Kentucky Kernel

Draft concern grows as peace outlook dims

Politicians, teachers speak out on draft

This is the second part of a three-day series.

By S. DAVID BLAKE

While one U.S. lawmaker from Kentucky says there is no talk of a draft for the Middle East conflict in Washington, some UK political science professors say a draft will be necessary if a stalemate develops.

Of Kentucky legislators in Washington, only Sen. Wendell Ford has taken a stand on the draft.

"Senator Ford does not support a draft," said Mark Day, Ford's press secretary, "neither does he think the American people would support a draft."

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Sixth District Rep. Larry Hopkins and Sen. Mitch McConnell have yet to take official stands on the draft.

The draft currently is not an issue in the House of Representatives and so Hopkins does not have an official position on the issue, said Stephanie Collins, Hopkins' press secretary.

McConnell's office said the senator supports the United Nations resolution permitting a forcible removal of Iraq from Kuwait, but he said he was "reserving judgement on most (Senate) resolutions" concerning the gulf. Most observers of the crisis do not think a draft will begin soon. "I would doubt the draft would be started now," said Donald Gross, a UK political science professor.

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Earnest Yanarella, another political science professor, said he thinks
President Bush wants to avoid any need for the draft.

"The Bush administration does not want to initiate a draft," Yanarella
said. "Plans call for a short, intense, predominantly air war that would
bring the Iraqi government to its knees."

Hopkins' office also says there is no upcoming draft. "With (Hopkins)



Geneva peace talks fail, world 1 day closer to war

By BARRY SCHWEID
Associated Press

GENEVA — They spent 6 hours and 27 minutes together talking about the gathering storm in the Persian Gulf.
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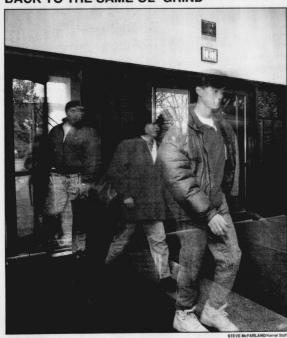
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UK students returned to campus — and the Whitehall Classroom Building (above) yesterday for the first day of the Spring Semester. Get ready: Only about 20 or so more weeks until finals.

Saudi Arabia not a war zone, says UK dean after gulf visit

By TYRONE JOHNSTON

In a recent visit to Saudi Arabia, Dean of Communications Douglas Boyd did not see many signs of the impending crisis there as U.S. mili-tary forces prepare for possible war.

"One gets the impression from television that Saudi Arabia is an intense area, but that is not the case," Boyd said. "In the Eastern provinces there is activity. In the desert you see tanks from time to time, and transport planes, but the area is not a war zone."

current situation. He was invited to speak before Iraq's Sept. 2 invasion of Kuwait.

A third party, possibly the United Nations, would have to step in to avert war, Boyd said.

Boyd hopes that war will not prove necessary. "Let's hope, but at the same time, let's get Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait," he said. "It is a noble thing for the United States to defend Kuwait.

"The United States' problem is that we are Westerners," Boyd said. "We know so little about the Araba baround."

Boyd was in Saudi Arabia for about a week over the New Year's holiday to give lectures on mass media, not in connection with the current situation. He was invited to seak before Irag's Sent 2, invasion.

Is a noote tuning for the United States to defend Kuwait.

"Iraq is a tough country, a police state. I support what the U.S. is doing there."

The dean wondered what students thought about the situation in Saudi Arabia. "It would be interesting to see what students would say."

Students call excuse policy fair

Students had mixed reactions yesterday to the new policy at UK's Student Health Service, under which physicians will no longer issue excuses for missed classes. Many students interviewed supported the new policy but expressed concerns about students who are legitimately sick.

"I think it's a good idea to discriminate between students who are

"I think It's a good criminate between students who are really sick and those who are just trying to get out of class," said Leif Meadows, an anthropology junior. "A lot of people were taking advantage of the system."

"It really depends on the student."

Association, the Student Health Advisory Council and the University and journalism sophomore. "It's good to improve the system, but it's probly fair to get an excuse if you really are sick."

Under the old policy, students picked up stamped green forms picked up stamped green forms from Student Health Service to present to instructors for an excused absence. Swedneth Health Service is sued 7,927 excuses in 1990. Staff members said they thought this created an overwhelming workload and reduced the amount of time doctors could spend with students who were actually ill.

Supporters of the new policy, including the Student Government

team will play the U.S.S.R. at 7:30

p.m. in Memorial Coliseum.

Forgy aiming for comeback in '91 race

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Lexington ttorney Larry

gence, which may include a slate of sorts with Harlan lawyer Eugene Goss running for lieutenant governor.

Nunn has been actively soliciting Republican legislators and others to hold off on formal commitments to 6th District Rep. Larry Hopkins, who will formally announce his candidacy for governor Jan. 22.

"I was encouraging them to keep their powder dry," Nunn said in a telephone interview yesterday.

Asked if he was making the suggestion on behalf of Forgy, Nunn acknowledged, "That name was mentioned."

Forgy, a former UK administrator and trustee, did not return numerous

calls to his home and office and Hopkins also could not be reached for comment.

Goss considered a campaign for governor this year but abandoned it after charging that Hopkins and the dock.

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Nunn continued that theme yesterday. There were people wanting to give him money in return for jobs and there were people wanting to give him cash money," Nunn said.

Nunn hinted Forgy could run an anti-money campaign, similar to the one waged by Lawton Chiles in his successful gubernatorial campaign

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1990 silver screen was run by the mob

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If the movies of 1990 had a dominate image, it would be a fedora, casting a shadow across a gang-ster's cold killer eyes.

Four of the year's top films involved mobsters — the visceral, gut-level "Gooffeellas," the dark urban literary "Miller's Crossing," the elegant sequel "Goffather III," and the splashy comic book-style"Dick Tracy." And several lesser films, including "State of Grace" and "King of New York" expanded the trend.

The major exception among the year's best was "Dances With Wolves," Kevin Costner's most impressive saga about the Native American, and a most daring victory over movieland nay-sayers.

The fantasy-sci-fi trends of the late 1970s and "80s continued to fade, with only Tim Burton's imaginative "Edward Scissorhands" scoring for the fable lovers.

December is traditionally the month of the most prestigious and highest-quality film releases. Studios angle for the lucrative holiday rush, and the even-more-lucrative positions on best-10 lists and possible Oscar nominations.

In 1990, however, films such as "Dances with Wolves," and "Avalon" were on screens before Thanksgiving, and "Presumed Innocent" hit theaters early.

Here they are, in alphabetical order.

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"Avalon," Barry Levinson's
heartfelt family saga, one of the
most entertaining and honest represearching out the American dream
through the generations.
"Cyrano de Bergerac," the lush,
lyrical, witty and robust classic,
made fresh and sensual and entertaining, and featuring the performance of his career (so far) by
France's greatest actor, Gerard Depardieu.

France's greatest actor, Gerard Depardieu.

"Dances With Wolves," the best western in a generation, and the best film ever about Native Americans.

"Edward Scissorhands," a wildly imaginative, bittersweet fable from Tim Burton.

"GoodFellas," Martin Scorsee's energetic, violent and eye-opening look at modern mob life, viewed from street level.

"Miller's Crossing," a literate and lovely 1920s gangster saga, blending woodland imagery, an

Irish lilt, and bloody violence into a bona fide original by the Coen brothers.

"The Nasty Girl," a most innovative German film, in terms of both technique and storytelling, a seriocomic look at what happens in a small town when a school girl does a term paper on life under the Nazis.

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"Presumed Innocent," a disturbing character study, enveloped in a
taut courtroom drama, adapted from
the hit novel by Scott Turow.

"Reversal of Fortune," a coldly
drawn, but darkly comic look at the
controversial Claus von Bulow
high-society attempted-murder case.
Jeremy Irons is superb in this didhe-or-didn't-he romp.

"White Hunter, Black Heart,"
Clint Eastwood's underappreciated, houghfully made drama. Based on John Huston and the
creation of "The African Queen,"
it's actually about a famous filmmaker, confronting his own largerthan-life persona.

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By C.A. DUANE BONIFER

Associate Editor

Branford Marsalis has been out in front of the jazz scene for several years, and his latest release, Maiz, For Crazy People, shows that he continues to be one major forces shaping jazz in the 1990s.

While Marsalis' tenor and soprano saxophone playing alone is worth the price of the recording, what makes Music For Crazy People a good album is the sound of his quartet — Kenny Kirkland on piano, Jeff Watts on drums and Robert Hurst on bass. For the most part, Marsalis breaks away from a formal structure and explores free-form

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The year also offered its share of

The year also offered its share of turkeys, exploitation, missguided adventures, and outright garbage.

Special "honors" go to Kirstie Alley, the first performer in recent memory to place three, count 'em, three films on the worst-10 list: "Look Who's Talking Too", "Sibling Rivalry"; and "Madhouse."

The rest of the list:

"Almost an Angel," a film with leaden wings.



Few people were talking about Kirstie Alley last year as she bombed in three movies.

The East Meadow by Zale Schoenborn Marsalis stays out in front with 'crazy' music



And as you enter manhood, your name, as bestowed by the all-knowing heaven, will be "tiny axe."

Travis was the top country draw in 1990

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The ticket tallies are in and
Amusement Business magazine has
announced the 10 biggest-grossing
ountry concert tours of 1990.

1. Randy Travis; 77 shows;
59,771,075 gross; 565,267 attendces; 2. Alabama; 48 shows;
57,462,251 gross; 409,459 attendces; 3. George Strait; 41 shows;
56,340,994 gross; 363,086 attendces; 4. Hank Williams 1r.; 33
shows; 55,299,892 gross; 299,581
attendees; 5. The Judds; 59 shows;
53,124,712 gross; 344,042 attendces; 6. Kenny Rogers; 34 shows;
54,550,596 gross; 210,244 attendces; 7. Willie Nelson; 28 shows;
54,473,974 gross; 196,051 attendces; 8. Conway Twitty; 35 shows;
53,445,583 gross; 200,640 attendces; 9. Reba McEntire; 34 shows;

\$3,234,676 gross; 186,769 attendees; 10. George Jones; 26 shows; \$2,713,384 gross; 156,958.

"CRAZY PEOPLE MUSIC" Branford Marsalis Quartet CBS Records Music REVIEW

"Spartacus," a Marsalis original,

"Spartacus," a Marsalis original, begins the album with the quartet providing a solid line for Marsalis' solo. Kirkland plays an impressive solo that gives you an early indica-tion of his skill with 88 keys.

Hurst provides an excellent bass line as a backdrop for Marsalis' and Kirkland's color

As the song progresses, it be-comes less structured as Marsalis takes it toward a free-form style that establishes the tone of much of the

album. On "Rose Petals," Marsalis gives takes it toward a free-form style that establishes the tone of much of the rest of the album.

On "The Dark Knight," Hurst sets the tone on this song he composed mal Marsalis sweeps through a wide cymbals on this Keith Jarret originates."

with a solid bass line as Marsalis rojoins in with a melodic saxophone sound. Joined by Watts on drums, Kirkland adds a mellow solo that is just as strong as Marsalis'. "Wolverine," also a Marsalis composition, is more upbeat as marsalis and Kirkland collaborate for another interesting sound. Marsalis' solo explores a full range of sounds and Kirkland is just as brilliant with his piano solo. Marsalis' "Mr. Steepee" features another strong Kenny Kirkland solo before Marsalis joins in and breaks off by himself into an up-tempo solo that is a little more structured than many of his other solos on the album.

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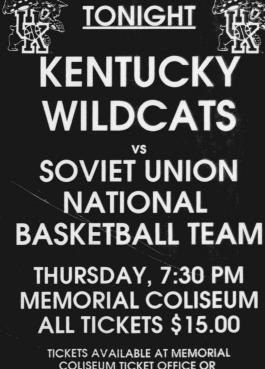
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Consumers endangered by potent drink

By NANCY BENAC Associated Press

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Consumers are being endangered by a highalcohol drink that looks like a mild wine cooler but is as potent as five shots of vodka, Surgeon General Antonia Novello said yesterday.

The fortified wine Cisco, which is 20 percent alcohol, is particularly dangerous to unsuspecting teenagers who may think they are drinking a wine cooler that typically would have a 4 percent alcohol content, Novello said.

Youth who are familiar with the drink have taken to calling it "liquid crack" because of its strong effect, she said.

"It looks like a wine cooler. It

she said.
"It looks like a wine cooler. It shells like a wine cooler, but it shells like a wine cooler, but it she't." Novello said. "It's an incredibly potent, potentially lethal alcoholic beverage."
Cisco, which is carbonated and comes in five flavors, is sold in shall bottles shaped like wine cool-

ers and often is stocked in conven-ience stores near ordinary wine

coolers.

A 100-pound person who drinks two 375-milliliter bottles of Cisco in an hour could die of acute alcohol poisoning and a 150-pound person who drank the same amount would be legally intoxicated, Novelle and the same an

The drink has resulted in halluci-nations, disorientation, loss of mo-tor control and loss of conscious-

tor control and loss of consciousness, she said.

In a letter to Clsco's manufacturer, Canandaigua, N.Y., Novello urged the company to repackage the drink to make it look like other fortified wines. Those products generally assold in dark bottles and kept behind the counter or on the back shelf at liquor stores, she said.

Canandaigua board chairman Marvin Sands said the real problem is underage drinking and alcohol abuse, not Cisco. He said company officials would meet with Novello.

year.

Dr. James Wright, who investigated the cases, said most of the youth thought they were drinking wine coolers.

On average, they had consumed just 18 ounces of Cisco.

Six other cases of teen alcohol poisoning from Cisco have been reported to poison control centers elsewhere in the nation, and Cisco's critics speculated that many more cases have gone unreported.

"We don't really believe that a package change will solve the problem, but we'll keep an open mind," Sands said.

After earlier criticism, the company agreed to state on the label that the drink is not a wine cooler and asked retailers not to place it next to wine coolers in stores.

Novello and other health advocates spoke at a news conference at the Children's National Medical Center, where 10 cases of teen alcohol poisoning caused by Cisco have been reported since March of last year.

Dr. James Wright, who investigated the cases, said most of the spendence said Canandaigua's spendence s

Headlines

DALLAS — Passive cigarette smoke kills 53,000 non-smoking Americans each year, making it the third-leading preventable cause of death, the American Heart Association reported yesterday. Researchers at the University of California-San Francisco established a link between passive smoke and the development of heart disease, said an article in today's editions of Circulation, a journal of the Dallas-based heart association.

"Passive smoking is a much bigger problem than anyone thought," said Dr. Stanton Glantz, the article's author and an associate staff member of the Cardiovascular Research Institute at UCSF. "This is the first clear statement that passive smoking causes heart disease." Smoking advocates rejected the study, saying it lacked scientific basis.

NEW YORK — Most Americans see war with Iraq as justified but half are not ready to attack if Saddam Hussein fails to get out of Kuwait by the Jan. 15 deadline, according to an Associated Press poll.

WASHINGTON — The Energy Department said yesterday that current oil stocks would offset supply disruptions caused by a war in the Persian Gulf, but an official refused to predict how much prices would rise, saying that's classified.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — President-elect Jean-Bertrand Aristide appealed yesterday to Haitians to cool down and halt the wave of lynching and looting that broke out when a reputed Tonton Macoute leader's coup attempt failed.

In a radio address, his first public statement since Monday, the leftist priest said he was nervous that coup chieftain Roger Lafontant's accomplices were still at large, and asked the army to arrest them.

them.

He told Haitians to form volunteer brigades to help the army re-

Aristide, who won a landslide victory in the Dec. 16 presidential election and was to be sworn in Feb. 7, said commandos under Lafontant's orders "went to my house to capture me" during the uprising, but didn' find him there.

There have been at least three assassination attempts against Aristide the past two years, all linked to supporters of the 29-year Duvalier family dictatorship, which ended in February 1986.

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador — Salvadoran guerrillas admit that their forces may have executed two crew members of an Ameri-can helicopter they shot down in the eastern part of the country Jan. 2.

FRANKFURT, Germany — A press officer for a U.S. Embassy office in Berlin has been detained on suspicion of spying for the Soviet KGB, German authorities said.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Black students attended white public schools for the first time yesterday, altering classroom apartheid in what one student described as "no big deal."

CHICAGO — Art experts say they think it's the real thing: a previously unknown painting by Dutch master Vincent van Gogh. The painting was found in the home of an elderly Wisconsin couple by a part-time worker for a Chicago auction house. "It was pretty wild," the worker said of the discovery.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Only the Presidents Commission had no reason to frown during yesterday's session of the NCAA convention. Major schools lamented cuts in athletic scholarships and small schools were upset when the ante was raised for Division I member-

NEW YORK — After six spectacular seasons in the CFL and another six good years in the NFL, Warren Moon still wasn't getting much notice. So he did something about it. Moon was voted Offensive Player of the Year.

PERTH, Australia — Two old hands on the U.S. swimming team showed the new kids how it's done, and then the kids joined in the fun, too. Matt Biondi and Janet Evans, Olympic champions, world record-holders and mainstays of American swimming for years, got the U.S. squad back on the victory stand in a big way in yesterday's World Swimming Championships.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Tom Watson says his resignation from the Kansas City Country Club to protest its discriminatory membership has resulted in positive reaction nationwide.

College officials fuming over new rule

By LEE MITGANG

Defaults on student loans totaled 2 billion in fiscal year 1990, and ave reached an accumulated \$8 bil-on, according to U.S. Department f Education statistics.

Associated Press

College officials are fuming over a new federal rule requiring any students lacking a high school degree rits equivalent to take a government-approved test to prove they can benefit from higher education. The rule, affecting students matriculating after Jan. 1, was adopted with little flarfare by Congress in November as one of hundreds of November as one of hundreds of the Ominibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990.

The idea behind the revised "ability to benefit" regulation is to weed to academically weak students most likely to default on federal college loans.

Many such default-prone students must the default-prone students attend the nation's for-profit and trade schools as well as the 1,200 junior and community colleges.

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widely used tests measuring skills such as mark reading and language. Passing scores would vary from institution to institution depending on the student population served, according to the regulations. Community college officials and for-profit school operators claim the new rule unfairly jeopardizes thereward that the latter of tests in the feed of the students, especially immigrant, minority and older students, who frequently lack high school degrees.

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"I think it will devastate this college district," Donald G. Phelps, chancellor of the 110,000-student Los Angeles Community College District, said in a telephone interview. He said 67 percent of the district's students were ethnic minorities or foreign-born, and many are likely to fall under the rule.

Like many community colleges, those in Los Angeles already ad-

dents. But such tests typically are diagnostic in nature.

Stephen J. Blair, president of the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools representing 1,300 for-profit schools, called the new rule "educational apartheid."

He said in an interview yesterday that more than 100,000 of the 660,000 students attending trade schools nationwide lack high school credentials and could face the loss

Blair said the rule also raised the issue of whether the standardized tests listed by the department are Flamingo Bay

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The ability-to-benefit regulation already has prompted two federal lawsuits. One, brought Jan. 2 by California's community college system, resulted in a temporary restraining order in that state until at least Jan. 14, when further hearings are set.

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some 90,000 of the 1.5 minus is two-year colleges are non-high school graduses, according to chancellor David Mertes.

The other suit was brought in Washington, D.C., by Wonderlic Personnel Tests Inc., a test publisher whose exams were left off the initial list. The Education Department settled that suit Monday by adding the tests to its interim list.

The speed of the rule change has added to the anger.

"It was passed in November and is being implemented in January, We've been caught without enough information to implement it," said James Gollatscheck, executive vice president of the American Association of t president of the American Associa-tion of College and Junior Colleges

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Draft

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casualties reach the level projected by leaders, then the draft would be-come necessary," he said. Gross said he believes the large number of troops on both sides could cause a stalemate, prolonging the war and leading to a draft. Gross and Yanarella disagree on the possibility of student defer-ments. Gross said student deferments were a major cause.

Gross said student deferments were a major cause of resentment during the Victnam War, and he does not expect to see them return.

"The Bush administration will try not to politicize college students," Yanarella said. "He will have a heavy burden to retain the deferment for college students." He said such a draft would be unfair and would draw heavily on southern rural whites and urban blacks.

"Of whatever design the draft would be unique to the property of the property of

"Of whatever design the draft would be, it is bound to draw very intense political debate and ... re-sistance," Yanarella said.

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According to a report issued by
the Selective Service, the agency
would swing into action as soon as
a-resolution passed through Con-

gress.
Selective Service would first hold a lottery drawing, based on birthdates, to determine the order in which men would be called to serve. Men turning 20 years old during the calendar year of the draft would be the first called.

men turning 21. The draft would continue up to 26-year-old men, who, according to the Selective Service report, are "generally"... over the age of liability for the draft. Birthdates would be selected at random, and the first drawn would quickly receive military service induction orders. They would report to a military entrance processing station for examination and could begin training within 10 days of being ing within 10 days of being

gin training within 10 days of being stationed.

With their induction orders, draft-ese would receive their only opportunity to file for postponement, deferment, or exemption from military service. Once an individual files a claim, Selective Service delays his induction until the claim has been processed.

Selective Service spokesman Lary Waltuman said that student deferments no longer exist, but a student may request a delay until the end of an academic term in progress in order to firish classes. College seniors may file for a delay until the end of their academic year so they may obtain degrees.

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Although student deferments have been removed, some exemptions still exist. Ministers, ministerial stu-dents and certain elected officials are not required to serve in the mili-tary.

tary.

Hardship deferments are also available for individuals "whose induction would result in hardship to persons who depend upon them for support." Waltman said Selective Service rarely granted these deferments, which are based on financial

(the draftee)," Waltman said. "They usually involve someone bedridden who has no one else to take care of

While those who are given con-scientious objector status are not trained in the use of weapons, they must perform service to the nation "in a manner consistent with their moral, ethical, or religious opposi-tion to participation in war in any form."

Those individuals cannot be op-posed only to the Middle East con-flict — they must be opposed to war in general. These beliefs also cannot be based solely on "politics, expediency, or self interest."

In order to claim conscientious objection, an individual must write a letter stating his beliefs, how he arrived at them, and how they have affected his life. He also must express "the depth and sincerity of his

If an individual's claim of objection is accepted by Selective Service, that person must serve in either a noncombatant capacity with Armed Forces or in a civilian service, which contributes to the "health, safety, or interest" of the United States.

Court of Appeals ruling on them." Another exemption is available for individuals whose parents or siblings have died in the course of military service. By OBEGORY A HALL lowed to stand, seriously impair the lease its answer to the NCAA in

By GREGORY A. HALL

According to a Kentucky Court of Appeals ruling last month, UK's re-sponse to the NCAA concerning the investigation of its men's basketball program is a public record.

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The appeal was sought by The Courier-Journal, the Leximgton Herald-Leader and the (Covington) Kentucky Post.

The University is appealing the case to the Kentucky Supreme Court, said UK Chief Legal Counsel John Darsie. The motion for discretional review is due Jan. 10.

"We believe that the Court of Appeals ruling would, if it were al-

lowed to stand, seriously impair the University's ability to investigate future NCAA (allegations), 'Darsie said.

The Dec. 21 decision overturns a lower court order that said the records were protected as preliminary documents. The three appeals court justices concurred, saying the document cannot be considered a preliminary document since the NCAA action is completed.

The Kentucky Open Records Law provides that records may be withheld if they are preliminary correspondence.

The lower court ruling from Fay-

correspondence.

The lower court ruling from Fayette Circuit Court Judge George Barker forced the University to re-

lease its answer to the NCAA investigation on each of the 18 allegations.

The lower court held that the University's summaries of its investigation and supporting evidence were not open records.

But the appeals court stated that, since the University included the summaries and supporting evidence in the response to the NCAA, no section of the document could be withheld.

Vice Chancellor for Administra-

withheld.

Vice Chancellor for Administration Jack Blanton, UK's records
custodian, expressed "mild surprise
that the Court of Appeals had overturned Judge Barker's decision —
one that was well-reasoned."

Baker

the U.N. Security Council for a pullout from Kuwait.

Baker was asked if he had actually discussed with Aziz any proposal for withdrawal from Kuwait. Several have been broached by European and Arab governments.

"There was no specific proposal," Baker said as he insisted again on unconditional withdrawal of the Iraqii troops by Jan. 15.

in a civilized way as it is practiced by professional diplomats. Both Baker and Aziz said as much, though nations have gone to bloody war in the past with all the niceties of diplomacy observed. In this case, the real mo Similarly, Aziz said only that he had told Baker that "if you are ready to respect and implement" justice and fairness throughout the Middle East "you will find us very conversities".

Cooperative."

Baker said he would welcome further efforts, especially by U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, but he offered no prescrip-

Cuellar, but he offered no prescription for compromise.

Nor did Bush at a Washington news conference, although he said "it is not too late" to reach a peaceful settlement.

The only slight hope Baker left behind was that when Aziz reports to Saddam, "there could be a change in his (Saddam Hussein's) prosition."

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change in his (Saddam Hussein's) position."

But Baker summed up the three rounds of talks with Aziz, asying: "I did not hear anything that demonstrated flexibility."

And Bush called Aziz's presentation "a total stiff-arm."

Baker told reporters afterward that Bush had not yet made a decision to ea to war.

that Bush had not, you sold to war.

"But the clock is ticking on," he said.

Aziz, at his own news conference, said it "is up to the American administration to decide" whether

The foreign minister was as solemn as Baker.
"If they decide to attack we would not be surprised," he said.
At least the talks were conducted

ger.

Bush and Baker are angry with what they call Iraq's "rape" of Ku-

wait.

And Iraq is angry that the United States stands alongside Israel in disputes with the Arabs.

structor of absences personally in-stead of going through the clinic. Several students interviewed ex-pressed concern that under the new policy, students will feel pressured to attend classes despite illness. "I can see that they are trying to make the system work better, but students may feel that they have to come to class when they really should be home," said Kim Avalls, an accounting freshman.

Other students said that while they see the need to make Health Service more efficient, this move may be too extreme and that the de-cision whether to issue an excuse should be made by the doctor exam-ining a student.

What Were your New Year resolutions?



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Important Dates

Jan. 7-11: Approved time period for students to change academic majors.

Jan. 8: Last day a student may officially drop a course or cancel registration with the University Registrar for a full refund of fees.

Jan 15: Last day to enter an organized class for the 1991 spring semester.

Last day to officially withdraw from the University or reduce course load and receive an 80 percent refund.

Jan. 21: Martin Luther King Jr. Day — Academic holiday.

Jan. 23: Last day for payment of registration fees and/or housing and dining fees in order to avoid cancellation of registration and/or diner card.

Jan. 30: Last day to drop a course without it appearing on the student's transcript.

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Forgy

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in Florida.

Nunn also threw a few verbal barbs at Hopkins and 4th District.

Rep. Jim Bunning, whom he accused of torpedoing Forgy's 1987 campaign. Bunning is now a co-chairman of Hopkins' campaign along with 5th District Rep. Hal

along with 5th District Rep. Hal Rogers.
"They were cutting his money off and they were badmouthing him," Nunn said.
That antipathy continues, Nunn said. "They keep cutting on this fellow (Forgy)," Nunn said. "They keep doing it because he is a very viable candidate and could take them in a primary if he ran." Nunn said Forgy could overcome the memory of four years ago. "If he gets in the race and runs hard, I don't think that issue of he's a quitter will stand up," Nunn said. Others aren't so sure. "He set Republican politics back to a considerable extent," Harps said.

sue."

Rep. Tommy Todd of Nancy, who was a Forgy backer four years ago, said his re-emergence may help by generating a hot primary with Hopkins.

Similarly, Rep. Bill Strong of Hazard noted that the last seriously contested GOP gubernatorial primary in 1967 between Nunn and Marlow Cook produced the last Re-

Cats rock Bulldogs 89-70, roll to third SEC win

UK press forces 31 turnovers as Miss. State falls at Rupp

Assistant Sports Edhor

You could say Kentucky stole a victory from Mississippi State.

The Wildcats made an impressive 23 steals and forced 31 turnovers route to a 89-70 victory over the Bulldogs at Rupp Arena last night.

"I haven't seen anything like that in the 24 years I've been doing this," Mississippi State coach Richard Williams said. "... I've never seen a team that wouldn't even let you get the ball inbounds under their goal. ...

"This is the hardest I've even had a team play defensively," UK coach Rick Pitino said. "ever in my life, no matter what the situation was. I've never had a team play that hard on the press and be that active."

A statistic Pitino often breaks out is the number of deflections on defense. His goal is to have 35 for the game. Well, he was all smiles after UK's trapping full-court press and be that active. I was all smiles after UK's trapping full-court press and half-court man-to-man defense and 33 deflections at the half and 57 for the game.

"If you allow them to come down

the backcourt as we have in two years to get the victory."

Usually a big crowd — 23,990 filled the stand at Rupp Arena last night — does not rattle a veteran team. State started four seniors and a

team. State started four sentors and a junior last night.

"We knew coming in that it was going to be tough," Bulldog guard Tony
Watts said. "Alabama's defenge was one of the toughest I ever faced during last year's SEC Tournament, but they (UK) were really tough to-night.

MISSISSIPPI ST. (70) Burns 9-14 3-4 21, Carter 6-10 5-6 17, Merritt 3-6 0-0 6, Hartsfield 1-4 0-0 2, Watts 4-10 0-0 8, Nichols 2-3 0-0 4, Watson 2-7 3-4 7, Smith 1-3 1-1 3, Hooper 0-0 2-3 2, Domingue 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-57 14-18 70.

its three-point arsenal (17-for-37) to defeat LSU. Against the Bulldogs, UK shot just 17, including only formattempts in the first half. Entering the game, the Cats were averaging the game, the Water Coming in that they weren't going to fair the property of the common that they weren't going to fair the property of the common to fair the property of the common that they weren't going the fair the property of the common that they weren't going the fair the property of the common that they are the common that the

25.4 three-point shots a game.

"We knew coming in that they weren't going to give up the threes," Pitino said. "So we prepared to push the ball inside."

He meant inside to freshman Jamah Mashburn.

The 6-foot-9, 244-pound power forward scorched the 'Dogs for 15 first-half points and 24 (a carcerhigh) for the game.

"Mash was there when we needed him," 'UK guard Jeff Brassow said.

"This was Jamal's game," said UK point guard Sean Woods, who had 10 points and seven assists." Id don't know how he was able to get open. It was a physical game, and Jamal is so strong, he can really get position on just about anybody."

The win — coupled with Alabama's '72-61 victory over Florida—put the Wildcast (11-2) atop the Southeastern Conference by themselves with a perfect 3-0 record. The loss dropped Mississippi State to 9-3 overall and 2-1 in the conference.

"What's impressive about Ken-



Sean Woods (left) hounds Mississippi State guard Doug Hartsfield in UK's 89-70 victory over the Bulldogs last night in Rupp Arena.

with two of those three wins coming against two of the teams picked to win the SEC," Williams said.

Even though the Cats did not rely on the three-pointer, the treys they did thit were clutch. With 14:39 left in the game, State's Greg Carter hit a layup to cut the UK lead to 52-45, the closest the Dogs had been since early in the second half.

But the Cats went on a 10-2 run thanks to treys from Reggie Hanson, who had 19 points and nine rebounds, and Richie Farmer, which put the Cats up by 15 points with 10-42 remaining.

Mississippi State made one lam at the Cats and cut the lead to 67-58 with 6-41 left, but then the Cats went to a back to shooting the three. Mashburn stepped out to can a pair of three-pointers to key a 12-

The Cats crussed from there.

UK didn't stop State inside duo of
Carter and Cameron Burns. Burns
led the Bulldogs with 21 points, and
Carter added 17. Each pulled down
a game-high 12 boards.

Mashburn is latest UK hero

By BOB NORMAN

After Jamal Mashburn powered over Mississippi State's Cameron Burns to draw a foul and a forceful basket, an uncharacteristic hush set-tled over the rowdy Rupp Arena

crowd.

For after the play, Mash, cradling his right arm in his left hand and cringing in pain, stood at the side with referees, delaying the free-

with referees, delaying the free-throw process.

Not realizing the extent of the in-jury, the refs were asking the 6—9 freshman if he wanted to be taken out of the game. UK team leader Reggie Hanson quickly intervened.

Walking over to the scene, Han-son said: "No, no one's leaving the game."

Then, from the bench came Piti-

He muscled, turned, faked and juked his way to a career—high 24 points and complemented his scoring with eight rebounds and four steals.

know what to do."
Pitino admires Mashburn's hard work, but he points out that it isn't always easy to see. Mashburn is quietly effective.
"He's got the type of demeanor where he is like a Gentle Jane." Pitino said. "You don't think he's working hard but he really is. At the end you see he really is (working hard)." And if Mashburn's progress-this season is any indication, Pitino has good reason to sick to his guns. And when you talk with the softspoken mammoth, you have no difficulty understanding why he is such a great learner. he is simply a great student of the game.
And last Saturday's showdown with LSU's monster center Shaquille O'Neal was perhaps his biggest lesson.
Mashburn showed a hint of cockiness before the showdown when he said that the leading scorer, rebounder and shot-blocker in the SEC was "all right." The scene on the court, however, showed everyone just how game."
Then, from the bench came Pitino's yell.

"There's no excuse for missing a foul shot," the coach hollered at his star 18 year old.

Mashburn quickly overcame the pain (caused by a shot to his funny-bone), promptly stepped up to the line and swiftly missed the shot.

"That's been my biggest problem this year," Mashburn said of his per formance at the charity stripe.

Chances are, those problems will disappear with time.

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What is the next level for Mash?
"The next level is consistency," he said. "I want to play at the NBA level."
To get to that level, Mashburn has been working harder to react purely on the court. With Pitino's system becoming more and more second nature to him, he says that that kind of fearless basketball is beginning to surface in his eame. steals.

"It's all part of the Jamal process.

"He's definitely maturing," Hanson said of Mashburn. "He learned the system real quick. He getting to know what he has to do.

"At times he's still indecisive, but the more he plays the more he'll to get meaner."

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As for reaching the NBA level, when the more he plays the more he'll to get meaner."

Exodus of Wisnewski leaves Gym Kats reeling

By AL HILL Senior Staff Writer

The UK Gym Kats have gone from a potential national power-house to a team in shambles. And Leah Little's tumblers haven't even

Leaft Little s tumborers haven t even thit the mats yet. First, they lost their two All-Americans — the first UK gymnasts to gamer that honor. Junior Amie Winn is out for the season with an injury, while Tricia Wills, who would have been a sophomore this season. fell to another cause —

season, ten begrades.
Wills will never return.
Yesterday afternoon Little announced the departure of a third star
— Bela Karoyli-trained sophomore
Lee Wisnewski.

Student-athletes honored for GPAs

Fifteen UK student-athletes have been named to the Athletics Direc-tor's Honor Roll Tor achieving the highest grade point average in their respective sports for the 1995 fas-semester, according to Wildcat Ath-letics Director C. M. Newton last

letics Director C. M. Newton last week.

"It is important to recognize these student-athletes for the job they do in the classroom," Newton said. "We are proud of their efforts and of the efforts our CATS (Center for Academic and Tutorial Services) staff."

Student-athletes who garnered the honor are: basebatl — Steve Zonger (4,0); men's basketbatl — Todd Bearup (4,0); women's basketbatl — Min Daniel; footbatl — Grag Lahr (4,0); men's golf — Johnny Cain; women's golf — Tonya Git; gymnastics — Donna Ceffinger, rifle — Monica Combs; men's swimning — Jay Smith; women's swimning — Jay Smith; women's swimning — Jay Smith; women's swimning — Sam Stinnett (4,0); women's tennis — Sam Stinnett (4,0); women's track — Charlie Kern; women's track — Jennifer Kendall (4,0); and volleybatl — Ann Hall.

Little said Wisnewski had a clas-

Little said Wisnewski had a classic case of gymnastics burout.

"The thing about gymnastics it's very physically and mentally demanding. It takes a special type person to put their body through what they have to all these years. She was with Bela Karroyl (the famed Romanian coach known for his protege Mary Lou Retton), which was a regimented and very strict program." Little said.
"She's just had enough."

Wisnewski declined to comment, saying only "I didn't do this to hurt the team or Leah — it's something I had to do for me."

Wisnewski nearly completed a UK triumvirate in the All-American ranks last year. She missed the honor by a mere half tenth of a point.

Though this coming season may mark the end of Wisnewski's gymnastics career, it will bring in many of UK's inexperienced gymnasts. Seven freshmen, along with three returners, will try to fill the void left Wisnewski, Wills and Winn.

"Our freshmen looked very, very good at Excite Night. We put them on the beam in front of 6,000 people and said 'do your routine,' and they all did real well," Little said.

Winn, who ruptured the achilles

all did real well," Little said.
Winn, who ruptured the achilles
tendon on her left leg, is the only
member of the three who is expected to return. Winn has undergote
surgery and is currently rehabilitating her leg for next season.
One freshman who appears capable of stepping into a starring role is

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With the tumult

his nomination for

lining his direction for the University,

Does Wethington have a vision for the University?

With nearly 20 years in administrative positions at UK, Charles T. Wethington Jr. should have a pretty good idea where the University has been, its historical nuances and political pratfalls. But more importantly as its president, the 55-year-old Kentuckian should be able to clearly articulate where he wants the University to

Sadly, that has yet to happen.

Preside almost nine months as the University's interim president, Sadly, that has yet to happen.

Despite almost nine months as the University's interim president, and now more than three months in the actual position, Wethington has yet to clearly state where he sees the University, and more importantly, what direction he wants to take it in aside from comments to reporters and groups that he wants to make this a university Kentuckians can be proud off. A lot of rhetoric but not many specifies to



not only as a good faith gesture to the students, faculty and staff who learn and work here, but as a way of assuring his critics that he intends to take this University forward.

When David Roselle was named this University's ninth president in 1987, there was little question where and how he wanted to take the University. It was abundantly clear.

As the state's flagship institution. UK poods at the next rank of means and the state in the control of the state's flagship institution.

As the state's flagship institution, UK needed to move forward to the next rank of research institutions in this country to more effectively serve this state and nation

tively serve this state and nation.

Such a contention was clearly and forcefully stated in speeches and small meetings across the campus and state by Mr. Roselle. We know the rest of the story, however, and the optimism that accompanied Mr. Roselle's arrival was quickly ushered out only to be replaced by uncertainty and skepticism about the future.

Mr. Wethington, for better or for worse, is that future. The UK precidency is the realization of a lifeloney and for Wethington. And

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presidency is the realization of a lifelong goal for Wethington. And there can be no doubt that he has capably, even exceptionally, handled the tasks given to him throughout his career here.

Under him, the community college system has flourished, and his colleagues in the Kentucky General Assembly say that he is an effective, and convincing, lobbyist on behalf of UK.

However, being a university president involves much more than lobbying for dollars and overseeing the community college system. While not diminishing those accomplishments, Mr. Wethington undoubtedly faces the bigsest challense of his career. doubtedly faces the biggest challenge of his career.

The University, as it seemingly always is, remains at a crossroads. It can remain in the backwaters of higher education mediocrity, settling for its place as one of many fine, but average, landgrant institutions. Or it can move forward.
Wethington should start with a campuswide address early this semester at the Otis A. Singletary Center for the Arts. There, the campuss at-large can see Mr. Wethington's willingness to confront and
articulate the issues this University faces now, and in the future.
In doing that, Mr. Wethington has several questions to answer.
Among them are the status of selective admissions versus the
need to provide access to higher education, providing for the highly
touted new library, dealing with the controversy over the recruitment of minority students and faculty, and questions about the disparity in salaries between UK's male and female employees.
Mr. Wethington has more than proven that he is a competent and
skilled administrator.
Now, he must show that he has vision.



1991 will see Buchanan challenge Bush

ow that we are officially into the 1990s and the decade's first year, 1991, we can say goodbye to the 1980s. The last decade was one of 1980s. The last decade was one of record-breaking economic growth and an unparalleled outbreak of freedom all over the world. We can simply say, "Thank you" to the vision and leadership of Ronald Reagan. We must now look ahead, hough, and see what is in store for us. Here are my predictions for 1991, even though these things never work out and only embarrass their authors:

•We will go to war. Yes, George •We will go to war. res, occupe. Bush will send in the troops against Saddam Hussein. The war will be less than six weeks long and will be won by the United States and its al-lies. Saddam will be killed with lit-tle mourning taking place on either side. Contrary to peacenik worries, the renewed draft is a myth. Bush will once again climb in the polls, will once again climb in the polls, but not to his mammoth 76 percent approval rating. Kuwait will be a smoking shell and the emir of Ku-wait will not be returned to full power if any

smoking shell and the emir of Kuwait will not be returned to full
power, if any.

'The U.S. economy will get better. We may be in a recession, even
though not enough time has passed
to officially label the economy as
such. The upturn will occur in the
fourth quarter, probably in October.
The prime cause of the recession
will have been Bush's tax raise, but
he'll (of course) ury to blame it on
his lack of control of Congress.

'Thurgood Marshall will leave
the Supreme Court. Whether by
death or otherwise, Marshall will
leave. Bush will appoint Judge
Edith Jones of Texas to replace
him. The move will be an attempt
to placate conservatives who will
already be supporting someone elso
for president (see below). The Jones
confirmation hearings will be very
bitter along the same lines as the
Bork hearings. Jones will be confirmed because of her appeal to the
Southern Democrats who torpedoed
Bork. This will give the Court a solid conservative majority.

-Pat Buchanan will make plans



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to run against Bush in the '92 Re-publican primary. Buchanan al-most ran last time but did not want to hurt Jack Kemp's chances for the nomination. Buchanan will leave

most ran last tume but did not war to hurt Jack Kemp's chances for the nomination. Buchanan will leave Cable News Network in the summer to carry the conservative banner to carry the conservative banner to support Buchanan, and Newt Gingrich also will be among his prominent supporters.

-Chancellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway will leave UK. After being a top candidate for the University of Nebraska presidency, Hemenway will once again seek greener pastures. Claiming that much of his agenda was completed at UK, he'll run off to another state university as its president.

-Larry Hopkins will be elected.

dent.

*Larry Hopkins will be elected governor of Kentucky. With megabucks behind him, Hopkins will win a close election against Brereton Jones. Jones will have defeated Martha Wilkinson in the primary, but the Democrats will be so split they will not be able to recover. The Wilkinson camp will work against long and even sometime Republic

kins.

*Mario Cuomo will not run for President. Frightened by his recent close re-election in New York, Cuomo will have another case of his inmo will have another case of his in-famous cold feet and bow out. Sen. Robert Kerry of Nebraska will be the front-numer for the Democratic nomination. The Rev. Jesse Jackson will once again run but will be cas-saide by the majority of blacks and will not be a strong force in the Democratic Party again.

-The Wildcats men's basketball

-The Wildcats men's basketball team will be ranked in the top ten in the nation preseason. After fin-ishing at No. 8 in the nation as-winning the SEC regular season in 1991, the addition of super-recruit Chris Weber will make the Cats NCAA championship contenders.



Weber will decide to attend UK after tiring of the endless squabbling between Michigan and Michigan State. Weber also will become a columnist at the Kernel, continuing

columnist at the Kernel, continuing his interest in journalism.

-Trouble at a BOT meeting. After Foster Ockerman tells faculty trustee Carolyn Bratt to get him some coffee, she will be so shocked she'll actually do it.

-Dan Quayle will make a decision. Looking at a war and a recession. Looking at a war and a recession decident it will be seen as a brilliant move and will cause the press to reevaluate his political acumen.

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*SGA will take a stand. After much debate, the SGA Senate will pass a measure (with SGA President Sean Lohman's discreet support) undorsing a new library, calling for UK to be handicapped accessible and asking for more student parking. After a vote on such divisive issues, no one will comment to the press afterwards. Lohman will call for healing period to recover from such hard decision-making.

Well there we go. There might be one or two that won't work out, but who knows ... I could be a prophet.

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Columnist will search campus for tidbits of knowledge

a new year gets underway, what is my pledge to you, the average loe and Betty Newsreader? In a nutshell, I'll be expanding my horizons and moving the column in entirely new directions. I want my column to be something it hasn't been in the past

something it hasn't been in the past
—funny.
So after an exhaustive reader survey, complete with random telephone polling, detailed house-to-house canvassing and extensive computer analysis, I feel I have a firm grasp on what you think of me and my column, though I'm afraid that some of your more graphic suggestions defy several laws of science. Since this is a family newsnagestions dery several laws of scir-ence. Since this is a family newspa per, I'll stick to the comments suitable for print.

I appreciated the dozen or so of you who wrote that I was an "insuf ferable hack flailing about in the



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vermin-infested muck of (my) own stupidity," for I feel the statement was made in the spirit of friendship rather than anything else. In addition to those comments in

rather than anything else.

In addition to those comments in the reader survey, I also found that letters to the editor throughout the semester were a constant help. I'd like to offer a special thanks to be letter writer last November who pointed out that I had been spelling the word "Kentucky" wrong. I don't know what I was thinking those first few months. Boy, is my face red!

In your letters, you noted the col-

umns you especially enjoyed. My salute to towels back in October re-duced many of you to tears. The four-part series I did about my sum-mer bus trip to Des Moines, lowa, tugged numerous heartstrings as

well.

Regular readers of this column
will never forget my detailed description of the recently restored
boyhood home of Duncan Hines, no
matter how hard they might try.

I didn't sh away from controversy last semester. My probing investigative piece: "Jams Versus Jellies:
A Toast Lover Takes a Stand," led
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A Toast Lover Takes a Stand, led to an angrilly divided campus, complete with arguments, assorted fisticuffs and widespread hostility on both sides. One leading campus activist covered himself in peach preserves and staged a sit-in near the newspaper office, where he sang old folk songs about toast.

Now that my trusty ol' typewriter has been repaired, I'll be able to use the letter "c" again after a three-month absence

But all of that is in the past. Let's nove into the present, shall we?

move into the present, shall we?

As the new year gets underway, readership for the column has doubled and now hovers near double digits. Given this, qualitative improvements are being made even as we speak. Changes will soon be ob-

vious.

Now that my trusty ol' typewriter has been repaired, I'll be able to use the letter "c" again after a three-month absence. This should certainly add to my choice of words to use. But the changes (which I used to have to spell with a "k") don't stop there. There will be more jokes about Bea Arthur, obviously. Fewer

coded messages to my pals at Ed's Pool Hall. More of my own blue-

Peol Hall. More of my own blue-ribbon, county fair-winning recipes will be featured, including my deep-dish bologna loaf and my hickory-smoked spam-kebabs.

More of my helpful hints for ever-yday campus living are on the way. Each and every column will bring you, the reader, invaluable gems of pertinent campus information. In a typical column, I might casually mention WRFL's new 24-hour phone-in yodeling hotline, the "what's in the soup?" betting pool in the Student Center Grille, the Student Government Association's complimentary back and foot rub-

downs every other Thursday, or I might offer tips on how to get extra Ho-Hos out of campus vending ma-chines. You can't afford *not* to read

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Don't understand the "Nancy"
comic strij? It's deeper than you
might think. In a new feature, I'll
break down the dialogue, word for
word, and analyze any symbolism
that might confuse the "Nancy" layman.

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These and other changes will greet you each week in the all-new 1991 model of the column. The old version may have been immature and amateurish, but I'm sure you'll agree that the new version is the exact opposite — amateurish and im-

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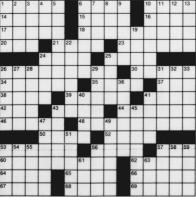
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