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Chancellor discusses waste site issue

Women's program, mandatory student attendance also mentioned during yesterday's town meetings

By Lance Williams
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Screams and accusations were replaced by pencils and paper yesterday during a presentation in Sney Auditorium, where a campus administrator answered questions about UK and its plans to build a toxic waste storage site.

Unlike a meeting held in the same building nearly a week and a half ago — when audience members yelled angry questions about the proposed on-campus facility — those in attendance yesterday submitted most of their questions on slips of paper.

The meeting was the second of 13 town meetings between campus groups and Chancellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway.

One of the slips of paper asked Hemenway's opinion of the waste site and what staff and faculty in the College of Agriculture could do to let the administration know how they felt about the project.

Hemenway responded by saying there were a number of notions about the plan that he hoped to clear up.

"First, the University has to be environmentally responsible with this new site," Hemenway said.

He also said UK must make sure

the facility will be safe.

"Bottom line, we have to have a facility," Hemenway said, because tighter state regulations require the University to use an on-campus storage site.

"I have a lot of faith in the permitting process, and there will be other chances to discuss this thing," he said. "There are still questions that need to be answered. The one thing that we must remember is that the permit will have to come from the state."

Hemenway said he believes people in the College of Agriculture may be changing their minds about the toxic waste storage unit.

"The University should not treat this as a case where you say, 'not in my backyard,'" Hemenway said. "Once you accept those principles, then it all becomes a case of logistics."

Earlier in the day, Hemenway met with about 50 faculty from the colleges of architecture, fine arts, communications and information studies, and social work in the Otis A. Singletary Center for the Arts.

During both meetings, Hemenway proposed a number of innovations for the University. One was the establishment of a women's center on campus.

"In talking with other provosts and academic heads whose institutions have a women's center, I've come to the conclusion that a wom-

en's center would perform important educational and support functions on campus," Hemenway said after the first meeting.

"It would become kind of a focal point for women's issues and for women's concerns on campus. It would be a support center for women having problems in the workplace, in the classroom or in residence halls."

Hemenway said he didn't know what form the center would take, but he said it wouldn't be a segregated unit.

"I don't think a women's center should never see a man walk through its doors," he said. "It should be educational."

Hemenway also proposed required attendance for classes, telling the audience that "we have too many students not learning now simply because they're not going to class."

"I certainly have no illusions that this will make me popular with the student body," Hemenway said.

He told the group at the College of Agriculture that the policy would probably only apply to freshmen.

Hemenway used several figures and graphs to illustrate that UK has made progress even during recent times of budget reductions.

"We've had some obvious success despite the budget cuts, and now we must ask, 'Are we on the

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Chancellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway addresses a town meeting yesterday in the Otis A. Singletary Center for the Arts Recital Hall.

PETER MOORE/Kentucky Staff

Russians watch as history unfolds

By Julia Rubin
Associated Press

MOSCOW — They may not like Boris Yeltsin. They may disapprove of parliament. But Russians say there is one thing they really hate: disorder.

They came out by the hundreds yesterday to witness the latest episode in their turbulent history. And while exploring the storming of parliament, many hoped it might finally bring peace.

"The most dangerous thing of all was having those 3,000 people with weapons," said Sergei Trifonov, a 28-year-old computer scientist, recalling hard-liners' assaults Sunday on the mayor's office and TV broadcasting center.

"It's the government's fault, though, for not acting more forcefully sooner," said Trifonov, who took the day off to stand in the crowd and watch the battle for the White House.

Away from the gunbattles and tank fire at the Russian White House, Moscow was calm. But many stores and roads were closed, as were several downtown metro stations, and many people stayed home and listened to the news.

Support for Yeltsin is much broader but more difficult than that for parliament.

Throughout the nearly two weeks since Yeltsin disbanded parliament and hard-liners holed up at the White House, the public largely went about its business. The biggest rallies for either side drew about 15,000, and most just a few thousand, in a city of 9 million people.

Even at the height of the firefight, many commuters ran hunched over, clutching briefcases and purses as they scurried to work.

A telephone poll by the Public Opinion company on yesterday morning — after hard-liners' overnight rampage but before Yeltsin's tanks went to work on parliament — showed an overwhelming 72 percent backed the president.

Only 9 percent said they supported parliament, while 19 percent "refused to answer."

Security to be increased after woman hit by bottle at stadium

By Ty Halpin
Sports Editor

After a Louisville, Ky., woman was struck by a whiskey bottle thrown from the upper deck at Commonwealth Stadium Saturday, UK Athletics Director C.M. Newton decided enough is enough.

"We've got to do something to make Commonwealth Stadium as safe as possible," Newton said yesterday. "It's become a problem, and we've tried to address it in several different ways."

Sandra Hollway, 31, was treated for the injury at Humana hospital and released.

"I want whoever threw the (bottle) to know that they did hurt somebody," Newton said. "This should not go unnoticed."

The incident did not go unnoticed to Hollway.

With about two minutes left in the game, Wildcat fans began filing out of the stadium and throwing cups and at least one bottle.

"I was leaving the game, and the next thing I knew something hit me in the head," Hollway said. "I

found out later that it was a pint-size Maker's Mark bottle."

Humana officials contacted Hollway on Sunday to tell her that she had a fractured skull. After more testing, Hollway found out her injury was less severe.

Cup throwing at ball games is not new. Last year, during UK's Sept. 19 win over Indiana, students also tossed cups.

"That was really scary to watch," UK Director of Administrative Services Rodney Stiles said. "It's been a problem ever since."

Newton said he wants to stop these actions before any more incidents occur.

"I really want to call on students for their help in this situation," he said. "The last incident went way out of the bounds of good taste. I want to thank those students who are being cooperative and ask them to keep an eye on their buddies."

Games will be more tightly controlled starting with the LSU game Oct. 16, Newton said.

"We will be making much more

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Fund raising continues

United Way effort still \$237,000 shy of this year's goal

By Erica Patterson
Assistant News Editor

Eleven days remain in UK's United Way fund drive, and the effort still is about \$237,000 short of its goal, a campaign organizer said yesterday.

Paula Pope, co-chairwoman of the UK effort, said about 40 percent — or \$158,000 — of the \$395,000 goal has been raised so far. The campaign began Sept. 9, and is scheduled to end Oct. 15, about a month earlier than usual.

Pope said she is confident the goal, which is \$2,400 higher than the amount raised last year, will be met.

"It's going well," she said of the campaign. "We are not nervous yet. We think the money will come in and we'll meet our



goal."

Pope, a library development assistant, said her top concern is ensuring that University employees know about the "hundreds of people at UK" who benefit from United Way services.

United Way of the Bluegrass provides funding for more than 100 community service agencies in Lexington and surrounding

counties. These agencies include the Child Care Council of Kentucky Inc., the Lexington Rape Crisis Center and various YMCAs.

Pope said giving to the United Way is the most effective way to help a large number of people because the organization "provides so many services to so many people."

To generate interest and raise extra donations, three special events will be held on the Lexington campus and at UK's Albert B. Chandler Medical Center.

These events "are geared for people to come out and have fun and at the same time (they) help a worthy cause," said Michele Ripley, director of Public Relations and Marketing for the College of Fine Arts and publicity chair for the campus United Way campaign.

Two festivals will be held Oct. 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the medical center courtyard and on campus. There will be food, live

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12 Americans reported killed in Somali fighting

By Reid G. Miller
Associated Press

NAIROBI, Kenya — Supporters of a Somali warlord yesterday dragged the body of an American soldier through the streets of Mogadishu, where at least 12 Americans were reported killed in the recent round of fighting.

Pentagon officials, meanwhile, said "a small number" of U.S. Army Rangers were missing in Somalia and may have been taken hostage or killed in the latest phase of a U.N. operation against warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid.

In light of the American casualties and possible American hostages, Washington was preparing to send about 200 infantrymen, tanks and armored vehicles to Mogadishu, Pentagon officials told The Associated Press. Other news reports said about seven Rangers had been captured.

Two other Pentagon officials, speaking on condition of anonymity,

said initial reports indicate at least 12 U.S. soldiers had been killed in Mogadishu since Sunday and 75 had been wounded.

The soldier dragged through the streets of the Somali capital today was one of five Americans who died Sunday in the first day of the major U.N. assault on Aidid's military command. It was not immediately clear whether the five were about two U.S. Blackhawk helicopters shot down in the U.N. search for Aidid's key lieutenants or killed in a subsequent gunbattle.

A Malaysian soldier also was killed on Sunday, the Malaysian Defense Ministry said, and an undetermined number of peacekeepers were wounded in the operation, which entered its second day yesterday.

The combat died down overnight in the Somali capital, but shooting could be heard from the area where Sunday's battle took place, including apparent cannon fire from U.S. helicopters.

INSIDE:

VIEWPOINT:
It's difficult to believe Jesse Jackson meant some of what he said in his speech at Memorial Coliseum when he deserted UK to attend a Democratic Party fund-raising event in Frankfort, Ky. Editorial, Page 4.

CORRECTION:
Because of an editor's error, the day of UK's Homecoming parade was incorrect in a photo caption in yesterday's Kentucky Kernel. The parade took place Friday.

WEATHER:
•Sunny today; high around 70.
•Clear tonight; low in the mid-40s.
•Sunny tomorrow; high in the mid-70s.

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Visiting Arabs say peace accord viewed with mix of hope, fear

By Brant Welch
Senior staff writer

War weary Middle Easterners view the peace accord between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization with a mixture of fear and apprehension, according to a group of Arab journalists visiting UK.

"We've had a history of war in the Middle East, but I hope peace will now come with this latest agreement," said Saudi Arabia Press Agency reporter Khalid Al-Atteeq, who, along with seven other journalists, is at UK this week for a writing workshop.

"There has been some progress but people are hoping that more treaties are signed," he said. "I think we're at a turning point and hope peace will be reached."

Omar Yahya Nablak, of the Jordan

News Agency, said people are optimistic but wonder what the treaties will mean to them.

"A lot of people are suspicious," he said. "The last incident went way out of the good or bad for them. I think it is a good idea and a good first step in resolving the problems we have."

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Anwar M. Al-Greih, who works for the Kuwait News Agency, said he isn't interested in what's going on with the peace talks.

"I have a different point of view on it than some people," he said. "We don't really care what the PLO is doing. The PLO is not on (Kuwait's) side. They supported

Saddam (Hussein) in the Persian Gulf War."

During their visit to the United States, the Arab journalists also are learning more about the way American media function.

They already have spent two weeks in Washington, D.C., visiting offices of The Washington Post, CNN and The Associated Press.

"In the United States you can basically say or print anything you want because the First Amendment gives you protection," Al-Greih said.

"We cannot write anything we want. The government tells you what you can or can't do. You can't cross the line."

Al-Atteeq agreed: "There is no real difference as far as transmitting the news. But here you can criticize the government of the president to a certain extent. The media can do what they want. We cannot say what we want."

SPORTS

Cats receive votes in polls

USA TODAY

1. Florida St. (57)	5-0-0	1
2. Alabama (2)	5-0-0	2
3. Miami (2)	4-0-3	3
4. Notre Dame (1)	5-0-0	4
5. Nebraska	4-0-0	5
6. Florida	4-0-0	6
7. Ohio St.	4-0-0	7
8. Penn St.	5-0-0	8
9. Oklahoma	4-0-0	9
10. Michigan	3-1-0	10
11. Arizona	5-0-0	11
12. Tennessee	4-1-0	12
13. Texas A&M	3-1-0	14
14. California	5-0-0	15
15. North Carolina	5-1-0	16
16. Virginia	5-0-0	18
17. Louisville	5-0-0	19
18. BYU	4-0-0	17
19. Wisconsin	4-0-0	20
20. West Virginia	4-0-0	22
21. Colorado	2-2-0	21
22. Syracuse	3-1-0	23
23. Fresno St.	3-1-0	24
24. Clemson	3-1-0	25
25. Indiana	4-1-0	--

Others receiving votes: North Carolina St., Oregon, UCLA, Kansas St., Boston College, Michigan St., Mississippi, Virginia Tech, Kentucky, Wyoming, Oklahoma St., Memphis St., Hawaii, Stanford, Arizona St., Arkansas, Georgia, Oregon St., Rutgers, Iowa, Nevada

Associated Press gives UK 3; USA Today awards Wildcats 19

Staff reports

The UK football team garnered national attention this week after two consecutive Southeastern Conference victories.

The Wildcats received three votes in The Associated Press poll and 19 points in the USA Today poll.

UK would be ranked the equivalent of No. 30 in the AP poll and No. 34 in the USA Today poll.

The Cats haven't been ranked since Jan. 3, 1985, following their 20-19 win over Wisconsin in the Hall of Fame Bowl on Dec. 29, 1984. UK finished 9-3 that season under head coach Jerry Claiborne. UK has had only one winning season since.

Sports Illustrated ranked UK 80th in its preseason college predictions.

UK is coming off back-to-back SEC victories over South Carolina and Mississippi. The Wildcats last accomplished such a feat in 1990, head coach Bill Curry's first season in Lexington, when they defeated Georgia and Vanderbilt in Commonwealth Stadium.

There were no major shifts in either the AP or the USA Today poll.

The first five spots remained the same in the AP poll, with Florida State taking all but one first-place vote.

Alabama remained second and had the remaining first-place vote. Miami was third, followed by Notre Dame and Florida. No. 6 Ohio State and No. 7 Nebraska switched spots, and No. 8 Penn State and No. 9 Michigan also swapped positions.

The USA Today's first 12 spots were the same as last week. Clemson and Indiana were new to the national newspaper's poll. IU, which beat UK last month, debuted at 25.

Louisville rose one spot to 17 in the AP standings and jumped two spots to 17 in the USA Today poll. The Cardinals (5-0) beat Pittsburgh 29-7 Saturday night.

Syracuse was the team that dropped the most in both polls, falling 10 spots in the AP to No. 23 and nine spots in the USA Today poll to No. 22.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

1. Florida St. (61)	5-0-0	1
2. Alabama (1)	5-0-0	2
3. Miami	4-0-0	3
4. Notre Dame	5-0-0	4
5. Florida	4-0-0	5
6. Ohio St.	4-0-0	7
7. Nebraska	4-0-0	6
8. Penn St.	5-0-0	9
9. Michigan	3-1-0	8
10. Oklahoma	4-0-0	10
11. Tennessee	4-1-0	11
12. Arizona	5-0-0	12
13. Washington	3-1-0	15
14. Texas A&M	3-1-0	14
15. North Carolina	5-1-0	16
16. California	5-0-0	17
17. Louisville	5-0-0	18
18. Virginia	5-0-0	21
19. BYU	4-0-0	20
20. Colorado	2-2-0	19
21. Wisconsin	4-0-0	22
22. Auburn	5-0-0	23
23. Syracuse	3-1-1	13
24. West Virginia	4-0-0	25
25. UCLA	2-2-0	--

Others receiving votes: Clemson, Oregon, Fresno St., Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan St., North Carolina St., Memphis St., Rutgers, Stanford, Virginia Tech, Army, Oklahoma St.

Soccer team takes on Miami at Cage Field

Cats hope to improve on 3-4-2 record

By Brett Dawson
Staff Writer

Last season, a struggling UK men's soccer team reversed its fortunes in a big game at Cincinnati, knocking off the Bearcats by scoring with less than 30 seconds remaining.

Last week, a struggling UK men's soccer team looked to be headed in the same general direction before it was thrown off track in a big way by a 3-2 come-from-ahead loss to the Bearcats at Cage Field.

The loss left the Wildcats 3-4-2 on the season and left UK head coach Sam Wooten searching for answers after his team blew a 2-0 lead by allowing UC three goals in the final 20 minutes — two of them in the last six minutes.

"After we got the second goal our guys were already in the locker room before the game was over," Wooten said after the game last week.

"I'm disappointed in the team and in their effort."

Effort, individual defense and an ability to finish offensive opportunities near the goal are the main areas Wooten said he hopes his team will improve upon heading into its game with Miami (Ohio) today at

Cage Field.

UK's defensive midfield will have to step it up for the Cats to knock off the Redskins, who come into today's 4:30 game sporting a 7-2-1 record.

Wooten was particularly unhappy with the relative ease with which Cincinnati players were able to sneak behind the UK defense in the second half of last week's loss.

"All three (Cincinnati) goals happened from the midfield," he said.

"All three came from the middle third of the field, where we let them get by us and get into our defensive third."

"Our defense broke down at the end because the pressure on them was just incredible because our forwards and midfield just quit playing hard defense."

"We just let them in our defensive third, and that's a cardinal rule that you just don't do that."

Despite the losing effort last week, the Cats found bright spots in the play of freshman midfielder Greg Lohring, who netted his third goal of the season in only his sixth attempt; and in the play of sophomore striker Brian Dausman, whose third assist of the season was a school record for the fledgling UK program.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Volleyball team wins three over weekend

The sixth-ranked UK volleyball team, led by the power of Krista Robinson, rallied from two games down twice this weekend, winning three matches on the road.

The team improved to 15-0. Robinson, a junior outside hitter, had a career-high 30 kills as the Wildcats battled back and beat Georgia Tech 8-15, 11-15, 18-16, 15-9 and 15-13 Sunday. Sophomore Molly Dreitsch added 17 kills.

The Cats also trailed No. 13 Clemson by two games but managed to pull off the victory 11-15, 15-17, 15-9, 15-6 and 15-10 Saturday night. Robinson had 26 kills in that contest, while senior Eunice Thomas added 15.

In Friday night's action in Knoxville, Tenn., UK dispatched Southeastern Conference foe Tennessee 16-14, 15-7, 17-19 and 15-12. Robinson had 18 kills, and Thomas and Ann Hall added 16 apiece.

Women's soccer team loses in two overtimes

The UK women's soccer team lost to Michigan State 2-0 in two overtimes Sunday at Cage Field.

The Spartans (6-5) scored once in each overtime to snap UK's four-game winning streak. The Lady Kats (6-5) were outshot 19-4 and were shutout for the second time this season.

The Lady Kats return to action Friday against Radford at Cage Field.

Men's golf team finishes fifth in tournament

The UK men's golf team dropped from a second-place tie to a fifth-place finish in the final round of the Colonel Golf Classic in Richmond, Ky.

UK ended the tournament with a 906 score, 16 shots behind winner Eastern Kentucky University.

The Cats were led by Matt McIntire, who finished the tournament in a tie for fourth with a 54-hole total of 221. UK's Danny Johnson finished 11th with a 225.

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Jesse Jackson used UK student money to further political, personal agenda

EDITORIAL

\$125 per minute. That's how much the Rev. Jesse Jackson's speech was worth at UK.

Not that it wasn't a compelling speech. Jackson knows how to fire up a crowd, and the power of his convictions hit the mark.

One would find it hard not to cheer for the elimination poverty, equal representation on local school committees and just treatment of all people.

Unfortunately, one may also find it hard to find a solution to these problems within Jackson's speech.

Even more unfortunate for UK students is the lack of respect Jackson showed them when he decided to do the least amount of work required of him on his trip to Lexington.

As it has already been well publicized, Jackson did not attend campus activities planned for him by the Student Activities Board and Student Government Association; instead he visited a Democratic Party fund-raising event in Frankfort.

To be fair, Jackson was paid to make a speech at UK, and he did that. However, the UK itinerary offered Jackson a chance to interact with students and instill in them a desire to work for true change in our society.

It is difficult to believe that the Rev. Jackson is sincere about the idealism he espoused to the UK and Lexington communities when he shows such little concern for them compared to that he seems to have for prominent political figures.

Perhaps his detractors are correct in their assessment that Jackson is a political opportunist first and foremost.

It's hard to keep hope alive when the very figures who are supposed to be champions of the people show so little concern for them.

Israeli peace accord slights Palestinians

Guest Opinion

"We the soldiers who have returned from the battle stained with blood, we who have fought against you, the Palestinians, we say to you today in a loud and clear voice, enough of blood and tears! Enough!"

So said Yitzhak Rabin, the prime minister of Israel, when he met Yasser Arafat, the chairman of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, in Washington, D.C., last month.

The two old enemies signed an agreement in which the PLO recognized Israel's right to exist, and Israel agreed on Palestinian self-government in Israeli-occupied Gaza and the West Bank. This agreement may pave the way for peace between Arabs and Jews after 45 years of war.

What will happen between Arabs and Jews?

If we move from the White House, where the two leaders signed the peace accord for the occupied territories, most Palestinians and Arabs disagree with the peace agreement with Israel.

Many Palestinian parties other than the PLO deny the presence of Israel on their territories even though the state of Israel is internationally recognized.

This reveals the serious problem Palestinians will face once peace is settled.

The end of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict will lead to a civil war among Palestinians themselves. The peace accord is a start of a new life of violence inside the Palestinian territories.

The radical Islamic group Hamas claimed responsibility for the death of three Israeli soldiers who were killed the day before the agreement was signed.

Also, a protest in Beirut ended with the deaths of seven people.

This continued violence shows that Arabs don't see the agreement as a prelude to peace.

Many Arabs believe that Arafat represents only the PLO, and not all the Palestinians. Many Arab and Islamic organizations are against Arafat, and are evoking a real threat for the peace accord.

The peace between Israel and

Palestine is not a victory for Palestinians because they didn't regain all of their land. Even if they have their own government, it will be under Israeli control. "Israel will allow the Palestinians to run their own affairs under continuing Israeli authority," Rabin said.

From the great terrorist to the great peacemaker, Arafat has been a card in the hand of the United States and Israel.

The peace agreement is a trade between the Israeli government and the PLO. This deal is a game in which both opponents, Israel and Arafat, win.

The real loser is the Palestinian people, who struggled for more than 45 years, who were abused and expelled from their homes and who suffered death and cruelty.

This game ends the harmful Israeli-Arab conflict by a mutual recognition from both sides.

However, this "peaceful" end comes after the "peaceful" end of people who fought to liberate their occupied territories.

The 45 years of hate witnessed many wars between Arabs and Israel. These many violent acts show the deep conflict between Arabs and Israelis that can't be solved in a simple agreement, especially when it doesn't represent all Arabs.

Now, with this new agreement, a strong Israeli state will exist on an Arab land.

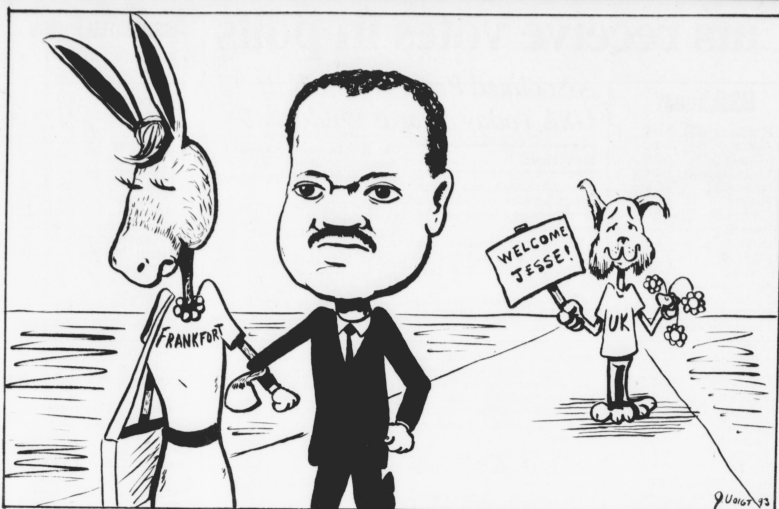
Arafat said, "Our Arab nation at this historic point needs to transcend the past with all its pains and hardships, and face the future more strong and united to deal strongly with the new world order."

What he is saying is all Arabic countries have to sign a deal and forget about the innocent lives and the land they lost.

This is why we can't say that Israel gave up Gaza to Arafat, but that Arafat gave up the rest of Palestine.

Signing a peace agreement with Israel will never compensate the long struggle of the Arabs to get back their occupied territories.

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Cheering contest could solve all problems

Last Friday night, I got the distinct pleasure of attending Wildcat Roar, the big Homecoming pep rally.

It took place in Memorial Coliseum at 7:30 in the evening after a huge, well ... enthusiastic parade laden with crumpling but festive floats.

The floats were a real treat. Nothing like seeing cloggers getting dragged down the street on a flatbed.

Wildcat Roar itself was wild. More than 3,400 screaming people all ready to profess their school spirit for the greater glory of the University of Kentucky football team. And for the "Yell Like Hell" competition.

If you're not familiar with Yell Like Hell, you're just not up on UK. Any student organization can make up a cheer and lead it in front of the crowd and four celebrity judges, who decide who "yelled like hell" the most.

It turns out that the majority of groups are social fraternities and sororities, but I really was impressed to see the Student Athletics Council there in full force.

Some of the cheers were good. Some were not. None of them were distinguishable, but most were loud. Phi Kappa Tau social fraternity even had men dressed as

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division, the political division and the war-lord division. The latter would include Somalia and Los Angeles.

First up would have to be the Muslims and the Christians. That's been one of the most pressing debates of all time (since about 30 A.D., anyway), and it would be good to just get it over with.

Whoever wins the contest gets to pick: God or Allah.

Next up, maybe all the ex-

The United States would have a division all to itself. All the conflicts here are true and apparent, so I won't list them all. I would say that England wouldn't have to show up, but I think Ireland would insist.

There would have to be a few differences between UK's Yell Like Hell and the World Yell Like Hell.

There couldn't be any alcohol at the World Yell Like Hell. I know UK will deny that anyone at Wildcat Roar had been drinking, but it was a little obvious. I think I might have enjoyed it more if I had been intoxicated, but we can't all get our way.

And everyone at the World Yell Like Hell has to do something different. All the cheers at Wildcat Roar sounded like they were written the night before and practiced at a mandatory meeting.

We'll give the participants in the World Yell Like Hell a little more time to prepare.

I'm excited. I sure hope someone from the United Nations reads this.

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Then everybody who has a problem with someone else could make up a cheer to be judged by celebrity judges like Wayne Newton, Bob Hope, Marie Osmond and Jane Fonda Turner.

in Geneva because Geneva always has to be Mr. Neutral in these kinds of matters. They could rent a big arena — or build one if Geneva isn't equipped for a function of that size.

Then everybody who has a problem with someone else could make up a cheer to be judged by celebrity judges like Wayne Newton, Bob Hope, Marie Osmond and Jane Fonda Turner.

There probably would have to be divisions, such as the religious

Soviet states could have their contest. Winner gets to pick the form of government and the leader. All the others have to go along with it.

It would eliminate this annoying business of having CNN running stories on a Russian revolution every 30 days or so.

All the other gripes would follow in order of the magnitude of the gripe and how violent the groups might get.

I wouldn't put Iran far down on the list. Or Israel, for that matter.

Critical reading fosters better understanding

I heard a story once that in China, when people read the newspaper, they don't so much look at what it says as what it doesn't say. They have to.

You see, in China the news is heavily censored by the government and, to squeeze any objective truth out of propaganda, the people must read between the lines.

In America, we are lucky. Freedom of the press is one of the liberties we hold most dear.

We are the beneficiaries of an unbiased news media that objectively reports the news to us in nothing but a democratic fashion.

The fact that there is an increased reliance on sensationalistic stories to boost ratings shouldn't be criticized because the media is merely responding to the public's demands. If the lines between substantive news and infotainment seem a bit blurry, who really cares anyway?

And, even though the press occasionally oversteps its bounds, causing people to get pert, that's OK because reporters are in there fighting tooth and nail for democracy.

After all, the public has a right to know.

At least this is what the mainstream press would have us believe — that an unbiased news media exists. Journalists are impartially and objectively reporting the facts when they write a story.

Am I the only one who thinks this view is a bit naive?

For example, Monday's edition of the Lexington Herald-Leader ran a story titled "Women outpacing men in rise in crime" that I would argue definitely was biased.

The story cited some statistics that show a rise in the number of women committing violent crimes and being sent to federal prison. It

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then goes on to give the reasons this rise is occurring.

It seems that the No. 1 reason that women are committing more violent crimes is feminism. This comes as no surprise to me.

After all, feminism has been blamed for everything from unemployment to delinquent youth. Why not also blame it for women turning to crime?

The article quotes a woman judge as saying, "I'm afraid to say this, but equal opportunity for women has led to equal opportunities in every field, including crime."

(I wasn't aware that crime was

factor.

Although it may not be obvious to everyone, it seems that when a journalist writes a story, it is full of value judgements. Every choice that is made in reporting a story — from subject matter and sources to the story's placement in the paper — is based on judgement.

The sources in the article above were chosen on the basis of what the author wanted to say about the reasons for increased instance of women as criminals.

He merely solicited sources with which to back himself. This is not objective.

If I were writing the same story and I found a scientist who thought that the increase in women-as-criminals was due to wom-

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considered a career field now, but that's not the point.)

The point is, this claim has no factual basis. It is one woman's opinion. Although her being a judge does give her view considerable legitimacy, it does not elevate her opinions to facts.

If the author had wanted to prove an alternate reason for the rise in woman criminals, he would merely have needed to solicit another "expert" to back himself up.

One alternative reason that readily comes to mind is that maybe the increase in crime is directly proportional to the rise of single mothers who aren't receiving child-support or are unemployed. The article doesn't mention this

man's excessive exposure to radiation from microwave ovens, would people accept this?

This ridiculous example only serves to illustrate my point: Too often in the mainstream media we take the word of so-called "experts" as fact when it is nothing more than the educated hypothesis.

Although the "experts" used may be credible ones, are we to believe they have a corner on their subject of expertise?

When only one viewpoint is presented, shouldn't we naturally be suspicious?

There isn't necessarily anything wrong with how journalists report the news in these cases. They aren't (usually) lying. And, ex-

perts are entitled to their opinions.

In fact, opinions of experts are arguably more informed than those of the general populace.

The problem lies with the reader. Someone can write whatever he pleases, but do we have to accept it at face value?

Take the National Enquirer, for example. No sensible person believes the stories about the face of Satan being seen through smoke.

But maybe we should, since "experts" were on hand to affirm that it occurred.

Just because something purports objectivity is no reason not to view it critically. Even if it's not possible to change the way reporters frame the news or rely on "experts," it is possible to change the way we read the news.

Which brings me back to the Chinese. They read the news to discover truth from what is missing.

They must question everything, probing for absent details to fill in the gaps of reality between what the government wants them to believe and what they know to be true.

Perhaps we could learn a lot from their approach. By making ourselves aware of existing biases in reporting, we could begin to read more critically.

Reading more critically eventually could foster a better understanding of the world by not treating the news as an end in itself, but as an incomplete means to understanding a much more complicated whole.

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Bottle

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thorough searches at the gate," he said. "We are very serious about controlling this problem. Students should be advised that they will have to wait longer to get inside the stadium."

Security inside the stadium also will be beefed up.

"Both the upper and lower levels will have more police stationed in them," Newton said. "We will make arrests when we deem it necessary."

Stiles said arrests have been made at other games this season.

Newton said he is not willing to compromise on the issue of security

at Wildcat home games.

"We have a really serious problem," he said. "We're asking for the students' help. I want people to know that we're assuming our responsibility."

"We're going to take whatever measures we need to take to insure nothing like this happens again. We can't do it without the help of the students."

Newton emphasized that there weren't many students causing the trouble — just a handful.

"Come out and enjoy the game," he said. "That's what it's there for. It can not be enjoyable to watch a game when you are fearful of something hitting you in the head."

Meetings

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right path?" Hemenway said. "How do we press forward in a constrained budget environment?"

The next three meetings will be held today. At 8 a.m., Hemenway will address North Campus Auxiliary Services in the Old Student Center Theater.

At noon, he will meet with College of Engineering faculty in the Robotics Building. And at 4 p.m., the chancellor will speak with College of Arts and Sciences faculty.

Drive

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music, door prizes, craft tables and bake sales.

The festival "is a lot of fun. We have a lot of people who attend," said Dawn Wickline, co-chairwoman of the Fall Festival Committee and coordinator for campaign volunteers.

Proceeds from the overall campaign and special events will go to United Way, but proceeds from the medical center festival will go specifically to UK Hospital's Human Needs Fund, a United Way fund set up to provide one-time emergency assistance to some UK patients.

The third special event is Sports

Spectacular, an activity co-sponsored by the student campaign for United Way and the Student Government Association.

Sports Spectacular, which is scheduled for 10 a.m. Oct. 16 at the Seaton Center, will include basketball games, a slam dunk contest and other sporting activities.

Pope described this year's fundraising goal as "conservative but more realistic" than the one established last year, when UK failed to meet its goal.

Pope said UK missed the mark last year because of a scandal involving United Way's national office. Some members of the office were criticized for spending money extravagantly.

Pope said those people were fired

and the staff of United Way has been reorganized.

UK also failed to meet last year's goal, Pope said, because the campaign coincided with an effort to raise money for the UK Library System.

"People felt like they couldn't take another deduction," Pope said.

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