'Cats had demolished Top Twenty club Indiana, and were fresh off a 35-6 bushwacking of Ole Miss in their league opener. What's more, from every indication, Big Blue players had a confidence that had been lacking in seasons past.

□On the other hand, LSU was 5-0-1, but four of those games were against Top Twenty competition, and you had to wonder if Mike Archer could motivate his battle-tired club to get up for Kentucky.

□And true, it was a meaningless stat, but LSU had been saddled with what had been called the "daytime jinx"—the Tigers were 0-4-2 in their last six televised day games from Tiger Stadium, including a 13-13 tie with Ohio State earlier this season.

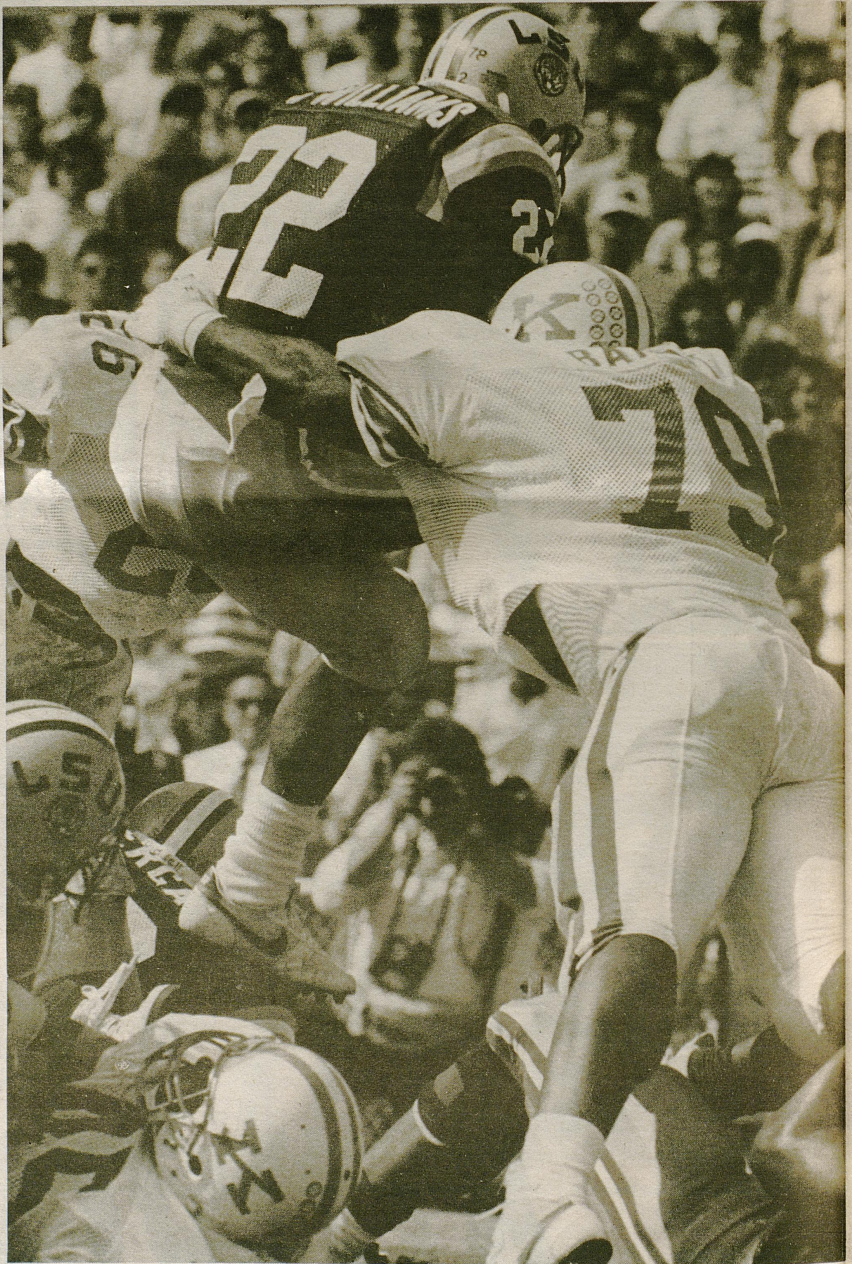
So you had to like UK's chances.

And as late as midway through the third quarter in Tiger Town, things were right on schedule. Although Kentucky got out of the gate slowly, hurt itself with costly mistakes—a fumble by Mark Higgs on his own two-yard line that led to LSU's second score, and a Glenn Fohr pass that sailed over the head of wide-open receiver Dee Smith, nixing a sure touchdown were the two crucial ones—and trailed 14-3 at one point, the 'Cats closed the first half with a bang.

Wildcat Defense Keyed First-Half Turnaround

With just four minutes gone by in the second quarter, LSU quarterback Tom Hodson hit split end Tony Moss for a 35-yard pass play that set the Tigers up with a first and 10 at the Kentucky 40. But just when UK appeared in danger of letting the LSU put the game out of reach, the Wildcat defense rose to the occasion. Defensive end Carwell Gardner stayed home on a reverse and nailed Moss for a nine-yard loss. And following an incompletion, cornerback Ron Mack picked off an errant Hodson pass to stall the drive on the 'Cat 19.

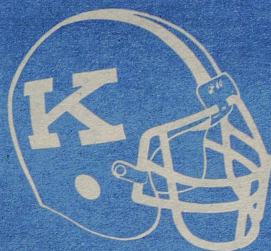
Behind two 12-yard completions from Fohr, the first to Ivy Joe Hunter and the second to Martin Pennington, UK drove to the LSU 39. After Hunter was stacked up for no gain on second down, Kentucky was faced with a third and three. Fohr executed a perfect play fake to Andy Murray, then spotted Smith wide open in the Tiger secondary. Fohr's pass sailed harmlessly over Smith's head, and Jay Tesar was called on to punt. While the ball was in the air, though, LSU was whistled for a personal foul, and the 15-yard mark off gave UK new life with a first down at the 24. Kentucky eventually



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By Mike Estep

moved to the 16, where the drive stalled and Joey Worley converted his second field goal of the day to make it 14-6.

Following an LSU punt with :49 remaining until halftime, Kentucky took over on its own five and immediately went to the hurry-up offense. Hunter ripped off 23 yards down the right sideline on a first down carry, and a five-yard facemask penalty tacked on at the end of the play moved the ball out to the 33. A pair of 19-yard pass plays to Pennington and Hunter gave Kentucky a first down at the LSU 29. Two running plays netted five yards, and with :13 remaining in the half, UK called time out and edged to within 14-9 on a 41-yard, third-down field goal by Worley.

So even though they held the statistical edge at the half—UK racked up more first downs (11 to 7), passing yardage (99 to 98), rushing yardage (105 to 26) and total yards (204 to 124)—it was those crucial mistakes that kept Kentucky from leading where it counted, on the scoreboard.

"We made some mistakes that we just haven't been making, and one of the big ones was that fumble on the two-yard line," Claiborne said. "We moved the ball up and down the field but we didn't score (as much as we should have). That's the name of the game, you're gotta score. I felt we helped 'em some though—we didn't really hit our open receivers at times, and we dropped some passes that hurt. If you don't drop that ball and you hit those open receivers, it makes a big difference in where you're playing."

But even with the mistakes, still only five points separated Kentucky and the No. 6 team in the nation at the break. And with the momentum it picked up with the last-second drive, UK was confident heading into the locker room at intermission.

"We felt like we couldn't have been in a better situation at halftime," Mack said. "We scored, and drove the ball on them. Defensively after the first series, we had shut them down up until halftime. So we had a great feeling going into the second half."

LSU Took Charge With Third-Quarter Spurt

The Tigers took the second-half kickoff and drove the ball down the field, but the Wildcat defense stiffened and came up with the big play. LSU kicker David Brownlyke set up for a 38-yard field goal attempt, but defensive end Tony Massey came streaking through the left side of the line to deflect the ball and keep the Tigers off the board. It looked like the time was right for Kentucky to make its move.

"That's what I thought," Massey said. "They took the ball the second half and drove it, we held 'em on third down and on fourth down they tried a field goal. I was able to block it and things were going our way."

But not for long. After Higgs squirted up the middle for 12 yards, the senior tailback and Fohr couldn't connect on a handoff on the ensuing play. Kentucky recovered the ball, but could never recover the momentum.

Behind Hodson and Wendell Davis, who set the LSU career-reception record with seven catches on the day, the explosive Tiger offense began to get untracked on the next series. With a third and 13 from the LSU 39, Hodson hit Davis, who was double-covered on the play, for a 32-yard gainer to the UK 29. And on a third and eight from the UK 27, Hodson sidestepped the UK blitz and found Davis for a first and goal at the 10. A holding penalty moved the ball back to the 20, but again, LSU made things happen on third down. From the six, Hodson threw incomplete for Davis, but the 'Cats were guilty of pass interference, setting up a first and goal from the two. Harvey Williams went over the top, and LSU led 21-9 with 4:40 left in the quarter.

But the Tigers weren't done yet. Before you could say "jumbalaya," the boys from the bayou had struck again. Kentucky punted the ball back to the Tigers after just three plays. On first down from the UK 48, Sammy Martin was stopped after a three-yard gain. Then came another big play. Third-string tailback Eddie Fuller went 45 yards for the TD, raising the score to 28-9 and putting the game out of reach.

All those big plays just took the air out of Kentucky's sails. "Big plays were the difference," Massey said. "The first half they recovered the ball on our five. In the second half, with the score 14-9, they had a third and long and completed a long pass. They

had some big play players, and they made some big plays.

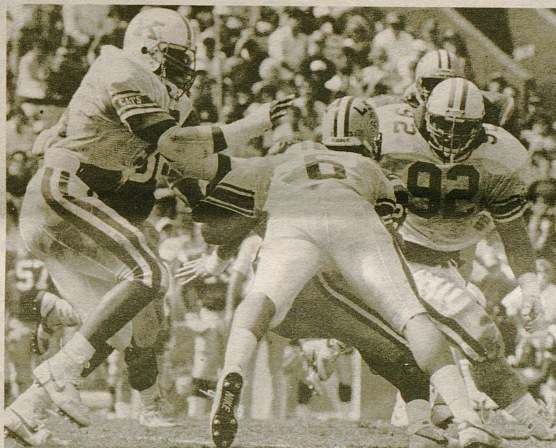
"One thing adds on top to another. They're the No. 6-ranked team, and they made the big plays today."

Archer's club then went for blood the jugular, tacking on two late field goals to account for the final score.

"I felt like early in the game, if we'd hit that touchdown pass.

... we had a guy wide open for a touchdown. We had to settle for a field goal. And then we dropped the ball down on the five-yard line that would have been another touchdown. We would have been back in the ballgame. But that's that old 'iffin' game. We didn't.

"Those are the type of plays that LSU made and we didn't. That was the difference in the ballgame. They had a third-and-10 or a third-and-15 and they made it. That's why they're a great football team. We didn't make it. We've just got to go back and regroup and get ready for Georgia."



Tony Massey (6) On The Pursuit



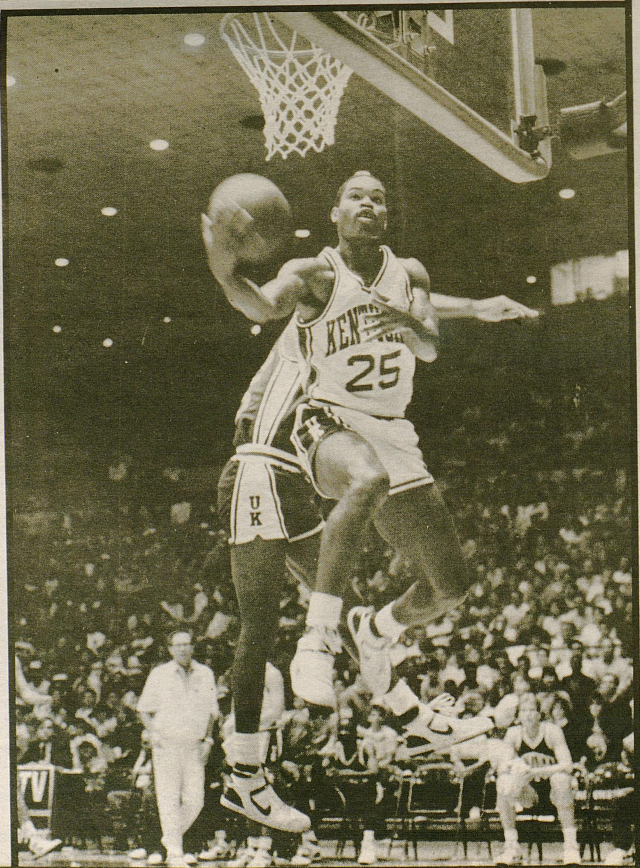
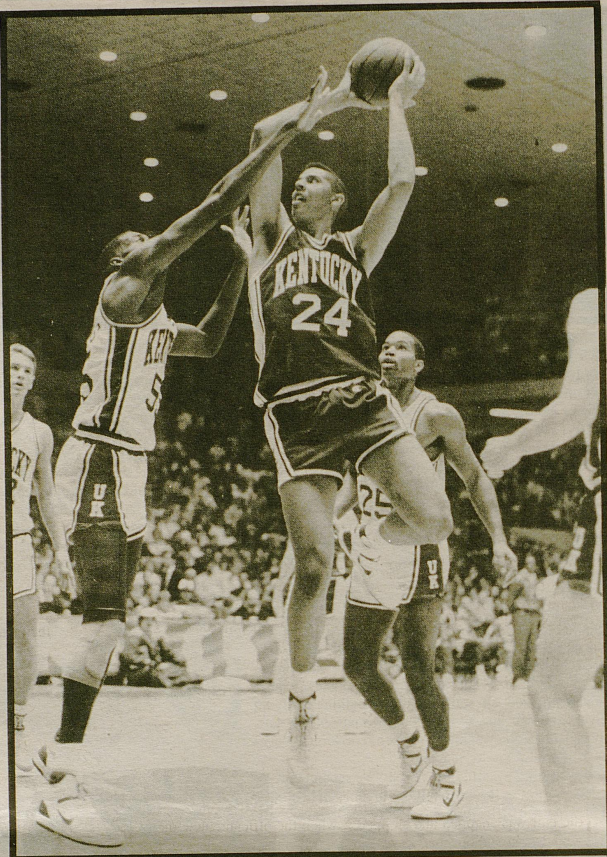
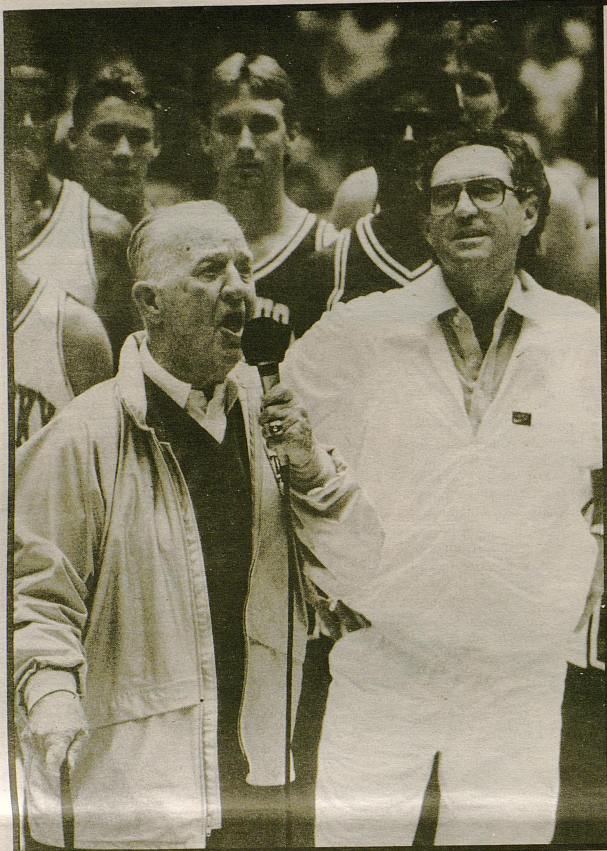
Glenn Fohr & Mark Higgs—A Rough Afternoon

	KENTUCKY	LSU
First downs	17	17
Rushes-yards	36-147	31-171
Passing yards	164	222
Attempts-completions-interceptions	31-17-3	31-17-1
Total yards	311	393
Return yards	31	55
Punts-average	4-46.0	3-56.3
Fumbles-lost	4-1	2-0
Penalties-yards	4-30	9-24
Possession time	26:38	33:22
Kentucky	3	6
LSU	7	14
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	9	34

LSU—H. Williams 12 run (Brownlyke kick)
 UK—Worley 45 FG
 LSU—Magee 4 pass from Hodson (Brownlyke kick)
 KY—Worley 29 FG
 KY—Worley 41 FG
 LSU—H. Williams 2 run (Brownlyke kick)
 LSU—Fuller 45 run (Brownlyke kick)
 LSU—Brownlyke 47 FG
 LSU—Brownlyke 27 FG

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	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TDS	LONG			
Higgs	14	61	9	52	0	12			
Fohr	4	22	4	18	0	16			
Hunter	14	59	3	56	0	23			
Murray	3	6	0	6	0	6			
Baker	1	15	0	15	0	15			
TOTALS	36	163	16	147	0	23			
PASSING									
	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TDS	LONG			
Fohr	30	17	2	164	0	22			
Allen	1	0	1	0	0	0			
TOTALS	31	17	3	164	0	22			
PASS RECEIVING									
	NO	YDS	TDS	LONG					
Higgs	2	7	0	4					
Jones	3	40	0	22					
Hunter	2	31	0	19					
Pennington	1	32	0	32					
Murray	3	7	0	9					
D. Smith	2	11	0	8					
Darrington	4	58	0	19					
TOTALS	17	164	0	22					
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Worley	3	3	45						
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ALL RETURNS									
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Mack	—	—	—	1	0	—			
Bolden	—	—	1	9	—	—			
D. Smith	1	31	2	26	—	—			
TOTALS	1	31	3	35	1	0			

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	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TDS	LONG				
H. Williams	15	63	0	63	2	12				
Fuller	7	67	2	65	1	45				
S. Martin	8	36	3	33	0	12				
Moss	1	0	9	(-9)	0	(-9)				
Hodson	2	3	1	2	0	3				
Harris	2	8	0	8	0	5				
K. Jones	1	6	0	6	0	6				
LeBlanc	1	3	0	3	0	3				
TOTALS	37	186	15	171	3	45				
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Magee	8	40	1	20						
Davis	7	94	0	32						
Moss	2	60	0	35						
S. Martin	2	16	0	9						
H. Williams	3	12	0	7						
TOTALS	17	222	1	35						
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Brownlyke	—	3	2	47						
Lewis	—	1	0	0						
TOTALS	4	2	47							
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Young	2	15	—	—	3	69	1	26		
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Jackson	1	14	—	—	—	—	—	—		
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Top Left: Happy Chandler and 'My Old Kentucky Home'

Top Right: Cedric Cuts Off LeRon At The Pass

Bottom Left: "Two Bits, Four Bits. . ."

Bottom Right: Winston Back In Form

Are Football Games Actually 60 Minutes?

My Mickey Mouse Says No

When you lay out \$15 for a college football ticket, how much action do you get for your money? Sixty minutes? Wrong! When your players lift weights, run wind springs and eat like



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

horses to build up their strength, it's because they've got to be physically prepared to go full speed for 60 minutes, right? Wrong again!

THE RULE BOOK SAYS they play 60 minutes and the clock says the teams play 60 minutes, but they don't really. Not according to my stopwatch.

I covered the Florida-Alabama game and sometime during the first half, I began to wonder just how much time was used in playing and how much time went by in huddles, standing around, calling signals and other non-competitive moments.

In the second half I put a stopwatch on it and gave "action" the benefit of the doubt.

I counted as action kickoffs. The clock didn't actually run until the ball was touched, but I started our watch when it was kicked.

I credited extra points as action, from the moment of the snap until the officials gave their signal as to good or bad.

In all cases I ignored the field clock and started the watch when the ball was snapped and stopped it when the officials blew their whistles, signalling the play was over. When the day was over my watch showed a grand total of eight minutes and two seconds of "action" in the 30-minute second half. The rest of the time went by as the players got ready to do something but before they did.

Further, the only reason the total ran that much was because "Bama fell behind and started to pass the ball. The clock stopped with each incompleated pass and that allowed a lot of plays to be run without much time being used.

THE FACT IS THAT "ACTION" TIME in the third quarter totaled only three minutes, 31 seconds.

The fourth quarter, with all the passing ran, four minutes, 31 seconds.

Alabama and Florida ran 40 plays between them in the third period and 52 plays in the final quarter.

Passing was the reason. Short passes burned about four seconds. Long passes usually took five but never more than six.

Punts burned about four seconds. Kickoffs that weren't run back also were four-second affairs. A kickoff returned 29 yards took 11 seconds off the clock. Later a 21-yard return used up eight seconds.

The longest running play was a deep reverse. From start to finish just more than 10 seconds went by on that one.

A fumble on a snap took one second according to my watch.

The most time used between snap and whistle came on a punt followed by a 29-yard return. Almost 11 seconds ran off the clock while that was going on.

To recap, Florida and Alabama ran 92 plays in eight minutes and two seconds. That's an average of 5.23 seconds per play.

Unlike basketball, which is a game of non-stop action, football is played in short bursts.

THE SIMPLE TRUTH IS THAT a player is called on to give maximum effort only for five seconds at a time.

Granted those five seconds are very intense and granted also there's heavy physical contact for most of the players on the field. But a player who can get in a rhythm of going hard for five seconds, then resting for 12 to 15 ticks, can utilize his energy to the maximum.

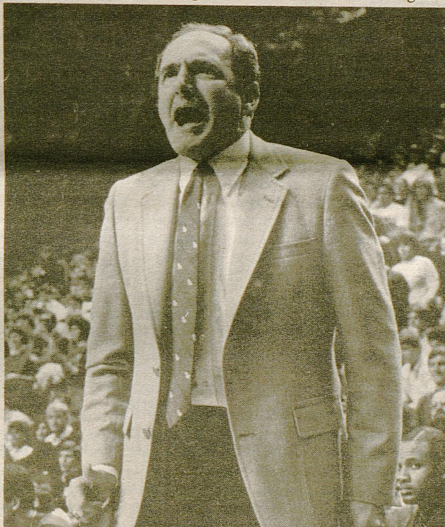
This theory does not apply to fans who are forced to jump up, cheer, wave their arms, sing songs and do all sorts of violent exercise for the full length of time.

And those players think they have it tough. They ought to sit in the stands occasionally to find out how physically demanding the game can really be.

Not For Broadcast

Don't believe I've ever seen an Ole Miss team whipsawed on the field and in print like this 1987 bunch. One Mississippi paper called the Rebels' Kentucky game "a massacre." A Tennessee paper said the Mississippi 11 is "the flop of the year." A nationwide service called the Rebels "the most disappointing team in the coun-

try." How far Ole Miss has fallen in the two months since the experts were touting them as darkhorse contenders for national and SEC honors and *Playboy* magazine picked them preseason as the No. 8 team in the country. . . Speaking of problems, I was amazed and disturbed with how quickly Alabama fans in my town jumped on **Bill Curry's** case following the Tide's loss to Memphis State. The team was a fine 4-2 at the point and too many Alabama followers were still giving me that "I never did believe he could coach" stuff. What happened to the guy they were saluting after the Penn State game? Did he forget so much so quickly? . . . Following the NCAA sanctions against SMU, former Mustang players transferred to 40 different schools. Six came into the Southeastern Conference. Fourteen elected to stay at SMU and get their degrees. . . Believe it or not, the single wing formation is still alive. It's being used at **Denison College**, an NCAA Division III school in Granville, Ohio. How's it doing? Denison has won 20 of its last 21 games and 30 of 33. . . It's hard to believe that we've had artificial turf for 20 years. **Tennessee** was the first in the SEC to use an artificial surface. The Volunteers installed theirs in 1967. . . How important are bowl games to college football's financial health? The total payoffs in bowl games last year were more than \$47 million. . . The recent **Auburn-Georgia Tech** game was the last in this long-lived series that started in 1892. There were 90 games in the series but Georgia Tech has cancelled it because, it says, of the demands of its ACC schedule. . . If **Hugh Durham's** team wins seven games



Durham Soon To Become No. 1 Dawg

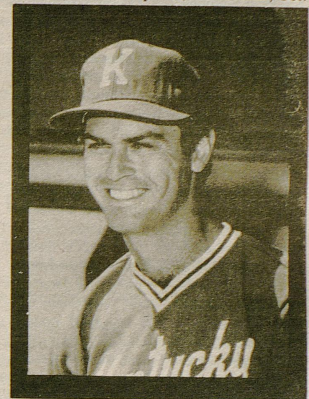
this season, and of course it will, he will become the winningest basketball coach in Georgia history. That will give him 171. . . **Florida** has scheduled a doubleheader for Nov. 14. The football team plays Kentucky at Florida Field followed by an Orange and Blue basketball scrimmage at the O'Connell Center. Since one is just a few steps away from the other, there should be a big crowd on hand to watch **Norm Sloan's** kids, who are one of the favorites in the SEC this season. . . Tennessee coach **Johnny Majors** still is pushing hard for offensive guard **Harry Galbreath** to be named all-everything. Said Majors recently about the 6-foot-1, 267-pound star: "He is capable of becoming as good an offensive lineman as Tennessee has ever produced". . . **Kentucky's** annual "Midnight Madness" basketball extravaganza featured a reunion of the 1957-58 championship team. Man, was that group something. . . **Steve Sloan** visited the Vanderbilt dressing room after Alabama defeated the Commodores. Despite Vandy's loss Sloan complimented coach **Watson Brown**, telling him, "I'd describe you as smarter than a tree full of owls". . . Auburn's field goal and extra-point kicker, **Win Lyle**, has lost a year of eligibility. In a routine check the Tigers discovered that Lyle played in one JV game in 1986, thus costing him an entire season. . . **Ron Lewis**, LSU's kickoff specialist, went to Tigertown despite the fact that his father is a Georgia alumnus.

The Last Word: **Phil Donahue**, speaking on prayer in sports: "I no longer bless myself before a foul shot. I do not think God is up there saying, 'You better pray to Me or I'll show you what trouble really is.' To suggest that God wants me to beg Him to help me when I'm in trouble is to make an egomaniac of God."

Oscar Combs

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Sept. 2, Indiana; Sept. 9, open; Sept. 16, North Carolina; Sept. 23, at Alabama; Oct.



Keith Madison

7, Auburn; Oct. 14, Rutgers; Oct. 21, LSU; Oct. 28, at Georgia; Nov. 4, Cincinnati; Nov. 11, at Vanderbilt; Nov. 18, at Florida; and Nov. 25, Tennessee.

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FIRST AND TENS . . . Some 12,500 Wildcat fans jammed into **Memorial Coliseum** for the annual Midnight Madness practice session last Wednesday night before the fire marshal locked the doors shortly before 10 p.m. One of the biggest ovations came when the 1958 national champions were introduced to the crowd as former Wildcat **Vernon Hatton** reenacted his famous mid-court shot against Temple which tied the game at the buzzer and sent it into triple overtime before the 'Cats finally won. Although he didn't tickle the nets like he did almost 30 years ago, he did get a piece of the rim. . . Many of the 12,500 fans at the practice had been to previous Midnight Madness sessions, but one who was watching his first event was eight-year-old **Lee Ellis**, younger brother of freshman star **LeRon Ellis**. LeRon's family moved to central Kentucky earlier this fall. . . We recently had the opportunity to chat with **Al Harden**, father of former UK star **Roger Harden**. This is to report that Al is doing great and is expected to be back to 100 percent health within a couple weeks. The personable Harden was seriously injured in an automobile accident a couple months ago near his office in Boston while on his way to work. . . Numerous **Rex Chapman** fans were beating the doors down of local sheriff's departments and state police posts last week, trying to get a **Champions Against Drugs** sports card sporting Chapman's picture on the front. It is a part of the Champions Against Drugs sports card collector's series which has been underway over the past five months. The cards are available free from any Kentucky State Trooper, county sheriff's department and many city police departments. Senior **Winston Bennett** also was featured on a card earlier this summer. . . The **Kentucky Network**, which holds broadcasts rights to UK football and basketball games, is part of a national firm which is broadening its business across the country. According to officials in Baton Rouge, two of the companies which are bidding on similar rights for LSU are Kentucky Network and Host Communications, the same two companies which have duked it out for UK rights over the past six years. . . Congratulations to baseball coach **Keith Madison**, whose Wildcats just concluded a perfect 15-0 fall exhibition season. It was a double success with the installation of lights at the Shively Complex, allowing UK night baseball for the first time in history. Madison hopes the lights will generate a boost in attendance next season.

UK GRID TIDBITS

Higgs Moves Into Top Ten: Tailback Mark Higgs, who rushed for 52 yards in the loss to LSU last Saturday, has 734 yards rushing in six games this season. Higgs' 734 yards rushing in a season now ranks 10th on the UK season list for most yards gained in a season. Higgs could easily move into seventh place among season leaders against Georgia, needing just 38 yards rushing to pass Derrick Ramsey (771 yards in 1976), currently in seventh place.

More On Higgs: The UK senior tailback is trying to reach the 1,000-yard rushing mark in a single season this fall, a feat which has previously been reached only three times by Kentucky runners in the school's history. Higgs needs 266 yards rushing, or an average of 53.2 yards in the remaining five games, to reach the 1,000-yard plateau. Only Sonny Collins (1,213 yards in 1973 and 1,105 yards in 1975) and George Adams (1,085 yards in 1984) have reached the 1,000-yard mark in a single season at UK. Also, Higgs needs just 301 yards rushing to move into second place on the UK career list for rushing and would pass Adams (2,648 yards). Higgs needs to average 60.2 yards per game the rest of the 1987 season to do so.

The Worley Connection: Placekicker Joey Worley connected on three of three field goals last Saturday at LSU, marking the ninth time in his career to have successfully kicked at least three field goals in a game. Worley, who hit three field goals the previous week against Ole Miss, now has kicked at least two field goals in a contest 15 times and at least one field goal a contest in 27 career games.

150 Yards Or Bust: For the first time in 1987, Kentucky was held below 150 yards rushing last week, against LSU. UK managed 147 yards rushing against the Tigers and in the Jerry Claiborne era, that usually means a loss. You see, Kentucky is a sparkling 24-2-2 in the Claiborne era when it rushes for 150 yards-or-more as a team in a contest. The two losses have come to Rutgers (19-18) this season and to Virginia Tech (17-15) a year ago.

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'CATS ON THE NATIONAL SCENE

Individually:

***Rushing**—Tied for sixth is Mark Higgs with 122.3 yards per game.

***Field Goals**—Tied for sixth is Joey Worley with 1.83 field goals per game.

Team:

***Rushing Offense**—10th (283.0 yards per game)

***Total Offense**—12th (426.2 yards per game)

***Rushing Defense**—10th (88.8 yards per game)

***Total Defense**—Ninth (257.3 yards per game)

'CATS



Are These 'Cats For Real?

Only Time Will Answer That Question

ATTENTION ALL SPORTS FANS. I would like to announce that I still have not, repeat, not yet been convinced that the University of Kentucky Wildcats are for real.

I'm an eternal pessimist when it comes to sports teams.



Dan Brandenburg

Cats' Pause Columnist

remember, and I am still not so sure that the Cats have played a quality opponent this season.

Sure, I was very surprised (OK, make that stunned) that the Cats rolled over Ole Miss the way they did Saturday but look at the Rebels' 1987 record and who they have played.

Coach Billy Brewer's charges were picked to finish third in the Southeastern Conference in the preseason but are now battling to stay out of the cellar with a 1-5 overall record and 0-2 SEC mark.

The Rebs started out their year at Memphis State and came away with a 16-10 loss. Now, Memphis State probably has a better team than most are giving it credit for, especially after its upset of Alabama, but it is by no means a powerhouse.

Ole Miss then got drilled by Arkansas (31-10), the best team it has faced to date, and followed that by winning its only game over Arkansas State 47-10. Since then, the Rebels have lost three straight: Tulane, 31-24; Georgia, 31-14, and Kentucky, 35-6.

The UK assault was the Rebels' biggest loss of the season as they managed their only score in the closing minutes, long after the outcome had been decided.

Of the six games, the Rebels should have been favored to win at least four of them but have managed just one victory. Not exactly the mark of a strong team that was favored to finish ahead of Kentucky, Alabama, Florida and Georgia in the SEC race this season, huh?

Against the exact same schedule last season, when they finished 7-3-1 and then won the Independence Bowl over Texas Tech, the Rebels were 3-2-1 at this point. They also returned 18 starters from a squad that ripped Kentucky 33-13 last year in Jackson.

SO, WHERE DOES that leave Kentucky? The jury is still out.

The Cats have beaten a team (Indiana) 34-15 that beat ninth-ranked Ohio State 31-10, but surely no one believes UK is 40 points better than the Buckeyes?

Memphis State has defeated Ole Miss and Alabama, and Kentucky beat Ole Miss much worse than Memphis did. But would you pick the Cats over the Tide?

On a more positive note, Rutgers, the only team to have beaten UK this year, gave a good effort against Penn State before losing 35-21. However, Utah State and Ohio University were both nothing teams that the Cats were heavily favored against.

Add it up, folks. The Wildcats ain't beat nobody. I think the upsets of Alabama and Ohio State by Memphis State and Indiana were one-day flukes that just happened to occur on the same weekend. I don't believe either Memphis or the Hoosiers have progressed enough to even win two out of three against the opponents they respectively upset.

But this claim ended last Saturday when the Cats went down to Baton Rouge to take on the LSU Tigers. It continues this weekend in Athens against Vince Dooley's Dawgs and then, after "should-win" games with Virginia Tech and Vanderbilt, finishes up with Florida and Tennessee. The first two and last two teams are all ranked among the nation's top 20 and should provide all the challenges the Cats can handle.

But can they handle it? That's the big question. It seemed like almost everyone was ready to start making bowl plans when Kentucky walked over Ole Miss because the Rebels were supposed to be an SEC contender this year. Obviously, they aren't, although they may end up with as good a record as Kentucky because the rest of their schedule includes such big-name schools as Southwestern Louisiana, Vanderbilt and Mississippi State.

After the Rutgers loss, I said UK would need two upsets in order to have a shot at a bowl. I still think that, but one of them is now out of the way, although ripping Ole Miss was really not an upset. At the start of the season, maybe, but not two weeks ago in Lexington.

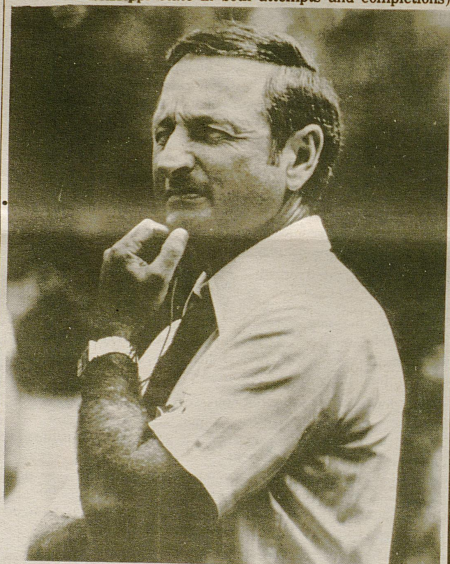
THE CATS WERE to hit Baton Rouge at a good time for an upset, with the Tigers coming off an emotional, draining 26-23 win over Georgia. Plus, LSU has not compiled a great record when playing under the sunshine and in front of the television cameras, both of which were scheduled to be present.

But the No. 6 Tigers also have the awesome passing arm of Tommy Hodson and the UK defense is much more vulnerable against the pass than it is against the run.

Georgia, on the other hand, is a runner and will be the biggest test of the season for the Big Blue Defense which had been allowing just under 72 yards per game on the ground going into the LSU match.

Lars Tate is the conference's third-leading rusher at 123 yards per game and should be healthy after sitting out a game with an injury. If Tate, a senior, isn't ready or successful, then Vince Dooley need look no further than freshman Rodney Hampton who romped for an SEC season-high 227 yards against Ole Miss. Over one-half of Hampton's rushing attempts for the season came in that one game, yet he has done well enough to rank ninth in the league with 67 yards per game.

Georgia had completed just 39 of 80 passes (next-to-last in the SEC) to Mississippi State in both attempts and completions)



Vince Dooley

before last weekend, but ranked second in the league in touchdown percentage as five of the completions have gone for scores.

The Dawgs are also third in yards per passing attempt, which means that in the few times they go to the air they usually pick up a bunch of yards, score or both.

Georgia has only tried about 13 passes per game, so UK could force them to "air out" their passing attack by stopping the run. The Dawgs really haven't been forced to do that this season, so that could give the Cats an edge they need to pull off another shocker. But if Tate and Hampton keep finding holes, look for Georgia to keep it on the ground and make it a long trip home from Athens for Kentucky.

I JUST LOVE the fact that UK running back Mark Higgs is having such a super season. He's averaging 8.7 yards per carry and 136.4 yards per game, which ranks him third-best in the SEC and fourth-best in the country.

He's also broken his personal single-game rushing record three times already this season. Sure, Higgs is a great breakaway runner, but it'll be difficult for him to keep up his numbers against LSU and Georgia.

But the best part about his season for me is that Higgs, at 5-7, 186, is the only college athlete I've interviewed in months that I actually tower over and around.

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Wilburn Adds To Offensive Line's Solidarity

Says 'It's Not Bragging If You Can Do It'

Ever since Butch Wilburn decided to become a Kentucky football player he has established a reputation as being a highly confident individual. You might even say he's too self confident. Maybe even cocky.



Todd Hallum

Cats' Pause Columnist

Like most players coming into college, he had to overcome the transformation of competing against better competition and blend his personality with the rest of his teammates. During those times leading up to his fifth and final season as a Wildcat, Wilburn has learned from a season-ending knee injury as a freshman and personal problems as a sophomore, which has enabled him to become an instrumental member of UK's vaunted offensive line.

Through all his personal adversity he has learned to tender his emotions on not being quite so self-serving. He understands what differentiates between cockiness and confidence.

"When you know you have the strength to do something I don't think that's cockiness," said the personable Wilburn. "My father has always said it's not bragging if you can do it. But there is a discipline in confidence."

CONFIDENCE IS SOMETHING THE UK STAFF has installed in the Wildcat offensive line. With a lineup that possesses above-average size (each member carrying more than 250 pounds) and experience (four seniors) this group has formed a unique bond with each other.

The senior dominated foursome—Wilburn, Dermonti Dawson, Greg Kunkel and Brad Myers—has endured its fair share of adversity which, at times, was warranted. Other times it wasn't. However, this close-knit group stayed together, producing the seventh-best total offense in the nation (averaging 449.2 yards per outing) during heading into the LSU contest.

"We all work for each other," explained Wilburn. "Before each game we look each other in the eye and say we are not going to let anyone down. It's like 'I'm not going to let you down and you are not going to let me down.' The attitude is give it your best."

The effort from the line has been there during the early portion of the season but has yet to put together the perfect game according to Wilburn. There is always room for improvement.

"We're getting better every game," said Wilburn. "But we got to play a complete game as an entire offensive line. We still haven't done that yet. The improvement is personal—getting faster and stronger during the season."

ONE IMPROVEMENT THIS SEASON has been UK's pass protection. Last season Bill Ransdell's body resembled a punching bag at times because of numerous sacks followed by plenty of bumps and bruises throughout his career.

Although some of the sacks at times were the fault of offensive backs who missed blocks, Wilburn says the linemen have to live up to their motto of not permitting defensive linemen to penetrate the pocket.

"Every game we have a goal of keeping quarterback sacks to two or less," said the West Chester, Ohio, native. "Before each game we think 'No sacks. No sacks.' You don't want to be the man that breaks down which caused a sack."

"It's something we pride ourselves on."

One sack, meanwhile, the line may regret is the one Kevin Dooley suffered against Ohio University on the last Saturday in September. While scrambling out of the pocket, Dooley was knocked down by a blitzing linebacker midway through the first quarter. The hit caused a gash in Dooley's kidney, forcing him to the sidelines for at least two weeks.

Backup QB Glenn Fohr led UK to an impressive 35-6 shellacking of Ole Miss, but that left him staring at LSU and Georgia on back-to-back weekends. Wilburn is confident that the JUCO transfer will establish himself in time.

"He (Fohr) is a heckuva quarterback," indicated Wilburn. "I really hate to see Kevin get hurt. But we just need to give Glenn all the confidence he needs. We will establish the running game then let him throw to gain some confidence. I have a lot of confidence in Glenn."

BOTH FOHR AND WILBURN FIND themselves in the middle of the grind of the Southeastern Conference schedule. For Wilburn, the start of league play began a whole new season.

"Playing in the SEC has a new air about it," says Wilburn. "Really the non-conference games are preseason (games) before we start in the SEC. The exhibition season is over and we stumbled once (loss to Rutgers). It's a second season."

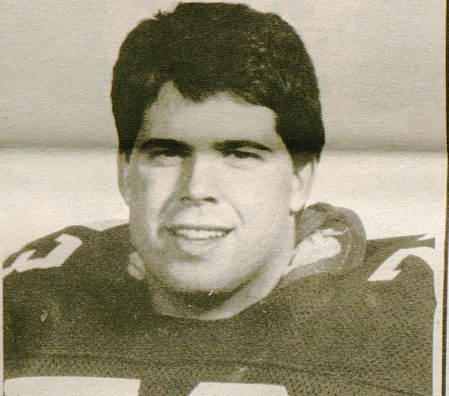
Wilburn also would like to see the Wildcats improve on past SEC performances. For the past two seasons the team has finished in the lower half of the conference, only sporting three league wins to its name during the last two seasons.

The win against Ole Miss gave it one-third of that total. But the odds are stacked against UK when talking about 'payback' time, especially against powerhouses LSU, Georgia and Tennessee. All three schools own victories over the Wildcats last season.

"Everybody knows how important an SEC victory means to a team," said Wilburn, whose Lakota High team near Cincinnati is a feeding ground for major schools, averaging more than six college prospects during most years. "When you get your tail whipped, that's always an incentive. To whip a lot of players on this team you better bring an extra board with you. Losing makes you work that much harder."

THAT EXCITEMENT OF PLAYING BEFORE large crowds in by far the toughest league in the nation has brought about added incentive. The enthusiasm, in fact, has trickled into friendly competition among fellow linemen while lifting weights in the sparkling Erv J. Nutter Training Center.

"Greg (Kunkel) walked in from the weight room one day and was smiling at me," recalled Wilburn. "He said he had just bench



Senior Offensive Guard Butch Wilburn

pressed 370 pounds three times. Well, that sort of made me mad. So, I went in there and benched it (370) three times and just about killed myself.

"It's just that competition of the SEC which brings the best out of you. Everybody is excited to play in the SEC."

That dedicated work ethic is brought about by direct compliance with the resurrection of the brand new complex, which opened its doors in early September on the UK campus, across from the outdated Shively Sports Center.

In some sense Wilburn regrets not being able to use the facility, especially after he completes his Wildcat career this season.

"I wish I had a couple more years," smiled Wilburn, who is one of the stronger players on the UK squad. "I have a feeling we might have some guys benching 500 pounds and I really feel that way."

"The attitude even might change with guys going to the Nutter Center to work out instead of messing around with nothing else to do at night."

ONE PLAYER WHO WILBURN SAYS WILL benefit from the building is sophomore tackle Mike Pfeifer. Pfeifer, who hails as a high school All-American from Louisville Trinity High School, is on track to becoming one of the best linemen UK has ever produced. That is, if he continues to work hard.

"Mike still has some learning to do," Wilburn said. "He will eventually mature mentally as a player. Once he does that nobody will be able to stop him. He then will make a lot of money playing pro football."

Hopefully, no team will stop Wilburn and the Wildcats on their way through their SEC slate, UK's second season. For Wilburn, helping the Wildcats turn the corner on their way down victory lane is his utmost concern.

"It's time to bring a winner to Lexington," Wilburn said boasting with confidence. "That's something that I really want."

It's something he said without too much cockiness, either.

Sutton

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I just want you to become the best basketball player that God gave you the talent to be. "But I think those freshmen were shocked."

He really got their attention when he demonstrated how to take a charge or when he dove on the hardwood for a loose ball.

Yes, practice sessions at Memorial Coliseum and Rupp Arena will be much more interesting this season. That, you can take to the bank.

And fun? Just ask the coach.

"I had more fun today coaching than any day since I came to Kentucky. Everyday at Arkansas that's the way it was. (But) I've never had as much talent as I have this year."

A Change Of Pace: Last season, Kentucky put a great deal of emphasis from three-point territory. Don't look for the '87-88 'Cats to shoot nearly as much from 19'9" as they did last season.

"Last year we lived and died with that three-point shot," Sutton said. "That's not the way you play basketball. . . Last year we'd sit around staff meetings and try to figure out tricky plays to where we could get three-point shots."

If all goes well, Kentucky's inside game will be vastly improved. Contributions from Lock, Jenkins, Ellis and Scott (as well as the forwards) will allow the guards to feed the ball inside, instead of pulling the trigger from downtown. And if the defense collapses on UK's inside attack, then the big men will be instructed to dish it back out for the open shot.

"We'll still shoot three-point shots," he said. "But we're going to try and play a power game inside. If the defense collapses back then we'll kick it back out."

Uh, Cliff, About The Coliseum: More and more it seems Sutton wants to play one contest a season in Memorial Coliseum. After witnessing the atmosphere generated by 11,500 fans jammed into the Coliseum earlier (at 12:01 a.m.) that morning to watch a 20 minute scrimmage, Sutton would give anything to play a contest in the building Adolph Rupp built.

He's even thought about approaching UK's athletics director Cliff Hagan about the possibility.

"I wish I could play all my games there," said the coach. "I thought Barnhill was tough (Arkansas gym). But that place (Coliseum) is a monster to an opposing team. I'm promoting to Cliff that we play one game every year there."

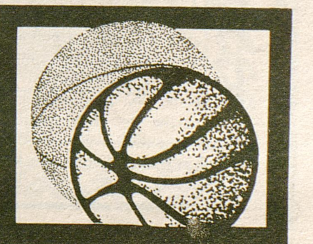
"With the loss of revenue—you just raise the price of the tickets. What I would like to see, and this would be a wonderful thing because the people all over the state don't get to see our team play, is to have a lottery. Let everybody send in a card.

"That would be a heckuva deal. There's no telling how many cards you would get."

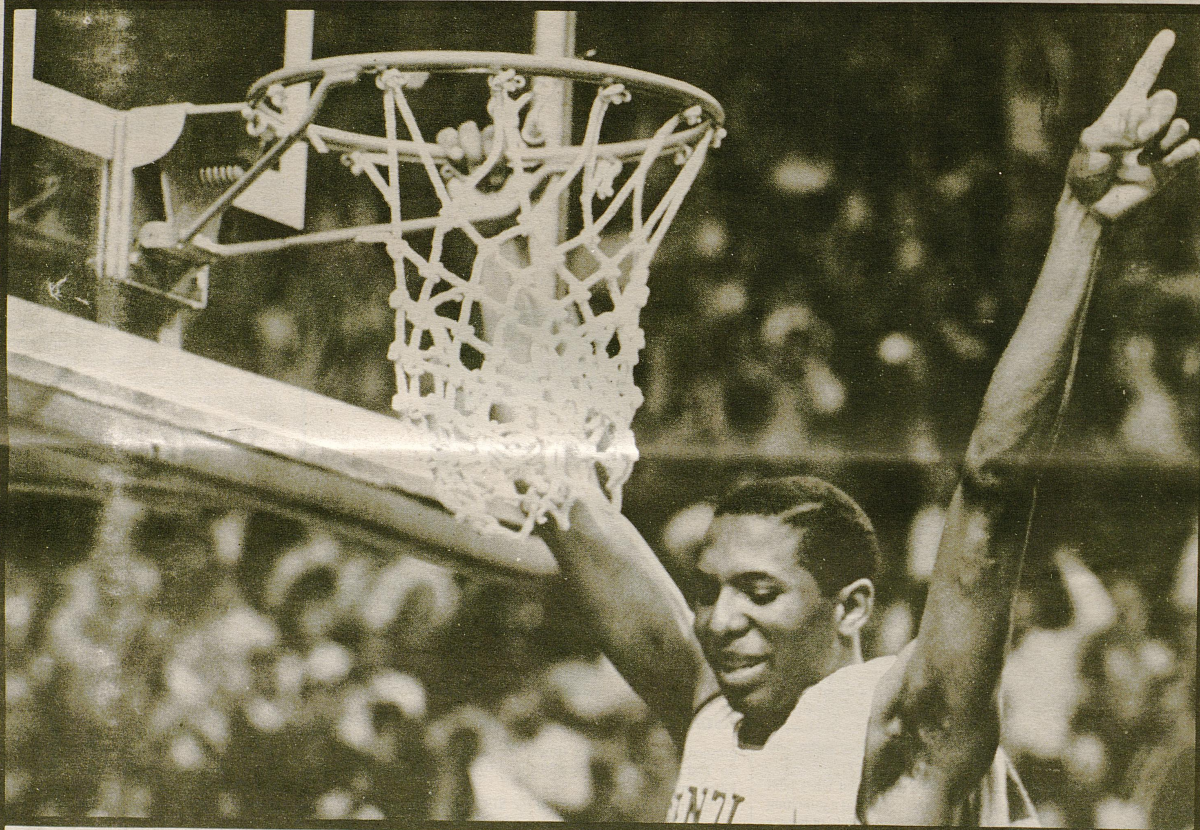
Do you think any of your SEC colleagues would agree to play there?

"You have the right, as the home team, to play anywhere you want to play," he answered.

Sutton then quipped, "I'd like to have Dale Brown in there."



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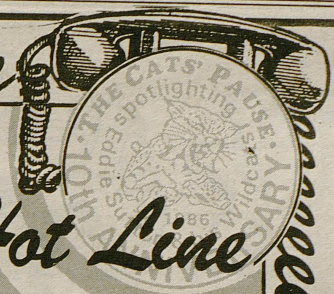
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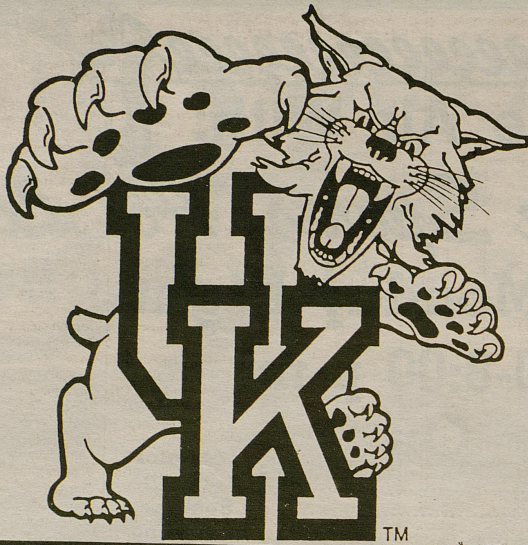
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Dan Brandenburg

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Food for thought: The SEC's top runner and second-best in the nation is only a freshman on one of UK's upcoming opponents — Emmitt Smith of Florida, who is grinding out 139 yards per game and 6.3 a carry.

AS USUAL, EDDIE Sutton's basketball Wildcats started off their season with the annual extravaganza known as "Midnight Madness" last week before a packed house of screaming fans at Memorial Coliseum. The event had originally been scheduled for Rupp Arena, which might have held all those wanting to attend, but had to be moved to Memorial at the last minute.

The Cats' first practice of the season at 12:01 a.m. Thursday — the first minute that the NCAA allows a team to practice — even got a mention and some footage on Thursday's CBS Morning News.

Said Faith Daniels, "I can't believe they had that many people show up." Said her co-anchor, "Those folks sure take their basketball seriously down there."

No comment.

The practice also kicked off Big Blue Hysteria, which is the phenomenon that will continuously build until the Cats' officially open their 1987-88 regular season Nov. 28 against this year's designated sacrificial lamb, Hawaii.

This snowball effect will be compiled by four Blue-White scrimmages and an exhibition game with the Russians, and will get an added boost if Claiborne and Company take an early exit from the season.

By this time next month, you won't be able to sling a dead cat without hitting two people talking about Eddie's Boys and their upcoming national championship.

Larry Vaught

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ed after watching UK blast Mississippi 35-6. "The SEC is going to get some of the big, big bowl bids and then some others, too. A bowl like ours might have a shot at the sixth or seventh SEC team."

Jackson also expects several teams with 6-5 records to again be invited to bowls this year.

"Every year you have a few 6-5 teams go to bowls," said Jackson. "Some teams just play tough schedules and might lose to four or five top 20 teams. That's why I'm sure some 6-5 teams will go to bowls again."

If he's right about seven SEC teams, Kentucky should be a lock. If he's right about a 6-5 mark, then all the Cats need is wins over Vanderbilt and Virginia Tech.

Kentucky, though, wants to make sure no one has any doubts about its place in the bowl picture this year.

"We want to win at least seven or eight games," said senior guard Butch Wilburn. "Naturally, we want to win every game. But our league is so tough that nobody can do that. But we do think we can win seven or eight and erase any doubts about whether we deserve a bowl bid."

FORMER UK griddler Jimmie Reed, now the head football coach at Washington County in Springfield, is leading a drive to push back the starting date of the high school football season in Kentucky.

Reed's proposal would have schools play their first game the fourth Friday or Saturday in August and the state finals would be pushed back to the first weekend in December to avoid conflicting with the Thanksgiving holiday.

Reed's proposal certainly would benefit college coaches, who cannot visit high schools until Nov. 1. This year only teams that have qualified for the playoffs will still be playing in Kentucky. If the season was pushed back one week, college recruiters could see more Kentucky athletes play in person instead of depending on videotapes.

The change would also make football a "fall" sport. "In 1990 with the present rules you will put the pads on Aug. 1, scrimmage Aug. 3 and Aug. 10, and then play three games in August on the 17th, 24th and 31st," said Reed. "Changing the starting date would mean players would be in school before their first game."

"The most important factor, though, is the safety of the players. The proposal gives us time for scrimmages, two-day camps and preparation for our first game."

Dr. Quin Bailey of Danville, chairman of the Kentucky Medical Association Committee on School Health, Physical Education and Medical Aspects of Sports, favors Reed's proposal. His committee has taken no formal stand on the football starting date but the committee members have been concerned about heat strokes and illness due to starting in hot, humid weather.

Bailey feels Reed's proposal will decrease heat-related problems for Kentucky's football players.

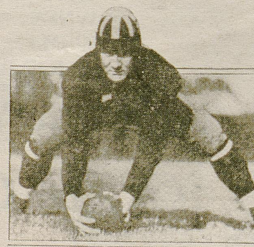
Reed hopes to have a formal proposal ready to present to the Kentucky High School Athletic Association by Dec. 1.



Russell Rice

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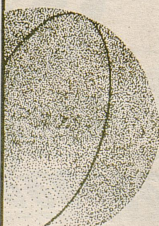
Adolph Rupp got him a job at the Rose Street Grill and put him up in the basement of old Alumni Gym. After three semesters on his own, Huddleston got a scholarship, in football, not basketball.



Kentucky All-American Center Gene Myers

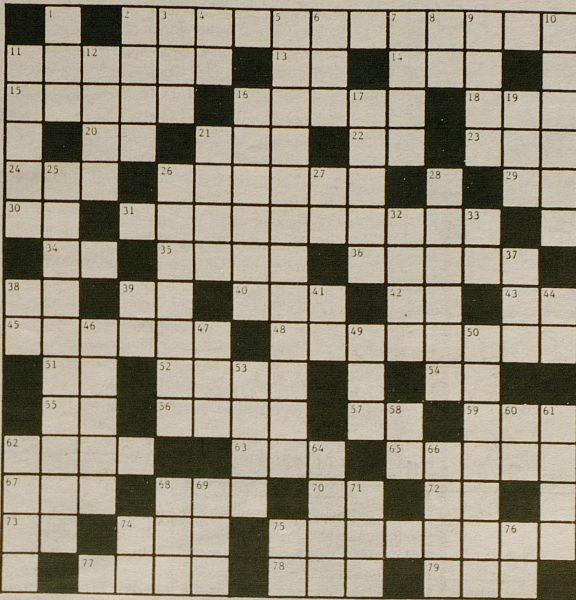
His son, Joseph, contracting officer with Bureau of Customs in Washington, D.C., has two daughters, Julie, a junior at VPI, and Jill, a senior at Madison High in Vienna, Va.

Frank McCool, halfback (1934, '35), retired in 1980 after 26 years with Breeders Supply & Equipment Co. in Lexington. After graduation, spent four years with U.S. Steel in Kentucky and Corpus Christi, Texas, before five years in Army Air Corps, WWI, 1st Lt. Combat Intelligence. Four sons: Brandt, Chicago businessman who was a Marriott manager several years in New Orleans; Kevin, sales manager for a ball bearing firm in Chicago, and a new papa of daughter Bailey; twins Steve, oil sales in Lexington, and Louis, CPA and bonds salesman in Louisville; one daughter, Ann, married to Lexington geologist Mike Sanders, sons Bradley and Ryan, daughter Julia Ann.



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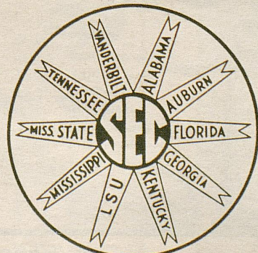
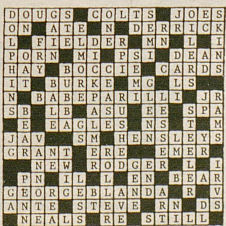
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- 2 Newcomer _____ rushing has helped the Gator offense
- 11 Fine Ole Miss' Lber Jeff _____
- 13 Initials of '28 Down
- 14 Actor Wallach _____
- 15 Can LSU take the SEC title _____?
- 16 Standout Miss. St. Lineman Tom _____
- 18 Standout SEC receiver Smith _____
- 20 Initials of LSU's Carrier of the DB
- 21 Farm product _____
- 22 School of defensive star K. Ziegler _____
- 23 Masculine name _____
- 24 Abbr. for "route"
- 26 Senior Vol rusher Charles _____
- 29 Double vowel _____
- 30 Biblical for "you"
- 31 In first year as SEC head coach _____
- 34 Initials of LSU's Albergamo _____
- 35 Furnish _____
- 36 Will the Dawgs match their _____ wins of last year?
- 38 SEC state abbr.
- 39 Initials of kicker Logan of MSU _____
- 40 The sun _____
- 42 Initials of baseball great Gehrig _____
- 43 Pac-10 state abbr.
- 45 Star SEC freshman Cobb _____
- 48 Super quick TB Harvey of LSU _____
- 51 Abbr. for independent school in NY _____
- 52 Drama, painting, etal _____
- 54 Overhead railway _____
- 55 Continent abbr.
- 56 SEC QB Young is a junior _____
- 57 School of linemen Dawson & Kunkel _____
- 59 "Honest" _____
- 62 School period _____
- 63 Open to public view _____
- 65 "Bama TB Humphrey _____
- 67 Color _____
- 68 Soda _____
- 70 Is finally off probation _____
- 72 ACC state abbr.
- 73 Common verb _____
- 74 Sense organ _____
- 75 _____ stars include Smith, Thomas and Gilbert _____
- 77 Georgia's standout ball-carrier _____
- 78 Damp _____
- 79 Science building _____

DOWN

- 1 The Cats rely on the _____ of J. Worley
- 2 LSU Lber Hill _____
- 3 Weekday abbr.
- 4 AMA member _____
- 5 Standout TE of the Dawgs _____
- 6 Can MSU match their _____ SEC wins of last year?
- 7 Ole Miss will _____ Mississippi State at Jackson _____
- 8 Big Ten state abbr.
- 9 Has King and Cross on offense _____
- 10 Namesakes of Georgia's Crumley _____
- 11 Fine Vol offensive Lineman Galbreath _____
- 12 The SEC _____ always goes down to the final week _____
- 16 _____ men include Sims, Oliver and Weston _____
- 17 Dull-witted one _____
- 19 Before _____
- 21 Snap the ball _____
- 25 _____ offense is run by QB J.F. _____
- 26 Majors' senior FB Howard _____
- 27 Either partner _____
- 28 Dye's senior FB Ware _____
- 32 Fine Auburn defender Nate _____
- 33 Initials of baseball great Hornsby _____
- 37 Signal-caller Hodson is only a soph. _____
- 38 Initials of Auburn defender Rocker _____
- 39 Initials of fine Vandy DB Gentry _____
- 41 Abbr. for an NY island _____
- 44 Initials of LSU Lber Sancho _____
- 46 Lineman _____
- 47 '87 began the B. Curry _____ at Alabama _____
- 49 Has Martin, Magee & Kinchen on offense _____
- 50 School of Rockwell, Bethune & Cole _____
- 53 Blocker's assignment _____
- 58 Initials of a star SEC QB _____
- 60 Initials of an SEC head coach _____
- 61 Peepers _____
- 62 "He tried to _____ up the ball-carrier" _____
- 64 _____ enforcer: the ref _____
- 66 Egg-shaped _____
- 68 Worth one _____
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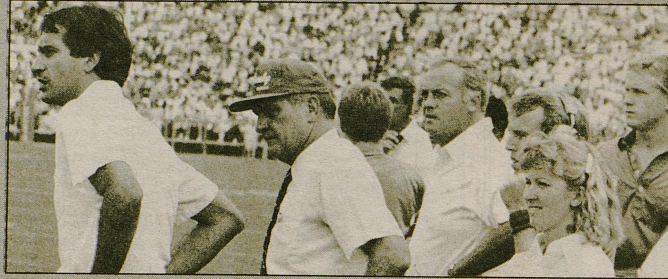
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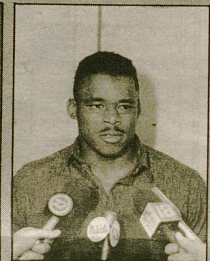
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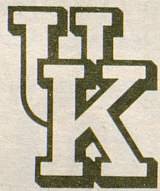
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- Oct. 3: Volleyball—UK def. Duke 15-3, 15-7, 15-2
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- Oct. 9: Baseball—UK def. Marshall 10-2, 6-4
- Oct. 9: Volleyball—UK def. Notre Dame 9-15, 15-10, 15-9, 11-15, 15-5
- Oct. 10: Football—UK def. Ole Miss 35-6
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- Oct. 10: Volleyball—UK def. W. Michigan 15-10, 11-15, 15-10, 12-15, 15-9
- Oct. 12: Volleyball—UK def. Texas Tech 15-9, 15-8, 15-12
- Oct. 15: Volleyball—UK def. Tennessee Tech 15-2, 15-2, 15-1
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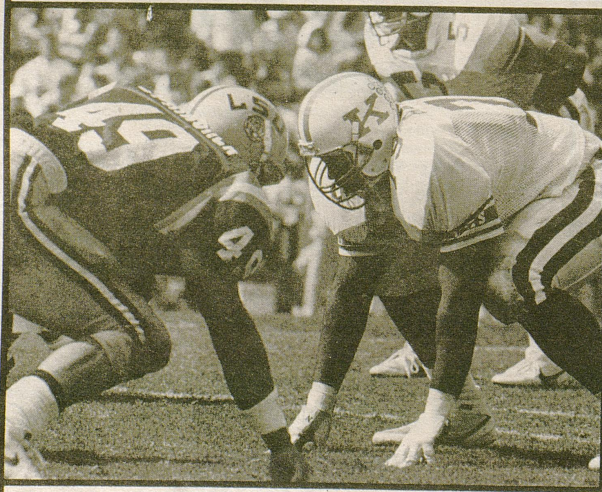
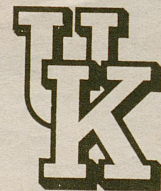
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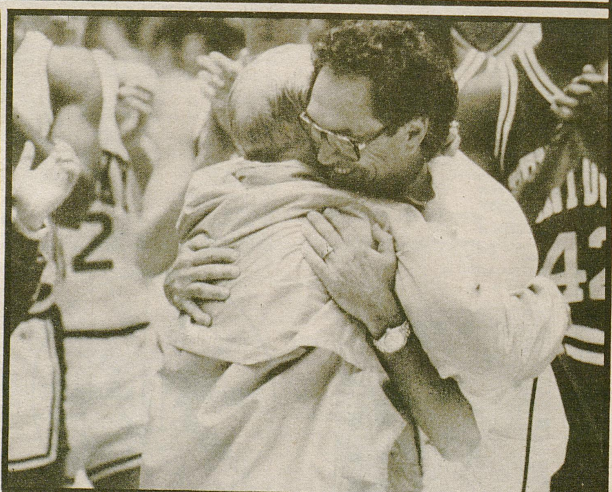
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92	Vic Adams	DG	Jr.	6-1	255	1L	Middlesboro	53	Jeff Kremer	LB	Sr.	6-2	236	3L	Newport	99	Mike Knox	FB	So.	5-10	211	5Q	Louisville	
12	Bill Allen	QB	Jr.	6-0	200	5Q	West Liberty	60	Greg Kunkel	OT	Fr.	6-5	180	1L	Covington	98	Steve Kelley	LB	Fr.	6-2	225	5S	Louisville	
37	Todd Allgore	S	Sr.	5-8	165	5Q	Louisville	80	Phil Logan	FL	Fr.	6-3	180	HS	Louisville	47	Al Baker	RB	Fr.	5-11	228	RS	Louisville	
47	Jay Amshoff	LB	Jr.	6-0	217	5Q	Louisville	8	Ron Mack	DB	Jr.	5-10	183	2L	Lexington	5	Greg Baker	FB	Fr.	6-0	193	5Q	Louisville	
41	Al Baker	RB	Fr.	5-11	228	RS	Cadiz	36	Duane Mahan	FB	Fr.	5-10	207	RS	Florence	2	Eric Banks	CB	So.	5-9	177	5Q	Louisville	
5	Greg Baker	FB	Fr.	6-0	193	5Q	Springboro, Ohio	42	Paul McDowell	DE	Fr.	6-0	201	1L	Somersert	79	Jerry Bell	DT	So.	6-3	278	1L	Louisville	
2	Eric Banks	CB	So.	5-9	177	5Q	Gainesville, Fla.	86	Bryan McKenzie	TE	Fr.	6-1	220	RS	Prospect	65	Darren Bilberry	DG	Fr.	6-3	260	HS	Louisville	
79	Jerry Bell	DT	So.	6-3	278	1L	Louisville	83	Mike Meece	TE	Fr.	6-6	230	RS	Madeira, Ohio	82	John Bolden	FL	Fr.	6-0	207	5Q	Louisville	
29	Darren Bilberry	DG	Fr.	6-3	260	HS	Louisville	95	Mike Meiners	DG	So.	6-2	242	5Q	Louisville	39	Jeff Brady	LB	Fr.	6-0	214	RS	Louisville	
82	John Bolden	FL	Fr.	6-0	207	5Q	Jr. Knox	34	Todd Meyer	CB	So.	5-9	180	5Q	Lexington	14	Chuck Broughton	QB	So.	6-4	223	5Q	Melbourne	
39	Jeff Brady	LB	Fr.	6-0	214	RS	Louisville	65	Tony Mills	OG	Jr.	6-4	261	5Q	Lexington	58	Mike Cahill	LB	Jr.	6-0	222	5Q	Louisville	
14	Chuck Broughton	QB	So.	6-4	223	5Q	Melbourne	3	Chris Moga	CB	Fr.	5-10	175	RS	Tucson, Ariz.	25	Jay Chabrak	CB	Fr.	5-9	176	RS	Louisville	
58	Mike Cahill	LB	Jr.	6-0	222	5Q	Louisville	71	Andy Murray	FB	So.	6-1	236	1L	Louisville	45	Chris Chenault	LB	Jr.	6-2	240	2L	Lexington	
25	Jay Chabrak	CB	Fr.	5-9	176	RS	Louisville	78	Brad Myers	C	So.	6-2	270	3L	Louisville	90	Mike Chism	DG	So.	5-11	252	5Q	LaGrange	
45	Chris Chenault	LB	Jr.	6-2	240	2L	Lexington	1	Tony Nash	OT	So.	6-5	259	1L	Louisville	67	Brian Cralle	CB	So.	5-10	177	5Q	Rochester, Mich.	
90	Mike Chism	DG	So.	5-11	252	5Q	LaGrange	76	Jeff Nelson	P	Jr.	5-10	165	1L	Louisville	69	Tom Crumrine	OG	So.	6-4	279	5Q	Elizabethtown	
67	Brian Cralle	CB	So.	5-10	177	5Q	Rochester, Mich.	21	Mike Nord	OT	Fr.	6-7	275	RS	Louisville	48	Joe Curry	TE	Jr.	6-3	223	2L	Westerville, Ohio	
69	Tom Crumrine	OG	So.	6-4	279	5Q	Elizabethtown	87	Jimmy O'Neal	SE	Sr.	5-9	174	5Q	Palatka, Fla.	57	Dermontti Dawson	OG	Sr.	6-2	261	3L	Lexington	
48	Joe Curry	TE	Jr.	6-3	223	2L	Westerville, Ohio	85	Martin Pennington	TE	Jr.	6-2	228	2L	Corbin	88	Charlie Darrington	TE	Jr.	6-3	220	JC	Tifton, Ga.	
57	Dermontti Dawson	OG	Sr.	6-2	261	3L	Lexington	79	Mike Pfeifer	OT	So.	6-7	279	1L	Louisville	18	Kevin Dooley	QB	Sr.	6-3	207	2L	Cincinnati, Ohio	
88	Charlie Darrington	TE	Jr.	6-3	220	JC	Tifton, Ga.	84	Carlos Phillips	LB	Fr.	6-1	217	RS	Owensboro	36	Jay Dortch	DE	Jr.	6-1	205	1L	Paducah	
18	Kevin Dooley	QB	Sr.	6-3	207	2L	Cincinnati, Ohio	89	David Pritchard	SE	Fr.	5-10	179	HS	East Lansing, Mich.	55	Scott Endris	DG	Sr.	6-1	243	2L	Louisville	
36	Jay Dortch	DE	Jr.	6-1	205	1L	Paducah	93	Gary Raiston	DT	Fr.	6-3	245	RS	Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio	4	Glenn Fohr	QB	Sr.	6-1	243	2L	Louisville	
55	Scott Endris	DG	Sr.	6-1	243	2L	Louisville	91	Scott Rayburn	OG	Fr.	6-4	224	RS	Richardson, Texas	23	Anthony Gardner	CB	Jr.	5-8	171	1L	Louisville	
4	Glenn Fohr	QB	Sr.	6-1	243	2L	Louisville	51	Jerry Reese	DT	Sr.	6-1	259	3L	Crestview	98	Carwell Gardner	DE	Jr.	6-2	225	2L	Louisville	
23	Anthony Gardner	CB	Jr.	5-8	171	1L	Louisville	34	Mike Robinson	DE	Sr.	6-0	200	2L	Nashville, Tenn.	96	Donnie Gardner	DT	So.	6-4	225	1L	Louisville	
98	Carwell Gardner	DE	Jr.	6-2	225	2L	Louisville	26	Ron Robinson	S	So.	6-1	185	1L	Louisville	28	Ray Gover	FL	Jr.	6-3	199	2L	Dayton, Ohio	
96	Donnie Gardner	DT	So.	6-4	225	1L	Louisville	46	David Scott	FB	Fr.	6-1	195	HS	Louisville	7	Eric Green	QB	So.	6-0	186	5Q	Cincinnati, Ohio	
28	Ray Gover	FL	Jr.	6-3	199	2L	Dayton, Ohio	11	Mark Sellers	S	Jr.	6-3	198	5Q	Louisville	22	Mark Higgs	CB	Jr.	6-4	206	JC	Louisville	
7	Eric Green	QB	So.	6-0	186	5Q	Cincinnati, Ohio	19	John Shannon	DG	FL	So.	5-11	182	1L	Whitesburg	56	Jim Hill	C	Jr.	6-0	221	RS	Altoona, Pa.
22	Mark Higgs	CB	Jr.	6-4	206	JC	Louisville	91	Dee Smith	FL	So.	6-1	163	5Q	Lexington	99	Randy Holleran	LB	Jr.	6-0	238	5Q	McKeesport, Pa.	
56	Jim Hill	C	Jr.	6-0	221	RS	Altoona, Pa.	13	Tim Smith	QB	Jr.	6-1	163	5Q	Whitesburg	49	Doug Houser	DG	So.	6-4	247	1L	Clinton, Ohio	
99	Randy Holleran	LB	Jr.	6-0	238	5Q	McKeesport, Pa.	62	Walter "Bo" Smith	OT	Jr.	6-3	256	5Q	Houston, Texas	70	Tom Howard	DT	Sr.	6-3	225	5Q	Harlan	
49	Doug Houser	DG	So.	6-4	247	1L	Clinton, Ohio	97	Scott Stubbs	DG	Fr.	6-0	248	1L	Paducah	61	Bill Huletie	OG	Fr.	6-2	255	RS	Morgantfield	
70	Tom Howard	DT	Sr.	6-3	225	5Q	Harlan	84	Billy Swanson	DE	Fr.	6-0	220	HS	Paducah	32	Ivy Joe Hunter	TB	Jr.	6-0	213	1L	Gainesville, Fla.	
61	Bill Huletie	OG	Fr.	6-2	255	RS	Morgantfield	16	Jay Tesar	P	Jr.	6-1	175	1L	Vine Grove	24	David Johnson	CB	Jr.	6-1	192	2L	Louisville	
32	Ivy Joe Hunter	TB	Jr.	6-0	213	1L	Gainesville, Fla.	85	Doug Thompson	DT	Fr.	6-2	257	5Q	Greenville	77	Tim Jones	SE	Sr.	6-4	199	3L	Hopkinsville	
24	David Johnson	CB	Jr.	6-1	192	2L	Louisville	52	Chris Tolbert	CB	Fr.	6-0	193	HS	Pensacola, Fla.	33	Alphonso Ellis	FB	Fr.	5-9	205	5Q	Thomasville, Ga.	
77	Tim Jones	SE	Sr.	6-4	199	3L	Hopkinsville	44	Kit Walker	SE	Jr.	6-2	195	JC	Wellington, Kan.	35	Kevin Brown	TB	5-8	167	So.-1L	Macon, Ga.		
49	Steve Kelley	LB	Fr.	6-2	225	HS	Jefferson, Tenn.	81	Jim Wetta	SE	Jr.	6-2	182	2L	West Chester, Ohio	36	Mark Fletcher	SLB	6-4	208	Fr.-RS	Kennesaw, Ga.		
59	Mike Knox	FB	So.	5-10	211	5Q	Memphis, Tenn.	81	Butch Wilburn	OG	Sr.	6-2	282	2L	Proctorville, Ohio	37	Brian Cleveland	RB	5-10	195	Fr.-HS	Clairmont, Tx.		
								73	Dean Wilks	OG	Fr.	6-3	282	RS	Gainesville, Fla.	41	Larry Ware	RB	5-9	175	Fr.-HS	Montgomery, AL		
								27	Gary Willis	CB	Fr.	6-2	170	HS	Owensboro	42	John Brantley	LB	6-2	225	Sr.-3L	Wildwood, FL		
								9	Ken Willis	PK	So.	5-10	188	TR	Owensboro	43	Hiawatha Berry	FB	6-2	254	So.-1L	Winder, Ga.		
								15	Joe Worley	PK	Sr.	5-10	167	3L	Oakwood, Va.	44	John Allen	LB	6-2	230	Fr.-HS	Lindale, Ga.		
								30	Steve Wroble	CB	Sr.	5-10	180	5Q	Louisville	45	Kevin Jackson	QB	5-10	175	Jr.-2L	Warner Robins, Ga.		

1987 GEORGIA ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.-Ex.	Hometown	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.-Ex.	Hometown
1	Joey Hester	QB/P	6-0	189	So.-1L	Cairo, GA	53	Demetrius Douglas	LB	6-2	221	So.-1L	College Park, GA
2	Miles Smith	SAF	5-11	180	Sr.-2L	Roswell, GA	54	Vince Guthrie	LB	6-1	205	Jr.-2L	Lithonia, GA
3	John Kasay	PK	5-10	165	Fr.-HS	Athens, GA	55	John Abram	C/OG	6-4	234	Sr.-2L	Lithonia, GA
5	Steve Crumley	PK	6-3	164	Jr.-2L	Athens, GA	56	Mark Lewis	SN	6-0	200	So.-5Q	Athens, GA
6	Sean Hummings	WR	6-1	185	Fr.-HS	Woodbine, GA	57	Morris Lewis	LB	6-4	222	Fr.-HS	Peachtree, GA
7	Rodney Hampton	RB	6-0	195	Fr.-HS	Houston, TX	58	George Mrvos	C	6-1	250	Jr.-5Q	Athens, GA
8	Nathaniel Lewis	FLK	5-11	197	Jr.-1L	Moultrie, GA	59	Norman Cowins	LB	6-1	221	Fr.-1L	Douglasville, GA
9	John Thomas	SE	6-1	198	Jr.-1L	Milledgeville, GA	60	Terrie Webster	LB	6-1	221	Jr.-1LS	Haines City, FL
10	David Dukes	SE/P	5-11	186	Sr.-3L	Athens, GA	61	Shelly Anderson	OT	6-2	265	Jr.-TR	Madison, WI
11	Greg Talley	QB	6-1	180	Fr.-HS	Valdosta, GA	63	Todd Wheeler	C	6-3	257	Jr.-2L	Lindale, Ga.
12	Mike Bowen	CB	5-9	165	Fr.-TR	Dallas, TX	64	Rob Wainwright	OG	6-4	254	Fr.-RS	Thomaston, GA
13	Steve Harmon	SAF	6-1	187	So.-1L	Stone Mtn., GA	65	Craig Sanders	OT	6-5	254	Fr.-RS	Spartanburg, SC
14	James Jackson	QB	5-11	175	Sr.-3L	Camilla, GA	66	Eric Johnson	DG	6-3	284	So.-1L	Tulsa, OK
15	Mark Vincent	CB	5-11	176	Sr.-TR	Fort Worth, TX	68	Kim Stephens	OG	6-2	250	Sr.-3L	Newnan, GA
18	Wayne Johnson	QB	6-4	213	Jr.-2L	Columbus, GA	69	Mack Burroughs	OG	6-3	272	Sr.-3L	Clayton, GA
19	Tim Fielder	SAF	6-2	185	Fr.-HS	Broomfield, CO	70	Ronny Smith	DG	6-2	255	Jr.-2L	Forsyth, GA
20	Rusty Beasley	CB	5-11	186	Jr.-2L	Lavonia, GA	71	Pat Simmons	OG	6-4	253	So.-1L	Thomson, GA
22	Carver Russaw	CB	5-9	175	Jr.-2L	Los Angeles, CA	72	Larry Brown	DG	6-3	259	Sr.-3L	Decatur, GA
23	Greg Williams	CB	5-9	174	Sr								

Strictly Players

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A sprained right ankle during a pickup basketball game leading up to his third year hampered Higgs for much of the season. "It seems like every week I kept hurting it."

Now, he's off to such a good start that even a couple of people have asked him about THE trophy, the Heisman. Three days after his 192-yard performance against Ole Miss, Higgs seemed flattered when mentioned in the same breath as the Heisman Trophy.

"Gosh, I don't even think about the Heisman," laughed Higgs, knowing that his chances are slim for the famed award. "I would need to have some more good games. I had those two bad seasons which slowed me up and I would have to have some good games against bigger competition. Like LSU and Georgia. Then, if I have some big games against them, then I can think about the Heisman."

"That's always been one of my dreams, when I first came here. But once I got hurt I never did think about it."

There's No Stopping TE Charlie Darrington

Positively speaking.

Apparently, Charlie Darrington's vocabulary doesn't contain the words 'can't' or 'won't'. When talking to Darrington for the initial time, the 6-foot-3, 220-pound tight end comes across with so much confidence that if he said he could fly across the room, well, you get the picture.

"If we play our game we can beat anybody," said Darrington, about the Wildcats.

Darrington has used that confidence to his advantage.

The NE Oklahoma Junior College transfer has stepped into Kentucky's starting TE spot and has become an instant success on the Division I level. After five games he led the squad in total receptions with 11, five of which came against Mississippi.

His sharp pass-catching instincts make Darrington a valuable weapon in UK's offensive attack. More than once during the 'Cats' 35-6 win over the Rebels did he chase down an under-thrown pass. That night he also thrilled Wildcat fans with a diving catch over the middle. It was a circus completion which had Jerry Claiborne shaking his head in amazement.

With every word Darrington beams with confidence. Prior to the LSU contest, Darrington said that he was looking forward to going against Ron Sancho, one of the SEC's top linebackers. And for the remainder of the season, he forses great things ahead for the Wildcats.

"I think we're going to be pretty good because our second-stringers are working hard," Darrington said. "In scrimmages they work hard and if somebody was to get hurt, then somebody else could step in. Like if I get hurt, I think Joe (Curry) and Martin (Pennington) are good enough to take over. But I hope I don't get hurt."

Darrington gives Kentucky a big, big target who when on the receiving end is a tough customer to bring down. . .emotionally as well as physically.

David Johnson Gives His 'Cat Teammates A 'Realistic' Point Of View

Along with teammate Jerry Reese, junior David Johnson is looked upon as one of the leaders on the team. And for Kentucky that's good news for the future.

"I think by David Johnson's senior year he's going to be a heckuva leader," said Reese.

"There's no question about it."

By his appearance, Johnson, a 6-foot, 195-pound defensive back from Louisville, is vastly different from the typical football player. A dash of rainbow colors shimmering in his hair, or earrings dangling from his profile cause many to wonder what he stands for.

According to Reese, that's just David Johnson being David Johnson.

"About the color in his hair. . .he's an individual," Reese said. "I think for a while he felt he had to prove to other people that he was an individual. Now, he's coming into his own. He knows he's an individual and everybody respects him for that."

And, with that in mind Reese said, "You'll notice he's wearing less color in his hair."

Because he's a three-year veteran in UK's young secondary, one would automatically place Johnson in a leadership role.

Not necessarily.

Experience may have earned him respect, but it's his realistic viewpoint which his teammates appreciate.



David Johnson

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—Jerry Reese
on teammate David Johnson

"Not saying that my opinion is always right, but I think we (him and Reese) always say the rational things," commented Johnson.

"Where someone might say, 'Yeah, we're going out there and kick this dude's butt.'"

"When it comes to us, we're like—'We're going to have to play hard if we're going to win.' Instead of saying things that are unrealistic we kinda say the rational (type) things. People have started putting the leadership on us, they want to hear what we have to say."

—By Nick Nicholas

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Back Thru The Wildcat Years

Two Years Ago

*University of Kentucky officials are conducting an intensive and wide-ranging investigation into the UK basketball program according to UK vice president Ray Hornback. In a news conference Hornback said UK has been investigating the program since it first learned of an investigative story being compiled by the *Lexington Herald-Leader* on Oct. 9. The article appeared in the Lexington newspaper in a copyrighted story as the first of a two-part series. The other segment dealt with problems concerning athletics and cheating on the national scene and did not involve UK directly. The *Herald-Leader* reported Sunday that 26 former UK players said that they received cash payments from boosters during the last 13 years. A total of 31 former players were quoted by the newspaper as saying they knew of improper activities while they were playing. They cited

gifts, free meals and free clothing. According to the articles, payments ranged from \$20 to \$4,000 or more and included fees for speaking engagements above the normal expenses permitted by the NCAA. Some of the players were quoted as saying they received "\$100 handshakes" in the Rupp Arena locker room after basketball games, were given as much as \$500 on visits to boosters' homes and offices and sold their free season tickets for \$1,000 or more each. Hornback, in his statement, said UK would take action to correct any violations, if indeed an investigation should show any wrongdoing.

*The Kentucky Wildcats fell to 1-2 in the SEC, 4-3 overall after being humbled by Georgia 26-6 in Athens. The Bulldogs' defense limited the 'Cats to only 36 yards rushing. Sophomore Mark Higgs was held to 35 yards while Marc Logan gained a mere 20 yards on eight attempts. Georgia racked

up four sacks on the day, subtracting 47 yards from the Wildcats' rushing total.

"We're having a hard time making a play that will get the offense's adrenaline flowing and get them excited," said UK head coach Jerry Claiborne afterwards. "We had a tough time moving the ball and Georgia's defense just did an excellent job against us. We came up with some big plays defensively... but we didn't take advantage of them."

Quarterback Bill Ransdell played for the first time in almost a month. The Elizabethtown High product, who suffered a collapsed lung and a cracked rib against Clemson, checked in to start the second half. However, Ransdell proved to be rusty as the Wildcat offense could only produce a fourth-quarter touchdown by freshman Ivy Joe Hunter.

Eight Years Ago

*In what is becoming a common occurrence for Kentucky these days, the Wildcat football team won the battle but lost the war Saturday in Baton Rouge, as the 'Cats dropped a 23-19 contest to LSU. UK outgained the Tigers in numerous categories, including seven more first downs and 116 more yards on the ground. Behind the direction of freshman quarterback Terry Henry, who led UK to long drives in each of the first three quarters, UK led 19-3 midway through the third stanza. A pass-interference call and two fumbles helped the Tigers climb back into the contest, as they rallied behind the capacity crowd in Death Valley. Shawn Donigan led the UK ground attack with 138 yards while Henry gained 122. Donigan's total came on a career-high 28 attempts. In his first collegiate start, Henry passed for 126 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

*The Tennessee JV team defeated the Kentucky JVs 29-18 in Knoxville. The Volunteers led 15-8 at the half. Quarterback Rob Mangas led UK to two second-half scoring drives. The first score came on a one-yard run by Rodney Francis, the second on an end-around by Billy Prewitt. Mangas started the second half and hit four of seven passes for 101 yards. Mike Lindsay was UK's leading rusher with 21 yards. The Vols outgained UK 253-135 on the ground, 131-113 through the air.

Twelve Years Ago

*The UK rugby team took third place in the white division of last week's tri-state rugby tournament in Indianapolis. UK was competing against college or city clubs of similar size.

*Derrick Ramsey, who has shared quarterback duties this year with Cliff Hite, has been moved to tight end by the UK coaching staff. The 6-5, 220-pound sophomore had started two Wildcat games. Substitute freshman Bill Tolston, who made his debut last week against LSU, will start this week after driving UK to a score the previous week. Ramsey had gained 182 yards on the ground and completed three of 11 passes for 22 yards.

*While the Kentucky football team has only one victory to its credit this season, the Wildcats have scored just one less point than

their opponents—74 to 73. UK also holds a large lead over opponents in first downs (114 to 71) and total yardage (1,856 to 1,437).

*Running its record to 5-2, Georgia held UK's Sonny Collins to 89 yards, his lowest total in almost two years, and the Bulldogs handed the 'Cats a 21-13 whipping. UK is now 1-5-1 on the season. The Wildcats took a 10-0 lead on a 46-yard field goal by John Pierce and a six-yard run by Steve Campassi. Georgia came back and started to roll as it gained 257 yards on the ground with only 27 in the air. Georgia controlled the second-half action as the 'Dogs outscored the 'Cats 14-0.

Seventeen Years Ago

*Kentucky junior center Mark Soderburg suffered a fractured right hand during basketball practice and will be out for about three weeks.

*Fullback Frank LeMaster ran for two touchdowns and Jack Alvarez caught two touchdown passes in a 38-20 win by the UK Kittens over Virginia Tech. Kentucky rolled up 468 yards on the ground. Doug Kotar gained 117 yards in only the first half of play. Quarterback Mike Fanuzzi had 116, Mark Campbell III and LeMaster 89 yards. Ron Steele kicked three field goals. Ron Sciaro was six of seven in passing.

*Georgia handed the UK varsity its 10th straight SEC loss, this one by a 19-3 score. A big play was when UK quarterback Bernie Scruggs ran 88 yards on a play before tumbling at the three-yard line. Scruggs fumbled the ball over on the next play. Bob Jones' 37-yard field goal in the third quarter was UK's only score. Scruggs hit 14 of 24 passes for 114 yards and ran for 104 yards. Lee Clymer ran for 59 yards while Jim Reed and Jim Mitchell each caught five passes.

*There will be a lot of similarities when UK and North Carolina State meet Saturday. UK is 1-6 on the year while State is struggling at 2-5. While the Wildcats have scored only 74 points all year, State has managed but 54. The 'Cats are rated a seven-and-a-half point favorite.

Thirty-Two Years Ago

*Some brilliant defensive efforts and a 20-yard field goal by Delmar Hughes within the final half-minute gave UK a 10-7 victory over Florida before 35,000 fans at Stoll Field. UK never trailed in the game. The 'Cats scored late in the second quarter on a 53-yard drive. The Gators then took advantage of a Bob Hardy fumble and proceeded to score late in the game. Kentucky's Bob Dougherty was the game's leading rusher with 61 yards on 17 carries.

*Florida coach Bob Woodruff accused Kentucky of breaking football ethics last week when he said UK faked an injury to get Delmar Hughes in the game to kick the winning field goal. Wildcat coach Blanton Collier of Kentucky said he has at no time had a player fake an injury.

*A lot of action is expected this week as Kentucky hosts its homecoming game at Stoll Field. The Wildcats are an eight-point favorite over Rice.

Wildcat Quiz

1. In high school Al Baker was Mr. Everything on the Trigg County football team—All-State for three seasons and All-America his senior year. He also participated in three other sports. Besides being the State A champion in the 100 and 200 meters, what other event did Al win a state title in?
a) Tennis
b) Shotput
c) Weightlifting
d) High-jump

2. True or False? In the 80's Kentucky has never won at Sanford Stadium, known as down "Between The Hedges"?

3. Which Georgia Bulldog returned an interception 46 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter of last year's Georgia-Kentucky matchup?
a) John Brantley
b) John Little
c) Gary Moss
d) Fred Lane

4. Georgia's mascot is affectionately called:
a) Scooby Doo
b) UGA
c) Ruff
d) Spuds Dooley

5. Which Kentucky offensive player hails from the state of Georgia?
a) Ivy Joe Hunter
b) Butch Wilburn
c) Charlie Darrington
d) Dee Smith

6. True or False? Georgia has never thrown a shutout at a Jerry Claiborne Wildcat club.

7. Against which school did UK set a school mark for the most first downs rushing the football?
a) Vanderbilt
b) Miami (Fla.)
c) Miami (Ohio)
d) Utah State

8. Which former Wildcat receiver holds the school record for the most pass receptions in one outing?
a) Randy Burke
b) Joker Phillips
c) Felix Wilson
d) Jim Campbell

9. Last season Boston College knocked off Georgia 27-24 in what postseason event?
a) Sun Bowl
b) Citrus Bowl
c) Hall of Fame Bowl
d) All-American Bowl

10. True or False? When Georgia and Kentucky met for the first time on the gridiron, in 1939, the game was played in Louisville.



Answers

1. Weightlifting
2. True
3. Jim Campbell (II versus Bowling Green in 1980)
4. UGA
5. Charlie Darrington (Tifton)
6. True
7. Miami of Florida (23 first downs in 1949)
8. John Little
9. Hall of Fame Bowl
10. True

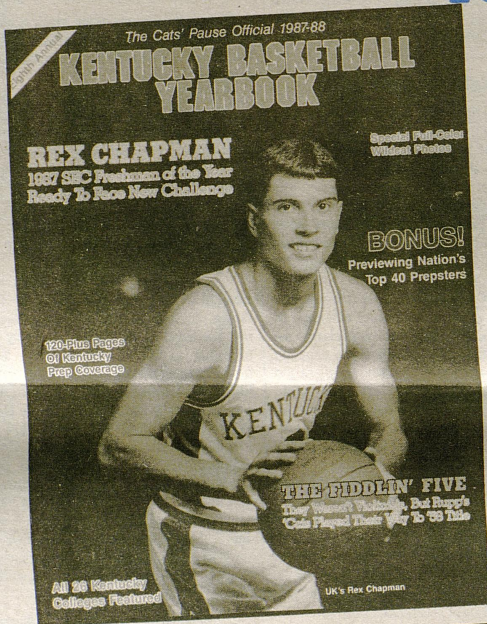
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