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UK soldier returns home with lessons learned

Former member of UK ROTC experienced war firsthand, would return if duty called her back to the front

By Keren Henderson
STAFF WRITER

Second Lt. Mary Jayne traveled from her station, an hour south of Baghdad, to a combat support hospital.

Injured children as young as six months old lay in beds.

Some had been caught in the crossfire. Others had picked up unexploded artillery.

One child caught the UK ROTC graduate's eye. A 14-year-old boy with severe burns over 60 percent of his body sat upright. His hair was gone and he was covered with blisters.

Yet he smiled through his cracked lips, for in his bandaged hands he held a coloring book and pencils.

"There are all these horrible things going on and we take so much for granted, and here's a little boy who just thinks the best thing in the world is the fact that he can color," Jayne said.

For the past seven months Jayne has been in the midst of war.

A 2002 Midway College graduate, she was deployed Jan. 19 with the 3rd Infantry Division to Kuwait. On March 20, they crossed into Iraq.

Jayne served the next four months as a brigade-level chemical officer with Division Support Command, which is responsible for getting the

troops adequate resources, protection and training.

As a chemical officer, Jayne was in charge of gathering and analyzing information about nuclear, biological and chemical weapons. She described her new position as "pretty intimidating."

Her war responsibility was enormous, said Lt. Col. Brian Wade, who worked with Jayne while she was a senior cadet in ROTC.

"In our profession, someone's life depends on how well you do your job," Wade said. "She had 3,500 soldiers depending on her."

Jayne spent the first two and a half months in the Middle East gathering information and intelligence and trying to figure out where the enemy would hit next.

By May, her division had finished most of its duties but had to remain as a presence.

Serving as a stabilization unit was one of the hardest parts of her deployment, she said. "It was very difficult because there were always rumors that you were going home and then you wouldn't," she said. "People started to complain, and soldiers usually don't."

She didn't gripe, but Jayne missed home. At the top of her list of things she missed most was fresh water. The desert climate of Iraq reached 124 degrees during



Former UK ROTC student Mary Jayne served seven months in Iraq.

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the day. Baths and good food were scarce as well.

Mail call was always a "big deal." It was a chance to touch the people and things that the soldiers missed most.

Jayne remembered how great it was when her parents sent beef jerky. They also tried to send chocolate, but that melted long before it reached her.

She didn't care. "Knowing that someone had carefully packaged something thinking of me was what mattered," she said. "I was so detached from home, even seeing my parent's hand-

writing was comforting."

Jayne's parents, Thomas and Juli, said they worried constantly while their daughter was away.

Thomas Jayne, a Vietnam veteran, knows what it is like to be in a combat zone. He was exposed to Agent Orange, which left him with diabetes.

He feared his daughter would face the same dangers.

"We were afraid something similar would happen to her and that she would come back with something they couldn't identify," he said.

The Jaynes felt "over-

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Credit cards lure students into debt

Companies offer deals students seldom refuse, which can lead to massive debt beyond college

By Leah Roth
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Before students can even make it to their dorm rooms, they are bombarded with credit card companies showing applications and free gifts in their faces. They set up fancy tables at football games, outside bookstores and on street corners to entice students, offering anything from free t-shirts to coupons.

Without much thought, many students apply for several credit cards with little or no understanding of how to use one correctly, according to Professor/Extension Specialist for Family Resource Management Suzanne Badenhop.

"Students get in trouble when they sign up for six credit cards just to get the free merchandise," Badenhop said. "What they don't realize is that those accounts stay with and can hurt you in the end."

Some companies offer deals to get a student customer.

"One company offered me a \$5,000 credit limit," said Matt Williams, an English senior. "It's absurd. If you give a student a \$5,000 limit, they're going to spend it."

And that is exactly what the companies want. Companies heavily target college students because they make good customers, said UK 101 and family studies Professor Ray Fergie.

"Companies like college students because they're loyal," he said. "Most (of) the time, students stay with the first card they begin with, and they are usually better than average payers."

Companies also know students have help if they get into debt, Fergie said.

"If a student gets into trouble most likely their parents will pay the balance," he said.

Companies such as Discover, Visa and MasterCard sell to students while offering online sites that assist students in managing their money.

"Discover feels that it is very important for young people to establish a credit record. That's why we offer a student card," said Discover Card representative Jennifer Kang. "We feel we are being responsible by giving young adults the chance to learn how to manage their finance(s)."

There are advantages to having a credit card, but it must be used with care, Professor Badenhop said.

"Credit cards are great for when you have an emergency, but students tend to use them for other expenses, such as food," she said, adding that those who use a card unwisely may be paying off bills for a long time.

"If you buy a \$2,000 TV and only pay the minimum, it takes longer to pay it off," Badenhop said. "With an interest rate of 16 percent, you'll end up paying close to \$10,000 for the TV you probably don't have anymore."

Some students find out the hard way that using a credit card incorrectly causes lots of financial headaches.

Kim Hanna, an integrated strategic communications junior, said she got a credit card to build good credit for the future.

At first she was able to handle the payments, but after a few hasty purchases, she found herself in a lot of debt.

"It's a thrill to buy impulsive buys, but I wish I had learned to invest then get a credit card because free t-shirts aren't worth the debt," she said.

College students leave school with an average of \$3,000 in debt, Fergie said.

Fergie suggests taking one month and tracking the money spent before applying for a credit card.

"Most students don't realize how much they spend in a month," he said.

Then figure your budget and shop around for the right card.

Fergie suggests students get two cards, and to look for one with a low annual percentage rate. APR is the amount of interest a credit card owner will be charged against his or her credit balance each month.

Fergie also said to look for a "no-annual-fee" card.

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The Low-down

“We need to provide a place for smokers to smoke. But the real practical business sense about this is — what if the city gets sued for a case relating to second-hand smoke? As long as we provide a place for smokers to smoke, I think most of our staff will be fine with that.”

—Connie Lawson, mayor of Richmond

Richmond proposes smoking ban

RICHMOND — City officials in Richmond, Ky. have joined the likes of the state's two largest cities in proposing a smoking ban in public places. City Commissioner Robert Blythe proposed a ban on smoking at this week's city commission meeting for public reception areas, public vehicles and areas where technical equipment is operated. Blythe suggested a ban be implemented as a way of protecting city employees and the overall best interests of the city. Blythe cited a local study that referenced illnesses among city employees caused by second-hand smoke as one of his reasons for the proposal. He said one or more employees currently working in City Hall suffer from illnesses related to second-hand smoke. "I consider it a public safety issue," Blythe said. Richmond Mayor Connie Lawson said Wednesday she would support a ban. "We need to provide a place for smokers to smoke. But the real practical business sense about this is — What if the city gets sued for a case relating to second-hand smoke? As long as we provide a place for smokers to smoke, I think most of our staff will be fine with that," Lawson said. Lexington recently passed a smoking ordinance, effective Sept. 29, which would ban smoking in most public buildings and restaurants. The ban is the first of its kind in Kentucky. In the last several months officials in Georgetown and Louisville — the state's largest city — have discussed similar ordinances.

State employee arrested for drugs

HAZARD, Ky. — State police have arrested a state employee who was driving a state-owned vehicle and charged him with drug trafficking. Phillip S. Turner, 47, of Dewart in Perry County, possessed cocaine, 100 OxyContin-80 pain pills, valued at about \$9,600, and other prescription medication, said Trooper Tim Kilburn, a spokesman for the Hazard post. Turner is a 16-year employee of the state Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet. "We believe he was a dealer," Kilburn said. Police also found Percocet and methadone pills in Turner's Chevrolet Blazer, which Kilburn said had state seals on its doors. The arrest in a supermarket parking lot came after undercover agents made their third drug buy from Turner, state police Det. Dan Smoot said. Turner was arrested about three years ago for promoting contraband, but the charge was amended to a misdemeanor, Smoot said. Turner was charged with three counts of trafficking in controlled substances, possession of cocaine and possession of controlled substances, Kilburn said. Kerry Holt, a spokeswoman for the natural resources agency, said Turner's state vehicle "is back in our possession," but she said Turner is still employed by the agency, pending the results of an internal investigation.

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whelming relief" when Mary Jayne returned to the United States at 1 a.m. on Aug. 1.

Driving 18 hours from their farm in Fairport, N.Y., they watched her march across the drill field during her homecoming. "We couldn't pick her out of the crowd but that didn't matter," Thomas Jayne said.

Coming home was a little weird for Jayne.

She had dreamt about home so much that once there, she didn't know what to do first. Home was so different from where she had been. "I was not in the front, but you don't even realize how high the stress level is," she said. "You get back and it's like, wow, I can relax!"

Her parents have noticed some changes since Jayne's return. "She's more confident in her abilities,"

Thomas Jayne said. "She's more adult, more grown up. She has a defined direction."

For now, that direction is at least two and a half more years of active duty. She's currently stationed at Fort Stewart in Georgia.

Even though she had a tumultuous first year, Jayne does not regret her commitment to the army through UK's ROTC.

"Being in the military, whether I joined for patriotic reasons or not, is a job I can be proud of," she said. "It stands for something."

This hit her even harder yesterday as she was watching the ceremonies commemorating those who lost their lives on Sept. 11.

"Watching the ceremonies, I was so proud to be a member of the armed services," she said. "I can help protect those in danger."

"Iraq was miserable," she said. "I wouldn't want to go back, but I would definitely go if they sent me."

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Students can use the low-APR card for purchases they won't pay for in-full when the bill arrives, and use the no-annual-fee card for convenience purchases that will be paid for in-full, Forgue suggested.

When you do find a card that's right for you, remember to pay the balance every month, he said.

And don't always pay the bare minimum.

"If you pay the minimum, it takes eight years to pay it off," Forgue said.

Badenhop echoed this sentiment. "Companies target students because they make money off of them, she said. "If you're late with

your payments, there are fees to pay and the same if you go over your limit."

For students who already have debt, Forgue said to stop using the credit card immediately, bump up their income and get the card paid off as fast as possible.

According to Forgue, "You don't want to have debt going into marriage and a family because it will take a good 20 years to pay it off."

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The skinny on fat-free food



Testing the taste

Kelly Crowe tries to tell the difference between regular Kraft Chocolate Pudding and fat-free Kraft Chocolate Pudding. The pudding was the one food tested that stumped the tasters. Crowe and the other panel member tried other foods and had more luck.

Students attempt to detect the difference between regular and lean treats in taste test

By Lindsey Keith
STAFF WRITER

Reduced fat and fat-free versions of traditional favorites are crowding grocery shelves, but can these skinnier versions of the originals compete in taste?

Jeremy Smith, a communications junior, and Kelly Crowe a pre-physics assistant sophomore, were participants of a non-scientific food taste test. Their task

was to discover if there is a difference in taste between certain foods and their "healthier" counterparts.

Differences were fairly clear to the panel of food connoisseurs. However, one of the foods did leave the panel baffled: Kraft Chocolate Pudding.

As the panel tasted the pudding, confused looks came over their faces. They paused before coming to a conclusion about which was which.

"I think that was the fat one, because it seemed thicker," Smith said, but he wasn't sure. The original and fat-free puddings tasted virtually the same, he said.

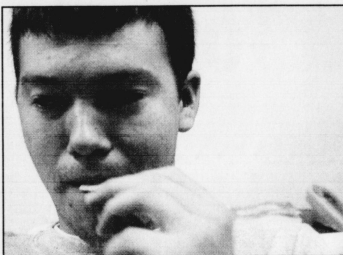
The panel also tried to tell the difference between Pringles.

"It (the chip) was hard, and kind of stale. I am for sure that (it) is fat-free," Crowe said.

Smith agreed with Crowe.

"The fat-free one seemed to taste stale, and did not seem to have as much salt," Smith said.

Wheat Thins were next on the menu for the panel. Smith admitted before tasting his cracker that he



Jeremy Smith eats a Wheat Thin during the taste test but admits he doesn't like them to begin with.

thought any Wheat Thin was bad.

"It tastes like nothing, like cardboard. Not that I know what cardboard tastes like," Smith said after trying the reduced-fat cracker.

Crowe was more objective about Wheat Thins.

"The second one (reduced fat) had no taste, but the first one I tasted (original) had lots of salt, which helped it out," Crowe said.

Of course, a condiment had to be on the menu: ranch dressing.

Before even tasting the second ranch, which was the

original, Smith said, "That was probably the worst thing I have ever tasted. It was just cream, and had no tang to it."

Last, the panel tried a ham and cheddar Croissant Pocket and Lean Pocket. The panel agreed that, other than the ham in the pocket, everything else seemed to taste very similar if not the same.

"I would eat this one, and if it were cheaper I would buy it...not that I am really trying to watch my girlish figure," Smith said of the Lean Pocket.

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The health breakdown

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- Kraft Chocolate Pudding
Regular: 110 cal., 3.5 g. fat
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- Croissant Pocket
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Lean: 280 cal., 7 g. fat
- Pringles
Regular: 160 cal., 11 g. fat
Fat Free: 70 cal., 0 g. fat
- Wheat Thins
Regular: 150 cal., 6 g. fat
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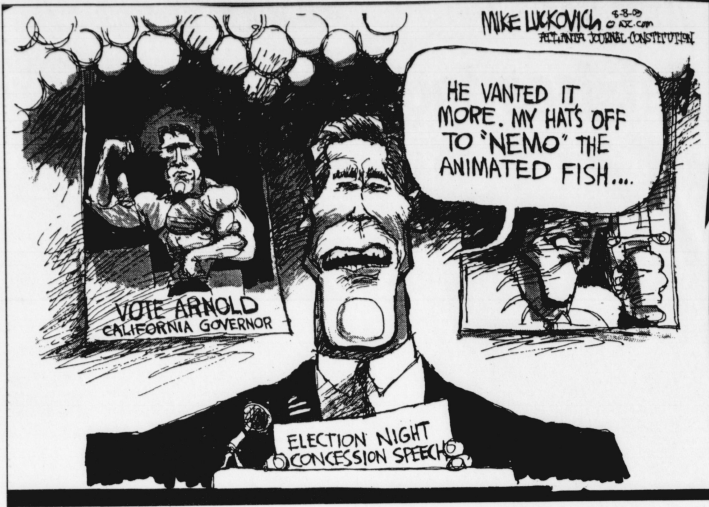
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IN OUR OPINION

State tuition plan sound idea for all

It's not often that you see a state-run program that's entirely self-sufficient. Yet that is precisely what Kentucky's Affordable Prepaid Tuition program is. KAPT allows for enrollees to lock in the cost of future college tuition at current prices, making college more affordable for all Kentuckians.

Currently, the fund is backed by the state's unclaimed property fund, and KAPT Executive Director Jo Carole Ellis told a legislative subcommittee that the program will be able to cover its own expenses — provided that legislators keep their hands out of the unclaimed property fund. That might be hard to do, especially with no end in sight for soaring state budget deficits.

Kentucky lawmakers should do everything in their power to keep this program afloat by leaving the reserve fund alone. KAPT is a valuable resource for the 7,000 already enrolled and for many others in Kentucky who cannot easily afford the rising costs of college. It's also a sound

investment for those with high incomes.

Those with children shouldn't bother rushing to enroll in the program. Fearing a huge deficit from having too many enrollees, legislators put a moratorium on accepting new accounts. However, the moratorium expires in June 2004, and new accounts will once again be accepted.

The General Assembly should work to ensure that the funds are there for those who enroll in the KAPT program. The unclaimed properties fund should remain an untapped resource so that KAPT does not become one more government program bogged down in deficits.

But up to this point, KAPT has been one of the best state education programs in recent memory. As long as its funding is not compromised, it will remain an invaluable tool for Kentucky education for decades to come and a great way for parents to ensure their children will receive an affordable college education.

U.S., E.U. policies set to clash



Ridvan Peshkopia
 KENTUCKY COLUMNIST

For almost five decades of the Cold War, the United States and the European Union comprised the "West." They shared similar cultures and security systems despite different doctrines they used to carry out their respective Cold Wars. In essence, they both considered the Soviet Union and the Warsaw Pact a direct threat.

In the aftermath of the Cold War, the U.S. and the E.U. emerged with two different behaviors; on one side, a European Union surprisingly successful on its way to unification and motivated by institutionalism, and on the other, a United States more and more unilateralist in preserving its own interests.

The new book, "Of Paradise and Power," by Robert Kagan, a senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, helps us understand the ironic situation where the Kantian paradise of the European Union

has been built up, supported and guaranteed by a U.S. that still operates in an international system where the lack of common governance and respect for international law always allures rogue regimes to take advantage.

Kagan argues that every nation participates in international events according to the leverage it possesses. The U.S., despite its traditional commitments to the democratic international governance system, seems to be prone to military answers to problems, especially after it emerged as a unique superpower in the aftermath of the Cold War.

On the other hand the E.U., because it lacks this sort of power, stresses respect for international law.

Furthermore, this situation has led to the crystallization of two different ideologies — European powers seek to expand their paradise through means like compromise, trade relations, mutual respect, respect for national sovereignty and respect for international law and the U.S. paradigm of acting militarily against rogue regimes that compose threats against its security and that of the international

community.

Most people would agree that a democratic international governance is the final station for the international system's evolution, a kind of "end of history" on the international stage. But it seems that the very different paths the E.U. and the U.S. have chosen to pursue this objective breed different results.

The E.U. seems to tolerate rogue regimes, enticing them in mutual relations, trade and recognition, thus undermining the strive for international peace as a byproduct of a community of democratic nations.

The E.U. approach toward dictators like Slobodan Milosevic, Saddam Hussein and Kim Jong Il helps only to make the dictators' lives easier and international security more difficult.

The U.S. approach seems to be a more secure path toward international stability. Thanks to the U.S. and its unilateralism, the world today has less vicious dictators and a better opportunity for an international democratic system.

It seems that Kagan miscalculates some features, though. While he accepts that both the E.U. and U.S.

economies are roughly the same size, he remarks that the U.S. economy "could grow to be more than twice the size of Europe's by 2050."

But after the expected admission of its 10 new members from Central and Eastern Europe, another wave of Western Balkan countries by the end of this decade and the inevitable admission of Turkey, the population of the E.U. will increase by as much as 50 percent. Furthermore, if Russia follows the path supported by President Putin and joins the union, the world balance could change dramatically.

Finally, Kagan takes only two powers into account: the U.S. and the E.U. However, it is becoming clearer that other powers sooner or later will emerge as nations that will seek a role on the international stage.

Under these circumstances, it is possible the E.U. might seek new alliances in order to constrain U.S. hegemony.

Ridvan Peshkopia is a student at the Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce. His views do not necessarily represent those of the Kernel.

A reliable LexTran desired by students

During daily conversations with fellow students, one of the most frequent complaints I hear is that of LexTran's shuttle system. Being a former resident of Greg Page Apartments and current resident of University Commons, I share the same pain. Commuting to campus is a huge issue here at UK. Parking is scarce and bus transportation is so unreliable and time-consuming that many students simply want to throw up their hands.

Students constantly find themselves wasting too much of their existence waiting for a bus that hasn't come. Some of them, including me, are so put off that they quit waiting and seek alternative transportation.

We're busy people, and the amount of time it takes to commute to and from UK reduces the amount of time we need to study, take care of personal business, live and breathe. We're not leisurely waiting for a joyride to the local VW.

The University Commons route, which has only one bus, notoriously shows up behind schedule. In the morning, the situation gets even worse, as not all students catching the bus can actually fit aboard at heavy traffic times, such as the scheduled 8:30 a.m. stop. These students have to wait until the bus comes back around, almost surely missing the beginning of their 9 a.m. class. Wednesday, it took me an hour and fifteen minutes to get home. Granted, the Commons bus was stalled because the power steering had gone out, so I had to catch the Leestown bus. Still, it made for a lengthy endeavor.

Last year, as a resident of Greg Page, I shared similar frustrations. I waited on campus for a bus for fifty minutes one day. Several days I would walk outside to see as many as three or four buses at the laundromat, the Greg Page pickup point. I realize workers would change shifts and take breaks there, but four buses at the same time? C'mon guys, it's not a company picnic.

Mass confusion is concocted every day, as most of the buses are not clearly labeled as to which route they are traveling. Active buses have been regularly known to have "Out of Service" on display at the top sign. Some of the newer buses have not been equipped with window signs, which usually fit in the left-side window and declare the route of the bus. Although it has some kindergarten-esque appeal, the pieces of paper with the route scribbled in pencil are hardly legible, much less professional.

Case in point, LexTran should do more to provide quality service to its riders. A LexTran driver did tell a group of us that LexTran would consider running another University Commons bus once it actually acquired an additional bus, as they did not currently have any more buses to spare. I hope and expect that idea will be translated into action because although UK students use this service free of charge, UK still pays for it, which means students pay for it indirectly.

LexTran is a professional service and thus should be held to the standards of professionals. Standards might be a little different if Jimmy Carter hammered together a salvage-yard shuttle and drove students around campus out of the goodness of his heart, but that's not what we're dealing with. LexTran is not a charity.

If standards don't improve, students could always consider faster alternative transportation (such as biking, walking or, if things continue this way, crawling on one's stomach) and UK will have wasted our money on a service nobody uses. I'm content to let this go a little longer, but this veteran commuter has a bike at home, and he's not afraid to use it.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Chandler's solid platform sound policy for Kentucky

It's true. The pool of Democratic nominees for the presidential election of 2004 is crowded. Many critics have said that the Democrat Party is at a loss for a strong, unilateral incumbent president.

Certainly it will be a long time before a single Democratic candidate for president emerges triumphantly to the general public. But on the local level, there is already a Democratic candidate out there who has broad appeal with a strong voice and vision for all Kentuckians, and his name is Ben Chandler.

Chandler is known to have won passage for the Kentucky telemarketing "No Call List" that caused fraudulent telemarketing scams and annoying phone calls about switching your long distance provider to stop. Chandler also recovered \$45 million in charitable funds from the former Kentucky Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance Company for the state. Ben Chandler, unlike Fletcher, proposes real solutions for Kentucky, like a dedicated trust fund for students by expanded gaming at horsingracing tracks. The money from this fund will be utilized to increase teachers' salaries as well as attract the best candidates to the position. Fletcher, on the other hand, will continue throwing unfunded mandates at schools with the dismal "No Child Left Behind" policy.

While Fletcher has his parsimonious catchphrase: "Restoring Hope," he hopes to play on being what many people often consider the lesser of two evils. He expects people to believe that the government is sick and that it needs a doctor like Fletcher to help it. Many Kentuckians are too smart for this, and they will soon realize the kind of spin he is trying to pull off.

As the gubernatorial election comes closer with each passing day, people will begin to understand that it will take more than a simple catchphrase to win an election — like the virtues of leadership and independence already demonstrated by Ben Chandler.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Cats hope to see Williams, then stop him

Nearly one foot shorter than his offensive line, Bama back Shaud Williams will be tough for UK to defend

By Jeff Patterson
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

UK defensive coordinator Mike Archer doesn't have to tell his team much about Alabama tailback Shaud Williams. He just tells them all they have to do is look at the film. "The film speaks for itself," Archer said.

Stopping Williams may be the key for any chance of a UK upset over Alabama Saturday night in Tuscaloosa.

"When you like at a guy like that the biggest thing that we see is very obvious: He is not very tall; he is thick and he is quick," Archer said. "It is hard to see him as big as their linemen are."

Alabama's starting offensive line is on average 307.6 pounds and 6-foot 5-inches tall. The 5-foot-9-inch, 191-pound Williams can be tough to spot by opposing defenses.

"You see him hitting creases and all of a sudden he is right up on you," Archer said. "It is going to be a great challenge because he is a very good football player."

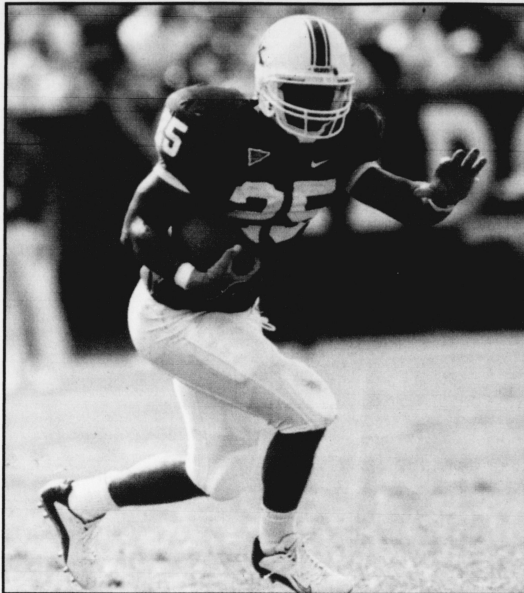
The challenge becomes tougher for a UK team that has had its share of trouble stopping the run this season. In a 40-26 loss to Louisville, UK allowed 240 yards rushing on 44 carries. And U of L held the ball for the final 8:11. UK's defense rebounded last week to hold Murray State's to 85 yards rushing on 40 carries.

Williams ran over South Florida in Alabama's season opener for 189 yards and two touchdowns on 45 carries. But last Saturday against Oklahoma he was limited to 17 carries and 91 yards of rushing.

Alabama head coach Mike Shula is looking to get his running back more involved against UK.

"We got to find a way to get him the ball, whether it is running up inside or getting out on the corners," Shula said. "I coached against Mike Archer and I know that his defense is going to be well-prepared."

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FILE PHOTO

By the Numbers

40-34

Score of UK's overtime victory over Alabama in 1997 at Commonwealth Stadium. Tim Couch threw the game-winning touchdown pass to Craig Yeast.

75

Number of years in between UK's first win over Alabama in 1922 and their goal post-up routing victory in 1997.

Quoteworthy

"Yeah, he's very unique. He moves around in the pocket well, never goes down it seems like."

* Alabama head coach Mike Shula on UK QB Jared Lorenzen

Kentucky vs. Alabama



Saturday, 7:45 p.m.
Bryant-Denny Stadium
Tuscaloosa, Ala.
TV: ESPN
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Series Record: Alabama leads 31-2-1

Road trip

Tailback Alexis Dwenge and the rest of the Cats head to Bama for this season's first away game. UK's defense will have their work cut out for them with the Tide's aggressive tailback Shaud Williams.

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