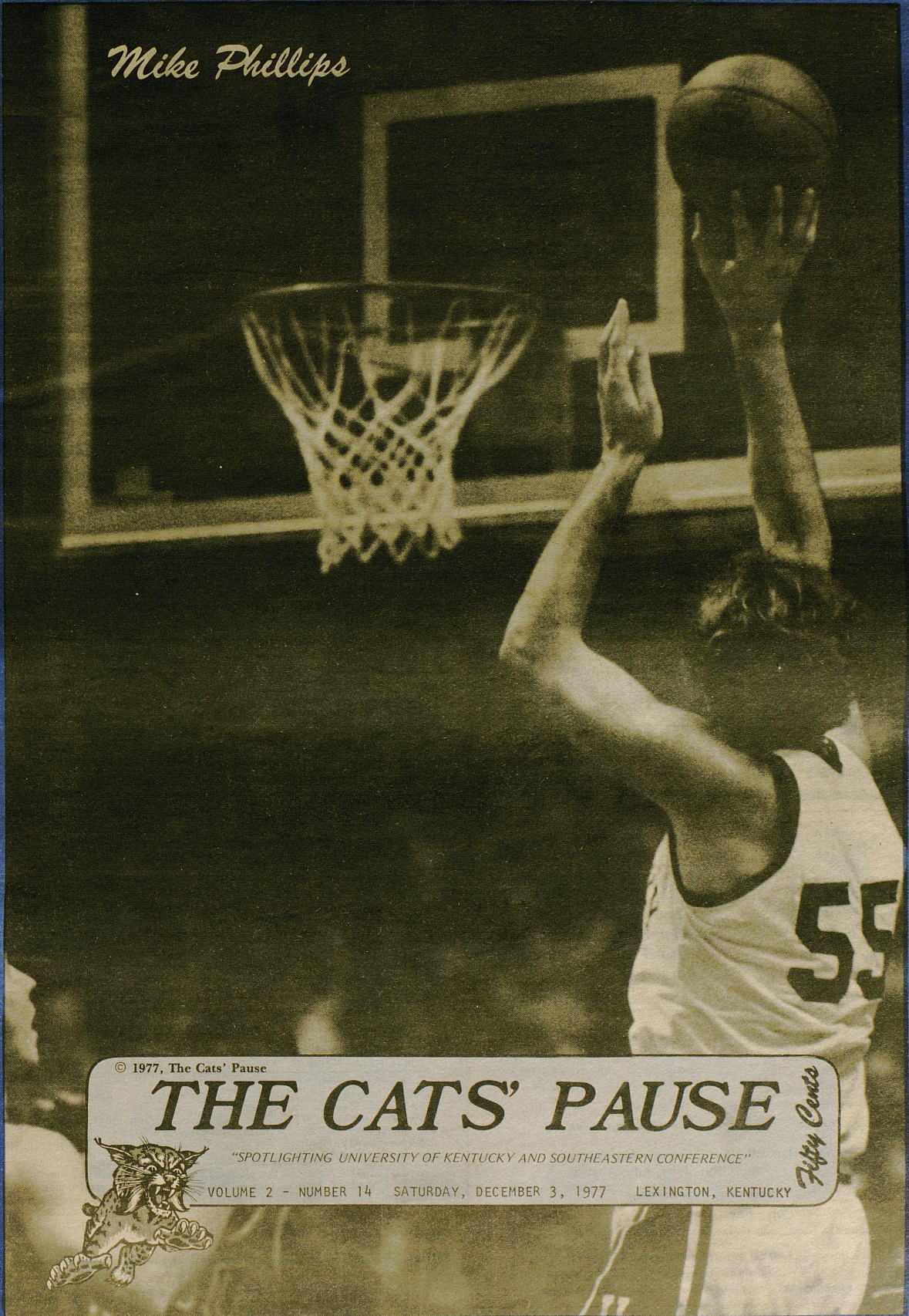


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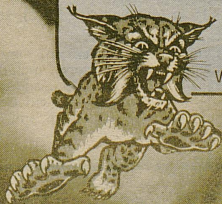


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Athletic Director—Paul Dietzel
Publicist—Tom Miller
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1976-77 Record—Won 14, Lost 13
(Conf. Finish—Fifth)

Tipoff—7:35 p.m. EST (TV)
Series—IU leads 12-7
Last Game—66-51 UK (A) in '76
Biggest Win Margin—
UK 35 (91-56) in '65
IU 24 (98-74) in '74
Records at Site—
No Games Played at Rupp Arena
UK 2-2 in Lex. (Last Win in '69)
IU 2-2 in Lex. (Last Win in '26)
Hall Record—Won 2, Lost 4

COACH—Bobby Knight (6 Years at IU—Won 139, Lost 33—Pct. 80.9)
Offense—Motion
Chief Losses—Kent Benson (C), 19.8
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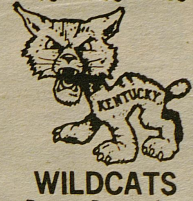
OUTLOOK: Although the Hoosiers return eight lettermen, they still will feature a youthful look as four of the eight are sophomores, including Mike Woodson, who is the leading returning scorer at 18.5 ppg, and second in rebounds with 6-plus. Finding a replacement for All-America Kent Benson will be a task, but coach Bobby Knight has three 6-9 lettermen and three big freshmen from which to select.

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Hoosiers Will Face Students For First Time

For the first time in eight years, Indiana's Hurrin' Hoosiers will be forced to take on the Kentucky Wildcats in their own backyard. And while Indiana has a pretty good-sized backyard of its own, it is no match for awesome Rupp Arena when Bobby Knight brings his cagers to town.

Kentucky has played Indiana only four times in Lexington among the 19 previous battles but spacious Rupp Arena has eliminated the old cries of "let's play in Louisville where you can seat more fans."

It'll be filled to the rafters come Monday night, probably setting a new one-game attendance record in the process. And the game will be televised live around the state. It'll be a classic Kentucky-Indiana confrontation.

But there will be a slight difference. For the first time, the Big Blue will have the support of its entire student body and band. Usually, the Indiana game is played either during the holiday break, on the road or in Louisville where students don't get tickets. Indiana won't be so fortunate come Monday night.

Traditionally, the series has been a matter of streaks. First, Indiana reeled off six consecutive victories before the Wildcats could crack the barrier. That was from 1924 thru 1942.

Beginning in 1943, Kentucky ignited its own streak of five straight wins through 1970, the last being a 95-93 overtime thriller at Indiana. But Indiana rallied back and won five more in a row, ending the streak with that infamous 98-74 head-slapping win in Bloomington on December 7, 1974.

Since then, Kentucky has won two of the last three and came within seconds of making it three straight. The first win was on March 22, 1975, in Dayton, Ohio. The Cats fired the shot heard around the world, knocking off the No. 1 ranked team in the country in the NCAA tourney. The Hoosiers were also undefeated at the time.

Indiana returned the following year and won the national championship with a perfect record behind the play of All-American Kent Benson, but it wasn't without some anxious moments in Louisville.

Kentucky played the game of its life in early December and had Indiana on the ropes, leading in the final minute of regulation play before Indiana rallied and sent the game into overtime. The Hoosiers won easily in the extra period, 77-68. It came close to being the upset of the year.

Last season, Kentucky bombarded Indiana 66-51 at Bloomington as the Hoosiers experienced their worst season ever under the capable Bobby Knight.

So the stage is set for the volatile Knight. His Hoosiers will visit a place never before experienced by a Knight team. If Rupp Arena ever has a negative effect on an opposing team, this could be the time.

With some 23,000 howling Wildcat fans roaring on, you can bet Rupp Arena will be anything but a neutral site for this one.

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HITS AND MISSES . . . In his annual speech to the UT Basketball Pep Rally, Volunteer football coach Johnny Majors revealed he once was really a "Kentucky basketball fan" when he was growing up. He now says that Ray Mears has changed all that with his winning tradition at the University of Tennessee. "When I was a little boy, Kentucky was my favorite basketball team because it always won the championship," said Majors, as quoted in a Nashville newspaper, "if I were growing up in Tennessee today, my favorite team would be Tennessee. It has beaten Kentucky five straight times, which was unheard of once, and is now a championship contender itself. That's what Ray Mears has done for our university during the last 15

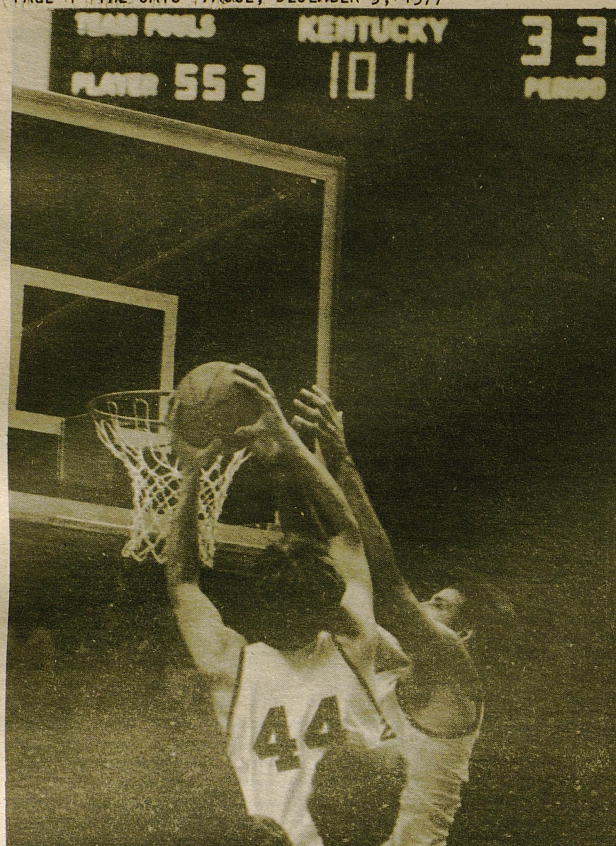
years." . . . Kentucky's two big names Fran Curci and Joe Hall, went through a two-hour talk show over the UK radio network last Wednesday. While favorable comment was generous among the fans, the questions, as a rule, were of little importance. And too often, the good questions went unanswered. Sportscaster Cawood Ledford said he was told it was the busy night for the switchboard at the originating station WHAS in its history . . . For the first time, the official SEC statistics contained the infamous mark next to Kentucky's name in the football listings. Kentucky moved to the top spot in the weekly release after the Tennessee game with a perfect 6-0 league mark and 10-1 overall as compared to Alabama's 6-0 SEC mark and 9-1 overall. That mark will stay next to Kentucky's name forever, noting that Kentucky WOULD have been the official SEC representative in the Sugar Bowl had it not been for NCAA probation . . . It was some kind of an evening at the Lexington Center last week when the Committee of 101 sponsored its annual kick-off banquet for the UK basketball team. Rev. Wayne Smith, the MC, had the crowd of over 750 in stitches before the evening was over with . . . Can you believe there is not a UK basketball player who ranks among the Top 90 cagers in the nation? That's what Sports Quarterly Basketball Special magazine says in its current edition. It lists the top ninety players in the country, but none are from UK. Some of those listed from this region are: Rickey Brown of Mississippi State, Mel Daniels of Stetson, Sam Drummer of Georgia Tech, John Gerdy of Davidson, Richard Gasper of Florida, Otis Howard of Austin Peay, Reggie Johnson of Tennessee, Reggie King of Alabama, Durand Macklin of LSU, Mike Mitchell of Auburn and Calvin Natt of North East Louisiana . . . But in Pro Basketball magazine, Rick Robey is listed as the number two pro

prospect at center for the NBA draft behind only Michael Thompson of Minnesota . . . Mississippi State football coach Bob Tyler probably didn't watch more than a couple of minutes of the Penn State-Pittsburgh game last week. After he viewed a couple of freshman Hugh Green's defensive plays for the Panthers, he probably kicked the set apart. Green, if you remember, was part of that famous "mid-night raid" on Mississippi talent by the Panthers last year when Johnny Majors was head boss at Pitt. That good have been a reason for State's disappointing showing this past season although you usually don't expect freshmen to make that much difference. But Green certainly could play anywhere and start anywhere . . . Kentucky punter Kevin Kelly played his last collegiate game against Tennessee two weeks ago. UK officials first anticipated only one season of eligibility for Kelly last summer, but a check with the NCAA resulted in two years of play. However, when UK asked for written confirmation, the NCAA replied that after studying Kelly's files, 1977 would be his last year of eligibility. Now, Kentucky must find replacements for both placekicker Joe Bryant and punter Kevin Kelly . . . Defensive All-American Art Still will be honored December 2 in Birmingham as the SEC Athlete of the Year by the Birmingham Touchdown Club. It is one of the most prestigious honors in the nation on the grid-iron. Ad it will be a busy time for Mr. Still. He is scheduled to arrive the same day in San Diego for the Kodak All-American festivities where he will autograph some 125 footballs and be featured at a gala banquet. Then on December 12, he will be honored as the Intercollegiate Player of the Year at Cherry Hill, New Jersey. His award will be a \$500 silver trophy. That's the same event he attended four years ago as one of the region's outstanding prep stars. Over 800 sports fans will be in attendance. And to wind up honors, as of now, will be a visit to Woody Hayes Country where he will receive an "Award of Distinction" by the Columbus Touchdown Club. Silversmith might be a good occupation for Mr. Still, wouldn't you say? . . . Football coach Fran Curci has announced the date of December 8 as the first UK Football Awards Banquet since he became coach here. It will be held at the Lexington Center. Curci told us recently he doesn't believe in banquets, "but this is a special team and deserves a special kind of recognition." . . . In a real rarity, Kentucky

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GAME-BY-GAME WILDCAT SCORING - 1976-77

	Wisconsin (H)	Texas Christian (H)	Indiana (A)	Kansas (H)	South Carolina (A)	Bowling Green (UK/T)	Utah (UK/T)	Notre Dame (N)	Georgia (H)	Vanderbilt (A)	Tennessee (H)	Auburn (A)	Florida (A)	LSU (H)	Mississippi (H)	Alabama (A)	Mississippi St. (A)	Vanderbilt (H)	Florida State (N)	Auburn (H)	Florida (H)	LSU (A)	Mississippi (A)	Alabama (H)	Mississippi St. (H)	Tennessee (A)	Georgia (A)	Princeton (NCAA)	VMI (NCAA)	North Carolina (NCAA)	
Givens, f	12	20	18	15	28	28	8	30	17	14	23	20	19	8	19	23	26	21	28	24	15	21	16	10	12	11	21	7	26	26	
Robey, fc	13	21	4	13	4	19	19	18	16	21	8	12	12	8	4	16	22	18	14	16	15	6	18	13	19	17	18	20	8	15	
Phillips, c	10	17	2	12	23	12	12	15	8	0	7	13	8	24	11	16	10	24	19	13	13	13	20	13	10	15	2	2	10	12	
Johnson, g	12	6	20	10	16	6	8	5	2	11	4	13	9	12	18	8	10	19	8	18	21	16	9	16	13	9	7	7	0	9	
Lee, f	11	9	2	14	5	15	13	10	10	12	11	7	10	12	14	6	4	9	7	7	10	16	2	14	15	12	12	6	12	6	
Shilder, g	7	16	20	5	10	11	11	12	11	2	10	0	11	16	12	12	12	10	2	22	12	10	0	13	2	8	4	10	4	0	
Clayton, g	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	2	4	10	2	3	0	5	0	16	12	0	0	0	0	4	8	6	12	29	4	0	
Casey, g	0	4	0	0	13	2	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Williams, f	0	4	0	4	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Haskins, f	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stephens, fg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kentucky	72	103	66	90	98	77	68	102	64	64	67	75	73	87	100	87	92	113	97	89	104	90	81	85	77	79	72	72	93	72	
Opponents	64	53	51	63	67	59	70	78	59	62	71	68	71	72	73	85	85	73	57	82	78	76	69	70	64	81	54	58	78	79	



Courts And Phillips Battle

*Back Thru
The Years*



WILDCATS

1 YEAR AGO

--Kentucky squeaks by TCU 103-53 in Rupp Arena. Rick Robey leads the way for the Cats with 21 points and 15 rebounds, but everybody else plays well, too. TCU coach Johnny Swaim says, "They're really going to be tough when that freshman guard Jay Shidler gets his confidence. If you're going to guard Robey and (Mike) Phillips, you'd better take a sack lunch because you're going to be there all day."

--The Cats clobber defending national champion Indiana in Bloomington, 66-51. IU commits 24 turnovers. Larry Johnson and Shidler each score 20 points to lead the Wildcats. Bobby Knight throws Barry McDermott of Sports Illustrated out of the Hoosiers' dressing room after the game. Dick Fenlon, writing in *The Louisville Times*, calls Kentucky "the new monarch of college basketball."

ing position left when the UK Athletics Board decided not to renew the contract of John Ray.

--Indiana downs Kentucky 64-58 in Bloomington. Kentucky, now 1-2, commits 22 turnovers in the game. Forward Steve Green leads the Hoosiers with 18 points.

10 YEARS AGO

--Despite 24-point, 29-rebound performance by Neal Walk, Kentucky thumps Florida 99-76 in Lexington. The ninth-ranked Wildcats are led by Thad Jaracz' 23 points and sophomore center Dan Issel's 24 rebounds.

--The Cats roll on, downing Xavier 111-76. Phil Argento nets 23 points to head UK scorers. Issel chips in with 18 points.

--Claude Sullivan, the longtime radio voice of the Kentucky Wildcats and the Cincinnati Reds, dies of cancer on December 7, 1967.

5 YEARS AGO

--Iowa stuns Kentucky 79-66 in Memorial Coliseum. Kevin Kunnert leads the Hawkeyes with 17 points and 12 rebounds. The Wildcats, whose record evens at 1-1, shoot a chilly 41 percent from the field.

--Fran Curci denies talking to UK officials about the vacant head coach-

25 YEARS AGO

--The UK footballers lose their season finale to Florida in Gainesville 27-0. The men of Bear Bryant don't exactly distinguish themselves, losing five fumbles en route to the loss. The Cats end the season with a 5-4-2 record, the worst year the Cats have had under Bryant.



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KENTUCKY BASKETBALL NO. 1 FOR 50-YEAR PERIOD (1926-75)

It comes as no surprise to Kentucky basketball fans that the Wildcats are "NO. 1"—but proving it to your contemporaries may end in the usual sports hassle—no absolute proof.

Look no more, our friends. Steve Boda of the NCAA Statistical Bureau has come up with the clincher—a 50-year record of the nation's winningest collegiate teams which shows Kentucky perched firmly at the top with no other team in sight. Here is how the top ten stack up.

Team	Years	Won	Lost	Winning Percentage
1. Kentucky	50*	991	246	.801
2. St. John's	50	899	330	.731
3. North Carolina	50	922	361	.719
4. Western Kentucky	50	932	371	.715
5. Duquesne	47	754	319	.703
6. Kansas	50	800	367	.686
7. North Carolina State	50	815	386	.679
8. Notre Dame	50	815	391	.676
9. UCLA	50	841	411	.672
10. St. Bonaventure	49	669	329	.670

*—49 Seasons

SEC CAGE CHAMPIONS BY YEARS

1933 ... KENTUCKY	1948 ... Kentucky	1963 ... Miss. State
1934 ... Alabama	1949 ... Kentucky	1964 ... Kentucky
1935 ... Ky., LSU (Tie)	1950 ... Kentucky	1965 ... Vanderbilt
1936 ... Tennessee	1951 ... Kentucky	1966 ... Kentucky
1937 ... Kentucky	1952 ... Kentucky	1967 ... Tennessee
1938 ... Ga. Tech	1953 ... LSU	1968 ... Kentucky
1939 ... Kentucky	1954 ... Ky., LSU (Tie)	1969 ... Kentucky
1940 ... Kentucky	1955 ... Kentucky	1970 ... Kentucky
1941 ... Tennessee	1956 ... Alabama	1971 ... Kentucky
1942 ... Kentucky	1957 ... Kentucky	1972 ... Ky., Tenn. (Tie)
1943 ... Tennessee	1958 ... Kentucky	1973 ... Kentucky
1944 ... Kentucky	1959 ... Miss. State	1974 ... Vandy., Ala. (Tie)
1945 ... Kentucky	1960 ... Auburn	1975 ... Ky., Ala. (Tie)
1946 ... Kentucky	1961 ... Miss. State	1976 ... Alabama
1947 ... Kentucky	1962 Ky., Miss. St. (Tie)	1977 ... Ky., Tenn. (Tie)

(Tournament decided champion until 1951. Title determined by regular season play starting in 1951. Kentucky did not play a schedule in 1953 due to NCAA suspension.)

"I'm Crazy About Kentucky"

Indiana's "Mr. Basketball" Heads South To Land Of Roundball

Here's a riddle. What's the difference in the UK basketball team which lost in the finals of the East Regional last March and the UK basketball team which a lot of people are picking as the best team in the nation this fall?

Answer: Kyle Macy.

For those who have just returned from an extended stay on Neptune, Macy is the 6-3 guard who was considered one of the best high school seniors in the nation back in '75. He went to Purdue and played his freshman year, playing well enough to be named to *Basketball Weekly's* All-Freshman second team. In his first Big Ten game, Macy scored 38 points against Minnesota. On the year, the hotshot from Peru, Ind., averaged 13 points a game for the Boilermakers.

Two summers ago, Macy decided to transfer to UK, where he was forced to sit out last season. Now, Macy is eligible, and the Wildcats are counting heavily on him to provide the glue that cements the 1978 UK team's name to the national championship trophy.

Kentucky coach Joe Hall said at the UK Press day, "I'm not going to do any coaching this year. I'm just going to turn the offense and the defense over to Kyle and let him take it from there." Hall said that jokingly, but the statement did indicate just the kind of expectations UK has for Macy.

All right, then. Just who is Kyle Macy and why are they saying all

these nice things about him? Well, Macy is a good-shooting guard (everybody from Indiana is a good shooter) who was the Hoosier State's "Mr. Basketball" his senior year in high school. As a prepster at Peru, Macy played under the tutelage of his father, who happened to be the Peru head coach.

At Purdue, Macy was a part of a wonderfully-talented team (Walter Jordan, Bruce Parkinson, Wayne Walls, Jerry Sichting) that, according to Kyle, had little direction. "With all the individual styles of play at Purdue," recalls Macy, "I didn't think they had confidence in me. There was no take-charge guy, and that's what you need."

Macy did not feel comfortable at Purdue, so he packed up all his cares and woes and headed for Lexington, Ky. Why UK? "It was one of my four final college choices," says Kyle. The other three were Purdue, UCLA, and Cincinnati.

Even though Macy was not particularly enthused with the one-on-one joking and jiving at Purdue, his freshman year was nonetheless an eye-opener for some. "Personally, I wasn't surprised at my performance as a freshman," he claims, "but some people had questioned my abilities because I played at a small high school. They said the competition I played against wasn't very good. Well,

I'd grown up in Fort Wayne which is a pretty good-sized city and I always believed I had the talent. Every player has to have that confidence in his own abilities."

"Some games," continues Macy, "I scored a lot of points, because the shot was there. Other games, I concentrated on other things, setting up whoever had the hot hand."

Then, in the summer of '76, it was exit Purdue, enter Kentucky for Kyle. Macy's first year as a Wildcat was spent practicing with the team, but watching the games from the bench in civvies. "It did seem long at times," admits Macy. "I wish I'd been playing. But whenever I'd get down for a few days, someone would recognize me and go out of their way to talk with me and offer some encouragement. That made me feel better."

Kyle also was impressed by the Kentucky brand of "Southern Hospitality." Says the Hoosier expatriate, "I'm crazy about Kentucky. People are always nice to you when you're being recruited, but the people here are outgoing and friendly all the time. That's something you never notice until you spend some time in a place."

It was the warm reception he received from Kentuckians that helped make sitting out a season easier to swallow. "You know, looking back on last year," offers Macy, "it really went pretty fast after all."

Last year has given way to right now, and Macy has forsaken his civvies for a Wildcat uniform. The thought of getting back into competition does not exactly repulse Macy, as he says, "I'm looking forward to playing again. Last year was the first year I hadn't played organized basketball since I was in the fourth grade."

Will rustiness and the long layoff from game action be a problem for Macy? He doesn't think so. "If I am a little rusty, I should be able to work it out in the Blue-White games and the game against the Russians," he maintains.

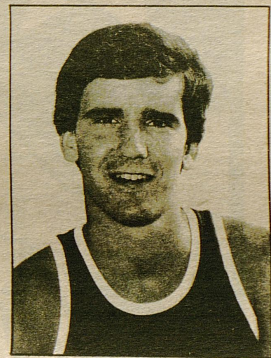
That year on the bench was not spent counting the house or eating popcorn. According to Kyle, "It helped me learn the offense and defense, so I don't think I'll be like a freshman coming in. Also, I had the chance to see the other conference teams and get to know their personnel and styles of play."

The fact that folks around the Bluegrass are expecting big things from Macy does not particularly phase him. "There's always pressure to do well, even if it comes from yourself," says Macy. "I know people are expecting a lot, but I feel if I work hard things will fall into place."

The man Kyle will be replacing in the UK lineup is Larry Johnson, the swift backcourtman who doubled as a defense whiz. "We lost a lot of leadership when Larry left," contends

Macy. "He and Merion (Haskins, UK's other graduated senior) were both leaders on and off the court. Hopefully, I'll be able to provide some of their leadership this year. I hope to pick up the outside shooting a little and maybe add a little more consistency. And, of course, I'll be trying to get the ball into the big men."

Macy doesn't see his role as strictly a feeder for Rick Robey and Mike Phillips, though. "With the guys we've got, you'd be kind of stupid not to try to get the ball into them. But it



Kyle Macy

works both ways. You help them and they can help you. You can take some of the defensive pressure off them with outside shooting, and they can open it up for you with their inside game."

The slender wildcat adds, "This team does not consist of stereotyped roles for each player. We try to adjust to whatever the situation dictates."

During his brief stint in the gold and black of Purdue, Macy had the opportunity (or misfortune, however you want to look at it) to play all four of the 1976 national semifinalists -- national champ Indiana (twice), runner-up Michigan, plus semifinal losers UCLA and Rutgers. Ergo, Kyle has observed some of the nation's best in action, both as a freshman at Purdue and as an observer from the UK bench last year. What this is all leading to, naturally, is: how does Macy rate the latest edition of the UK roundballers? Do the Cats have what it takes to go the distance in the NCAA?

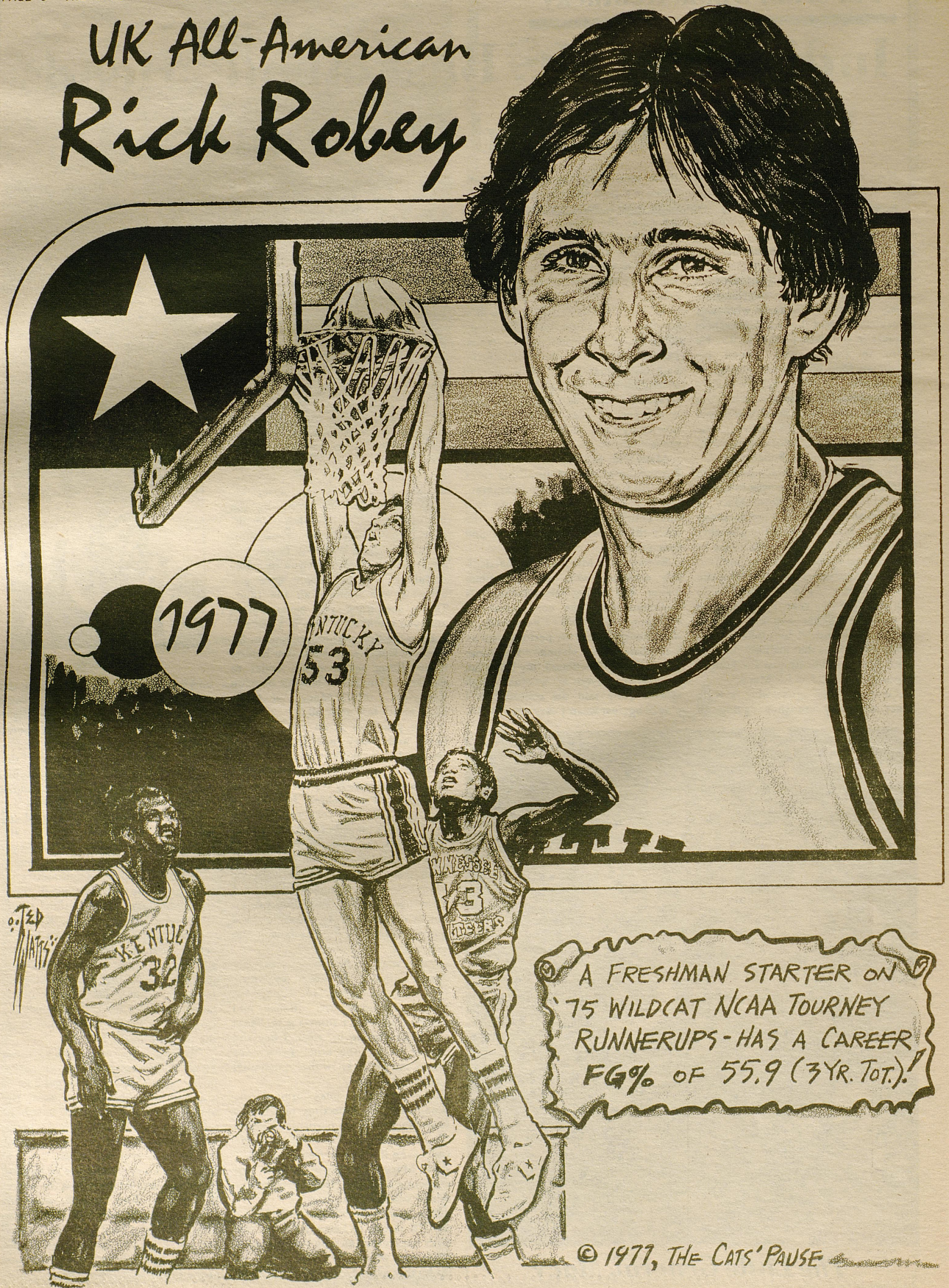
"We compare very well to those Final Four teams as far as talent goes," says Macy. "We've got a lot of size and weight, and we have the ability. It's just a matter of how hard we work. And, it takes a lucky break sometimes. But if we work hard, things could work out for us."

That, like everything else in basketball remains to be proved on the court. If Kentucky does, though, wind up cutting down the nets in St. Louis next March after the final game (and there are worse bets to make), one of the reasons will surely be the performance of the fellow from Peru, Ind.



The Little General, Macy

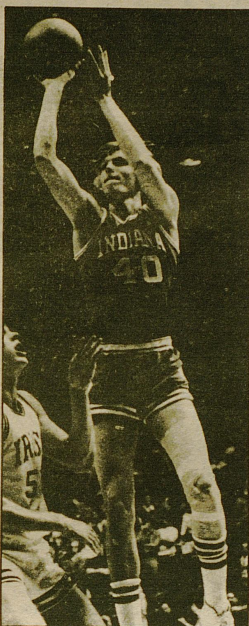
UK All-American Rick Robey



A FRESHMAN STARTER ON '75 WILDCAT NCAA TOURNEY RUNNERUPS - HAS A CAREER FG% OF 55.9 (3YR. TOT.)!

Some Indiana Hoosiers

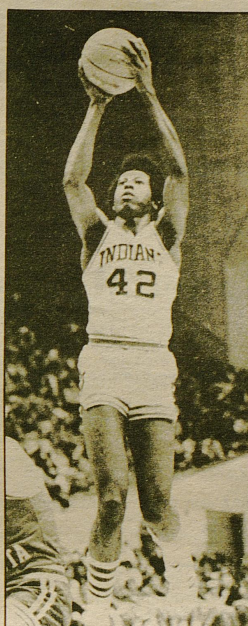
(40) GLEN GRUNWALD - FORWARD
6-9 204 19 Soph. Franklin Park, Ill.



Glen underwent a knee operation for torn cartilage last September and was never completely healthy . . . although he appeared in 26 of 27 games and started on 12 occasions, the knee limited the things he could do . . . is now wearing a brace on the knee and moves better than he did, although the knee is still not 100% . . . scored 93 points for a 3.6 average and had 12 points on two occasions, against Utah State and at Michigan . . . hit 6-7 shots against Utah State . . . hit only 37.5 of his field goal attempts but much of that was due to the adjustments he had to make in his shooting . . . high rebound game was six at Ohio State . . . often played at the point because of his excellent passing abilities . . . had eight assists at Ohio State and seven at Michigan State . . . has very good court sense and knows where the ball needs to be . . . does the little things that go unnoticed in the box score very well . . . very smart player who very rarely makes a mental mistake . . . one of the most sought after prep players two years ago at East Leyden High . . . was All-State four years, the first player in Illinois history to be accorded that honor . . . averaged 21 points as a sophomore, 23 as a junior and 27 as a senior and totalled over 2,200 in his career . . . was voted to the high school all-American team two years . . . his teams were 28-1 and 25-1 the last two years and ranked No. 1 in the state . . . business major who wants to go to law school.

	G	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF	TP	Avg.
1976-77	26	42	112	.375	9	20	.450	58	57	59	93	3.6

(42) MIKE WOODSON - GUARD-FORWARD
6-5 187 19 Soph. Indianapolis, Ind.



Had probably the best season an IU freshman ever has had in 1977 . . . started 25 games, and scored an even 500 points for an 18.5 average . . . led the team in both field goal (.521) and free throw (.792) percentage and ranked second with 182 rebounds . . . finished second in the Big Ten in scoring (22.0), third in field goal percentage (.556), ninth in free throw percentage (.763) and ninth in rebounding (7.7) . . . was a member of the all-Big Ten second team and should vie for all-league honors this year . . . scored in double figures his last 18 games . . . had 34 points at Iowa, 32 at Michigan, where he hit 15-19 shots and grabbed 11 rebounds, and 31 against Wisconsin . . . had 14 rebounds in the win over Illinois and 13 against Northwestern and was in double figures on six other occasions . . . will play more to guard this year to better utilize his over-all talents . . . has a variety of ways to score . . . can hit the open jumper and drives to the bucket extremely well . . . has great jumping ability, which makes him an excellent rebounder despite his size . . . perhaps his greatest improvement over the course of last season was in his defensive play, which figures to get even better . . . prepped at Indianapolis Broad Ripple and averaged 28.6 as a senior and set career scoring record with 1,154 points . . . was member of all-state team and leading scorer for Indiana all-star team that swept Kentucky . . . physical education major.

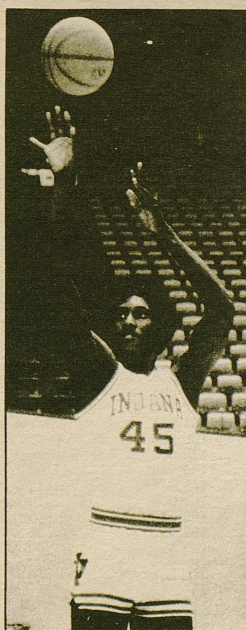
	G	FG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	Reb.	Ast.	PF	TP	Avg.
1976-77	27	212	407	.521	76	96	.792	182	43	88	500	18.5

(34) STEVE RISLEY - FORWARD-CENTER
6-8 215 19 Fr. Indianapolis, Ind.



Steve was the first of the freshmen to pick IU, as he announced his choice last December . . . strong and rugged type of player who can play either inside or on the perimeter . . . played center in high school but is a good shooter from 15 feet . . . his good size should make him a good rebounder . . . was one of the most sought after players in the state, not only for basketball, but for football as well . . . was a quarterback in football and was the first player ever to be named to the all-state team in both football and basketball as a junior . . . repeated both honors as a senior and was all-American in basketball and honorable mention all-American in football . . . prepped at Lawrence Central and led them to their first regional championship in more than 30 years . . . averaged 25.5 points as a senior, 24.4 as a junior and for his career scored 1,690 points for a 22.4 average . . . had a high game of 43 against Warren Central in 1976 . . . also averaged 13 rebounds per game in his career and totalled 1,172 . . . was a member of Indiana All-Star team . . . was also member of Indiana-Kentucky team that played the U.S. All-Stars and led the scoring parade in that game with 29 points and also had 14 rebounds . . . quarterbacked his teams to a 29-4 record during three years of play and during that time passed for 4,109 yards and 52 touchdowns . . . was selected among the top 100 backs in the nation last year . . . business major.

(45) RAY TOLBERT - CENTER
6-9 215 19 Fr. Anderson, Ind.



Ray was one of the most highly sought after athletes in the nation after being named Indiana's "Mr. Basketball" . . . has all the attributes of a natural center, big, strong, and aggressive, and runs so well he is probably the fastest man on the team . . . very quick and has good jumping ability . . . is considered an excellent rebounder and can be an intimidating defensive player . . . has a lot to learn but has the physical attributes to do so . . . was generally considered to be one of the top five big men in the country last year . . . prepped at Anderson Madison Heights and played for coach Phil Buck, who played at IU in the 50's . . . went to the same school as former IU standout Bobby Wilkerson, now a starter with the Denver Nuggets . . . averaged 25.1 points and had a high game of 44 against city foe Highland . . . averaged 18 points as a junior and 12 as a sophomore . . . shot 56.7% as a senior and also averaged 13.5 rebounds and 5.4 blocked shots . . . in one game he blocked 16 shots . . . was an All-State selection two years and a member of the Indiana All-Star team . . . played in various all-star games and in two of those won the slam-dunk contest . . . has an excellent attitude and loves to play the game . . . loves to run up and down the floor, which usually gives him prime rebounding position . . . for his career scored 1,259 points and grabbed 750 rebounds . . . physical education major.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

TOP REGULAR SEASON SCORERS

Player-Pos.	Year	Games	FG	FT	TP	Ave.
Dan Issel (C)	1970 (Sr.)	26	339	198	876	33.7
Dan Issel (C)	1969 (Jr.)	26	269	159	697	26.8
Cotton Nash (C-F)	1964 (Sr.)	25	233	149	615	24.6
Kevin Grevey (F)	1975 (Sr.)	26	265	99	629	24.2
Cliff Hagan (C)	1954 (Sr.)	25	234	132	600	24.0
Cotton Nash (C-F)	1962 (Soph.)	24	205	161	571	23.8
Jim Andrews (C)	1972 (Jr.)	26	224	120	568	21.9
Kevin Grevey (F)	1974 (Jr.)	25	232	83	547	21.9
Pat Riley (F)	1966 (Jr.)	25	225	91	541	21.6
Louie Dampier (G)	1966 (Jr.)	25	211	99	521	20.8
Cliff Hagan (C)	1952 (Jr.)	26	206	128	540	20.8
Jack Givens (F)	1976 (Soph.)	26	216	105	537	20.7
Louie Dampier (G)	1967 (Sr.)	26	219	99	537	20.6
Cotton Nash (C-F)	1963 (Jr.)	25	176	162	514	20.6
Mike Casey (G)	1968	25	215	76	506	20.2

1977 Wildcats Set Five NCAA Attendance Marks

In their first season in cavernous Rupp Arena, the nation's largest basketball facility (23,000), the Kentucky Wildcats draw fans through the turnstiles at a rate that surpassed all other teams, amateur or professional, since Dr. James Naismith nailed up the first peach basket and proclaimed the beginning of a new sport.

Of six NCAA attendance records on the books, only the single game record—52,693 at the Astrodome in 1968, Houston vs. UCLA—remains a non-Kentucky record.

The Records:

1. Average per-game, At Home, 22,323—Old Mark, 21,818 by Brigham Young in 1972.
2. Total Home Attendance, 312,527—Old Mark, 261,815 by Brigham Young in 1972.
3. Total Attendance Full-Season, 509,124—Old Mark 486,421 by Indiana in 1976.
4. Average Per Game, Full Season, 16,971—Old Mark, 15,201 by Indiana in 1976.
5. Single Game on Home Court, 23,412, Kentucky vs. Alabama—Old Mark, 22,987 by Brigham Young—Utah in 1973.

The story of major-college basketball attendance is the story of the fantastic growth of college basketball over the last four decades. The attendance figures tell the story as effectively as scoring or shooting figures. For instance, the first NCAA basketball tournament drew 15,025 for five dates in 1939. The 1977 NCAA tournament drew nearly a quarter-of-a-million spectators at 18 sessions, nearly a 17-fold increase in 38 years.

Two of the nation's major arenas that played a big role in popularizing college basketball are New York City's Madison Square Garden and Philadelphia's Palestra, but last season, the Garden averaged only 8,958 fans for 17 college sessions, and the Palestra averaged 4,420 for 28 sessions, while the Wildcats averaged 22,323 at Rupp Arena. A further comparison shows that of all 245 major colleges, the national per game attendance was only 5,021.

Kentucky's per-game increase at home was 10,812 over 1976.

Consider the following points:

- Only 23 major colleges full-season per-game averages were higher than Kentucky's INCREASE of 10,812.
- Only two other SEC schools were in the top-twenty in per-game increase—Vanderbilt 12th with 2,501 and Alabama 14th with 2,133.
- The SEC topped all conferences in increase per-game with 1,791.
- The SEC led in total season increase—288,924, of which 151,368 was produced by the Wildcats.
- The SEC ranks third in average per-game attendance with 9,802, behind the Big Ten with 9,977, and the Atlantic Coast Conference with 9,944.

Add it all together—whether it be the world's leader in attendance; the NCAA's all-time leader in wins with 1,189; the nation's leader in All-Americans with 28 men honored 42 times, and the nation's finest in facilities with a new arena and a beautiful new basketball dorm—and you come up with an answer that says—KENTUCKY, THE MECCA OF BASKETBALL.

KENTUCKY'S HOME ATTENDANCE

Year	No. Games	Attendance	Average
1976-77	14	312,527+	22,323+
1975-76	12	138,135	11,511
1974-75	12	138,098	11,539
1973-74	12	130,755	10,896
1972-73	13	150,856	11,604
1971-72	13	150,297	11,561
1970-71	13	152,471	11,728
1969-70	15	181,295	12,086
1968-69	13	165,500	11,821
1967-68	16	178,000	11,333
1966-67	13	136,588	10,502
1965-66	13	149,571*	11,505
1964-65	14	151,000	10,786
1963-64	14	165,650	11,117
1962-63	15	153,132	10,208
1961-62	16	165,495	10,343
1960-61	14	129,978	9,284
1959-60	13	138,995	10,692
1958-59	15	177,824	11,855
1957-58	13	124,461	9,574
1956-57	14	129,733	9,266
1955-56	13	126,104	9,700

* Season high in the nation. +National Record.

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Billy Mitchell

News-Journal Sports Editor
The Pensacola News-Journal

Call Kentucky 'Boss' in SEC

The University of Kentucky is expected to dominate Southeastern Conference basketball this season for one simple and obvious reason.

Any NBA franchise should have it easy against mere college competition.

That's not meant to be a needle-pronged innuendo suggesting the Wildcats have assembled a powerhouse basketball team by soliciting prospects with such enticements as Secretariat, the Onassis estate or King Tut's fortune, as rumor depicts the football Wildcats.

The basketball Wildcats escaped the guilt-by-association, CIA-like scrutiny of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) investigation that hanged the football team with a two-year probation period.

The Kentucky basketball program emerged untainted by any implications of recruiting violations, and it's a good thing for coach Joe Hall it did.

Winning football is a new thing in Bluegrass Land, and Wildcat fans are having too much fun adjusting to pleasurable fall Saturday afternoons to become volatile over not being allowed to go to a post-season bowl game.

Winning basketball is nothing new at Kentucky. It is more of a way of life, and the Wildcats, for years, won, and won and won in the godlike presence of Adolph Rupp, the charming of curmudgeon who is the stone-faced edifice of Kentucky basketball.

Once is enough, the crusty Rupp figured. Kentucky got burned by the NCAA in 1953, and the penalty was no schedule.

That's right. The Wildcats sat out the entire season.

Of course, they were 25-0 the next year and declined the NCAA tournament—which, in essence, was a blatant not guilty plea by Rupp.

That's history. But, the bottom line, is that Kentucky basketball has, since 1953, abided by a puritan code. Scandals are out.

A halo now seems to surround Kentucky basketball, and this natural recruiting fortress does not want to stoop to any under-the-table shenanigans to damage the image.

Thus, with a big 10-4 by the NCAA, Wildcat fans begin another season wondering who they'll be playing in which regional in the first round of the NCAA tournament. And, as long as this anticipation doesn't happen to take the zap of an NCAA rap, there will be no mutinous rebellion against the coach.

So Joe B. Hall, the low-keyed, bespectacled spitting image of a bank executive, has gone about the business of assembling an awesome stable of talent in a very saintly manner.

And so awesome is this talent, the general opinion of SEC coaches is that Kentucky belongs in the NBA.

Alabama coach C. M. Newton, who played on Rupp's '51 national championship team, assesses the strength of his alma mater with a subtle dread. "Kentucky will be hard for anybody to beat just because of their sheer physical strength," he says.

Kentucky has the size, and also the talent.

From last season's NCAA tournament team, which advanced to the quarterfinals before losing to eventual runnerup North Carolina, return nine lettermen—in-

cluding All-SEC and All-American forwards Jack Givens and Rick Robey. Center Mike Phillips and guard Jay Shidler are starters returning along with ace reserve forwards James Lee and LaVon Williams.

Robey, Phillips, Givens and Lee are all battle-tested seniors.

Robey and Phillips are both 6-foot-10, 235-pounders, a formidable front-line duo that Hall has reinforced with two 6-10 freshman—230-pound Scott Courts and 253-pound Chuck Aleksinas. This is four-of-a-kind with which Amarillo Slim would call the last raise on any stakes. They make the defensive front-line of the Minnesota Vikings seem like the "Feeble Foursome."

In fact, the only thing missing from this lineup of *King Kongs* is Faye Wray. They're a case for the *Big Foot* task force.

SEC coaches, at their annual press meeting in Birmingham, Ala., abstained from voting on a pre-season order of finish, mainly because the only interest would have been in who would have finished second. In the Associated Press pre-season national basketball poll, released Saturday, Kentucky was ranked No. 2, garnering 21 first place votes, the same as No. 1 North Carolina.

Thus, the Wildcats carry great expectations of winning their 31st SEC and fifth NCAA championship into the '77 season.

True, pre-season ratings are only worth the ink and paper on which they're printed; but, the opinion of SEC coaches seems to be if Kentucky wins the conference championship, the coronation ceremony will be anti-climactic.

Kentucky simply seems to have too much talent to lose.

To combat the Wildcats, opponents need to forget zones and presses and arrange martial arts training for their players. Kentucky has popularized Karate basketball with its imposing physical prowess.

In a pre-season exhibition last week against the Russians, a touring group of professionals who carry an amateur rating, the Wildcats reeled off one of their black-and-blue numbers. The final score was 109-75 over what is considered to be a very good Russian team.

However, against Kentucky's towering front-line and the slick-shooting Givens, the Russians could have started Rasputin, Stalin, Molotov, Lenin and Ivan the Terrible and it probably wouldn't have made any difference.

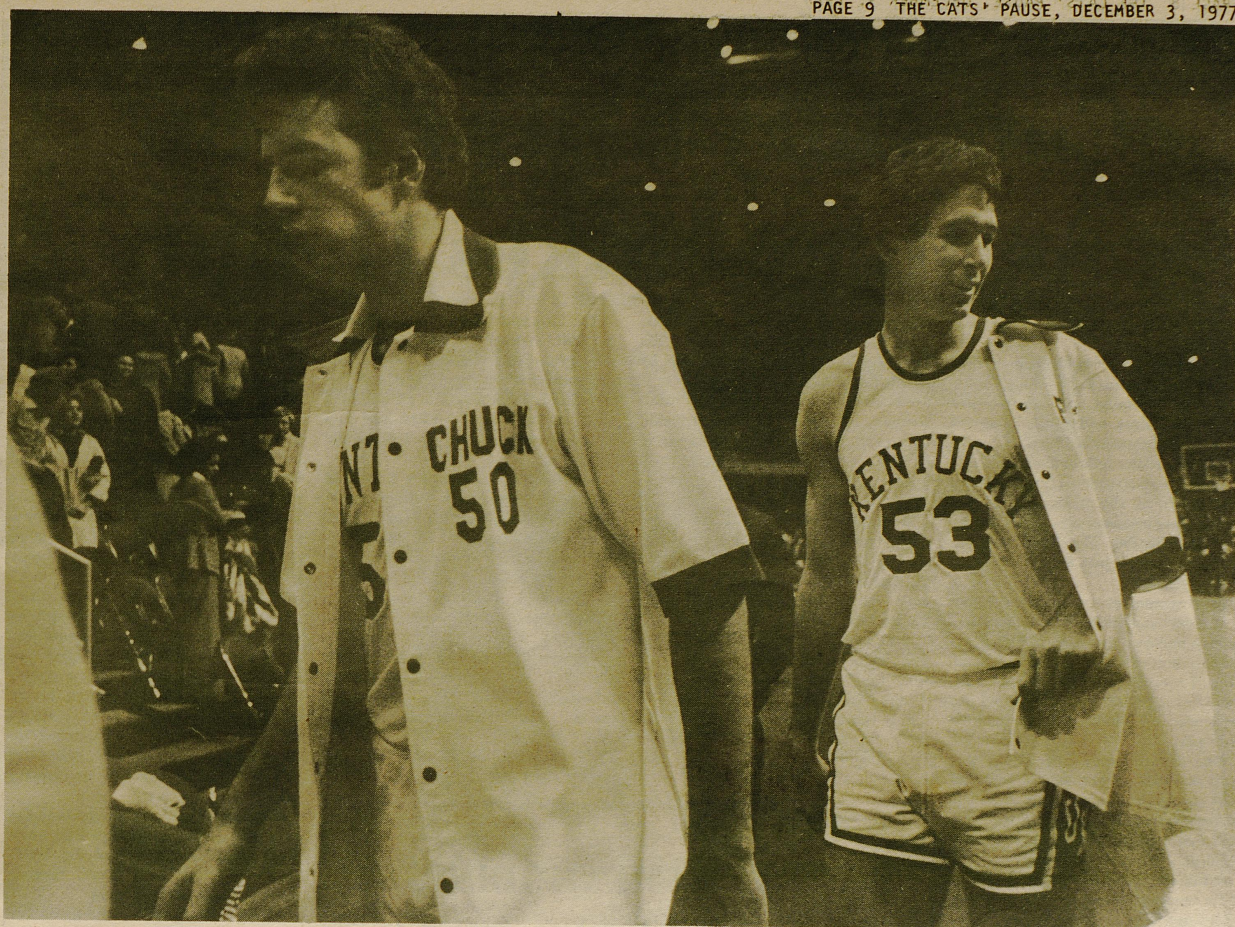
In a methodical style, Kentucky simply deploys and destroys.

"We'll be a senior-oriented team, and this will mean a good year for me, personally, because I like to work with seniors," says Hall. "There's something about the maturity and dedication with seniors you like to have, and this group has tremendous dedication and should have the maturity."

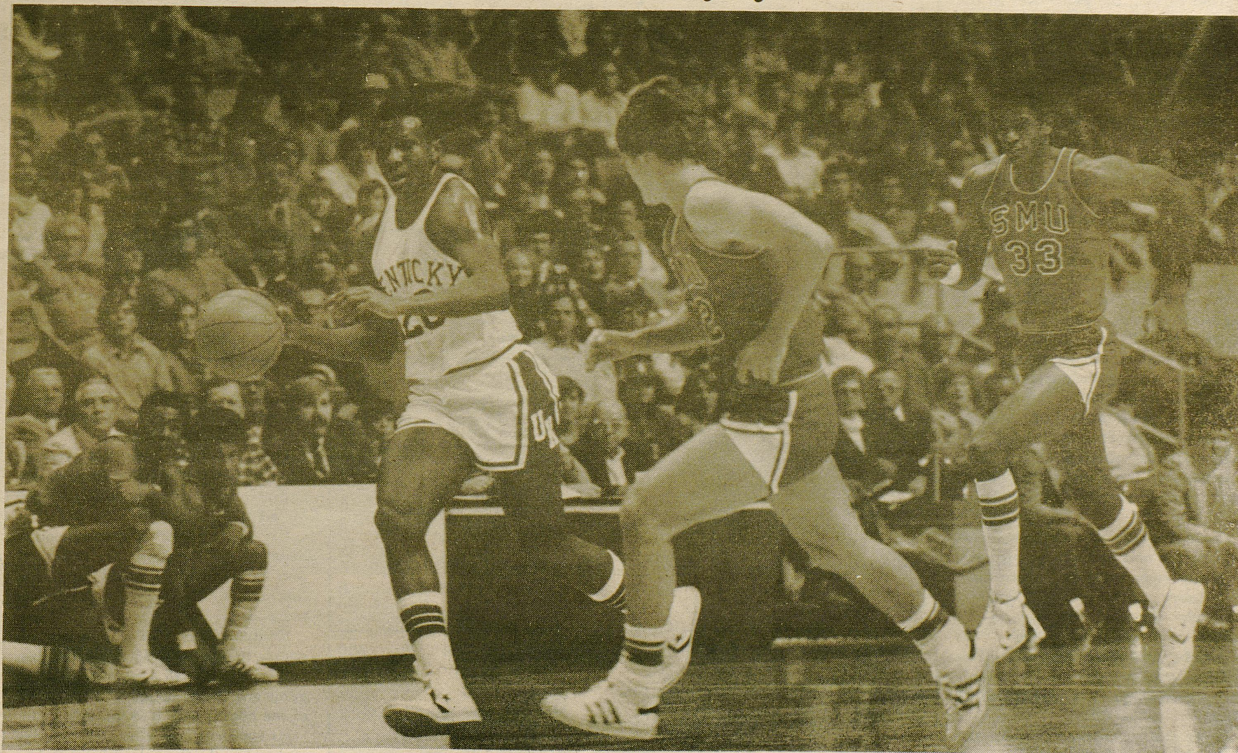
"They have gained great experience the past three years. They were in the national finals as freshmen, won the NIT without Robey as sophomores, and last year, as juniors, ranked as high as No. 2 in the nation.

"Knowing their past success, and seeing how hard they work in practice... well, confidence should be a great factor in our favor."

The 'Cats will have the confidence, and their opponents will have a lack of it.



Mike Phillips And Rick Robey After The Battle



Dwane Casey On The Fast Break

Givens, Phillips And Robey Star

Cats Bury SMU 110-86

As Macy Makes Debut

"He's every bit as good as they said he was."

That was the oft-heard comment of sophomore guard Kyle Macy, a 6-2 doctor of the mind, after he pumped home 16 points and flipped out ten assists in Kentucky's 110-86 win over SMU Saturday night at Rupp Arena.

Macy, who transferred from Purdue University at the beginning of the school year a season ago, came to play and play he did. The Peru, Indiana, product dazzled just about everyone, except himself.

"I'll remember tonight forever, but I can learn something from it too. I was pretty nervous the first half. Sweaty hands, butterflies in my stomach, all that. I relaxed more the second half, but there are still lots of things I can improve on," summed up Macy of his own play.

The capacity crowd of 23,472 was well satisfied. When Coach Joe Hall took him out of the game with 3:37 left in the contest, Macy earned the first standing ovation of the season as a Wildcat.

While the Cats had little difficulty in their season-opening victory over the Mustangs from the Southwest Conference, Hall wasn't passing out any awards to the Wildcat reserves.

After turning the game over to the bench in the final minutes, the Cats watched 16 points of their 40-point lead melt away in the final 1:45 of the game as the Mustangs outscored the UK bench 17-1.

That didn't please Hall, to say the least.

"That blew my mind," moaned Hall, "I'm thoroughly disgusted. They forgot everything they were taught. We're not as deep on our bench as I thought."

Maybe true, maybe not.

But a couple of pretty good extra hands, make it three, were sitting on the bench in street clothes. They were injured Jay Shidler, James Lee and LaVon Williams. The latter two were sitting out a one-game suspension set by the NCAA. Shidler isn't expected to return to game action for another couple weeks because of a broken foot on the first day of fall practice.

Other than those minor discords, it was a grand evening for the home folks.

There was silky-smooth Jack Givens burning the nets for 20 points, despite a gimpy right shoulder. There was Rick Robey moving with the grace of a Kentucky thoroughbred, scoring 23 points and matching Givens' 13 rebounds. And then there was Mike Phillips, a man-o-war on the boards with a game-high 18 rebounds and 23 points.

In the process, Givens re-wrote the Kentucky record book, passing such All-Americans as Johnny Cox and Cliff Hagan and Pat Riley on the all-time

scoring list. He now has 1,490 points, good for the number eight spot. His next target is the No. 7 notch held by Ralph Beard with 1,517 points.

"I didn't know about it until someone told me after the game," said Givens of his new feat. "I'm happy to be in the record book. It's a great thrill for me. I just hope we keep winning. That's enough for me."

Kentucky exhibited opening game jitters earlier, missing its first five shots in less than forty seconds before Phillips finally discovered the basket with a pair of free throws at 19:41 for a 2-0 lead.

SMU caught up on a 12-foot by T. J. Robinson, but that was to be the last time the Mustangs of coach Sonny Allen would get even with the highly-ranked Wildcats.

The Cats spurred out to a 17-10 lead, but SMU managed to stay in the game during the early going behind the pin-point outside accuracy of 6-6 Joe Swedlund. Kentucky moved out to a 43-26 lead at 2:43 of the first half on a Rick Robey dunk, but the lead would soon slip.

Swedlund's long jumpers combined with a couple of Robinson's two-pointers enabled the Mustangs to close within 12 at the half, 48-36.

Kentucky iced the game in the early stages of the second period when the Cats ripped off eight consecutive points before SMU could signal a time-out.

Truman Claytor started the assault with a 14-foot jumper, then Givens followed with a lay-up and Claytor hit the mark again. Robey wrapped things

up with a dunk at 18:13 and a 56-36 score.

Allen admitted after the game the eight-point streak was the end of his team's upset bid.

"We thought we could stay in the game if we could take away their break," explained the former Marshall University assistant, "but when they ran off the eight straight at the beginning of the second half, I knew it was over. You just can't catch a good club like this one when you get down by that much."

Phillips played one of his finer games as a Kentuckian, although he experienced some opening game jitters of his own. By the game's end, the big Manchester, Ohio, native scored on 9 of 16 field goal attempts, hit all four free throws and hauled down 18 rebounds, his second highest total in two years. Last season, he pulled off 19 loose balls against LSU on January 22.

If Kentucky had any problems in the easy win, it came in the first half when SMU continually harassed the Wildcats with a full-court press, causing several Kentucky turnovers.

At the end, Hall had a line-up of four freshmen and a sophomore, that being Tim Stephens, Chuck Aleksinas, Scott Courts, Freddie Cowan and Chris Gettelfinger.

"We're still playing high school ball in college," said Courts after the game, "we were screening them out high school style and you can hit a lot harder out there in college."

Robey, though, took up for the underclassmen to a certain degree.

"It's a learning thing and I can remember when I was a freshman three years ago, I made a ton of mistakes," recalled Robey, "we've just got to go to work the next few days and get ready for Indiana."

Kentucky, which has been ranked anywhere from first to fifth in the nation in preseason polls, didn't do anything to lose Allen's vote.

"I said they were No. 1 before tonight and they didn't do anything to change that as far as I'm concerned," said the SMU head master.

Hall admitted even his veteran players suffered from first-game jitters and pointed to the statistics to prove his point.

"We were a little off in our shooting department. We only hit about 41 percent the first half," said Hall, "and that might have been a matter of tenseness."

Kentucky shot 49.4 percent for the game, thanks to a 56.9 percent last half. SMU hit 45.6 percent for the game and the Wildcats won the battle of the boards with a 59-40 tally.

Kentucky is now idle until Monday night when the Cats play host to Bobby Knight and the Hurrin' Hoosiers from Indiana at Rupp Arena.

Kentucky Basketball

SOUTHERN METHODIST - 86

PLAYER	FG	FT	REB	PF	TPS	A	TO	MIN
J. Swedlund	13-21	0-2	6	0	26	0	1	34
J. Swanson	4-12	3-5	6	3	11	1	2	27
T. J. Robinson	5-9	0-0	7	5	10	1	1	24
R. Greenwood	1-3	0-0	0	3	2	5	2	18
P. Hale	1-5	0-0	1	3	2	1	4	24
J. Ceravolo	5-9	4-5	3	3	14	6	5	26
M. Davis	1-5	0-0	1	3	2	0	2	10
G. Welch	2-5	4-4	2	0	8	0	1	8
T. Scheibel	1-2	0-1	1	1	2	0	0	3
R. Franklin	4-10	1-4	7	4	9	0	3	21
T. Somerville	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	5
Team Rebounds			6					
TOTALS	37-81	12-21	40	25	86	15	21	200

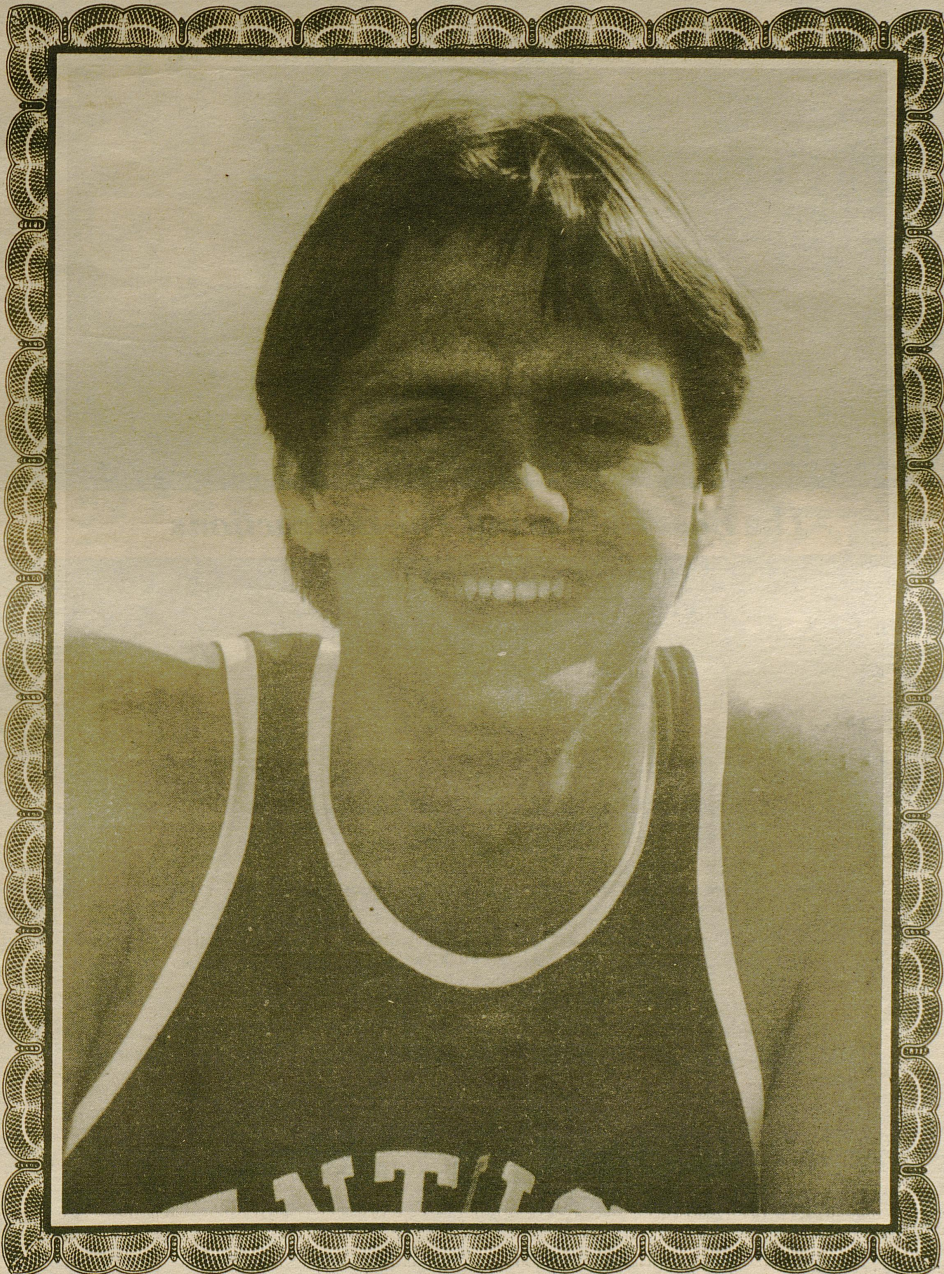
KENTUCKY - 110

PLAYER	FG	FT	REB	PF	TPS	A	TO	MIN
J. Givens	12-23	6-6	13	2	30	4	0	29
R. Robey	8-13	7-7	13	4	23	2	3	31
M. Phillips	9-16	4-4	18	3	22	1	4	32
K. Macy	7-15	2-3	3	2	16	10	5	34
T. Claytor	3-8	0-0	0	3	6	5	1	23
C. Gettelfinger	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	2	3
D. Casey	2-6	0-0	1	2	4	1	0	16
T. Stephens	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	4
F. Cowan	1-2	1-2	0	3	3	1	2	14
S. Courts	0-2	2-4	1	1	2	0	0	6
C. Aleksinas	1-1	2-2	3	3	4	0	2	8
Team Rebounds			7					
TOTALS	43-87	24-29	59	24	110	24	19	200

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UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY	48	62	---	110

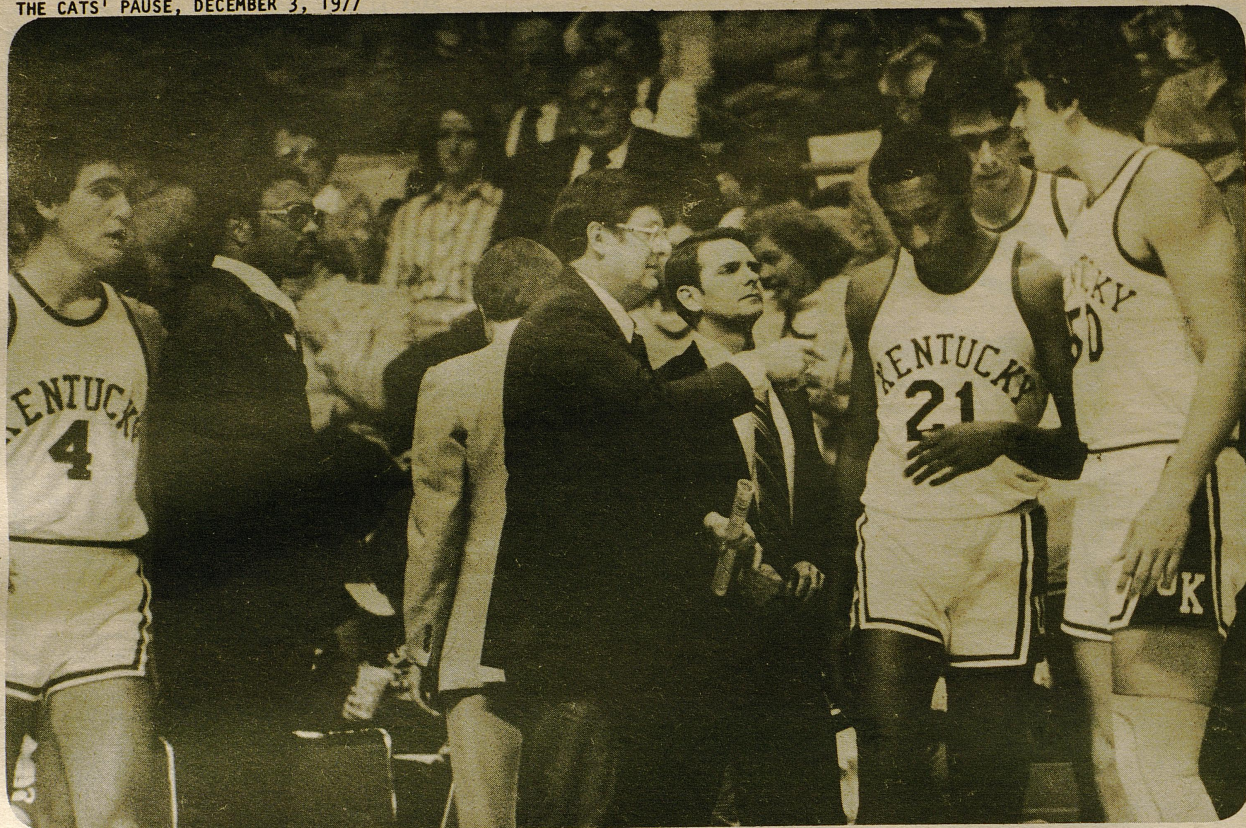
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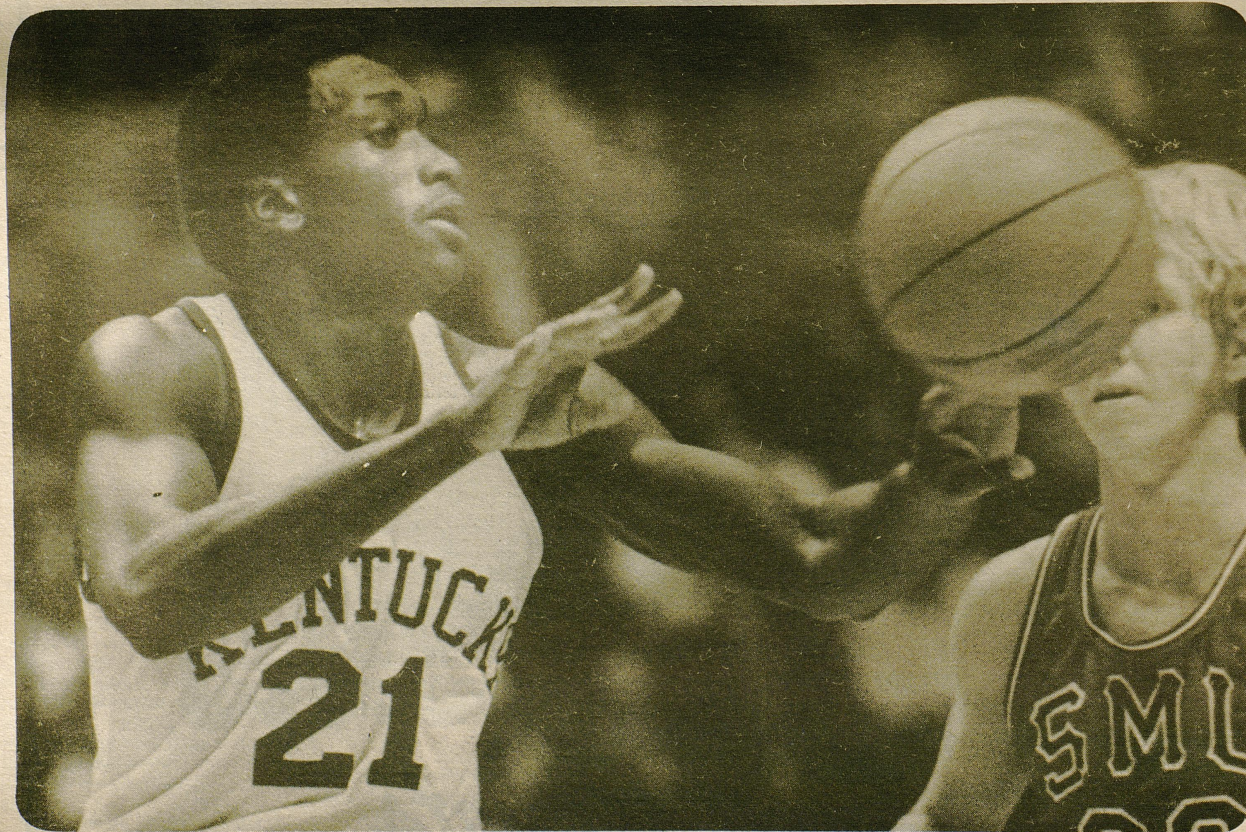


Scott Courts

THE CATS' PAUSE, DECEMBER 3, 1977



The Boss Delivering The Instructions



Givens Feeds Open Man

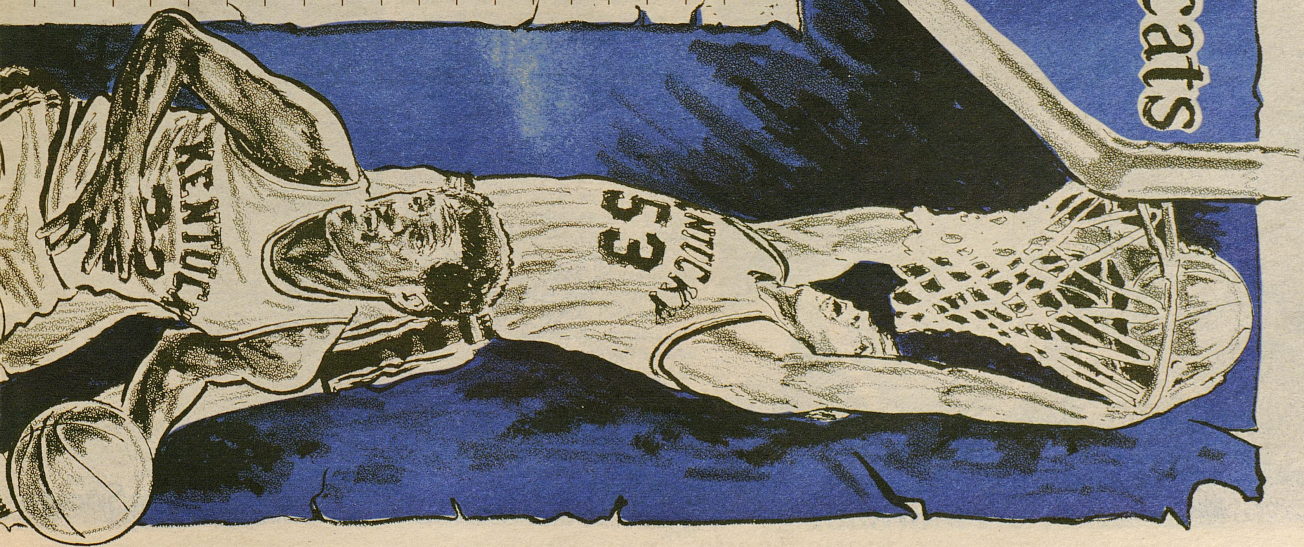
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Nov. 26	SMU (TV)	_____
Dec. 5	INDIANA (TV)	_____
Dec. 10	Kansas	_____
Dec. 12	SOUTH CAROLINA (TV)	_____
Dec. 16	UKIT: St. Johns,	_____
Dec. 17	Portland St., Seattle	_____
Dec. 23	IONA	_____
Dec. 31	Notre Dame ★ (NBC-TV)	_____
Jan. 2	VANDERBILT	_____
Jan. 7	Florida	_____
Jan. 9	Auburn	_____
Jan. 14	LSU (TV)	_____
Jan. 16	OLE MISS	_____
Jan. 21	Mississippi State (TV)	_____
Jan. 23	Alabama	_____
Jan. 28	TENNESSEE	_____
Jan. 30	GEORGIA	_____
Feb. 4	FLORIDA	_____
Feb. 6	AUBURN	_____
Feb. 11	LSU (A)	_____



Mike Phillips

After Escaping So Mike Looks To Sen

Cats' Pause - You came to Kentucky three years ago from Manchester, Ohio. How did you make your final decision and was there any one particular person who had a big influence on your coming to Kentucky?

Mike Phillips - Coach Boyd Grant, when he was here, was the one who recruited me during high school. The coaches came up and talked with me a lot my senior year and then watched me in the DC Prep Classic in Washington. After that, they realized that Rick (Robey) and I together would be a pretty good asset for the team.

Cats' Pause - Are you saying both Rick and you knew that Kentucky wanted both of you. Wasn't Kentucky also recruiting another big man in Danny Hall from Eastern Kentucky?

Mike Phillips - Yes, they talked to us about it. And after I visited the campus here, I decided it was the right size school and a good environment. It was all out in the open as far as recruiting more than one big man. They made us all aware of it. They weren't hiding anything.

Cats' Pause - When it came time to make the final decision on where to go to college, what other schools were in the running with Kentucky?

Mike Phillips - Ohio State and Virginia Tech. I was seriously thinking about Virginia Tech. It was right after Tech had won the NIT and that's why I was interested in them. Other than those two, I really wasn't that interested in anyone else.

Cats' Pause - Mike, you're now

entering your senior year and you're looking forward to a big season. But you have to be very thankful after that summer truck accident, which in all honesty, could have taken your life. Describe your feelings as related to the accident.

Mike Phillips - I was extremely lucky in that. I was driving a dump truck for a construction company here in Lexington and hit another truck which was fully loaded with gravel. We hit head-on and the other truck had about 50,000 pounds of gravel on it and I was doing about 50 miles per hour when the brakes went out. I didn't suffer any major injuries. All I got were some lacerations and two cracked ribs. They hurt me some during the preseason running but they're all right now. I've had no side affects at all.

Cats' Pause - Two years ago, you were widely credited as the main spark in Kentucky's drive to the National Invitational Tournament championship. Last year, the honors appeared to by-pass you but you've received several preseason honors and the cover of one magazine this year. How do you foresee not only the team's future, but yours as an individual this season?

Mike Phillips - It's a nice thing to go into your senior year to realize that all the work you've done hasn't been for nothing. The honors are great and nice and all that, but you have to keep them in the right frame of mind. They're good but if I don't do anything this year, they're not going to get me

anywhere. So, I've got to keep the right perspective. I'm going to try to do my job like I always have and try to provide more leadership this year.

Cats' Pause - What about Kentucky's chances this season? How good are they? Can Kentucky be a solid contender for the national championship as well as the SEC title?

Mike Phillips - I think we're as good as we WANT to be. As far as talent, we have as good talent, or better, than anybody in the country. The key to it is working as a team, molding ourselves, basically through the players.

Cats' Pause - You say this team is as good, material-wise, as anyone in the country. What is the difference in this year's club and last year's team?

Mike Phillips - The personnel has changed and we'll be more flexible. With the freshmen coming in, they'll help. People like Chuck Aleksinas, Scott Courts and Freddie Cowan. I think they will give us more flexibility in substituting, like in my position. Kyle Macy is eligible this year and he will definitely be a big asset to us.

Cats' Pause - You smiled when you mentioned Kyle Macy's name. I understand he's getting quite a reputation for feeding the big men inside a good supply of roundballs during practice sessions. Is that right?

Mike Phillips - Kyle's such a great all-around ballplayer and he's a great penetrant. He's always got that great vision to hit the open man and he's going to be a real help to us.

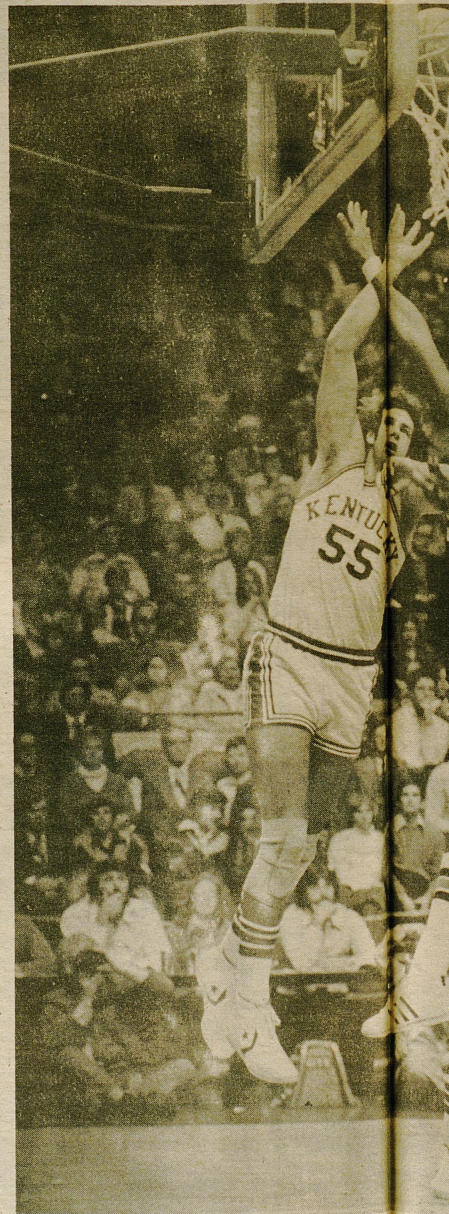
Cats' Pause - If you were a coach, how would you describe the assets of Kentucky's players, like the four seniors?

Mike Phillips - Starting with Rick, he's strong, big and quick for his size. He has an excellent shot and he helps us tremendously rebounding and gives us a lot of offensive power underneath the boards. James (Lee) is a strong player. Our seniors came here as a strong, physical bunch and there's no falsity about it. That's the way we are and that's the way we're going to try to play. It's our game. Jack (Givens) is the smooth one of the group. He uses finesse and quickness. He's a great shooter, a great competitor.

Cats' Pause - What about the Southeastern Conference this season, the teams to beat in the league?

Mike Phillips - A lot of people are overlooking Mississippi State. They have all five starters, I think, returning and if they get it together, they're going to be real tough. Everybody is looking for Florida and Alabama, of course, to be tough. It's going to be an interesting year. Many fans are expecting us to win it and we've done the work in preseason. Now, all we have to do is incorporate it into our play.

Eyeing The NC



Big Mike Scores Over



Mike And His Final Shot

g Serious Injury In Accident, Senior Year With Enthusiasm

The NCAA Title



ores Over Vanderbilt

Cats' Pause - You say many are expecting Kentucky to win it this year. Are you expecting Kentucky to win it?

Mike Phillips - We know that we're capable of winning it. There is a difference, however. If you expect to win it, then you can get complacent and lackadaisical. We're at the point where we have to realize where we're at and realize what we have to do to win it.

Cats' Pause - Last March, in College Park, Maryland, it was a very sober dressing room where the Wildcats took off the Kentucky uniforms for the last time in 1976-77. What affect did that loss to North Carolina have on this year's team and its attitude toward this season?

Mike Phillips - I really can't say what it was like when we lost that game. I don't know whether we were taking them too lightly or just weren't thinking about the game, or riding high off the previous victory or what. As you say, we just let that one slip away. It was very frustrating. There's not much you can do about it except to reflect back and not allow it to happen again. In the locker room, it was a pretty dismal scene because everybody was in the frame of mind that we had let each other down, more or less, and let ourselves down.

Cats' Pause - You must hve some personal observations on Kentucky and Wildcat fans after three full seasons. As you are aware, Rupp Arena is again sold out for the season from last year's season ticket holders. How would you define the typical Kentucky basketball fan?

Mike Phillips - The fans here at Kentucky are educated in basketball, they really know what's going on. They have game-sense about them and they recognize good passing and good game play when it's going on. They appreciate it and voice their opinion. The support the fans give here doesn't exist anywhere else in the country in my opinion. It draws attention to the whole state and that generates a lot of enthusiasm for us.

Cats' Pause - While several months away, you must have some thoughts on what you plan to do after you graduate from Kentucky next spring. Surely, pro ball is in the immediate plans, but what about after your playing days?

Mike Phillips - Like everyone else, I'd like to be able to play pro ball. If nothing develops here in the states, I've been thinking about contacting someone in Europe about playing ball there. After that, I'd like to settle down around here, probably in the construction business. I eventually want to own a company. I like the area and the people. It's fun to work

outdoors and I've gotten some experience here during the past two summers in that line of work. Working out in the open keeps me in good shape.

Cats' Pause - You mentioned some of the tougher competition in the Southeastern Conference. Who do you expect to be strong on the national scene this year?

Mike Phillips - North Carolina is going to be up there. They've got Phil Ford, and whoever wins it will have to contend with them. Mike O'Koren is back as a sophomore and they're a very well-rounded ball club. And then there are Notre Dame, San Francisco and Marquette.

Cats' Pause - This week will make the fifth time you've played against Indiana here at Kentucky, but it will be the first time Kentucky will have had the opportunity to play against the Hoosiers in Lexington. How do you feel about Indiana having the play the Cats here instead of Louisville?

Mike Phillips - I like it! I really like it! We've played them up there in Louisville, but that's not home like here with all the students. Louisville is kind of a home away from home for us and we like to play there. The fans in Louisville really follow us there. It's almost home, but not quite. It's just down the road a piece. Once we get them up here, it's really going to help us. We'll enjoy playing Indiana at Rupp Arena.

Cats' Pause - What about the guards this season. There appears to be more depth on the Kentucky squad overall in all positions.

Mike Phillips - Truman Claytor is one of the truly fine guards. He's got a great shot as he proved in the NCAA last year and he's a tough defensive player. Jay's back this year after the injury recently and he'll do well, especially with his year's experience. And Dwane is back and real strong and Kyle is definitely an asset. It's going to be a real battle for positions all year long. The freshmen are going to be pushing us, as far as I'm concerned. Everybody is going to be pushed for a starting position. It'll be an all-out battle.

Cats' Pause - Will this be an asset for the team?

Mike Phillips - It will if we use it constructively. We can't let ourselves get too carried away in practice and get a lot of petty arguments between us. We have to play it off as we're all going for a job and whoever gets it, gets it. We have to give all our effort and then let come, what may.

Cats' Pause - How did the preseason work go for you?

Mike Phillips - It was fine, especially since it was my last. We lifted weights.

I increased my clinging jerks fifty-five pounds from last year. We improved our physical condition a great deal. We went into regular practice in better shape. In a way, the whole team was there last year in good shape, but there wasn't the total enthusiasm as there is today.

Cats' Pause - Has the team learned or acquired anything over the summer which will be an added plus to the Wildcats this season?

Mike Phillips - Offensively, thru the patience that was gained from experience, we will be stronger this season. We don't rush anything anymore. If we've got the shot, we're going to take it off the break. We've come to realize, through experience, what we can do and what we can't do. That's the big thing.

Cats' Pause - Some Kentucky fans have already started predicting an undefeated season, which certainly is a long shot from anyone's standpoint. If you had your choice, would you prefer to enter the NCAA with a perfect record, or one with a few losses?

Mike Phillips - It works in different cycles. If you go undefeated in the first part of the year, you tend to get complacent in the middle portion of the schedule, and then you pick it back up and you'll be strong again at the end of the year. It works differently for every team. For us, if we could stay undefeated and go into the tournament without a loss, it would be a positive factor for us, definitely.

Cats' Pause - How did the move to Rupp Arena from Memorial Coliseum affect the Wildcats last year. Is Kentucky now accustomed to its new home?

Mike Phillips - Yes, anytime you move and change coliseums, it's a big switch for you. We were all leery of going down there, the awe of 23,000 people. It was a new experience for us. We've been down there a year now and we should know what to expect. It's not going to be surprising to us this year. For the new generation, Rupp Arena is home now. We just practice at the coliseum. For myself, I can associate with both because I've played in both.

Cats' Pause - Being completely honest, do you like Rupp Arena as much as the old coliseum?

Mike Phillips - I really do. The 23,000 fans in there can bring the house down and it affects our opponents because they've never been in a place like that. But I also like the coliseum. It had its own special touch. It was elite.

Cats' Pause - Up to this point, what

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Feb. 13	Ole Miss	
Feb. 18	MISSISSIPPI STATE	
Feb. 20	ALABAMA (TV)	
Feb. 25	Tennessee (TV)	
Feb. 27	Georgia	
Mar. 4	LAS VEGAS (NBC-TV)	
Mar. 6	Vanderbilt (TV)	

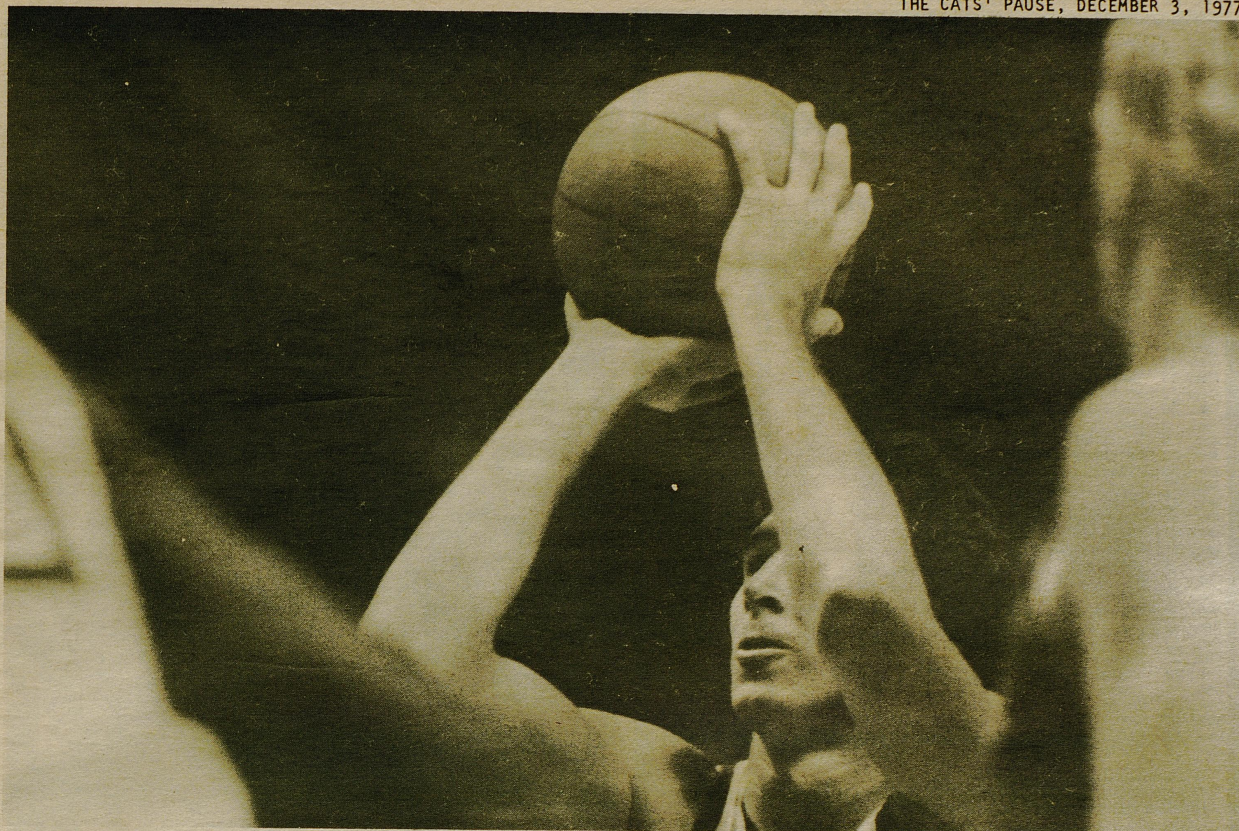
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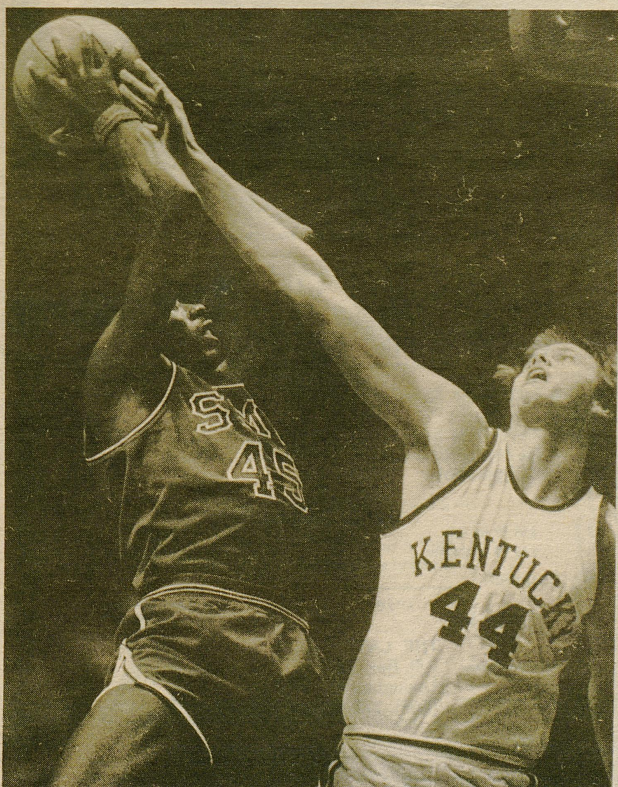
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Ole Miss
MISSISSIPPI STATE

Kentucky

SEASON RECORD — 1976-77

ALL GAMES: WON 26, LOST 4 — SEC ONLY: WON 16, LOST 2

Date	Opponent	Site	UK	Opp.	Crowd
Nov. 22	Marathon Oil (EX)	(N1)	110	93	6,988
Nov. 27	Wisconsin	(H)	72	64	23,357
Dec. 2	Texas Christian	(H)	103	53	22,245
Dec. 6	Indiana	(A)	66	51	17,632
Dec. 11	Kansas	(H)	90	63	23,382
Dec. 13	South Carolina	(A)	98	67	10,987
Dec. 17	Bowling Green	(H)	77	59	17,893
Dec. 18	Utah	(H)	68	70	19,404
Dec. 30	Notre Dame	(N2)	102	78	16,613
Jan. 3	Georgia	(H)	+64	59	23,392
Jan. 8	Vanderbilt	(A)	64	62	15,626
Jan. 12	Tennessee	(H)	+67	71	23,392
Jan. 15	Auburn	(A)	75	68	11,902
Jan. 17	Florida	(A)	73	71	5,712
Jan. 22	LSU	(H)	87	72	23,392
Jan. 24	Mississippi	(H)	100	73	19,221
Jan. 29	Alabama	(A)	87	85	15,043
Jan. 31	Mississippi State	(A)	92	85	8,312
Feb. 5	Vanderbilt	(H)	113	73	23,386
Feb. 7	Florida State	(N2)	97	57	16,615
Feb. 12	Auburn	(H)	89	82	23,257
Feb. 14	Florida	(H)	104	78	23,392
Feb. 19	LSU	(A)	90	76	10,621
Feb. 21	Mississippi	(A)	81	69	7,086
Feb. 26	Alabama	(H)	85	70	23,412
Feb. 28	Mississippi State	(H)	77	64	23,402
Mar. 5	Tennessee	(A)	79	81	12,700
Mar. 7	Georgia	(A)	72	54	9,500
Mar. 12	Princeton	(N3-NCAA)	72	58	9,248
Mar. 17	VMI	(N4-NCAA)	93	78	14,500
Mar. 19	North Carolina	(N4-NCAA)	72	79	14,500

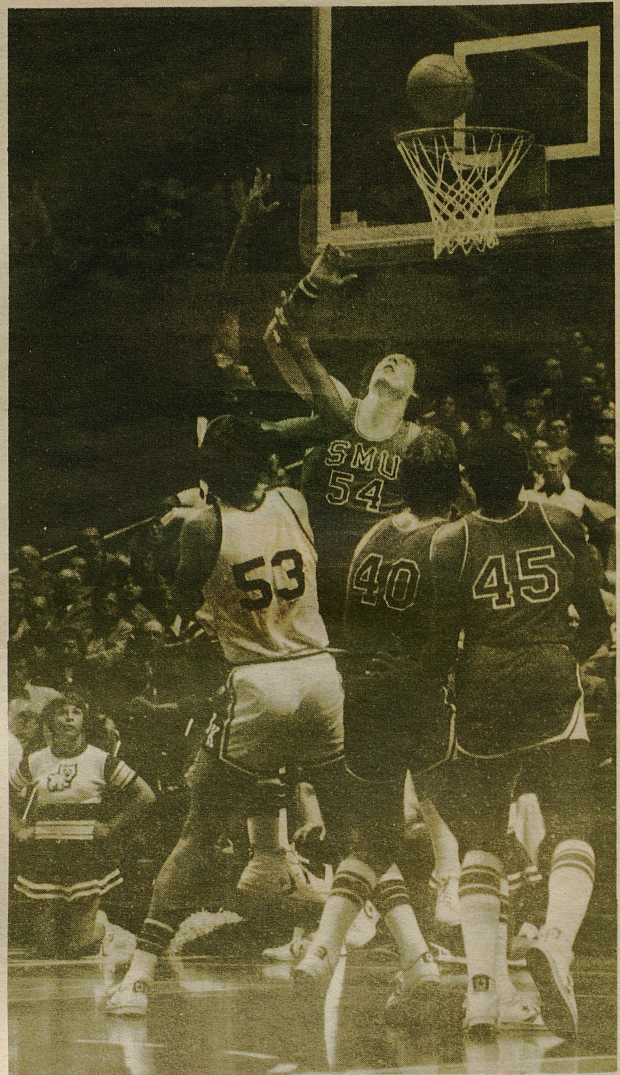
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 N1—Memorial Coliseum, Lexington, Ky.; N2—Freedom Hall, Louisville, Ky.
 N3—Palestra, Philadelphia, Pa.; N4—Cole Field House, College Park, Md.

HOME FLOOR LOSSES SINCE 1943

Date	Opponent	(Total of 40)	Score	Margin
Jan. 8, 1955	Georgia Tech		59-58	1
Dec. 10, 1955	Temple		73-61	12
Dec. 21, 1955	Dayton (UKIT)		89-74	15
Dec. 10, 1956	St. Louis		71-70	1
Mar. 16, 1957	Michigan State (NCAA)		80-68	12
Dec. 20, 1957	West Virginia (UKIT)		77-70	7
Dec. 19, 1959	West Virginia (UKIT)		79-70	9
Jan. 2, 1960	Georgia Tech		62-54	8
Feb. 27, 1960	Tennessee		65-63	2
Dec. 3, 1960	Florida State		63-58	5
Dec. 22, 1960	St. Louis (UKIT)		74-72*	2
Dec. 4, 1961	Southern California		79-77	2
Feb. 12, 1962	Mississippi State		49-44	5
Dec. 1, 1962	Virginia Tech		80-77	3
Dec. 17, 1962	North Carolina		68-66	2
Jan. 5, 1963	Georgia Tech		86-85**	1
Jan. 19, 1963	Tennessee		78-69*	9
Feb. 18, 1963	Vanderbilt		69-67	2
Mar. 2, 1964	St. Louis		67-60	7
Dec. 19, 1964	Illinois (UKIT)		91-86	5
Jan. 5, 1965	Vanderbilt		97-79	18
Dec. 5, 1966	Illinois		98-97*	1
Dec. 13, 1966	North Carolina		64-55	9
Dec. 17, 1966	Florida		78-75	3
Dec. 28, 1966	Cornell		92-77	15
Jan. 5, 1967	Vanderbilt		91-89*	2
Jan. 23, 1967	Tennessee		52-50**	2
Feb. 11, 1967	Mississippi State		77-72*	5
Mar. 16, 1968	Ohio State (NCAA)		82-81	1
Dec. 7, 1968	North Carolina		87-77	10
Dec. 19, 1970	Purdue (UKIT)		89-83	6
Dec. 13, 1971	Michigan State		91-85	6
Dec. 4, 1972	Iowa		79-66	13
Feb. 3, 1973	Vanderbilt		83-76	7
Jan. 28, 1974	Vanderbilt		82-65	17
Feb. 23, 1974	Alabama		94-71	23
Feb. 25, 1974	Florida		75-65	10
Jan. 10, 1976	Tennessee		88-90*	2
Dec. 18, 1976	Utah (UKIT) . . . Rupp Arena Era		68-78	2
Jan. 12, 1977	Tennessee		67-71*	4

*One overtime period. **Double overtime. Average loss margin—6.7

(Kentucky's home floor winning streak started against Ft. Knox on Jan. 4, 1943, following a loss to Ohio State two nights earlier. Before Ga. Tech snapped the string, the Wildcats had posted a national record 129 consecutive victories. All told, since the Ohio State loss, the Wildcats have won 404 and lost only 40 at home. The record in Memorial Coliseum (1951-1976) was 308-38. Since Rupp Arena became the home floor in 1976-77, the record is 12-2.



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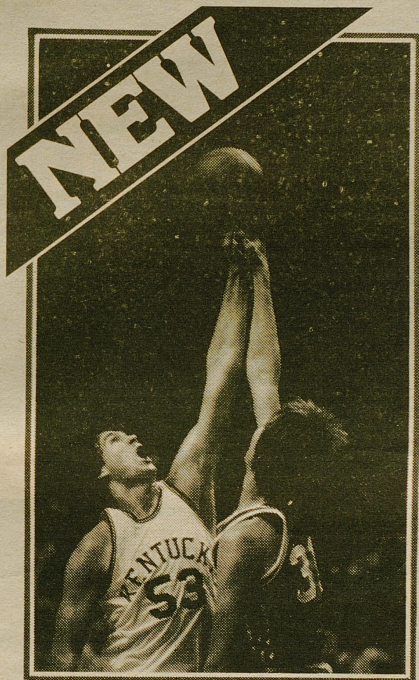
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Football Wildcats Who Didn't Play Listed

Many Kentucky fans have been asking for a list of red-shirts from the 1977 football Wildcats. That list isn't available yet, but from our charts, the following players did not play this past season: Tim Fausel, Terry Curry, Leon Shadowen and Kenny Roark, all offensive linemen; linebackers Chuck Jones and Lester Boyd; defensive tackles Bob Winkler, Tim Gooch and Rollie Skur and backs Rod Stewart and James Lokesak.

Stewart and Gooch did play but were injured and received another year's eligibility from the SEC office. Not all of those players were seniors, but they missed the season, either due to injury or held out or some other reason. That means all will have an extra year of eligibility. Freddie Williams, who was listed as a senior in the program, has another year of eligibility remaining because he was red-shirted one year earlier.



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Down Memory Lane

Reggie Warford

Reggie Warford is a young man who played a very important role in Kentucky's stretch drive during the 1975-76 season when the Wildcats rallied to win the National Invitational Tournament at Madison Square Garden.

Warford was especially brilliant in the four-game NIT as the Wildcats were forced to win without one of their aces, Rick Robey, who was sidelined midway during the season.

The sharp-shooting southpaw from Drakesboro, Kentucky, didn't see a great deal of playing time until his senior year, but he made up for loss

time in a hurry. He also became famous for his singing and guitar playing during his stay at UK.

After graduating from UK in 1976, Reggie became an assistant under Lynn Nance who left an assistant's post at UK to become head boss of the Cyclones in the Big Eight Conference.

During his three-year stay, Warford's teams compiled a 59-28 record for Big Blue fans and Reggie was one of a privileged few to play in the final Kentucky game every staged at the famed Memorial Coliseum on March 8, 1976, when the Wildcats defeated Mississippi State 94-93 in overtime.

William Sturgill

William B. Sturgill is a name which is very familiar around the University of Kentucky scene in Lexington, but few of the younger generation realize he was a member of the famous Kentucky basketball team which won the 1946 NIT championship.

Sturgill, who hails from Eastern Kentucky, lettered in both 1945 and 1946 at UK. While a member of the team his last two years, Kentucky compiled a record of 50-6. In 1945, the Wildcats lost out to Ohio State in the NCAA in New York 45-36 but defeated Tufts 66-56 in the consolation battle.

After college, Sturgill returned to Eastern Kentucky and later got into the coal business and became one of the industry's leading spokesman. He and the late Richard Kelly became partners in one of the largest coal firms in the state. In the early

seventies, the two sold out to Falcon Seaboard, Inc, a huge corporation with extensive oil holdings. It was described at the time as one of the largest business transactions in the coal industry at the time.

Sturgill lived in Hazard during the years he built his business empire and became prominent in education projects, including one which resulted in the establishment of the Hazard Community College. He was later named to the board of trustees at the University of Kentucky where he is currently chairman of the board.

He is the first alumnus of UK, other than a governor, to hold that title at UK. Sturgill and his family now make Lexington their home although he has business interests in Eastern Kentucky.

Danny Hall

Danny Hall is one of those big guys who would be shooting for a national championship this winter had he chosen to stay at the University of Kentucky. He didn't and he is now a junior at Marshall University.

Hall came to UK at the same time as Rick Robey and Mike Phillips three years ago and the trio formed the most fearsome trio in the nation that year, playing on a team which finished second in the nation only to champion UCLA.

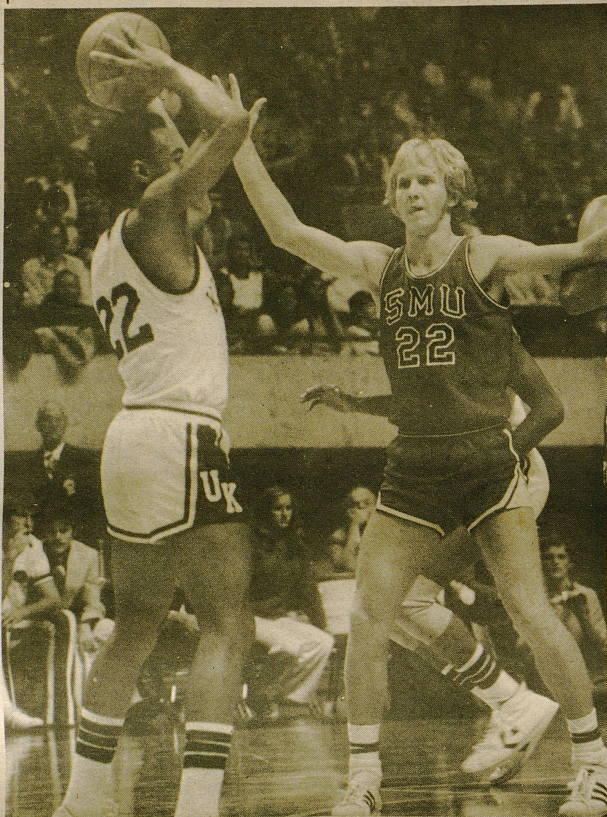
Then early his sophomore season, Danny left Kentucky and enrolled at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia, to continue his basketball career.

Ironically, Hall is now coached by a man who was part of a bitter enemy at one time. His new coach? None other than former Tennessee Vol assistant Stu Aberdeen.

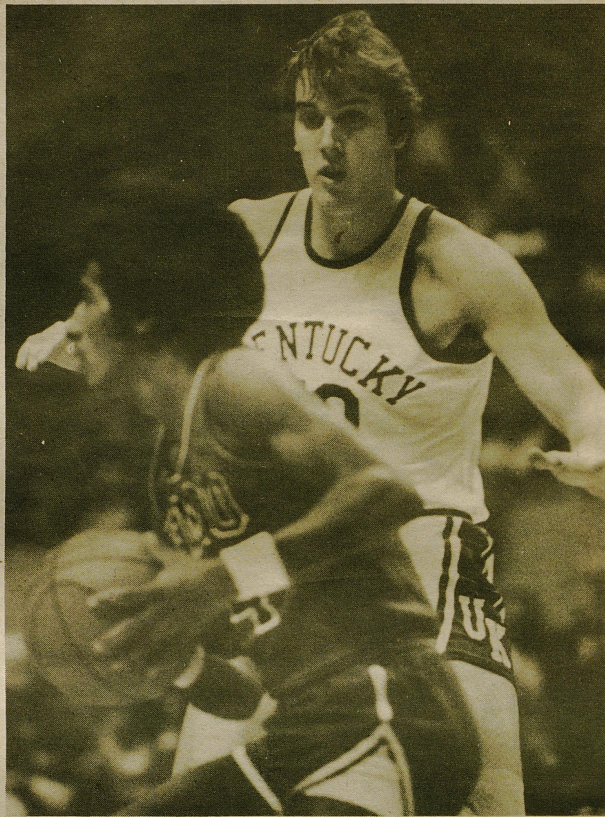
Danny came from the mountains of Eastern Kentucky, having played for little Betsy Layne High School. He was a star-to-be almost from day one. His sensational play during his sophomore year in high school had college coaches foaming at the mouth.

Hall had several memorable plays for the Big Blue and Wildcat fans were saddened when the big 6-10 center wanted more playing time and decided to leaving the Lexington campus for more time at another school.

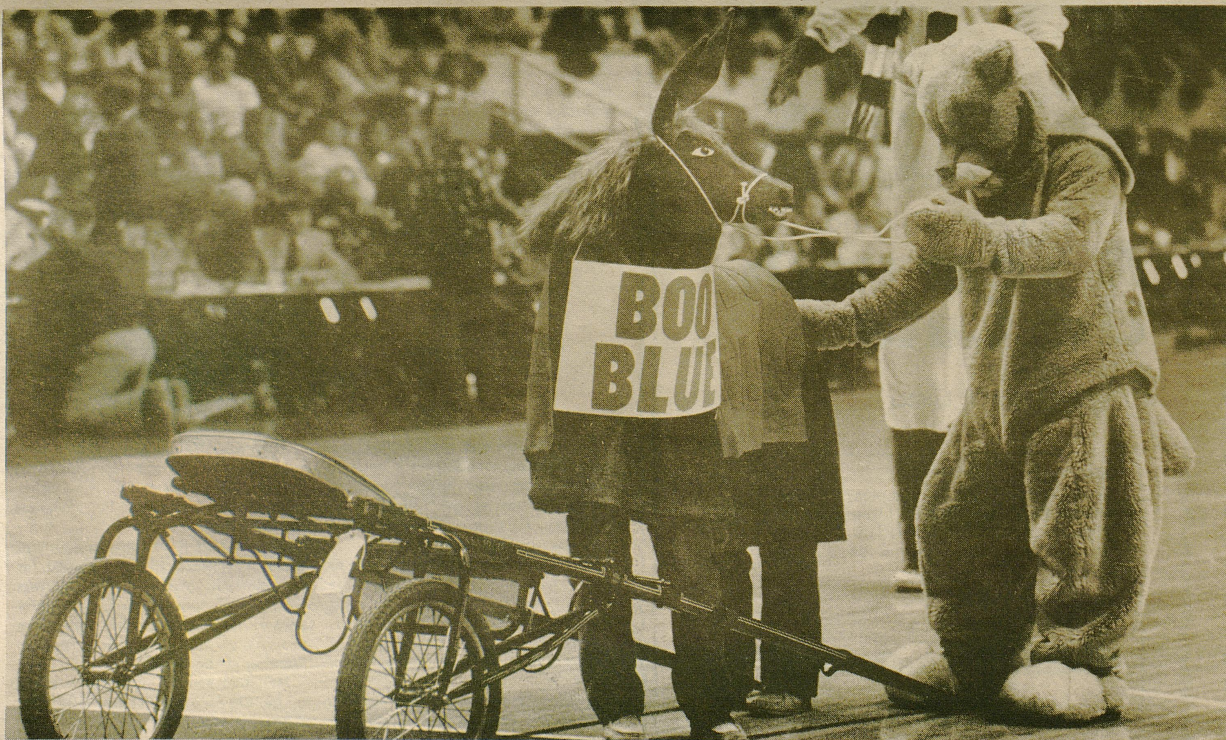
Action In The Kentucky Season Opener



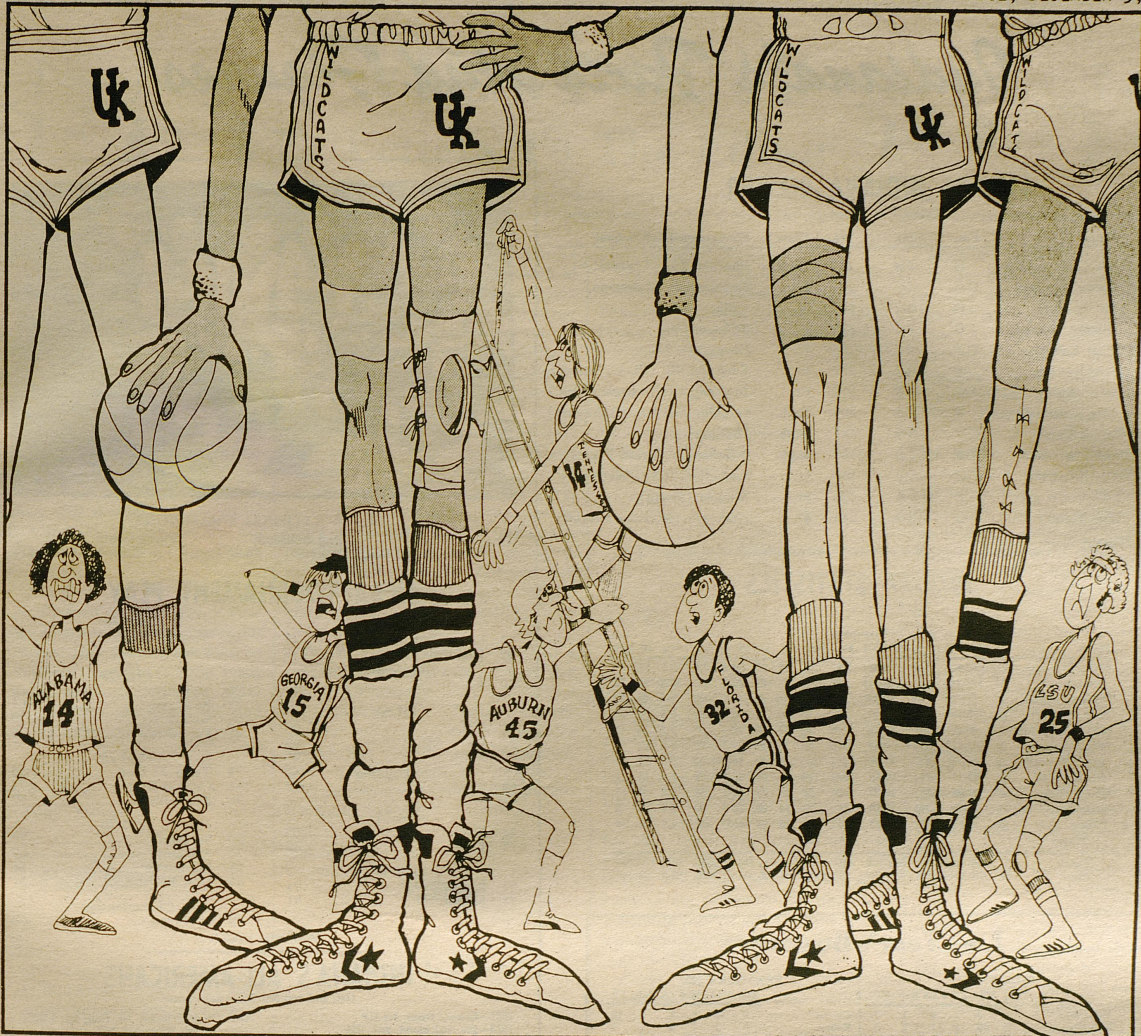
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Aleksinas On Defense



The Wildcat Rides A Mustang



Art by Ira Gates

Awesome Size Makes Kentucky Odds-On Favorite in SEC Basketball Pre-Season Race

WILDCATS FEATURED FIVE TIMES ON SEC TV SERIES

The Kentucky Wildcats will be seen five times on the Southeastern Conference Television series, which enters its 14th season. In addition, two of the Cats' games, Notre Dame and Nevada, Las Vegas, will be shown nationally.

TVS Television Network of New York City will produce the regular Saturday games for the 14th year, while a new Monday series will be produced by Doug Layton Productions of Birmingham.

Auburn and Tennessee open the season, Jan. 4, while Kentucky and Vanderbilt close it at Nashville, Mar. 6. The Wildcats figure in the season's only doubleheader, Feb. 25, at Tennessee. Ole Miss and LSU wind up the day's feature at Baton Rouge.

Kentucky has won 30 and lost only 16, for a 65.2 per cent win average during the past 13-years. The year-by-year breakdown: Won one of three games in '65, three of four in '66, two of four in both '67 and '68, three of five in '69, all four in '70, three of four in '71, two of three in both '72 and '73, one of three in '74, all three in '75, two of three in in both '76 and '77.

The Schedule:

Date	Day	Teams	Tip-Off
Jan. 4	Wednesday	Auburn at Tennessee	9:00 EST
Jan. 8	Sunday	Mississippi State at Alabama	1:00 CST
Jan. 9	Monday	Vanderbilt at Florida	9:00 EST
JAN. 14	SATURDAY	LSU at Kentucky	4:00 EST
Jan. 16	Monday	Alabama at Georgia	9:00 EST
JAN. 21	SATURDAY	KENTUCKY AT MISS. ST.	3:00 CST
Jan. 23	Monday	Florida at Mississippi	8:00 CST
Jan. 28	Saturday	Alabama at Auburn	3:00 CST
Jan. 30	Monday	Mississippi State at Auburn	8:00 CST
Feb. 4	Saturday	Louisiana State at Georgia	4:00 EST
Feb. 6	Monday	Louisiana State at Tennessee	9:00 EST
Feb. 11	Saturday	Vanderbilt at Mississippi	1:30 CST
Feb. 13	Monday	Tennessee at Mississippi State	8:00 CST
Feb. 18	Saturday	Alabama at Vanderbilt	3:00 CST
FEB. 20	MONDAY	ALABAMA AT KENTUCKY	9:00 EST
FEB. 25	SATURDAY	KENTUCKY AT TENNESSEE	2:00 EST
		Mississippi at Louisiana State	3:00 CST
Feb. 27	Monday	Florida at Alabama	8:00 CST
Mar. 4	Saturday	Tennessee at Florida	4:30 EST
MAR. 6	MONDAY	KENTUCKY AT VANDERBILT	8:00 CST



TOP ALL-TIME KENTUCKY SCORERS—VARSITY CAREER

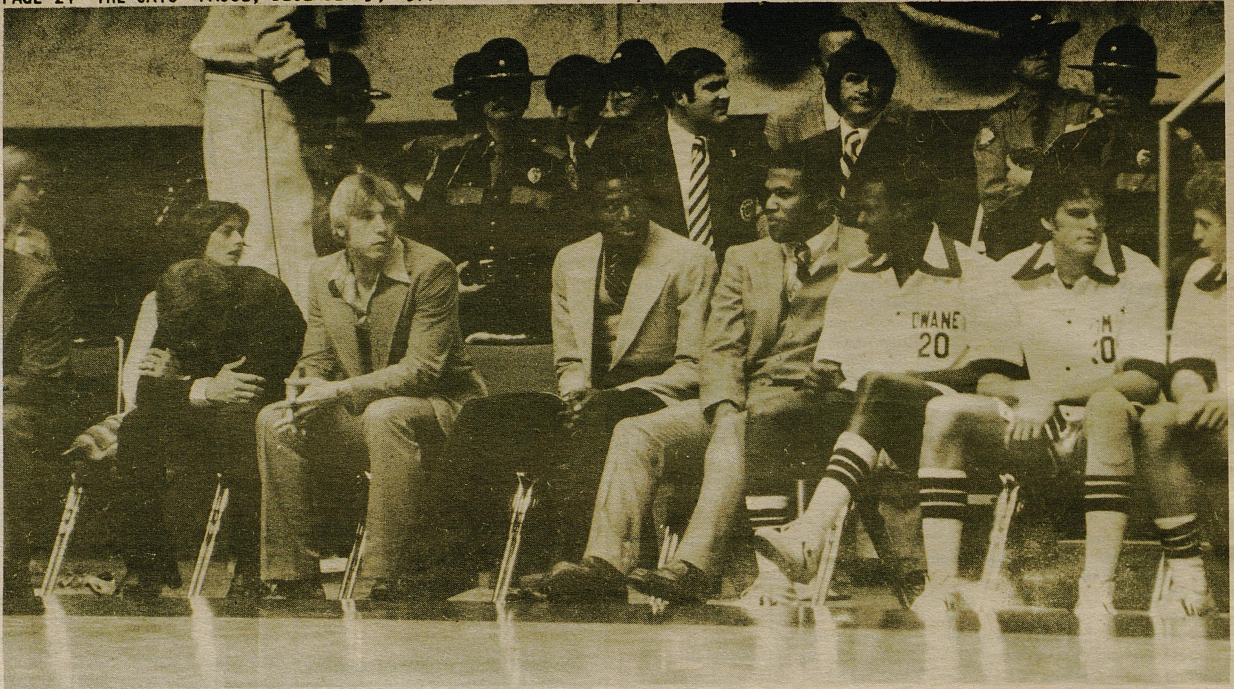
(The 1,000 Point Club)

Player—Pos.	Years	Points	Games	Average
1. Dan Issel (C)	3 (1968-70)	2,138	83	25.7
2. Kevin Grevey (F)	3 (1973-75)	1,801	84	21.4
3. Cotton Nash (C-F)	3 (1962-64)	1,770	78†	22.69
4. Alex Groza (C)	4 (1945, 47-49)	1,744	120	14.4
5. Louie Dampier (G)	3 (1965-67)	1,575	80	19.7
6. Mike Casey (G)	3 (1968-69-71)	1,535	82	18.7
7. Ralph Beard (G)	4 (1946-49)	1,517	139	10.8
8. Cliff Hagan (C)	2½ (1951-52, 54)	1,475	77	19.2
9. Pat Riley (F)	3 (1965-67)	1,464	80	18.3
10. Johnny Cox (F)	3 (1957-59)	1,461	84	17.3
11. Jack Givens (F)	3 (1975-77)	1,460	91	16.0
12. Mike Pratt (F)	3 (1968-70)	1,359	81	16.8
13. Frank Ramsey (G)	3 (1951-52, 54)	1,344	91	14.7
14. Jim Andrews (C)	3 (1971-73)	1,320	80	16.5
15. Tom Parker (F)	3 (1970-72)	1,238	80	15.5
16. Bill Spivey (C)	2 (1950-51)	1,213	63	19.2
17. Vernon Hatton (G)	3 (1956-58)	1,154	76	15.1
18. Wallace Jones (F)	4 (1946-49)	1,151	98*	...
19. Bill Lickert (F-G)	3 (1959-61)	1,076	73	14.7
20. Mike Phillips (C)	3 (1975-77)	1,051	89	11.8
21. Jim Line (F)	4 (1947-50)	1,041	100*	...
22. Bob Burrow (C)	2 (1955-56)	1,023#	51	20.0
23. Jimmy Dan Conner (F-G)	3 (1973-75)	1,009	85	11.9
24. Bobby Watson (G)	3 (1950-52)	1,001	96	10.4

* No record for number of games played in 1947.

† Achieved membership in club earliest of any Wildcat, hitting 1,000th point in the 19th game of junior year.

Kentucky career totals only. Junior College total of 2,191 points not included.



Shidler, Williams And Lee Have To Watch From The Bench

NCAA Fines

Lee, Williams Sit Out 1-Game Probation

When Kentucky opened the cage season last Saturday against SMU, the Wildcats were without two players because they participated in a non-sanctioned exhibition contest this past summer.

Senior James Lee and sophomore

LaVon Williams both were given a one-game suspension by the NCAA for their participation in a summer exhibition game at Lexington's Douglass Park.

The exhibition was prior to the opening of the "Dust Bowl League" sponsored by the Lexington Recreation Department. The exhibition consisted of two 10-minute periods.

UK officials said they immediately filed a report to the NCAA after discovering the two's participation in the event. The University asked the NCAA to waive any penalty in the incident.

In denying an appeal for immediate restoration of eligibility, the NCAA Eligibility Subcommittee concluded that for the most part, relief should be granted from the application of Constitution 3-9-(c), which requires total ineligibility. In this case, the Subcommittee noted that under its ruling, each young man (Lee and Williams) would be withheld from the same number of contests in which he participated improperly during the summer of 1977.

Coach Joe B. Hall said the loss of the two resulted in him having to play freshmen more than he had anticipated this early in the season.

The NCAA prohibits any scholar-athlete from participating in any non-sanctioned event which is considered to be an organized event, that where score is kept, there is paid admission or where there is advanced publicity,

VIEWPOINT

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the only logical choice!

Again, thank you and your staff for a fine magazine.

Sincerely,
Wayne H. Ethington
Salt Lake City, Utah

[Editor's note: Space will not permit answers to all questions, but here are a couple of comments. First, Kentucky didn't refuse to play San Francisco home and away. Kentucky let it be known it was looking for an opponent for one game at home that would be on national television. SF said it was interested, then when negotiations were almost completed, SF insisted on a return game. UK felt it was misled.

To prove the point, Kentucky then contracted Vegas in place of SF and is returning a game at Las Vegas either next year or the year after. Your questions about probation were answered in an edition last year and the answers are quite lengthy. I'm sending you a copy. The scheduling of SEC games was discussed recently and all SEC scheduling is handled strictly by the commissioner's office. The Kentucky-Louisville debate is as old as the hills. Ironically, I'm not one who favors the game, strictly from a UK standpoint. And until this letter, we've never had a single letter from a Kentucky fan asking for such a game. And now to the question of basketball scheduling. You have some good points, but Kentucky has traditionally played such teams as Notre Dame, Indiana and Kansas almost every season. North Carolina returns to the Kentucky schedule soon after two-year absence and Ohio State will be back on the card very soon. So, it doesn't sound like the schedule is too weak. You say Kentucky would not have as good as season record if it played the teams you want it to, then you say Kentucky should win 76 percent of its games in the tournament because it wins 76 percent of its games during the season. Huh? Last year, the Cats played Notre Dame, Indiana, Kansas and South Carolina and Utah in the non-conference. Prior to the season, all were expected to have excellent clubs. And in 1975, Kentucky played Notre Dame, Indiana, Kansas and yes, North Carolina in the non-conference, then upset Indiana in the NCAA. Those were exactly John Hopkins U. Maybe some of our other readers have comments, both pro and con on your subjects.]

Mike Phillips

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has been your biggest thrill as a member of the Kentucky Wildcats?

Mike Phillips - The NCAA Tournament my freshman year when we beat Indiana in the Mideast Regional and went to the finals in San Diego. Nobody can explain what it's like unless he has been there. It's an experience I'll never forget.

Cats' Pause - Right now, early in your senior year at UK, what one thing do you think about most as a basketball player wearing the Big Blue for the last time?

Mike Phillips - If I had one thing I could give this group (of freshmen) before I leave, I would like to give them what I had my freshman year, a NCAA finalist in the championship. It makes you remember and work harder for the coming years.

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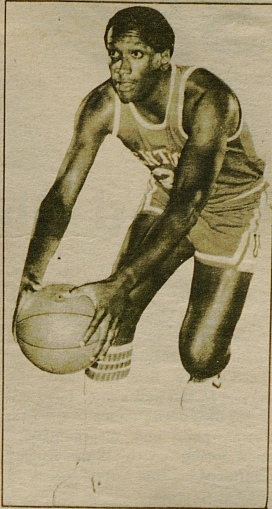
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Wildcats

JACK GIVENS, 6-4, 205 Senior Forward
Lexington, Ky. (9/21/56)

A two-time Citizens-Savings Foundation All-American and All-Southeastern Conference selection, Givens has firmly established himself in Wildcat lore as one of the truly best finesse players to ever wear the Blue and White... Playing at Kentucky where balance in team scoring is traditional, Givens nevertheless has edged up to No. 11 in all-time UK scoring... After scoring 602 points as a sophomore (second best at UK) and 566 last year, Givens could become all-time scoring leader by averaging 22.7 points and is almost a sure bet to dislodge Kevin Grevey as No. 2... Tied school record—field goal percentage in single game, 11 of 12 for 91.7 per cent at Miss. State, 1/31/77... 1976 All-UKIT and MVP of annual Notre Dame game... Recipient of 1st annual Montgomery Alumni Club MVP award at Auburn last Jan... 1977 NCAA All-East Regional... Led team scoring, 18.9, free throw shooting, 83.2 per cent, finishing fifth and third in same SEC categories... Committed fewest turnovers (53) for time played... Started all 30 games, scoring in double figures 27 times, in the 20's 14 and his high season output, 30 vs. Notre Dame... Led team scoring 16 times and rebounding five... Top UK scorer in NIT, winning first team All-NIT honors... An outstanding student as well as involving himself in community affairs and the Big Brothers of Lexington organization... A much sought speaker at school and civic meetings... Averaged 9.4 ppg as a frosh and 13 during final four games of the '75 NCAA tournament... Selected with Robey to '75 All-SEC Freshman team... A prep All-American and twice All-State, led Bryan Station to a 76-17 three-year record while scoring 1,777 points, a 18.7 average... Led the Defenders to one District and two Regional titles... Set state tournament rebounding record with 25 against Owensboro... Kentucky's "Mr. Basketball" for Ky-Indiana series... Played in Derby Classic, the Kentucky All-Stars-Russian National Junior game, and the East-West All-Star game... Coach Bobby Barlow... Arts and Sciences.



Coach Hall: "Jack Givens gets better and better every year and it looks like this is going to be the outstanding year of his career at Kentucky. Knowing that this is his senior year, Jack will give his usual great effort and show more leadership on this year's team. He's quicker and stronger than he's ever been and we're looking for great things out of Jack."

Year	G	Sts	Time	FG-FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Reb-Avg	A	PF-D	Pts.	Ave	Season High
Fr.	31	5	598	126-255	49.4	40-54	74.1	152-4.9	27	55-1	292	9.4	26
So.	30	30	1068	243-494	49.2	116-140	82.9	216-7.2	81	80-0	602	20.1	33
Jr.	30	30	1032	236-459	51.4	94-113	83.2	208-6.9	82	64-1	566	18.9	30

Dewey Bentley

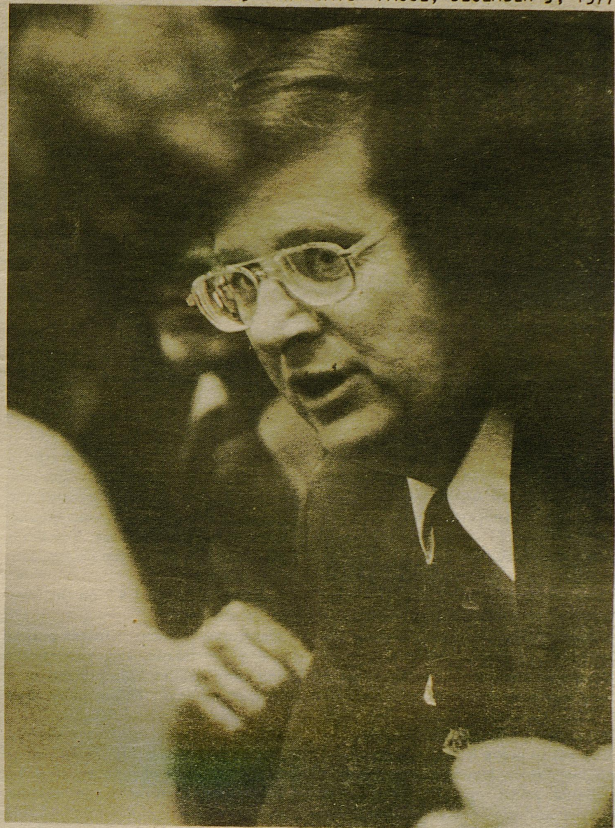
Weekly UK Sports Quiz



- Who was the UK coach in George Blanda's first season at UK?
- Kentucky lost the first game of Blanda's initial season at UK. True; False.
- How many field goals did Blanda kick while he played for UK?
- The Wildcats had a losing record in the 3 years that Blanda played for coach Bear Bryant. True; False.
- Blanda began his pro career with A. Oakland raiders B] Minnesota Vikings C] Green Bay Packers D] Chicago Bears.
- Blanda shared punting chores with whom in 1946?
- The first team UK defeated in Blanda's years at UK was A] Cincinnati B] Miss. St. C] Mich. St. D] Georgia.
- Blanda came to UK from which state? A] Kentucky B] Pennsylvania C] Alabama D] Illinois.
- In his first game as a Wildcat, Blanda completed 9 of 10 passes. True. False
- Which of the following was a teammate of Blanda's? A] Delmar Hughes B] Tom Becherer C] Clyde Johnson D] Wallace Wah Wah Jones.

Answers

- Bernie Shively record during this 3 year period.
- True; A 21-7 loss to Ole Miss
- One. A 26 yarder against Villanova in the 1947 Great Lakes Bowl. This was his only field goal attempt of his UK career.
- False; UK teams compiled a 20-8-2
- D.
- Phil Cutchin
- A; 13-7 Sept. 29 1945
- B.
- False; He completed 3 of 10
- D.



Coach Joe Hall Gives The Word

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Around The SEC



Bama Prepares For Big, Bad Ohio State

Alabama tuned up for its Sugar Bowl date with Ohio State by trouncing cross-state rival Auburn 48-21 Saturday, and Tennessee took out its frustrations of the past season by bombing Vanderbilt 42-7.

With Jeff Rutledge and Johnny Davis leading the way, the Tide rolled to a final 10-1 mark, blemished only by a narrow loss at Nebraska early in the season and prompted coach Bear Bryant to comment, "we've come a long way since September."

That apparently means the Bear feels his club is the best around and he's out to prove it in the Sugar Bowl against Woody Hayes and company.

Bama rolled up 515 yards total offense and exploded for 48 points in the final three periods after trailing by 7-0 in the opening frame.

Joe Cribbs put Doug Barfield's club on the boards first with an electrifying 85-yard run. It was the second longest run in Auburn history. But Bama roared back on the strength of Rutledge's passing and Davis' running.

Rutledge hit on nine of 13 passes for 193 yards, including scoring tosses of 42 and 30 yards, and also ran for 102 yards on 15 carries. Davis' 104 yards on 20 carries included a 12-yard burst up the middle for a score.

Tony Nathan finished the season with 92 points, thanks to a pair of touchdowns on 1 and 2-yard plunges.

Bryant, after the game, said he thought the battle "was won up front in the trenches. I think our lines dominated the offense in the second half and the defense all day."

Losing coach Barfield had only compliments for Bama, saying, "let's congratulate Alabama for their victory, and wish them well in the Sugar Bowl. They played well, but we didn't play that poorly. We made some errors and that let them have a couple of quick scores."

Auburn entered the game with only one conference loss, despite being 5-5 overall. Three weeks ago, Auburn stood a good chance of going to the Sugar Bowl with a 6-5 record, had Auburn defeated Alabama and the Tide been upset by LSU. But Bama won all the way.

Alabama ended up with a perfect 7-0 league mark with Kentucky at 6-0.

Tennessee bombed Vanderbilt 42-7 and the Commodores didn't score until the final minutes of the game.

The victory gave the Vols their first SEC win of the season and left Vandy in the SEC cellar.

"It's been a long, arduous season," said coach Johnny Majors after the game, "it seems so long except for the last four or five weeks. But our offense has made a lot of progress. You don't find very many teams that do that late in the season."

Tennessee finished 4-7 on the year and Vanderbilt 2-9.

Quarterback Jimmy Streater passed for one touchdown and rushed for three more as the Vols jumped to a 28-0 halftime lead before more than 80,000 fans at Neyland Stadium.

One big play was a 51-yard scoring strike to Jeff Moore, the same young fella who dropped what appeared to be a touchdown a week earlier against Kentucky in Lexington.

Tennessee bottled up the heralded passing of Vandy quarterback Mike Wright who left the game midway in the third period with an injury. Vandy's only score came with 4:11 left in the game when freshman tailback Terry Potter ran around the left side for nine yards.

Jim Gaylor, the place kicker for the Vols, ended his career with 50 consecutive extra point kicks, including six against Vandy.

Georgia closed its disappointing season with a 16-7 loss to arch-rival Georgia Tech in Atlanta but Tech coach Pepper Rodgers wasn't calling on any big boys after the game.

"We got ahead and hung on," admitted the Tech boss.

Tech roared out to a 16-0 lead at intermission and survived two blocked punts in the final half before taking the 16-7 victory.

"We played about as fine a first half as any since I've been here," said

Rodgers, "then, in the second half, Georgia played an outstanding game. That, plus errors in our kicking game and penalties, really hurt us."

"Tech's great first half made the difference in the ball game, but I did think our own performance in the first half was poor and disorganized," moaned losing coach Vince Dooley who suffered his first losing year in 14 seasons at Georgia.

Georgia, which two weeks ago lost its first two quarterbacks, saw its third and fourth signal-callers go down against Tech. One, freshman Chris Welton, suffered a broken leg Saturday.

Georgia finished the season 5-6.

Florida won an easy 31-14 victory over cross-state rival Miami Saturday night after a close first half.

Leading only 10-7 at the half, the Gators went on top 17-7 in the third period before locking the game up with a pair of fourth quarter scores.

Terry LeCount threw for one score and set up another. Trailing 7-3 in the first period, LeCount connected with Tony Stephens on a 16-yard play.

Florida is now 6-3-1 while Miami fell to 3-7 on the year. The game was played before only 30,662 fans.

LSU geared up for its Sun Bowl appearance with a 66-7 bombing of listless Wyoming at Tiger Stadium Saturday night as Charles Alexander rambled for three touchdowns and 231 yards rushing.

Charlie McClendon's Tigers, finishing 8-3 on the season, capitalized on five Cowboy mistakes in the first half for scores, including three that led to a 17-0 lead in the first seven minutes of

the game.

Alexander's feat gave him nine games of 100 yards or more this season and gave him a pergame season average of 159.3. He scored on runs of 1, 2 and 3 yards, giving him a school record 17 touchdowns in a season.

It was particularly a fitting climax to the season for Charlie McClendon who had been under fire the past two seasons by some alumni and fans. After early season losses to Indiana and Kentucky, rumors continued to grow.

But LSU rallied for an 8-3 year and Bengal fans discovered that the loss to Kentucky wasn't exactly an upset. McClendon appears to be back in the driver's seat in Bayou Country.

And despite losing the season finale to bitter rival Mississippi State, Ole Miss has decided to keep coach Ken Cooper.

Many thought Cooper would be on his way out if the Rebs lost to State. Entering the game, Cooper's Rebs stood at 5-5, despite one of the nation's biggest upsets over Notre Dame earlier in the year.

A win over State and the new Hall of Fame Bowl in Birmingham was ready to extend an invitation to Cooper's club. The Rebs raced out to an early 14-0 lead but State rallied for the win.

Most figured Cooper was gone.

But Ole Miss officials took little time in making their decision to keep Cooper and promised renewed efforts for a revival of Ole Miss football. That came less than 72 hours after the disappointing loss to State.

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On the basketball front, there were some good news and bad news during the first weekend of action.

Ole Miss was blasted by Notre Dame 111-62 in the season opener for both clubs in South Bend and Vanderbilt was upset by Tennessee Tech 72-71 at Cookeville, and Georgia was beaten by Georgia Tech 75-58.

The good news had Kentucky handling SMU 110-86 and Mississippi State getting by Biscayne 95-78.

Probably the most disappointing of the games was the margin by which Ole Miss suffered at Notre Dame.

Coach Bob Weltich's Rebs had to pay for the Rebs' upset football win over the Irish last fall and some of the ND players ever wore T-shirts earlier in the week, reminding them of the game. John Stroud was the only Reb in twin figures with 18.

Kentucky

1976-77 TIME PLAYED AND HIGH GAME, POINTS-REBOUNDS

Player-Pos.	Games	Minutes Played	Total Points	High Points	Total Rebounds	High Rebounds
Givens, f	30	1032	566	30 Notre Dame (N)	208	13 TCU (H)
Robey, f-c	30	831	427	22 Miss. State (A)	273	Auburn (A)
Phillips, c	28	600	342	24 LSU (H)	179	16 Miss. State (A)
				Vandy (H)		19 LSU (H)
JOHNSON, G	30	1013	321	21 Florida (H)	122	8 B. Green (H)
Lee, f	30	745	293	16 LSU (A)	157	13 Utah (H)
Shilder, g	28	677	219	20 Indiana (A)	52	6 Tennessee (H)
Claytor, g	26	454	172	29 VMI (N)	35	6 Vandy (H)
Casey, g	27	196	49	13 Kansas (H)	11	3 Kansas (H)
Williams, L	25	186	47	12 Mississippi (H)	40	6 B. Green (H)
HASKINS, F	29	213	43	6 Miss. State (A)	34	5 B. Green (H)
Stephens, g	12	109	30	6 TCU (H)	15	3 Kansas (H)
				5. Carolina (A)		Mississippi (H)



Statistics
Thru
Nov. 19

RUSHING - Top Ten						
Player & School	G	Att	Yds	Avg	Game Aver	TD
Alexander, LSU	10	268	1455	5.4	145.5	14
Davis, Ala.	10	162	827	5.1	82.7	4
Cribbs, Aub.	10	146	739	5.1	73.9	3
Finch, Tenn.	10	136	696	5.1	69.6	8
Mcnee, Ga.	10	169	690	4.1	69.0	5
Green, Fla.	8	90	531	5.9	66.4	2
McClendon, Ga.	10	108	646	6.0	64.6	4
LeCount, Fla.	9	165	569	5.3	63.2	3
Andrews, Aub.	10	126	609	4.8	60.9	4
Nathan, Ala.	10	93	592	6.4	59.2	13

PASSING - Top Ten								
Player & School	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct	Yds	Gm Cmp	TD
Wright, Vandy	10	199	101	6	50.8	1340	10.1	5
Threadgill, M.St.	11	219	91	13	41.6	1317	8.3	7
Ramsey, Ky.	11	156	74	6	47.4	892	6.7	6
Ensminger, LSU	10	147	66	4	44.9	845	6.6	7
LeCount, Fla.	9	114	54	9	47.4	743	6.0	5
Streater, Tenn.	9	98	53	4	54.1	639	5.8	3
Rutledge, Ala.	10	94	55	5	58.5	1014	5.5	6
Crane, Aub.	8	108	43	10	39.8	679	5.4	4
Ellis, Miss.	8	82	35	7	42.9	551	4.4	3
Garner, Miss.	9	56	33	2	58.9	462	3.7	3

RECEIVING - Top Ten						
Player & School	G	Cgt	Yds	Aver	Cgt/Gm	TD
Cox, Vandy	10	47	776	16.5	4.7	3
Newsome, Ala.	10	32	681	21.3	3.2	3
Harper, Tenn.	9	27	314	11.6	3.0	1
Chandler, Fla.	9	24	446	18.6	2.7	6
McDole, M.St.	11	29	510	17.6	2.6	2
Trosper, Ky.	11	25	340	13.6	2.3	2
Brown, Vandy	10	22	145	6.6	2.2	1
Kemp, Vandy	10	21	350	16.7	2.1	1
Weathers, Miss.	11	23	395	17.2	2.1	4
Chapman, M.St.	11	22	266	12.1	2.0	1

TANDEM OFFENSE - Top Ten								
Player & School	Rush		Pass		Rec		Game Aver	TDR
	G	Yds	Yds	Yds	Yds	Aver		
Alexander, LSU	10	1455	17	64	1536	153.6	14	
Wright, Vandy	10	186	1340	-	1526	152.6	6	8
LeCount, Fla.	9	569	743	17	1329	147.6	8	8
Threadgill, M.St.	11	274	1317	-	1591	144.6	6	8
Ramsey, Ky.	11	618	892	-	1510	137.3	19	
Rutledge, Ala.	10	209	1014	-	1223	122.3	10	10
Streater, Tenn.	9	354	639	-	993	110.3	8	8
Crane, Aub.	8	179	698	-	858	107.2	6	6
Ellis, Miss.	8	303	551	-	854	106.8	8	8
Ensminger, LSU	10	171	845	-	1016	101.6	13	

SEC Statistics Thru Nov. 19

SCORING - Top Ten							
Player & School	G	TD	PAT		Field Goals	Ttl Pts	Game Aver
			Kicks	Goals			
Alexander, LSU	10	14	1-2pt	-	86	8.6	
Nathan, Ala.	10	13	1-2pt	-	80	8.0	
Chandler, Fla.	9	12	-	-	72	8.0	
Ramsey, Ky.	11	13	1-2pt	-	80	7.3	
Portela, Aub.	10	0	18-16	21-15	61	6.1	
Storey, Miss.	10	10	-	-	60	6.0	
Chapman, Ala.	10	0	29-25	22-11	58	5.8	
Finch, Tenn.	10	9	1-2pt	-	56	5.6	
Yepremian, Fla.	9	0	25-25	11-8	49	5.4	
Marler, M.St.	11	0	19-18	26-13	57	5.2	

PUNT RETURNS - Top Five					
Player & School	G	Atts	Yds	Aver	TD
Siganos, Ky.	10	43	308	7.2	0
Nathan, Ala.	10	14	187	13.4	0
J.Fabris, Miss.	10	32	175	5.5	0
Brown, Vandy	10	19	157	8.3	0
Williams, LSU	10	5	148	29.6	2

PUNTING - Top Ten				
Player & School	G	Kicks	Yds	Aver
Miller, Miss.	11	66	3029	45.9
Colquitt, Tenn.	10	60	2715	45.2
A.Williams, Fla.	9	45	1966	43.7
Moreau, LSU	10	44	1840	41.8
Johnston, Aub.	10	50	2043	40.9
Whitt, Vandy	10	66	2674	40.5
Holt, Ala.	10	42	1693	40.3
Kelly, Ky.	11	58	2305	39.7
Nabers, M.St.	11	56	2224	39.7
Garrett, Ga.	10	58	2220	38.3

KICK-OFF RETURNS - Top Five					
Player & School	G	Atts	Yds	Aver	TD
Brooks, Aub.	10	23	524	22.8	0
Woerner, Ga.	10	20	517	25.8	0
Doss, M.St.	11	16	450	28.1	0
Brown, Vandy	10	21	376	17.9	1
Williams, Miss.	11	18	361	20.1	0

INTERCEPTIONS - Top Four					
Player & School	G	No.	Yds	Aver	TD
McKinney, Aub.	10	5	49	9.8	0
Owens, Ky.	11	4	104	26.0	2
Wilson, Vandy	10	4	78	19.5	0
Johnson, M.St.	11	4	54	13.5	0

RUSHING OFFENSE						
	G	Att	Yds	Att Avg	Game Aver	TD
1. Alabama	10	635	2946	4.6	294.6	29
2. LSU	10	591	2877	4.9	287.7	28
3. Florida	9	462	2324	5.0	258.2	16
4. Auburn	10	557	2309	4.1	230.9	14
5. Kentucky	11	638	2486	3.9	226.0	22
6. Ole Miss	11	593	2341	3.9	212.8	20
7. Georgia	10	547	2079	3.8	207.9	14
8. Miss. State	11	533	2082	3.9	189.3	14
9. Tennessee	10	460	1775	3.9	177.5	16
10. Vanderbilt	10	456	1087	2.4	108.7	7

RUSHING DEFENSE						
	G	Att	Yds	Att Avg	Game Aver	TD
1. Kentucky	11	493	1322	2.7	120.2	7
2. Alabama	10	438	1365	3.1	136.5	8
3. Ole Miss	11	579	1997	3.4	181.5	17
4. LSU	10	472	1863	3.9	186.3	14
5. Georgia	10	544	1867	3.4	186.7	9
6. Auburn	10	526	2040	3.9	204.0	17
7. Florida	9	482	1881	3.9	209.0	15
8. Miss. State	11	611	2332	3.8	212.0	20
9. Vanderbilt	10	550	2291	4.2	229.1	20
10. Tennessee	10	583	2476	4.2	247.6	21

PASSING OFFENSE							
	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct	Yds	Aver	TD
1. Vanderbilt	252	125	11	49.6	1581	158.1	6
2. Miss. State	247	97	16	39.3	1397	127.0	8
3. Alabama	111	62	5	55.9	1123	112.3	9
4. Tennessee	188	90	9	47.9	1119	111.9	5
5. Florida	146	66	12	45.2	978	108.7	8
6. LSU	183	79	5	43.2	1074	107.4	10
7. Kentucky	183	83	7	45.4	1053	95.7	8
8. Auburn	146	62	14	42.5	933	93.3	5
9. Ole Miss	144	69	11	47.9	1020	92.7	7
10. Georgia	117	48	9	41.0	587	58.7	2

PASSING DEFENSE							
	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct	Yds	Aver	TD
1. Tennessee	148	66	8	44.6	965	96.1	6
2. Auburn	180	86	11	47.8	1037	103.7	5
3. Alabama	191	80	14	41.9	1090	109.0	5
4. Vanderbilt	180	85	11	47.2	1109	110.9	7
5. Ole Miss	177	84	9	47.5	1265	115.0	7
6. Kentucky	235	116	14	49.4	1268	115.3	5
7. Georgia	177	93	9	52.5	1156	115.6	10
8. Miss. State	204	105	18	51.5	1301	118.3	6
9. Florida	190	84	10	44.2	1169	129.9	6
10. LSU	219	99	13	45.2	1406	140.6	7

TOTAL OFFENSE						
	G	Att	Yds	Att Avg	Game Aver	TD
1. Alabama	10	746	4069	5.5	406.9	38
2. LSU	10	774	3951	5.1	395.1	38
3. Florida	9	608	3302	5.4	366.9	24
4. Auburn	10	703	3242	4.6	324.2	19
5. Kentucky	11	821	3539	4.3	321.7	30
6. Miss. State	11	780	3479	4.5	316.3	22
7. Ole Miss	11	737	3361	4.6	305.5	27
8. Tennessee	10	648	2894	4.5	289.4	21
9. Vanderbilt	10	708	2668	3.8	266.8	13
10. Georgia	10	664	2666	4.0	266.6	16

TOTAL DEFENSE						
	G	Att	Yds	Att Avg	Game Aver	TD
1. Kentucky	11	728	2590	3.6	235.5	12
2. Alabama	10	629	2455	3.9	245.5	13
3. Ole Miss	11	756	3262	4.3	296.5	24
4. Georgia	10	721	3023	4.2	302.3	19
5. Auburn	10	706	3077	4.4	307.7	22
6. LSU	10	691	3269	4.7	326.9	21
7. Miss. State	11	815	3633	4.5	330.3	26
8. Florida	9	672	3050	4.5	338.9	21
9. Vanderbilt	10	730	3400	4.7	340.0	27
10. Tennessee	10	731	3441	4.7	344.1	27

Banquet Set
For Football
Wildcats

The Lexington Wildcat Club will sponsor a football banquet for the 1977 Kentucky Wildcats Thursday, December 8, at the Lexington Center according to Wildcat Club Mike O'Kelly.

"We are sponsoring this banquet as a means of paying tribute to this team who many of us feel is the best football team to ever represent UK," said O'Kelly, "we hope the many fans of coach Fran Curci and the Wildcats will be there."

Outstanding play awards and other presentations will be made at the dinner as well as special recognition of the seniors.

"I really appreciate the Wildcat Club taking on this responsibility to put on this banquet for the team," said coach Fran Curci, "we've had many calls on whether we were going to have a dinner and putting this on at the Lexington Center will give many more fans the opportunity to be there than if we had it on campus."

Tickets priced at \$15 per person are on sale at the Lexington Center Box Office, all Central Bank locations, the UK Ticket Office at Memorial Coliseum and from any Wildcat Club member.

The 1977 Wildcats put the finishing touches on a brilliant 10-1 campaign by whipping arch-rival Tennessee 21-17.

College football poll			
Final regular-season ratings			
Pos.	College (1st-place votes)	Record	Pts.
1.	Texas (8)	11-0	1,124
2.	Oklahoma (5)	10-1	940
3.	Alabama (1)	10-1	895
4.	Michigan	10-1	771
5.	Noire Dame (1)	9-1	666
6.	Arkansas	10-1	588
7.	Kentucky (1)	10-1	527
8.	Penn St.	10-1	467
9.	Ohio St.	9-2	427
10.	Pittsburgh	8-2	299
11.	Gleason	7-4	190
12.	Nebraska	8-3	128
13.	Washington	7-4	124
14.	North Carolina	8-2	118
15.	Arizona St.	8-2	109
16.	San Diego St.	8-2	78
17.	Birmingham	9-2	48
18.	Texas A&M	7-3	48
19.	Florida St.	8-2	25
20.	Southern Cal	7-4	31

Joe B. Hall

UK Head Basketball Coach



We Want To Show Good Sportsmanship

Question - Were you satisfied with the overall play of the Wildcats in the opening game against SMU Saturday night?

Coach Hall - All except the final two and half minutes. That about blew my mind. We lost 17 points of the lead in about two and half minutes. The freshmen went in with a 41-point lead and came out with a 24-point lead. That was very discouraging. I'm thoroughly disgusted with their effort. They forgot everything they had been taught and it certainly points up that we don't have as deep a bench as we thought we had. We've just got to find somebody who's going to play better.

Question - SMU's press seemed to give Kentucky problems in the first half, didn't it?

Coach Hall - It was an unorthodox press, and we weren't handling it too well. We were playing too cautious. We need to work on just about everything before we play again.

Question - Although Jack Givens had a great night with 30 points, didn't his shoulder give him some problems?

Coach Hall - Jack's shoulder is bad, but thank goodness it is his right arm but it did cause him a lot of pain.

Question - What about the play of transfer of Kyle Macy?

Coach Hall - Kyle played very well, but I think he can shoot better than he shot. He had some of the first game nervousness that some of the others had too. But he had a fine night. He

does a lot of things on the floor.

Question - How do you assess the game as a whole?

Coach Hall - This was a tough game as an opener for us because of the things that SMU threw at us this early in the season, the press and the transition game they forced us to play. We responded real well except for those few minutes there at the last. And you could see what could have happened to us if we had not been playing well early. I thought this would be a very dangerous team, especially without James Lee and LaVon Williams not able to play. We could have been in a lot of trouble.

Question - What about SMU's play. Did they do anything to surprise you?

Coach Hall - They had a spunky team. Their guards penetrated as well as any guards I've ever seen. Swedlun was really something on those long jumpers from the outside.

Question - SMU cut the big lead down to 12 points right at the end of the first half, did you change anything at halftime?

Coach Hall - We really didn't do anything special. We just tried to get better defense. I thought we did a pretty good job on defense all night.

Question - Jay Shilder has been sidelined since the first day of practice when he broke a bone in his foot. What's his condition and when do you expect him to return to the Kentucky squad?

Coach Hall - Jay goes to the doctor Tuesday (this week) and we hope he can start working out with the club Wednesday.

Question - What is the exact nature of Jay's injury?

Coach Hall - Jay has a metal screw in the end of the bone which holds the two pieces together. The exertion of the screw has caused some problems to him and the healing of the injury. But the screw will insure its better healing in the long run. The doctors say the progress is coming along fine. We're just being over cautious to take ever step that we can not to re-injure his foot before it has completely healed.

Question - Kentucky entertains Indiana at Rupp Arena Monday night. What do you expect from Bobby Knight and the Hoosiers?

Coach Hall - We're looking forward to having Indiana here. We want to have a good ball game, a hard-played contest but we want to show good sportsmanship and show them how a class program treats its guests when they come in. But we want to beat them as bad as we can. We definitely want to win this game. It will be a tough game. Indiana does a lot of things well. They have many talented players and they're deep at every position. They play with extreme aggressiveness.

Question - After checking through the record books, we've discovered

this will be the first time UK students have been able to watch a Kentucky-Indiana game at home in person. The other three games with IU here have been either in the UKIT or during the holiday break. How will this affect Kentucky?

Coach Hall - It's great for our students to see such a game. It's an added motivational factor for us.

Question - Indiana will be playing in Rupp Arena for the first time Monday night. Do you think this will be another plus for Kentucky?

Coach Hall - Yes, we'll get added emotional support from our student body and fans in this game, maybe for the first time in a long time, it will be a mental exercise that's going to be our advantage.

Question - Will this be a special occasion for Kyle Macy, playing against the state where he was named Mr. Basketball two years ago?

Coach Hall - Naturally, being from Indiana, he's going to think a lot about this game and he wants to have a great one against the Hoosiers.

Question - Most of the Wildcats were able to ditch their opening game jitters against SMU, but what about James Lee and LaVon Williams who didn't played in the SMU game? Will they be ready?

Coach Hall - The newness is off the other players and they've picked up their confidence. James and LaVon are anxious to play and we expect a good effort from them this Monday.



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and North Carolina tied for first place in the preseason UPI basketball poll and each school received 21 first place votes. That's about as even as you can get . . . Referring back to Sports Quarterly Basketball Special, the magazine picked North Carolina number one in the country followed by Louisville and Arkansas. It picked Kentucky number four in the nation. Believe it or not, Notre Dame was not even in the Top Ten, but No. 14 in the country. The magazine's editor is Adrian Lopez. Nope, I've never heard of him either . . . Kentucky's hoop press guide is off the presses and displays a very colorful cover with UK's talented four seniors on the front and a wide-angle view of Rupp Arena on the back. The front cover also displays the trophies won by the current crop of seniors, namely James Lee, Rick Robey, Jack Givens and Mike Phillips.