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## Pigeons, Pigeons, Pigeons... They go home again and again

### Bird racing gives vicarious thrills

And they're off...  
Of Fly-by-Night is on the inside next to the high tension wires. On the outside Statue Sal takes the lead. Dew Dropper, Flights and Fine Feathered Friend are trailing behind. As they come down the home stretch, it's Fly-by-Night and Statue Sal flying beak to beak. And the winner, Fly-by-Night by a wing span.

By NELL FIELDS  
Images Editor

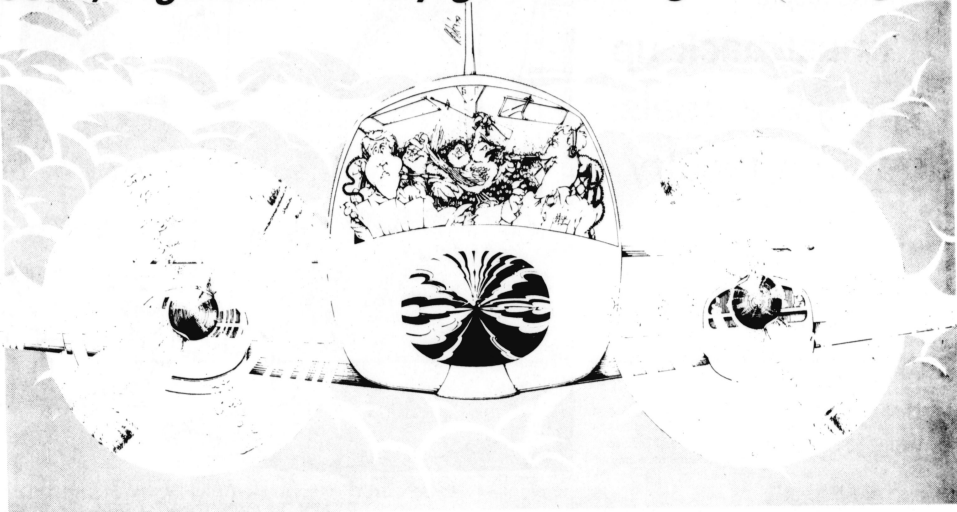
Although racing forms and pari-mutuel windows aren't available yet, pigeon racing has to be one of the America's fastest growing sports. In Lexington, members of a club devoted to the sport meet every month, as they have for 40 years.

Nature endowed pigeons with an innate homing instinct, one that science has not sufficiently explained. Collier's Encyclopedia cites experiments that indicate that pigeons navigate by the sun, and have the ability to judge time and direction. Also, when nearing the home loft, a pigeon is guided by familiar landmarks.

However it's done, pigeons somehow complete races, which be as long as 500 miles. Pigeon racing in Lexington has two seasons — fall, for the young birds (raised that year), and spring, for the older birds. Some races have over 6,000 contestants.

The Lexington Racing Pigeon Club club has more than 13 races each year. Their races are just for fun — no cash prizes are awarded. In larger clubs, however, some races are worth \$1,000 to \$2,000.

Jim Latimer, president of the club, explained how the races work: Metal bands are attached to the pigeons' legs, and then the



birds are shipped to specified locations, frequently in southern states like Florida and Mississippi.

Delta Airlines ships the birds for the club. The shipping cost for 150,000 pigeons is around \$75. Delta makes arrangements with ticket agents at the release point to feed and water the birds, and then to set them free.

The agents call the club to tell them the release time and what the weather conditions are.

When the bird returns to each member's loft, the band is put into a locked clock and

the finish time is stamped on paper. After all the birds are in, members meet and compare results: the pigeon with the fastest speed wins.

Speed is judged by the how much distance was covered and how much time the bird took. The distance from each member's loft to the release point is certified by survey companies in yards.

But before the race, the pigeons have to be trained. Young birds are released a mile from the loft to start, and gradually work their way up to 10 miles away, or until the owner thinks the bird is ready for the big race.

Latimer, who works as a detective for Lexington Metro Police, said pigeon racing is a type of sport anybody can get into. "It is a highly competitive sport. It also offers competition to people who can't afford horses."

To some, pigeons are a nuisance. But Latimer said pigeons can show quite a bit of character. "If wounded, for example," he said, "they'll still come home — fly over 500 miles just to get back to the loft."

Club member Cecil Hestand said not all birds come home. He said some birds get

killed by flying into high tension wires. During fall racing season, some of the birds are shot by dove hunters.

(Two years ago Metro Police had a "pigeon detail" that shot pigeons in response to complaints that the birds spread diseases.)

A good racing pigeon is worth a good deal more than an ordinary bird in a bush. While an average racing pigeon can be purchased for as little as \$10, top-notch racers are sometimes worth over \$500. Latimer was once offered \$500 for one of his birds from a local bidder. He said the highest-priced bird today is worth \$21,000.

To raise money, the 13,000-member American Pigeon Racing Union, a national club, has a pigeon auction every year. Money from the auction goes to the Vincent Snyder Scholarship Fund, which supports applicants to nursing schools.

Although pigeon racing has a large following in the U.S., Belgium is the traditional home of the sport. Pigeon racing is also very popular in England. In these European countries the sport is sophisticated enough to have full-time loft managers, who take care of the birds.

Highlights of the sport have been recorded in the Book of World Records. One account in the 1975 edition gave this account of the longest recorded flight:

A pigeon was released from a ship off the Ichabo Islands, West Africa, on April 8, 1845. The pigeon flew 7,000 miles trying to return to its loft at Nine Elms, England. On June 1, 55 days after release, the weary bird dropped dead one mile from its home.

### In pigeon racing, student enjoys taking part, not victories

By NELL FIELDS  
Images Editor

Pigeon racing is not one of the usual extra-curricular activities college students put on their resumes. That wouldn't be true

with UK sophomore Ken Schlick.

Schlick, a French major, has been racing pigeons for two years and is a member of the Lexington Racing Pigeon Club.

He owns 80 pigeons of various strains. He said the cost of feeding the birds runs about \$15 a month. "They really don't eat much, just all different sorts of grain."

The cost of keeping pigeons can be a lot higher, depending on the size of the loft. Schlick said a loft can be as elaborate as a person wants, but it doesn't matter much to the pigeons. He keeps his birds in a 12-by-14 foot room in his family's barn.

Although Schlick has not yet won a race, one of his birds has placed third. There is no money included in the winnings, but that doesn't matter to him. "I race birds for the fun of it."

Well, with 80 pigeons, who wouldn't have fun?

### WWII spawned a pigeon hero

Everybody is familiar with G.I. Joe, the nine-inch soldier doll with 18 movable parts. But now, trivia buffs, try this one: Who is the G.I. JOE (sic) who saved at least 1,000 British troops during World War II?

A pigeon. Yep, a one-pound homing pigeon.

According to an account recorded by Otto Meyer, former Commander of the U.S. Army Pigeon Service, G.I. JOE is the most outstanding military pigeon in history.

On Oct. 18, 1943, the British 56th

Brigade was scheduled to attack the Italian city of Colvi Vecchia. The U.S. was scheduled to bomb the city to soften the entrance for the brigade.

German troops retreated, and British troops entered the city ahead of schedule. All radio attempts to cancel the bombing, however, failed.

With the important message in "hand," G.I. JOE flew 20 miles back to the U.S. airbase. He arrived just as the planes were warming up to take off.

G.I. JOE was awarded the Dicken Medal for gallantry by the Lord Mayor of London in November, 1946. He is the only U.S. bird or animal to receive the high award.

On June 3, 1961, G.I. JOE died at the age of 18. The dark, checkered bird can be seen in the Historical Center at Ft. Monmouth, N.J. — stuffed, of course.

## today

### local

#### A LONE MASKED MAN ROBBED A BRANCH OF FIRST SECURITY BANK here and escaped with an undetermined amount of money, police said yesterday.

The man did not display a weapon during the 3 p.m. robbery, but police tentatively were calling the incident an armed robbery yesterday afternoon.

The bandit was described as 6-feet, 160 pounds. He was wearing a nylon stocking mask and a brown knit cap, according to witnesses.

#### THE CORNERSTONE HAS BEEN LAID IN KENTUCKY OF A PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION NETWORK at improving shipment of Appalachian coal to utilities throughout the East and Midwest.

A conditional agreement was signed Tuesday by a group of investors headed by William Hughes of Lexington to purchase the 50-mile Paris to Maysville line from the Louisville & Nashville Railroad for \$672,000.

The agreement hinges on approval by the Interstate Commerce Commission, which could take six months or more. However, Hughes said yesterday he hopes the ICC will grant an emergency car service order to permit his company to begin operating the line March 15.

### state

#### TENG HSIAO-PING TRADED WASHINGTON AND THE RIGORS of statecraft for the frigid south yesterday to see first-hand the American technology he covets for China's catch-up race with today's world.

Teng walked toward a small welcoming crowd at the airport outside Atlanta and shook hands in the style of an American politician on a campaign.

"I am sure that our visit in Atlanta will leave us with fine memories and that we will learn a lot from you," the Chinese vice premier said in a brief reply to Gov. George Busbee's welcoming address.

### nation

#### THE LABOR DEPARTMENT HAS ANNOUNCED A REVAMPED PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SYSTEM DESIGNED to crack down on mismanagement and corruption and target more aid to the most needy.

The department said yesterday it has replaced top Washington managers of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act program, developed new controls to root out fraud and bad management, and adopted stiffer penalties for those who abuse the program.

The overhaul also includes simplified regulations, increased federal assistance for local CETA managers and new eligibility rules that would limit assistance to poorer and longer-term unemployed people.

### world

#### AYATULLAH RUHOLLAH KHOMENI, THE VOICE FROM AFAR WHO ROCKED IRAN into ousting the shah, came home to Tehran triumphantly from 14 years of exile yesterday.

He challenged the shaky government and warned Americans and others he will "cut the hands" of foreign control over the nation.

"There cannot be a country with two governments, so the illegal Bakhtiari government (shah endorsed) has to get out," he declared. Khomeni defined Islam as a religiously oriented but vaguely defined Islamic republic.

### weather

CLOUDY AND SLIGHTLY WARMER TODAY with highs in the mid and upper 20s. Cloudy with snow commencing tonight, continuing tomorrow. Low tonight near 20, high tomorrow in low 30s.

## SBA President Cunningham wants change for the better

By JAY FOSSETT  
Staff Writer

Shirley Cunningham, Student Bar Association president, is a man of many views, opinions, and plans.

Cunningham, who was elected last October as SBA's first black president, discussed his views on Kentucky, the law and academic integration in a recent interview.

"Being raised in a small town in western Kentucky, you don't have the right kind of motivation and incentive to pursue a professional field," said the Cadiz, Ky., native. "There are total lapses of any black professionals, so that you don't even perceive the thought of pursuing some type of professional career."

"I'm really concerned with the criminal justice system," said Cunningham. "Back in my hometown there is hardly any justice. They still have old time mock courts — it's unbelievable some of the things you see."

"It boils the hell out of me only because I couldn't see me committing myself to going back to a place where I thought the system was so screwed up that it couldn't work. I think I'd be beating my head against the wall and never making any progress."

Cunningham said his town was not

exception and added that some towns are much worse than his own.

"They just scare the hell out of these people and there is nobody down there to take sincere interest in them and inform them of what their real rights are. They don't even know justice, and probably don't even see what the justice system holds for them. They aren't even aware there is justice."

The regulation which provides public defenders for people who cannot afford legal counsel, he said, is

as much a farce as the courts themselves.

"They (public defenders) get paid a minimal amount from the state and really have no concern about the person. It's just another buck from the state."

Cunningham said that if blacks are to receive justice today, they will have to do it through the political system. "The day of the Black Panthers is gone."

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## Vandy tickets ready

Ticket distribution for the UK-Vanderbilt game, the final home game, will be done this Sunday at Memorial Coliseum, along with distribution of student tickets for the Alabama and Mississippi State games. Distribution will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday.

The Vanderbilt game will be played Friday, Feb. 23, at Rupp Arena. The change was made because of many requests and a desire to avoid another Sunday distribution session for only one

game, said Associate Dean of Students T. Lynn Williamson.

Remaining tickets for the Alabama and Mississippi State games will be sold next Tuesday to students with validated identification and activity cards. Remaining tickets for the Vanderbilt game will not go on sale until Tuesday, Feb. 20.

The Vanderbilt game was scheduled on Friday night because of an away contest with South Carolina on Sunday, Williamson said.

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With sad record

## UK must back up impressive goals on hiring faculty

The goals the University has set for hiring minority and female faculty members are impressive. But to even come close to reaching those goals, UK must perform significantly better than it has in the past.

The total University faculty has only 32 blacks and 492 women among its 2,043 members. That means only 1.7 percent of the faculty is black and only 24 percent is female.

On the Lexington campus, less than 1 percent of the faculty is black, and only 12 percent is female. The sad statistics explain why UK's image is tainted by impressions of a white-dominated, country club atmosphere.

That image was attacked last year by the Women's Equity Action League Fund, which said UK has the worst record of the nation's 50 largest research schools in hiring female scientists and engineers. UK women faculty members, the group said, comprised only 4.2 percent of the science and engineering faculties, far below the national average of 16 percent.

UK officials disputed the figures that were cited by that organization, saying that they were somewhat dated (the figures came from a National Science Foundation 1977 survey). But recent gains are probably the result of more hiring of female faculty members at the community colleges. Officials admit that the record isn't as good as they say they'd like it to be.

According to the new plan announced this week, 25 more black professors will be hired, making the faculty 3 percent black; while 58 additional female members will be added, increasing their ratio to 17 percent. UK's administration has higher proportions of integration, and was not included in the plan.

In some instances, faculty search committees — especially in the sciences — have difficulty getting any applications at all from women for job openings.

"We have a desperate problem getting women to enter the field of engineering," said Engineering Professor Louis M. Brock several weeks ago. "There is a small pool of qualified women . . . any woman."

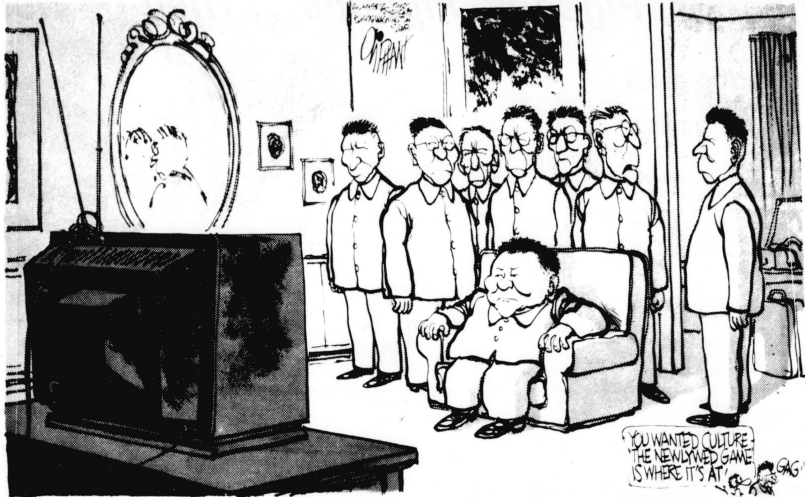
"But there hasn't really been any pressure brought by the administration to look a little bit harder," said Brock, the head of the UK American Association of University Professors chapter. "I'm not blaming them; it's just never been much of an issue here."

But the percentages of minorities and faculty members at UK is now becoming an important issue. A team of federal inspectors from HEW will be touring several state universities this month, to evaluate how well Kentucky has done in desegregating colleges.

HEW has shown that it is willing to flex bureaucratic muscles on desegregation. The higher education systems of North Carolina and other states were threatened with the loss of federal aid unless integration efforts were improved.

In Kentucky, the low percentages of black students and faculty at the most prestigious university, coupled with the existence of a traditional black enclave — Kentucky State in Frankfort — may bring strong criticism from HEW.

It's necessary for UK to demonstrate that it is acting in good faith toward bringing more black professors and students to Lexington. The new plan's goals are laudable, but the effort to fulfill them must be just as good.



START PACKING OUR STUFF — AFTER WATCHING AMERICAN TELEVISION PROGRAMS, MR. TENG IS READY TO GIVE THIS COUNTRY BACK TO TAIWAN!

## Letters to the Editor

### Killing Americans

Greg Campbell, in his Jan. 31 letter to the editor, claims that the American government is directly responsible for the atrocities of the Iranian regime. Alha Orsi (also in a letter to the editor) tells us not to identify with American oil companies that pay Iranian labor starving wages.

The protesters in Iran aren't killing the American government or American oil companies — just Americans.

John White  
Accounting sophomore

### Can't get books

There is some truth to your expose of professors who order textbooks late. (*Kernel*, Jan. 26) I think I did it once. But this time, my orders were in before the fall deadline — and still I had to start a spring course without the text I planned to use first. Lippincott (a leading textbook publisher) failed to notify either bookstore that the title had been taken over by a new publisher until the day before classes started. They chose this convenient date because that was when they sent all the book orders they did have.

Such indifference to the consumer is not uncommon. Of course, publishers have their own worries. They are squeezed by costs as we all are, and banking on a demand for books is a risky business. Unfortunately, more and more publishers are passing along their costs in the form of inconvenience to their customers: slow service, late service, no service, and poor information. "TOS" (temporarily out of stock) can mean almost anything. Bookstores must swallow ever-stricter from publishers on minimum orders and the percentage of unsold copies that may be returned.

And there are always new, higher prices.

Perhaps you should place more of the blame for late books on publishers. Born before the age of computers, I am still amazed that it takes more than six weeks to send books from a warehouse to a university bookstore. The reasons are probably very interesting. But a letter?

Thomas M. Adams  
Assistant Professor  
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### "Genius" editorial

Friday, January 26, I picked up a *Kentucky Kernel* from the floor of the

Student Center Ice Cream Parlor. I wondered why a student would leave one there. I turned to the editorial page and my answer lay before me. There in bold print read "SG's Wildcat Lodge approval is slap at on-campus residents."

The wise editor who wrote that the difference between the students living in Boyd Hall and those living in the Wildcat Lodge is that the one group is at UK to student and the other group to play basketball.

Must we assume that University of Kentucky basketball players are not students? Then why is it that I saw Dwight Anderson and Kyle Macy crossing through the wind tunnel the other day when it was too icy for even Jimmy Conners and his fountain lectures. With my hand on a Rawlings, I'll swear they were carrying books. Could it be that Freddie Cowan and Chris Gettlefinger are merely just hanging out in my Kentucky Geography class each Tuesday and Thursday.

The writer went on to proclaim that Student Government's support of special athletic dorms does little to enhance their role as the spokesman for the UK student body. I disagree. The athletes are as much a part of the UK student body as any other group of students. And as for the majority of students' opinions concerning the Wildcat Lodge — take a poll. I'll give odds that it is a 10 to 1 favorite.

(The famous polls for the recognition of the Gay (Students Coalition) as an organized group at the University of Kentucky never showed it to be popular with the student body. Then again, I don't believe its regular attendance ever reached 23,500 either.)

Just how the hell the genius of that editorial can say that Student Government's approval wounded students living in dorms in desperate need of repair, I'll never understand. It was always my impression that the funds for the Wildcat Lodge came from private donations. Are there not rooms in Holmes Hall now available for other on-campus residents to move into with the arrival of the athletic dorm? Given — a dorm such as Boyd Hall isn't the Hyatt or Hilton of the University of Kentucky campus, but Coach Hall can't raise funds for that. If hell is to be raised (and indeed it should) pressure the University to dig a little deeper for repairs that I agree are surely needed.

Sporting the mud streak of a river carp, the writer suggests that living in what he calls a "goldfish bowl" may have contributed to the departure of two players this season. (I had to wipe fudge off this particular paragraph.)

Totally ridiculous! Never once have

I heard any evidence of this bubble language from the gills of those two exiting players as one of their reasons for leaving. Coach Joe B. Hall has lost two players this season, but he has also gained two scholarships to cast out into that great sea of talent that will exist at season's end.

Sure I would like to live in a dorm of the quality of the Wildcat Lodge. Who knows — if I grow 20 inches this summer or am able to increase my speed to beat Anderson 20 yards in the 40-yard dash — I may become a resident. But I'll settle for my self-paced fast break from the heart of the student ghetto to Big Daddy's and back, with some true blue spirits in time to watch the replay on the tube.

So here's a tip from my Wildcat sock-cap to Student Government for supporting the Big Blue. (Identify yourself and you can cut in front of me at any ticket distribution line.) And to the *Kentucky Kernel* — as a slip of my Wildcat claw. May I suggest a nice orange school in Knoxville? Mickey McCoy  
English senior

### Iran's revolution

I am surprised that no one connected with the *Kernel* or in communication with it has taken note of the current situation in Iran in light of what some historians have called the "possible phases of great revolutions."

This analysis, based on the English Civil War of the 17th Century, the French Revolution of the 18th and 19th Centuries, and the Russian Revolution of this century, lists five phases of a revolution:

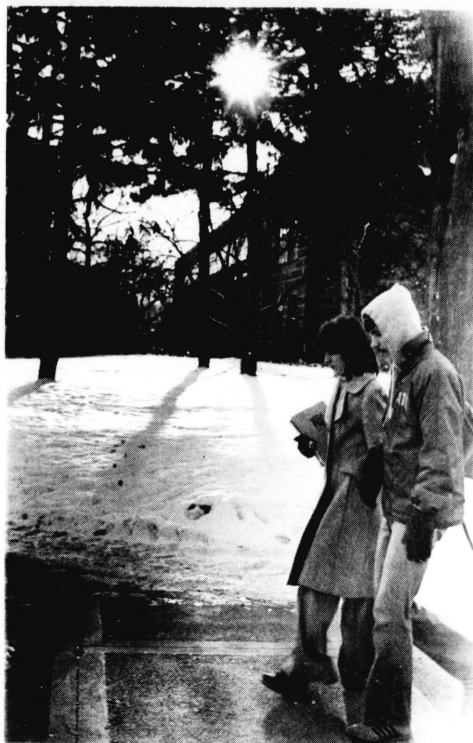
1. "Moderate" revolution
2. "Radical" revolution overthrows the "moderate" revolution.
3. A "Reign of Terror"
4. Reaction against the terror overthrows the "radicals."
5. Consolidation of limited gains under a strong central government.

Under this analysis the present situation in Iran is somewhere between numbers one and two. Obviously, such an analysis has its drawbacks. It is very artificial and based on situations in countries very different from Iran in certain respects.

However, this analysis is still useful in showing the enormous power that circumstances alone can have on a given political situation. Alexander Solzhenitsyn has noted that, "When a train carries you in the wrong direction and you decide to jump off, you have to jump with the motion of the train, and not against it. The inertial force of history is just as hard to resist."

Patrick Watts  
First-year Law





By GARY LANDERS/Kernel Staff

**Watching their steps**

UK student Ron Otto and friend take a treacherous winter stroll across the ice-covered sidewalk by the Classroom Building.

*'Don't even run'*  
**With filled lot, UK sues to sell impounded cars**

By JACK WAINWRIGHT  
Copy Editor

A three-year accumulation of impounded autos has left the University with a full lot of unclaimed cars that it wants to get rid of. Seven suits have been filed to grant UK the right to sell the autos, if fines are not paid.

Jack Blanton, vice president of business affairs, said the cars are junkers just sitting there. "They don't even run," he said jokingly. "We let the impound lot go until we find that it's full, and then we clear it out."

Blanton said this was the first time he could remember the lot being full. The seven suits will cost the University about \$400 in court fees. One defendant is Tim Hossain of E125 Cooperstown Apartments. Hossain had his car towed Feb. 27, 1978.

Although it occurred nearly a year ago, his was the most recent impoundment listed in the suits. Hossain's wife, Mrs. Toni Hossain, said her husband didn't care that his 1966 Volkswagen was towed. "He did not know how to drive it when he bought it," she said. "He just let them tow it off because it didn't run very well."

There were eight suits originally filed. However, UK found its \$516 suit against Robert L. Swift to be in error. In addition to the suit against Hossain, suits have been filed against the following:

- Betty Ellison of 295 Lafayette Parkway; 1966 Plymouth impounded Sept. 27, 1975, costs \$763.
- Bernard Pierson of 6C Cooperstown Apartments; 1966 Volkswagen impounded Jan. 4, 1977, costs \$765.
- Ronald Mitchell of 508 Woodbine Road; 1963 Chevrolet impounded May 21, 1977, costs \$651.
- Obodah D. Aki of E110 Shawneetown Apartments; 1969 Oldsmobile impounded Sept. 27, 1977, costs \$543.
- George Searight of 153 Colfax Street; 1966 Volkswagen impounded Oct. 2, 1977, costs \$509.
- Audrey McNealy of Route 1 Jellico, Tennessee; 1966 Mercury impounded, Nov. 10, 1977, costs \$539.

— A lawsuit gives only one side of a case.

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The visit is expected to provide some idea of how much money and resources will be needed to properly dispose of the materials.

A spokesman for the Environmental Protection Agency's regional office in Atlanta said federal aid is being considered to help Kentucky dispose of the drums.

Making the trip here from Washington will be representatives of EPA, the Senate Public Works Committee, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Justice Department.

Justice Department officials will study the circumstances

and backgrounds of the sites to assist in formulating guidelines on hazardous waste disposal.

The 10 to 12 members in the party will spend Friday afternoon inspecting two or three sites, including the William Distler farm in southwest Jefferson County.

Flooding at the farm in December scattered more than 800 drums buried over a half-mile along Stump Gap Creek.

Last month federal officials spent 100,000 putting the chemicals into transport drums.

Planned disposal of the drums has touched off protests from some residents and officials of Williamsburg, Ohio.

A citizens' group has criticized plans to dispose of the material there and a spokesman said it would not allow the dumping without opposition.

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**Hall's 'Smalls' look to avenge LSU**

By JOHN CLAY  
Assistant Sports Editor

Would you believe Hall's "Smalls" versus Brown's "Bullies." Given the past reputations of Coach Joe B. Hall's Kentucky Wildcats and Dale Brown's Louisiana State Tigers, that just doesn't quite sound like the right way to describe tomorrow night's 8:30 p.m. meeting between the two Southeastern Conference teams in Baton Rouge.

In the past Brown would always seem to claim that his poor Tigers were no match for the brutal Wildcats. Maybe that was because the Tigers have beaten the Cats only five times during 50 meetings between the two teams.

But it looks like that the Tigers day in the sun has finally arrived. LSU has won the last two contests between the two clubs, a 95-94 overtime win in the Tigers' den last year and a 93-89 triumph at Rupp Arena in early January of this year (the first ever for the Louisiana school on Kentucky's court).

Add to this the fact that LSU is 7-3 in the conference and 15-3 overall compared with the Wildcats 5-5 SEC mark and 10-7 overall slate and the Tigers

should be rated a heavy to moderate favorite.

But before Wildcat fans start into some heavy sighs, they can take heart. UK is riding a four-game winning streak and has played with a lot more spirit and intensity since starting center Chuck Aleksinas left the squad two weeks ago.

"To win four in a row at this time has really been great," says Hall. "I just can't say enough for my players and how they got their heads up with all the adversity we've had with losing players. But we got ourselves back together and this is just the greatest bunch of guys you ever saw. I can't praise them enough for their attitude and their toughness. They've stuck right with it."

But if there is a hitch to the winning streak it is that the

victories came over the lower division of the SEC. However, the LSU game is the first of a six-day, three-game trek that could either make or break Hall's squad.

"We'd be happy to get two wins on this trip," says Hall of the journey which will take the Cats to Mississippi and Vanderbilt as well as Baton Rouge.

"We would be super unhappy to lose all three. If you just get one win, you avoid disaster, but it's going to be tough."

One Wildcat who has shown signs of being able to hold up to the toughness is freshman Dwight Anderson. The 6-3 swingman scored a season-high 25 points for the Cats in their 87-81 win over Florida at Rupp Arena Saturday night and then

led Hall's troops with 13 points in a 66-59 triumph over Auburn on Monday.

"His improvement is just tremendous," smiles Hall. "He's settling in real well and not making the mistakes he made earlier. He's really coming into his own."

The Tigers are led by sophomore forward DeWayne Scales who poured in 25 points on 11-of-14 from the field in the first meeting. The 6-9 frontman also had a game-high 11 rebounds.

Brown also has some other talented trees to pick from in 6-9 Greg Cook, 6-9 Lionel Green, 7-footer Rick Mattick, 7-2 Andy Campbell and 6-7 Walter Campbell.

In the backcourt, Brown is expected to start 6-2 senior Al

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Green and 6-0 sophomore Ethan Martin with 6-3 junior Jody Hultberg and 6-3 sophomore Willie Sims in reserve.

Actually, Brown's team is almost as young as Hall's Kittens, or Wildcats. The Tigers start three sophomores and two seniors.

But one familiar face UK will not have to worry about is 6-7 forward Rudy Macklin. The junior from Louisville who was injured earlier in the season has decided to sit out the remainder of the campaign in order to keep his remaining two years of eligibility. UK fans will probably remember Macklin most for his stirring cheerleading during the Tigers earlier win over the Cats.

A win that undoubtedly the Wildcats have not forgotten

**probable starters**

**KENTUCKY** (10-7) forwards—Dwight Anderson (6-3, fr.) and LaVon Williams (6-6, jr.); center—Chuck Verderber (6-6, fr.); guards—Kyle Macy (6-3, jr.) and Truman Claxton (6-1, sr.); **LSU** (15-3) forwards—DeWayne Scales (6-9, so.) and Greg Cook (6-9, so.); center—Lionel Green (6-9, sr.); guards—Al Green (6-2, sr.) and Ethan Martin (6-0, so.)

**Minniefield picks UK**

From AP and staff dispatches

Dirk Minniefield, the leading scorer for top-ranked, undefeated Lexington Lafayette High School and considered one of the top prep basketball players in the nation, said yesterday he will stay home and attend the University of Kentucky.

The 6-foot-3, 185-pound guard made the announcement at a press conference in an effort to end the recruiting battle for his services.

In a prepared statement, Minniefield said he made his decision "after talking at length with Coach Joek Sutherland and with my family, and after examining my own thoughts."

"The University of Kentucky has a great tradition and a great program and I have always wanted to be a part of it," said Minniefield. "Lexington is my home and for those reasons I am proud to announce that I will sign a four-year grant-in-aid with the University of Kentucky."

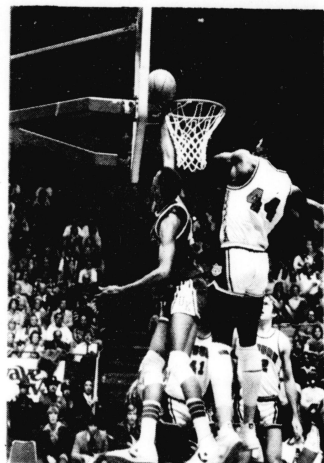
"I know what I want to do and this is just another pressure that I can rid myself of."

Presently, my main objective is to dedicate myself to my high school team and to finish out my requirements. It's important to keep my priorities in the right order."

Kentucky coach Joe B. Hall, when asked if he was happy with Minniefield's decision, replied "I can't really make a comment on this because of the NCAA rule (referring to various rules by the National Collegiate Athletic Association governing discussion of recruits). He made his verbal commitment so there will not be any more recruiting efforts made on him."

Minniefield is averaging 18.7 points-per-game for the Generals. He led the city in scoring as a sophomore with 24 points-per-game.

Minniefield's announcement apparently ends a recruiting battle in which Kentucky generally was regarded the front-runner. He had visited North Carolina State and Purdue but several other schools, including Michigan and Alabama, made strong bids.



By GARY LANDERS, Kernel Staff

**Using the glass**

UK forward Freddie Cowan drives past Auburn's Earl Banks for what seems to be an easy lay up during the Cats 66-59 victory over the Tigers Monday night. Cowan and his teammates hope to be doing more of the same when they begin a three-game road trip by visiting LSU tomorrow night.

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**Kats meet Murray Swimming team hosts Georgia**

Coach Debbie Yow's Kentucky Lady Kats will try for their second consecutive victory over the Murray State Racers, Saturday night at 7:30.

Yow's squad, now 8-11 on the season, defeated the Racers 86-68 in early December, and will try to move another step closer to the .500 mark.

The UK swim team will host Georgia in a dual meet tonight at 6:00 in the Memorial Coliseum pool. Georgia is one of the leading swim teams in the Southeastern Conference having finished fourth last year in the conference meet.

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# SBA leader criticizes rural justice

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Cunningham's undergraduate area of study was agriculture. When he graduated from high school, he wanted to go to either UK or Murray State University, but was persuaded by his parents to attend his mother's alma mater, Tennessee State, in Nashville. At Tennessee State, a predominantly black school, he majored in Rural Development (similar to Agriculture Economics) and was president of the Student Government.

"Going to Tennessee State was probably one of the best things that ever happened," he said. "I might have suffered some academically, but in all other respects, especially socially and in understanding the problems of people, I learned quite a bit. It was there I decided I wanted to pursue some type of political career."

After graduating from Tennessee State, Cunningham went to the University of Missouri where he worked on his master's thesis in Agriculture Economics. He is now enrolled in UK's Law School and finishing his final agriculture courses.

But injustices aren't restricted to small towns. Minority recruitment policies at UK, he said, need to be upgraded in order to compete with the policies of other schools.

"Everybody knows that

## Kentucky traffic fines closer to reduction

FRANKFORT (AP)—Legislation reducing state traffic fines and court costs passed the Kentucky House yesterday, and since both chambers have now passed similar measures, traffic violators are sure to get a break.

The House measure, like the Senate one, lops \$5 off the traffic fine. The House cut court costs by \$17.50 — 50 cents more than the Senate, for an overall reduction of \$12.50 in contested cases. The House and Senate measures differ slightly on other provisions.

The difference will either be resolved when the measures go to the other chamber for action, or they will be ironed out in a conference committee.

The House defeated an amendment by Rep. Claudia Riner, D-Louisville, that would have clipped an additional \$2.50 from the standard traffic fine.

The legislative action comes in response to public outcry over a \$15 increase in fines and increased court costs enacted by the 1978 General Assembly.

Meanwhile, the Senate passed one minor bill during a brief session, correcting an error made by the 1978 Legislature. The measure would allow local governments to use state price contracts in making purchases until a new model procurement code takes effect next year.

The House approved its first Senate bill, to require any state official hired after April 15 in any year to file a financial statement within 45 days of employment. The bill was amended to allow employees of local school districts to serve in the Legislature, and must go back to the Senate for concurrence.

In committee action, the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee began chipping away at state agency programs in its effort to finance proposed tax reductions.

The committee apparently intends to chip more from the state budget than Gov. Julian Carroll has proposed. The governor advanced his own plan to the General Assembly Wednesday night.



By LINDA CAMPBELL/Kernel Staff  
SBA President SHIRLEY CUNNINGHAM

federal investigators from the civil rights department (of HEW) are going to be on campus this year. It doesn't take a real bright administrator to start getting on his p's and q's and start putting out a little extra effort."

He said the UK Law School and UK as a whole has made a better effort in recruiting blacks this year than last, but added that many things prevented the school from getting qualified black students.

"Students with real good credentials might apply and get accepted, but they are blown away by the financial aid

have done more things and been more affirmative."

Cunningham said he had a divided opinion about using quota system for recruitment.

"In one respect I'm against the quota system. If they (the administrators) have to find a quota of 10 blacks, they go out and find ten blacks, disregarding the admissions criteria. So, some of the students who get into law school this way suffer emotionally, academically and socially, and end up half crazy and eventually get kicked out of school a few years down the road.

"On the other hand, I'm for the quota system. If we can get the school to say we're going to try to find 10 blacks, we can be assured that many more students will have a chance to become professionals. That is, if they can find qualified persons."

Cunningham, who will graduate next December, hasn't decided what he wants to do after graduation.

"I want to stay in Kentucky and try to seek justice, but on the other hand, I think it might be too late for that here and I might be better off in a more liberal state."

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